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RETURN OF TROOPS FROM OVERSEAS

Working at Top Speed Officials Estimate That Movement Will Require Eight Months.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Boston, New York, Newport News, Va., and Charleston, S. C., are the ports the war department now plans to use for the return of the army from overseas. Even with this wide distribution of the strain on port facilities and transportation, however, and with German ships now idle in German harbors employed in the task, careful estimates show that the last of the army could not possibly reach the United States in less than eight months. Conservative calculations upon which preparations by the department probably will be based fix 10 months as minimum. These estimates have been made wholly on the basis of the physical difficulties to be overcome and do not take into consideration the question of the retention in Europe for some time of an American force which may be agreed upon at the peace conference. If the return movement, already in progress, is continued in full speed the last division in all probability could not reach the United States before October, 1919.

The war department expects to bring back home in the month of December between 150,000 and 175,000 men, General March said. To accomplish this it will use in addition to army transports and converted cargo boats enough old battleships and cruisers to furnish an additional carrying capacity for 25,000 men. Shipping experts expect to transport 300,000 monthly when the demobilization is under full speed.

MARCH NAMES UNITS TO RETURN HOME

Elements From Eleven American Divisions to Start Soon—3451 Officers and 79,663 Men.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Important elements of 11 American army divisions now in France, in all 3451 officers and 79,663 men, have been designated for early return home. A list of units to sail soon issued Saturday by General March shows that while only three divisions, 39th, 76th and 87th, have been designated in their entirety, major units from the 31st, 34th, 38th, 40th, 80th, 85th, 86th and 88th, are also under orders.

The list shows also that the 92d division (colored) has been designated for return and ordered to a base port from its front line position.

Troops from 11 States composed the three divisions named by General March as designated for early return home as they originally were organized. The 39th included men from Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana. The 76th included men from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Northeastern New York, and the 87th troops from Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Southern Alabama. Some changes in the composition of the divisions may have been made, however, without notice to the war department.

The 27th, mentioned as having been withdrawn from the British forces, includes New York troops, and the 30th, also withdrawn, is known as the Old Hickory division, including troops from Tennessee and North and South Carolina.

The total number of troops already designated for early discharge in the United States was given as 649,000.

FOUR DIVISIONS ARE DESIGNATED

Total of 3,451 Officers and 79,663 Men Will Be Released From War Service.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Four divisions in their entirety and major units of eight other divisions of the American army in France have been designated by General Pershing for an early return home. These troops, with other special units, General March, chief of staff, announced today, total 3,451 officers and 79,663 men.

The complete divisions which will return at an early date, General March said, are the Thirty-ninth, Seventy-sixth, Eighty-seventh and Ninety-second. Important elements of the following divisions to return as soon as transportation facilities are available, are the Thirty-first, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-eighth, Fortieth, Eighty-fourth, Eighty-fifth, Eighty-sixth and Eighty-eighth.

The special units to embark soon consist largely of coast artillery brigades and separate regiments, many battalions of batteries of anti-aircraft artillery, engineers, trench mortar batteries and a number of other organizations, including aero squadrons.

General Pershing reported the following official casualties to Nov. 26:

Killed in action	28,363
Died of wounds	12,101
Died of disease	16,034
Died of other causes	1,980
Missing in action	14,290
Prisoners, unintelligible	
Wounded, 89,955; divided as follows:	
Severely wounded	54,751
Undetermined	43,168
Slightly	92,036

TWO DIVISIONS ARE ORDERED FROM LINE

The Twenty-Seventh and Thirtieth Have Been Fighting With the British.

Washington, Nov. 26.—News from France today that the Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth divisions, which have been fighting with the British Fourth Army, have been withdrawn from front lines and ordered to report in France with only approximately 12,500 officers and men in each, does not mean that these organizations have been reduced to less than half their normal strength in the severe fighting on the British front before the signing of the armistice.

Army officers recalled today that only the infantry and machine gun units of the divisions went into action with the British forces, the artillery being used elsewhere. It also was regarded as more than probable that the infantry and machine gun units were reduced in number so as to make the division conform in size to the British divisions with which they were operating.

The British divisional units number about 12,500 men. The Twenty-seventh Division is the New York national guard division commanded by Major General John F. O'Ryan, the only national guard officer to have served through the war with that high rank. The Thirtieth Division was composed of the Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina national guard and was known as the "Wild Cat" Division.

So far as is known here, no date for the return of these or any other divisions from France has been fixed. Secretary Baker said today that none of the divisional organizations would arrive home before Christmas.

NEW YORKERS MEET MEN ON SHIPBOARD

MAYOR ASKS PERMISSION FOR PARADE TODAY UP FIFTH AVENUE.

New York, Nov. 30.—Late today Mayor John F. Hylan telegraphed Secretary Baker asking that troops aboard the Mauretania be permitted to parade up Fifth avenue tomorrow. Permission also was asked to give a dinner tomorrow night in honor of returning officers.

The Mayor Hylan committee of welcome made a trip down the bay tonight on the flagship of the police department fleet and circled the Mauretania. Members of the party were not at first allowed aboard the transport, so they used megaphones and wireless apparatus to convey the greetings of New York to the returned soldiers, but later a gangplank was shoved out and the civilians scrambled aboard.

As the police boat's searchlight played on the Mauretania's deck men and officers could be seen crowding to the rail as they shouted greetings in return. Back across the water to the welcome soon came such queries as, "When do we eat?" and "Has the state gone 'dry' yet?"

When members of the party accepted an invitation to "come aboard" they were deluged with requests to "phone mother and let her know I'm here," to "mail this letter to my girl" and to perform similar services.

According to those on the Mauretania the ship had a rough crossing. Four storms were encountered.

New figures on the American army casualties, announced by the chief of staff, showed a total of 262,693, exclusive of prisoners.

QUALITY

H. G. PATTON

PRICE

Wholesale and Retail Groceries and Feed

A REAL CHRISTMAS SALE

COMMENCING SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, AND LASTING UNTIL THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 24TH, WE ARE GOING TO PUT ON SALE OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF NEW FRESH GROCERIES AT THE GREATEST SAVINGS EVER KNOWN IN HOUSTON COUNTY. ¶ These goods were bought right and are going to be sold accordingly. Do not miss this sale. Come and buy your winter supplies in such things as the government will permit. ¶ Don't forget the date this sale starts. It is our custom to reduce our stock every December in order to not have such a large stock on hand the first of the year.

FLOUR.

