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UNSURPASSED BATTLE EXPLOITS

OF NINETIETH DIVISION A. E. F.
AS TOLD BY COMMAND-
ING OFFICER.

"Your superb comportment everywhere in France, as well as your unsurpassed battle exploits, have won for you a designation in the army of occupation. Your wonderful fighting ability and your superior manhood have won for you a place in my heart that will remain with me for all time." It was in these words that Henry T. Allen, major general, headquarters Ninetieth Division, American expeditionary forces, expressed his appreciation of officers and men of the Ninetieth Division. A great number of Texas men were trained at Camp Travis and went overseas with the Ninetieth Division. Through the courtesy of Captain Arthur F. Bowen, 360th Infantry, adjutant, the Galveston News has received copies of orders, commendations and memoranda from commanding officers telling in glowing terms of the fighting abilities of the division which now forms a part of the American army of occupation on German soil.

In his letter Captain Bowen said: "The men of the Texas brigade have shown by their manly qualities that they are gentlemen as well as on the field of battle they showed they were brave fighters."

The orders, commendations and memoranda follow:
Headquarters Ninetieth Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France, Nov. 15, 1918.—The following is published for the information of the division:

I. Bulletin, Headquarters Ninetieth Division, Oct. 15, 1918: "In the coming operations of this division, every member must exert the maximum of his mental and physical forces in order to hit the enemy the hardest possible blow. This division has thus far earned a good reputation by its work at Camp Travis, its fine training zeal in the Aignay-le-Duc zone and its effective blows against the enemy west of the Moselle River.

"The next operation, however, is going to classify decisively the Ninetieth Division, determining where it will be rated with respect to the others which are now in front of it or which have preceded it between the Argonne Forest and the Meuse River. The place to be accorded it in the history of the United States will depend upon how well it executes the tasks which are about to be assigned it. The forests of Venches, Des Rappes, and, above all, Le Pretre, bear testimony to its gallantry and dash, and the results there give promise of greater achievements. It must be a matter of duty, pride and patriotism for every member of this division to have it make the best record of any division of any corps of the First United States Army.

"Your states and your country are keenly alert to your acts and expect much of you. Your commanding general has a firm conviction, born of his intimate knowledge of you, that your families and friends will not be disappointed in your military prowess.

"Henry T. Allen,
"Major General."

III. General Orders No. 144, Headquarters Ninetieth Division, Nov. 14, 1918:

1. Prior to beginning operations in this, the Meuse-Argonne sector, the commanding general published to the division on Oct. 15, 1918, his estimate of it, reserving final decision as to where it should be classed until later. He no longer has any doubts or reluctance in claiming for the Ninetieth Division fighting qualities second to none. Every regiment has gained its objective in every operation in which it has participated, and the execution of every task assigned it.

2. Beginning Oct. 31, the work of the division, including the taking of the strong position, Freya Stellung, from Andevanne through Villers-devant-Dun to the Meuse River against the determined resistance of two enemy shock-divisions, Twenty-eighth and Twenty-seventh, has been simply superb. The crossing of the Meuse and the taking of the line Stenay-Baalon, including both towns, has been a continuation of the previous successful work of this division.

3. This division received two official commendations for its work in the St. Mihiel salient near the Moselle River, and today it has received the third of a series of three commendations in which the Third Corps commander expresses his high appreciation of the gallant conduct which he desires to make of permanent record. I make no mention of the general

commendations given by the commander of the First Army, and the commander in chief in which this division was included.

4. The division commander has no adequate words to express his great satisfaction and delight with the fine military spirit of the division, and his pride in its fighting value, after seventy-four days (less an interval of seven days) in the fighting lines. The engineers, the sanitary troops, the signal battalion, and the trains have emulated the fighting impulses of the combatant troops. In spite of the severe losses and the terrific demands that those successes have exacted, the indomitable spirit and keenness to fight continue to characterize the division.

