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KEELAND BROS.

Seasonable Goods

A Big Line of

Oil Stoves Refrigerators
Porch Swings Porch Furniture
Ice Cream Freezers

We will save you money on
Groceries and Feed

Bring us your Eggs. We
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Soft and Pliable

For Working Comfort

Your feet are in constant use, no matter what kind of work you perform. Give them a fair chance to be comfortable by wearing

Blue Ribbon Service Shoes
with the Munson Army Last—

They "stand up" under all conditions of service. The leather used is specially prepared for the purpose, and fashioned into footwear by shoemakers who "made good" on Army Marching Shoes.

Blue ribbon Service Shoes are made in Tan and Black leathers, with light, medium and heavy soles, to suit working conditions.

We carry a full line of shoes for men women and children at reasonable prices.

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THE VALUE GIVING STORE

Saturday Will Be A Big Day in Grapeland

Next Saturday, May 3, will be a big day in Grapeland. Our people will have an opportunity to see one of the big iron tanks, which played such an important part in winning the war. The tank will be here all day, and will be in charge of soldiers who understand how to operate it.

All the business houses in Grapeland will close at 1:30 and remain closed until 4:30 and join in the celebration of victory, and an intensive campaign will be made to raise the balance of our quota in the Victory Loan. Something like \$20,000 has already been pledged, leaving a balance of about \$30,000 to be raised.

Dr. Chas. L. Seasholes of Dallas will speak in the interest of the loan at 2 o'clock. Dr. Seasholes is a very prominent man and a speaker of note. It is said that he is an orator of exceptional ability and power. Last year he raised \$1,500,000 in the Red Cross and Liberty Loan drives. Hear him Saturday at 2 o'clock.

Grapeland people extend a cordial invitation to the people of all surrounding communities to be here Saturday, see the big iron tank, hear Dr. Seasholes speak, and have a good time generally. Come and bring your friends.

To Egg Producers

The season is now at hand when infertile eggs only should be marketed. The produce dealers of Grapeland will address you next week in an advertisement which was submitted too late for insertion this week, calling your attention to this important matter. If you want to maintain a good market for your eggs you should begin now to bring in only infertile eggs. Read the ad next week.

W. H. M. Notes

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Minnie Miller was hostess to the W. H. M. Society at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Spence.

Twenty-six members were present. We were very glad to have the following visitors with us: Mesdames Bob Scarborough and J. R. Richards of this city; Mesdames C. B. Garrett, W. A. Norris, Brooks, Murphy, Jesse McGee and Jas. Ellis of Crockett.

Society was called to order by the president and opened with a song. After the business session Miss Mabel Boykin rendered a beautiful piano solo. We were then favored with a splendid talk and an explanation of the missionary work of the society, also details of plans of being connective with the M. E. Conference, by Mrs. C. B. Garrett. Mrs. W. A. Norris also gave an interesting talk on missionary work, explaining the purposes for which the society's funds are expended.

The society will meet with Mrs. Ed Darsey at next meeting with Mrs. S. N. Boykin as leader. The hostess served lemonade and cake as refreshments.

Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lively, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gainey and Mr. and Mrs. Hardie Pennington visited relatives and friends at Percilla Sunday, and attended the graduation services held Sunday morning.

SPECIALS

FOR THIS WEEK

DRESS GOODS TENNIS SHOES

MEN'S WORK SHOES

FLOUR, MEAL AND BRAN

**HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID
FOR EGGS**

Call and get our price
before you buy your
bill of goods.

W. R. WHERRY

The Secret

The Reason Why—so many people trade at our store is really no secret. It is simply for the reason that they GET MORE FOR THEIR MONEY than elsewhere in town.

Of Course—you want to get as much for your money as your neighbor does.

Of Course—you want as good as the best and as great quantity for a like amount of money.

Of Course—you want to trade where you feel like the store force has a personal interest in you and what you want to buy.

Then, of Course—you will want to trade with us because ours is a store where you can really make your purchases for less money and with a great deal more pleasure.

You will find your every need at
our store. Come to see us.

Buy Victory Bonds

**We Want to do Business
With You
Why Not do Business with
us?**

McLean & Riall
DEPENDABLE MERCHANTS

THE MESSENGER

A. H. LUKER, Editor and Owner

Entered in the Postoffice every Thursday as second class mail matter

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6 Months	.75
3 Months	.40

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

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Our Advertising Rates are reasonable and Rate Card cheerfully furnished upon application.

Phones—Farmers Union System	
Office	51
Residence	11

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1919

To Enforce Prohibition

The announced plans of the internal revenue office calls for three thousand agents working in especially arranged zones for the enforcement of prohibition after July 1st. Attention will be paid to all cities where violations are anticipated. Local police officers are expected to aid greatly in enforcing them.

Prohibition is expected to stimulate illicit stills, which have flourished in the past mainly among moonshiners of the Southern mountains. The circulation of literature for home manufacture of beer, ale, wines and even distilled liquors brings to mind a plausible source of many violations. To make liquors under these directions, it is stated, will be a clear violation of the law.

There can be little question that the initial enforcement of the prohibition law will be hard. The fact that the law has been passed, rather than one's opinion as to the law, should guide us in our opinions on this matter. The people who worked so hard for prohibition, the organizations that stirred up the nation, must be everlasting on the job, creating public sentiment in favor of the rigid enforcement of the law. Newspapers that fought prohibition especially will render great public service in upholding the hands of the law.

Among the articles subject to the new war tax which becomes effective today are perfumes, toilet waters, cosmetics, hair oils, hair dyes and like preparations. Thus the cost of keeping young and beautiful moves up along with the other costs of living.

A Chance for Thrift

The terms offered for the final issue of Liberty Bonds are so very favorable that anyone with the least spirit of thrift ought to wish to participate. Never again will a bond of the United States sell so cheap.

In these times of prosperity and good wages, everyone except the victims of special misfortune, ought to be setting aside some money regularly. The business man should like these bonds for his surplus, because they can be turned into cash so quickly. The rate of interest is so good that they are not likely to fall below par. People with little knowledge of investments should appreciate this issue, because it gives them a good rate without the least risk.

Apart from the other far more weighty reasons, and looked at purely as a business proposition, this loan should sell without difficulty.

Although he said he wouldn't, the kaiser is now taking a good deal of "nonsense" from the United States.

Upon hauling our palm beach out of its hiding place, we find that the months had a very prosperous 1918.

If the people who are going to fly across the Atlantic ocean would wait until later in the season they would find the water more suitable for bathing.

Henry Ford intends soon to begin the manufacture of street railway cars driven by gasoline like automobiles. He thinks these cars will make lower fares possible.

If America at this juncture should fail the world, what would become of it?—President Woodrow Wilson. You know what you can do to help the Victory Loan.