We handle the "Bumble Bee"—guaranteed to be as good as any flour made, per sack \$2.90
Wheat bran, per sack \$2.30

QUAKER OAT MEAL.

This is sure a bargain, guaranteed fresh, 9 packages for \$1.00

COFFEE! COFFEE! COFFEE!

With the closing of the war coffee has already advanced over 50 per cent and is still going higher. Come around and get our prices and buy a twelve-months supply. It will pay.

SODA AND BAKING POWDER

Success soda, 6 packages for 25c
Arm & Hammer soda, 4 packages for 30c
Vision Baking Powder, guaranteed pure, four 10c cans for 30c
25c Cans K. C. Baking Powder for 20c

Tin tubs, buckets, and oil cans cheaper than can be bought for today. Ask us for prices.

EXTRACTS AND COCOANUT.

Dunham's Shredded Coconut 10c, or three for 25c
Regular 25c bottles extracts going at two for 25c
10c Bottles extracts at 3 for 25c

SOAPS AND WASHING POWDER.

Rub-No-More washing powder, regularly sells for 6c, during this sale, 25 packages for \$1.00
Twenty bars Clean Easy Soap for \$1.00

We have a large stock of heaters and stove pipe on hand. Come and look at our stock. Plenty of rain proofs and elbows.

Be sure and not miss this sale. You can see for yourself that it is a real "money-saving sale."

SYRUP! SYRUP! SYRUP!

We have bought a car of pure home-grown ribbon cane syrup that will be here soon. This syrup was grown in south Texas and is good. Bring your vessels and get a year's supply. It will not last long. We have in stock some mighty good syrup now. Such as "East Texas" and "Sunny Gold." Also have some Sugar House molasses that is good for the money. We offer this at 90c per gallon in buckets, or 80c where you furnish the vessels.

All leather collars worth \$8.00 per pair, for per pair \$5.25
Hames going at, per pair 50c
Regular \$1.75 breast chains going at, per pair \$1.50

Stove pipe during this sale at 20c per joint.

SNUFF AND TOBACCO.

Five bottles Garrett's snuff \$1.10
Ten lb. boxes Brown's Mule tobacco (costs \$7.90 wholesale today) going at \$7.25
It will pay you to buy a case of snuff or tobacco as we look for them both to go higher.

EXTRA SPECIAL!

During this sale we will sell black powder shotgun shells at 80c per box.

BROOMS.

\$1.25 Brooms going at \$1.10
\$1.10 Brooms going at 90c
90c Brooms going at 75c

CANNED GOODS GOING AT A SACRIFICE.

Good salmon, 5 cans for \$1.15
American sardines, 12 cans 90c
Clipper tomatoes, 12 cans \$1.75

We are closing out our harness and plow gear. Call around and buy while we are giving this sale.

Crockett, Texas

H. G. PATTON

Crockett, Texas

Pretty Parisian Ivory

Ivory goods maintain their popularity with discriminating ladies. This is true because Ivory combines beauty, daintiness, ease of cleansing and susceptibility to engraving and embellishing. Our line represents the very best quality to be had. The line includes

Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets,
Desk Sets, etc.

Sold in sets or single pieces. Make your selection early. Prices from 15c to \$15.00

BISHOP DRUG COMPANY

PROMPT SERVICE STORE

Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brinkman have returned from Houston.

A complete and up-to-date abstract. tf. Aldrich & Crook.

Leather goods of all kinds at the right prices at Shivers Brothers'. tf.

White Crest flour for your Christmas baking at Johnson Arledge's. tf.

Mrs. Sue Smith went to Grape-land Thursday to visit relatives west of there.

Plainfield auto casing sold by Shivers Brothers is guaranteed for 6000 miles. tf.

Mrs. W. C. Janes of Madisonville will arrive this week to visit Miss Lola Janes.

Lost—Ribbon watch fob with K. of P. charm. Finder please leave at this office. It.

Money to lend on farms. Terms reasonable, money quick. See J. S. French, Crockett, Texas. tf.

Mr. Chas. Long has moved to Chappell Hill, where he has accepted a business engagement.

For Sale—Pure Mebane cotton seed, raised on black bottom land. Call on John S. Arrington. 2t.

For genuine Ford service, see or telephone Towery Motor Co., authorized Ford Sales and Service. tf.

For Rent—Brick building now occupied by Smith-Murchison Hardware Co. Apply to Geo. W. Crook. tf.

Your next visit to Houston will be incomplete unless you visit W. C. Munn Company's Mammoth Store. 10t.

W. C. Wall of Lake Charles spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Judge and Mrs. W. B. Wall, in Crockett.

Henry Ellis of Love Field, the Dallas aviation training camp, was here on a two days' furlough Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hill will move to Huffman, Harris county. Mrs. Hill is now visiting with relatives in Houston.

Lost Mule.
A small black mare mule, about 5 years old, branded F on shoulder; last seen seven miles north of Crockett on Egg and Butter road. Will pay \$15.00 for her recovery. Tom Barnhill, 2t. Crockett Route A.

For genuine Ford service, see or telephone Towery Motor Co., authorized Ford Sales and Service. tf.

I am in the market for a big lot of hens and turkeys. Bring them to me for top prices. tf. Johnson Arledge.

For Sale—1917 model Maxwell touring car, perfect condition, five new tires. \$450.00. It. Will McLean.

Sewing Wanted.
I would appreciate your patronage. tf. Mrs. Walter Driskell.

Make W. C. Munn Company's big store your headquarters while in Houston. Everything provided for your convenience.

Lieutenant John L. Denny left on Friday afternoon's Sunshine Special for the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

The big Christmas sale is on in earnest at the Crockett Dry Goods Company's. Others are taking advantage of the bargains. Are you? It.

Mrs. Hibbard Dancy of Houston was a guest of Misses Aline and Totsy Foster for Thanksgiving and remained over for a visit until Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Young left Thursday afternoon for Dallas to visit her daughter, Miss Leita Cunyus, who is a student at Southern Methodist University.

We will have a car load of pure Mebane cotton seed about January first. Get our prices before you buy. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Lieutenant Arthur E. Owens, who is attending the school for cavalry officers at Camp Stanley, near San Antonio, was at home on furlough from Friday until Sunday.

For Sale.
Upright Weber piano in first-class condition at a bargain for cash or on terms. Minnie Wall, 4t. Crockett, Texas.

We now have a fresh supply of oxygen gas. Now is a good time to have the carbon burned out of your engine. East Texas Garage, tf. B. J. Mincher, Prop.

