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## YOUR WAR PLEDGE IS DUE!

### FORTH EDITOR OFFERS TRIBUTE TO PETER RADFORD

Nugent Fitzgerald, Editor  
of the Record Pays Tribute  
to Dead Commoner.

The death of Peter Radford, farmer, lost one of their most advocates, the business interests of their best friends and the nation one of their valuable citizens. Well may all join in mourning the loss of one so capable of universal affection for the welfare of those who struggle for a livelihood and have unstinted admiration to who achieved.

He was one of the best known men in the nation and his counsel sought by all farm organizations throughout the land. He always a prominent figure in national and influential in the policies of the organization.

At the time of his death he was in Madison, Wis., attending a national convention of the Society of American Farmers. By a strange coincidence that fate sometimes flings in the pathway of mortal man, at that very hour he was scheduled to address the convention, that assembly adjourned to accompany his body from the hotel where he died to the depot. With a head and humble heart, more than a thousand plowmen representing the organized farmers of more than fifteen states in the west, marched by the bier of the deceased leader as a last expression of affection and appreciation.

He left his imprint upon the politics of the state and vital to the economic thought of a generation of society. He counsel for governmental policies gave the farmers equal rights with those of every other branch of society, was positive in his expression and vigorous in his expression. His life was a plea for cultural statesmanship.

He brought forcibly to the attention of the organized farmers the importance of improving their marketing system.

During his presidency of the Farmers' union he inaugurated a policy of co-operation with business interests and was successful in securing \$40,000,000 from the bankers to lend to them on cotton at 6 per cent. The holding movement was the state warehouse and marketing system of Texas and

### FULL MEMBERSHIP HALL COUNTY'S GOAL

No Quota Is Assigned for Red  
Cross Christmas Roll Call.  
All Expected to Join.

Fixing quotas has been such a familiar feature of previous campaigns, whether to sell Liberty Bonds or to raise welfare and relief funds, that the failure to assign a quota to Hall County in the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call is arousing discussion.

The reason given by the local Red Cross chapter is logical. The Red Cross now is so widely known and so strongly approved that the goal of the Christmas Roll Call is nothing short of "Universal Membership." In other words, the census figures will be Hall County quota, as they will be for the whole nation.

The week of December 16-23 will see this apparently formidable task accomplished, because there will be an eager spirit of co-operation. More than 22,000,000 present members in the United States will answer "Here," and it is the hope of the Red Cross War Council that treble or quadruple that number will join and so permit a Christmas Eve cable to Europe that the American people are solidly behind the Red Cross spirit.

The Red Cross Christmas Roll Call is not an effort to raise money, and no one in Hall County will be asked for contributions. The annual membership dues amount to only one dollar.

Hall County undoubtedly has as many dollars for the Red Cross as there are adults in its population.

### Proclamation of County Judge

Whereas, the Government has issued its call for the complete payment before December 31, 1918 of all pledges made the United States Treasury Department to purchase War Savings Stamps, and

Whereas, the county Judge of each county has been requested by the Government to direct attention by proclamation to the official call for the liquidation of War Savings Stamp Pledges,

Therefore, I, W. A. McIntosh, County Judge, of the County of Hall, State of Texas, do hereby announce the said Government call for liquidation by December 31, 1918, of all War Savings Stamp Pledges that all pledged persons in Hall County may take notice.

Done this 16th day of December, 1918.

W. A. McINTOSH,  
County Judge.

### Continued Rain.

Rain fell here Monday night, Tuesday and again Wednesday night and all day today.

which has been copied by many other cotton states of the South.

When you talked with Peter Radford, you had communed with the American farmer. Having a quaint philosophical and convincing personality, he was generously endowed with the attributes of honesty, justice, loyalty, patience and ability and was recognized as a characterization of men who toil upon the farm.

No greater or more truthful encomium can be paid him than to say he was a composite American farmer.

While his body returns to dust many of the principles which he inaugurated will live on and on and in their triumph bless men who follow the plow.—Fort Worth Record.

### OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

The United States Government  
requests the payment of Pledges to buy  
War Savings Stamps  
December 23rd to 31st 1918

Notice is hereby given to all  
persons who have signed  
Pledge Cards agreeing to invest  
in United States Government  
War Savings Stamps that it is  
expected that all such pledges  
will be liquidated before  
December 31st 1918.



The official proclamation, calling for the payment of all War Savings Stamp Pledges before December 31, has been issued by the Government. A facsimile of the official proclamation is shown above. The last day of grace for the liquidation of War Savings Stamp Pledges is December 31.

### RED CROSS ROLL CALL FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

#### American Public Asked to Respond With Universal Membership.

Is your name written there? Where? On the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, of course.

Beginning with Red Cross Sunday, December 15, the entire American nation will be given the opportunity during the week of December 16 to 23 to line up for all those emblems of mercy that the bright Red Cross against the white background has come to symbolize.

This is in no sense a call for funds. It is the annual call for service. Every member of every household, from the grandfather to the nursery, should be represented on the Red Cross Service Flag. Only dollar memberships are being asked for, and these are for the calendar year of 1919.

Everywhere throughout the fourteen Red Cross divisions the week will be celebrated as a rededication to personal service and self sacrifice. No matter what may be the immediate task ahead, there are bound to be increasing demands made on the Red Cross American, whether here or in foreign parts, has his part to play.

Through the Divisions every Chapter, and through the Chapter every Branch and Auxiliary will spread the Red Cross Message and endeavor to enroll every person in every community. Already the membership in this national organization has grown from some few hundred thousand in 1916 to more than twenty millions since our own country entered the world war. There are no limits set for the 1918 Christmas enrollment. Every American everywhere is the hoped for goal.

Programs subject to local conditions will be arranged for the week, based on suggestions worked out by national campaign managers at Headquarters. On Roll Call Sunday the Red Cross message will be preached from every pulpit, and all church meetings will arrange special programs of Red Cross activities.

With the co-operation of local artists, every community will be decorated with Red Cross posters. Posters will be used on all packages sent out from the stores during Roll Call week, and the movies will show films picturing the various Red Cross agencies at home and abroad. "For All Humans" shows scenes taken on the actual battlefield. There will also be Women's day, club programs on Red Cross, special exercises in the Red

Cross workrooms. Employees day (when special tribute will be paid to the contribution made by the laboring man), the week ending with a general "Clean-up" day, when every person in the community not yet enrolled will again be personally solicited for membership.

It is believed that some time during the week at least one performance of the masque, "The Roll Call," especially written by Mr. Percy Mackaye, with stage settings designed by Robert Edmund Jones, will be given in every community. This has but twelve speaking parts and is arranged especially for community presentation, with men, women and children in the pantomime parts. It can be given either elaborately or very simply, as conditions warrant. In its dramatic theme it expresses the emancipation of the human spirit from tyranny through the humanizing agency of the American Red Cross. Copies of the masque, as well as directions for mounting and incidental music, can be secured at Red Cross Headquarters in every town and city.

One of the most novel and interesting features of the campaign promises to be the One-day and One-Hour plan of enrollment. This consists of dividing the community into units of one hundred houses, the idea being to have sufficient workers to canvass these homes practically simultaneously, a sort of "home stretch," distributing the work among many with a minimum of time consumed by each.

The official uniform worn by Roll Call workers will be a cap and arm brassard. These are to be made of red flannel and a small paper circle in white will carry the Red Cross emblem. This uniform will serve both as protection against the unscrupulous and as an aid to the workers themselves.

