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THREE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

There will be three constitutional amendments to be voted upon in the election of November 3.

The official ballot has been received and posted by county clerk S. B. Motlow.

Ballots will be cast for or against the amendment of article 1, section 3, determining whether or not the initiative and referendum shall be adopted in Texas.

Another amendment to be decided upon, is the compensation legislators. An amendment proposes to pay them a regular salary of \$1200 per year, with an additional compensation of \$5 for each day of special session, and to extend the length of the session.

The third amendment will provide for the erection of sea walls by counties along the coast where they are needed to protect the lives and property of those living near the gulf.

COTTON PICKING FOR CEMETERY ASSOC'N

The Cemetery Association will have a cotton picking next Monday proceeds to go to Cemetery fund. All people who will help in this worthy cause are requested to be at Harris Bros. store early Monday morning, and with conveyances for themselves and for others who have no way.

The farmer who will pay over 75c per hundred will please announce it at the churches Sunday and we will pick for him. If Monday is a bad day, come Tuesday. President.

The Legislature of Hedley will meet in called session at the Opera House Friday night Oct. 23, to debate the question: "Resolved, that there should be a State law passed providing for compulsory education, with a reduced cotton acreage clause."

Also discuss such other legislation that may come before the body. Other interesting numbers will be added to the program. The debate will be: Affirmative, C. D. Akers and K. W. Howell; Negative, G. C. Meadows and M. E. Bishop. Everybody invited.

THE PIANO CONTEST

After November 1 until close of contest, no tickets will be received except on recording days—Wednesdays.

No. 1.....	25,970
2.....	546,351
7.....	14,180
10.....	175,872
14.....	84,652
15.....	8,415
16.....	18,390
18.....	81,830
19.....	9,595
27.....	238,885
29.....	6,164
33.....	11,225
44.....	69,480
46.....	80,285
49.....	9,980
50.....	477,480
51.....	22,625
52.....	16,670
53.....	4,820
54.....	18,775
56.....	11,503
57.....	4,550

Lon Simmons and G. W. Bower of Hill county are here this week prospecting, and Mr. Simmons is also visiting his brother, Frank Simmons, near town.

GENERAL VICTOR DANKL



Gen. Victor Dankl is the Austrian commander whose army has been unsuccessful in opposing the advance of the Russians in Galicia.

ALLIES REPORT TWO IMPORTANT SUCCESSES

FRENCH REOCCUPY ARMENIERS AND BELGIANS REPULSE GERMAN ADVANCE.

LITTLE NEWS FROM EAST

Russian and Austrian Reports of Operations in Galicia Are Directly Contradictory.

London.—Two important successes in the battle for Dunkirk and Calais for the possession of which the Germans are striving, are credited to the allies in the official communication issued in Paris Sunday.

The French are said to have recaptured Armenieres, an important railway junction on the Belgian frontier northwest of Lille, and to have repulsed an attempt of the Germans to cross the river Yser, which flows through that corner of West Flanders, which is all of Belgium that remains in Belgian hands. This would mean a check to the German attempt to reach Dunkirk by the coast route. The French also are said to have pushed back still farther the German army which is advancing along the Belgian frontier to the coast.

Allies Take Armenieres. The battle which culminated in Armenieres again coming under French influence lasted for a week, during which the fighting was hard and continuous.

The allies also have made an advance north of the La Bassee canal, between that line and Arras and the Oise. This latter is a rather long front, but the claims in the French official communication are taken here to mean that the German movement has been checked.

Eastern Reports Contradictory. Again the Russians and the Austrians flatly contradict one another as to the progress of events in the district.

The Austrians claim that the operations are progressing favorably for them, while an official report from Petrograd says that attempts by the Austrians to cross the river San failed and that in the fighting south of Przemysl, which took the form of bayonet charges, they captured 15 Austrian officers and 1,000 men.

The British and French fleets and the Montenegrin army are carrying on an attack on Cattaro, the fortified seaport of Austria in Dalmatia, the first sortie from which the Montenegrins claim to have repulsed.

Throughout their sphere of operations, Servian reports say, the Servians are sweeping everything before them.

BROUGHT LOT OF COTTON PICKERS

G. A. Wimberly came in from East Texas Sunday night with about sixty cotton pickers. Farmers met the train and had the hands assigned to them. Mr. Wimberly started with sixty odd hands, but some were left in Fort Worth, and most of those came on later trains. With good weather the farmers reinforced by these pickers will make the cotton patches change color in a few weeks. Many more hands could be used.

Naylor Springs

Mrs. T. J. Wood has been sick for several days.

Dr. C. L. Fields has quiet a severe attack of rheumatism. He has been going on crutches for several days.

Mr. Carl and Durelle Hall, Tom and Harlan Naylor left last Tuesday for Dallas, Midlothian and other points. While away they expect to see all the interesting sights of the fair.

NELDA.