5. Every member of this gallant force has a right to be proud of the services he has rendered in the great cause of human liberty. Our country may count with assurance upon the execution with success of whatever duty it may trust to the Ninetieth Division.

Henry T. Allen,
Major General.

By command of Major General Allen.
John J. Klingman, Chief of Staff.

Allen's Appreciation.

Headquarters Ninetieth Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France, Nov. 21, 1918.—To the Officers and Men of the Ninetieth Division:

Having served with you throughout your period of organization, training and fighting—from the arrival of the first recruit at Camp Travis to the last shot at Stenay and Baalon, when the armistice became effective—I am now constrained by instructions from general headquarters, American expeditionary forces, to leave you when you are headed toward Germany as part of the army of occupation. This separation has given me so much pain that renunciation of the corps command persisted in my mind.

Your superb comportment everywhere in France, as well as your unsurpassed battle exploits, have won for you a designation in the army of occupation; your wonderful fighting ability and your superior manhood have won for you a place in my heart that will remain with me for all time.

The fathers and mothers who have produced men such as you, who know not battle straggling nor retreat under any circumstances, must be thrilled when they learn your stories. The states to which you and they belong possess the prime essentials of prosperity and greatness.

The soul of the Ninetieth Division will remain a sacred inspiration to me wherever I be.

Henry T. Allen, Major General.

To the Teachers of Houston
County.

Dear Friends:—The State Legislature is considering an appropriation of \$100,000,000 for school purposes, and it has in mind especially the improvement of rural school conditions and increasing the remuneration of teachers.

I have a letter from the secretary of the State Teachers' Association urging me to enlist every teacher in this county as members of the association. The funds thus raised, I am assured, will be used toward the promotion of the pending legislation in our favor, and should be available within the next few days.

If we do all we can to look out for our own interests and then do not receive better remuneration for our services, we shall have some grounds for complaint; but if we wait for the other fellow to fight our battles without our support and encouragement, we should not complain at our salaries nor at the school conditions in our respective neighborhoods.

Please let me have at least \$1.50 at once from each teacher in the county. You will thus be enrolled as an active member of the State Teachers' Association, and be entitled to such benefits as that organization affords; and you will at the same time be registering your approval and assistance to the move in favor of better rural schools and to better pay for all worthy teachers.

I feel justifiable in expecting a letter and \$1.50 from every teacher and every interested school man in our county.

Yours very sincerely,
J. H. Rosser, County Supt.

FROM SERGEANT RANSOM BRANNEN

Interesting Letter from Former Courier Correspondent at Camp Travis.

In France, January 1, 1919.
Mr. W. W. Aiken, Editor of the Courier, Crockett Texas.

Dear Sir:
As I was correspondent for your paper while I was in Company E, 360th Infantry, Camp Travis, I will endeavor to write you a brief review of my experience. I think perhaps it will prove of interest to some of your readers and especially to those who have relatives in France in the army.

I was transferred from Camp Travis to the 82nd Division which trained at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga. I reached the latter place in April, with several hundred other "Texans." We sailed from Boston on May 1. Took a round-about course and landed in Liverpool May 16. I shall never forget the sight of land after sixteen days on the wide, wide ocean. The hills of Scotland showed up on the morning of May 15 and I felt the danger of a submarine attack had passed. We joined the English near Abbeville, France, and trained there for some ten days. My first view of an enemy plane was on this front.

We entrained for Pont-a-Musson and took over a sector of the front line in Lorraine on the morning of June 27. The Germans greeted us with a volley of high explosive shells. The order "take cover" did not have to be given. We stayed in this sector up to and including the St. Mihiel drive. This drive was inaugurated on the night of September 12 and for seventy-two hours our artillery pounded the Germans' positions. There was certainly a terrible noise. During the day I noticed some crows flying overhead. They were so excited that they flew around in circles until exhausted, undecided where to rest.