Corporations, business firms and industries will be supplied with a 100% Service flag.

There will be no Christmas sale of tuberculosis seals this year. Instead, the Red Cross has made a direct appropriation of \$2,500,000 for this work, and ten seals will be awarded each person who joins the Roll Call as a reminder of the very important work being done by the National Tuberculosis Association.

Wars may come and wars may go, but the Red Cross goes on forever.

Will you not be among the first to place your name on the 1919 membership roll?

### 40,400 CASUALTIES REMAIN UNREPORTED

General Pershing Says that this  
Number Remain Unreported  
On December 14.

Washington, Dec. 17.—General Pershing cabled the War Department yesterday that practically complete reports of deaths in action among the expeditionary forces should reach the department by Dec. 20 and of severely wounded by Dec. 27.

General Pershing said that the number of unreported casualties, in process of verification at the central records office of the expeditionary forces on Dec. 14 was 40,440. They were divided as follows:

Killed in action, 390; died of wounds 275; died of disease, 353; accidentally killed, 51; severely wounded in action, 39,371. These included all "suspense cases under investigation," the general said.

### Don't Wait to Be Asked

You will be approached, sometime during the week of December 16th to the 23rd, and solicited for Christmas Membership in the American Red Cross. We want subscriptions from every home in Hall County, make our work as light as possible, and if the committee does not see you, you see the committee and join now.

Owing to the influenza in our territory, we must carry on without the inspiration of Public Meetings or the enthusiasm which results from great gatherings. We cannot afford to fail or run second. Let the Red Cross spirit overcome the infection of the influenza germ. Let us have an epidemic of service flags in the window and of Red Cross Buttons in the lapels of all patriotic citizens of Hall County.

DO IT NOW.  
Hall County must not fall down on this great Humanitarian Work. Help us make Hall County come out ahead of our Bit. Let us do our Best.

T. C. DELANEY,  
Roll Call Chairman.

### Estelline Events.

On account of the danger of spreading influenza where crowds meet in buildings, almost all of the usual holiday gatherings and programs will be omitted here this Christmas.

Mr. H. H. Daniels, formerly a resident of Estelline, but now of Eastern Texas, passed through here on Wednesday of last week en route to the Plains. We understand that Mr. Daniels is expecting to locate in the Panhandle in the near future.

Mr. W. M. Thompson, the manager of the Barnes & Hastings Grocery Company, will move his family here soon and permanently locate with us. We welcome Mr. Thompson and his family to our little town and wish for them a happy and prosperous future among us.

### Snow at Dalhart.

Dalhart, Texas, Dec. 17.—Snow has been falling here since 9 o'clock last night and was four inches deep today. A hard blizzard is blowing.

### Fight for 14 Points

A correspondent at Paris reported yesterday that the President had just told him that he would fight to the last for his fourteen points.

### AFTER INFLUENZA WHAT? HOW TO AVOID CONSUMPTION

State Tuberculosis Sanatorium  
Gives Rules and Advise that  
All Should Heed.

The answer may be tuberculosis. With proper care this can be avoided. Tuberculosis often follows an attack of grippe (influenza) as do bronchitis, pneumonia or the like. This statement is made not to scare you, but to warn you. Proper precautions will help to avert the danger.

After recovery from influenza, or any other infectious disease, the room should be thoroughly renovated. Disinfecting with formaldehyde, sulphur candles and the like does little good. Better to depend on good soap and water with plenty of elbow grease. The woodwork can be wiped off with a 2 per cent solution of carbolic acid. If possible, have the room repapered.

### How to Avoid Tuberculosis.

After sickness remain in bed until all fever has gone. Do not return to work too soon. Do not dismiss your physician too soon.

If fever persists over two weeks have a chest examination by your physician. Eat nourishing food. Take plenty of rest; more than usual. Periodical medical examinations are good for all.

The use of medicines is a delusion and a snare. Tuberculosis is both preventable and curable. If detected in time the disease can be arrested. Further information and advice will be cheerfully given by

### Special Notice.

Those persons who have purchased the total amount of War Saving Stamps Pledged by them should make proof of same and get your Pledge Cards from Council of Defense Office at the Court House in Memphis, Texas, at once.

W. B. QUIGLEY,  
Chairman, War Savings Com.

### Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the Hall County Chapter of the Red Cross will meet at the Red Cross rooms at 7:30 Monday evening.

Join, Red Cross 1919

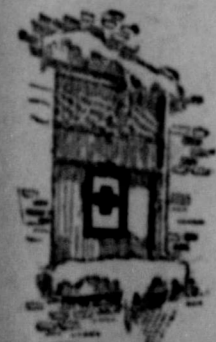


### Wear your Button

Will you be wearing your membership button when the boys come home?

Join

W.S.S.  
Pay Your Pledge



Put your flag in your window

W.S.S.  
Pay Your Pledge



## The Red Cross Women are doing their part

and much yet remains to be done. The boys are through fighting but they are not yet home.

The work of the Red Cross has really just begun. The wounded are to be cared for and hungry women and children are to be fed.

Your membership, and the moral support such membership gives, are needed to carry on the activities of the American Red Cross.

If you have been a member during 1918, RENEW your membership NOW--this will be your only opportunity to answer "present" to the 1919 Red Cross Christmas Call.

### Join the Red Cross

-all you need is a heart and a dollar

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**CITATION**  
 STATE OF TEXAS,  
 County of Polk—Greeting—  
 You are hereby commanded to appear in said Court on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1918, in a suit, numbered in the docket of said Court as No. 948, wherein J. M. Bailey is Plaintiff, and M. E. Bailey is Defendant, and said petition alleges that defendant's residence is in Polk County, Arkansas, that they continued to live together as husband and wife on or about Oct. 14, 1916, by reason of harsh and cruel treatment and improper conduct of defendant toward plaintiff was forced and compelled to permanently abandon her, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife. Plaintiff further alleges that she living with defendant he kind and affectionate to her always provided for her support, etc., but defendant unmindful of the duties and obligations of marital vows, for months prior to the time of their separation began a course of tirannical treatment toward plaintiff until she was compelled to abandon defendant; that defendant often used and abused plaintiff with provocation; that she applied to him vile names and accused

him of living in adultery; that on or about this time they were preparing to move from Arkansas to Texas plaintiff found in defendant's trunk a petition for divorce from him, her husband, in which she makes many false accusations against him.  
 Plaintiff further alleges that defendant was a user of opium, and other "morphine dope," and that she continued the use of such drugs after having made promises to cease their use. Therefore, plaintiff alleges that defendant's action and conduct toward him generally are of such a nature as to render their future living together as husband and wife insupportable, the promises considered.  
 Wherefore plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgement dissolving said marriage relation, for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, that he may be justly entitled to, etc.  
 Herein Fail Not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
 Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Memphis, Texas, this 3rd day of December, A. D. 1918.  
 M. O. GOODPASTURE, Clerk,  
 Court Hall County.