No kind of League of Nations will suit such misfits as Senator Borah and others of his kind unless the United States is to rule all other nations. That is the kind of league the kaiser tried to get for Germany, but met with opposition.

Perhaps we need some amendments to our immigration laws. Here is the German ex-prince Joachim saying that he thinks of coming to America to grow up with the county. We do not need people of the Hohenzollern stripe.

The Germans are reported to be singing the Star Spangled Banner, but not with the same enthusiasm with which they toasted the men who drowned the women and babies on the Lusitania.

SHRAPNEL

By Rekul

It is now up to the people who didn't go across to come across.

You can always tell an Elkhart woman, but you can't tell her much.

The widow who marries the second time doesn't deserve to be one.

Don't go security for the man who lets his gate swing on one hinge.

What is the good of holding the key to the situation if you cannot find the key hole?

What some men know about motoring would fill a book; what they don't know fills cemeteries.

It is a wise child that goes out of the room to laugh when the old man mashes his thumb.

It won't do for a married man to say to his wife, "never mind." She is apt to take him at his word.

The kickers who knock the home town, nine times out of ten, couldn't be hired or driven to move away from it.

A physician has discovered that the gall of a rattlesnake will cure its bite. Pity the same thing isn't true of a book agent.

Trying to do business without advertising is like winking at a pretty girl through dark glasses. You may know what you are doing but nobody else does.

A cynical man says the reason women are so fond of writing letters is that they rejoice in the opportunity of saying all they wish without the possibility of being interrupted.

The Germans threaten that if the peace treaty does not suit them they won't sign and will continue their present state of chaos and anarchy. Well, anyway, while they are chaassing and anarchisting they arn't making guns.

Did you ever see a woman throw a brick at a chicken? It's just lots of fun—for the chicken. The woman usually hits herself on the foot and gets so mad she can hardly talk straight, while the chicken holds its head to one side, clucks softly and looks as though it wondered what under the sun the fuss all meant anyway.

Lively-Taylor

Aubrey Lively and Miss Annie Lois Taylor were married Sunday afternoon at the home of Rev. G. H. Farmer, who officiated.

They left on the mid-night train for Houston, where Mr. Lively has a position with a leading drug firm.

These young people were born and reared in Grapeland and have a host of friends who extend congratulations and best wishes for their future success and happiness.

Mr. Lively recently returned home from the army, since which time he has been working in Houston. Miss Annie Lois has been teaching in the public school at Carthage, the past term. They met here by previous appointment for the marriage ceremony.

Rhode Island's Refusal

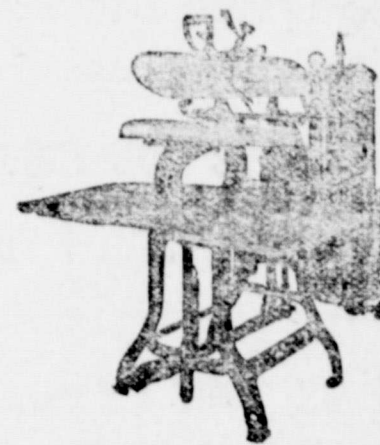
Rhode Island has refused to ratify the Prohibition Amendment to the Constitution. Well, it is recalled that Rhode Island refused for a long time to ratify the Constitution itself, but somehow or other the remaining twelve states managed to get the government set up and going.—Kansas City Star.



TO A YOUNG MAN

It is a great advantage to form a banking connection with an institution whose officers will take a personal interest in his financial affairs. We do take such an interest in our depositors and we are always ready and willing to give the benefit of our combined experience in cases where it is desired. We help small accounts to grow.

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New Spring Samples

They are here in a wide range of patterns--priced moderately. We are experts with the tape line.

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To get rid of that Tired, Bilious, Half-Sick Feeling, take a dose of

HERBINE

It Cleanses the Stomach, Liver and Bowels

It's a man's remedy that goes to the right spot. Puts life and activity into the torpid liver, strengthens the stomach and digestion and purifies and regulates the bowels. A timely dose of this excellent system regulator and bowel tonic will oftentimes ward off a spell of sickness. Price 50 cents.

JAS. F. BALLARD, Proprietor ST. LOUIS, MO.

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BUILDING MATERIAL

of all kinds

Let us help you with your plans and estimates. It is a pleasure for us to render **SERVICE**

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER COMPANY

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The Messenger, Grapeland, Texas.

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Prompt Service

Courtesy and prompt attention are bringing us trade that oftentimes has to go out of its way to get here.

We are glad to get your trade and we believe in showing our appreciation by supplying your every need with all possible speed.

COURTESY BUILDS OUR TRADE

Old customers are bringing new ones right along through the recommendations they are constantly giving us

High quality, low prices and prompt service are a combination that is hard to beat—and we have found them all well worth maintaining.

Brooks Bros.
WE HANDLE GENUINE FORD PARTS



Do It!

Don't just think about it.
You know what you ought to support the Liberty Loan.
You know that you ought to do your share towards finishing the job.
You know that this Loan is the real test of patriotism.
You know that your love of country, your self respect, call upon you to buy Government Securities.
Don't just think about it.

Do It!

CRYING NEED FOR PAINT

There is a crying need for paint on thousands of houses throughout Texas—good paint that will beautify and satisfy. If you want the best use Masury. Reasonable in price, and wholly dependable in quality.

T. H. LEAVERTON LUMBER CO.

The Town You Live In

Stand up for it.
Think well of it.
Speak in its favor.
Encourage its industries.
Patronize its merchants.
Hurrah for the enthusiastic.
Cheer every live enterprise.
See all that is beautiful in it.
Chant praises to the good it possesses.
Sing of its wonders—you'll find it has some.
Love it, stick to it—the town you live in.
Welcome improvements, stagnation is a sin.
Praise it and laud it if you wish thrift to come.—Exchange.

Grand Jury Makes Final Report to Judge Prince

To the Honorable John S. Prince Judge of District Court of Houston county:

We, the Grand Jurors in and for said court at the March term A. D. 1919 thereof, duly empaneled as such, make the following report:

We have been in session for seven days and have examined about 150 witnesses and have found 18 felony bills and 21 misdemeanor bills.

From a standpoint of economy, we do not approve of the method now employed by the county officers in that they are keeping open accounts with various people over the county, and many of these accounts show to be of long standing. Also that no effort is being made to collect the accounts that are past due. Thus it would seem that the county is being deprived of a percentage of its revenue that it needs to liquidate its indebtedness, and in justice to the people of this county we recommend that the county officers be instructed to put their offices on a cash basis.