We went over the top along the Moselle river and reached our objective five hours ahead of time. My old division, the 90th, was on our left and did splendid work as they met with much more resistance than we did. However, they reached their objective and went beyond. I felt secure from any flanking movement on our left by the enemy as the men from the "Lone Star" state were there.

After a brief period of rest we were sent by motor trucks to the Argonne Forest which is to the north of Verdun. Some one hundred and twenty thousand men were moved at one time. There were eight thousand trucks in line. This stupendous task was possible only by reason of the excellent condition of the roads. Put me down as a good roads booster now and always.

The zero hour was nine o'clock on the morning of October 7. We exchanged cigarettes and good wishes with men that morning who were soon cold in death—men whom we had been associated with in training camps for months. We went out across an open field across the Aisre river to the village of Chatel-Cherry. The Germans held the wooded heights beyond and poured a wicked fire into our ranks with high explosives and raked us with machine gun fire. I led the 3rd Platoon of my company, and never man lead braver men thru that hail of death. We pressed onward for twenty-five days. We ate when we could and drank water when we could find it. We slept next to the dead and heard the cries of the wounded, and always we heard the pounding of our own guns and the vicious answers from the Germans. We were relieved on the morning of November 1 about 1:30 a. m.; this is the night goblins and ghosts are supposed to do stunts and the thought came to me that maybe the spirits of our heroic dead walked with us still. I remember the following:

"Ever your name will be
Gallant and bright,
Lad whom the land of France
Covers to-night!"

On our way out we passed two batteries of our big guns. They were in action sending over "peace notes." They let go when we were right on them and for a second I wasn't sure whether I was coming or going. On our way to the rest area we passed through the historic towns of Voculiers and Domery. The immortal "Maid of Orleans" was born in Domery and her ashes are buried in Voculiers. In the latter named place tradition says she got her white horse to lead the French armies to victory when there wasn't a man to do it.

On my pass a few weeks ago I spent ten days at the celebrated watering place, "Aix-Les-Bains." It is

there Caruso and other highbrows spend their idle hours. It was there that a wine supper cost Harry K. Thaw the neat sum of fifty thousand dollars. I slept between clean, white sheets on a soft, comfortable bed, something I hadn't been accustomed to in France, and from my window I could look upon the snow crowned peaks of the Alps over in Italy.

We are now located in a very old village in southern France. While we have now only morn, noon and night, it was in this vicinity Julius Caesar divided all Gaul in three parts. I hope to be home by the time the robins nest again. All honor to the good women and men who could not come over and who by their efforts and zeal sustained us, and to those I wish to extend the sincerest good wishes and, to salute!

President Wilson and his beautiful wife were with us Christmas day. We were happy to have them visit us and they seemed to be happy to see us.

With very best wishes to all my friends and relatives in dear old Houston county, and hoping I'll be with you in the near future, I am,
Yours truly,

Sgt. Ransom Brannen,
Co. H, 328 Inf., A. E. F.

COTTON FREIGHT RATES SLASHED

Action May Inaugurate Rate War Between American and British Merchant Marine.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Reductions of nearly 75 per cent in Transatlantic freight rates on cotton carried in American bottoms, effective immediately, were announced Tuesday by the shipping board's division of operations. Sweeping decreases were made yesterday in rates on general freight to meet cuts by the British ship owners and some shipping board officials regarded today's announcement as pressing a rate war between the new American merchant marine and British shipping interest.

Requests for the cut in rates on cotton were made by Southern senators and representatives in conferences with shipping board officials and the announcement first came from the capitol. The effect on the price of cotton on the New York and New Orleans exchanges was electric, the price on the old contract months advancing \$10 a bale—the limit of fluctuation permitted in a single day under the law controlling dealings in futures.

Immediate and sharp increases in the exports of cotton from this country was viewed by Southern senators and representatives as a certainty. All regulations affecting such exports already had been removed and the high freight rates were regarded as the only barrier between European needs and the American supply. No cotton will be permitted to go to enemy countries, however, until the matter of the economic blockade of those countries has been determined at the peace conference.

