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Supt. F. J. Evans of Slaton Division Died Wednesday in Hospital

Frank J. Evans, superintendent of the Slaton Division, Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway, died in the hospital at Lubbock at 1.15 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, after an illness of only a few days from influenza which induced an attack of double pneumonia.

The body was taken to Valley Falls, Kansas, Mr. Evans' old home for burial. Mr. Evans was one of the most popular of Santa Fe officials, and a host of friends all over the railroads will be in sorrow when they hear the news of his death. He had made many friends in Slaton since coming here from Clovis, where he was also superintendent for the Santa Fe. He was 56 years of age and leaves a wife and a son to mourn his death.

His son was a student in a medical college in St. Louis, Mo. and when he arrived in response to the message of his father's illness, Mr. Evans had been dead just thirty minutes. A brother-in-law, who is railroad agent at Las Vegas, N. M., joined the funeral party at Amarillo.

D. S. Farley, division superintendent at Amarillo, represented the railroad fraternity at the funeral.

Mr. Evans had been in the employ of the Santa Fe for a number

of years. He was chief dispatcher at Emporia, Kans., agent at Wichita, Kans., train master at and division superintendent at Clovis, transferring from Clovis to the Slaton division.

No appointment of a successor to Mr. Evans as superintendent of the Slaton Division has yet been announced.

Boy Scouts Entertained

Mrs. H. A. Tait gave a party at her home in South Slaton Saturday night for the Boy Scouts of the city and their Scoutmaster, Bro. T. C. Willett. The home was adorned with Christmas decorations and there were twenty seven Scouts present to enjoy the night. Games of various kinds and musical contests were enjoyed to the limit by the Scouts. Music was furnished by Josephine and Marion McHugh, Ed Ketchum and Herbert and Garland Tait. Pine-apple whip, cake, hot chocolate and home made candy were served. The Scouts had a royal time.

W. F. Schenck, one of Lubbock's leading attorneys, has been honored by appointment to the responsible position of Assistant Attorney General of Texas. This is an appointment by the Attorney General, and is quite an honor to Mr. Schenck and to Lubbock as well. We understand Mr. Schenck will move to Austin soon.—Avalanche.

Read the Want Ad column.

Gathering Data for Perpetuating Memory of Our Soldier Boys

Lubbock County is gathering a statistical history of all the soldier boys who volunteered or were called in the selective draft into the army in the world war. This history will remain a permanent record as a tribute to our boys who helped to win the world back to decency and justice, and the record will be compiled into a book for future reference. The record includes the family history of the boy, complete, and his record in the army service. Judge Percy Spencer is chairman at Lubbock of the committee for compiling the soldiers data, and R. A. Baldwin and R. J. Murray have charge of the work at Slaton. Every boy's name and record must be furnished complete for this book.

The Way the Trains Run Now

Supplement "Q" to Time Table No. 40 for the Slaton Division was issued out of Supt. F. J. Evans' office last week, the new schedule taking effect Wednesday this week, when, with the coming of the year 1919 the Slaton Division was placed under Mountain Standard Time instead of Central Standard Time which has always been used heretofore. The zone of the Mountain Standard Time was moved east from the Texas New Mexico line to Sweetwater by the United States Railroad Administration under Director General W. G. McAdoo.

This is the way the trains run now:

906 from Amarillo arrives at 1.10 a. m. and leaves for Sweetwater at 1.20 a. m.

918 from Clovis arrives at 10.45 a. m. and leaves for Sweetwater at 11.20 a. m.

904 from Amarillo arrives at 10.55 a. m.

913 from Sweetwater arrives at 3.55 a. m. and leaves for Clovis at 4.05 a. m.

905 from Sweetwater arrives at 12.10 p. m. and leaves for Amarillo at 12.35 p. m.

903 leaves for Amarillo at 6.00 o'clock a. m.

912 from Lamesa arrives at 9.50 a. m., and 911 leaves for Lamesa at 12.35 p. m.

923, local freight, leaves for Amarillo at 8.00 a. m., and 924, local freight, arrives from Amarillo at 3.45 p. m.

926, local freight, leaves for Sweetwater at 7.30 a. m., and 925, local freight, arrives from Sweetwater at 2.30 p. m.

There has never been sufficient for a local between Lubbock and Texico, and the thru freights have to handle that work. Take this time table out and tack it over your desk; you will want to refer to it a hundred times in the next six months.