New Methodist Pastor.
Rev. C. B. Barrett, the new Methodist pastor, will be here Sunday and will probably preach Sunday night, Rev. Abe Mulkey filling the pulpit at the morning service. Let everybody attend both services.

Found—Automobile bumper. Owner will please identify and take same on paying for this advertisement and other costs. James Williams, Crockett Route 5. It.*

Land for Sale.
Parties wanting to buy land for farms see M. Bromberg. His holdings represent all kinds of land suitable for any kind of farming, including a big tract on Trinity river. tf.

Do not plant any cotton that does not produce a good yield of long staple another year. There is nothing better for Houston county than Mebane. We will have a car for sale about January first. Jas. S. Shivers.

For Sale—50 acres 14 miles west from Crockett; 10 acres hog pasture, balance in cultivation, small house and barn. Will sell for \$600; \$200 cash, balance easy terms at 8 per cent interest. tf. A. L. Prewitt.

We will have a car load of Mebane cotton seed direct from the grower at Lockhart about January first. The difference in the price of the staple will pay for the seed the first year. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

William H. Denny, having received an honorable discharge from the officers' training school at Camp McArthur, Waco, has returned to his home here, where he will remain until after the holidays, and will then leave for Austin to re-enter Texas University.

Card of Thanks.
We desire to express our sincere thanks to those of our friends who bestowed upon our loved ones so many acts of kindness during our deep sorrow. May God's blessing rest upon you. Mrs. Minnie Boykin, It.* Hubbard Beard.

Lost or Stolen.
One brown horse mule, 9 years old, 16½ hands high, has dim brand on muscle of left fore shoulder, rope burn on hind foot. Suitable reward for return, or information leading to its recovery. T. P. Barnhill, 2t.* Route 1, Kennard, Texas.

Wounded in Action.
George Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Howard of Grape-land, has been reported by the war department as wounded while engaged with the enemy on the French battlefield. George Howard received his training at Camp Travis and was a member of the 90th Division of Texas and Oklahoma men.

Returns from Camp Pike.
Will Collins arrived Monday afternoon from Camp Pike, the officers' training school at Little Rock. Receiving his commission as a lieutenant, he was placed in the officers' reserve and given leave of absence or honorable discharge until needed in the service of the army. After a visit with friends in Crockett, he will proceed to his home at Groveton. Mr. Collins will be remembered as the former county demonstration agent.

Thanksgiving Celebrated.
Miss Delha Mildred Wootters celebrated Thanksgiving by inviting a few friends to her home Thursday evening. It was the first social affair in some time and the first time that her home had been thrown open to friends since being remodeled. Many compliments were heard on the beauty of the new home and the charm of the young hostess. Light refreshments were served late in the evening, following a program of entertainment to which music contributed its share of enjoyment. Those enjoying the evening's hospitalities were Misses Virginia Foster, Ruth Warfield, Nodelle Jordan, Katie Barbee, Mrs. Hibbard Dancy of Houston and the hostess, who had the assistance of her mother, Mrs. Byrde Wootters, in entertaining; Messrs. W. W. Aiken, Frank Foster, Lanier Edmiston, Archie Burton and Weldon Craddock.

Money to Loan

We buy vendor lien notes—Loan Money on long time. Have been doing it for fourteen years with Houston county farmers. We can refer you to a host of farmers we have helped and they now own their farms clear. See us before placing a loan with anybody.

The Firm that Gives Personal Service to Farmers.

WARFIELD BROTHERS

Office North Side Public Square.

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

Card of Thanks.

Our hearts are full of gratitude to our friends and neighbors for the tender words of sympathy and deeds of kindness in the recent illness of our family and deaths of our son, daughter and little grandchild, whom God saw fit to call. If such sorrow should come to you, we pray that you might be as kindly ministered unto. We thank you all. May God bless you.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Boykin
It.* and Children.

Jim Janes Dead.

J. A. Janes, born in Crockett July 17, 1864, died at Wichita Falls November 26 of pneumonia resulting from influenza. He was married and leaves a wife and two children; also the father, Mr. Alex Janes of Crockett, and a sister and four brothers. Relatives in Crockett were down with the influenza at the time of his death. Burial occurred at Wichita Falls. The news of his death brings deep regret to many in Crockett, where Mr. Janes was reared.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, the Houston County Medical Society has recently suffered the loss of one of its valued members in the death of Dr. B. S. Elliott, and whereas we desire to publicly express our appreciation of him; therefore, be it resolved that the profession has lost one of its most efficient members, and the public, a faith-

ful, kind and skillful physician.

Resolved further that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family.

Resolved that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Society and a copy furnished each of the local papers for publication.

W. C. Lipscomb, President,
It. W. W. Latham, Secretary.

New Presiding Elder.

Rev. Chas. U. McLarty, the retiring pastor of the Crockett Methodist church, has been elevated by the Texas conference to the position of presiding elder of this district. While Crockett regrets very much to lose him as pastor, it rejoices that he is not taken entirely out of the district and that he will visit us occasionally. He will make Navasota his home, and Navasota is fortunate in receiving so estimable a family as is his.

Killed in Action.

J. N. Richards, living west of Crockett, was advised by telegram Wednesday morning that Private Norman Richards was killed in action against the enemy November 4 in France. Norman Richards was killed just one week before the armistice was signed and one month to a day before the notice of his death reached Crockett. Private Richards received his military training at Camp Travis and was no doubt a member of the famous 90th Division of Texans and Oklahomans.

Get a Christmas Present

That Will Prove a Treasure for Years

There is no doubt in your mind as to whether you should own a phonograph. The question is, "Which instrument shall we buy?"

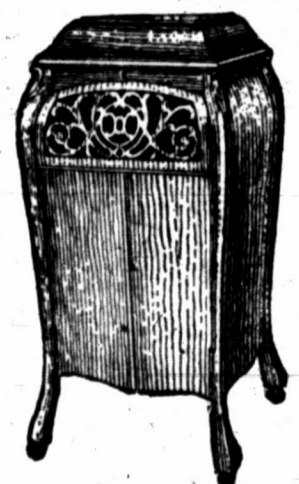
The only jury which heard and tested the various phonographs at the Panama-Pacific Exposition awarded the highest score for tone quality to

THE INSTRUMENT OF QUALITY
Sonora
CLEAR AS A BELL

This jury was composed of professional musicians.

Hear the Sonora. When you hear it you know its best.

You'll realize that it represents a remarkable advance in the art of sound reproduction, and that it is incomparably good.



