

# The Memphis Democrat

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## VICTORY LOAN COUNTY "OVER TOP"

Pertinent Observations Regarding "Putting Over" the Loan in Hall.

Hall county has proven her place at the peace table of patriotism, along with many other Texas counties, by "putting over" her quota of the Victory Loan.

Her observations are justifiable and pertinent; that it was the most difficult task to make of any; more so than preceding because of the drought with crops and because the public spirit stirred as in the past by the prospect of an enemy at its door.

There was a lack of heart-felt enthusiasm on the part of many citizens who did not wake-up to a realization that we were testing honor rather than our strength on the battlefield.

We are in great danger of losing the value and power of belief. At earnest fellowship and patriotic cooperation can do in diverse conditions.

Can put over tasks under compulsion of force, can we do as much, or more, under the moral conviction of duty? The test after all of true patriotism!

A just tribute is to be placed in the halls of memory for those who depart, and being able, prepare to sacrifice in additional money rather than let obligations and our 100-per-cent Americanism be tarnished by unscrupulous selfishness.

Is just also, and can not be left unsaid, that many would have participated had we had heart and soul because we were absolutely without means to even fully meet living expenses, much less loan to the Government; and many who were hampered with debts of other days, which are yet to be paid when the crisis come again, these were anxious for success and as loyal as those who could and did help. Such citizens the hand of brotherhood and comradeship is cordially extended, without reservation.

But it must not be forgotten, or should it be left unsaid, that those who could and would not, who shifted their responsibility, who denied their heritage, declining to support their Government in its last crisis of the war, repudiating their comradeship with neighbors, friends and democracy—these have selected their own class and written their own record!

**R. B. MORGAN.**

## BLUE RIDGE MATTER TO BE PROBED MAY 19

Austin, May 12.—The joint investigation the Blue Ridge prison matter will meet in the Senate chamber in Austin, Monday, May 19, to consider the transaction. Senator Will D. Suitner, chairman of the committee, has invited interested parties to attend the meeting.

**Mrs. D. W. Harrington Dead**

Mrs. D. W. Harrington, mother of Frank Harrington at Clarendon, was buried Monday afternoon. Mrs. Harrington was 83 years of age, the mother of eight children, six of whom are now living; seventeen grandchildren and eight great grand-children.

Frank Harrington, who has been a passenger conductor on the Denver for many years is well known and has many friends here who join us in extending sympathy for his loss.

## SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL SERVICE PROGRAM

Service to Commemorate Hall County Heroes Who Died in War.

Welcome Memorial Service; in honor of Soldiers and Sailors from Hall county who made the supreme sacrifice for the country; at Memphis, Texas, May 20th 1919.

10.00 a. m. meeting of all returned Soldiers and Sailors in the District court room. Welcome Address—J. R. Hennessey.

Organization of all returned Soldiers and Sailors. NOON All soldiers and sailors with their wives will be entertained in the homes of the city.

1.00 p. m. Special features by school children. 2.00 p. m. Memorial Service. Opening Remarks—Judge McIntosh. Chorus by the Choirs of the city.

Prayer. Special music. Report of the Memorial Committee—J. H. Read. Quartette. Memorial Address—R. B. Morgan. Choirs of the city. 5.00 p. m. Free show for Soldiers and Sailors.

8.00 p. m. Banquet given by the citizens to the soldiers and sailors and their wives.

## PRECINCT BUYS LIBERTY BONDS

Commissioner Weatherly Invests Sinking Fund of Precinct in Liberty Bonds.

Commissioner Weatherly, of Estelline, has invested \$3,500 of the road bond sinking fund of his precinct in Liberty Loan bonds.

This amount has been divided among the communities in that precinct as follows: Estelline, \$1,250.00; Hulver, \$850.00; Parnell, \$750.00; Baylor, \$650.00.

The first \$2,500 was invested in previous issues of Liberty loan bonds and the last \$1,000.00, was equally divided and invested in the Victory Liberty Loan, helping materially in making up the quotas for these communities.

## EBERT CHARGES WILSON DESERTS 14 PEACE POINTS

Berlin, Sunday, May 11.—Germany has seized and unfurled a new banner on which are inscribed President Wilson's fourteen points which the President apparently has deserted," said Friedrich Ebert the German president, in a statement to the Associated Press today.

President Ebert called the Peace Treaty "a monstrous document." He declared that history holds no precedent for such determination to annihilate completely vanquished people.

## Medical Society Meets Here

The District Medical Society for this district, including Hall and surrounding counties, met here Friday with a good attendance.