Dr. M. C. Overton and Miss Nan M. Jennings were married at Lubbock Thursday night last week. Doctor Overton has been in Lubbock longer than any other physician there, and Miss Jennings has been a very enthusiastic and active worker for the Red Cross in this county. Both the doctor and his bride have many friends who take pleasure in extending congratulations and best wishes.

C. F. Anderson starts the New Year as sole owner and proprietor of the Red Cross Pharmacy of Slaton, having purchased the interest of his partner, R. L. Blanton, in the store. Mr. Blanton is devoting his full time to the garage and automobile business at Canadian, Texas.

PRE- INVENTORY SALE

Before taking our annual Inventory we offer you
A SPECIAL SALE
on a few lines that we are long on, and this includes

Ladies Ready-to-Wear

Ladies Suits

\$20.00 Values marked down to \$14.95
\$25.00 Values marked down to \$18.95
\$30.00 to \$40.00 Values all cut to \$21.95

Silk and Crepe DeChine Dresses

\$16.50 to \$22.50 Values go at \$12.95
\$25.00 Values go in this sale at \$19.45
\$30.00 Values reduced to \$21.95
\$35.00 Values marked down to \$27.45
\$10.00 Poplins reduced to \$6.95
\$12.00 Serges marked down to \$8.95

All Makes of Sweaters

Ladies (also Men's and Boy's) Sweaters all marked to go at 1/2 Discount each

Petticoats

One lot of Petticoats of \$2.25 value reduced in this sale to only \$1.45
Silk and other Petticoats go at 1/2 Off.

Outing

25c Value Outing going in this sale at 21c
30c Values selling in this sale for 25c
35c Values selling in this sale for 29c

Ladies Coats

\$15.00 and \$16.50 Values reduced to \$9.45
\$17.50 and \$20.00 Values go at \$12.45
\$35.00 and \$40.00 Values cut to \$29.95

Children's and Misses Coats

\$4.00 Coats marked down to \$2.95
\$5.00 Coats go in this sale for \$3.95
\$6.00 Coats marked down to \$4.25
\$9.00 and \$10.00 Coats reduced to \$6.95

Ladies Skirts

All values in this line go at 1/2 Off retail price

Ladies Waists

All values in this line go at 1/2 Off retail price

Domestic

We are going to include in this sale, for the Ladies Spring Sewing, this Domestic:
Halloween Bleached, 20c values 15c
Blue Ribbon Bleached, 25c values 21c
Farmers Choice Bleached, 25c values 23c
Delta Bleached, 25c value 22c
D D and L L Unbleached, 25c values 21c

THERE ARE MANY WAYS
in which you are benefitted by
keeping an account at this bank

You have our confidence and we have yours, and the confidence of your Banker is a fine thing for you many times in business transactions.

THE SLATON STATE BANK

A GUARANTY FUND BANK

C. M. McCULLOUGH, President CARL RIPPY, Cashier
A. L. ROBERTSON, Vice Pres. RAY STEPHENSON, Asst. Cash.

THANKING YOU VERY heartily for your patronage and friendship during 1918 we are now entering the New Year with a determination to serve you better wherever possible.

We anticipate for you a happy and successful year and invite your continued patronage to this store.

—Forrest Hardware.



EXPERIENCE WITH A BANK ACCOUNT SHOWS that it is a great time as well as worry and money saver. If you have an account at the First State Bank you can count your money once when you make up your deposit and that ends it. Open an account and save the time that others waste.

THE FIRST STATE BANK of Slaton

J. S. EDWARDS, President J. H. BREWER, Cashier

There Will Be Odds and Ends of Sale Values to be Found Thru'out the Store

This sale will commence
SATURDAY, JAN. 4th
lasts 15 days; will close
SATURDAY, JAN. 18th

ROBERTSON Dry Goods Co.

The Dependable Store of Quality Slaton, Texas

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Advertising Rates among the locals 10c per line each issue.

Wade Robertson came home from Simmons College at Abilene, last week.

Margie Harris came home from St. Mary's Academy, Amarillo, last Friday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Harris.

LEFT IN THE SLATON POST OFFICE lobby Monday, a Suit of Clothes. Finder kindly return to Slatonite Office and receive \$5.00 reward.

Miss Sallie Mathis, who has been working in the Slatonite office this fall, transferred to the Slaton Drug Store Monday and is now clerking there.

The Rev. W. E. Lyon, Presiding Elder, preached at the First Methodist Church of Slaton Sunday morning and held quarterly conference that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Les George and their little daughter, who are now living in New Mexico, came to Slaton to eat Christmas dinner with Mrs. George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Nix.