Your Credit
Is Good

Callaway
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CROCKETT
TEXAS

MEMORIAL HALL AND PUBLIC LIBRARY

A Fitting Monument to Our War Heroes, a Needed Improvement and a Few Suggestions.

Now that the war is over our thoughts are not only given to devising appropriate methods of expressing our joy on the return of our soldier boys, but how to permanently commemorate the memory of those who will not return. There will be a number from Crockett and Houston county who will "Have given their lives that their nation might live," and it is altogether fitting and proper that a suitable memorial be erected in Crockett to perpetuate their memory.

In building a monument as a significant and enduring tribute to our boys who "Have given their last full measure of devotion" to the cause, we believe it should be in the form of a needed public building that will not only be of architectural credit to our city, but of general utility value.

Memorial Hall and Public Library.

A building that would contain the historical records of the part Houston county men and boys took in this great conflict, together with a display of the war relics that will naturally be collected and brought home by the returning soldiers. Some very interesting relics captured from the enemy could also be obtained to help make a highly interesting exhibit.

A department could be devoted to articles of county historical value that would prove educational as well as historically interesting.

The public library feature is one that would be of material benefit to every citizen of our county, and from the experience we have had in distributing reading matter through the Commercial Club during the past two and a half years, we feel assured that it would be generally patronized and greatly appreciated.

Houston County's War Record.

The war record of our county is certainly one to be proud of. Every call has been promptly responded to and in every case we have given more than our quota. A public record of these important historical events should be made, and such a memorial hall is the place for their permanent resting place. Many more things will suggest themselves as this project is discussed that will add to the value of such a building.

Why not combine the Crockett Commercial Club activities with the man-

agement of the memorial building if it should finally take this form of a monument? In that case very little additional expense would be necessary for management and upkeep.

There is no occasion for precipitate haste, and no reason why this memorial, whatever form it may take, should be dedicated before the last of our still living soldiers shall have returned. It is a time to consult as to the right thing to do rather than to begin doing something that might better have been left undone.

If these suggestions appeal to our citizens, a public meeting should be called at the court house in the near future, to which all the people of the county should be invited, for the project is county-wide in its scope and should be considered from that standpoint. H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

Genesis of German Plot to Embroil U. S. and Mexico.

Amsterdam.—The German plot to incite Mexico and Japan to war against the United States originated with Herr Von Chemnitz, who bore the title of legation counselor and was employed in a subordinate capacity in the German foreign office, it is now asserted. This is disclosed by Professor Bonn, rector of the Commercial academy at Munich, Bavaria, according to the Munich Neuste Nachrichten.

"Von Chemnitz," says the Munich newspaper, "imagined himself an authority on Latin-American affairs and suggested the scheme to Dr. Albert Zimmermann," then German secretary for foreign affairs. "Zimmermann discussed it with other foreign office officials, but they thought it unfeasible."

"Zimmermann kept the matter in mind. Presently, Von Chemnitz came and told him that in the next few days an especially reliable messenger would leave for Mexico, to whom the message could safely be trusted, and that it was a matter of now or never."

"Zimmermann allowed himself to be over persuaded and so the fatal step was taken."

Dr. Albert Zimmermann on January 19, 1917, directed the German minister, Von Eckhardt, at Mexico City to propose an alliance between Germany, Mexico and Japan to take effect as soon as it was certain there would be war between the United States and Germany. The German minister was directed to urge President Carranza of Mexico to ask Japan's adherence to this scheme. Zimmermann proposed that Mexico should "reconquer the lost territory of New Mexico, Texas and Arizona."

The German plot was made public by the United States government in February, 1917. Its disclosure was one of the startling incidents which preceded America's entrance into the war.

WANTS NEW UNITS IN STATE GUARD

Governor Urges that Organizations Recently Formed Be Kept in State Service.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 28.—In an authorized statement issued today Governor Hobby announced that because of the cessation of hostilities and prospect of an early peace, the drafting into federal service of the two brigades of cavalry and the brigade of infantry of the national guard of Texas is rendered unnecessary, but he requests that these organizations be retained as complete units of the Texas guard. The governor's statement is as follows:

"The actual cessation of hostilities and the prospect of an early peace have rendered unnecessary the drafting into federal service of the two brigades of cavalry and the brigade of infantry now constituting the national guard of Texas.

"These units have been recognized by the war department of the United States and designated for draft into the army by the president. The fortunate conditions which have made possible a complete victory without further bloodshed have also rendered unnecessary further sacrifice on the part of officers and men who have practically volunteered their service in the national guard.

"While there is neither need nor prospect for the active service of these troops at this time it is the earnest desire and the ambition of the state that six regiments of cavalry forming two brigades and the three regiments of infantry forming one brigade be retained as complete units of the Texas National Guard. There are many reasons for this. As constituted at present Texas has a larger national guard than the national guard of all other states combined. Texas now has the only national guard unit which has been accorded the unusual distinction of designation for draft into the army. The cavalry alone in the Texas National Guard is greater in size than one-third of the cavalry of the regular army. The Texas cavalry is larger than the combined cavalry of the entire national guard of the United States.

"Congress in 1916 provided in the national defense act for the permanent retention and proper pay and equipment of the national guard. The enlisted men will be provided with equipment, clothing and arms, and will be given one-quarter of the pay allowed soldiers in active service. Officers of the national guard will be allowed the privileges of officers in the army of the United States and will be paid approximately one-quarter of the pay allowed officers in regular service. Certain duties will be required of the men and officers. No duties will be required that will interfere with their respective civil occupations. All companies and troops will be required to drill forty-eight times per year at such times as will not interfere with the business pursuits of the officers and men.

"All officers and men are advised that the national guard has assumed a peace status and that their connection with the national guard will not be permitted to interfere with their employment. Naturally certain adjustments will be necessary. Such cases should be taken up with company and regimental commanders who will be instructed as to their full duties.

"The officers and men in this organization have been accorded the highest compliment by the war department and I personally wish to congratulate each and every member for the spirit of patriotism and self-sacrifice which impelled him to join the forces destined for active service, at a time when the prospects for victory were remote, and at a time when his service was voluntary. I wish to thank these men personally for the great part which they have had in helping Texas do more than her share in the program of the world war. But for the cessation of hostilities I firmly believe that the members of this organization would soon have emulated the example set by their brothers of the Thirty-sixth Division, who have written a glorious page in the history of the world war.

"To the people of Texas I wish to express appreciation for their ever present co-operation during the formation of the national guard and for their generous attitude which will cause them to render every possible assistance to the officers and men who will resume their civil occupations."