there to answer a petition filed in said Court in the 16th day of November, A. D. 1918, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 948, wherein Mrs. Cora James is Plaintiff, and Frank James is Defendant, and said petition alleging that plaintiff has been for the past twelve months a resident of the State of Texas and for six months prior to filing this petition a resident of Hall County, Texas that on or about March 19, 1912, in Arkansas County, Texas, Plaintiff was legally married to defendant Frank James; that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about August 15th, 1915, when plaintiff was abandoned by deft. without fault of plaintiff, and that deft. has since that time contributed nothing to the support of plaintiff or their minor child, George W. James; that during their living together plaintiff was an affectionate wife and discharged her duty as such; and that deft. abandoned plaintiff against her wishes and without her consent. Plaintiff further says that prior to abandonment, defendant, frequently cursed and abused plaintiff and child; that deft's said conduct renders their living together insupportable. Plaintiff further says that pliff. and deft. have one child George W. James, a boy about 4 years of age; that plaintiff has always had the burden of caring for and supporting said child.  
 Wherefore plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited in terms of the law to answer this petition, and that upon trial thereof plaintiff have judgement dissolving said marriage relation and awarding her custody of said child in a hotel lobby at Madison, other and further relief to which she may be entitled.  
 Herein Fail Not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.  
 Given Under My Hand and Seal of said Court, at office in Memphis, Texas, this the 19th day of November, A. D. 1918.  
 T. C. ANTHONY,  
 District Court Hall County.  
 By M. O. GOODPASTURE,  
 Deputy.

## To the Cotton Raisers of Hall County

The recent conflict has been one of right against might, or rather of right against wrong and right is the victor.

In this world struggle our vision has been broadened and in the reconstruction, great reformation has taken place and others must take place in the conduct of our affairs.

Right ought to and must prevail to a much larger extent than ever before. But not withstanding the great lesson that stands facing us on the world's horizon, we believe the cotton farmer is confronted with and is now undergoing some wrongs.

- (1) We ask is there any reason why middling cotton should sell for practically 4c a pound less in Memphis than in Houston, the freight rate being 66c per hundred?
- (2) Is there any reason why farmers should be asked or compelled to weigh their cotton on a public weigher's scales or on anybody's scales when the law provides for bonded weighers the same as it does public weighers?
- (3) Is there any reason why a merchant can price and weigh his merchandise to us and we as farmers can't price and weigh ours?
- (4) Is there any reason for cutting a bale of cotton twelve times and taking a pound each cutting when the law says that the ginner shall prepare a sample and the cotton shall be sold by the sample?
- (5) Is there any reason why the farmer should sit idly by and not ask the next legislature to fix a sufficient penalty to the warehouse sampling law to prohibit the cutting and appropriating of this immense amount of cotton.

We believe there are no just reasons for these things, and that they ought not to exist; and that by proper co-operation things can be set right. Eleven years ago the Farmers Union Warehouse Co., was organized for the purpose of protecting the farmers against existing wrongs, and has continuously fought for the rights of the farmers, and shall continue without ceasing. Our efforts depend on your co-operation. Our stock is always for sale, and we have a plan by which any farmer can procure stock without paying money, his business will pay for the stock. We have paid back in earnings \$16,300.00 to the farmers within the last four years, who have furnished the business, the greater part being paid to farmers who do not own the stock. Ask your farmer neighbors, they know.

Will you patronize a concern that is working for your interest, or will you disregard our every effort to see that you get justice along all lines? Give us a chance to sell your cotton; ask about our plan of selling.

This is a co-operative institution owned by farmers and managed in the interest of the farmers and we are ready to help you get the worth of your cotton. We saved \$200.00 on 15 bales of cotton last year for L. Morrison and we believe we can help you. Come to see us and talk it over. We ask you at any rate to stand fair and square and price your cotton and weigh it on any lawful scales you wish. This system of requiring farmers to weigh their cotton on any particular scales must have migrated from the far south land where the atmosphere and complexion is different from what it is here in the Panhandle. We ask you to come here and sign a petition to the legislature for the amendment of the warehouse law as above suggested. Below is a list of stockholders see how many farmers names appear.

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| JAMES WEBSTER      | R. E. PAINETR,       |
| R. A. HUTCHERSON   | P. H. SOUDER,        |
| W. X. HAZARD,      | J. N. SASSER,        |
| J. W. BRAGG,       | R. T. McELREATH,     |
| J. M. LANE,        | J. W. MORTON,        |
| E. M. EWEN,        | W. H. MILLER,        |
| J. B. LANDIS,      | S. I. BYARS,         |
| T. J. THOMPSON,    | MRS. T. L. McALESTER |
| D. P. WEBSTER,     | M. M. EDWARDS,       |
| J. F. BARDLEY,     | C. J. NASH,          |
| W. S. SMITH,       | J. T. McMURRY,       |
| PARKS MITCHAM      | G. W. TUCKER,        |
| O. B. BURNETT,     | J. W. TURNER,        |
| J. C. WILSON, Sr., | MRS. M. H. HUGHES,   |
| W. J. WILSON,      | W. M. H. HUGHES,     |
| T. K. WILTON,      | E. M. DENNIS,        |
| W. H. MITON,       | N. M. VAUGHN,        |
| T. J. HAMPTON,     | T. M. VAUGHN,        |
| E. A. THOMAS,      | W. K. HOLLIFIELD,    |
| S. O. GREENE,      | J. A. WYEATT,        |
| D. H. ROBERTS,     | C. A. BARTON,        |
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| I. P. HOLLIFIELD,  | J. R. HARRELL,       |
| J. H. READ,        | S. E. THOMASON,      |
| C. A. CROZIER,     | I. W. THOMASON,      |
| M. WALKUP,         | CHAS. WILLIAMS,      |
| JNO. T. BISHOP,    | U. G. KEE,           |
| H. E. DEEVER,      | J. W. BICKERSTAFF,   |
| T. M. McMURRY,     | CURTIS CUDD,         |
| J. N. CUDD,        | THRESHER FOREMAN,    |
| P. M. MILTON,      | C. F. STOUT,         |
| L. L. FOREMAN,     | R. H. PUGH,          |
| H. J. GALLOWAY,    | E. U. BULLARD,       |
| T. C. HUTCHINS,    | J. B. CUTLER,        |
| S. W. CULBRETH,    |                      |

**Farmers' Union Warehouse Company**  
**Memphis, Texas**

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS



We also wish you a Happy New Year and suggest that you begin the new year with a new suit, which we will be glad to order and guarantee that you will be well-fitted.

**KING THE TAILOR**  
 Phone 346

## Local and Personal News

Short News Paragraphs and Personal Mention of General and Special Interest to Memphis and Hall County Readers

Chas. McCollum of Esteline was here Monday.

Ben Hill returned from Camp Mabry, Tuesday.

Ewell Grundy was here from Esteline Monday.

Herbert Powell came in last Friday from Camp Stanley.

For the best values in suits and pants, see O. K. Tailors.

Wm. Rigsby was here from Esteline Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hart were here from Esteline last Friday.

John Newton came in Tuesday from Petersburg, Virginia.

Heavy Moleskin Suits at a bargain at the O. K. Tailor Shop.

Buster Montgomery left Sunday for Graham, to visit relatives.

Lieut. Lorain Rouse and wife came in Monday from Kelly Field.

Joe J. Mickle, Jr. came in this week from T. C. U. at Fort Worth.

Just received a fresh supply of Jacob's Candies at Tomlinson Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam West came in from Vallejo, California, Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. R. H. Whaley of Esteline spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Chas. Singer of Fort Worth came in Saturday to visit relatives.

Friday "The Bird of Prey" featuring Gladys Brockwell, at the PRINCESS.

Mrs. McIntire and Clark of Esteline were here shopping Monday afternoon.

