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ROSS KENNER IS HEARD FROM

TELLS INTERESTING THINGS ABOUT ARMY LIFE IN SUNNY FRANCE

Somewhere in France, Dec. 10, 1917.

Dear Mother:
I have just gotten through reading a letter from you and Ruth. I was out all night, had a nice time watching those big guns flash. One of the boys has just come in and told me there was some mail coming and I hope to get a letter from you. You don't know how proud I am to get a letter.

This is a cold day, it looks like it might snow. We have just had one light snow and lots of rain. This is the muddiest country I ever saw. No wonder they have such pretty gardens. Mama, this country will be like West Texas was fifteen or twenty years ago. It will be just like setting up a new country, in fact, it was needed some new buildings. The most of the small towns have very poor buildings. Most of them are patched up with mud, but then it is a home for the poor French people, especially those who are left without homes. I don't think it will be long before they can move back where their homes were, for every move that is made the Germans are driven back.

Mama, this is the greatest time in my life. I see things every day that is a great education to me. When I get back home it will take me a week to tell you half of what I have seen. I can't write you much because they won't let me. I am feeling fine and as fat as a pig. This life sure suits me at present, of course I get homesick once in awhile, but I get over that.

You asked me, or rather you said, you didn't know what I was permitted to have. The boys get everything you could think of. There are times we can wear anything and we can eat anything we can get our hands on at all times.

You know I don't think I ever told you about my trip over the sea. Well, I can't tell you all about it, but I will tell you what I can. The ship we came on was a big one and it sure did ride easy. I guess that is the reason I never got sea sick. It was an English boat and they didn't feed us boys very good, in fact, in about three days after we left New York I couldn't eat anything they gave us. They would serve the fish and never clean them and everything was cooked by steam, and it smelled awful. About five days out of New York a storm struck us which lasted about two days. The old boat rocked about quite a bit. It was great sport to me for I never saw anything like it before. The wharves looked like mountains all covered with snow. It was a beautiful sight to watch the other boats rock about. They were smaller than the one I was on. I wasn't a bit uneasy for we were well protected all the time, in fact, we never saw anything to be afraid of, but we got awful tired, we were out so long. Maybe you think we weren't a proud bunch the morning we woke up in the harbor of England. Listen, I have seen no place that can equal England for beauty. I saw quite a good deal of her and every foot I saw looked like Paradise. I don't blame her people for being foolish about her. France is a pretty country but she is torn up so badly you can't tell much about her.

Well, I will wait till the mail comes to finish your letter as I may get some letters. I guess this letter will scare you about to death for it is so long.

I never got any mail but didn't expect any so am not disappointed much. It hasn't snowed yet but went to raining instead. Mama, I wish you would send me some "Ever Ready" or "Gem" razor blades, if you can find them. I haven't a one left and can't buy them here. Well, I will quit this for I know you are almost given out trying to read it. With lots of love to all, I am as ever, your boy.

ROSS KENNER.

Somewhere in France, Dec. 15, 1917.

Dear Mother:
I have just read another letter from you and surely am glad to hear so often. I hope you get my letters regularly. I am writing you every chance I get. Receiving letters is one way to pass away the time.

Mama, I have heard from different parties who have gotten my address out of the paper, so you see my correspondence has increased some and I am surely glad of it.

This is a beautiful Sunday morning and everything is as quiet as a graveyard around here. I wish I could walk

A SEED BREEDING FARM

A seed breeding farm in Foard county, in my opinion, would not only be a valuable asset to the county but would be a highly profitable industry to any man who knows the value of good seeds and has an interest in their propagation.

It is an established fact that seeds shipped from a distance where soil and climatic conditions are entirely different from ours—no matter how well bred they may be—will not do as well as acclimated seeds.

The average man does not have the time necessary to select and improve his seeds at the time it must be done and figures that he can afford to pay an experienced man for good seed, which is true provided the seed can be obtained in his territory, but what few seed breeding farms there are in this section of the State cannot begin to supply the demand and he has the choice of planting from his own unimproved seed or worse, sending up north for them.

S. Bryson Ayres in an address in Kansas City, several weeks ago made this statement: "The United States is destined to become the seed producing country of the world. Since the outbreak of the war South America and England are looking to the U. S. for their seed supply."

A knowledge of cross-pollination of plants together with careful cultivation of the growing crop is all that is necessary to enable any man to grow better seeds.

I don't believe any line of business in the country will pay a better dividend than an established seed breeding farm that will improve the crops that are adapted to this climate, such as wheat, cotton, grain sorghums, cow-peas, sweet potatoes and peanuts.

Besides being profitable for the owner, it would increase the crop yields over the entire county and tend to keep Foard county money at home.—W. C. ORR.

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE RED CROSS?

While our county has responded very well to the call for membership there are others that should enlist in this noble, and at this time, very necessary organization. Some have said, is not the government able to take care of those whom it has called?

The American Red Cross is a national organization, and at the present time under the direction of the war council; the government is not so organized at the present time as to be able to meet the demands now being met by the Red Cross.

The Red Cross has been years in reaching its present efficiency, and is the best channel through which every loyal American can at once lend a personal hand in lightening the burden of war and at the same time give relief to the suffering. Through the co-operation of men, women and children in this noble work there comes a divine inspiration not to themselves alone, but to the millions of our allies in the war zone, and to those who are directing in the councils of the nation. Never before in the history of the world has the need for help by suffering humanity embraced so wide a field. The Red Cross will have need for contributions, large or small, from all.

Should the fearful conflict that has so disturbed the peace of nations end in a short time there will remain a gigantic task for the Red Cross. Your money and your influence will be needed. If not already a member of this great organization you should lend a hand.—H. M. FERRIN.

J. A. HUTCHISON DEAD

To a number of the people of this county it will be an item of interest to learn of the death of J. A. Hutchison, which occurred at his home at Eldorado, Okla., the first of the week.

Grandpa Hutchison, as he was familiarly known, was 86 years of age and had been a sufferer from cancer for several years. His health had been bad for several years, and for some months his death, it seems, was not unexpected. Many of the people of Crowell were acquainted with him.

He is survived by his wife and six children, the names and location of the children being as follows: J. R. Hutchison, Chino, Cal.; Mrs. Blain Henderson, Eldorado, Ok.; Mrs. Robert Humphries, Amarillo; C. A. and A. B. Hutchison of Eldorado, Okla.; and Mrs. W. E. Nichols of Kansas.

C. E. Hutchison of Crowell, a grandson of Grandpa Hutchison, attended the funeral services.

over and spend the day with you.

Well, as I have told you before I don't have any news to write. Answer with a long letter.

As ever, your son.

ROSS.

FOARD CO. GETS DEMONSTRATOR

As a war measure the Government is supplying all the counties with a farm demonstrator for six months time. The Government is paying all the expenses of this work for the specified time in the hope that the move will be fruitful of good to the farming interests of the county, and consequently to the ultimate winning of the war. W. C. Orr of Wilbarger county comes to us this week to take up this work.

Mr. Orr came from Ellis county to Wilbarger about four years ago and since that time has been engaged in farming in that county. He has had training in an agricultural institution and has had actual experience, which make his knowledge of the work more than that of mere theory.

Mr. Orr is a young man, greatly interested in the work which the Government has assigned him, and he is taking it up in the hope that he may be of benefit to the farmers of the county. He is anxious to enlist the co-operation of the farmers generally, and we believe our people are progressive enough to reach out after any help that is available for their interests and the interests of the county.

IN THE INTEREST OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rev. B. F. Bickley, pastor of the Baptist church at Chillicothe, was here Monday in the interest of the campaign for Christian Education in Texas.

Rev. J. H. McCauley, pastor of the Baptist church at Thalia and Rev. A. F. Agee of Margaret, were also here. These pastors met a small portion of the members of the church at this place in a body, after the purpose of the visit was known and some plans were formulated in regard to the work in the county. It was unfortunate that the announcement that they would be here failed to reach the church in time for a good representation of the membership.

Fields of work were assigned, Rev. McCauley having Baker Flat and Foard City, while Rev. Agee takes Hale Center, Black School House and Vivian. Other assignments are to be made and other fields to be supplied.

This campaign is the third of its kind in the State. The first resulted in the raising of \$265,000, the second \$280,000 and the third has for its aim not less than \$250,000. It is called the Million Dollar Campaign, and it is hoped that the fourth year will close with the goal having been attained.

J. G. WITHERSPOON ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY JUDGE

We are authorized to say to the voters of Foard county that Hon. J. G. Witherspoon offers himself as a candidate for the office of County Judge, subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.

Mr. Witherspoon needs no introduction from the News. The fact is he introduced the News and put it on its first legs more than 20 years ago. This may not be generally known, but it is true. At that time he with others in this country being impressed with the fact that a newspaper would be an assistant factor in the country's development, established the first paper. Mr. Witherspoon can give a bit of interesting history in this connection. But his engagement in the newspaper business may not have anything to do with fitting him for the office for which he now asks, but it showed the public spirit of the man.

He served in the Texas Legislature from this section for several terms and in the early days had large ranch interests here. He was postmaster here for four years, only recently having resigned.

Mr. Witherspoon has always been closely identified with the best interests of this country and if elected to this office will no doubt make us an efficient official.

RETURNS FROM LOUISIANA

S. C. Auld and family returned the first of the week from a ten-day's visit to their old home in Louisiana. Mr. Auld said they had a fine trip but that they were glad to get back to Foard County. He said it rained some while they were down there and not being used to such a thing it annoyed them very much.

Speaking of financial conditions, Mr. Auld says the farmers got rich down there this year. Negroes made so much money farming that many of them are about ready to retire from active work. He saw some cotton fields which had not even been touched yet, the cotton hanging in great quantities from the heavily laden stalks.

SHIPS CORN FROM FOARD COUNTY

There is no joke about it. Corn has actually been shipped from Foard County, made from the crop of 1917, to south central Texas. Such thing would not likely happen if crop conditions were as desperate as they have been pictured to be. We've had a drouth, there is no attempt to deceive any one about that, but when one can send a little help abroad it means that we are not as bad off as some of our friends. The fact is that we have right here in Foard county a never-failing granary and it has always had its store of sustaining grain when other portions of the county and the State have failed.

Here is the proof of the statements just made: S. J. Reeves has shipped to his father, J. M. Reeves, in Taylor county, 25 bushels of home-grown corn to be used in the making of bread. Mr. Reeves did not make an enormous crop of corn, but he did make some four or five hundred bushels on his place 3½ miles east of Thalia.