The Post is reliably informed that down in Garden Valley community, on the farm of J. E. Andrews, a little ten-year-old girl weighing 67 pounds, picked 506 pounds of cotton in one day recently and on the same day Buren Andrews, somewhat older, picked 505 pounds in a race with the little girl.—Childress Post.

FIRE PREVENTION

By S. W. Inglish, State Fire Marshal



In recent years gasoline has caused more fires than inebriety has caused poverty. In every drop of gasoline there is written in letters of living fire the word "DANGER." There is no fool-proof gasoline. Gasoline requires more watching than the proverbial kicking mule. It harbors more distraction than a modern dreadnaught. Just a chance and gasoline will do more damage than a forty days rain at harvest time. Gasoline is not a toy. It is not a play thing. It can do more destruction in ten seconds, if the opportunity is presented, than a thousand men can repair in a year. Never get around gasoline without thinking you have an invitation from eternity.

FOUR YEARS WORK FOR THE INFORMER

Four years ago along about now the Informer was launched out on the sea of journalism, but during a more favorable crop gathering season. The galoot who predicted that the paper would not last long swallowed his words long ago. And we are still staying in Hedley with every prospect of telling the news for months to come, while we watch Hedley grow. Four years labor for the upbuilding of Hedley and community—the garden spot of Donley county—should be argument enough to convince people that we have community interests at heart, even if we are almost as human as other white people. Well, here goes for another year's work. Will you get on our wagon and ride. All you will have to do will be to say, Amen! once in a while.

SPECIAL SESSION DIDN'T HELP MUCH

The special session of the Texas legislature will come to a close tomorrow by constitutional limitation and it now appears certain that nothing will have been accomplished by that august body that will rebound to its credit or that of the governor, who called the lawmakers together. The cotton acreage bill, with all of its amendments, is hopelessly lost and no relief need be expected from that source. Thus, we have before us a discreditable record of two special sessions at a cost of many thousands of dollars to the taxpayers with no benefit whatever to the State. Perhaps most of this censure, should rest upon the governor's head, for he alone brought about the sessions.—Childress Post.

THE BOY WHO DREAMS

It is a good thing for the farmer boy to have an imagination. It is a good thing for him to "dream dreams and see visions." It takes a dreamer to see the transformation that intelligent effort will bring to pass on the old place. It takes a dreamer to see how much more desirable that place will be in ten years than a job in a dry goods store. It is the boy who dreams who sees a field of thrifty alfalfa where that stunted yellow corn is growing on the timber forty. It is the who dreams who sees those hungry looking cows with burrs in their tails replaced by a herd of dairy matrons that tax the capacity of the milk cans at every milking. It is the boy who dreams who sees a waving corn field where the cat-tails are growing in place of the old hedge, and a new barn where the cow shed is falling to pieces. We need more on the farm.—Prairie Farmer.

O. W. Lilly who formerly lived here, came in Thursday from Arkansas where he has resided the past two years. He is moving to the Plains of Oklahoma.

FRED W. RUBIEN



Fred W. Rubien of New York was elected president of the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Association, to succeed the late James E. Sullivan, and may be chosen president of the association when an election for that post is held.

REMARKABLE SHOWING IN EXPORT BUSINESS

FOR LAST FIVE DAYS OF LAST WEEK NEARLY \$2,000,000 MORE THAN IN 1913.

WARRING NATIONS BUYERS

Large Increase in Trade From Port of New York Counteracts "Bad Business" Talk.

New York.—Despite the effect of the European war has had upon the business of the country, the figures compiled for the last five days of last week indicate that the value of exports shipped from this port were nearly \$2,000,000 more than at the corresponding period of last year. This increase was all the more remarkable when it is considered that on Saturday the export trade amounted to only \$768,879 against \$2,406,462 for the day before.

For the five days exports from this port amounted to \$15,139,618 against \$14,594,185 for the corresponding days of the week previous and \$13,269,945 for last year.

The large increase in trade from this port at a time when many believed that the foreign trade was falling off is said to have been due largely to the buying of the British government, owing to the exceedingly large demand caused by the war. Agents of the British government are said to have been scattered broadcast over the United States making heavy purchases of foodstuffs, finished clothing, rifles and ammunition and other munitions of war, together with supplies of other articles. France, too, is beginning to buy, while Russia is also said to be opening negotiations for war supplies of certain kinds.

One of the best features of this heavy buying at a time when it was expected that the market would be dull is that the British government agents are paying cash for their purchases, which is greatly to the benefit of the manufacturer and is causing much good feeling in general business circles as well as in the banking and financial realm. The articles purchased by British agents are delivered at the port of destination the same day, while the British government promises its safe arrival at its destination.

Canned meats and vegetables, barrels, fuel, munitions and almost all articles used in the war, especially rifles and ammunition, are being bought wherever found in large quantities.

Prepared to do all kinds of barber work, baths and laundry give us a trial. King's Barber Shop.