R. B. Haynes, editor of the Tahoka News, was a pleasant caller at the Slatonite office Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Haynes and their little daughter were on their way to Lubbock to spend Christmas with Mr. Haynes' parents, Prof. and Mrs. E. R. Haynes.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Forrest and their little son came to Slaton last week to spend the holidays with the families of S. S. Forrest and W. M. Robertson. They are making arrangements to move to Slaton from Oak Grove, Texas, and Mr. Forrest will be associated with the Forrest Hardware.

Ray Stephenson, assistant cashier of the Slaton State Bank, and his brother, Roy Stephenson, Santa Fe brakeman, were called to Tuscola, Texas, last Saturday by a message that their father had died. Their father had been sick for some time from heart trouble but was supposed to be recovering.

J. C. Stewart and his boys are down from Plainview this week visiting during the holidays. Mr. Stewart and his partner, J. W. Patterson, have closed their real estate and insurance business at Plainview and are operating in the oil fields around Burk Burnett in the way of investments and handling oil leases.

Lieut. S. C. Green of Lamesa was a pleasant caller at the Slatonite office Tuesday. Mr. Green is the lawyer who was a candidate for district attorney two years ago. He volunteered for the army and went to Camp Travis, was raised from the ranks to lieutenant and sent to Louisville, Ky., for duty at the training camp. While he never got to go to France he helped to train three different bunches of soldiers who did go. Lieut. Green is a splendid fellow and his Slaton friends were glad to see him again.

Candies, confections or tobaccos? You get the very best service at Teague's Confectionery.

War Savings Stamp pledges are now due for liquidation and the last day of payment is December 31st.

J. S. Lanham received word Saturday that a sister of his at Santo, Texas, had died from the effects of influenza.

Herbert Sires, a student of the S. A. T. C. at Canyon, visited Miss Artie Champion, a former classmate, in Slaton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rippy and their little son went to Tuscola, Texas, Tuesday to spend the holidays with Mr. Rippy's parents.

P. H. Whalen was down from Denver, where he is blacksmithing for the Santa Fe, to spend the holidays with home folks. Mrs. Whalen is recovering from a fall a month ago that broke one of her ankles.

J. F. Chaffee, an electrical engineer, was transferred last week from the Santa Fe shops at Cana diau to the Slaton shops where he has charge of the power house. He and his family are now at home in South Slaton.

Col. L. A. H. Smith went to Amarillo last Friday to spend Christmas with his son, Joe H. Smith. It was just 58 years ago Friday, or on Dec. 20, 1860, that South Carolina passed the act of secession from the Union, taking the initial step that precipitated the Civil War, and Mr. Smith was in Charleston the day the act was passed.

The little daughter, one year of age, of Mr. and Mrs. E. Barton, died Saturday following an attack of the flu. The funeral was held from the home Sunday afternoon and interment was made in the Slaton cemetery. This is one of the Slaton homes which has suffered heavily from the epidemic, practically all members of the family having been sick. Their many friends sympathize with them and hope that the tide has turned now in their favor.

A. L. Hoffman at the Second Hand Store buys and sells new and second hand furniture. Hand dies the Watkins goods.

Get your box chocolates at Teague's Confectionery. We have a fancy line of the best chocolates packed for the particular trade.

WANT ADS

Wanted, For Sale, Lost, Found, Etc. Classified Advertising Rates: One Cent per word for first insertion; Half a Cent per word for each subsequent insertion.

LOST—SMALL BLACK change purse on the streets of Slaton Monday. Finder please return to me. Mrs. H. T. McGee.

BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE lots (12) in Slaton will be sold in one or more sales. Easy terms if desired.—Hugo Seaberg, Raton, N. M.

John Delong came home Wednesday from Camp Travis, having received his discharge from the army. He will go back to his place with the Santa Fe at Clovis.

Andrew Fasken has been here this week supervising the track work on the Midland & North western. Mr. Fasken states that they intend to put all the track in first class shape in order to be able to use heavier engines, the government having placed oil burning engines on this line from the Southern Pacific—Seminole Sentinel.

G. H. Witt received a letter from his son, Luther, in France, last week in which Luther stated that he expected to come home soon. His company has been all over France and is now stationed in the southern part, and he enjoyed a visit back in Bar Sur Aube where they were formerly located and their old friends among the French people gave them a big reception on their return. Luther is homesick to see Slaton once more.