Tick Eradication.

The county commissioners, in regular session last week, renewed the tick eradication work dropped some time ago and placed T. R. DeuPree, former city marshal, in charge of operations in Houston county, which means that the cattle tick had better take to the "tall and uncut" or meet terrible destruction. Lieutenant DeuPree has only recently returned from Camp Stanley and is determined to wage as fierce a war on the cattle tick as he was determined to wage against the Germans, and that is saying a good deal.

Long-Time Resident.

Mr. John Turner, a long-time resident of the Porter Springs community, died at his home near Porter Springs last week. Mr. Turner leaves a large number of relatives and friends. Of his immediate family he leaves several sons who are in the army. Those bereft have the sympathy of all.

We will buy your Liberty bonds. Will pay cash or merchandise. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

THE SWEET POTATO PLANT INTERESTS

The People—Action to Be Taken Eventually—Why Not Now? Public Meeting.

Our article of last week on the subject of a community sweet potato curing and storage plant in Crockett attracted more attention than any project that has been suggested in many moons, and was freely and favorably discussed wherever our citizens came together. Our farmer visitors were enthusiastic in their support of the movement and some of them expressed a willingness to invest their money in the enterprise that would mean so much to the county and to them in particular.

One of our most successful farmers, who has made money raising cotton and who has generally favored a large cotton acreage, said that he believed that this year was going to be a good one to try something else, as he feared the boll weevil and he thought there was considerable doubt as to the staple bringing a profitable price. "It costs so much to raise cotton nowadays, we just got to get thirty cents or better to make any money," was the way he put it; "and begins to look to me," he further added, "that it is not going to bring anything like that price."

Another farmer put it this way: "We know that the demand for food is greater this year than ever before, and we also know that we can raise sweet potatoes a plenty, and with a curing and storage plant here in Crockett we can get a good price for them then, and if we can afford to wait a few months for our money we can get a lot more by holding them until spring." This party came very near covering the ground in a few words, and we feel sure he voiced the sentiment of a large majority of our farmers and citizens generally.

From Those Who Know.

Our most enthusiastic visitor was Mr. Edgar Bennett, who, in company with Doctor Stokes, has operated such a plant on his farm three miles west of Crockett for a number of years. He came in with that familiar smile of his, spread all over his face, and extended his hand and exclaimed: "Now, Mr. Secretary, you sure enough did say something in the papers this week, and I wanted to come in and congratulate you and to offer my services in any way I might be able to help this movement along." And this was not all he said. If the farmers of Houston county could have heard one fourth of the good things he said about the advantages that would accrue to them in case a community curing and storage plant for handling sweet potatoes was established in Crockett, there would be no further need of our saying another word in favor of the project, as they would come forward in sufficient strength to do the job themselves, without any help from the city folks.

Dr. Stokes had much to say that was interesting and instructive in regard to the project. The doctor has made the subject a matter of extensive correspondence with the state agricultural authorities of Alabama, where they have given the work of encouraging the building of these plants more attention probably than any other southern state, and he finds that substantial assistance is being extended to place one of these plants in every community in the state where sweet potatoes can be grown. In discussing the subject, the doctor remarked: "You know that I am a strong advocate of diversified farming, and sweet potatoes should be prominent in this program of getting the most out of each year's operations. I have had an opportunity to study and observe every feature of this system of handling the product, and can unhesitatingly endorse the movement, and I will send this message to our people: 'When this curing plant is an assured fact for Crockett, every man who has a wife and a child should have his sweet potato patch. Not only to supply his own needs, but to sell to start a savings account or an insurance fund.'"

Eventually, Why Not Now.

Isn't it true that we are looking for something that we can put in motion that will be of material benefit to a majority of our people?