W. W. COLE ANNOUNCES FOR REPRESENTATIVE

The News is authorized to announce the candidacy of W. W. Cole of Big Valley, Hardeman county, for the office of Representative of the 103rd district. Personally we are not acquainted with Mr. Cole, but he has the reputation of being a suitable man for the office. In view of the fact above stated we are reproducing what the Chillicothe News has to say about Mr. Cole. It follows:

Complying with repeated solicitation of friends in Hardeman and Foard counties W. W. Cole of Big Valley has decided to make the race for Representative from this, the 103rd district and authorizes the News to announce his candidacy subject to the action of the Democratic primary election in July. The district is composed of Hardeman and Foard counties and has been well and ably represented in the Legislature the past four years by Hon. Steve Bell of Crowell. Mr. Bell, it is said, is an aspirant for higher honors politically and no doubt will enter the race for the State Senate. In any event, he will not be a candidate to succeed himself in the Lower House. The field is open to a new man.

The News is glad to be able to present to the voters of the district the name of a man whose native ability and high character as a citizen make him a most desirable man for a position of such importance and responsibility. Mr. Cole has had no legislative experience, but this is nothing to his discredit. He is a man of splendid intellect, familiar with public questions with which the legislative body has to deal, is acquainted with the various needs of his district and is capable of taking hold of the work like a trained hand. A successful farmer and good business man, he is the kind of legislative timber for which there has been a public clamor a long time. He is a man of strong convictions, but is not a fanatic on anything. On all public questions or issues he is outspoken. It is never necessary to ask where he stands. He stands four-square for prohibition and all other moral questions and has no compromise to make with evil of any kind. Mr. Cole is a plain man of the people—a safe, sound, modest and unpretentious citizen—and we believe would make a most worthy successor in the Legislature to the present incumbent. In his hands the interests of the district would be carefully guarded, and we take pleasure in commending him as a man worthy of the honor he seeks.

L. D. CAMPBELL—RE-ELECTION

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, L. D. Campbell offers himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector. Mr. Campbell has held the office several terms and has never given the public any cause to become dissatisfied with his services. He has been a most faithful and efficient servant of the people, and that is saying just about all that can be said of any public official. Upon the grounds of a faithful discharge of duty, Mr. Campbell comes to you at this time and asks your support, and we heartily commend him to you, although this is unnecessary, since his record is well known. Mr. Campbell will continue to merit your confidence and support, no doubt, if it is your pleasure to re-elect him.

Barney Campbell writes us from Tulsa, Okla., where he has located, saying they like fine and want the News sent to their address.

MADE GOOD AT LAST

Sometimes an apparent calamity may be overshadowed by unexpected success immediately following. This is our own philosophy and is borne out by personal observation, which is the case now in mind, was that of a Foard county farmer, by name A. H. Martin.

Mr. Martin is a farmer in the eastern part of the county and last year made a splendid crop of cotton. He had out some fifteen or twenty bales and happened to the misfortune of getting 10 bales destroyed in a fire at the cotton yard here, and he had no insurance on the cotton. It really looked mighty bad, and it was bad, to suffer such a complete loss. But Mr. Martin did not have all his cotton gathered. Bearing the calamity bravely he went back home and continued to gather what seemed to be the remnant of his crop. It was not the remnant, however, for when he finished the season's picking he had as a reward for his year's work 30 bales of high priced cotton, not counting the 10 bales destroyed.

Mr. Martin made good money in spite of this misfortune and invested his money in a two-hundred acre farm in the Rayland community, that known as the J. E. Greenhouse place.

G. A. MITCHELL ANNOUNCES FOR TAX ASSESSOR

After having served Foard County as Tax Assessor for two terms G. A. Mitchell comes forward again for re-election and asks your support on his past record. The fact that he has held the office for four years in succession is a strong attestation of the fact that he has had the endorsement of the voters of the county. He comes now with no blot upon his record and offers his services in the same faithful and impartial manner in which they have been characterized heretofore. One thing a County Assessor ought to know is the valuation of property. Mr. Mitchell knows this perhaps better today than any other man in the county, so that by reason of that fact he is better fitted for the office than the average man. Going further along this line, it might be well to say that we have never had a time when correct valuations should have been a matter of greater consideration than at present.

Mr. Mitchell can be relied upon to continue his impartial and faithful services as County Assessor should it be the pleasure of the voters of the county to re-elect him.

TO THE PEOPLE OF FOARD CO.

January 30, 1918.
I have today received official notice of my appointment as Federal Food Administrator for this county. From the partial instructions I have read, I see that its job is:

- To promote the production of food.
- To stabilize the prices of food.
- To control the distribution of food.

In this work I earnestly ask the unselfish and patriotic assistance of every citizen of the county.

Respectfully,
J. W. BEVERLY.

Mr. Beverly, as he says in the statement above, is anxious to enlist the co-operation of everybody in this county. If there is no other way in which the people of the county can help win the war, there is now a way, and that is by co-operating with Mr. Beverly in this work. It may be a small bit, but the war will be won by each one's doing his small bit.

This is a very important thing and it is hoped that there will not be found a slacker in the county when it comes to assisting along this line. Let us, one and all, fall in line with whatever work may be assigned at our hands and take pleasure in doing what is required of us.

JOHN C. ROBERTS ANNOUNCES

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of John C. Roberts for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk of Foard County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Roberts is serving his first term and has made us one of the best clerks we ever had. He is young, a good business man and is honest and faithful in the discharge of his duties, and the office would search a long time before finding a better man. Mr. Roberts merits the support of the voters of the county, which he will no doubt get in the coming election, for he is well liked by everybody. You may rest assured that if he is elected the interests of the public will be well guarded.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

There will be preaching at the Baptist church Sunday morning by Rev. Keller of Aspermont. Bro. Keller has been invited to come and has consented to do so. He is highly recommended as a good preacher and all who can attend next Sunday should do so.

ORGANIZING FOR SALE OF STAMPS

PLAN IS TO ENLIST PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE COUNTY

The Thrift Committee for Foard county met at the court house Tuesday and discussed plans whereby the interest in the sale of Thrift Stamps in this county might be aroused, and then after discussing various plans and methods it was finally decided that the most efficient work could be done through the schools of the county.

The plan has not as yet been worked out in all of its details, but it was the unanimous sentiment of the Committee that that plan be inaugurated, and in the main it was decided somewhat on the following order:

The President of the committee will take the matter up with the teachers of the various schools at an early date, within the next few days, appoint the teachers as the Captains of their individual schools to marshal his or her forces in the matter of selling War Savings Stamps. In each school there will be one boy and one girl appointed somewhere in age, not over 16 years, to sell these stamps for that individual school. They may sell them, we are to understand, to whomsoever they can, but the school will get the credit for the work. It will be a competitive proposition between this boy and girl to be appointed by the teacher for their individual school. This is to be done in every school district in the county, and the whole plan is to be one of competition for the final honors to be awarded.

It should be understood that this plan will be worked out in all of its details so as to give no school in the county any advantage over another one. It will likely be put on a pro rata basis. The campaign thus launched for the county is to cover a period of 60 days, which will carry it into the first part of April. At the close it is planned to have a big rally day, the biggest of all, when the final efforts are to be made and the honors won. That day will be definitely decided upon and announced later.

The News is merely making general mention of this matter in the hope that our people may become awakened on the proposition, in so far as such mention might awaken it. The President of the Committee, as is stated above, will take the matter up with the various schools within a few days and outline the plan so that a definite idea may be had by them before the time set for the launching of the campaign. That is to be done in order that no school may charge that another one has had the advantage in having been in possession of the outlined plan earlier than another. Everything will be done to make it a fair thing for every school.

In the meantime there will be the completest and fullest publicity given this that is possible. A publicity committee will have this matter in charge and it will be expected that when the Foard County News makes its weekly visits to your home it will contain full and complete information as to the standing of each school in the county for that week. We should not go so far as to say that we could publish each buyer and the amount of the purchases, for that would be a big job each week, provided everybody in the county enters actively into the campaign, and every man, woman, boy and girl in the county ought to be enlisted.

We believe they will be. We can feel the tingle of something in our blood that says that Foard County is going to have a hand in the fight for the principles that are as dear to us as life itself. And we shall be disappointed if through this competitive plan, the schools of the county do not make a good showing. We are going to see where patriotism is pent up in the county. It is hoped that there is not a nook or corner of the county in which a slacker will be found. If there is one his name ought to be published to the world. We are saying this in advance of the campaign, but we are going to let it stand just like it is said. He ought to be published to the world as an unpatriotic man.

READERS OF THE NEWS

New ones: Rev. A. F. Agee, W. C. Orr, John Sims, A. H. Martin, H. Speck, Spurr, Texas, by J. M. Speck; E. J. Everett, Mrs. Mattie Ramsey, Spurr, Texas, by M. E. Moore; J. B. Andrews, Vernon.

Renewals: S. J. Reeves, S. R. Wilson, Ben F. Hinds, Otto Schroeder, Mrs. N. J. Beazley, A. T. Beazley, J. E. Shannon, A. T. Phillips, Quanah; Mrs. J. B. R. Fox, L. P. Jones and W. B. Matthews.

It's About Time

You were thinking about

Clothes for Spring

Let us take your measure for a suit now and deliver the finished article any time to suit you. In this way you are sure to get what you want when you want it.

Hinds & Magee

The Store Behind the First State Bank

Born to Ike Everson and wife, Thursday night, baby girl.

Miss Mina Walling spent Friday and Saturday with friends in Crowell.

H. Young and sons, Willie and Roy, and Odie Richey were in Crowell Friday.

F. D. Hendrix and wife from Quanah were looking after interest here Friday.

Miss Mildred Bush spent from Saturday until Monday with friends in Crowell.

Egbert Fish, wife and Oscar Fish and wife, were visiting relatives in Crowell Friday.

Mrs. Flemming and children from Henderson county have moved into our community.

A. L. Walling, Lem Davidson, C. T. Biggs and G. J. Benham were in Crowell Saturday.

Fred Haught from Hollis, Okla., visited J. M. Marr and family the latter part of last week.

Sam Eahart from Babey and A. G. McAdams from Dallas were at Mr. McAdams ranch last week.

A Reader.

Thalia Items

This country was visited by a light snow last Sunday.

Will Johnson is building a new addition to his house.

Miss Fannie Wisdom was on the sick list last week.

RFloyd Rector made a trip to Dallas one day last week.

Born to Mr. John Williamson and wife last week a boy.

There is quite a lot of pneumonia and la grippe in this community at present.

Albert Jones returned to Camp Bowie last week after a short visit with his parents here.

Miss Knoxie Burress has returned from Terrell, Texas, where she has been visiting relatives.

Bert and Tom Abston accompanied their sister, Mrs. Arthur Phillips and children to their home near Quanah last Friday.

Fred Rennels and wife of Rayland were here last week during the illness and death of the latter's cousin, Clarence French.

Beaty Andrews and wife moved to Vernon Monday where Mr. Andrews will take the position as bookkeeper in a bank there.

Mr. Hudgins happened to the misfortune of getting one of his eyes put out last week with a stick of wood and is now in the sanitarium at Wichita Falls.

Correspondent.

COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION
The Advertised Trade-Mark Guarantees Quality

Have you ever stopped to consider the real significance TO YOU of the trade-mark or brand name on the package or label of the article you buy at the store?