## WILSON DESIGNATES "BOY SCOUT WEEK"

Washington, May 12.—President Wilson in a proclamation made public Sunday recommended that the period beginning June 8 to Flag Day, June 14, be observed over the country as Boy Scout Week.

Police Chief J. Y. Snow, was called to Wichita Falls, Sunday by a message telling of the serious illness of his brother's wife.

## PROCLAMATION.

As City Health Officer I hereby set May 17th for **CITY-WIDE-CLEAN-UP DAY** in Memphis. The citizens are instructed to clean up every part of their premises and sack or pile the trash and cans in alley on their own property line. If such trash or cans are not rounded up in close piles the trash wagon will not take them up and the parties living on the premises will have to pay for hauling them off. Otherwise the City will bear the expense of hauling.

No grass or burnable stuff will be hauled; burn such matter under your personal supervision.

Let every citizen note this proclamation and co-operate to the fullest extent.

**J. C. HENNEN, City Health Officer.**

## HEAVY RAIN DOES DAMAGE TO CROPS 36TH TO START FOR HOME THIS WEEK

Heavy Rain Tuesday Night Will Necessitate Replanting of Crops in This Section

The heavy downpour of rain which fell over the north-east quarter of Hall county Tuesday night probably caused heavy damage, especially to cotton that had been recently planted.

The rain beat down and packed the soil to such extent that it will probably be necessary to replant all row crops. In many places the lister furrows were leveled covering seed and growing plants to a depth too great for the plants to penetrate, and making replanting necessary.

One of the worst features of the situation is the scarcity of cotton seed and the high price. Considerable seed have been shipped in and most of them planted; but the supply is so limited that it is difficult to find car lots in any locality and, as time is a great factor, it may be that much cotton land will have to be planted to maize and other grain crops.

## DEEP LAKE TEST WELL IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

The Home People's test well is making good progress; a depth of 320 feet had been reached last night, although frequent stops for cementing against quick-sand has been necessary.

Leases in the vicinity of this well continue to climb in price and some trading is being done.

## Hedley Well to Start Soon

We are informed that the material for a derick and necessary machinery for drilling has been ordered for the test oil well near Hedley and that active operations will begin within a few days.

## WILL TEST PHASE OF NEW ELECTION LAW

Belton, Texas, May 11.—A suit has been filed in the District Court here attacking the validity of the law passed at the regular session of the Thirty-Sixth Legislature which provides that no assistance can be rendered a voter at the polls in making his ballot unless he be physically unable to mark his ballot, and in which case such voter must speak the English language. Attorneys for John Cabla and John Gyrgar, of the eastern part of this county, have filed suit, seeking to have issued a writ of mandamus to compel the election officers of their voting precincts to furnish an interpreter of the Bohemian language to assist in marking the ballots.

## MEMPHIS COMPANY BRINGS IN GUSHER

Burkburnett Well Organized By Memphis Men Comes In Big Stock Goes High

The M. P. Burk Oil & Gas Company, organized here by A. S. Moss and N. E. Burk, local men; brought in a big well on their lease a mile and a half west of the Burk-Wagner well Saturday.

Quite a lot of the stock was locally owned and prices have gone sky-high; some stock having sold as high as 20 to 1.

The Star-Telegram of yesterday says of this well: "The M. & P. Burk, the latest in, is reported to be flowing around 1,200 barrels by heads. The well has never been cleaned out, having been drilled in with a rotary rig, contrary to the customary manner of completing wells in that field. The sand was found at a shallower depth and the well came in before the star rig could be installed. The hole is still clogged with mud and water. The best authorities report that the well will likely be good for 3,000 barrels when properly cleaned out and completed."

Mr. A. L. Allen of Lodge, was here the first of the week and made a business trip to Childress county Wednesday. Mr. Allen informs us that he has been suffering with rheumatism for several months but is now much improved.

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETS

Court Spending Week Going Over Assessment Rolls. Have Loaned \$15,558.00

Commissioners' Court convened Monday in regular quarterly session and will probably be occupied all of the week in going over the tax-assessment rolls and examining the reports of county officials.

The court has been passing up applications for loans under the Drouth Relief Act and had placed, up to yesterday afternoon, a total of \$15,558.30 of the fund of \$20,000.00 received from the State for loans to farmers for feed and seed.

## VILLA TAKES PARRAL RELIEVES PRISONERS

El Paso, Texas, May 12.—According to information received here from Parral today, Francisco Villa took that city Thursday and made prisoners of the garrison of 260 men under Colonel Gomez, who had occupied the town but two days before.