PLANT LESS COTTON RAISE OTHER STUFF

Secretary of Agriculture Houston, replying to requests for his Department to take action to reduce the cotton acreage next year says in effect: The only help, so far as the Department of Agriculture sees, is to adopt a constructive plan. This plan is to bring home to the farmer the fact that for several years the prices of foodstuffs will be high, and that more of such crops should be grown. Livestock, including beef and dairy cattle, hogs, and poultry should supplement a diversity of profitable foodstuff crops. The business men in the towns and cities must extend the same credit and the landlord make the same equitable arrangements with the farmers for growing other field crops and livestock as were made for cotton production. In doing these things, thinks Secretary Houston, the way out, not only for Texas but for the entire South, will be found. It would not be possible to set out more clearly what the Texas Industrial Congress has been preaching for the past five years and what it has been and is endeavoring to bring about than Secretary Houston has done in this letter.

SIX STEPS

Do not fail to read below the six steps up the ladder of fortune:

The first step is SELF-CONFIDENCE, for if you don't believe in your self you can't expect any one else to believe in you.

The second is INDUSTRY, for no matter how much you may believe in your capabilities, if you are not industrious and talents will go.

The third is PERSEVERANCE, for industry which goes by fits and starts is motive power which is wasted while continued application conquers all things.

The fourth is PROBITY, for dishonest success is colossal failure.

The fifth is TEMPERANCE, for if you become drunk, either with wine or prosperity, you are on the road to ruin.

The sixth is INDEPENDENCE and when you stand on this step you can dictate your own terms to the world.

THE BOWIE COMMERICAL COLLEGE starts you on the right road to attain the above independence, and if you will enter and do your part, your success is already assured. Hundreds are doing this every year, and there never was one of its graduates "turned down" on account of incompetency.

Write for particulars, it can do you no harm, and only costs you one cent. We are placing our graduates in good positions as fast as they are through with their courses.

We secure you the best of private board and room here at from \$11 to \$12.50 per calendar month. Many of our students do light house-keeping which reduces their expenses to a minimum.

We have two places now where two young ladies may pay all their expenses by doing a little housework of mornings and evenings at private homes.

The first ones who write will get the places. Address BOWIE COMMERICAL COLLEGE, Bowie, Texas.

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S. P. Vineyard, M. D.

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X-Ray and Pathological Laboratories

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AMARILLO, TEXAS

CASH ONLY

Beginning Friday, October 23

OWING to the present conditions brought about by the European War, we are forced to close our books and sell merchandise for cash only.

In doing this we do not question the honesty or credit of any one, nor do we intend to leave the impression that we have lost faith in our country, but to the contrary, we believe conditions will grow better in the future.

But we owe lots of money that is due right now, and we do not believe it is treating our creditors right to continue selling on a credit, when they need what we owe them. Therefore, we think it best to reduce our prices and sell for **CASH ONLY**.

We understand the position our farmer friends are placed in by selling their cotton at a sacrifice price, and we are going to show our appreciation and help bear their burdens by selling our entire stock of Dry Goods, Ladies' and Men's Furnishings

AT SACRIFICE PRICES

Below we quote a few of our SACRIFICE PRICES:

ALL CALICOES, SACRIFICE PRICES, PER YARD 4 CENTS

Ladies and Children's Coats, Wholesale prices

\$20 Coats, Sacrifice Price...\$15.95
 17.50 Coats, now..... 13.45
 12.50 Coats, now..... 9.45
 11.50 Coats, now..... 8.45
 10.00 Coats, now..... 7.95
 7.50 Coats, now..... 6.25
 5.00 Coats, now..... 3.95

And on down in proportion. These are new and snappy styles that can't be excelled anywhere.

Men and Boys Clothing

The well known Style Plus clothes at prices that you will say are in line with the low price of

cotton. These suits have to be seen to be appreciated.

Ladies Coat Suits and Skirts

One lot of good serviceable All-wool Coat Suits at... Half Price
 100 pieces 10 and 12 1/2 Cing ham, your choice, yd..... 8 1/3c

One lot extra good values and snappy patterns in Suitings, just the thing for schoolwear, on table, special, yd..... 19c

All new and extra good values, regular 65c seller, in Suitings, at per yard..... 49c

Notions

2 papers Dress Pins..... 5c
 6 School Pencils for..... 5c
 Petroleum Jelly..... 5c
 Large size Kid Curlers..... 5c

Groceries

Blue Ribbon and Cream Puff Flour, special, per cwt..... \$3.00
 Bucket Coffee..... 75 & 85c
 Standard Peaberry Coffee, special, 4 pounds..... \$1.00
 Sugar, 13 pounds..... \$1.00
 Spuds, per bushel..... \$1.10
 K C and Calumet Baking Powder, 2 cans for..... 35c

REMEMBER WE PAY THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR POULTRY AND EGGS.