Official Call for War Savings Stamps Pledge Payments.

Official call for the complete liquidation of all the War Savings Stamp pledges before December 31 has been made by the government.

The call advises all persons who have made pledges to the United States treasury department to invest in these government securities that they immediately buy War Savings Stamps to equal the unpaid amounts of their pledges or make arrangements to complete their pledges by December 31. War Savings Stamps may be purchased at any postoffice or bank and from almost any business establishment. All United States mail carriers are representatives of Savings Stamps.

WRIGLEY'S

All Now in Pink Wrappers

To save tin foil for Uncle Sam, WRIGLEY'S is now all wrapped in pink paper and hermetically sealed in wax:

1. The tangy flavor of mint
2. The luscious different flavor
3. The soothing flavor of peppermint



All in pink-end packages and all sealed air-tight. Be Sure to get WRIGLEY'S because

The Flavor Lasts!



HUGHES OPPOSED TO FEDERAL OWNERSHIP

Tends to Inefficiency--Congress Should Provide a Sensible Plan for Railroad Regulation.

New York, Nov. 30.—Charles E. Hughes, speaking tonight before the Institute of Arts and Sciences at Columbia University, asserted that "governmental enterprise tends constantly to inefficiency." He characterized as enemies of liberty all "those whose interests lie simply in extending the activities of government so as to embrace all industry." Discussing conditions following the war, he declared that readjustment should be brought about as soon as practicable and that war powers should not be used to control peace conditions. Such a control, he said, would constitute a most serious offense against American institutions.

"The question of government ownership and operation is, after all, a severely practical one," said Mr. Hughes. "Of course, there are those whose interests lie simply in extending the activities of government so as to embrace all industry, and who are endeavoring to proceed along what they conceive to be the line of least resistance in trying to keep in government hands in time of peace what has been taken temporarily by reason of the exigencies of war."

"The instinct of the American people, I believe, can be trusted to thwart the insidious plans of these enemies of liberty, who, if given their way, would not stop short of a tyranny which, whatever name it might bear, would leave little room for preference as compared to Prussianism.

"It is regrettable, but it is true, that governmental enterprise tends constantly to inefficiency. It can not fail to be observed that even in connection with the war, despite the endeavor and patriotic impulse of countless workers, inefficiency in important fields of activity has been notorious. The notion that the conduct of business by government tends to be efficient is a superstition cherished by those who either know nothing of government or who know nothing of business. The tendency is strongly the other way.

"Along with this is the grave question of putting the direct operation of these great activities unnecessarily under political control. That is the most serious question. The dovetailing of government with business

is apt to injure both." Mr. Hughes added, however, that undue decentralization would be as dangerous to national propriety as overcentralization. Congress, he said, should provide a sensible plan for railroad regulation, permitting sound credit and growth, stabilizing securities and insuring adequate service at reasonable rates. He also declared co-operation in industry to be just as essential in peace-time as during the exigencies of war and that big business was needed, if soundly organized and properly supervised.

He further declared that serious labor conditions were looming on the horizon and suggested that in order to take up the labor slack, an effort should be made to start immediately all important work throughout the country which had been held up during the war.

Notice of Fourth-Class Postmaster Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Lovelady, Texas, on January 11, 1919, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth-class postmaster at Creek and other vacancies as they may occur at that office, unless it shall be decided in the interests of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$196 for the last fiscal year.

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LOCATION OF COMBAT DIVISIONS ARE GIVEN

American Army Had Thirty-five in France Four Days Before Armistice Was Signed.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Location of the thirty-five combat divisions and six depot divisions of the American army in France on Nov. 7, four days before the signing of the armistice, was announced, with the names of their commanding generals, by the war department today, as follows:

Combat divisions:
 First, regulars, Nouart and St. Dizier: Brigadier General Frank Parker.
 Second, regulars, Fosse and St. Dizier: Major General John A. Lejeune.
 Third, regulars, Tanners and St. Dizier: Brigadier General Preston Brown.
 Fourth, regulars, Lucey and St. Dizier: Major General Mark L. Hersey.
 Fifth, regulars, Cuneo and St. Dizier: Major General Hanson E. Ely.
 Sixth, regulars, Stonne and St. Dizier: Major General Walter H. Gordon.

Seventh, regulars, Euxezin and St. Dizier: Major General Edmund Wittemeyer.

Twenty-sixth (New England), Bras, Troyon-sur-Meuse and St. Dizier: Brigadier General F. E. Bamford.

Twenty-seventh (New York), Corbie, Beauquesne and St. Dizier: Major General John F. O'Ryan.

Twenty-eighth (Pennsylvania), Haudicourt and St. Dizier: Major General William H. Hay.

Twenty-ninth (New Jersey, Delaware, Virginia, Maryland and District of Columbia), Robert Espagne and St. Dizier: Major General C. C. Morton.

Thirtieth (Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and District of Columbia), Querrou: Major General Edward H. Lewis.

Thirty-first (Georgia, Alabama and Florida), Brest: Major General Leroy S. Lyon.

Thirty-second (Michigan and Wisconsin), Aincreville and St. Dizier: Major General William Haan.

Thirty-third (Illinois), Troyon and St. Dizier: Major General George Bell Jr.

Thirty-fourth (Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and Minnesota), Casires: Brigadier General John A. Johnston.

Thirty-fifth (Missouri and Kansas), Somme Dieu and St. Dizier: Major General Peter E. Traub.

Thirty-sixth (Texas and Oklahoma), Conde-en-Barrois: Major General W. R. Smith.

Thirty-seventh (Ohio), Thielt and Dunquerque: Major General Charles S. Farnsworth.

Thirty-eighth (Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia), Le Mans: Major General Robert L. Howze.

Forty-second (Rainbow), Maisoncelle and St. Dizier: Major General Charles D. Rhodes.

Seventy-seventh (New York City), La Basace, Varennes and St. Dizier: Major General Robert Alexander.

Seventy-eighth (Western New York, New Jersey and Delaware), Lechampsy, Haut and St. Dizier: Major General James H. McRae.

Seventy-ninth (Northeast Pennsylvania, Maryland and District of Columbia), Vacherauville and St. Dizier: Major General Joseph E. Kuhn.

Eightieth (Virginia, West Virginia

and Western Pennsylvania), Sommauthe and St. Dizier: Major General Adalbert Cronkrite.

Eighty-first (North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and Porto Rico), Somme Dieu-sur-Tille: Major General Charles J. Bailey.