## Remarkable Child Actress

Little Gloria Joy, recognized as America's leading child actress, has been cast in a role which gives expression to the unquenchable spirit of France, in "The Heart of Humanity," the eight-reel Allen Holubar production in which Dorothy Phillips is appearing in the featured role at the Princess.

## ASSEMBLY SUPPORTS SCHEIDEMANN STAND

Berlin, Monday, May 12.—The declaration of Chancellor Scheidemann in the National Assembly today that the peace terms were "unacceptable" brought the members of the assembly, the spectators and those in the press gallery; to their feet in a hurricane of cheers and applause.

## CHILDRESS EDITOR HAS "GUSHER" WHEAT CROP

One Panhandle editor is lucky this year and oil is not going to be the riches. Editor Thomas owns a farm two miles east of Childress and has a hundred acres of the best wheat that ever grew in Texas, and said by many to be the best in Childress county. The field will soon be ripening and it is good for nearly 40 bushels per acre. This will bring more money than the average newspaper man sees in several years of business and The Index is mighty glad to see Editor Thomas be the lucky man.—Childress Index.

J. O. Johnson and family are visiting relatives at Shawnee, Oklahoma, this week.

## FOUR AMERICANS CAPTURE 40 BOCHES

Lakeview Boys Modestly Refrain From Mentioning Daring Performance

A Lakeview man told us this week the story of a daring exploit on the battle-front at St. Miheil in which two Lakeview boys participated.

The boys were Lawrence Ward and Curtis Jones of Lakeview and two other boys of their, the Rainbow, division. On the day of the St. Miheil drive some French soldiers told them that they had discovered some deep dug-outs near the trench from which they had just driven the Germans and suggested that they were probably mined and warned the Americans of them. The four boys immediately repaired to the place indicated and stopping near the opening of one of the dug-outs were discussing the advisability of throwing a hand-grenade inside, "to see what would happen," when a Boche appeared in the opening holding up his hands and crying "kamerad!" They inquired if if there were any more in the dug-out and made him call down telling them to come out at once, unarmed and with their hand up, or a bomb would be thrown down.

Forty Germans responded to the command and all were rounded up by the four boys and started to the rear as prisoners. On the way a German attempted to escape by plunging into a thicket and when he failed to heed the command to halt was shot in the leg by young Ward who directed two of the prisoners to carry the wounded man; they proceeded to the rear and turned their prisoners over to the proper authorities.

Ward, who had a leg blown off and the other one shattered on the afternoon of the second day's drive, has been home two months and Jones, who was wounded later has been home several weeks but neither had mentioned capturing these prisoners and it was only when they were overheard discussing the matter between themselves that it became known to their friends.

In spite of the fact that crosses of honor have been bestowed for similar exploits the boys protested against it being considered in the light of a heroic action; stating that many similar occurrences took place at the front and were not given special notice.

## 2,800 MILES IN ELEVEN DAYS MADE BY AUTO

Vernon, Tex. May 12.—A journey of 2,800 miles in eleven days is the record made in a car by R. S. Houssels of Long Beach, Cal., and A. A. Crossman of Billings, Mont., who have arrived in Vernon. The party carried their own camping outfit and did not spend a night in a hotel. They came by way of El Paso, Pecos, Ranger, Fort Worth and Wichita Falls.

## Airplanes to Carry Paper

El Paso, Texas.—The Herald is advertising for bids on airplanes for two newspaper and passenger routes out of this city. The climate here is ideal for air flying. The snow is very light in the winter and there is very little rainfall during the summer.

The proposed routes will not only carry the Herald to southwestern towns, but passengers and parcels and no doubt, mail will also be carried.

The airplanes will be in the order of the Pusher type, bombing machines, with 12-cylinder Liberty motors, or something equally as good, which will carry three passengers and about 700 pounds of mail.

The El Paso Herald auto route was established over ten years ago and it met with wonderful success.



**WING WEEK FOR THE HOME DRESSMAKER**

It is the Time to Prepare for the Summer Days

That April showers bring May flowers is merely another way of saying, now is the time to prepare for the pleasant days that will soon follow. Busy women realize this and also realize that it would not be as pleasant to work then as now. So idle fingers begin to fly and the dainty materials soon take definite form.



The Bathing Suit and the Panel

One of the first thoughts is of the beach and the beach costume. It is of ultimate importance that one is quite as well dressed at the beach as at any more formal occasion. And the new designs are anything that one could desire smartness and style.