The Teachers Institute for this district, which consists of five counties, will not be held this year on account of so much sickness and the further fact that the state superintendent of education has given an opinion that the teachers would not be entitled to pay for their time if the institute is held after December. The institute was called for Lubbock in December and was then postponed until January on account of the quarantine for influenza at Lubbock and now this decision of the state superintendent eliminates it altogether for this year.

Texas has a soldier boy who established something of a reputation on the battle line in France. Buck Pettit is the hero's name and his home is at Victoria. He is six feet two inches in height and he whip all the buns you could put in a room with him. He has been in the war since it started in 1914 and has been in almost every important battle. He has been wounded forty eight times, has ten hospital stripes on his sleeve and five bullets imbedded in his body. He carries one bullet in his head, and is the sensation of Broadway, N. Y., when he promenades down the street. Germany took in too much territory when she included Texas among the Allies.

Agency Lubbock Laundry I have taken the agency for the Lubbock Steam Laundry and would like to get your laundry. Laundry taken up Wednesdays and delivered Saturdays. Phone 73. Harry Green.

M'Adoo Would Have Texas Homestead Law Amended to Aid Farmers

Austin, Dec. 20.—Attention of Governor Hobby is called, in a letter from the secretary of the treasury, to the operation of the Texas "homestead law" in prevention of farmers taking advantage of the federal loan system. Mr. McAdoo suggests that the portion of the Texas constitution which exempts a homestead from foreclosure for debt be considered with a view of amendment to allow federal loans if this should be that to be for the best interest of Texas.

He also calls attention to the facts that Texas stands seventh in the percentage of tenant farmers and that Louisiana amended her laws so as to allow federal loans on a widow's dowry, which was previously superior to any mortgage lien.

The farmers of Texas, thru no fault of the federal loan system, says the secretary, are the only ones who are not able to borrow federal money at low interest and on long terms for improvement of their home farms by giving the home for security.

New Year's Greetings to You

Our New Store in our New Location for the New Year enables us to serve you better than ever, and we hope to merit a large share of your trade.

DeLong THE MERCHANT TAILOR

CALL ON US NORTH SIDE SQUARE SLATON, TEXAS

ADVICE TO "FLU" CONVALESCENTS AFTER INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

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

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

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- * Beware tuberculosis after influenza. No need to worry if you take precautions in time.
- * Don't diagnose your own condition. Have your doctor examine your lungs several times at monthly intervals. Build up your strength with right living, good food and plenty of fresh air.
- * Don't waste money on patent medicines advertised to cure tuberculosis.
- * Become a fresh-air crank and enjoy life.
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Washington, D. C.—(Special).—According to a report made to the United States Public Health Service, the epidemic of influenza in Spain has already caused an increase in the prevalence and deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. A similar association between influenza and tuberculosis was recently made by Sir Arthur Newsholme, the chief medical officer of the English public health service, in his analysis of the tuberculosis death rate in England.

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

One Million Consumptives in the United States.

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

What to Do.

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

keep them so. This can be done by right living, good food and plenty of fresh air."

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

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

Patent Medicines Dangerous in Tuberculosis.

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

Read the Want Ad column.

Lubbock County is still pretty low on the list of War Savings Stamp sales.

If You Have a Printing Want WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT IS

Putting out good printing is our business, and when we say good printing we don't mean fair, but the best obtainable. If you are "from Missouri" give us a trial and we will

Show You

SLATON PLANING MILL
R. H. TUDOR, Proprietor
Contracting and Building
Estimates furnished on short notice. All work given careful and prompt attention. Give us a trial.
North Side of the Square

Happy New Year
to our friends and customers

We shall endeavor to serve you as well in 1919 as we have in the past

Red Cross Pharmacy

R. J. Murray W. T. Knight
R. J. Murray & Co.
OLDEST REAL ESTATE FIRM IN SLATON
TOWNSITE AGENTS : FARM LOANS : LAND

See us for choice Residence Lots at the original Santa Fe list price. We will be glad to be of assistance to you in selecting a location.

R. J. Murray & Company
7 Years in Slaton

The Greetings of the Holiday Seasons to You and Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Howerton's
FURNITURE-HARDWARE-UNDERTAKING

You provide the home; We'll furnish it

HUNGER DRAWS THE MAP



A food map of Europe today shows not a single country in which the future does not hold threat of serious difficulties and only a small part which is not rapidly approaching the famine point. With the exception of the Ukraine only those countries which have maintained marine commerce have sufficient food supplies to meet actual needs until next harvest, and even in the Ukraine, with stores accumulated on the farms, there is famine in the large centers of population. Belgium and northern France, as well as Serbia, appear on the hunger map distinct from the rest of Europe because they stand in a different relation from the other nations to the people of the United States. America has for four years maintained the small war rations of Belgium and northern France and is already making special efforts to care for their increased after-the-war needs, which, with those of Serbia, must be included in this emergency in the extreme and immediate relief.