BY PUTTING OUR STORE on a Cash Basis for the Fall Season we are going to be able to sell our goods cheaper than you have ever bought them before. We must reduce our stock and clear our books by Spring and we are going to make prices that will be in line with cotton, even at the low prices at which it is selling. Our Stock is more complete than we have ever shown in Hedley.

We sell Every Thing You Need.

M & M CO.

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All Obituaries, Resolutions of Respect, Cards of Thanks, Advertising Church or Society doings when admission is charged, will be treated as advertising and charged for accordingly.

The crop moving proposition received a check this week when wet weather set. All hope for a brighter future.

With food crops selling readily and at high prices it should not take us long to decide what to grow in reducing the cotton acreage. Food crops for the family table and for cash should be the object in planning the rotation. "Food for stock and stock for food" is a good motto for next year. Dismiss the cotton situation from your mind, but keep actively engaged in getting animals and planting and cultivating crops with which to feed them.—Farm and Ranch.

THE DARK CLOUDS WILL DISAPPEAR

No time during our meteor-like existence has a more uncertain and unguessable state of affairs existed than during the past few months. But we believe it will result finally to the benefit of the entire nation.

Ever see an ice jam in the spring? At first it looks as if it

couldn't possibly be budged. Even dynamite doesn't faze it. But by and by the warm sun gets in its work; and then folks worry less; the jam should move too quickly and do as much damage by going as by staying. We don't say that the business problem is like an ice jam in every particular but there are resemblances. What saves the down country from being flooded by the spring thaw is that the melt by day is checked a little by the freeze by night. The derangement of the world's credit machinery, the conservatism of bankers and the war uncertainties now guarantee us against a flood of speculation. But to keep things moving in the right direction and at a proper pace, we need sunshine. It is a time for courage, confidence, optimism. Not splashes, not splurges, not yet pinch penny caution, but manly gumption, grit and go-ahead. Still superior

to war news as a topic of interest in the American home is where good values can be found in buying for home necessities at fair prices. We can't let eating and living lag until Europe moves for peace. The ordinary processes must go on—they are going on but slightly affected, save as we have allowed ourselves to be scared before we are hurt. Now that this great nation is regaining its wind and its poise, turn on more sunshine—give hope a shove.

We have made some remarkable arrangements with clubbing agencies, so that we can give you a lot of valuable reading in connection with the Informer, at so small an amount that you cannot afford to not take advantage of one of the clubs at least. We also can save you money on almost any magazine or periodical published.

THE INFORMER.

THIRD ACT OF WAR AT CRITICAL POINT

SEEMS INEVITABLE THAT SOON THERE MUST BE DECISIVE RESULT ON COAST.

BELGIANS REPULSE GERMANS

With Aid of British Fleet King Albert's Army Takes Days Honors in Corner of Little Kingdom.

London.—The correspondent of the morning Post in the north of France says he learns on excellent authority that the allies have recaptured Osend.

London.—The third act of the war in the western theater has reached a critical point. The first act was the German attack to sweep through Belgium and Northern France upon Paris, with the capture of the French capital as the climax of an irresistible advance.

The second act was the offensive assumed by the allies after General Von Kluck had stretched his army on the German west wing over a long line of communications that he could not hold. The allied army pressed the German forces back toward the Belgian border, compelling the entire line from the eastern pivot of Verdun to recede in order to maintain an unbroken front and a possible line of retreat.

The third act is the attempted advance of the Germans along the coast of Belgium and Northern France, apparently with the design of establishing themselves in the channel ports, from which points of vantage they could menace England.

According to the French official statement Monday's attacks by the Germans between Nieuport and Dixmude have been repulsed by the Belgian army, which was "effectually aided by the British fleet." Progress is claimed between Arras and Roye. An advance is reported in the neighborhood of St. Mihiel, on the right bank of the Meuse.

The allies also have made progress eastward from a point south of Arras toward Lille, on a line running roughly to Arras. The report tells of house-to-house fighting, in which the allies are advancing. The battle has raged around Arras without respite for ten days.

The German official report covers these operations more tersely. It says that the attacks to the west and northwest of Lille have been repulsed with heavy losses to the allies. The situation is still so much in the dark that it is impossible to judge the exact trend of events.

Gen. Villa Declares Hostilities at End.

Washington.—General Villa has informed the United States that unless something unforeseen occurs, hostilities in Mexico are at an end, and that he will support any provisional government set up by the national convention at Aguas Calientes. Villa said he would not accept Carranza as provisional president, but was satisfied he would not be chosen. The general understanding has been that Carranza does not desire to be president, but wants to enter the succeeding race.

Three Men Killed in Katy Derailment.

Dallas, Texas.—Two men were killed outright, one fatally injured and a number less seriously hurt when the northbound Katy flyer was derailed one mile north of Bartlett Monday morning. Those killed were J. Frank Johnson of Smithville and W. Edward Rhodes of Bartlett, engineer and fireman, respectively, on the wrecked train, and Ben Campbell of Belmead, a fireman. The latter died at a Temple hospital as a result of his injuries.