**Daring Colors Used**

The suit shown here with the tucked skirt section is one of the most attractive models that are being shown this season. The waistline is simple in style and the collar and cuffs are trimmed with same checked material. The gathered bloomers, made of same material as the waist, show beneath the skirt and give a new appearance to the entire suit. One should be taken when wearing a suit as extreme in color as this, and only the young girl or particularly charming young man should attempt it.

Panels have even found themselves on bathing suits. It seems that they are an indispensable feature of every costume. The model shown boasts of both a back and front panel. The front one is held down by the belt at the waistline while the back panel flies loose. In this design the bloomers show also a tiny bit, indeed very few suits of this season are without these pretty bits of gathers and ruffles showing beneath.

**Sewing for the Kiddies**

And then there are those most important members of the family to look after, the kiddies. What a stock of new things they must have! A tremendous task as one ponder over it. But as soon as one starts out on search for materials and designs, the choice is so bewilderingly interesting that the pleasure derived far overbalances the trouble.

Gingham, organdie, lace and dotted laces are a few of the fabrics that are offered. One perfectly exquisite little frock was made of white linen and trimmed with ruffles at the sleeves and neck of raspberry-colored organdie. The tiny pockets that were directly beneath the high waistline were embroidered with worsted the same color as the ruffles. The effect was one of youth and fancy and the imagination could not possibly conceive of a more likable creation.

**The Invasion of Waistcoats**  
Waistcoats have made a most successful drive and have completely enthralled themselves in fashion's favor. Every suit feels incomplete without one. Even on the one-piece dresses little vest effects appear. And after all, they are quite the smartest thing that one could desire. There is such an opportunity to bring one's favorite color on a suit through the medium of a waistcoat.

The newest ones are of metal cloth, usually with some medieval

design running through them. Then there are the satin ones which are brocaded in gold and silver. These are rather extreme and when used in a very small size their elegance is enhanced.

**Gloves That Are New**

A wide variety of gloves are now on the market. There are many becoming styles for everyone. And then there are those styles that only she who is slender of hand and graceful of movement may wear.

Amongst the latter the most popular is the ungleed beige-colored kid of three-quarters length. Sometimes the monotony of color is broken by wide black silk stitching, which is again edged with stitching of the same color of the gloves.



A Daring Combination

**AID THE KIDNEYS**

Memphis Sufferers Should Take No Further Risk.

Why will people continue to suffer the agonies of kidney complaint, backache, urinary disorders, lameness, headaches, languor, why allow themselves to become chronic invalids, when a tested remedy is offered them?

Doan's Kidney Pills have been used in kidney trouble over 50 years, have been tested in thousands of cases.

If you have any even one of the symptoms of kidney diseases, act now, for gravel, dropsy or Bright's disease may set in and make neglect dangerous. Can Memphis residents demand more convincing proof than the following?

A. R. Woodfin, retired grocer, Avenue G, N. E. Childress, Texas, says: "My back ached and hurt me all the time. I could hardly bend or lift. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills and I got a box. They helped me from the first and continued use cured me."

**COAL, COAL, COAL**

Now is the time to look into the matter of buying your coal. We are getting in our storage coal and have the summer prices. Each month will be higher in price until the winter season.

Let us fill your bin while the price is at its lowest point. Our Colorado Deep-Shaft Aztec coal is as fine as comes out of Colorado. We have big fancy lump and our nut coal has gone over double screens at the mine and we use forks in loading, this method will give you the cleanest coal you have had the pleasure of using. Come look into our bins if you want to see some clean well prepared coal.

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**MAKE YOUR DOLLARS DO DOUBLE DUTY**

Estelline Postmaster Advises Reinvestment of Liberty Bond Invested in Thrift Stamps

"It does not often happen" said Mr. T. D. Gee, the efficient postmaster at Estelline, "that your dollars do double duty but on May 15th this is exactly what your dollars will do.

"In this Eleventh Reserve District alone" continued Mr. Gee, "more than \$1,500,000.00 will be paid out by our government as interest on the Second Liberty Bonds, and how fine it would be if those receiving this interest would re-invest it in W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps. Their interest would in this way earn interest and would be, in fact, an endless chain. And it would be so easy; all you would have to do is to clip your coupons, bring them here to the postoffice, and let us exchange them for W.S.S. and Thrift Stamps. In fact, it's the simplest matter in the world; and too, your money thus invested is always close at hand for you can absolutely get your W. S. S. cashed right here at this postoffice on ten days' notice.

"After all," continued Mr. Gee, "W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps are the 'biggest little investment in all the world' and certainly the most attractive. Just think about it a minute. You can lend your own Government any amount you see fit, your own Government pay you for the use of your money and will return it to you without question upon ten days' notice. In other words, it is a ten days demand loan. Where else can you do this with your money?"