The attitude of the Belgian nation in helping America has extended to the war constitutes the largest appeal for us to continue our work there. The moment the German armies withdrew from her soil and she was established once more in her own seat of government the little nation's first thought was to express her gratitude to the Commission for Relief in Belgium for preserving the lives of millions of her citizens. Germany, on the other hand, need not figure in such a map for Americans because there is no present indication that we shall be called on at all to take thought for the food needs of Germany. Germany probably can care for her own food problem if she is given access to shipping and is enabled to distribute food to the cities with dense populations, which are the trouble centers. England, France, the Netherlands and Portugal, all of which have been maintained from American supplies, have sufficient food to meet immediate needs, but their future presents serious difficulties. The same is true of Spain and the northern neutral countries—Norway, Sweden and Denmark—whose ports have been open and who have been able to draw to some degree upon foreign supplies. Most of Russia is already in the throes of famine, and 40,000,000 people there are beyond the possibility of help. Before another spring thousands of them inevitably must die. This applies as well to Poland and practically throughout the Baltic re-

gions, with conditions most serious in Finland. Bohemia, Serbia, Roumania and Montenegro have already reached the famine point and are suffering a heavy toll of death. The Armenian population is falling each week as hunger takes its toll, and in Greece, Albania and Roumania so serious are the food shortages that famine is near. Although starvation is not yet imminent, Italy, Switzerland, Bulgaria and Turkey are in the throes of serious stringencies. In order to fulfill America's pledge in world relief we will have to export every ton of food which can be handled through our ports. This means at the very least a minimum of 20,000,000 tons compared with 6,000,000 tons pre-war exports and 11,820,000 tons exported last year, when we were bound by the ties of war to the European allies. If we fail to lighten the black spots on the hunger map or if we allow any portions to become darker the very peace for which we fought and bled will be threatened. Revolt and anarchy inevitably follow famine. Should this happen we will see in other parts of Europe a repetition of the Russian debacle and our fight for world peace will have been in vain.

When the Table Supply is Under Question, Phone Us Your Orders

With our large stock of Groceries we are amply prepared to fill your Orders Promptly, and our shelves hold as large a variety as the market can supply. Phone us your orders and we will give them careful attention. We handle hay and feed and make prompt delivery. Your patronage solicited.

Lanham & Smart Grocery

Extra! Extra! Newspaper Restrictions Removed! War Industries Board to Cease!

The Star Telegram

(60,000 Daily) Therefore Announces a

Special Bargain Days Period

December 15th to January 5th

Reduced Rates for 20 Days Only

DAILY WITH SUNDAY, 7 days a week, by mail, only...\$6.50
DAILY WITHOUT SUNDAY, 6 days a week, by mail only \$5.00

This is for the STAR TELEGRAM to be sent by mail from date order reaches STAR TELEGRAM until December 1, 1919 (not a complete year.) New and old subscribers all dated to expire December 1, 1919.

SAVE ABOUT \$2.00. Take advantage of this Special Bargain Days Period. Order at this office.

MEAT PRODUCERS DID FULL DUTY

Increase in American Hogs Will Help to Meet World Fat Shortage.

FARMERS SAVE SITUATION.

Government Justified in Stimulation of Pork Production—Sevenfold Increase Over Pre-War Exports.

Through increased production and conservation we will be able this year to export seven times our pre-war average exports of pork products. With the heavy demands added in caring for the millions who have been freed from German oppression, the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration are justified today in our every action of stimulation of hog production. In the coming year

the greatest world shortage will be the fats, and pork will help to save this situation. The efficacy of the policy of stimulated production has built up in this country supplies which will enable us to supply a very large part of the fat deficiency of the world. In beef there must be a shortage in Europe, due largely to limited refrigeration ship capacity. All freezer ships available, however, will be filled by America, Argentine and Australia.

The contribution made by the producers of this country to the war program as applying particularly to animal food products is illustrated by the following:

Reports compiled by the U. S. Department of Agriculture indicate an increase in cattle of 10,238,000 head and 12,441,000 hogs. These figures were compiled to January 1 last.