Have you ever stopped to think that the presence of an advertised trade-mark on a can of pork and beans, for example, is a guarantee that these beans are of good quality? That is, if the article so identified proves unsatisfactory, you are enabled by the trade-mark to avoid it a second time.

Manifestly, a manufacturer could not afford to put a brand name or trade-mark on an unsatisfactory product. People would not buy it a second time and he would run himself out of business almost immediately.

A manufacturer backs a branded product by his reputation. Therefore, he cannot afford to stake his reputation on any product that is not good.

It is only when he puts on the market a satisfactory product, one which people will like and call for a second time, that he can afford to put the mark of identification upon it.

But when he has such a product, he wants people to know that it is his. Every package he sells then helps to build a reputation for him and his goods.

Advertised, trade-marked goods then are most apt to be GOOD GOODS.

The advertised trade-mark is your guarantee of quality.

A Reader.

Vivian News

Tom Johnson has bought Jesse Spencer's farm.

Tom Mandrill is visiting relatives in Snyder, Okla.

Plato Carroll and wife were in Crowell Saturday.

Mart Everson and family have moved to Oklahoma.

J. B. Rasberry and family made a trip to Roswell Saturday.

Melvin Gober from Foard City is working for J. B. Easley.

Seeds Make Good Fuel.

Hundreds of tons of peach and apricot seeds, which have been thrown away every season heretofore by the canning factories in the great fruit districts of California, are now sold as fuel and bring \$2.50 a ton retail. Formerly the seeds were considered too hard for fuel, but recently it was found that when heated in a stove burning hard coal they soon pop open and ignite, after which they burn with an intense glow like that of anthracite, and are practically smokeless, besides holding a fire well.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.



Cash After Feb. 1

Please remember that from now on garage work will be strictly cash. This is necessary for the best interests of all. All work will promptly done and guaranteed.

Burks & Swaim Garage

We are pleased to meet you at the
Crowell Barber Shop

First Door South of Postoffice

Bruce & Wallace, Proprietors

Hot and Cold Baths First Class Shines

The City Shaving Parlor

An
UP-TO DATE SHOP

in Every Particular

C. T. SCHLAGAL, Proprietor

WHEN YALE COLLEGE MOVED

Village of Saybrook, Where It Was First Located, Bitterly Fought for Its Retention.

During our walk we came upon a boulder in the middle of a field inland with a bronze plate which told us that there was the original site of Yale college. Saybrook did not see the college go to New Haven without a struggle, and one of its incidents is pleasant to recall—the famous battle of the college books. In December, 1718, the trustees already migrated to New Haven, desired to remove the college library, which had been left behind in Saybrook. But Saybrook refused to give it up, and so stubbornly that the governor and council had to come down from Hartford and set the sheriff and his assistants to work. These, however, found the house in which the books were kept barred and guarded by "resolute men," and even after the sheriff had broken in and placed a guard over the books the book-lovers of Saybrook did not yet give in. On the morning it was found that the carts that were to transport the books had been disabled, and when others were procured and a start finally made, it was found that even the bridges along the road had been destroyed in advance of them! When before or since has a village shown such a furious passion for learning!—Richard Le Gallienne in Harper's Magazine.

UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU DEATHLY SICK

Stop using dangerous drug before it salivates you! Its horrible!

You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels.

Here's my guarantee! Ask your your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone tonight and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick I want you to go back to the store and get your money.

Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of armless, vegetable Dodson's Liver Tone tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate, so let them eat anything afterwards. 11

Tresspass Notice

No hunting, trapping or putting out poison is allowed in my pasture. Trespassers will be prosecuted.—Furd Hessel.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.

Margaret Musings
There was a musicale at the residence of Dr. Cherry Saturday night.

The gasoline reservoir at the garage froze and busted during the blizzard.

Elmer Smallwood who moved away some months since is back shaking hands with old friends.

Buck Priest has moved from our town to Vernon. He has some valuable contracts there and wanted his family with him.

Mrs. W. T. Dunn had a serious attack of la grippe and was threatened with pneumonia but Dr. Cherry reports her improving.

Henry Ross has been under the Dr.'s care for some days, but was able to go to Crowell on Friday to be examined for military service.

We, like our neighbor towns, were threatened with a coal famine and Uncle John Wesley has succeeded in getting four cars of good coal which he is selling at a low price to the people.

The extreme cold weather has frozen our ink and nearly "friz" your correspondent and it was so cold there was nothing doing, and we failed to make any report the past two weeks.

J. W. Spotts has sold his farm on Mule Creek to Mr. Ladd of Vernon. Spotts says he sold his farm, horses and mules, cows, feed, chickens, hogs and farm machinery. So he has nothing left but his wife and children. Mr. Ladd has a supply of family help of his own.

There was a mysterious gathering at the residence of Mr. Stephens on Friday night. Our good wife slipped out and went and returned very late but refused to tell what was doing. Mr. Stephens was absent and cannot find out what was doing. We have learned that Bro. Agee and wife were there and being aware of his patriotism we concluded not to report the matter to the U. S. Marshal.

Mrs. Graham, our efficient mail carrier on Route 1, is hard to beat. When the snow drifts stopped her car she got a horse and wagon and the good

people for twenty miles around got their mail. This shows what a woman can do while her husband is away in the service of his country. Such women should be allowed to vote and hold office. "Let the women do the work."

Kafoozleum.

Ayersville News

Uncle John Lacey is living with Charlie Blevins this year.

Mrs. Grace Wakefield has been visiting her uncle, J. H. Ayers.

Mrs. Greek Davis and son, S. A., have been sick the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Hembree visited the Ayers' family Tuesday.

Alphues McGinnis has been very sick but is better at this writing.

Mr. Hale moved Monday into the new house on the Jim Gafford farm.

Dr. Cherry was down to see Miss Jodie Bradford Sunday. She has la grippe.

E. E. Broadus and family, Miss Birtie Box and Orther Murphey have the measles.

Miss Corrie Minyard spent Saturday night and Sunday with the Misses Warren.

H. M. Minyard has been knitting for the Vernon Red Cross and says he will knit for Foard county now.

A number of the Ayersville people helped in pounding the Baptist preacher at Margaret last Saturday.

Melvin Marlow came in Thursday from Camp Bowie and will spend a few days in the W. F. Marlow home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rector were called to Vernon Thursday of last week to the bedside of Mrs. Baker. They have not returned.

A Reader.

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"OVER THERE"
Composers young and old and middle aged have been searching records and delving into history for a week or more in order to prove to their own satisfaction that Schubert Schumann, Brahms, Tschakowsky and themselves never received as much money as George M. Cohan can demand and get for anything he writes. Yet they wish in their heart of hearts that they could write an "Over There" for \$25,000. Many of them would be willing to descend from their unremunerative Olympian heights and live on the adulation of the unre-

generated public if they could become capitalists by so doing. They seem to overlook the insignificant fact, however, that the composer of "Over There" has a thousand times more rivals than the composer of "Parsifal" had. The composer who believes that it is easy to write a popular success would better try to produce one. It is hard enough to induce a publisher to take a popular song at the minimum risk and pay the composer one cent for each copy sold. Many of the most popular pieces in the world were purchased from the composers

at what proved to be absurdly small prices.

The young composer, Sousa, parted with the manuscript and publishing rights of his "Washington Post" march for the welcome sum of \$25. The youthful Arthur Sullivan wanted the same amount for his "Lost Chord," but the publisher declined the risk. About three years ago the composer of "Keep the Home Fires Burning" was disappointed to find that his regular publisher thought the song unworthy of publication.

But Leo Feist, of New York, was so certain of the selling qualities of George Cohan's "Over There" that he paid the composer \$25,000 down and took his chances on getting his money back. Will he lose?

The retail price of the song probably is to be ten cents, which means that the publisher will sell it wholesale for six cents. Our mathematical skill enables us to see that if Leo Feist sells his projected 2,000,000 copies at six cents a copy he will take in \$120,000.

Not long ago the same Feist took a fancy to Florida's American grand opera, "Paolella," and he published everything printable connected with it, full score, vocal and all. Mozart, Weber, Gluck and such men had to wait until they were dead and famous, enshrined in historical biographies and emblazoned in stone and bronze, before the full scores of their operas were published.

We met a lady several years ago who informed us solemnly that Geo. Cohan is the greatest man in the world. Not knowing for a certainty where Julius Caesar, Shakespeare, Blind Tom, Noah and the Flying Dutchman actually were at the time being, we could not contradict the lady.

However, in our wildest dreams we never imagined a composer was to write a song worth \$164 a note and \$131 per word and that nature intended to give the world a publisher who would hand out \$25,000 for a manuscript that took about half an hour to write.

How contemptible now is the ancient ditty: "Sing a Song of Sixpence" Who on earth or in the two other places would be bothered with a sixpenny song when a \$25,000 song was as easy to get and easier to sing?

Do you wish to write an "Over There"? Here is the receipt: Take a phrase of "Johnny, Get Your Gun," a bugle call, and add a plentiful supply of spirit of George M. Cohan. Probably any other well known tune



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will do instead of "Johnny, Get Your Gun," but the G. M. C. spirit must on no account be omitted. Do not trouble to write your thanks. We accept them in advance.—From the Musical Courier.

Rise of the Office Boy.
The coming of the office boy in England has often been a subject for comment since the outbreak of the war. Slowly but surely he has mounted in importance, taking the place of one clerk after another, until his horizon today is only bounded, and that not at all certainly, by the boss' office. A recent writer relates the following incident, which shows the office boy's progress: Both the principals were out, and the office boy explained this fact to a gentleman who called. Observing with sympathy, however, the gentleman's discomfiture at their absence, he suddenly drew forth his watch and encouragingly added: "But one of the other of 'em's bound to be here in ten minutes, because it'll be my dinner hour."—Christian Science Monitor.

CHANGES WROUGHT BY WAR
Thousands of English Women Compelled to Think of Home in Which Man Has No Part.

War has done strange things to women; it has made of thousands of them home-makers and home-lovers. In the days of peace there was a great restlessness, a craving for club or corporate life, but out of the confusion and disruptions of war has been born a deep longing for quiet things and for the solitude of the home, remarks the London Daily Mail.

Clubs and hotels for women were popular three years ago, especially those which were run on common-sense lines without annoying rules and restrictions. Because so many women must live in London today, and because there is so little room for them, most of these hostels are full. But they are now unpopular. They are regarded as useful stopgaps. In the heart of almost every hostel-dweller, however, there burns a secret desire for a little house of her own, a house that is utterly unconnected with marriage and motherhood.

The dream of wifehood that shone as a star for so many girls before the war has faded away. Happy mating is the remotest of possibilities for hundreds of thousands of woman workers today. Women have given not only their husbands but their lovers to the battlefield, and so it is that the dream-home of tomorrow is one in which the man has no part.

WHO SPUN 'ARABIAN NIGHTS?'
Authorship of Book That Has Enticed Thousands Has Never Been Definitely Ascertained.