Holland Succors 400,000 Belgians.

Rosendaal, Holland.—The stream of Belgian refugees, an almost endless procession of panic-stricken people, which has been passing without restraint the little red, white and blue posts marking the border of the peaceful kingdom of Netherlands, at last is growing less turbulent. Probably 400,000 have come rushing into Holland since Antwerp fell. Eschen, where the dazed Belgians took a tearful farewell of their own country, quadrupled in population in a week.

Germans Send New Troops to Front.

Bordeaux.—The Germans recently have been bringing up such great numbers of troops that persistent reports have been in circulation that a new German army of 1,000,000 was advancing against France. According to official advices, the troops in question belong to the reserve forces and constantly are being sent up from regimental depots to fill gaps in the fighting line.

Japanese Cruiser Sunk by Mine.

Tokio.—It is officially announced that the Japanese cruiser Takachiho was sunk by a mine in Kiau Chau bay on the night of Oct. 17. One officer and 11 members of the crew are known to have been saved. The Takachiho was on patrol duty outside Tsingtau when she touched the mine.

Twenty-eight officers and 188 seamen perished. The Takachiho had on board 284 men. The cruiser was built in 1885 and refitted in 1900.

BELGIAN QUEEN WITH KING ALBERT AT FRONT

Havre.—Queen Elizabeth of the Belgians is with her husband at the headquarters of the Belgian army and is his constant companion, except when King Albert approaches the firing line to encourage and direct his troops.

M. Huismans, Belgian minister of state, in announcing this fact added that King Albert was showing great stoicism and that Queen Elizabeth was sharing his perils and giving an example of dignity and courage worthy of classic times.

M. Huismans, in alluding to the presence in Havre of virtually the entire diplomatic corps assigned to Belgium, said: "The representatives of the United States and Spain, carrying out their special mission, remained in the invaded territory."

London.—"Tell everybody I will never leave my army if I leave Belgian soil." This declaration was made by King Albert of Belgium to a Belgian diplomat who interviewed the ruler at Ostend recently, according to the Daily Express, which quotes the diplomat. The king continued:

"Our army has retreated from Antwerp and concentrated brilliantly. All are ready to give their lives as an i. for Belgian independence. It breaks my heart to think that this beautiful country, so peaceful, so industrious, should be occupied even temporarily by so wanton an enemy. I feel that whatever has been done has the warm approval of all Belgians and civilized Europe."

Germans Now Occupy Ghent.

London.—The Belgian town of Ghent is now occupied by the Germans, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company. Units have arrived at Schaerbeek, a short distance from Ghent, and the commander announced that six soldiers must be quartered in the village.

Orders Fifty Thousand Stretchers.

Reading, Pa.—A local firm received a contract from the English government for 50,000 stretchers to be used in carrying wounded from the field.

To Sign Another Peace Treaty.

Washington.—A peace commission treaty, the twenty-seventh to be negotiated by the United States, has been signed by Secretary Bryan and Gonzales Cordova, minister from Ecuador. Nineteen of the 27 have been ratified by the United States senate. Secretary Bryan conferred with members of the committee on foreign relations and succeeded in getting favorable action on the recent negotiated peace commission convention with Russia.

Philippine Bill Passed By House.

Washington.—The Jones Philippine bill, which declares the purpose of the United States to recognize the independence of the islands "as soon as a stable government can be established there," has passed the house by a vote of 211 to 59. It will not be considered in the senate at this session of congress.

British Casualties 13,541 in 26 Days.

London.—An official report by Gen. French, commanding the British expeditionary force, gives the total of British killed, wounded and missing from Sept. 12 to Oct. 8 as 561 officers and 12,980 men, a total of 13,541 in the 26 days. Those of the killed belonged entirely to the Royal Scots, the Royal Irish and the East Surrey regiments. The East Surreys, the King's Own Scottish Borderers and the Somerset Light Infantry figure largely in the missing list.

We Pay Ten Cents for Cotton Anywhere

The "One Bale of Cotton" idea is meeting with success all over the state, and we are doing our part in the movement.

We will accept from one student from any Post Office in the state One Bale of Cotton, or Warehouse or Yard receipt for same, at Ten Cents per pound, and apply it on scholarship at regular cash rates for any course given at our college.

We are anxious to see the young people of this country equipped with a thorough business education, something they can't afford to be without, and we are taking this means to assist them.

If you are not in a position to enter school right now, buy your scholarship and come later. Our scholarships are good for life.

Bowie Commercial College, Bowie, Texas.

GERMANS HOLD BELGIUM; SINK BRITISH CRUISER

Kaiser's Army Captures Ostend After Week's Siege--Submarine Destroys the Hawke and 500 Drown.