In accordance with your instructions we have made some investigation with reference to the violation of the Sunday Laws in Crockett and other towns of the county, and this investigation leads us to believe that these laws have been violated by every druggist in Crockett and possibly by some of the other druggists in the county. We also believe that some of the garages are violating the Sunday law, but we are inclined to believe that a general prosecution in these cases at this time should not be made on account of the fact that these violations have been going on by

such quantities that the merchant should make inquiry as to the disposition that is to be made of said extract, and we believe that more consideration should be shown in our county for the Sabbath and the Sunday laws, and after having called before us the proprietors of the various drug stores and garages of Crockett and having received their assurance that they would close their places of business from 9:30 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. and then close at 8:00 p. m. every Sunday evening we decided to not investigate any specific cases, but we would recommend to the district attorney and all county officers that in event the managers of these places fail to live up to the promises made to the grand jury that each and every offense be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. We also suggest that the public be urged to give the officers their full support in their efforts to enforce said laws.

Also in accordance with your instructions, we have obtained information that leads us to believe that some of the drug stores of the county are selling intoxicating liquors under the disguise of patent medicines. These medicines contain from 2 per cent to as high as 92 per cent alcohol. Such practices are in strict violation of the law, and if the druggists of this county are not informed on this point, we believe it their duty to seek information regarding the laws of this state and put their places of business on a basis that conforms to said laws. We urge our county officers to use their best efforts to apprehend the guilty ones and proceed with immediate prosecutions. We as grand jurors of this county realize that the conditions of this county in this respect are very deplorable and our county officers should not tolerate it any longer.

Also the selling of extracts by grocery stores over the county has come to our attention, and we recommend that the officers be instructed on this point that where they know this extract to be sold for the purpose of preparing intoxicating drinks, that the offending parties be prosecuted. These extracts are commonly used in the preparation of cold drinks, ice cream, pastries, etc., but in some instances they have been sold to small boys in

such quantities that the merchant should make inquiry as to the disposition that is to be made of said extract, and we believe that more consideration should be shown in our county for the Sabbath and the Sunday laws, and after having called before us the proprietors of the various drug stores and garages of Crockett and having received their assurance that they would close their places of business from 9:30 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. and then close at 8:00 p. m. every Sunday evening we decided to not investigate any specific cases, but we would recommend to the district attorney and all county officers that in event the managers of these places fail to live up to the promises made to the grand jury that each and every offense be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. We also suggest that the public be urged to give the officers their full support in their efforts to enforce said laws.

We also recommend instructions be given to the county clerk to issue execution on all probate, recording and civil fees that remain unpaid. Also to require cash bond in all cases filed in the county courts. Also, we would recommend that the commissioner's court arrange for an audit of the county records for a period of four years back. We would suggest in this connection that a finance committee be appointed to work in conjunction with a competent public auditor who we think would be of valuable assistance on account of the short time allowed by law to do this work.

With reference to statements rendered by the county officers, we regret that some of these reports are not prepared in such form that this body can intelligently pass on them. In some instances we note the item of "wage" on some reports and no explanation as to who was hired to do this work, the length of time employed or the amount of salary per month paid. In other words, it would be possible under the present system now employed for an officer to hire someone to do the work for which the county is paying him to do while he could pursue some occupation on the outside for the benefits of his own personal interests.

In conclusion, we wish to thank the county officers for the many courtesies extended us while in session and also their willingness to co-operate with us in every respect.

Having completed all the business coming before our body, we now beg to be discharged.

Very respectfully,
J. C. Kennedy, foreman; J. E. Cook, secretary; A. M. Carleton, G. M. Mahoney, J. L. Carroll, H. J. Arledge, W. H. Holcomb, R. L. Taylor, Fred Bridges, G. Q. King, W. D. James, C. S. Stevenson.

666 has more imitations than any other Chill and Fever Tonic on the market, but no one wants imitations. They are dangerous things in the medicine line.—

Drink
Coca-Cola
DELICIOUS and REFRESHING

Coca-Cola is a perfect answer to thirst that no imitation can satisfy.

Coca-Cola quality, recorded in the public taste, is what holds it above imitations.

Demand the genuine by full name
—nicknames encourage substitution.

THE COCA-COLA CO.
ATLANTA, GA.

Sold Everywhere

REYNARD

By Zack

Reynard, April 28.—My, how time does fly! Wash day and Messenger day Thursday, then Saturday to town and the week is gone, and just think, a month and a half and the tale will be told with corn.

It has been a month since we have had a good rain and think all would be willing to have a good one.

There is some cotton up, but a great portion will not come up until we have rain. Corn is all worked out and looks promising. No one in a rush with their work, but the farmer who does not wait for it to rain or for it to stop most always gets there.

New berry pies, peas, potatoes and beans are in evidence, and good old summer time is near at hand.

Sunday school attendance yesterday was good.

Our school will close May 15. We will not have any exercises but will have our annual picnic on Friday the 16th. We are all pleased with the teacher and she can teach for us another term if she so desires, which is a good recommendation.

Douglass Beazley, Tom Kent, P. L. Fulgham are our trustees.

Let's all who love our dead and have pride to be sure to be on hand May 5, or have some one to represent us, at Daly's cemetery, and the 24th of May means a great deal to some of us, so let's talk and think more of that date.

Dave Caskey and family are visiting his son, Thomas, a few days. He said the Jones School House country was needing rain, and thought maybe if he would leave it would rain.

Douglass Beazley's car has been out of commission for quite awhile, but will soon be ready for the road again.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Beazley, Mrs. Grayson and daughters and Frank Fulgham attended a singing at W. M. Brown's up the line last night. Mr. Brown's is a good place to go. They believe in old fashioned, southern hospitality.

C. R. Taylor and wife helped W. F. West and wife to eat a big cat fish for dinner yesterday.

A. B. Guice spent Monday and Tuesday in Houston on business.

EPHESUS

By Regular Correspondent

Ephesus, April 28.—The health of this community is better now than usual. There is not a single case of illness that we know of.

Mrs. Ellen Revel of Leon county visited her mother, Mrs. J. M. Anderson, last week.

Service was held at our church Saturday night and Sunday by Rev. W. R. Durnell. A large crowd attended and was well pleased with the sermons.

Miss Hazel Weir of Malvern visited Misses Mary and Bertha Anderson last week.

Frank Graham and family visited at Jessie Graham's Sunday.

Mrs. Mamie Anderson was visiting at Mrs. J. M. Anderson's Saturday.

Misses Mary and Bertha Anderson were visiting at Mrs. Minnie McQueen's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lackey were visiting at Dave Turner's Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Allen visited Mrs. Emma Graham Sunday.

We have had quite a lot of dry weather, and most of the farmers would be glad to see a nice rain. The corn is all in good shape and most of the cotton is planted, but will not come up until it rains.

Wilford Luce had the misfortune to get two of his fingers cut off Monday morning, while working at the saw mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lackey were visiting at Jim Turner's Saturday.

Jim Kelley and family were visiting at Mr. Andy Kelly's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Luce were visiting at Jim Turner's Saturday night and Sunday.