The authorship of the "Arabian Nights" is unknown, but it was introduced to the reading world by a French linguist and traveler named Antoine Galland, who was born in 1646 and died in 1715. Starting as a country boy, with a meager education obtained in a provincial town of France, he became famous as an orientalist, archeologist and master of far eastern literature. For several years he was employed in cataloging oriental manuscripts at the Societe des Indes in Paris, and then he traveled in the East, studying its languages and literature and accumulating rare manuscripts. On one of these trips he had the title of "Antiquary to the King" conferred upon him. During his prolonged residences abroad he acquired a thorough knowledge of the Arabic, Turkish and Persian languages, and in 1704 he began the publication of a book entitled in French, "Les Mille et Une Nuits," meaning "The Thousand and One Nights." He did not claim to be the author of the work, but merely the translator and editor. The book was represented as being translated from the Arabic, but no name of an author was given or ever has been. Galland himself may have written the stories in Arabic and then translated them into French, for he was capable of doing it and such literary tricks have been common. In 1709 Galland was appointed to the chair of Arabic in the College of France, and he continued to hold that post until his death, in 1715. His French version of the stories was translated into English.

"KUN'L JEDGE" SETTLED CASE
Probably Not According to Any Statute, But Both the Litigants Departed Well Satisfied.

Senator Ollie James tells of a "kun'l jedge," an undisputed czar in his county in western Kentucky, who disposed of cases that came before him with severity or clemency, according to their merits in his eyes, and without regard to law or precedent.

In one instance, two old negroes went to law about a certain mule, which each accused the other of having stolen. Inasmuch as the case presented many amusing features, the "Kun'l Jedge" enjoyed it the first day as a sort of special performance for his entertainment; but the second day he summarily dismissed court, in order to go with a hunting party.

"Now, see heah, I'm tired of listenin' to all that non-sense. One of the

othah of you stole that mule, and might plain to my mind that last one of you have been up sweatin' to a pack of fresh-diced mules you can keep that mule—you was the last one to git him. One Joe, you go long up to the big house and tell Sor Bob I said to give you that of black mule out of the pasture. Now evah one of you clesh out, and if I evah find out who stole that mule, I'll punish him yet. Cot's dismissed till day aftah tomorrow—no, better make it next Monday. We'll be down the bottom three or four days, won't we, Zeb?"—Case and Comment.

Bring your wheat to us for exchange for flour. You will get the same price for your wheat, and you'll get it in a straight sell or buy. In other pay the same price for your flour as words you will get a square deal.—Bell Grain Co.

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SEAGOVILLE, TEXAS.—"I wish to state to those who may have rheumatism that I am 45 years old and have had rheumatism most all my life. In executing my duties as a peace officer of this state in the winter of 1919, I was exposed to some very bad weather, which brought on a very severe attack, in fact, it was so bad that I could not ride horses and I was compelled to abandon my duties for awhile. I then began a search for a permanent cure, which I did not find until I learned of Doctor Pierce's Anuric Tablets. I began taking about 10 months ago and am now satisfied that I am cured."

"I wish to say in conclusion that I cannot be loud enough in my praise of Dr. Pierce's Anuric."—T. J. [Name obscured]

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TEXAS MINERALS

The Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology of the University of Texas has issued a very interesting bulletin dealing with the various minerals to be found in Texas, the title of which is "Review of the Geology of Texas."

Several minerals are to be found in paying quantities in different portions of the state, it is pointed out. Among them are silver, quicksilver, iron, lead, tin, copper and gold. The output of silver has exceeded that of any other ore, there having been mined since 1882 approximately \$8,000,000 worth of this metal. Most of the silver mined in Texas comes from the Shalter mine, where the metal is found in limestone beds. About \$2,000,000 worth of silver has been obtained also from the Hazel mine, in Culberson County. Other silver prospects are in the mountains of El Paso, Culberson, Presidio, and Brewster counties.

Quicksilver has been discovered in Brewster and Val Verde counties. This metal occurs in the form of cinnabar, which is found mostly in calcite and limestone veins. In nearly all the localities where the ore has been discovered, it seems to have a structural relation to the formations resembling that of oil and gas. The value of the quicksilver that has been mined so far is estimated at \$3,000,000.

Cass, Marion, Morris and Upshur counties in East Texas contain valuable beds of iron ore. The metallic iron content of the ores found in East Texas reach as high as 59 per cent, though tests have shown the ores to average between 30 and 35 per cent. Several years ago shipments of this ore were made to furnaces in Pennsylvania to be mixed with other ores there. According to some estimates, about \$3,000,000 worth of pig iron has been produced in iron furnaces of the East Texas region.

The output of lead, tin, copper, and gold so far has been small, the value of four minerals obtained being less than \$100,000. These ores are found mostly in the region about El Paso county. Copper has been found in limited quantities in Foard, Knox and Stonewall counties, adjoining the panhandle.

Secretary Baker has stated the proof that has quieted skeptical as to his claims of army preparedness. Even Mr. Bryan gives it up. There has been criticism that the Government is too slow and is not making much progress in getting ready for real action in the war, while if the whole immensity of the scale, are properly taken into consideration, our progress has been amazing. There has not been the publicity of all this that would satisfy all people, because it was considered that too much advertisement would be dangerous. It ought to be enough to accept Mr. Baker's statements that half a million American soldiers in France and well equipped promises to be an actual reality within the first few months of this year, and that before its close that number is to be tripled. An army of 500,000 is not large in comparison with Germany's four and a half millions, but it is not an insignificant number. And when one and a half million Americans are added to the Allies Germany will begin to realize that the "American Army" is not captured.

In a certain valley in California there is an occasional sand storm in the winter known as the "Santa Anna." It seems to make its visits principally when the season is dryer than usual. News reaches us that the "Santa Annas" are coming now. To give our readers some idea as to what a "Santa Anna" is, we might say that it is wind—common wind—blows—in motion. It is not understood, but wind in other words, to avoid a harshness towards the wind, "Santa Anna" is wind on duty, for the primary object of the wind is to blow. A "Santa Anna" blows as no other winds blow. A West Texas sandstorm will sometimes blow the loose dirt away, but a "Santa Anna" will blow spuds out of the ground. A sand storm in this country will stop long enough for you to get your breath; when you try to get your breath in a "Santa Anna" it will blow it away. During our last sandstorm we just wondered if those people in California were having "Santa Annas," and if so, how we did wish they'd be here to enjoy the calm. The station is extended to all people to Texas.

Months of thrift will do a man's bank. Don't be a dollar slacker.

Be a thrifty and War-Savings Stamp patriot. Let your dollars march forward. Don't keep them shut up. Are your quarters fighting for Uncle Sam or are they enemy aliens? If one frail woman saved France, can't you save a quarter now and then? Nero fiddled while Rome burned. Are you "fiddling around" or buying Thrift Stamps?

J. K. Crossman, a prominent senior law student in the University of Texas, has been appointed by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas as director of the speaker's bureau for the coming Liberty Loan campaign, which is to be inaugurated about February 15. Mr. Crossman, whose home is at Dallas, recently won the W. E. Pope prize as being the best debater in the University.

At last the candidates are beginning to come out. We are glad to see this for it shows a spirit of patriotism on their part trying to help the office seek the man. When the country calls for public servants there ought to be the hearty response, "Here am I, use me if you will," that would save the country from the ranks of the beggar.

January 30, was one of the coldest days of the winter and doubtless thousands of Texans found their store of patriotism insufficient to lend ample warmth to the body to stay away from the coal pile. Let us suggest that the next "Tag Your Shovel Day," be about July 4th.

Suppose everyone thought his quarter wouldn't help? What are you—credit or debit citizen? A Thrift Stamp tells the tale. A Thrift Card in your pocket beats a dozen flags on your lapel. There are just two classes of Americans—liabilities and assets. What's your class?

Soldiers can't win battles without equipment. Buy a War Savings Certificate and buy your part of a rifle.

When the other folks cash their War Savings Stamps in 1923 how are you going to explain if you haven't one?

Our soldiers and sailors are giving their lives. You are only asked to give a quarter every time you can.

If we don't win this war what good will your money be? Buy War Savings Stamps and protect yourself.

Every cartridge makes a good citizen out of a Hun. A Thrift Stamp buys five bullets.

TRAINING FOR USEFULNESS

It won't be long until these little folk around here are big folk. It won't be long until they are grown-ups—People then will be expecting them to do grown-up jobs.

Are you helping to train them now so they can get away with the job, or will they have to throw their hands up every time they meet a problem? Will they really COUNT for something, or will they just be FIGURED in when the census taker comes along?

People have to learn how to do before they can do. This is the basis of success. Character is built on it. Fortunes are made by it.

See that your children learn how to save. Keep them from forming wasteful habits. Show them how they can be producers—makers of things rather than users and destroyers. Anyone can exhaust; those who can create are valuable units of citizenship.

Start those boys and girls out with a thrift card and tell them how they can fill in the little blank spaces. It's a big thing for a boy or girl to own a Government bond. Invest a quarter in your children. It takes only twenty-five cents to buy a little Government bond and start your children on the road of thrift. Help them to be patriotic. Help them to help their Government. Help them to help themselves. Help them to become creators and producers—valuable citizens.

NOTICE

All farmers and business men who are interested in the matter of securing planting seeds and feed through the State Department of Agriculture are requested to meet at the court house, February 2nd at 3 p. m. to discuss these and other matters of interest. Mr. N. R. Tisdale, County Agent for Wilbarger county will address the meeting.

It is hoped that the meeting will be well attended.
W. C. ORR, County Agent.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements are subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

For Senator 29th District: W. S. BELL.

For Representative 103rd District: W. W. COLE, Chillicothe, Tex.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: L. D. CAMPBELL (re-election)

For County Judge: J. G. WITHERSPOON.

For County and District Clerk: JOHN C. ROBERTS (re-elect)

For Tax Assessor: G. A. MITCHELL (re-election)

THE RAPE OF BELGIUM

I heard a man say a few days since that he "believed the world was getting worse every day; and that if God had ever paid any attention to affairs of men upon earth He would never have allowed the Germans to rape Belgium."

I can sympathize deeply with this man. My mind has been so torn and bewildered in the past three years that I have at times felt that God had abandoned the world to its fate and turned His face away. Only recently has my mind become easy, but from a personal standpoint I can now look the future in the face and feel secure as to the final outcome; because beyond the dark horizon of war clouds I see the silver lining of Peace and good will and personally I know that every sacrifice we may make will be for the best and I am no longer constrained to question the wisdom of the Intelligence that rules the world and the inhabitants thereof.

The rape of Belgium was for the best. It was the only way God knew to arouse the liberty loving peoples of this earth to a sense of what German domination would do for mankind. The allies were a trusting, big hearted people, and they liked and trusted everyone—even the Germans. If they had not have done so they would have been prepared. The allies looked into the faces of their fellow man and saw only goodness there. They measured the people of all nations in "their own half bushel" and found the weight correct, and allowed the other fellow the benefit of the rise in the scales.