In this period there was a decrease in sheep of 819,000 head. The indications are that this decrease will show an increase, according to recent reports.

Since January 1 unofficial information indicates an increase in hogs of not less than 8 per cent, and not more than 15 per cent, as compared with one year ago, with an increase in the average weight.

Following the request of the U. S. Food Administration for an increase

in hog production for marketing in the fall of 1918 and the spring of 1919 the increase may yield not less than 1,600,000,000 pounds more of pork products than were available last year. Without this increase the shipping program arranged by Mr. Hoover regarding animal food products would have been impossible.

The dressed hog products during the three months ending September 30, 1917, amounted to 963,172,000 pounds, while for the corresponding months of 1918 the dressed hog products totaled 1,277,580,000, an increase of over 374,000,000 pounds for the quarter.

During the same period for 1917 the records of inspected slaughter of dressed beef showed 1,263,000,000 pounds as against 1,454,000,000 pounds for the three month period ending September 1, this year.

Farmers, Urged by Food Administration, Provide Seven Extra Loaves of Bread for Every American.

By adopting cleaner threshing methods and by literally combing harvest fields to gather grain formerly wasted, threshermen and farmers of the United States this year saved fully 10,000,000 bushels of wheat, estimated

as equivalent to about seven one-pound loaves of bread for every person in the country. This result, accompanied by corresponding savings of barley, oats, rye and other grains, is shown by reports from 33 grain states to the U. S. Food Administration. Other states, although not prepared to furnish definite figures of conservation in the grain fields, report greatly reduced harvest losses.

This rural food saving achievement, accomplished in scarcely six months time, was in direct response to requests by the Food Administration, which asked farmers and threshermen to reduce harvest losses from about 3 1/2 per cent—the estimated average in normal times—to the lowest possible minimum. Country grain threshing committees carried into every grain growing community the official recommendations for accomplishing the results desired.

In numerous instances drivers of racks with leaky bottoms were sent from the fields to repair their equipment and frequently had order threshing machines were stopped until the cause of waste was removed. But in proportion to the number of persons engaged in gathering the nation's grain crop, cases of compulsion were comparatively rare. The Food Administration freely attributes the success of the grain threshing campaign to patriotic service by farmers, threshermen and their crews. Incidentally grain growers of the United States are many millions of dollars "in pocket" as a result of the grain saved.

NO ONE SUFFERED HERE.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



America earned the gratitude of allied nations during war by sharing food. America under peace may win the world's good will by saving to share.

AMERICAN SPIRIT RELIED ON TO WIN.

In the light of succeeding events it is interesting to recall the confidence with which the United States Food Administrator viewed the gloomy outlook in July of 1917, when this country had been in the war for less than four months and the Germans were steadily sending the western front nearer and nearer to Paris. "Even though the situation in Europe may be gloomy today," he declared in a public statement, "no American who has knowledge of the results already obtained in every direction need have one atom of fear that democracy will not defend itself in these United States."

MICKIE SAYS

EDITORS IS SURE FORGIVIN' CUSSES! A GUY KIN DIE AN' BEAT 'EM OUTEN ELEVEN YEARS' SUBSCRIPTION AN' THEN THE EDITOR'LL SET DOWN AN' WRITE HALF A COLUMN ABOUT WHAT A FINE FELLER THE DECEASED WUZ AN' HOW EVERYBODY WILL MISS HIM!



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Incubators. We can fill your order for any SEED, Poultry Article, Plant, Sprays, Insecticides, Fungicides. Prices and quality always right. Prompt shipments. Ask for list.

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EDITORIAL ON DIVISION OF TEXAS MEETS APPROVAL

The Slatonite editor was highly flattered last week by the reproduction in the Southwest Plainsman at Amarillo of our entire editorial on the Division of Texas, and the Plainsman has lots of forbearance for the article covered the entire front page of that excellent paper, and took even some space on the last page.

The article has found a larger welcome over Texas than we had even anticipated, and the Slatonite editor has received some congratulatory letters of a very pleasing nature in response to its appearance, and these and the courtesy of the Plainsman in reprinting the article amply repay us for the work and research in preparing the State Division data and discussion.

We did not state in the article where we secured the statistical information in the comparison of the areas, values, population, and taxes paid in the states of New Mexico and Kansas, but for the benefit of those who might question the correctness of the figures and the authenticity of the tables we will add that we wrote directly to the secretaries of those states for the statistics of each state, and they replied cheerfully, so the figures in the comparison tables are exactly correct and reliable data.