We hear every day or so of mad dogs at different places. We have been fortunate enough not to have one among us so far. We guess we had our share last summer. We may have to guess again, later on.

**Notice to School Trustees
For Meeting May 11th**

It is very important that all the school trustees in the county come together and discuss certain matters relative to the schools for the next school year. I should like very much to meet all of you at the same time and talk over our business and lay certain plans with you for the administration of the school affairs. At this meeting all the newly elected trustees can qualify, and each board can make formal report of its organization.

Permit me to insist that every trustee in the county go to some trouble and sacrifice, if necessary, to attend this meeting. Among other things to be considered we will go into your relation to the new Free Text Book law.

Hoping to see you all on the 11th of May, at 1 p. m. I am,
Your for better schools,
J. H. Rosser, Co. Sup't.

Graduation Services

The Percilla High School will close Friday with an entertainment and graduating exercises at night. The commencement sermon was preached to the graduates last Sunday morning by Rev. J. E. Buttrill of this city.

The graduates are Misses Coleman Jones, Eula Wright and Essie Mae Denson. The school was taught by Robert Sadler, Mrs. Arthur Branch and Miss Cloie Scarborough.

Notice Woodmen

Elberto Camp will decorate the grave of deceased sovereign at Evergreen cemetery May 9; will unveil and decorate grave of Sov. Frank Owens at Grapeland cemetery, Sunday May 11.

At the next regular meeting there will be special business to dispose of and all members are urged to be present.

2t M. E. Bean, C. C.



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**Men's Summer Suits
Genuine Palm Beach Suits**

In a number of snappy, new styles and all the leading colors at---

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2-piece, light woolen suits in tropi-cloth and mohair materials, well tailored, at---

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STYLEPLUS CLOTHES in 3-piece suits, guaranteed all pure wool; to fit perfectly and to give satisfactory wear at---

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Summer Wearing
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for Men and Boys is Complete

We are featuring a big variety of styles in---

Low Quarter Shoes

Felt Hats, Straw Hats

Panama Hats, New Ties

Underwear, New Collars

Shirts, Belts, etc.



One of our many Florsheim Styles

**For You
Business Men**

MOTHERS--Bring the boys to see our wonderful showing of suits. We can fit them in all ages from 2 1-2 to 18 yrs

Come to town Saturday and see the big "FIGHTING TANK."

we have the right shoes—the shoes you will like. You need not concern yourself with quality or fit—we take care of that for you—we'll give you Florsheim superior quality shoes—we know they are right—you know they are right.

You can leave behind all misgivings regarding shoes when you come to this store—we guarantee satisfaction.

Help the Visit Our Custom Tailoring Department Help the

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When you're mustered OUT, let us Royal Tailor you IN—
This store is the authorized resident dealer for
THE ROYAL TAILORS • Chicago • New York
Royal Special Tailored to Measure Suits and Overcoats

at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, and \$50



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LOCAL ITEMS

Tennis shoes in all sizes and all styles at Darsey's.

Pay your subscription on the dot.

A beautiful line of new skirts and waists at Darsey's.

Plenty of oats, chops, shorts and bran at McLean & Riall's.

F. A. Lively of Lovelady was here the first of the week.

McLean & Riall will pay you more for your produce.

If you know a local news item phone it to the Messenger office. Farmers Union Phone No. 51.

Miss Rita Hatchell visited relatives in Crockett Saturday and Sunday.

This week, we are showing a wonderful line of waists at \$1.00 at Darsey's.

Mrs. Wm. H. Long has returned from Alto, where she visited relatives and friends.

Tennis shoes in all styles at Darsey's for men, women and children.

We want your chickens and eggs next Saturday. W. H. Long & Co.

Lewis Lea arrived home Tuesday morning from the army camp. He has been stationed in Florida.

Take your chickens and eggs to W. H. Long & Co. and get the highest market price.

Misses Willie Butler of Weldon and Alma Moore of Lovelady are spending the week in Grapeland, guests of Mesdames. Murray and Mangum.

Take advantage of the special Designer rate at Darsey's and get this magazine for one year for only 59 cents (regular price \$1.75.)

No Junk Wanted

Please do not bring any more junk to me. I am out of the market and cannot handle it for you. J. W. Howard.

Of course you are coming to town Saturday to see the tank and we want you to make our store your headquarters. Geo. E. Darsey & Co.

T. W. Lewis, who recently purchased the City Meat Market, was called to Elkhart the first of the week to see his father, who is very ill and in a critical condition.

Notice—Posted

Positively no hunting or fishing will be allowed in my pasture. Sumnar Rialls, 2t Route 4.

The Hays Spring school closed last week with a picnic for students and patrons Friday. Misses Esther Darsey and Winnie Davis of this city were the teachers.

Hugh Kirkpatrick came in Monday night and went to his home in Augusta. He is just from France, having seen active service with the 90th Division, and was wounded in action.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

White kid pumps at Darsey's.

Try a sack of Bell of Waco Flour at Long & Co's.

Baby Doll Pumps for ladies at Darsey's.

Black kid military heel pumps at Darsey's.

Another shipment of dresses due to arrive this week at McLean & Riall's.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Tyer announce the arrival of a girl baby.

Stop the knock in your motor by using Johnson's Carbon Remover. W. H. Long & Co.

Messrs. T. H., F. W. and H. A. Leaverton left Sunday for points in the oil field district of West Texas on a tour of inspection.

Whether you want a dress ready made or the goods and accessories with which to make one, you will be doubly paid by first coming to Darsey's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Calhoun were called to Crockett Saturday on account of the serious illness of Mr. Calhoun's mother.

Put a Hood Tire on your car and forget it for a year, we sell them. W. H. Long & Co.

Joe Henry Baker of Crockett was here the first of the week visiting relatives. He is still in the service, being located at Fort Sam Houston.

Will Trade You—

A 2 1/2 inch wide tire Leudinghaus wagon for a 3 inch wagon. W. T. Pridden, Route 3.

The many friends of George Calhoun extend sympathy in his bereavement on account of the death of his mother, which occurred at her home in Crockett Monday.

Eggs for Setting

Rhode Island Red eggs for setting purposes for sale by—Mrs. R. B. Edens, Farmers Union Phone.

J. O. Edington and Seth Wright Yarbrough left Tuesday night for Ft. Worth as witnesses in a suit against the I. & G. N. Ry., concerning a shipment of hogs from Grapeand several years ago.

Telephone Us

We now have a Farmers Union Telephone. Call us when you want ice and prompt delivery will be made. When phoning be sure to specify Howard's Ice House. J. W. Howard.

Quite a number of Grapeland people have been going to Palestine at nights to attend the big revival being conducted at the Christian church in that city. Rev. A. L. Clinkenbeard, who held a meeting here last summer, is pastor, and has many warm friends in Grapeland.