Had you asked any citizen of any of the allied countries a week before the German rape of Belgium whether or not he believed the German people capable of such infamy, he would have become indignant. His answer would have been: "I know the German people too well. They are among our best and most industrious citizens and they could never be capable of such crimes as you say they are likely to commit in case of war."

I know this would have been the answer of any allied citizen; because that was my belief and would have been my answer. No one knew the German heart but God, and the Germans themselves. They glimpsed their own hearts and they prepared for war. The world, the liberty loving world, had to be aroused—it had to be aroused quickly. Some awful sacrifice had to be made to awaken the allied nations. That sacrifice was Belgium. The sunlight of Heaven was darkened; His face was hidden in sorrow and grief; His ears were stopped to the anguished cries of this innocent sacrifice; but his knowledge of what German domination would do to his world, and His religion was quickly transmitted to His people of allied countries and though stunned and bewildered and unprepared they began their groping toward the light and made their first faltering steps forward to do His will and save and free the world from the devouring Beast.

There is no longer any doubt, no longer any fear. It may take you, and me, and yours and mine; but the soldiers of the allied nations are warriors for God and humanity, and the man that lays down his life in this war is just as truly a soldier of the cross as ever mortal man has been, or will be. The world is better, getting better all the time. War strewn Europe is the battle ground and once again the hosts of Lucifer are arrayed against the soldiers of God and the right. High up on the battlements of Heaven the allied soldiers who have made the supreme sacrifice stand and cry to their comrades upon earth: "Hurry, hurry, and carry on. We have not died in vain. Justice, Liberty, Truth and Right will prevail; so carry on, carry on!"—Motley County News.

PINKNEY TAYLOR PROMOTED

Pinkney Taylor who has been working in the K. C. M. & O. station here for several years was promoted this week to station agent and left immediately for Girvin where he will be in charge of the station. Pinkney has established himself as a deserving young man and we are glad to see him going up in the business world.

For Sale—A span of good young work mules, 16 and 16½ hands high.—Call Len Johnson at E. J. Smith ranch. 37p

BUSINESS CHANGE

By mutual agreement, on Feb. 1, 1918, J. R. Alle will retire from the firm of Allee-Henry & Co. After that time the business will be conducted by M. S. Henry and R. R. Magee.

The new firm will not take over the notes and accounts of the old firm, and if you know yourself indebted to Allee-Henry & Co., either by note or account, you will please call and pay same, or if impossible to pay, please come in and fix us a satisfactory note, as we want to close up the old books by Feb. 1.

We wish to thank every man, woman and child that has in any way contributed to our success, and the new firm wants to ask you to continue to give us your support, and we, in turn, promise to serve you better, if possible for us to do so, than we have ever done before.

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William Ludwig, a retired merchant and prominent citizen of Port Arthur, Texas, made the following statement recently.

"For six years I had suffered from indigestion and painful disordered kidneys and fell off until I was little more than a skeleton. I had no appetite and what little I did eat felt like a lump of lead in my stomach. I was so bloated up that I could hardly get my breath and I couldn't button my clothes. My kidneys disturbed me so I had to get up most every hour of the night and I could scarcely sleep at all. Maybe I would doze a little just before day and in the mornings I felt awful. I was so weak I had to walk with a stick and I couldn't go up the steps at all. I had a nervous cough, my limbs ached and I hurt all over.

"I bought Tanlac because I was a sick man and it was so highly recommended, and now I'm praising it because it has restored my health. I have gained fifteen pounds in weight, can eat anything I want and sleep as well as I ever could. My cough has disappeared, the gas has stopped forming on my stomach and my kidneys are in good shape. Nothing bothers me now and I have no more use for walking stick. I have taken many different kinds of medicine and have been coming to San Antonio every year for my health but nothing seemed to do me much good until I took Tanlac and I can recommend it because it has done the work."

Tanlac is sold in Crowell by the Owl Drug Store and in Thalia by Long Bros.

GOOD ROADS BOOM RINGLING BUSINESS

Ringling, Okla., Jan. 29.—One of the best testimonials in behalf of good roads was given the other day by F. E. Fagerquist, hardware merchant, who has kept posted on business conditions. "Due to six months of aggressive education and actual work on roads leading into Ringling," said Fagerquist, "the last three months of 1917 brought the merchants of Ringling enough new business over these good roads to more than pay their taxes for the entire year. "And business is increasing by virtue of these roads. We need yet to do a great deal of road work and the merchants of Ringling should get behind every move to that end."

RED CROSS ANNOUNCEMENTS



On Monday evening at a meeting of the Executive Board of the Red Cross the following committees were elected: Finance Committee, W. S. Bell, chairman, C. P. Sandifer and N. J. Roberts.

Membership Committee composed of Executive Board. Publicity Committee, H. L. Kimsey, chairman; Mrs. C. R. Ferguson and Mrs. R. L. Kincaid.

Extension Committee, J. G. Witherspoon, chairman; Mesdames N. J. Roberts, M. O'Connell and M. S. Henry.

Woman's Committee, Mrs. H. Schindler, chairman.

Purchasing Committee, Mrs. S. C. Auld, chairman; Mrs. N. J. Roberts and Mrs. Geo. Allison.

The Executive Board will meet the first Monday night in each month.

The chapter workroom is located on the third floor of the court house in the Confederate Soldiers' room. New Red Cross members are cordially invited to work here. The room will be open from 2 to 5 p. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Mrs. R. L. Kincaid, who has charge of the knitting department, reports that she has forty pairs of socks, that have been knitted since Christmas, ready for shipment. Those desiring to join the band of knitters may obtain yarn from Mrs. Kincaid.

All Red Cross workers are requested to bring aprons, scissors and thimble.

The following women were appointed as captains and hostesses in the

workroom: Tuesday, Mrs. Bain, captain; Mrs. Halsell, hostess; Thursday, Mrs. Geo. Allison, captain; Mrs. L. D. Campbell, hostess. Friday, Mrs. Waldrop, captain; Mrs. S. C. Auld, hostess.

Monthly donations for the Red Cross are earnestly solicited. Our portion of the membership fees will be entirely inadequate for the year's work. One dollar was subscribed in the recent membership campaign by each member and only fifty cents of that is retained by our chapter.

BUSINESS CHANGE

The J. W. Allison Dry Goods firm has changed hands, and becomes the Self Dry Goods Co., B. W. Self remaining at its head. Mr. Allison and R. B. Edwards are opening up a grocery store in the Allison building on the north side of the square. They will have some announcements for our readers next week.

MILL PUTS IN ANOTHER MOTOR

The Bell Mill & Elevator Co., are putting in the second motor for the grinding of corn for bread meal. This will enable them to give their customers a better product than they have ever been able to make by the old methods. This is not saying that their product has not been excellent, but it means that they are ever on the lookout for the best possible, and are not satisfied until it can be said that they lead and others follow.

NEWS WILL USE MOTOR POWER

D. P. Yoder, the light plant man, informed us yesterday that the News had a new motor at the depot and that it would be attached to our machinery early next week. With the gasoline engine we have been doing good work, but the motor will be much better. All unnecessary and annoying noise will be eliminated and the machinery will be operated more smoothly and with less expense.

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and solicit your trade. We sell for SPOT CASH.

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Crowell - - Texas

Way to Succeed

THE MAN WHO IS WILLING TO WORK, without much recreation except what he finds in labor itself, is bound to make money. He may have reverses, or what is termed, "A streak of hard luck." But if he keeps at it he is bound to go ahead. Men of this kind have good size bank balances. We want those who are striving to get there to affiliate with this institution. We want to know them. These are the kind of men whose co-operation we crave. When your personal and business integrity and asset entitle you to credit; when you find the opportunity of legitimate investment attended by profit; when the requirements of your business demand;

THE NECESSARY CAPITAL IS READY.
This bank is anxious to assist its patrons in every way towards their financial advancement.

"Let Our Bank Be Your Bank"

The Bank of Crowell

(UNINCORPORATED)

County Depository. Let Our Bank Be Your Bank. Crowell, Texas

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Overlands—B. W. Self.
Meet me at Ferguson Bros.
Cream, 44c at Rinoggold's.
Rabbits 75 cents per dozen at Ringgold's.
See me for baled straw.—Ben Greening.
S. S. Bell and wife spent Sunday in Wichita Falls.
Albert Magee is here from Dallas for a few days.
Bernice Halsell returned to his work at Burkburnette Monday.
T. L. Hughston and wife were in Clarendon last week end.
Miss Shields, of Blair, Okla., is visiting relatives here this week.
Frank Murchison was here from Vernon last Friday on business.
To Trade—An Overland car for horses or cattle.—J. W. Bell.
We have house lights and shades, prices are right.—Schooley & Cross.

Try Nyals corn remover.—Ferguson Bros.
J. C. Self made a trip to Vernon Tuesday.
Mrs. H. T. Cross spent Sunday in Quanah with relatives.
J. A. Shawver and wife were in Benjamin Tuesday on business.
Red Seal Battery, Rose Pumps and French Flashers at Schooley & Cross.
Miss Alice Woods came in Monday from Rule to visit her sister, Mrs. J. E. Bell.
J. A. Stovall was here Sunday from Quanah visiting his wife and little son, Leland.
When wanting anything in our line, try us and get a square deal.—Schooley & Cross.
Mrs. Chas. Lloyd returned Monday from Fort Worth where she has been visiting relatives.
Mrs. Fannie Thacker spent Tuesday in Benjamin visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Propps.
W. E. Stovall and wife are very proud over the arrival of an 8-pound boy in their home, Willard E. Jr.