Eighty-second (Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee), Florent: Major General George P. Duncan.

Eighty-fourth (Kentucky, Indiana and Southern Illinois), Neuvic: Major General Harry C. Hale.

Eighty-sixth (Chicago and Northern Illinois), St. Andre de Cub Zac: Major General Charles H. Martin.

Eighty-seventh (Louisiana, Mississippi and Southern Alabama), Pons: Major General S. D. Sturgis.

Eighty-eighth (North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa and Western Illinois), Montreaux, Chateau-is-sur-Tille: Major General William Weigel.

Eighty-ninth (Kansas, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona), Taily and St. Dizier: Brigadier General Frank L. Winn.

Ninetieth (Texas and Oklahoma), Villers dev Dun and St. Dizier: Major General Henry T. Allen.

Ninety-first (Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming and Utah), Costrosbake and Dunquerque: Major General William H. Johnston.

Ninety-second (negroes, national army), Marbach and St. Dizier: Major General Charles C. Ballou.

Depot divisions:
Forty-first (Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming), St. Aignan and Noyers: Brigadier General Eli Cole.

Eighty-third (Ohio and Western Pennsylvania), Le Mans and Castres: Major General E. F. Glenn.

Seventy-sixth (New England and New York), Stam and Mont Rond: Major General Harry F. Hodges.

Eighty-fifth (Michigan and Eastern Wisconsin), Pouilly: Major General Charles E. W. Kennedy.

Thirty-ninth (Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana), St. Florent: Major General Henry C. Hodges Jr.

Fortieth (Colorado, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and California), Revigny and St. Dizier: Major General F. S. Strong.

ON THE FRONT WITH AMERICAN FORCES

October 25, 1918.
 Mrs. W. V. Berry,
 Crockett, Texas.

My Dearest Mother:

Am sending you a slip so that you may send a little gift if you so desire for Xmas. Don't know of a thing your boy wants. Would like for the war to hurry and end, so that I may return to my sweet mother. Well, if it continues like it's going now, we will soon all be coming home.

I was made first sergeant again and keeps me pretty busy. Major Siebe, who is my battalion commander, has recommended me for a commission as a lieutenant.

We are now in the reserve, and we are getting three or four days rest. We are in German billets, captured by us on our drive. We had our first bath in our a month yesterday, and also a change of underwear, so we are feeling fine. Our mess sergeant made some nice brown biscuits, and he and I certainly did some eating. Believe me, mother, they were surely fine. We get jam once in a while, and syrup and meat. They try to feed us the best they can on the front, though it is so hard to get it up to us, as it is so muddy—some awful mud; and rains almost every day. We did without eats and water for three days. I have gotten quite used to the roar of the big guns and machine guns. You will have to get a big drum and put over my bed so that I can sleep when we get back. We have been under some very heavy shelling for about three weeks, so I can almost tell where they are going to hit, when I hear one come whizzing through the air. I almost know when to duck. You almost want to crawl under your helmet. I carry a long-handled shovel all the time—rather have it than a gun.

All the towns we captured on our drive were torn, and shattered all to pieces, by the big guns. When one of these 6-inch shells hits the earth, they tear a hole about big enough to put the stove in we have at the hotel, and the shells burst, and the pig iron starts flying, so we get low at once. Every time I hear a report I duck, so I am in a habit of dodging every time I hear a loud sound.

I have seen many air fights, and have seen many airplanes fall, some came down burning. At nights the sky is all alight with rockets and shells bursting, then a big searchlight, searching the skies for airplanes. I can get along fine in the dark, as we can have no lights. One night as I was digging in, as the shells were bursting thick and fast around me, I was kept busy ducking, as a German machine gun was certainly trying to pick us off, so I would dig and duck until I had my hole large and deep enough. I got in and stayed in until morning, then we moved. That's the way we do—dig and duck. I could have gotten many helmets, but had all I could carry, and was so hungry did not get one—but there will be plenty for all when the war is over. I did stop and cut the buttons off a dead Boche as I passed him, and he surely had a pretty camouflaged helmet. I also reach-

TO TEACHERS OF HOUSTON COUNTY

Special Monthly Activities of the Junior Red Cross for the School Year of 1918-19.

Please take notice of program for 1918-19. Cut out and save for reference:

1. The following brief outline is announced at this time in order that chapter school committees, school officers and school teachers may make definite plans for the year. Detailed programs for each month will be made public at least a month in advance.

Detailed explanations of the regular educational activities and program of service will be found in the Teacher's Manual to be issued in October.

2. November—Our Red Cross:
 The month of November will be devoted to the study of the origin, ideals, growth, organization and work of the American Red Cross. A brief history accompanied by suggestive exercises, charts, map work and general information will be sent to teachers in October. It is hoped that this program of familiarizing the pupils with the Red Cross will be made a definite and permanent part of the school curriculum.

This plan aims to assimilate the hundreds of thousands of new junior members enrolled through the enlistment months of September and October, and to prepare for the December program and the Christmas roll call.

3. December—Assistance to Annual Red Cross membership drive:
 (1) Junior four-minute-men contests will be held in cooperation with the Committee on Public Information. The subject of the speech will be "Why You Should Join the Red Cross."

Special emphasis will be placed on the history of the Red Cross, its accomplishments and purposes. The preparation of the speeches will be a part of the regular English work. Many preliminary and semi-official contests will be held in the various classes. The final contest to decide upon the winners, whose names will be placed on the four-minute-men roll of honor at Washington, will be held during the early part of the membership campaign week, December 15-21, and at such time that all people in the school community may attend.

(2) Junior Red Cross Bazaar:
 The bazaar will give a motive for work in drawing and design, industrial arts, manual training, sewing and millinery, and cooking. Christmas cards, place cards, favors, novelties of various sorts, coat hangers, small pieces of furniture, toys, etc., can be made during the three previous months and sold at reasonable price, the money to be placed in the chapter school fund. The holiday season is a propitious time to hold a bazaar.

4. January—Health campaign:
 The emphasis here will be on the preservation of personal health. The Junior Red Cross will cooperate with the Council of National Defense and several health organizations.

5. February—International Friendship:
 Pupils will compete in writing messages from the Junior Red Cross of America.

6. February—International Friendship:
 To the Children of Europe. The best ones will be printed in the languages of various European nations and distributed in their schools.

7. March—Community sanitation:
 This campaign in cooperation with other organizations will focus an effort to "clean up" the community, streets, back-yards, etc.