At The Methodist Church

Morning subject: "Thirsting for the Springs." Evening subject: "The Saviour of all." Both services will be conducted by the pastor and everyone is invited. J. E. Buttrill, Pastor.

Notice

I will be in Grapeland next Saturday filling orders for potato slips and tobacco plants and taking orders for the future. J. E. Moore, Elkhart, Texas.

Mule Lost

Dun mule known as the Bud Herod mule. If found notify Mr. Herod at Grapeland. Will pay \$10.00 reward if delivered to me at Crockett. It C. L. Manning.

SLOCUM

Regular Correspondent

Slocum, Texas, April 28.—Bro Jim Lively filled his appointment yesterday. A large crowd was present. We are glad to have Bro. Lively to preach for us.

Sunday school was well attended at both churches and our prayer meeting is making a success. We are proud to see Slocum coming to the front.

Mr. and Mrs. Tims, Mr. and Mrs. Ausabrook, Miss Ruth Sory, Miss Lillie Jones were guests at Mrs. McDaniel's Sunday, and enjoyed a very sumptuous dinner. Mrs. McDaniel's son has returned home from the aviation field, and she gave the dinner in his honor. We are all glad to have Reed home. He is one of our finest boys and we feel proud of his success.

Mr. and Mrs. Blair visited at Latexo Tuesday.

Mrs. Vinyard of Palestine visited her son at Slocum Sunday.

Our school will come to a close Wednesday. We have had one of the best schools we have ever had. Our teachers were Misses Ruth Sory and Lillie Jones, Mrs. Ethel Denson and Hill Walters. Closing exercises will consist of a play Wednesday and Thursday nights. We invite everybody.

Our Honor Roll

The following have our thanks for their subscription:

- Grapeland—J. F. Bridges, T. W. Lewis.
- Crockett—Mrs. Garland Ellis, Kernes—M. S. Murdock.
- Tyler—Miss Mary Belle Holcomb.
- Houston—Aubrey Lively.

Lost

Brown ducking case of car tools lost between my home and Union school house. Finder please return to me or Messenger office.

H. J. Shaw.

In order to care for the increasing number attending Sunday school, a balcony has been built in the Methodist church to have sufficient room, and three classes can be placed in the balcony, thus relieving the congestion in the main auditorium.

Growing Hogs

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This week I will pay the following prices for produce: For hens, per lb.....25c For Roosters, per lb.....10c For eggs, per dozen.....30c Bring me what you have to sell. J. H. Bowman.

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Yours truly, J. H. Bowman.

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Notice

All discharged soldiers and sailors of Houston county are respectfully asked to meet at the Court House Saturday, May 3rd., at 2:30 p. m. for the purpose of devising means through Mandamus proceedings, to compel election judges of Houston county to allow each and all of you the right of suffrage, regardless of whether you have paid your poll taxes.

Respectfully, Nat Patton, County Judge.

Hon. Bob Sullivan of Conroe filled the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday night, and spoke on the Centenary movement. He is a forceful and eloquent speaker and the large audience was delighted with his masterful discourse. Mr. Sullivan is county attorney of Montgomery county, and an influential lay leader in the church.

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Notice

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Guaranty State Bank of Grapeland, Texas, will be held in the office of the bank at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, June 26th, 1919, for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of increasing the capital stock of said bank in conformity with the provisions of Section 198, Art. 564, R. S. All stockholders are urged to be present.

By order of the State Banking Board of Texas. J-26 U. M. Brock, Cashier.

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**Young Darsey "Doing Paris"
Writes Interesting Letter**

With the A. E. F.
Paris April 5, 1919.

Dear Papa:

I am receiving mail right along on good schedule now. I am always glad to hear from all of you and to know that things are getting along alright at home. The "Battle of Paris" is still going strong, however, I have been pretty busy as I have had to turn in notes on our lectures and I had to whip mine into shape before going about much. I have lots of time to see a good show now and then and continue to enjoy my stay in Paris very much.

The 36th and 89th Divisions played off the A. E. F. foot ball championship out at the Parc des Princes here yesterday afternoon, so yesterday morning after class, I beat it down to the Y hotel to see if I could find anybody I knew. About 11 o'clock I met up with Edgar Lasiter who told me that Dan McLean, Jim Ryan, Daily Murchison and a big bunch of the other boys were in Paris, so as some of them had my address, we went out and had dinner and then went to my room to see if any of them had been there. As they hadn't, we went back to the Y hotel and as they were to leave at 9 o'clock, I asked Lasiter if he had rather see Paris or the game and he said he would like to see as much of Paris as possible, so we started out and for the first time in my life, I acted as a guide in Paris. We went out by the Law Courts, Pantheon, Norte Dame Cathedral and from there down the river to the Chambre des Deputies Institut de France, Quai D'Orsay where the Ministry of Foreign Affairs building is, to Napoleon's Tomb and from there to the Pantheon de la Guerre. We then caught a Y rubberneck wagon and came back to town by way of Eiffel Tower, Statue of Washington, Avenue President Wilson, The (French) White House (where President Wilson is living in Paris,) Arch of Triumph, and from there by the Palace de la Concorde, American Peace Headquarters, the Egyptian Obelisk and up to Avenue des Champs Elysees through the shopping district and Place de l'Opera and back to the Y hotel. How is that for a three hour tour with only 28 days' experience? I am beginning to parley "Frog" a little better now and am learning more about Paris every day. While we were on the truck, the Y man yelled out his speech from the front end of the bus, and altho he has memorized a pretty good speel, I have been getting a little more inside dope from the lady from New York than the Y has, so the bunch was about equally divided between listening to his speech and asking me questions.

We got back to the Y hotel at about 5, got supper and went out to the edge of town where the train was. Out there I ran across Stokes Pelham, Dan McLean, Henry Alston, John I. Moore, Check and Lawrence Brown, Sgt. Lynch, Walter English and several others, but I did not get to see all who came, as some of them had left on the first section of their train. Everyone of them said they were doing fine and were surprised at seeing me in Paris. I am looking for a number of the boys to come back on three day passes before long, as they all know my address now, so if you hear a big explosion over in this direction you can just figure we are seeing Paris in the good old fashioned way and that we have pushed the tower over and changed the course of the Seine. We had about two hours talk before the train left and I don't guess I need to say that I enjoyed it very much and as soon as I get straightened out next month and the weather clears up a bit, I am going to see them on a 24 hour pass. Just think of my being in this town so strong that it takes a special pass to get out! I sometimes have to pinch myself to see that I am not in some kind of nightmare and I don't

care if they keep me here until they realize that the private's services are no longer necessary for the general good of all concerned over here and send me West.