Isn't it true that, based on our own experience and from what we know of the experience of many other localities in this state, that we are convinced of the advisability of building one of these plants in Crockett? Surely we expect to do something of

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HEALTH INSURANCE

A POLICY THAT PAYS

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¶ The scientific service provided by our prescription department is a sort of health insurance. It guarantees that all of the remedies which may be prescribed for you will have just the potency expected of them.

¶ We enjoy the confidence of all physicians in this locality and solicit yours.

Let us fill your next prescription.

BISHOP DRUG COMPANY

PROMPT SERVICE STORE

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Pink Bayne has moved to Conroe.

Dry goods are cheaper at T. D. Craddock's. 2t.

Plenty of free air for everybody at Bishop Drug Co's. 1t.

See T. D. Craddock for fertilizer before you buy. 2t.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thompson have returned from market.

W. B. Hearon, from north of Crockett, has moved to Bruner Addition.

Chevrolet 5-passenger car, run about 4000 miles, for sale cheap. See J. P. Hail. 4t.

Mrs. J. R. Howard visited her son, J. W. Howard, at Grapeland Friday and Saturday.

We will have in another car of mules about Wednesday, February 5. 1t. Jas. S. Shivers.

Buy your stalk cutters, planters, section harrows and cultivators from R. L. Shivers. 1t.

Our gasoline pump is again in good working order. Give it a trial. 1t. Bishop Drug Co.

We will buy your Liberty bonds. Will pay cash or merchandise. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

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

T. D. Craddock has just received Irish potatoes and garden seed and wants to sell you. 2t.

Those Winona wagons at R. L. Shivers' are the best. If you want a good wagon, go around and be convinced. 1t.

District Attorney B. F. Dent was at home this week from Palestine, where he is assisting in holding district court.

We want two or more good stock cutters at our mill, either by the day or thousand. tf. Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.

For Sale or Trade.

One mule and horse. Will take a good milk cow. Terms easy. 2t. J. C. Allee.

If you need a repair for your Oliver, you do not wait until it is ordered; we have it in stock. This feature alone is worth many dollars to you when you are busy. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Mr. and Mrs. Collie Hogan, formerly of Palestine, will make their home in Crockett.

Treat your auto to some of that good Filtered Texaco Gasoline at Bishop Drug Co's. 1t.

We will buy your Liberty bonds. Will pay cash or merchandise. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Mrs. T. R. Brailsford of Houston was called to Latexo last week by the illness of her father in law, Mr. George Brailsford.

Go to R. L. Shivers for your genuine improved Mebane Cotton Seed. A car load just in from the people who make a specialty of pure seed. 1t.

We are unloading a car of the famous Meridian fertilizer this week. Let us book you with what you need. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Roderick Hatchell has returned from the army and was a visitor with his wife here last week. He has gone to Dallas, where they will likely make their home.

Walter English, who enlisted in the navy last summer and who has been in a California training camp ever since, returned this week to his home at Kenard.

We have all grades of Red Cedar and cypress shingles in stock and in transit. We are headquarters for shingles and building material. tf. Brooke-Morris Lumber Co.

Turning Plows.

We handle all kinds, from the Kelly No. 1 to the 12-inch steel Blackland. Come and get our prices. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Mule Taken Up.

A gray horse mule, about twelve years old, about fifteen hands high, no brands. Taken up by J. H. Green, on Huntsville road, 13 miles from Crockett. 1t.*

Saturday, February 1, is demonstration day for the Detroit Vapor Stove. It bakes perfectly and does lots of work. Look it over on that day. It's worth your while. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Notice.

I have lost a brown horse with little white in face and on hind feet and about 8 years old; has shoes on all feet with corks. For information leading to his recovery will pay \$5.00. W. H. Henry, Ash, Texas.

Creek Route 1. tf.

We will buy your Liberty bonds. Will pay cash or merchandise. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

If you wish to get the best results from your cotton fields, buy only the best improved seed, raised by the people who originated the improved Mebane. For sale by R. L. Shivers, Crockett, Texas. 1t.