You will pardon us for adding a little more about the way our discussion of a division of Texas appealed to the general public, for we feel that you will want to know how they received it. Those newspapers which have heretofore always ridiculed the idea of a division of the state have so far made no reply to the article. We quote first from a personal letter of congratulation from one of the foremost legal minds of the state, a recognized authority on law and argument, Judge R. W. Hall, associate justice of the Civil Court of Appeals of Amarillo. Judge Hall wrote us:

"I have read with great pleasure your excellent article on why Texas should be divided. It is unanswerable and the facts and arguments advanced should go far toward giving the Panhandle and Western Texas a square deal even though it should fail to result in division. Will appreciate it if you can send me some extra copies of the editorial as it appears in the Slatonite, as I want to send them to influential friends and legislators in eastern Texas."

A letter from Porter A. Whaley, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Brownwood, Texas, and a man known as one of the best informed and soundest business men of the commercial circles of Texas, heartily approves the article. Whaley is known wherever commerce and development are recognized, and is one of the public men of Texas. He writes:

"Allow me to congratulate you on your marvelously sound argument. You are right, more than 1,000,000 people, mostly native white Americans, living in West Texas are to all intents and purposes subject slaves to the rotten political narrowness and bigotry of the balance of the state, the equity of the right of vote denied, and paying an annual tax on an indemnity of \$35,000,000.00 just to be included within the borders of Texas. The right of self determination is denied in Texas. Your article shows out in folder form and in head and hand."

These opinions of authorities shows

of a division of Texas is gaining each year, and it will come in the future. Sentiment is crystallizing the movement into a popular project.

An editorial in the Dallas News recently concerning President Wilson leaving the United States to go to France, commented on his being the first President to establish the precedent of leaving the borders of the United States during the time he is chief executive. W. B. Montague, Santa Fe conductor working out of Slaton, says that he has personal knowledge of the fact that this is not the first time that a president has left the borders of the nation. That he was train master for the Mexico Central Railroad and was stationed in Juarez when President Taft and Diaz met on the International Bridge between Juarez and El Paso. The two first met on the bridge and then Diaz called on Taft in El Paso and was accompanied by a squad of Mexican soldiers. Taft then, escorted by a company of U. S. Cavalry, called on Diaz in Juarez twice and was entertained in the custom house in that city each time, and Mr. Montague saw President Taft each time he was in Juarez.

A nurseryman tells the editor of the Slatonite that he has observed that the orchard which is irrigated during the winter is the one which raises the fruit. It is a mistake to think that the trees don't need water when the leaves fall off and the sap goes down, and to wait until spring before starting the water to the trees is to stunt the coming fruit crop. He says that if you want a big, fine fruit crop turn the windmill loose and let the water run around the trees all winter, soaking the ground thoroughly. The roots gather their energy during the winter and they can't pick up sustenance from dry soil.

A number of excellent contributions come to the Slatonite office each week. As our space is very limited we cannot use all of them, but will use as many as we can, for we like to make the paper a cosmopolitan sheet. Some weeks we have room for several good articles, and then on other weeks we do not have room for even one.

Foster missed his calculations on the weather this winter very much. You will recall that he said the storm and snow in November would be the most severe of the winter. Snow came with the November storm but it was only a mild sample of the weather we had in December.

The Slatonite was the only paper last week to give an accurate report of the train wreck at Lariat. Many of the larger papers gave accounts that were so inaccurate that they were almost ludicrous. Pardon us if we take a little pleasure in having put over this "scoop."

Whenever a soldier boy comes home from a training camp with his discharge papers, tell the Slatonite about it. We want to record their home coming, but can't unless you tell us about it.

HOW THE FRENCH CELEBRATED PEACE NEWS AT CHALONS

Lieut. E. M. Cunningham to his mother in Dallas, Texas:

"It was Sunday night, and we were in Chalons, that historic town which the Huns wrecked and whose name will live in history forever. A Colonel, a Major, whose assistant I am, and I were dining there in the big dining-room of the Hotel Renard. We were the only Americans in the town, and just as it happened the dining room was packed with French officers and a representative gathering of civilians, among them the Mayor and his

party. And in France, you know, a Mayor is quite a plenipotentiary. We three Americans were seated at a little table right in the middle of the place. A French General, a crafty looking old lad with a mop of black whiskers like a Russian, and sleeves all braided in gold, sat right behind.