"Shifting Sands" in five reels and a two reel Comedy at the Princess, Wednesday.

Sergt. Y. Hendrix, of Fort Bliss, El Paso, came in Sunday night for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Finley of Erick, Oklahoma, are visiting relatives here this week.

Miss George Ella Mickel came down from Claroudon to spend the holidays with home-folk.

From now until Christmas we will give 20 per cent off on all suits and 10 per cent off on all trousers. L. McMILLAN.

What to buy for Christmas: Diamonds, Bar Pins, Diamond Ear Screws, and innumerable other things, at WHERRY'S.

Auto top and curtain repairing of all kinds. Auto seat covers to order. Prompt deliveries. Terms cash. BEN SMITH.

An appropriate gift for either sex—a nice Ring, a Watch or other piece of jewelry, see the new things at WHERRY'S.

Lovie Thompson came in Tuesday from Roswell, New Mexico, where he has been attending school.

CASH—P. F. Craver now has his elevator and warehouse stocked with mill-feed, corn, maize and kaffir chops. All kinds of feed

Misses Eva Blevins, Dana Arnold and Ethel Forrest of Quail were the guests of Miss Bess Bart on Sunday.

Good Felt Hats, for men and boys, at \$1.50.

L. McMILLAN, "The O. K. Tailor."

Don't worry about what to buy for your married friends for Christmas: a set, or a single piece, of Cut Glass will be sure to please them. See WHERRY'S stock of new designs.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Stroud and daughter, Miss Beulah, were called to Lawton, Oklahoma, Saturday night by the death of Mrs. Stroud's brother, Stewart Miller.

Mrs. John McMeiken is in Wellington this week.

Odd Coats and Vests, at the O. K. Tailor Shop.

Bailey Gilmore was here from Turkey this week.

Alvin Brannon came in Sunday from Camp Travis.

R. D. Gillinwater came in Sunday from California.

Adelbert Elliott came in Monday from Camp McArthur.

Earl Thompson came in Friday from Princeton, New Jersey.

Misses Claudia and Elsie Bass were at Esteline Saturday.

Ben Kennedy returned this week from Camp Travis.

If you want to borrow money, see or write, T. B. Norwood.

Jim Powell of Newlin, was a business visitor here Monday.

Will buy your Liberty Bonds, See H. I. Johnson, at Johnson Bros

Dewey Kimbler came in Monday night from points north and west.

Bob Beekam was a business visitor at Esteline Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oxford of Dickens came in Saturday to visit relatives.

Just received a fresh supply of Jacob's Candies at Tomlinson Drug Co.

Miss Bernice Goe of Esteline spent Sunday here with her sister Miss Ollie.

Whit Blanchard of Esteline was a caller at this office Wednesday afternoon.

The "Square Deal Man," featuring William S. Hart, Saturday at the PRINCESS.

Lieut. Lonie Thompson came in Thursday night of last week from Camp Grant, Illinois.

John M. Elliott came in Monday from San Antonio, where he has been attending Posenock.

Kodaks, Kodak supplies, you will find them at Wherry's, East Side Square.

See Bob Hightower's advertisement in another column. He is the Public Weigher and wants to weigh your cotton.

Beautiful and Useful Christmas Presents: New Ivory articles, for toilet and other uses, see those at WHERRY'S East Side Square.

Miss Lois Quigley came in Saturday from T. C. U. at Fort Worth to spend the holidays with relatives.

Strayed—Two cows, branded Roman cross on right shoulder. Will pay reward for recovery. Rolla Smith.

CASH—P. F. Craver now has his elevator and warehouse stocked with mill-feed, corn, maize and kaffir chops. All kinds of feed

John Gamble came in yesterday from Las Vegas, New Mexico, he said that that section was covered with snow.

Cheap money to loan on Farms and Ranches. Vendor's lien notes bought and extended. If you are interested it will pay you to see us. GRUNDY BROS.

For Sale—800 acres fine land along Denver railroad; public road and school station. Twist five miles from Dalhart. Easy terms, ten years. JOHN SIGMOND, Aransas Pass, Texas. 26-12\*

Wanted—Leaky radiators to fix. Barber fixes them after others have failed; also repairs tin flues and does all kinds of tin and sheet metal work. Will give the cheapest prices on all groceries. THORN TON Grocery & Tin Shop.

### RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

To the People of Esteline and The Surrounding Communities.

Greetings; Having sold my stock of groceries to Barnes and Hastings Grocery Company, I wish to thank the people of Esteline and surrounding communities, for the liberal patronage you have extended to me during the last eleven months.

It is with great pleasure that I recommend you to my successors as an honest and pleasant people with which to deal.

Those who still have unpaid accounts will please see me at the old stand and make remittances for same. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am, Yours respectfully,

J. L. DARBY.

Mr. Jack Kilpatrick returned last night from Vernon, where he was called by the death of his sister.

NOTICE—Having sold out the harness and saddle business, I am making a specialty of auto tops, curtains and seat-covers. Get your top fixed up before the bad weather starts in. Terms, cash. Phone 86. BEN SMITH.

Attorney Hugh D. Spencer, former district attorney of this district and a former citizen of Memphis, came in Friday and will again locate here and practice his profession. He informs us that his health is now much improved.

Assistant Postmaster Rice visited Esteline Saturday for the purpose of conducting a Civil Service examination for applicants for the post office at Gasoline; but the applicants failed to show up.

While the sale is on, at the O. K. Tailor Shop, on Suits and Trousers buy one for your friend or relative and give a real useful Christmas present, something that will give service and be appreciated.

L. McMILLAN.

### Cotton Seed Will Be Scarce

See P. F. Craver and book your order for pure mebane cotton seed as seed are very scarce you will probably fail to get seed if you do not buy at once.

### GOV. HOBBY ASKS TEXANS TO MEET W. S. S. PLEDGE NOW

Calling attention to the fact that pledges for the purchase of War Savings Stamps are now due, Governor W. P. Hobby urges Texans to "make their word good to the Government at once."

"If for any reason, you have neglected or delayed purchasing the balance of the War Savings Stamp pledged, I venture to ask that you do this solemn obligation at once. The word of a Texan is as good as his bond, and even though an enduring peace is in sight, our Government is still spending vast sums for the maintenance of our boys under arms and still needs our support up to the limit of our ability," says Governor Hobby.

**Save food**  
Who shares in the struggle Will share in the triumph

### Business Consolidated.

Messrs. H. H. Wilkins and L. C. Gober, blacksmiths, have consolidated their business and will conduct same in future at the old Jenkins stand now occupied by Mr. Gober. These gentlemen will now have an extremely well equipped shop and will be better than ever prepared to serve the public. They each extend thanks to the public for past patronage and ask for a continuation of same.

An error was made in placing the headings in Greene Dry Goods Company's advertisement last week; this week they are placed as they should be. Read it the suggestions for presents may help you with your Christmas shopping.

Sale on all Suits and Trousers at O. K. Tailor Shop  
L. McMILLAN.

Join the Red Cross 1919

## We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We can furnish you with everything for cooking for the Christmas dinner. Phone us. No. 136.

Ward & Goodnight

## Merry Christmas to our friends and patrons Connally Shoe Company.

### Christmas Goods for All

As has been our custom in the past we have made for our customers a careful selection of seasonable Holiday Goods. We bought this year with a view to economy to supply both useful and serviceable gifts for every member of the family. We extend you an invitation to visit us and look through our stocks. You will find here courteous help to aid you in the selection of your gifts.