I will tell you of another surprise I had. After doing some writing at our club rooms, my partners persuaded me to go to a show with them and on our way down we stopped to get something to eat. While we were eating, some body hit me on the back and when I looked around, I found it was Speer. He was here on his return from a convoy trip and had been in since the night before. He had to leave at 8 o'clock so we had about two and one-half hours together. He was as surprised to see me as I was to see him and to know of my being stationed here and is coming back before long on a pass. He doesn't hardly look like the same person as he weighs about 50 pounds more and it looks like the war has agreed with him. He said that he thought he passed Jack Murchison on the road but couldn't stop to see for sure. He said he is doing fine, but didn't know when he would get to go home.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson presided at a tea at our club rooms this afternoon and of course I was there strong. First, she received us at the door and then the Red Cross ladies served us with tea and real cake. She is a mighty pleasant lady and was glad to be with us.

I am still seeing many interesting things in Paris and am sending post card views of the places I see with their descriptions written on the back. We have had our first real spring sun shiney day and it was sure fine. We have planned a trip for next Sunday down the river, but I know it will rain and knock out our plans.

As I have said before, I am seeing all of Paris that I can although it will take a long time to see it all. I have seen many interesting things, some of which date back before the time of Christ. We also get a chance to see the best shows as they all come to Paris and see some real good ones. We are still in the dark as to the time we will start for home as the 5th Division has again been put in the Army of Occupation, however, it looks like the men in the National Guard and National army who joined for the duration of the emergency, will be granted a discharge first among those of the regular army. There is some talk of our being released as the new volunteers are brought in as the regular army divisions at the present, contain only about 15 per cent regular army men.

Give my love to all and write soon.

GEORGE E.

Photo of Every Soldier Grave

Identified graves of American soldiers in France are being photographed by the Red Cross and the pictures forwarded to the relatives of the slain in this country. First, the photographs are mounted at Red Cross headquarters in Washington in attractive cardboard folders, which give the soldier's name, rank, period of service, the locality of cemetery in which he is buried and the number of the grave on the page opposite the photograph. The folder are 3-4 by 5 1/2 inches, and have the coat of arms of the United States embossed upon the cover. About 7,000 of these photographs will be forwarded every month and distributed by the Red Cross, under the authority of the War Department.

To Reduce Passenger Rates

As announced by the railroad administration, passenger rates on railroads in practically all parts of the country will be reduced from June 1 to Sept. 30 to encourage summer travel to the nation's resorts and other places of interest. The biggest cuts, it is believed, will occur on lines west of the Mississippi where excursions are expected to be longer than in other parts of the country.

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ROCK HILL

By Norman

Rock Hill, April 28.—We have had no rain for a few weeks and everything is getting to be as "dry as a powder house." We are hoping for a good rain soon. If not, some of the people will suffer for drinking water as well as crops.

After giving gasoline engines and windmills a good trial, C. M. Streetman has decided to again take up the old method of "bucket and rope" for his well, and he does not doubt getting water now.

Rev. Cyress Campbell preached for us Saturday night, Sunday and again at night. A good crowd was present at each service and enjoyed the good sermons.

Mrs. Bill Gipson is now at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Green's for awhile.

Eugene Lively and family visited Mrs. Lively's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Denson, the latter part of last week.

Little Winona Streetman spent last week with her brother, N. V. Streetman.

Robert Gardner has just gotten his discharge and came home from the army. He tells many very interesting stories of service abroad. He took his friends by surprise, as they thought he was still in France.

Will Hughes and family of Hays Spring attended church here Sunday.

Our Sunday school and prayer

meeting is progressing nicely, only it seems there is very little interest manifested by the older people. If the young people can have a good Sunday school and prayer meeting, why can't the older ones join us and make it better?

Relatives of W. A. Streich visited his home last week.

To the People of Houston County

Crockett, Texas, April 26, 1919. In the report of the Grand Jury last week, a recommendation was made that each county officer put his office on a cash basis, and that the County Clerk issue execution on all probate, recording and civil fees now unpaid, also to require a cost bond in all cases filed in the County Court.

Acting under these recommendations, I beg to advise that, beginning May 1st, 1919, no recording or other fees will be charged in the County Clerk's office. Statement of probate, recording and civil fees will be mailed immediately to those owing same and settlement is earnestly requested at once so that it will be unnecessary to issue execution for collection. A cost bond will also be required in each case filed with me.

When mailing instruments to the office where you do not know the fee, a statement will be mailed showing the amount due and, upon receipt of the fee, the instrument will be filed for record.

While the plan suggested by the Grand Jury may cause some little inconvenience at times, I believe that it will work to the

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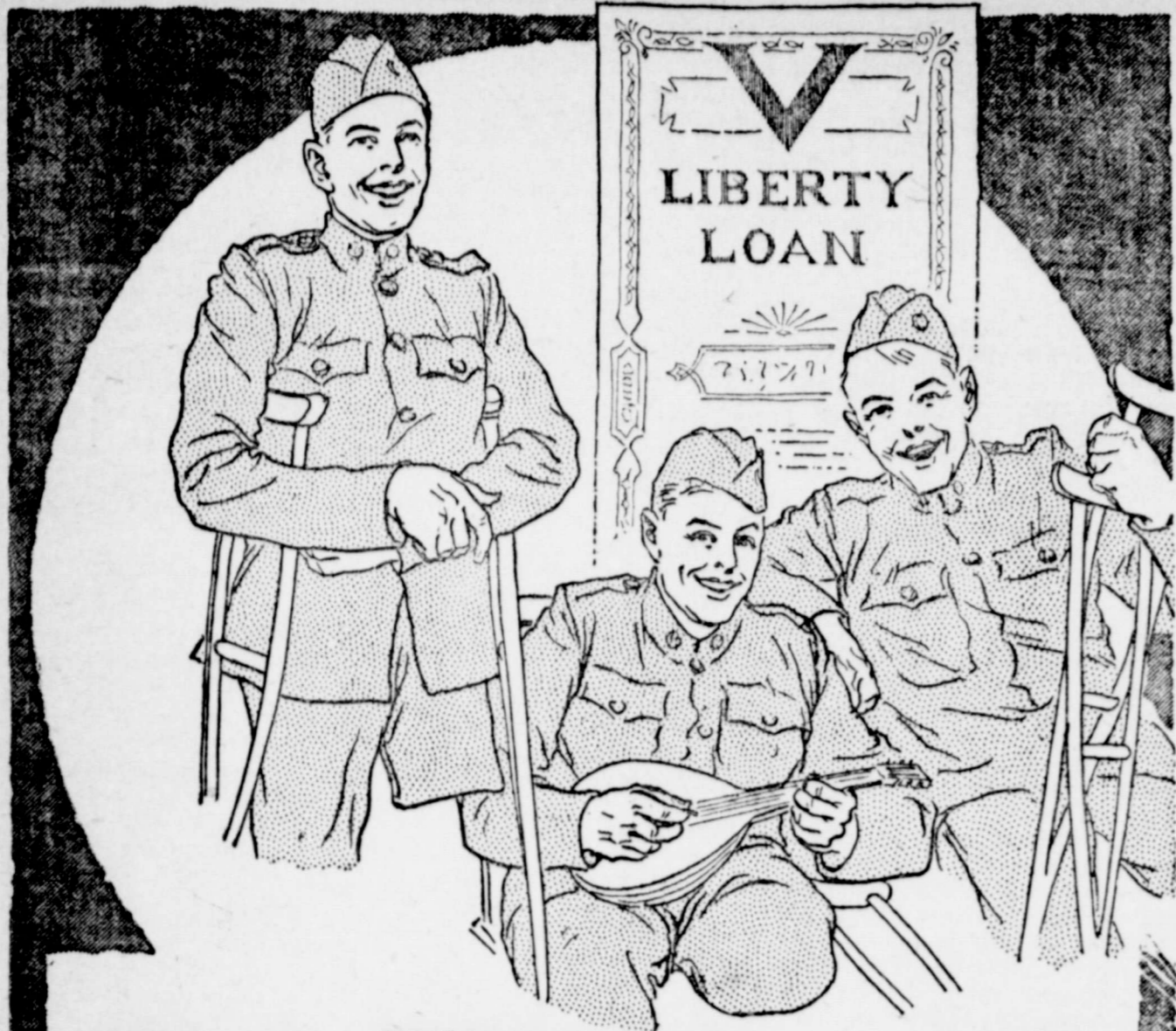
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good of the county, in that it will save unnecessary bookkeeping and expenses of collecting accounts. I therefore earnestly request that those having business with the County Clerk's office help me carry out these plans. The "strictly cash" plan has worked in other counties—it can work in ours. It will eliminate the cost of collection which amounts to about \$300.00 per year, and will also eliminate bad accounts and various reports that have to be made in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. Owens,
County Clerk.