W. B. Matthews has returned from Oklahoma.
T. L. Hayes made a trip to Margaret yesterday.
Marvin Whited was here Wednesday from Quanah.
Miss Martha Thomason returned Tuesday from Benjamin.
S. J. Hamilton was here from Benjamin Tuesday on business.
Hay ties! Hay ties! Hay ties! at \$1.75 at J. H. Self & Sons.
C. P. Sandifer made a trip to Midland and Lamesa this week.
J. E. Jackson is in Burkburnette working in the oil industry.
W. F. Kirkpatrick went to Hamlin the first of the week on business.
Tom Parsons and Mrs. Lizzie Copeland left last week for Sapulpa, Ok.
Claude Barry returned last Friday from Dallas to his home in Foard City.
Dr. Hill visited his sister, Mrs. Garland Burns, at Thalia yesterday, who is sick.
Just received a shipment of Queen incubators—the kind to buy.—J. H. Self & Sons.
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Willis of Lavon are at Foard City visiting A. P. Barry and family.
Furd Halsell came in Wednesday from Fort Worth after an absence of a couple of months.
Miss Eva Hallmark leaves Monday for Munday to accept a position with the Haskell Telephone Co.
Private Horrace Carroll returned to Camp Bowie this week after a short visit here with friends.
Gus Patton happened to the painful accident last week of getting his collar bone broken, being kicked by a horse.
Minor Goode was here from Colorado City Tuesday and spent the night with his mother, Mrs. H. M. Goode.
Just received a car load of J. I. Case listers—the lister that saves seed and labor, and increases yield.—J. H. Self & Sons.
Dr. Abernathy was here yesterday from Altus and operated on Mrs. Willis of Foard City. He was accompanied by a trained nurse.
Mrs. J. W. Hassell who lives near the Four Corners school house, has been very low with pneumonia but at this writing is recovering.
Will Irwin and Luther Grizzle were in Quanah Monday.
T. F. Hill and W. B. McCormick were visitors to Haskell Tuesday.
Otto Schroeder was here Monday from Thalia and transacted business with the News.
Private Evans Mitchell left Monday for Camp Bowie after spending 10 days here.
Mrs. G. T. Crowell spent part of the week in Thalia with her daughter, Mrs. Garland Burns.
Father Mosler was here from Rochester and held services at the Catholic church Sunday.
Mrs. Austin Wiggins is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ricks here.
Bro. Crane was here Sunday and filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church.
Wood for Sale—At \$2.00 per average two-horse load.—Call Len Johnson at B. J. Smith ranch.
M. R. Shirley left Monday for Houston where he was called on account of the serious illness of a brother.
Otis Nicholson has accepted a position as clerk at the Sandifer Grocery since the resignation of Warwick Cole.
Warwick Cole has accepted a position at the depot to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Pinkney Taylor.
Rev. A. K. Scott, christian preacher, was here Sunday and preached at the Christian church in the interest of State Missions.
J. E. Fish and son, Allen, were in town Monday from Vivian. Mr. Fish wanted to get a glimpse at his new grandson, John Allen Fish.
Miss Georgia McMillan left Monday morning for her home at Sylvester after visiting her uncle, J. F. McMillan and family for several days.
Misses Cassie and Jeffie Dockins spent from Saturday night till Sunday morning with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dockins, near Clay-tonville school house.
We are now having a Paramount picture program, consisting of six reels, at the Opera House every Friday and Saturday nights. This is a fine program—come.—Bell Bros.

The Best Endorsement

A large number of our Customers who bring their friends to buy shoes as well as other merchandise is a significant endorsement that is worthy of comment. We are winning new customers every day simply by pleasing our old ones.

Honest Shoe Values

Every shoe we sell is carefully fashioned of the best materials. The many little quality features that distinguish the really well made shoes from the ordinary kind will be found throughout our line of men's, women's and children's shoes.

Our Styles and Prices Will Please You

1892

R. B. Edwards Co.

1918

The Oldest and Largest

At Prices That Are Right

We carry a full line of the standard remedies. And our trade is brisk enough to insure a fresh stock at all times.

If you see it advertised in a reputable paper, you will find us always able to supply you.

We aim to keep in stock all the latest discovered remedies and ingredients prescribed by our local doctors. So, no matter what the prescription is, bring it to us.

Our prices are most reasonable because we know how to buy.

The Owl Drug Store

T. P. REEDER, Proprietor

Airship Methods

Your grandfather walked to see his best girl, and probably carried his tight boots in his hand until he reached the house. Your father probably rode horseback. You were no doubt satisfied with a top buggy. But your boy wants a six-cylinder car in which to go courting. And his boy will want an airship. We are moving along all right, in banking as well as in courting. Don't handle your finances in the way your father did. Be modern and keep an account at a good bank like ours.

First State Bank of Crowell

R. R. WALDROP, Active President
R. B. GIBSON, Cashier

M. L. HUGHSTON, A. C.
VERA WALDROP, A. C.



You Want Good Lath

when you build your house—lath that will hold plaster for a lifetime and never warp and crack the wall surface. Only the best lath will "stand up" and give the sort of service required by the careful builder.

We Sell That Kind

Come in and see us before you buy building material. We can show you how to get the greatest value for your money and how to avoid waste. Our advice is honest and free, because we want to make business friends and keep them.

C. T. Herring Lumber Co.

A. C. GAINES
JEWELER AND WATCH REPAIRER
Owl Drug Store CROWELL, TEXAS

DR. H. SCHINDLER
Dentist
Bell Building
Phone No. 8224 Rings

GOOD SHOE COBBLER HERE
W. R. Edwards, whom many of you know, has returned and taken charge of my shoe repairing shop and the shop will be run strictly first-class, satisfaction guaranteed. If you have any work don't fail to take it to him.
—M. O'Connell.

WILL PAY MORE
The Bell Grain Company will pay more for your sacks. We need them.
—Bell Mill & Elevator Co.

W.S.S.
WAR SAVINGS STAMPS
ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

We Must Save to Crush Kaiserism!

Germany fears nothing so much as the weight of America's Dollars. She knows that if this country gives its men in the trenches financial backing America will win. Money stands for equipment—the machinery that wins wars.

Help crush Kaiserism by saving every cent you can and buying THRIFT STAMPS. Lend your nickles, dimes and quarters to Uncle Sam. Help speed the day of victory.

Buying THRIFT STAMPS now may save you from paying life-long tribute to the Hun.

Stamp Out the War With War Savings Stamps!

Where to Get the Stamps: FROM EITHER OF THE LOCAL BANKS OR AT THE POSTOFFICE.

This space paid for by the Crowell business men.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF A FRIEND

Mrs. S. V. Shultz who died at Vernon January 20, was the beloved wife of a former Foard county teacher now teaching at Doans. Her maiden name was Bertha Johnson. She was born at Cleveland, Tennessee, and at the time of her death about twenty-six years old. She was married to Prof. S. V. Shultz December 24, 1912. She leaves, besides her loving husband, their two children, also a daughter of Mr. Shultz by a former wife.

For some time prior to her marriage her home was at the home of her sister, Mrs. T. D. Edwards of Ayersville. She had beside relatives here, many warm friends, all of whom sympathize with the husband and children in this sad bereavement. Wife and I had several times visited in the home of the family and recognized in Mrs. Shultz a devoted wife and loving mother that tried to make her home a little heaven. While brief may be the years, the one who discharges the duties of home faithfully, life has been a success. The life here brings to us the blessing of individuality, and the other we trust opens the way to fuller liberty and to immortality.

While life and death are twin sisters, we know not which is to the individual the greater blessing. If personal immortality be a fact, death is but a passage from one of the mansions of the All Father to another, and we open our eyes in that other sphere the same individuals as when here. If we are immortal, as I firmly believe, then it follows that we are here living a part of that immortal life, and death only liberates us through a purely natural law into a natural spiritual world.

"So live, that when thy summons comes to join The innumerable caravan, that moves To that mysterious realm, where each shall take His chamber in the silent halls of death,

Thou go' not, like the quarry-slave at night, Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave, Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."
H. M. FERRIN.

FOOD DISTURBANCES REPORTED IN SPAIN

Madrid, Jan. 26.—Rumors of disorders in Barcelona are confirmed by reports reaching here, which stated riots demanding cheaper food prices. The Government has suspended constitutional guarantees in the province of Barcelona.

The Cabinet held three meetings yesterday, the last one continuing until after midnight. An official statement given out said the Government was occupied with the coming elections, but the general impression was that the Ministers were concerned with more serious difficulties.

Later it was explained officially that the suspension of constitutional guarantees in Barcelona Province was due to the fact that syndicalists were joining in the agitation in the city and province. The movement is spreading. Several thousand women yesterday abandoned work at Sabadell, an industrial city near Barcelona, in protest against the high prices of necessities.

ADELPHIAN CLUB MEETING

On January 23rd the Adelpian Club met with Mrs. Henry Ferguson at hostess.

The house was called to order by the president. During the report of officers, a letter was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stovall, asking the Club to make a donation for the "Recreation Committee" whose purpose it is to establish through the various Clubs of Texas, wholesome recreation for the soldiers stationed at the various cantonments in this State.

It was moved and carried that the Club pay twenty-five dollars to this cause.

The leader being absent, Mrs. Henry took charge of the lesson, during roll call some interesting events were given by the members on their assigned subjects. Before the regular lesson was taken up Mrs. Stovall gave an interesting paper on Crammer. Many of those present showed that they had put careful study on the lesson and in no "uncertain sound" gave their opinion of Buckingham, Woolsey and Henry VIII.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. McCormick and every member is urged to be present, as the officers for the ensuing club year will be elected.

The Club was glad to have Mrs. John Cope of Quannah as a guest. Mrs. Cope was, prior to her moving to Quannah, one of our most efficient club members.

Before the Adelpians took their departure Mrs. Ferguson served appetizing refreshments.—Press Reporter.

Announcement

By mutual agreement Mr. J. W. Allison has sold his interest in the J. W. Allison Dry Goods Co. and the firm now becomes the Self Dry Goods Co.

In making this announcement will say that the business will be conducted along the same lines as before, inasmuch as we retain the same management and help.

We invite your patronage and shall strive at all times to please you and give you good merchandise at all times and at values consistent with sound business principles.

Self Dry Goods Co.

"GERMANY IS FALLING"

The following song was composed by Jno. P. Tye, Foard City, Texas, to be sung to the tune of "Babylon is Falling."

Hail the day so long expected, Hail the time of fall release, The Allies' walls are now erected And the Germans ask for peace. Through our Allies' wide dominion Hear her cannons loudly roar,

Chorus— Germany is falling, is falling, Is falling, Germany is falling to rise no more.

Sound the marshal on the west front Peace shall come in our good time, Rule the world with loving kindness, All who now our foes combine Germans' new plan we've rejected And will conquer ere it's ore.

Chorus— Germany is falling, is falling, Is falling, Germany is falling to rise no more.

All her armies stand in wonder, What is this that's come to pass, Murmuring like the distant thunder, Crying Oh! Alas! Alas! Smell the sound ye Allies' nobles Priest and people, rich and poor.

Chorus— Germany is falling, is falling, Is falling, Germany is falling to rise no more.

Then the world shall stand on honor And her peoples shall not fall, All the nations have protection From the father of us all, Shout ye nations glad hozannas, The world forever one shall be.

Chorus— Tyranny is fallen, is fallen, is fallen Tyranny is fallen to rise no more.

Free Speech. Lincoln Steffens, the writer, believes in free speech—the right to say anything, any time and anywhere. And he has organized a club to that effect.

A short time ago Mr. Steffens made a speech advocating his theories. At the end he invited those who would join his "Free Speech club." Only one man accepted the invitation.

He said: "I'd like to join your club long enough to tell you what I think about it."

Bring your wheat to us for exchange for flour. You will get the same price for your wheat and will pay the same price for your flour as in a straight sell or buy. In other words you will get a square deal.—Bell Grain Co.

FEUD LEADS TO SHOOTING OF THREE PERSONS AT SEYMOUR

Wichita Falls, Texas, Jan. 26.—Galley Owens was fatally shot over the heart, his wife shot through the wrist and her brother, named Breland, was also probably fatally shot in the groin this afternoon at 5 o'clock at Seymour, Texas, about fifty miles from here, as a culmination of a feud that has existed for more than a year, according to reports reaching here this evening.