Below is a list of seasonable gift goods to be found here:

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| BOOKS:      | KODAK ALBUMS    | DOMINOES     |
| FOR BOYS    | CHAFING DISHES  | SMOKING SETS |
| FOR GIRLS   | FLASH LIGHTS    | SHAVING SETS |
| FICTION     | CIGAR HUMIDORS  | CASSEROLES   |
| WAR STORIES | GILLETTE RAZORS | TOILET SETS  |
| BIBLES      | FOUNTAIN PENS   | CARD CASES   |
| DIARIES,    | MANICURE SETS   | GOLD PENCILS |

### Smoker's Goods

We have secured a choice selection of popular 10c and 12c brands of cigars in boxes of 25. These make very suitable gifts for men.

### French Ivory

Both in sets and in individual pieces. Everything new and of the best quality. See our complete stock.

### Candies

Our stocks of candies are complete—including Ligget's, Nunnallys, Lowneys and Fenways. We buy our candies direct from manufacturers, secure them fresh and can sell them for less.

### Perfumes

Toilet sets in Jonteel, Mary Garden, Djer-Kiss, Gardenglo and a complete stock of the popular odors, both in perfumes and toilet waters. Dainty gifts for the lady members of the household.

## FICKAS DRUG COMPANY

Two Safe Stores

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## SHOWING WINTER STYLES

### HOW CLAIMS ALL ATTENTION

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...for the returning sol-



All Charm and Satin

Leopard skin and natural muskrat are worn extensively now for street wear. Their utility and service have proven their worth. This was one of the things that the war taught us all. So they are recognized and appreciated for their value in keeping the body warm on a crisp day.

#### Soutache Braid on Satin

One of the dresses shown here is a simple fascinating little thing developed in satin and the color of plated Georgette in contrasting color. What a dainty finish is the ribbon at the waistline, and the saucy bow at the left side! The other is a combination of serge and satin, which is quite suitable for afternoon wear. Rather medieval in style and depending on the long row of buttons down the side as it's sole trimming, it holds one's attention and wins high favor.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO LIQUIDATE W.S.S. PLEDGES SENT OUT

Instructions to bring about the prompt fulfillment of War Savings Stamp Pledges have been sent out from Washington by Secretary McAdoo and the Government's official proclamation calling for the prompt liquidation of these obligations to the Treasury Department has been issued.

All War Savings Stamp Pledges are automatically due this month, and their payment is called for before December 31, which is the last day of grace.

Instructions incident to the call have been given all officers of the War Savings Section.

War Savings Stamps may be obtained from any postoffice, banks and most business establishments.

Each War Savings Stamp costs \$4.23 cents this month. On January 1, 1923, each War Savings Stamp will be redeemed by the Government for \$5.00 War Savings Stamps increase constantly in value, and this increase is guaranteed by the United States Government.

**Krimer Claims Notice**  
...many years this fur has re-  
...in seclusion and very little  
...was used. But this season  
...brought into prominence  
...of New York's leading

## ADVICE TO "FLU" CONVALESCENTS

### SPAIN AND ENGLAND REPORT INCREASE IN TUBERCULOSIS AFTER INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

#### U. S. Public Health Service Warns Public Against Tuberculosis. One Million Cases Tubercu- losis 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 in- \* fluenza. No need to worry if \* you take precautions in time. \* Don't diagnose your own con- \* dition. Have your doctor exam- \* ine 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 tu- \* berculosis. \* Become a fresh-air crank and \* enjoy life. \* \*\*\*\*\*

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

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

#### One Million Consumptives in the United States.

"Then you consider this a serious menace?" was asked. "In my opinion it is, though I hesitate 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 2,000,000. The very careful health survey conducted during the past two years in Framingham, Mass., revealed 230 cases of tuberculosis in a population of approximately 15,000. If these proportions held 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 tubercu-

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

**Danger Signs.**  
The Surgeon General warned especially against certain danger signs, such as "decline" and "colds which hang on."  
These, he explained, were often the beginning of tuberculosis. "If you do not get well promptly, if your cold seems to hang on or your health and strength decline, remember that these are often the early signs of tuberculosis. Place yourself at once under the care of a competent physician. Tuberculosis is curable in the early stages."  
**Patent Medicines Dangerous in Tuberculosis.**  
"Above all do not trust in the misleading statements of unscrupulous patent medicine makers. There is no specific medicine for the cure of tuberculosis. The money spent on such medicines is thrown away; it should be spent instead for good food and decent living."

This is December and your W. S. S. pledge is due. Pay up! Settle up! The boys have kept their pledge. Get your W. S. S. pledge paid by Christmas.



**DELCO-LIGHT**  
The complete Electric Light and Power Plant  
The safest, surest and most economical form of light and power.  
  
T. S. KEMP, Clarendon, Tex.

### Cheerful Words for Many A Memphis Household.

To have pains and aches of a bad back removed—to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders, is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. The following advice of one who has suffered will prove helpful to hundreds of Memphis readers.

Mrs. J. C. Williams, Fourteenth & Radford Sts., Memphis, says: "I had occasion to use a kidney medicine a couple of years ago and I had heard so much about Doan's Kidney Pills, I got some. They proved satisfactory, relieving me. I gladly advise anyone to get a box at Tomlinson's Drug Store, if troubled with a weak back or any disorders of the kidneys."  
Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Williams had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.



**Women!**

Here is a message to suffering women, from Mrs. W. T. Price, of Public, Ky.: "I suffered with painful...," she writes. "I got down with a weakness in my back and limbs... I felt helpless and discouraged... I had about given up hopes of ever being well again, when a friend insisted I

Take  
**CARDUI**  
The Woman's Tonic

I began Cardui. In a short while I saw a marked difference... I grew stronger right along, and it cured me. I am stouter than I have been in years." If you suffer, you can appreciate what it means to be strong and well. Thousands of women give Cardui the credit for their good health. It should help you. Try Cardui. At all druggists. E-73

—Buy W. S. S.—

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DESIGNS  
— IN —  
JEWELRY**

A present that gives pleasure not merely for a few days, but for long months and years is the ideal Christmas gift. That is why jewelry made by master workmen and sold at moderate prices is fast growing in favor. Before making any selection, however, you owe it to yourself to look at our stock. It contains so many new and original ideas that you will gain inspiration here whether you buy or not.

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Fine line of frames, novelty and leather gift cases Eastman Kodaks. A fine line for Christmas gifts See them.

Merry Christmas to All

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"Everything that Men Wear."

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West Side Of Square

"A Better Place to Trade"

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## W.S.S. PLEDGES MUST BE PAID BEFORE DEC. 31

Pledges made to invest in United States Government War Savings Stamps are due for payment now. Liquidation must be made before December 31, 1918. War Savings Stamp pledges are binding obligations upon the persons who made them. All necessary steps to assure their liquidation will be taken. War Savings Stamps may be purchased from postoffices, banks, United States mail carriers and designated agencies. War Savings Stamps are not subject to taxation.

Recapitulation of the Official Government Call.

Before December 31 every W. S. S. pledge has been called upon to meet the obligation he assumed to invest in United States Government War Savings Stamps. While December 31 is the last day of grace for the liquidation of W. S. S. pledges, the Government is requesting that every pledged person pay his pledge before Christmas.