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The Loan Rally

As announced in last issue, the Liberty Loan drive was launched Sunday morning at the Christian church.

The program arranged previously by the committee was carried out. After a short and appropriate sermon by the pastor, Rev. G. H. Farmer, Messrs. H. A. Leaverton and W. A. Riall delivered short addresses.

Approximately \$15,000 was pledged, and the committee in charge is desirous of raising the balance of our quota—\$50,000—in a short time. So you are urged to buy your bonds at the earliest possible moment and help put Grapeland over the top.

Our Huge Foreign Trade

Exports of merchandise from the United States during March were 605 million dollars, the largest on record for any month except two, 17 million more than in February, and 82 million more than in March 1918.

Imports last month were 258 million dollars, 23 million more than in February and 18 million more than a year ago.

Excess of exports over imports was 347 million dollars in March and 2,790 million in 9 months.

Late Start for Such a Race

Secretary Redfield announces he is all ready now to go after the profiteers. As the worst of them have had about 4 years the start of him, he will probably get out of breath long before he catches up.

We are proud of the confidence doctors, druggists and the public have in 666 Chill and Fever Tonic.—

**Grapeland Boy in Germany
Writes Letter to Homefolks**

Zettingen, April 4, 1919.

Dear Homefolks:

I am back on the job after three days leave at Coblenz. I enjoyed the trip fine and would for the boat ride up the Rhine, not take anything in the world. The first day up there we went through the late kaiser's palace, a magnificent old castle, two miles above Coblenz, and saw many interesting and ancient relics handed down for generations by the "Wilhems."

Next day, April 1, we went on a 54-mile boat ride up the Rhine, an honest-to-goodness pleasure trip. Going up we had a man to give us the history of all the old castles seen along the banks of the river, among which is the Stolzenfels Castle, owned by the late kaiser, the one I went through the previous day, and the Rhinefels, the most magnificent old ruin on the Rhine, built in 1255 and partly destroyed by the French in 1797. And there's the Lorelei Rock, where the river is 86 feet deep. We had a band on the boat and on the return trip we had dancing and a swell dinner. There were Red Cross girls, Y. M. C. A. girls and girls, girls and you need not ask me if I danced. Who could resist such a temptation?

We got back to Coblenz at 4 p. m., and then went upon the gigantic statue of Kaiser Wilhelm I, the grand-father of the late "Kaiser Wilhelm, the last." This was the duck who played the devil when he raised his grand-son to be a soldier. This is said to be one of the largest equestrian statues in the world. I sent you a picture of it from Coblenz. It stands in the point where the Moselle river flows into the Rhine, and can be seen for miles in all directions. Next morning we went through the old Ehrenbreitstein fortress across the river from Coblenz. It is large enough to hold 10,000 men and provisions for three years, and is now occupied by the 17th Artillery of the 2nd Division, regulars, of the U. S. Army. We spent the rest of the day in Coblenz taking the sights and proceeded to paint it in brighter colors, but we stayed out of the guard house and returned to the company that night. There were five of us signal boys in the bunch and we stayed together and had some time.

We are having beautiful spring weather over here and everything is getting green. It makes us wish we were back in God's country, but it looks pretty good to us now and I believe we will be sailing for home the latter

part of next month (May.)

We are expecting General Pershing to inspect the Division within the next few days, which, I understand, is the final inspection to determine our fitness for sailing.

I have not been getting many letters from home lately; better have some of the kids get busy and write me a few.

I see quite a number of the boys have returned home. Gee, how I envy them! I'm getting real "dutchy." Just think I've been in Germany since December 6, and you ought to hear me sling this "dutch lingo." I have a little "dutch fraulein" to teach me and she's a good teacher, too, and of course I have to flirt with someone; it nature with me and there's no fun flirting with a soldier.

We had a good show here last night and movies the night before, and by the way, I went to a German opera in Coblenz. 'Twas a good vaudeville play but my limited knowledge of dutch did not permit me to grasp it all. We had to get our fun out of their actions and expressions, but it was worth the money; cost us 5 marks each and the present value of the German mark is about 9 cents. The original value before the terms were signed was 24 cents. So you can see how their money has declined in value, and just to think I spent 150 marks in Cobenz. That's enough to bankrupt a millionaire, isn't it?

They are yelling "play ball" outside, so guess I'll have to get me a glove and get in it. Write me some letters and see how it feels.

Your own boy,
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Secretary Glass Issues Statement to the People

Carter Glass, Secretary of the Treasury, has issued the following statement to the public: Fellow Citizens:

The people of America entered the war to protect the honor and rights of the United States to safeguard the Liberty of mankind and to bring peace and security to us, to do our part, and whenever our government called on us for men or money, we answered gladly and generously.