V.-C. Fertilizers.

If you are going to use fertilizer it will pay you to get the best. We sell the famous Virginia-Carolina, and there's none better. 1t. Arnold Brothers.

For Sale.

One large five room house, with city water, conveniently located, freshly papered and painted. Also one Chevrolet touring car in good condition. 2t. A. A. Aldrich.

Works Like Gas

Is the way the Detroit Vapor Stove operates. On Saturday, February 1, we will have a factory man to demonstrate. Call to see us. It will be interesting. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

We can furnish you with either the Meridian fertilizer or phosphate. Both are going to be hard to get a little later, so if you do not want to be disappointed better get yours now. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Cotton Statistics.

There were 27,423 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1918 prior to January 1, 1919, as compared with 31,311 bales to January 1, 1918, according to E. B. Hale, cotton agent.

Saturday, February 1.

Factory man will show you the Detroit Vapor Stove—absolutely safe, burns any liquid fuel. It solves the wood problem. Come in on that day and look it over. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Home from France.

Hilton Sims of Ratcliff reached home last week from the battle fields of France. He was a member of the 90th Division and was wounded in action. Convalescing from his wounds, he was returned to America with other convalescents.

Bids Wanted.

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County will receive bids on Monday, Feb. 10th, A. D. 1919, for the installation of a Plat Book System for said county. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. Nat Patton, County Judge.

Returns to Lovelady.

Dr. W. B. Collins, former state health officer, has returned to his former home and friends at Lovelady. Dr. Collins has many friends all over Houston county who will note with pleasure his return to the old home, old friends and former practice, and the Courier itself is among the many.

Fertilizers.

Planters, owing to higher freight rates, it will pay you as never before to figure with us before buying elsewhere. The cotton seed meal used in our mixtures does not have to be freighted. If you need phosphate and meal, we can serve you to advantage. We have great interest in good yields. Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg. Co. 3t.

Quarterly Conference.

Rev. C. U. McLarty, the new presiding elder, will be with us to preach and hold the first quarterly conference Sunday evening at 7:15. This is his first conference with us since he went on the district, and we must give him a rousing welcome. Let all official members and a large crowd greet him. C. B. Garrett, Pastor.

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.

An Obituary.

Crockett, Texas, January 27, 1919.

Again comes our sad mission to chronicle the sad death of another one of our oldest citizens, Mrs. E. A. Thompson, who departed this life December 26, 1918, at Cleveland, Texas, where she was making her home. She was eighty years old. She came to this section and resided here up to her death. She is survived by five children, who are: R. D. Thompson, Crockett; M. L. Thompson, Augusta; F. E. Thompson, Itasca; Mrs. F. O. Smith, Cleveland, Texas; Mrs. W. G. Chancy, New Mexico, to mourn her sad departure. She was a devoted Christian, being a member of the Presbyterian church, and being a member since her early days.

Dear, bereaved ones, our dear mother is not dead, but sleeping the sleep of the just. She has only passed from a world of misery and woe to a home of happiness and joy eternal. So let us not weep, but rejoice and praise the Lord that we have the sweet assurance of meeting her again.

The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist cemetery that afternoon. The floral offerings were both large and beautiful, which spoke in eloquence of her many friends who followed her to her last resting place. The bereaved relatives have the deepest sympathy of the entire county in their sad hour, for all who knew her loved her.

Yes, we will meet our darling mother Upon that shining shore; There, free from trouble, free from care, We'll meet to part no more. Adv. 1t.

Sales Notice.

On the farm of Thomas Tunstall, about 12 miles east of Crockett, Houston county, Texas, on the Bates Ferry road, on Monday, February 11th, 1919, will be sold one black mare, which has been duly and according to law estrayed by Mr. Tunstall, and said mare will be sold to the highest bidder at a constable's sale. 2t. C. R. Stephenson, J. P.

Died of Pneumonia.