The price of each War Savings Stamp is \$4.23. On January 1, 1923, the Government will redeem every War Savings Stamp, paying the owner \$5.00 for it. These Government securities yield 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly. War Savings Stamps worth \$100.00 can be purchased this month (December) for \$84.60. War Savings Stamps worth \$1000.00 can be purchased for \$846.

Money lent to the Government through the purchase of War Savings Stamps is used to feed and clothe soldiers and sailors and bring them to their homes in the United States. In other words, War Savings Stamps mean tickets home for the fighting men.

Through the mails, by proclamation and public notice the Government is now calling for the final settlement of these pledges.

## M'ADOO CALLS FOR PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF W.S.S. PLEDGES

Relative to the payment of War Savings Stamp pledges, which are binding obligations to the United States Treasury Department, Secretary William G. McAdoo has instructed Louis Laskitz, State Director of the War Savings Committee, to immediately take all necessary steps to assure the prompt liquidation of all War Savings pledges, for which the last day of payment is December 31.

Following the delivery of his annual report to Congress, graphically pointing out the imperative need of continued saving and leading to the Government in War Savings Stamps, Secretary McAdoo issued his instructions concerning the immediate payment of War Savings pledges.

The official communication follows:

Washington, D. C.—I most earnestly urge upon you that your organization make every possible effort to the end that pledges for the purchase of War Savings Stamps be fulfilled before the close of the year.

"The Government's monetary requirements were never greater nor more pressing than they are today. Expenditures for November were greater than in any similar period. These expenditures growing out of the war must be met by borrowing from the people and their magnificent response heretofore to the Government's requirements make me confident that they will not fail to continue their support to the end that all payments resulting from war necessities will be promptly met.

"Much remains to be done. Our brave troops must be maintained and paid until their work is fully accomplished and they are returned to their homes. This is not a plea for us to relax our efforts, and the Treasury Department is making plans for larger and even more important work during the coming year. Please make every effort to bring this statement before the people in your district and to urge upon them the continued holding of their War Savings Certificates, the fulfillment of their pledges, and additional purchases as their means permit."

(Signed)

*W. G. McAdoo*

**That W.S.S. Pledge Must Be Met Before DECEMBER 31st**

## U. S. HEALTH SERVICE ISSUES WARNING

### Increase in All Respiratory Diseases After the Influenza Epidemic Probable.

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

Washington, D. C.—With the subsidence of the epidemic of influenza the attention of health officers is directed to pneumonia, bronchitis and other diseases of the respiratory system which regularly cause a large number of deaths, especially during the winter season. According to Rupert Blue, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, these diseases will be especially prevalent this winter unless the people are particularly careful to obey health instructions.

"The present epidemic," said Surgeon General Blue, "has taught by bitter experience how readily a condition beginning apparently as a slight cold may go on to pneumonia and death. Although the worst of the epidemic is over, there will continue to be a large number of scattered cases, many of them mild and unrecognized, which will be danger spots to be guarded against." The Surgeon General likened the present situation to that after a great fire, saying, "No fire chief who understands his business stops playing the hose on the charred debris as soon as the flames and visible fire have disappeared. On the contrary, he continues the water for hours and even days, for he knows that there is danger of the fire rekindling from smoldering embers."

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

### Common Colds Highly Catching.

"It is encouraging to observe that people are beginning to learn that ordinary coughs and colds are highly catching and are spread from person to person by means of droplets of germ laden mucus. Such droplets are sprayed into the air when careless or ignorant people cough or sneeze without covering their mouth and nose. It is also good to know that people have learned something about the value of fresh air. In summer, when people are largely out of doors, the respiratory diseases (coughs, colds, pneumonia, etc.) are infrequent; in the fall, as people begin to remain indoors, the respiratory diseases increase; in the winter, when people are prone to stay in badly ventilated, overheated rooms, the respiratory diseases become very prevalent.

### Suitable Clothing Important.

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

### Could Save 100,000 Lives.

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

## RED CROSS RELIEF IN THE FAR EAST

### Bring Food and Supplies to Czecho-Slovaks in Siberia.

THE American Red Cross has become very active in that part of Russia surrounding Vladivostok, and the prompt medical assistance rendered that distressed country has resulted in saving thousands of lives. The rescue work done by the Red Cross for the Czecho-Slovak refugees has assumed prodigious proportions and is daily becoming greater in scope.

Cabled advice received from Vladivostok report that more than 20,000 Czecho-Slovak refugees, 4,000 of them children, are now being cared for by the American Red Cross at that city. In addition to this relief work, the cables state that the Red Cross Medical organization is attending hundreds of wounded Czecho-Slovak soldiers who have reached Vladivostok after weeks of the most desperate fighting against the pro-German forces.

The condition of the refugees, who were found living in tents and freight cars along the Chinese Eastern Railway west of Harbin, was pitiable. A majority of them are farmers, though there are many coal miners and railway employees in the number, people who were driven from their homes by the Bolsheviks, and some German and Austrian war prisoners.

The work of administering to the wounded Czecho-Slovak fighters, who steadfastly refused to recognize the Bolshevik-German peace, and relieving the distress of the homeless civilians was started the moment their plight was brought to the attention of the American Red Cross. The relief work was directed by Charles K. Moser, American consul and head of the Red Cross chapter at Harbin. American Red Cross chapters at Tokyo and Shanghai also gave valuable aid. While waiting for instructions from America, they went ahead and raised funds in Vladivostok which provided temporary relief for both soldiers and civilians.

On authorization of the American Red Cross, Dr. R. B. Teusler, head of



Entrance to American Red Cross Hospital at Kiev.

St. Luke's Hospital at Tokyo, hurried to Vladivostok with necessary hospital supplies and perfected a medical organization to care for the incoming wounded soldiers.

This organization, which was complete from a medical and sanitary standpoint, consisted of a base hospital with a bed capacity for 200, one rolling canteen, two sanitary trains, one field first-aid unit and a disinfecting train.

Dr. Teusler cabled that there were in active service with his unit fourteen American and seven Japanese doctors and fifteen American and seventeen Japanese nurses. All the American doctors are volunteering their services. Dr. Teusler said he hoped to enlist thirty additional American doctors and fifty American nurses in the Orient.

### MOBILE HOSPITALS AT FRONT.

It is the task of a mobile hospital to advance to the front lines with the troops to give first aid treatment to the wounded. The mobile hospital unit from base hospital No. 20, University of Pennsylvania, were commended by General Pershing for the courage they displayed under shell fire. Two Red Cross nurses were included in this special distinction for their bravery and devotion to duty.

### Droplet Infection Explained in Pictures.

"The Bureau of Public Health, Treasury Department, has just issued a striking poster drawn by Berryman, the well-known Washington cartoonist. The poster exemplifies the modern method of health education. A few years ago, under similar circumstances, the health authorities would have issued an official dry but scientifically accurate bulletin teaching the role of droplet infection in the spread of respiratory diseases. The only ones who would have understood the bulletin would have been those who already knew all about the subject. The man in the street, the plain citizen and the many millions who toil for their living would have had no time and no desire to wade through the technical phraseology."



COLDS, INFLUENZA, PNEUMONIA, AND TUBERCULOSIS ARE SPREAD THIS WAY

### PURPOSES OF FOOD ADMINISTRATION THE DAY OF ITS BEGINNING.

The hopes of the Food Administration are threefold: So to guide the trade in fundamental food commodities as to eliminate vicious speculation, extortion and wasteful practices and to stabilize prices in essential staples.—Herbert Hoover, August 10, 1917.