About a year ago Owens shot and killed a man named Parham and a brother-in-law named Breland, and shot Mrs. Owens through a lower limb. Owens had returned to Seymour today to be ready for trial on a charge of murder and met Mrs. Owens and her brother, Breland, in front of the Farmers' Grocery Store in the business part of town. The shooting began immediately after Mrs. Owens had asked Mr. Owens where the child was whom he had been keeping. He replied that the child would come later. Part of the shooting was done on the walk and part within the store.

KENTUCKY EAGER FOR SERVICE

In connection with the Questionnaires sent out from Louisville there are several interesting items:

One school teacher wrote across the face of the document, "I want no exemption. Tell Pershing I'll be there."

A young farmer said, "I'm ready for service and rarin' to go."

A young lawyer went to Washington and secured the services of Senator Ollie James saying, "he wanted to get into the thickest of the fight in France," and although over the draft age he was promptly examined and assigned to the Tenth Field Artillery.

Besides these isolated cases the exemption board in Larue county announced that every man subject to first draft had been found physically fit and none claimed exemption. In Breathitt county there are no men in the draft age, all had volunteered.

ALBERT SPAULDING IN FRANCE

Albert Spaulding, the great violinist, who recently joined the colors, has arrived safely in France and is now at the American Aviation Camp behind the firing line. He is gratified to leave his art in Mr. Thomas A. Edison's keeping while he is Over There fighting the battles of our country.

Scrap iron wanted. I will pay \$7.00 per ton for scrap iron.—A. L. Johnson, Star Wagon Yard. 37

ANNOUNCEMENT

Rev. A. F. Agee of Margaret asks the News to say that in the interest of Christian Education he will be at Black School House in the afternoon of the second Sunday in February, which is the 10th day of the month. He will also be at Vivian on the evening of the same day and will speak at that place at 7:30 p. m.

FOR SALE

I have for sale a good team of blacks, a horse coming 9 and a mare coming 8, good matches and good work stock, will weigh about 1,000 lbs. each. Cash or good paper.—Otto Schroeder, Thalia, Texas, Phone 2 long, 1 short. 40p

Nyals Yellow Pills for bilious liver—Ferguson Bros.

Knox City Sanitarium

A nice quiet homelike place, where you can have the comforts of a home with the advantages of a light, sanitary, up-to-date operating room ready for any emergency. Under the care of the best of nurses with my careful personal attention.

T. S. EDWARDS, Surgeon.

Beverly & Beverly

Lands, Loans and Abstracts

Crowell, - Texas

At Bomar Lake

You can spend many a pleasant hour after the tiresome toils of the day. Those who wish to camp and camp will be supplied with conveniences that will make the stay pleasant. For further particulars see Ed Bomar, Prop.

When You Break

an axle or a crankshaft on your car you take it to the garage and have another put in. The same applies to vulcanizing. When you hit that stump and punch a hole in your tire, I will put in new material through and through, making it good as new.

Lee Allan Beverly

Steam Vulcanizing

South Side Square

A FAMILY MEDICINE

In Her Mother's Home, Says This Georgia Lady, Regarding Black-Draught, Relief From Head-ache, Malaria, Chills, Etc.

Ringgold, Ga.—Mrs. Chas. Gaston, of this place, writes: "I am a user of Theford's Black-Draught. In fact, it was one of our family medicines. Also in my mother's home, when I was a child. When any of us children complained of headache, usually caused by constipation, she gave us a dose of Black-Draught, which would rectify the trouble. Often in the Spring, we would have malaria and chills, or troubles of this kind, we would take Black-Draught pretty regular until the liver acted well, and we would soon be up and around again. We would not be without it, for it certainly has saved us lots of doctor bills. Just a dose of Black-Draught when not so well saves a lot of days in bed."

Theford's Black-Draught has been in use for many years in the treatment of stomach, liver and bowel troubles, and the popularity which it now enjoys is proof of its merit. If your liver is not doing its duty, you will suffer from such disagreeable symptoms as headache, biliousness, constipation, indigestion, etc., and unless something is done, serious trouble may result. Theford's Black-Draught has been found a valuable remedy for these troubles. It is purely vegetable, and acts in a prompt and natural way, regulating the liver to its proper functions and cleansing the bowels of impurities. Try it. Insist on Theford's the original and genuine. E 78

Bring your wheat to us for exchange for flour. You will get the same price for your wheat and will pay the same price for your flour as in a straight sell or buy. In other words you will get a square deal.—Bell Grain Co.

Meet me at Ferguson Bros.

Crowell Feed & Produce Co.

Keep in stock Corn, Corn Chops, Oats, Bran, Shorts, Molasses Feed, Chicken Feed, C. S. Meal, Cake, Hulls, Mixed Feed, Hay, etc. Pay the highest market price for Poultry and Hides. Will appreciate a share of your trade and give the most reasonable prices possible on feed.

Location, Quinn Building

J. W. McCASKILL, Proprietor

Business Phone 183 Residence Phone 212

Let Me Figure

on your Tin and Plumbing work. I carry all sizes of pipe up to 2 inch.

I Buy, sell, exchange and repair stoves

T. L. HAYES, Tinner and Plumber

J. G. Moncus

General Blacksmithing, Woodwork, Horseshoeing a Specialty. Do all kinds of Machine Work and General Repairing. Give me a trial.

J. G. Moncus

FINGER PRINTS OF ALL GERMAN ALIENS HERE TO BE TAKEN FEBRUARY 4

Finger prints of all German aliens in Foard county are to be taken. In addition they must furnish four unmounted photographs of themselves to the registration officials for filing with the department of justice.

Registration of German alien enemies will begin in Foard county Feb. 4 and will continue through Feb. 9. The hours will be from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. The place will be the postoffice.

The Postmaster has received rules and regulations for the listing. The following suggestions and instructions to registrants have been sent out by the department of justice at Washington.

Persons required to register should understand that in so doing they are giving proof of their peaceful dispositions and of their intention to conform to the laws of the United States.

Every registrant should read carefully the form of registrants affidavit handed to him and ask the the registration officer for explanation on all points not clear to him before attempting to fill out the blanks. Registration officers are instructed to give registrants all possible aid in the way of explanation and advice.

Each registrant is required to furnish four unmounted photographs of himself, not larger than three by three inches in size, on thin paper, with light background. All four photographs, should be signed by the registrant across the face of the photographs, so as not to obscure the features, if the applicant is able to write.

Three blank forms of registration affidavit must be completely filled out by the registrant or his representative (with the exception of the blanks indicated to be filled out by the registration officer and the description of the registrant and the placing of finger prints on the blank) and must be produced by the registrant personally to the registration officer and be signed and sworn to by the registrant in the presence of and before the registration officer, who will fill in the description of the registrant and supervise the fixing of the finger prints and attaching of the photographs. If the registrant cannot write, he must make his mark in the signature space and affix his left thumb print in the space provided opposite the signature space.

The finger printing is a method of identification and follows the practice observed in the military and the naval service of the United States.

The registrant is hereby informed that he must again present himself before the registration officer who took his oath after ten days, but before fifteen days from the last day fixed for registration in his registration district to obtain a registration card, upon which he must sign his name, or make his mark, and place his left thumb print in the presence of the registration officer.

SEEDS FOR FARMERS

I am in receipt of a letter from the State Department of Agriculture to the effect that Mr. Frank Clark of Waco is prepared to sell seed corn to the farmers at \$3.00 per bushel F. O. B. Waco in less than car lots.

The letter states further: "In a short time we will be prepared to sell planting seeds for the following crops: cotton, Milo, feterita, Kaffir, sudan, sorghum cane and peanuts. I cannot give you the price of these seeds now but will notify you later as to the price and amount of each variety we will have for your county. You are requested to write me immediately giving an estimate of the amount of each of the above mentioned seeds your county can use. By giving me an estimate of each crop as above suggested, after the information is at hand, we can make an equal distribution of these seeds."

I am advised that these seeds will be well selected and that the price will be as low as prevailing conditions will permit.

Owing to the fact that Holland has placed an embargo on seeds and that the sources of supply from France and Germany have been stopped, together with drouthy conditions throughout the Southwest during 1917, it is to be expected that the present supply will be limited.

After conferring with a number of business men and farmers, I have submitted an estimate of seeds that will be needed in this county to the State Department and those who need any of the above mentioned seeds should list their needs with me as early as possible and avail themselves of this opportunity to get good seeds while they may be had.

At the request of several, I have written the State Department with regard to oats for spring planting.—W. C. ORR.

For Sale

I have a new four room house, four lots, barn, sheds, etc., good cistern, for sale at \$750.00, half cash and balance on terms. Would take a Ford car in trade.—J. H. Carter.

For Sale—Some good white-faced Bull yearlings. Also some red meweys.—Zeke Bell.

WHEN POISONING WAS ART

None Gained Greater Proficiency Than Marchioness of Brinvilliers in Seventeenth Century.

The sixteenth and seventeenth centuries developed a large number of persons who brought the crime of poisoning to an art. None attained greater perfection in this than the marchioness of Brinvilliers. She was the daughter of Droux D'Aubray, a high official in the reign of Louis XIV. In 1651 she was married to the marquis of Brinvilliers, heir to an enormous fortune. She herself brought a considerable dowry.

She was a woman of prepossessing appearance and great charm. She lived happily with her husband until one Sleur Godin, commonly known as St. Croix, was introduced into the family. The marquis took a great liking to him, and St. Croix made his home with the aristocratic couple. The marchioness soon fell in love with the adventurer. De Brinvilliers had St. Croix imprisoned in the Bastille. Here the latter met an Italian who was an adept in poisons, and he taught St. Croix his arts. When the latter was released, after a year's confinement, he resumed his acquaintance with the marchioness, but more cautiously. The Italian came out of prison and entered the services of the pair. They at once entered into schemes to poison the woman's father, her two brothers and her sister, so as to get possession of the family fortune. They succeeded in all cases except that of the sister. Yet they escaped suspicion and would have gone free had it not been for an accident. While mixing poisons the mask worn by St. Croix fell from his face and he was suffocated by the poisons he was preparing for others. Then the whole dark tale was unfolded and all were condemned to death.

HOME OF EMPRESS JOSEPHINE

Fort de France on Island of Martinique Interesting as Birthplace of Napoleon's First Wife.

The little town of Fort de France on the island of Martinique in the French West Indies is of the greatest interest to travelers, because it was the early home of Empress Josephine, the first wife of Napoleon. She was the daughter of a French army officer who lived on a large estate about five miles from the town. Here Josephine was born in 1763 and here she lived until she was married to her first husband, Beauharnais, when she was sixteen years old.

The future empress seems to have had much education and to have lived the simple life on a West Indian plantation. The site of her birthplace is still known and it is delightfully situated in a grove of trees near the bank of a small river. A certain pool in this stream is still known as the bath of the empress, and here the crocus beauty, according to local tradition, always took her morning plunge.