8. April—Agricultural projects:
 This will be an organized effort made in cooperation with the various established agricultural agencies, to put every vacant plot of ground under cultivation.

9. May and June—Red Cross exhibits, pageants, parades, etc.:
 These will bring together the results of the year's work and celebrate the closing of the schools.

Laura C. Kroeger,
 Division Director of Junior Membership.



To all good little boys and girls Santa Claus promises a most faithful giving of all their happy requests. Come, little friends, and see what Santa Claus offers at Harris' Racket Store, so that Christmas morning will surprise you with that joyous exclamation, "Just what I wanted."

Let us show you the many toys on display. We believe our collection will help solve that puzzling question of "just what to give" that lively youngster. Bring the children—they will be delighted with a visit.

HARRIS' RACKET STORE

MARINES WILL NOT BE RELEASED NOW

THOSE WHO ENTERED FOR WAR TO SERVE UNTIL TREATY IS SIGNED.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Marines who enlisted for the duration of the war will not be released until the peace treaty has been signed and ratified, which means that as far as this organization is concerned the national emergency does not end until the president by proclamation formally states that it ceases to exist.

The foregoing policy applies to those who enlisted for the war, those who joined through the draft law and marine reservists enrolled for four years with the stipulation that they would not be retained longer than existence of the national emergency. Until the emergency is over the navy will need most of the marines now in service, but discharges without impairment of the service will be permitted. Individuals in the service may make application for discharge through their commanding officers, supported when practicable by evidence as to validity of the reasons assigned.

Favorable consideration would be given men desiring to complete their education, married men with dependents upon showing that their financial condition would be materially bettered by their discharge, those needed in

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Calotabs, the New Nauseless Calomel, Breaks Up a Severe Cold Overnight.

Physicians and druggists have at last found a quick and dependable remedy for colds, influenza and grippe. One Calotab on the tongue at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. Next morning your cold has vanished and your liver and entire system are purified and refreshed without the slightest unpleasantness or interference with appetite, diet or work.

Doctors have always contended that calomel is the best medicine for colds, bronchitis and lagrippe and the first medicine to be given in pneumonia and acute fevers. The new calomel, Calotabs, is purified and refined from all of the sickening and dangerous effects and with the medicinal virtues vastly improved.

Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price 35c. Your druggist recommends and guarantees them and will refund your money if you are not delighted. Advt.

essential industries and when men whose return to business which they surrendered to enter the service is shown to be necessary.

To Our Customers

Owing to the heavy cost of delivery, and the fact that the government restricts our profit on most of the staples, we are compelled to make a flat charge of ten cents for each delivery. Effective December 2, a charge of ten cents will be made on every delivery regardless of the size of the order and no delivery will be made on an order amounting to less than \$1.00. Also in justice to our help, we can't accept orders after five p. m., for delivery that day. We hope our customers will appreciate that we make this nominal delivery charge to absorb a part of the cost only.

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

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



Gifts for Old and Young

The Store With the Christmas Spirit

□ A big magnificent store filled to overflowing with the spirit of Xmas cheer and helpfulness—a place where you will find attentive salespeople who will consider it a pleasure to assist you in the selection of that particular gift for friend or loved one. We are ready as never before to fill your every Xmas shopping need.

RIBBONS.

The new suitable ribbons for all sorts of Xmas fancy work such as boudoir caps, sachets, camisoles, boudoir slippers, and for many other novelties.

FANCY RIBBONS.

Brocades, Persians, Dresden and plaids, all colors and widths, at.....50 to 75c

FANCY RIBBONS.

Plaids, Maries, plain satin and checks, in all colors and widths, at.....35c and 50c

Xmas Handkerchiefs in Xmas Box.

White with choice of many designs, embroidered corners, embroidered or plain hem-stitched edge, contrast color designs, etc. Very dainty and attractive at, per box.....50c to \$1.00

GEORGETTE BLOUSES FOR XMAS.

An attractive selection of almost unlimited styles, colorings and trimmings. Georgette trimmed with beads, other silk embroidered in self and contrasting colors. Don't overlook asking to see these blouses. Priced at.....\$3.50 to \$10.00

FELT SHOES FOR XMAS.

A most complete showing of felt shoes and slippers to select from. We carry a complete line of Daniel Green slippers including the famous "Comfys" in all grades and coloring. Ideal for Xmas gifts for men, women and children. Come and look them over. Priced at.....\$1.00 to \$2.50

SWEATERS.

All-wool sweaters in the heavier and warmer weaves, ideal for winter use, made of high quality zephyrs—colors of rose, Nile, gray, purple, copen and many combinations of colors, at.....\$3.50 to \$9.00

Holeproof Hosiery for Xmas Gifts.

Woman's all pure silk stockings of the highest quality, made with full reinforced silk foot with high spliced heel—several artistic fancies in dark brown, pearl, suade, medium, grey, white and black.

MEN'S TIES FOR XMAS.

A beautiful assortment of all silk four-in-hands in attractive Xmas boxes, at...\$1.25
A large selection of all silk four-in-hand, at.....75c
A large selection of silk four-in-hand in fancy Xmas boxes, at.....50c
Camisoles for Xmas gifts made of Crepe de Chine and China silk trimmed with dainty shadow and cluny lace, and ideal Xmas gift, at.....\$1.50 to 2.50

HOLEPROOF HOSIERY FOR MEN

Make an ideal Xmas gift, all silk linen heel and toe in all shades, such as Cardivan, grey, navy, black and white, priced at, per pair.....50c to \$1.00
A complete stock of silk plaited Holeproof hose at, three pair for.....\$1.00

Other articles for Gents' Xmas Gifts—Sweaters, Belts, Shirts, Leather Hand Bags, Garters, Cuff Buttons.

See our Window Display.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS BUYING EARLIER

THE BIG STORE has emphasized for many years the necessity for early Christmas buying. This emphasis was based on the need for ordinary business efficiency and expediency. It has always seemed important to distribute over a convenient period the transactions regularly expected and habitually increased far beyond the normal movement of traffic. The Christmas traffic affects all lines of endeavor, pushing them to the limit of their capacity. The Government has asked cooperation. With its usual alacrity the public will comply. And as all governmental regulations in wartime have had the effect of inducing educational reforms, so now appears an opportunity to enjoy the real advantages of doing the Christmas buying early in this and each succeeding year.

James S. Shivers

Crockett's Big Store



The Crockett Courier

Issued weekly from Courier Building

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Proprietor

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Obituaries, resolutions, cards of thanks and other matter not "news" will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line.