Mildred Arnold, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Arnold of Pennington, died of pneumonia on Tuesday morning of last week. Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday and interment followed in the Pennington cemetery. This young girl was just blooming into a beautiful womanhood and the community's sorrow is therefore intensified. Those bereft have the sympathy and condolence of a large community.



"Don't move, Daddy---you look so funny"

Daddy certainly does look funny peering over his reading glasses every time he wants to see objects more than a few feet away.

Thousands of men and women are in the same "fix." They, too, wear glasses for near vision only.

KRYPTOK GLASSES

THE INVISIBLE BIFOCALS

combine NEAR and FAR vision in one lens. Through the lower part you can read the smallest print; through the upper part you can see distant objects with equal clearness. Their surfaces are clear, smooth and even, which give them the appearance of being single-vision glasses.

KRYPTOKS (pronounced Cripptocks) render unnecessary the continual removing of your glasses—the overtop squinting—or fussing with two pairs. They keep your eyes young in looks as well as in usefulness.

J. A. BRICKER

Jeweler and Optician
Fitting of Glasses a Specialty
CROCKETT, TEXAS

You Ought to Let Your Auto

have the benefit of proper treatment. If you want to get away quick when your tire embarrasses you or your engine has an icicle for spine

COME TO US

We'll put some Real Work on your machine. Turn in any time—we're always ready to give you immediate service at reasonable rates.

We have new Fords for sale for immediate delivery. Also good second-hand cars for sale or trade.

DAY AND NIGHT GARAGE

Ben Gunter, Proprietor.

MORE ABOUT \$1 A YEAR PATRIOTS

Abandonment of Competing Stockyard Due to Agreement With Packing Concern.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Francis J. Heney, counsel for the federal trade commission, in its meat packing inquiry, told the senate agricultural committee today of plans which he said the packers had discussed for establishing a joint office in Washington with a card index on congressmen and their attitude toward legislation. He said the scheme was outlined by John Eversman, former secretary of the national republican congressional committee, and included arrangements for contributions by the packers for congressional campaigns.

Letterheads of the republican committee, Mr. Heney said, were used by Eversman in correspondence in behalf of the packers. Eversman, he added, was employed as Washington representative of Wilson & Co.

Senator France of Maryland inquired about relations between the packers and the food administration, declaring it was highly improper for Food Administrator Hoover to "arrange meat prices behind closed doors" in conferences with the packers.

"Do you think it was proper for Mr. Hoover to retain in his office men on the pay rolls of the packers?" Senator Gore of Oklahoma asked.

"It was absolutely improper," replied Mr. Heney, who said he thought Mr. Hoover's efforts were directed toward "taking care of the middle man."

Senator Gore said that "with salaries of \$1 a year from the government and \$10,000 from the packers, there isn't much question where lay the interest of these men employed by the food administration."

Senator Norris of Nebraska remarked that he thought hog producers had been treated very poorly by Mr. Hoover. Heney said Eversman wrote V. D. Skipworth, vice president of Wilson & Co., that he had arranged with a representative of "one of the largest press associations" who had the privilege of the house floor to get advance information on legislation. Mr. Heney said the letter did not state what press association was meant and that he did not know its identity. Alleged practices of the packers in boycotting railroads were described by Mr. Heney, who said abandonment

of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas stock yards at Fort Worth, Texas, which competed with Swift & Co.'s yard, resulted from an agreement of the packing concerns to route a certain percentage of its business over the Missouri, Kansas & Texas lines.

Asked by Senator Norris of Nebraska if this was not "a clear violation of the anti-trust law," Mr. Heney replied that "if not of the anti-trust law, at least of the Clayton act."