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OFFICE at Mrs. SPRAY'S  
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We hope you will enjoy the holidays thoroughly and that you will have a prosperous New Year.

We are still in the same stand and will appreciate a continuation of your work in our line.

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 are released from the terrific burden  
 of a long war, naturally desire to take  
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# CROSS CALLED CONTINUE ITS INDEFINITELY

AND BRANCHES WILL  
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 FOR GIVING A D TO  
 HUMANITY.

## NOT CURTAILED

Campaign Each Chris-  
 Means of Calling  
 Together to  
 Show Spirit of Love.

Davison, Chairman of the  
 of the Red Cross, has is-  
 1,854 chapters and the  
 members of the American  
 the following statement  
 the future policy of the  
 Red Cross:

"The American people will be  
 the week preceding Christ-  
 and as members of the Red  
 it is confidently believed  
 no further campaigns for  
 funds, but instead the an-  
 nual will constitute the foun-  
 dation of the Red Cross. The people  
 therefore know as definitely as  
 the plans of this their na-  
 tion's humanitarian society.

"The armistice was signed 1  
 an opportunity to confer in  
 the heads of all American  
 commissions in Europe, and  
 Washington, with the Presi-  
 dent of the United States, the War  
 of the Red Cross, the man-  
 age of the 14 Red Cross divisions  
 of the United States and with the heads  
 of the divisions at national head-  
 quarters.

"I am, therefore, able to  
 say with knowledge and assur-  
 ance that the beneficent  
 work of the American Red Cross is to  
 be carried on a great scale—not  
 as heretofore, for purposes of  
 war, but as an agency of peace  
 and permanent human service.

"The American's entry into war the  
 Red Cross has been pri-  
 marily for our army and navy in the  
 front lines, and for our own men under arms, and  
 to extend relief to the sol-  
 diers and civilians of those  
 nations which were fighting our bat-  
 tles. It has been so generously  
 supported by the American people  
 that the work of the Red Cross will  
 be complete with all pos-  
 sible sympathy and energy.

"Our soldiers and sailors  
 will stay with us until they are demobilized. Not-  
 withstanding we may do will be left un-  
 der. For the men in the war  
 who are returning, for those in  
 hospitals and for their  
 families at home the Red Cross will  
 continue its ministrations. In this lat-  
 est year 50,000 trained Red Cross  
 workers are now engaged at 2,500 dif-  
 ferent places throughout the land.

"The problems of reconstruction, in-  
 cluding and caring for the dis-  
 abled population of Europe,  
 such magnitude that necessarily  
 must be met very largely by the  
 efforts of our allies, with whom  
 our government will co-operate.

"The great task of fighting tubercu-  
 losis, promoting child welfare and care-  
 ing for refugees, with which the Amer-  
 ican Red Cross has concerned itself so  
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 idly merge into a peace program.  
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 the prevalence of disease and give rise  
 to epidemics and emergencies which  
 in all parts of the world will call for

unlimited voluntary effort, the cutting  
 of red tape and the manifestation of  
 those qualities of human sympathy  
 which government action cannot dis-  
 play.

"Here will be the opportunity for the  
 American Red Cross. But even our  
 Red Cross must not and cannot act  
 most effectively alone, we must labor  
 in co-operation with the National Red  
 Cross and relief societies of other na-  
 tions, to the end that not alone the  
 heart of America but the heart of all  
 mankind may be mobilized on behalf  
 of suffering humanity.

"While, therefore, the plans of the  
 American Red Cross in this direction  
 cannot be formulated specifically, in  
 advance of the general relief program  
 of the Allied governments, the Amer-  
 ican Red Cross is nevertheless plan-  
 ning to develop its permanent organi-  
 zation in this country upon a scale  
 never before contemplated in time of  
 peace.

"The commissions which are now  
 conducting the activities of the Amer-  
 ican Red Cross in foreign countries, as  
 well as the temporary war organiza-  
 tion in this country, will as a matter  
 of course ultimately merge their en-  
 ergies with those of the permanent or-  
 ganization of the Red Cross.

"With the war has developed the  
 striking and important fact that many  
 men and women, some of whom have  
 met with great success in devoting  
 their lives entirely to business, came  
 into the Red Cross organization at the  
 outset of the war simply that they

might serve their country, but have  
 realized such a satisfaction to them-  
 selves in the opportunity to serve man-  
 kind that they now desire to become a  
 part of the permanent peace organiza-  
 tion of the American Red Cross.

"There may, therefore, be perfect  
 confidence that the peace activities of  
 the Red Cross will be conducted under  
 able and inspiring leadership. The  
 chapters will maintain their organiza-  
 tions upon a scale adequate to the new  
 demands to be made upon them. Local  
 committees will indeed appreciate  
 more and more the value of having in  
 their midst strong and efficient Red  
 Cross chapters. The divisional organi-  
 zations, with honorary and permanent  
 staffs, will be maintained, always  
 ready for service, and national head-  
 quarters will have a large and effi-  
 cient personnel to direct the activities  
 of the organization as a whole.

"Study is being given by the national  
 organization not alone to problems of  
 international relief, but to plans in this  
 country for enlarged home service, the  
 promotion of public health education,  
 development of nursing, the care and  
 prevention of accidents, and other cor-  
 related lines which may contribute to  
 the health and happiness of men, wom-  
 en and children. Such plans, when  
 developed, will, it is believed, provide  
 both for world relief and for home  
 community service and thus constitute  
 a channel for the continued and useful  
 expression by Red Cross workers and  
 members of those qualities of sym-  
 pathy and love which our whole people  
 have poured out so unstintedly during  
 this war.

"For the completion of its war work  
 and for the institution of its peace pro-  
 gram, the Red Cross is fortunately in  
 a healthy financial condition. Abun-  
 dant occasion for the use of large  
 funds of money and great quantities of  
 garments and other supplies will con-  
 tinue to arise, but it is believed that  
 there will be no further need for inten-  
 sive campaigns for funds. The work  
 of supplementing governmental activi-  
 ties which the Red Cross will be called  
 upon to do in all parts of the world  
 will be upon a great scale, but it will  
 call for human service rather than for  
 large expenditures.

"What the American Red Cross  
 needs now is not so much contribu-  
 tions of money as the continued devo-  
 tion and loyalty of its members. This  
 is peculiarly true at this moment of  
 transition from war to peace. Annual  
 membership involves the payment of  
 only one dollar. The money thus re-  
 ceived not only will defray all the ad-  
 ministrative expenses of the organiza-  
 tion, but will leave a substantial bal-  
 ance which, together with all funds  
 subscribed directly for relief, is de-  
 voted solely to that purpose.

"The roll call of the nation is thus  
 to be called at Christmas time, that  
 through enrollment in their Red Cross  
 the American people may send a mes-

sage to our soldiers still overseas and  
 to the people of the world that we are  
 not merely content with seeing our  
 arms united with our allies in victory,  
 but that our abiding purpose is that  
 the love, the sympathy and the intelli-  
 gence of all America shall be rededi-  
 cated to the permanent service of  
 mankind."

## RED CROSS IN THIS DIVISION ALWAYS HAS SET THE PACE

Simmons, Pointing to Remarkable  
 Record, Says He Hopes People  
 in This Section Will Main-  
 tain Place in Front.