Parties ordering advertising or printing for societies, churches, committees or organizations of any kind will, in all cases, be held personally responsible for the payment of the bills.

In case of errors or omissions in legal or other advertisements, the publishers do not hold themselves liable for damage further than the amount received by them for such advertisement.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Courier will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the management.

The day of reconstruction is at hand. Let us be patient and think as carefully as ever patriots thought since the birth of this great nation. A thousand questions will arise, and problems difficult to solve will appear from day to day until our country shall reach its normal condition, which will require much time and the wisest counsel and statesmanship. As there were few slackers in time of war, there should be none in time of peace. The very life of the country is in the hands of the people, not a few of the people, but all the people; and he is a dull citizen who does not feel the awful responsibility. All of our people pulling together along rational and patriotic lines will bring us to the goal. Over two millions of our boys are more than three thousand miles from home, and they must be fed and clothed, and everything that we can do to preserve their morals must be done, until they are returned to their native land. While the problem of taking care of them abroad and bringing them home is the most important one and comes closest to all, yet that is but one of the serious questions before us. The whole European world is in distress. Famine is threatening millions of lives, and the cry for help comes to America from all the distressed peoples. God has favored us in this awful war in different ways, and we must prove ourselves worthy of the great country bequeathed to us. It is true that many thousands of our brave boys will not come back, but our loss is not to be compared to the loss sustained by Belgium, France, England, Italy and the other European allies, not only in men, but the devastation of their countries as well. Our country's resources are still the wonder of the world, our wealth is still in the hands of our people, our homes are abodes of domestic tranquility, plenty abounds in our fields and our nation is strong in many ways. Let us all measure up to a full and reasonable performance of our duty, and the God of all nations will bless us for it.—R. T. Milner in Rusk County News.

TEXAS CZECHO-SLOVAKS.

That parade of the Czecho-Slovaks held during the annual meeting of the peoples comprising the new nationality at Taylor, Texas, last week was a most impressive pageant. Taylor is not a large city, although as wide-awake and progressive as any in the State, but there were said to be 15,000 visitors in Taylor for that occasion. As a finale—and a fitting one—to the parade, the official Bohemian flag was raised for the first time in Texas.

A feature of the meeting of particular importance was the raising of a sum of \$100,000 for the support of the army of the new nation which has come into being as a result of the victory achieved by the allies over the oppressors of the Czecho-Slovaks in Europe. That nation has already received a loan of some millions of dollars from the United States. The Bohemians of this country, however, desire to aid in the work of re-establishment of their own government and the example of Texas in raising this \$100,000 will be followed in every other State.

Bohemians have ever been among the best class of Texas citizens. Hard-working and law-abiding, they farm intelligently and seldom experience a crop failure. When they have entered other work than agriculture, they have usually achieved financial success. Whether that has come to them, however, one thing has always come—the respect of their fellow citizens. Better than all, while harboring a deep love for the nation for whose rebirth they prayed they have been loyal Americans with a reverence for the institutions and the laws of the country in which they have made their homes.—Houston Post.

THE UNITED WAR WORK CAMPAIGN

Dallas, November 22, 1918. Editor Crockett Courier:

I want to thank you most heartily for the splendid cooperation rendered by you and your newspaper during the United War Work Campaign and during the publicity program which preceded the actual drive.

The newspapers of the Southern Department certainly were faithful to the cause, and I speak for the United War Work Campaign organization, and am sure for the sailors and soldiers to be benefitted, when I send you this word of sincere appreciation. Your paper should feel a personal sense of gratification over the fact that the Southern Department led the entire nation in prompt over-subscription to this great fund, inasmuch as you had a conspicuous part in bringing about these satisfactory results.

I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you at some future time and personally expressing to you and your staff my appreciation for your kindly attitude toward me in the responsibility that I had for the publicity of the campaign in the six southwestern states of the Southern Department. Sincerely your friend,

A. P. Oakes,
Major, Detached Service.

CONTRIBUTORS TO UNITED WAR WORK

The following is a list of those contributing to the United War Work fund as reported by Hon. J. W. Young, county chairman. This does not include the amounts and names raised by the Boys' and Girls' clubs which will appear in another issue:

Porter Springs.	
G. R. Taylor	\$25.00
Mrs. G. R. Taylor	12.74
E. L. Taylor	10.00
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L. N. Brazeale	10.00
A. D. Hester	5.00
J. G. Webb	5.00
Ben Woelfley	5.00
Walter Patrick	5.00
Chas. Fritz	5.00
L. Corder	5.00
J. W. Turner	5.00
Ben West	5.00
J. H. Rosser	2.50
W. R. Morehead	2.50
J. P. Bowdin	2.50
J. P. O'Keefe	2.50
J. J. Redman	2.00
Mrs. Adair	2.00
W. H. Cook	2.00
J. E. Bowdin	1.00
Woelfly	1.00
Kermit Cook	.25
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J. M. Satterwhite	\$20.00

J. D. Satterwhite	5.00
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J. R. Stewart	5.00
S. W. Satterwhite	5.00
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Will Moore	1.00
R. W. Jones	1.00
Arbor.	
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H. H. Hallmark	10.00
Burl Douglas	10.00
Jim McKelvey	5.00
Mrs. S. M. Douglas	5.00
C. B. Isbell	5.00
Sid Smith	5.00
Abner King	5.00
G. B. Connaway	2.00
Miss Ellen Hurt	2.00
Bob Smith	2.00
Mrs. A. A. Lowe	1.00
C. E. Hallmark	1.00
Miss L. M. Hurt	1.00
J. A. Fornecke	1.00
Shady Grove.	
John B. Satterwhite	\$25.00
H. F. Hallmark	5.00
A. L. Woelfly	5.00

Letter Mail Must Have Return Address Thereon.
Washington, Nov. 29.—Under restrictions issued today by Postmaster General Burlison, no letter mail will be accepted by postoffices in the United States for delivery to members of the American expeditionary forces without a return address on the envelope.

Notice in Probate.
THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon all persons interested in the welfare of Alfred C. Collins a minor by making publication of this notice for ten days in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in the county of Houston, State of Texas, to answer an application filed by Mrs. Hallie Collins in the County Court of Houston County, on the 21st day of November, 1918, for letters of guardianship on the estate of said Alfred C. Collins, minor, which will be heard by said court on the first Monday in February, 1919, at the court house of said county, in Crockett, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said minor's welfare may appear and contest said application if they see proper.

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