RUSSIANS BLOCKED

Reports from East Say They Have Been Driven from Austrian Stronghold--Allies Hinder German Advance.

(Summary of Events.)

The German army has captured Ostend after a week's siege. This operation places the kaiser in complete control of all Belgium. Liege, Namur, Brussels, Antwerp, Ghent and Ostend, in the hands of the invaders, form a chain of defenses which the Germans will use to great advantage if the Allies drive them out of France. The Belgians have moved their seat of government to Havre, France, and their army has joined that of the Allies in northern France.

Germany's excellent submarine torpedo boat service has robbed the British navy of its seventh warship in the North sea. The protected cruiser Hawke is the latest victim. Less than seventy-five men of a crew of about 500 were saved when the cruiser was destroyed.

Two Battles in Progress.

Two great battles, one in northern France and Belgium, the other in Russian Poland, each with a front of three hundred miles, have reached their height—but the public is allowed only an occasional glance of their progress through official communications, which frequently are widely at variance.

Battle Favors Allies.

From the French report it appears that the western battle is going slowly but surely in favor of the Allies. Under the pressure of the troops of the Allies, the Germans, who started to advance on Calais and other French coast ports, have been forced to evacuate the left bank of the Lys River, which is a considerable distance east of the points their advance guards reached last week. Further east in the Lens district and southward between Arras and Albert, where the Germans made their initial attempt to work around the Allies' left, the British and French have made "notable progress."

No More German Flanks.

Although the Germans have failed to break the Allied line and have themselves been compelled to give ground, they are now in a better position, having a front which stretches from the Swiss frontier to Antwerp and Dutch territory, so that there are no flanks which the Allies can turn.

The Allies can attempt to break the line, however, and this is believed to be what they are trying to do on the Belgian frontier.

Took 4,000 at Antwerp.

An official report received from German army headquarters says four thousand prisoners were taken at Antwerp and more than five hundred guns.

Almost to Metz.

The steady hammering of the allies on the German left wing of the French battle front has brought them almost within cannon range of the forts at Metz. In spite of this menace the German crown prince's army hangs on doggedly to the positions it has taken on the Meuse near St. Mihiel.

Germans Cut Fresh Troops.

Regular traffic on the main lines in Germany has been suspended the last four days to allow the transportation, as quickly as possible, to the western field, of an army of ninety thousand freshly trained men.

Boer Command Revolts.

A strong command of the Boer army in the British Union of South Africa has revolted and the government has placed the entire Cape Colony under martial law. The revolt was engineered and led by Colonel Maritz, secretly a German army officer, who received arms, materials of war and money from Germany. Recovering from the first shock of the news that organized revolt now menaced British authority in South Africa, London has received word that from nearly every part of the union

pledges to support the British from the Union of South Africa, led by Colonel Maritz.

Fighting Great Battle.

Under conditions of the utmost secrecy the Teutonic Allies and the Russians are at present engaged in what may prove one of the most decisive combats of the war. This conflict

is being fought in Russian Poland. The main German armies in Russian Poland are moving toward the Vistula river on a north and south front extending through Piotrkow, ninety miles southwest of Warsaw, Elieco and Piek on the Bug river, thirty miles east of Lemberg. The bulk of the Russian troops are on the east bank of the Vistula, but a portion of their forces are still on the west side of the river.

Przemysl Siege Lifted.
The Austrian stronghold of Przemysl, a German official statement says, is now entirely freed of the Russian siege. The Russians are reported to be in fortified positions along the line of Stry, Sambor and Medyka, which now are being attacked by the Austrians. This line is supposed to keep in check the direct Austrian advance from Przemysl toward Lemberg.

Austrian Defeat in Bosnia.
An official statement issued by the Montenegrin consul general announces the overwhelming defeat of an army of 15,000 Austrians near Sarajevo by the combined Montenegrin and Serbian armies. The battle raged two days, with enormous losses on both sides.

Germans Win in Poland.
German victories against Russia near Scherwindt and Warsaw, in which 11,000 prisoners, 55 guns and 10 machine guns were captured, were reported to the German ambassador at Washington by the Berlin foreign office.

Cholera Spreads in Hungary.
Cholera is making rapid strides throughout Hungary and the progress of the disease is causing alarm among the people.

Portuguese Troops to Africa.
Two expeditionary forces of Portuguese troops, for one of which English transports were used, have sailed from Lisbon to re-enforce garrisons in Portuguese possessions in Africa, which

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Germans Sink Russ Cruiser.
Petrograd.—An official communication just issued announces that October 11 the Russian armored cruiser Pallada was torpedoed in the Baltic Sea by a German submarine and sank with all her crew.

Turkey and Portugal Now.
There is strong indication that Turkey and Portugal will be drawn into the war. Portugal has not declared war on Germany, but a partial mobilization of its forces has been ordered. Portugal has an alliance with Great Britain, the sympathy of the country is known to be with the Allies, and it has had some small difficulties with the Germans in Africa.