After her separation from Beauharnais Josephine returned to Martinique and to the quiet life of the little island. Passages from her diary at that time show that she was very fond of her rambles in the woods and of the quiet, easy social life of the place. She passed three years there with her little daughter before returning to France to become the wife of a world conqueror and one of the most famous beauties of Europe.

A statue of the empress has been erected in the square at Fort de France. It conveys a charming impression of the woman who for a time ruled the man of destiny and of whom he said that she was a mistress of the art of pleasing.

Finda Volcano Is Hottest at Top.

Notwithstanding what the old textbooks say, it now appears that a volcano is hottest on its surface. This is the conclusion drawn by a scientist who has made extensive investigations in craters in Hawaii and has obtained samples of gases and lava before they reached the air. Laboratory studies of these samples make it appear that much of the heat required to keep an open lava basin in fluid condition is supplied by the chemical action of the gases. From these investigations the scientist concludes that in times of great activity the temperature at the surface of a volcano undoubtedly is higher than that below the surface.

Prehistoric Japanese Canoe.

Workmen engaged in the dry river bed of the Namazu-gawa, Osaka prefecture, have unearthed a huge canoe made of camphor wood. It has not yet been completely uncovered, but the part so far dug out measures over 30 feet in length, 6 feet in width and 26 inches in depth. There are traces of the canoe having been colored blue.

According to archeologists the canoe is about one thousand years old, and though several similar canoes have been discovered in various parts of the country, nothing like the present one in size has been found.—East and West News.

Flagmaker's Art an Exacting One.

The flagmaker's art is an exacting one and many modern descendants of Betsy Ross are employed by the Brooklyn flag master. Much skill is required to make such a flag as that of Venezuela, which has a prancing horse upon it. A special machine has been designed for cutting the white stars used in our own flag. These are of eight sizes, and every year many thousands of such stars go into flags made by government employees. These stars vary from two inches to fourteen inches in diameter.

U. S.

Food Conservation demands the attention of every patriotic citizen. It means the elimination of waste thereby enabling us to do "our bit" in winning the war and reducing our living expenses at the same time.

There Is No Grocery House in This Part of the Country That Is in Better Position to Help You Reduce Your Living Expenses Than the

Sandifer Gro. Co.

During the last few weeks we have been receiving some of our future purchases, among them being Dried Fruits, Dried Beans, Canned Goods, etc. Your orders will have our very best attention. Satisfaction guaranteed in every instance.

SANDIFER GROCERY CO.

Phones 94 and 234 Crowell, Texas

STANDARD OPERATING COMPANY STARTS WORK

The Standard Operating Company, with Mr. A. Tinally as president, are now busy surveying a railroad out from Orla to their lower mines. This road, Mr. Tinally says, will be built in the near future by his company for the purpose of transporting the machinery to the mines, and the sulphur and whatever other minerals developed by them to the main railroad lines for the markets.

Mr. Tinally also states that the deposits of sulphur that are being uncovered by his company are far better than they ever dreamed of, and that they are delighted with the future prospects of the field.—Pecos Times.

Fat Cattle Wanted

I will buy your fat cattle at the best market price. Call, phone or write me if you have any to sell.—J. W. Bell, Crowell, Texas.

GERMANY UNABLE TO FINANCE OFFENSIVE?

While the workmen in Austria apparently have returned to work, reports have been received in Holland of disturbances in the industrial district along the Rhine in Germany. Few details have been obtained but it is stated that troops with machine guns have been sent to Muehheim, a manufacturing town on the Rhine opposite Cologne.

Meanwhile Pan-German attacks on the leading politicians and even including the emperor, continue, and have spread to criticism of Count Von Roeder, the imperial treasurer, who is said to have told the emperor that Germany is not in financial condition for offensive operations.

Dr. Von Kuehlmann, the foreign minister, has defended his course in the Russian parleys by assailing the Bolsheviki government and its purposes. His efforts, however, failed to check Socialist attacks on the government's peace attitude toward Russia.

Your Business

The accounts and notes of the J. W. Allison Dry Goods Co. still belong to the Allison Dry Goods Co., and if you are now indebted to them we expect payment or a satisfactory settlement at once. We cannot carry these notes and accounts either in open accounts or past-due notes, but we can handle them in satisfactory notes. So we ask that you attend to this matter at once and save further expense and trouble.

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HEREFORDS FOR SALE
I have 5 extra high-grade Hereford bull yearlings for sale at \$75 each. Can be seen at my place 12 miles west of Crowell.—L. D. Harris.

Doyle Kenner and Miss Ruth Kenner and Dave Logan and sister, Miss Hilda, went to Aspermont last Friday to visit Miss Minnie Logan who is teaching near that place. They returned Monday.

Beaty Andrews has accepted a position in the Herring bank at Vernon, and he and his family moved there this week from Thalia where they have been living for some time, he being employed by the firm of Edwards, Leeper & Co. We are glad to see Beaty get this position and hope he gains promotion rapidly.

FOR SALE
One Hamiltonian stallion, 4 years old, 17 hands high, weighs 1400 pounds. Would take a good span of young work mules. I will have him in Crowell First Monday.—W. L. Smith, Margaret. 37p

SINGING IS LOST ART TODAY

In This Age It Is Largely Confined to the Professional Performers, Even in the Churches.

Singing, as far as most people are concerned, is a lost art. Thousands attend operas, recitals and musical comedies, but, as for singing themselves informally at their work or play, they have forgotten how. In times past people of all ranks sang together as a matter of course. Sailors sang at their work; peasants, shepherds, cowboys, all had their favorite and appropriate songs. The songs of children at games, the lullabies of mothers, are in the collected ballads and folklore of many peoples.

"The pastimes and labors of the husbandman and the shepherd," says Andrew Lang, according to the Indianapolis News, "were long ago a kind of natural opera. Each task had its own song; planting, seeding, harvesting, burial, all had their appropriate ballads or dirges."

"The whole soul of the peasant class breathes in its burdens as the great sea roarsounds in the shell mast up on the shore."
Nowadays the whirr of machinery makes all the noise. The workers in mills might find it unsatisfying to sing at their work, but it is doubtful if they would sing even if their voices could be heard, while singing in an office or store would pretty surely be stopped by the "boss" or the police. Thousands congregate every night in the silence of moving picture theaters, and even in the churches where singing by the congregation used to be customary, the attendants now usually listen in silence to a paid singer.

Singing in this age is largely confined to the professional performer.

WOMEN WEAVE STRAW HATS

All People of Island Depend Upon Earnings of Few Cents a Day Each for Their Living.

Next to the transshipment activities of Mount Pleasant the weaving of straw hats is the chief source of income of the people, says Commerce Reports. The hats woven are of a cheap quality, the standard selling in 1934 for from \$1.30 to \$1.43 per dozen. The straw for these hats is at present imported from Venezuela and Colombia, but the Dutch government is attempting to raise it in Dutch Guiana.

The hats are woven by the women and children in their homes, and by moderate industry a woman can complete a hat in one day. All over the island from early morning until after sunset the weaving goes on. The Syrian purchasers, who collect the hats from house to house, pay about ten or eleven cents each. Although the straw for a hat costs the weaver from five to seven cents and the amount realized from a day's work is very small, many of the people depend entirely upon their meager earnings from this industry.

In the government school hat weaving is taught and some of the natives attain a high degree of skill, producing hats said to equal the best made in Colombia. The better grades do not enter into the export statistics of the colony, as they are bought by tourists; the quality of the standard hat does not improve.

Scientific Bomb-Dropping

The Germans have apparently taken the lead in the scientific phases of bomb-dropping from airplanes. According to reports from abroad, a recently captured German plane included an elaborate instrument for aiming the bomb in such a way that it would strike any given object on the ground below. The essential features of the device were a telescope so adjusted that it swung always perpendicular to the ground and a prismatic reflector which brought the country ahead of the line of flight into the field of vision. By the use of these two instruments, and by allowing for the altitude as determined by a barometer, the weight of the bomb, which fixes its speed of descent, and the speed of the airplane, which could be determined from the speed of the engine the aviator is enabled to aim and release his bomb in such a way as to strike close to any given objective.



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HUN EDITOR PRINTS THIRTEEN COLUMNS ON ALLIED OFFERS, DECLARING PEACE POSSIBLE

London, Jan. 28.—Maximilian Harden devotes thirteen closely printed pages in the latest issue of Die Zukunft to reproducing the "real texts" of the recent speeches of President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George. He says that thoughtful and conscientious men should read the speeches quietly and without prejudice and criticises in astonishingly outspoken fashion Germany's attitude toward Austria in the conduct of the Russian negotiations.

Herr Harden virtually accuses Germany of forcing Austria-Hungary into the war and says that peace might have been obtained the first week at Brest-Litovsk if the Germans had not posed as conquerors and had not demanded territory.

Referring to President Wilson's speech Herr Harden says:

"Belief is still firm that peace is possible and that the cleavage between the two fighting groups no longer is so wide that it can be filled only by new heaps of corpses. It will, however, widen into an unbridgeable gulf if the people again refuse to acknowledge a changed world."

He pleads for the sanctity of treaties, a reduction of armaments, the

rights to self determination of nations, and favors a reconsideration of the question of Alsace-Lorraine

Hamp Carter and wife have a fine new girl at their home born this week.
For Sale—180 acres of good sandy land. See J. W. Spotts Margaret, Texas. 38p

I have a lot of good canned peeled peaches for sale at 30c per half gallon.—E. L. Ribble. 37p

Bring your furs to Ferguson at Johnson's Wagon yard and get the highest market price. 35p

On any occasion your photograph conveys an expression of sentiment not realized in any other way.—Cross & Cross. 37p

Lost, a pair of rope wire stretchers between my place and Tom Hampton's. Finder please leave at Bank of Crowell.—J. E. Bell. 37p

Registered Hereford Bulls for Sale
Twenty-three yearlings, seven, 3 to 4 years old, ten long yearling Poles, all registered.—J. M. Hill. 1 tf

Three of the Beazley brothers were here Monday from Rayland taking advantage of our clubbing offer and looking after other business matters.

Those who have hogs to sell will please bring them in by Saturday, February 2nd, as after that date I will discontinue my buying of hogs for the present.—Zeke Bell. 37

Mrs. W. J. Thurman and daughter, Miss Thurman, from Gainesville, are at Margaret on account of the serious illness of Miss Elizabeth Thurman, Mrs. Thurman's daughter.

We are now having a Paramount picture program, consisting of six reels, at the Opera House every Friday and Saturday nights. This is a fine program—come.—Bell Bros.

We are very sorry that the Foard City items did not reach us in time for publication this week. These items should reach us not later than Wednesday of each week.

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Dr. Abernethy Coming
Dr. Abernathy, ear, eye, nose and throat specialist, will be in Crowell professionally, between trains, Tuesday, February 5th.

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