We made up our minds to apply "force without stint" to win at all costs, and we have won, far more quickly than the most optimistic of us thought possible. The speed of our victory saved tens of thousands of American lives and billions of dollars. It cost money to make speed, but far less than would have been necessary if we had progressed slowly. It will cost more money to bring our soldiers back and care for the wounded and pay the bills for the war supplies which helped so materially to bring a quick victory. We have already taken nearly \$18,000,000,000 of Government securities and we are asked to take in the Victory Liberty Loan several billions more.

Unless we as a people subscribe for this Loan, leaving the banks free to provide funds for the industry and commerce of the country, business can not go on and expand. That means fewer jobs, poorer wages, and loss of our present great opportunity for a commercial growth and prosperity which would benefit us all. If you want to help keep the business in which you are engaged prosperous enough to furnish you a steady, well-paying job, join the majority of your fellow citizens in taking as much of the Victory Liberty Loan as you can.

The prosperity of each one of us depends on each doing his part. When the Liberty Loan Committee comes around to you and asks for your subscription, remember that it is our debt; remember that we are asked, not to give, but to lend. And then invest all you possibly can in the obligations of your Government. I am sure that every true American will do his part.

Carter Glass, Secretary of the Treasury.

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The Victory Loan will put one's sense of patriotic obligation to a more critical test than did any of the Liberty Loans, notwithstanding its greater attractiveness as an investment opportunity. When the citizen was asked to buy Liberty bonds, he was asked to lend money that food and ammunition might be sent to the men who were fighting and dying in France. He could not refuse that request without being disloyal to men who were giving up their lives for the country, and it was because that was the significance of refusal that public opinion countenanced and even approved the use of coercive methods to overcome the reluctance of those who were not ready to do their duty. The argument to be made for the Victory Loan is not quite the same, and therefore the same, coercive methods can hardly be employed. The citizen is not now asked to lend money that fighting soldiers may be munitioned and fed. He is asked to lend money that the Government may liquidate the unpaid bills incurred in doing what he as a citizen ordered done. Hence, although he is under a moral obligation still, it is a moral obligation, which involves no question to loyalty to the soldiers. It is a debt of honor, rather than he is now called on to pay. He has obtained what he wanted partly on credit, and he is being asked to settle up. It is the more a debt of honor for the reason that the Government can not, as an individual who had acted as agent could, enforce payment. The Government must reply solely on the citizen's sense of honor, on his sense of moral obligation to pay for that which he got partly on credit. In the private affairs of life, one who failed to pay in the like circumstances would be called some one of several ugly names. One who has a delicate sense of honor will feel that the ending of the war, instead of having lessened his obligation to support the Government has, if anything, somewhat increased it. One who refuses to support the Victory Loan will afford reason for suspecting that he supported the Liberty Loans largely because, though having the desire, he lacked the courage to refuse.—The Dallas News.

Memorial Day

In the mention made last week of the memorial service to be held at Livelyville, the printer made a mistake. Memorial services will be held Friday, May 16. On Wednesday before, May 14, the people are requested to meet at the cemetery to finish some work needed to be done, and to erect a table to be used Friday. In the evening of May 16, after memorial services, the quarterly meeting of the M. P. Church will be held.

Committee.

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Bill Germany Must Pay Fixed at \$25,000,000,000

If the dispatches from Paris are correct, the indemnity which Germany will be required to pay will be at least 100,000,000,000 marks in gold or its equivalent. This is, roughly, twenty-five billion dollars.

It is explained that this may not be the complete bill, but only the minimum. Outside of it, Germany will still be called upon to pay for any new damages, and for keeping Allied troops in Germany while payment is being made.

The sum looks huge compared with the five billion francs, or one billion dollars, which Germany compelled France to pay in 1871. But the cases are different. That was a very short war and Germany had suffered practically no damage. This has been a long war and terribly destructive to the victor nations, especially France and Belgium. It has left German territory practically unharmed.

The bill represents only actual damage wantonly inflicted by Germany in its unprovoked attack on its neighbors. No extra damages by way of punishment are put in. Nor do the Allies ask Germany to pay the staggering expenses which the Allies had to incur to resist German aggression.

So, on the whole, the figure appears very moderate. It had to be made moderate, because of the hopelessness of any attempt to extract from bankrupt Germany more than a percentage of the sums she ought in justice to pay.

The terms, too, are easier than Germany had any right to expect. Twenty per cent, is to be paid within two years, 40 per cent, spread over a period of 30 years ending in 1951, and the other 40 cents, shall be paid as a future commission shall decide.

UNION CHAPEL

Editor Messenger:

I want to write a few lines from this place to let the people know we are still on the map.

Our Sunday school has reached the 150 mark and we are not through growing yet. We have preaching on the fourth Saturday night and Sunday by Bro. Ben Morrison and on Saturday night before the third Sunday by Bro. J. F. Lively.

We are going to have a singing school this summer taught by L. N. Lasiter, which will begin July 21, if nothing prevents.

I just want to make a suggestion to the people who travel the Lockout road, and that is this: We know we cannot get the road clayed right away and there is enough saw dust and shavings here at the old Shaver saw mill place to put on all the sand and make it good for some time, and my plan is that some Saturday, say Saturday May 10, we have some hands there to load the wagons and some on the road to unload the wagons and everybody make it a point to go to town that day, as they most all generally do, put on some extra sideboards, come by, stop, let them load your wagon, drive on up the road, let the hands unload your wagon, go on to town, do your trading, come back by, load and go on down the road and do the same thing. Some of us who live close by can have our teams remain all day. Thus you can see how we can make a good road in one day and hurt nobody and everybody will feel good because they had a part in it, and thus save our old plow teams lots of hard pulls. Now, that looks good. Surely nobody could object to it that travels the road twice a month, so let's all pull together and fix it. What do you say? A Citizen.

For the People and by the People

There was no such word as "fail" recognized by the American people in the four liberty loan campaigns when war was on. There will be no such word recognized in the Victory Loan campaign which opens today when victory

has been won and peace is being firmly established.

1. The loan will be taken by the people because they must take it as a matter of self-protection. If it is forced upon the banks, the banks will be obliged correspondingly to contract loans to industry, and that will in equal measure contract business and employment. If neither people nor banks take the loan, the government must proceed to collect the amount in new war taxes.

2. The loan will be taken by the people because its interest terms of 4 3-4 per cent, with partial tax exemption, are much the best yet offered by the government. The short time of four years for the notes to run to maturity should prove additionally attractive to small investors as an assurance against market depreciation.

But above all, the loan will be taken because the American people are in honor bound to take it. President Wilson has stated this side of the question fairly and impressively:

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"Vicious Aliens" Must Go

The new Attorney-General, Mr. A. Mitchel Falmer, intends to ask Congress for special authority to deport about 500 "vicious aliens." They ought not to be allowed to remain here, but for their deportation there is at present no clear law. To hold such men, it is frankly confessed the authorities have found it necessary to "stretch the law a little."