George W. Simmons, manager for  
 the Southwestern Division of the  
 American Red Cross, in a statement  
 given out today said that he hoped the  
 Southwestern Division would continue  
 to set the pace in Red Cross activities.

"In the past we have compelled the  
 other Red Cross divisions to follow us  
 and I hope we will be able to say that  
 we have an unbroken record as the  
 leading division of the country when  
 the calling of the roll is completed,"  
 said Mr. Simmons.

"The people of Kansas, Missouri,  
 Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma have  
 in the past nobly responded to all the  
 calls of the Red Cross, and in this  
 membership campaign to be held dur-  
 ing the week of Dec. 16-22 I hope the  
 response will be similar to that in the  
 past.

"Will it not be a great achievement  
 if every resident of the division joins  
 the organization? It will mean that  
 for all time we can point to the five  
 states as being 100 per cent loyal to  
 its promises and pledges in both war  
 and peace.

"The Red Cross must continue to  
 give comfort and cheer to the soldiers  
 and sailors overseas and those in the  
 camps in America.  
 "While the Red Cross will continue  
 to aid the stricken of Europe, we must  
 not neglect preparation for the care of  
 our own people should an emergency  
 arise.

"The women of the five states have  
 given their time to making surgical  
 dressings, refugee garments and to  
 knitting thousands of articles given  
 soldiers and sailors and the poor of  
 Europe by the organization, and to fail  
 to answer the roll call at this time  
 would reflect on their generous efforts.  
 "It does not appear necessary for

me, as manager of this great institu-  
 tion in this great division, to appeal to  
 the people in this division to join, be-  
 cause I feel convinced they will re-  
 spond. I merely ask that the loyal  
 supporters of the organization—the  
 men, women and children who have  
 made the work of the Red Cross pos-  
 sible—set forth the facts to their  
 friends, so that when the membership  
 campaign period is over we can call to  
 the attention of the world that every  
 resident of Missouri, Kansas, Texas,  
 Arkansas and Oklahoma is a member  
 of America's greatest institution."

## GOVERNMENT ASKS ALL TO GIVE W.S.S. FOR XMAS PRESENTS

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 one to give War Savings Stamps for  
 Christmas gifts this year instead of  
 the kind of presents usually given.

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 declares Secretary William C. Mc-  
 Adoo, "were never greater nor more  
 pressing than they are today." In  
 his report to Congress several days  
 ago, dealing with the need the Gov-  
 ernment has for money to pay for  
 loans and materials already used, the  
 Secretary pointed out that the ex-  
 penditures necessary for the month  
 of November were greater than in  
 any similar period in the history of  
 the United States.

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 ernment securities are given loans  
 and material needed by the Gov-  
 ernment for reconstruction purposes  
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 Government's use. When money is  
 spent for Christmas presents other  
 than War Savings Stamps, money  
 that the Government needs is with-  
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 American Christmas is better shown  
 in the giving of them than of any  
 other present.

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 cated east of the depot where it  
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 mers' Union I am not fighting the  
 Union. Some of my best friends  
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above referred to and the article and comment printed last week follows:

Harry Tracy is dead. Twenty years ago his name was a household word in Texas. Those were the days when he and Stump Ashby and Bill Farmer and Cyclone Davis were fighting the battles of the populist party in Texas, and were lambasting, lampooning democracy. The bubble finally burst and their job was at an end. Bill Farmer went to the socialists, Ashby went to Oklahoma and joined the democrats, Davis has been elected to congress as a progressive democrat and Harry Tracy is now dead. He never got reconciled to democracy. He was an anti-prohibitionist and supported Colquitt and Ferguson, but never was in line with his neighbors. For several years he had lived with a son at Tulla and contented himself with an occasional outburst of criticism against prevailing conditions. He was naturally a talented and big brained fellow, but had allowed himself to drift into a sordid iconoclastic disposition that was not admired by his associates. He no doubt did much good in the world in spite of this and was certainly one of characters created by conditions. —Hall County Herald.

Superstitious people of past ages have believed in the existence of Ghouls, Ogres and Vampires, and the possibility of human beings being possessed by these evil spirits; but until we read the above we had supposed that only the lower, carrion-eating, animals, spurred by a natural appetite or compelled by innate cowardice, ever attacked the dead. Never have we seen a more unjust, unjustifiable, untruthful or cowardly attack! Twenty years ago, and for years prior and subsequent to that date, Harry Tracy preached what he believed to be economic gospel. He did not lampoon; he lectured, in the best sense of that term. He lambasted only with logic! He was a reasoner, a profound thinker and an indefatigable student. Men with less brain

and less honesty of purpose have risen to fame and the highest position and many to political prominence by posing as the fathers of the kidnapped children of his master-mind. No man was ever less disgruntled. He lived, not to witness the bursting of a bubble; but to see many of his cherished ideas accepted, in theory if not in practice, by all of the big political organizations of the country! You say he was "sordid." Either you have Ananias beaten for place or you are ignorant of the word you use. If you had searched the dictionary for the most perfect antithesis of the truth, you could not have found a word more apt. Think of it! charging this great openhearted, open-handed, generous man, who sacrificed the whole productive period of his life in unselfish work for his fellow-men, from which there was no reasonable hope for even moderate pecuniary reward, with being "meanly avaricious and mercenary!" The charge of blasphemy brought against Christ was not more unjust or basely false! You say he was not admired by his associates. Among the thousands of men, of all stations in life, who were honored by acquaintance with this genial, refined and truly genteel man, we assert that not one can be found that will not indignantly denounce the statement! If the buzzard, the jackel and the coyote, with only instinct to guide them, are held in aversion and contempt because of their cowardly practices, what must be thought of a supposed human being who ruthlessly attacks the defenseless dead! The

savage Indian disdained to take the scalp-lock of a fallen foe not the victim of his own prowess; yet here in a civilized age, among cultured and Christian people, is a being so low, so wanton, so lost to all manliness and sense of shame that he can make and parade publicly an attack upon the memory of a dead man whom he had no just cause to even dislike.—Estelline News.

Old Peter Radford had outlived his usefulness and this week died up in Wisconsin near Milwaukee. He had sold out his friends of the Farmers' Union to the breweries and had utterly failed in his every ambition to turn Texas over to the liquor machine. Why was it not about time to get out!—Hall County Herald.

Not being a naturalist we confess our inability to properly classify the sort of "creature" that could be guilty of the above. Surely not among the beasts or fowl, as only the jackels and buzzards among these species ever attack the dead. Even vermin are not so low in the scale of animated existence; soldiers tell us that the "cooties" of the trenches cease their attacks when life is extinct. The anthropoid apes (who would be slandered by any insinuation of relationship, however remote, to this creature) are said to show a degree of respect for their savage dead; and among savage peoples so low in the scale of human development as to be little above the ape, death brings a sanctity universally respected. The ex-Governor who publicly referred to the above writer as a "nigger" owes an humble and

abject apology to the entire colored race, past, present and future. No blue-gummed African, however uncivilized, could be induced to make a like cowardly attack; superstition would make him fear being "haunted" because of his heinous lie. Certainly, no "civilized nigger" whose religious teaching has included the story of Ananias would dare an act so dastardly and indefensible. The maxim: "speak no ill of the dead," is as old as civilization; with civilized peoples, hatred halts at the grave! Among human beings, death discharges all debts, determines all differences, finishes all feuds.



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