"Well, right in the middle of our meal there was a great commotion at the end of the room. A French soldier orderly, waving a piece of yellow paper over his head raced down the floor between the tables, his eyes blazing like a mad man's, and he was shouting, 'Fine la guerre' (the war is over), at every step. He was headed for the French General. He was so excited he forgot to salute or even to take off his cap, but he shoved the telegram right into the old man's soup and shouted, 'La' (there), pointing at it with a long, skinny finger. The bewhiskered one held it in two trembling hands, muttering, 'Ah, oui,' into his black beard. Then, letting loose a roar like a lion he leaped upon the table and read the message at the top of his lungs to the room which was strained and almost painfully tense. When he finished with an upward sweep of his arms, it sounded like the end of the world had come.

"As the bedlam broke loose, I rather vaguely noticed that one of the General's boots was in the bread plate and the other in the salad. I can't attempt to describe it. Such a scene happens only once in a life time, and I am thankful I was there. The noise was deafening. Tables were overturned, dishes were crashed to the floor. Every one was on his feet. And above that roar two cries were crashing like thunder. They were 'Vive la France,' 'Vive les Americans'. The orchestra started La Marseilles, and before we knew what was happening we three Americans were swept off our feet onto the shoulders of the French officers.

"The crowd surged around us shouting, 'Vive l' Amerique,' 'Vive les Americans,' and they began to shower us with champagne. A sort of procession formed with us at its head, still riding on the shoulders of the French officers. Four captains had me, and they paraded us around the hall, out into the lobby, and down street. Whistles began to scream, and automobile horns were blowing. We were showered with flowers and ribbons. Women kissed our hands. I never felt so foolish in all my life, nor so helpless.

"And this morning my hat is lost, my uniform rained. But it was worth it. Not even the aftermath of a college football victory is in it."

HELP BRAVE BELGIANS DRIVE OUT ENEMY

American Red Cross Aids With Supplies and Comforts in the Equipment of Valiant Army.

It is particularly interesting to Americans to know the tremendous work which the American Red Cross has done toward relieving distress in Belgium. Among the many things done for King Albert's gallant little army by the Red Cross the following are a few:

- It established a dining room and reading and writing room at the warehouses in Le Havre.
- It gave a plate and a bowl to 6,000 munition workers in — to use at their meals.
- It fitted up recreation rooms for workers at munition plants.
- It installed a co-operative restaurant for the military personnel of the Maritime Agency at Le Havre.
- It installed shower baths and a barber shop for the army garrisons in Le Havre.
- In army training centers the Red Cross gave household comforts, phonographs, games, etc.
- It established a dormitory for 200 men at the Home for Permissionaires at Calais.
- It established a canteen and library at Calais.
- It established another canteen for the personnel of sanitary trains.
- It gave material and games for a

canteen for the personnel of the naval base at —

It gave the same for a canteen for the personnel of Belgian seaplane units.

It equipped a mess for the personnel of the unit at Calais.

It gave tents, canteens, reading rooms and shower baths for the personnel of the Bourbourg bakery.

It organized dining rooms for searchlight companies and artillery batteries having fixed cantonments, and installed shower baths in them.

It distributed 60,000 enameled plates and cups for soldiers in the trenches.

It gave prizes for organized athletic tournaments.

It sent presents to each man decorated for bravery. These presents are usually razors, pipes, fountain pens and such. Up to now this work has only applied to the infantry.

The Red Cross provided the apparatus and films for cinema shows. Eight thousand soldiers see them every day.

It supplied books for all soldiers.

It installed a recreation and writing room at the large canteen at La Panne.

It presented to every infantry and cavalry regimental surgeon a medical traveling case, holding a set of medical instruments for field service.

This work required an appropriation of approximately 1,250,000 francs.

Straight from the front is this comment of a Belgian colonel. It was made recently while he was sitting in his dugout talking of the work of a canteen for which the American Red Cross had just provided quarters on very short notice.

"One live demonstration like this is better than a year of talk."

American Red Cross has erected a barracks at Dijon, France, to serve as a day nursery for the children of the French women who work in the United States Army camouflage factory.

American soldiers in camps and hospitals in Great Britain are now able to keep in touch with affairs at home through the medium of a daily bulletin service which has been established by the American Red Cross.

Army officers say the service fills a long-felt want, providing the men with sporting and home news they cannot find in the English newspapers.

The arrival of the bulletin is now one of the big daily events. In this connection a Red Cross worker in England sends the following message to National Headquarters in Washington:

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