"I want every patron of this office to understand this plan and use it, and I believe if they do understand it, they will gladly exchange their Liberty-Bond interest coupons for W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps.

"A most intensive campaign is being waged this year" continued Mr. Gee, "with the aim, of course, of selling W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps which are the best investment securities in the world, but there is even a greater motive prompting this campaign than the mere selling of Stamps; that motive is the spreading of the thrift habit, getting people to save,—in short to change the American public into a happy, contented, progressive population of savers. This is our big task and, personally, I am committed to this work with every energy I have.

"It means more to our Nation our County and Town than any one thing at this critical time of reconstruction because if our Nation and our community are to prosper its citizens must be prosperous. This is why I urge every patron of this office to re-invest their Liberty Loan interest coupons in W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps on May 15."

**Produce Infertile Eggs**

Poultry experts in a position to know whereof they speak estimate that \$15,000,000.00 are lost annually because of the production of fertile eggs during the summer months.

Fertile eggs will not keep well in warm weather at a temperature above 60 degrees, and few people in the rural districts are in a position to keep their eggs below this temperature. Infertile eggs will keep for about two weeks in edible condition, which gives time to gather the eggs and get them to market.

Furthermore, during the spring and summer when eggs are plentiful it is customary to eat eggs morning, noon and night until one can scarcely stand the sight of an

egg, simply because they are plentiful and may spoil.

It would be much better to save these eggs for use when the hens are not laying so bountifully, at which time eggs are at a premium.

This may be done by producing infertile eggs. Drive the rooster from the flock. This will not interfere with the production of eggs. In fact expert poultrymen seem to feel that it helps the production. Kill the scrub roosters, and isolate the pure breeds until fall. Do not place them in a small pen, but in a roomy, and shady enclosure, where they may get plenty of exercise, grass and insects.

Eggs may be preserved in water glass and used during the winter.

May the 29th has been set aside as the day to banish the rooster from the flock and introduce the great drive for the production of infertile eggs in order to save Texas' production of the usual annual loss.

Talk to your County Agent about this drive or write to the Extension on Service, A. and M. Coll. of Texas.

**The Railroads**

If the railroads are something of burden to Uncle Sam under the present one-sided arrangements, they are an impossible burden to the private interests who would take them back. The plain truth is that the former owners can not take them back without generous help from Uncle Sam. They were milked dry by the financiers before the government took them over, and the high returns guaranteed have been paid out in dividends. Roadbeds and rolling stock were not renewed as they should have been to meet the country's needs, and all this neglected depreciation must now be met.

The financiers are talking about a "first" loan of \$700,000,000 and higher rates. Beyond the first loan they see a second, a third, etc. But if the government is to supply the new capital and assume the risks what is the sense of parting with the management? No business man would think of doing such a thing; yet business men as a whole are somewhat favorable to having their government do this thing which has no other motive than financing of the Wall Street pirate type.

The government, beset as it is

with hostile influences, has none the less been able to make great savings in railroad operation. Consolidation of lines made possible the meeting of our hitherto insupportable freight problem during the war. The dropping of expensive managements and of railroad insurance were other steps in the right direction. Congress foolishly, or perhaps with malice aforethought, put heavy taxes on freight and passenger rates, but even with these vicious taxes freight and passenger charges have kept far behind the advance of other prices.

To be sure, savings have been more than dissipated by the fat allowances made to the owners by congress, by equipment company profiteering, etc. The solution, however is obviously not a return to a private management, which admits it can not swing the job alone but elimination of the present enemies of efficient government operation.

Work serves simply when salary's saved. W. S. S. win sure success.

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—Buy W. S. S.—  
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**Keep Well**

Do not allow the poisons of undigested food to accumulate in your bowels, where they are absorbed into your system. Indigestion, constipation, headache, bad blood, and numerous other troubles are bound to follow. Keep your system clean, as thousands of others do, by taking an occasional dose of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine.

Theford's

**Black-Draught**

Mrs. W. F. Pickle, of Rising Fawn, Ga., writes: "We have used Theford's Black-Draught as a family medicine. My mother-in-law could not take calomel as it seemed too strong for her, so she used Black-Draught as a mild laxative and liver regulator. We use it in the family and believe it is the best medicine for the liver made." Try it. Insist on the genuine—Theford's. 25c a package. E-75



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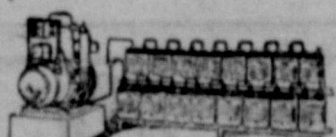


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