The former German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, which sought refuge in Turkish waters when driven out of the Mediterranean by the British and French warships, may be responsible for the involvement of Turkey. Although these ships ostensibly were sold to Turkey, they are still officered and manned by Germans.

May Attack Constantinople.
Berlin.—According to a war office statement the British ambassador at Constantinople has ordered the ladies of the embassy to leave. The statement also declares that dispatches from Sofia confirm the report that the Russian fleet is sailing southward across the Black Sea. It is stated that the Turkish government flatly declined a demand from the entente powers to dismiss German naval officers assisting in the Turkish navy.

Germany's Present Strength.
From reliable information a correspondent is able to give the strength of Germany's force at present engaged. They consist of fifty-four army corps of first line troops and twenty-seven army corps of reserves, totaling about 2,200,000 men. These forces are distributed as follows:
In France, twenty-four corps; Belgium, six; Thon and Cracow, eleven;

East Prussia, thirteen. In addition there are one and a half million territorials garrisoned in Germany and a half million recruits expected to be fully trained by November.

Prussian Losses 211,000.
London.—The forty-four lists of losses in the Prussian army which have been published contain a total of 211,000 killed, wounded and missing, according to a Reuter Telegram Company dispatch from Amsterdam. The lists do not include the losses among the Bavarians, Saxons and Wurtembergians.

Half Million for Teutonic Allies.
Half a million men, Austrians and Germans, are registered at the consulates of their countries in the United States ready to return to Europe and bear arms as soon as transportation is available. Ninety-five per cent of

Disease Epidemic Threatened.

An epidemic of disease threatens the battle line in the Western theater of operations, according to Major Louis Seaman of the United States army, an expert in military sanitation and surgery, who has reached London from France. The men living in the trenches are unable to observe the sanitary rules. Major Seaman said. Heretofore good weather has favored both sides, but now the nights are growing cold.

The major visited all the hospitals and said that dysentery and pneumonia are prevalent. Many wounded soldiers are dying of infection, due mainly to shrapnel wounds and to delay in applying first aid. Many are left two or three days on the battle field without attention.

Refugees a Grave Problem.

What to do with the refugees of the war is a grave problem that has been forced on all the governments of Europe, belligerent and neutral. Fully five hundred thousand people fled from Antwerp.

Many small Dutch towns have been forced to close their gates, as they cannot accommodate any more refugees. France and England are feeling the pressure, too, especially France. It is calculated that almost 1 million more people have fled into Central, Western and Southern France from the north and northeast of France and from Belgium.

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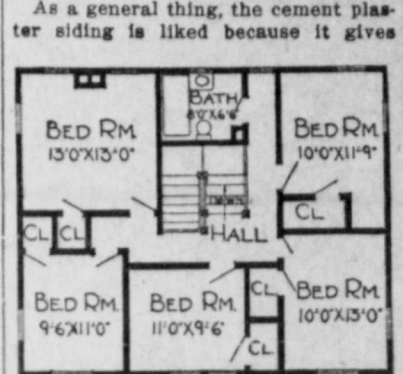
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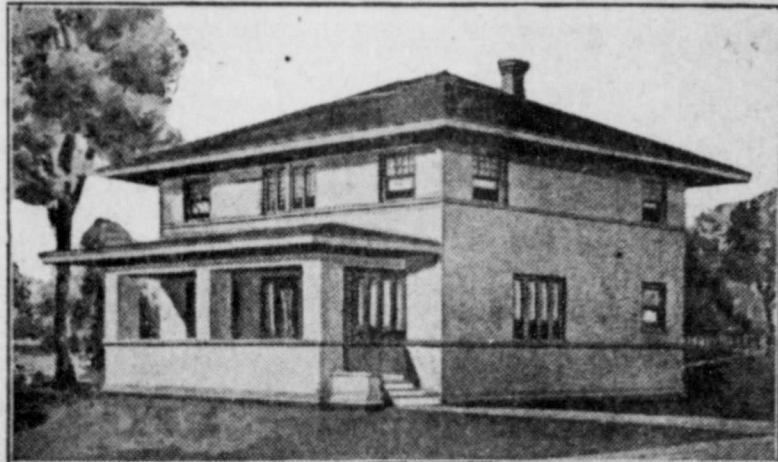
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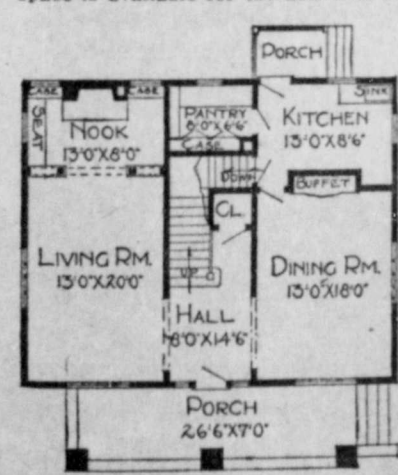
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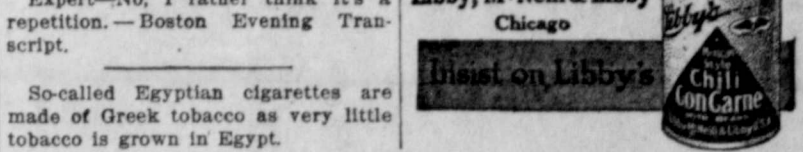
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Grandma Stallworth is on the sick list this week.

W. O. Snow and baby visited homefolks in Memphis Sunday.

M. W. Mosely left Monday night for Dallas on a business trip.

Mrs. G. M. Bass and daughter of Memphis Mrs. J. L. Bain last of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Scoggins spent Saturday and Sunday at Clarendon with homefolks.

Miss Vera Lacey of Clarendon came down Sunday to spend a week with Mrs. Scoggins.

Rev. J. C. Hines of Alvord lectured to the male inhabitants of Hedley Sunday afternoon.

P. L. Dishman returned last week from Houston where he has been working several months.

Mrs. Grover Ewing of Estelline spent Sunday and Monday with her sister Mrs. J. L. Kennedy.

Prof. Claggett of Memphis was in Hedley Wednesday in the interest of Normal school extension work.

Mrs. Chas. Kinslow went to Galveston last week as a delegate to a State meeting of the Eastern Star Lodge.

Presiding Elder Story held Quarterly Conference here Monday, and preached morning and night.

The Mission Study class meets with Mas. Wimberly Friday at 4 p. m. Lesson, Chapter 1—The Child in the Midst.

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Chas. Boles and wife of Wellington were in Hedley Thursday. Mr. Boles is in the grocery business at Wellington.

A slow but wet rain started falling here Wednesday and has kept it up intermittently. It is likely that much damage is being done to the cotton crop.

Paul Sarvis, wife and baby went to Dallas last week in their E.M.F. 25. They report a splendid trip without an accident. They will return in a few days.

W. A. Pierce and Mr. Willis traded jobs and places of residence last week. Mr. Willis moved to the Pierce residence on McDougal Heights, and Mr. Pierce to the Swearengin ranch where he took charge.

Raining to beat the band as we go to press this Friday morning. And the rain is working a hardship on the farmers who have cotton in the field—but it is hardly worth fooling with this year anyway.

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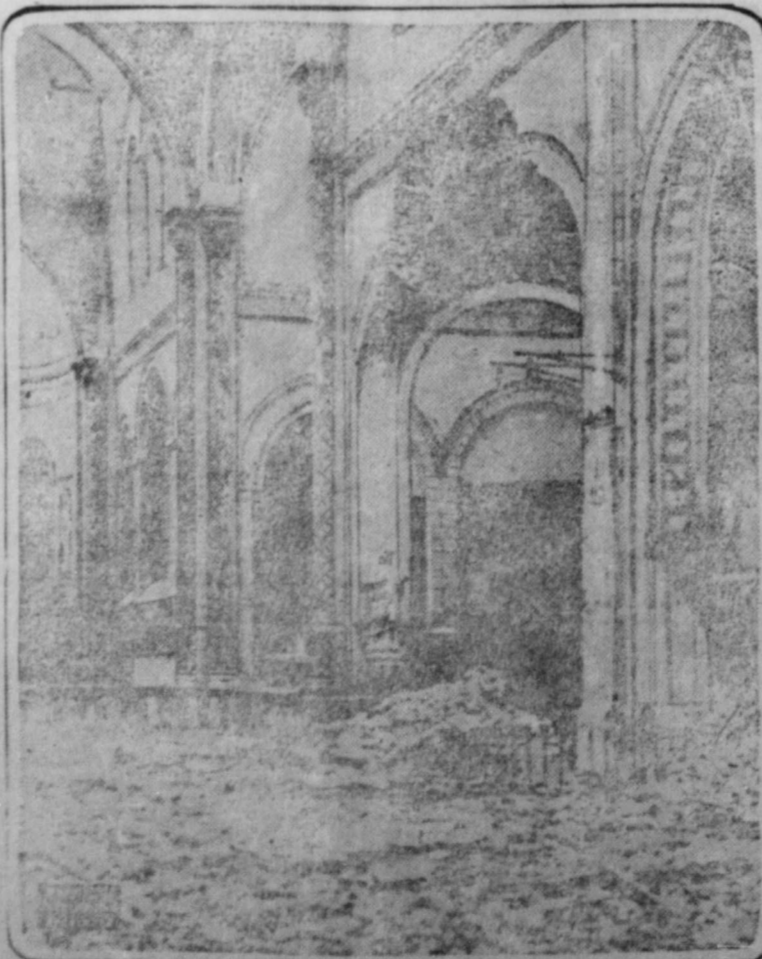
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