The packing companies had been unsuccessful in their endeavor to purchase the Hodge yards, Mr. Heney said, and the Katy received no more, or comparatively little of, the meat shipments from the packing houses. In solicitation of business, the Katy was informed by the packing companies, Mr. Heney stated, that it would receive none so long as it conducted the yard. Then the railroad wanted to sell the property to the packing companies, but the latter refused to buy, and, Mr. Heney added, in consideration of the railroad company closing the yard it was to receive the Tuesday and Thursday fast train shipments as long as the Katy's rates were as low as those of other railroads. This arrangement was carried out, he said.

Senator Norris asked Mr. Heney if the matter had been called to the attention of the department of justice, the latter replying that it had, but nothing came of it.

Coming With the Cooties.

Noble White of Jacksonville has received a letter from his brother, Paul D. White, 2nd lieutenant, Co. B, 61st Inf., written from Germany on Dec. 12th, in which he says:

"Our outfit, which was on the border a short time ago, is now in Luxemburg. Six kilometers from here on this small neck of land you can stand with one foot in Belgium, one in France, and gaze out over Lorraine. Some stunt, isn't it?"

"I have been studiously collecting curios for you, and have several nice ones. A camouflaged Boche helmet, a gas mask, bayonet, gun, ammunition, orders, buttons, newspapers, etc., found in dugouts.

"Whether I will land in Texas with this bunch of junk I don't know, but will do my best. I forgot to mention that I have every variety of cooties, fleas, etc., and will bring them with me too. They are true friends for I can't persuade 'em to leave me by any means, so be prepared. You notice how poorly I write—well, that's because it's difficult to scatch and write at the same time. It's quite an art, I assure you to transfer from your left shin to your right shoulder blade without stopping your correspondence. But that's me, and my left mitt is on my seventh left rib scratching right now."

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TEXAS SOLDIERS TO CROSS RHINE

Two Divisions That Include Boys From Texas and Oklahoma to Arrive in Coblenz.

Coblenz, Jan. 23.—Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Nevada and New Mexico boys of the 89th division, and Texas and Oklahoma lads of the 90th at last are to cross the Rhine. These two divisions, constituting the entire 7th army corps, have been in the backwoods of the 3rd army area holding down more ground than the other two corps and the headquarters troops combined.

Last Saturday about 150 of their officers, headed by Major General Haan, took what is technically known as a tactical ride—although they rode in automobiles in order to spend the day in Coblenz. But the buck private was back there guarding the borders of Luxemburg with nothing more than a dream of the Rhine country. Now his dreams will be realized, for plans completed Thursday will bring 300 a day into Coblenz for a four-day trip. And they not only will cross the Rhine and ascend the heights of the old fortress of Ehrenbreitenstein, but they will have excursions up the Rhine as far as Bingen, a stretch of the river renowned for its beauty.

The first of the Rhine excursion steamers for men on leave is being loaded near the bridge of ships. The excursion boat can carry 1900, but for the sake of comfort only 500 are taken and a noon meal of coffee and sandwiches are served on board. Five other boats will be supplied later, and the men of other corps can then enjoy similar little Rhine journeys.

The arrangement to house these boys in Coblenz was accomplished through taking over "prominent magazine six," a grain storehouse, over the door of which is a statement that it was built in 1837. To the American this may suggest a structure that is a tumble-down affair, but Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hunt, in charge of the Coblenz leave area, found it in excellent condition for dormitory and mess purposes. He predicts it will be standing a hundred years hence. The first floor will be the mess, seating 1000, together with the Y. M. C.

A rest and reading room and the canteen. On each of the four floors above are three large rooms capable of sleeping 80 each. So the way is clear to bring in 300 a day of the 7th troops on four days' leave.

RECOMMENDS TURNING OVER EQUIPMENT

GENERAL SAYS SURPLUS ARMY SUPPLIES SHOULD GO TO NATIONAL GUARD.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Brigadier General John W. Heavey, acting chief of the militia bureau, recommended to the house military affairs committee today that a rider be included in the army appropriation bill authorizing the secretary of war to turn over to the national guard from the surplus supplies of the regular army, equipment valued at \$135,000,000.

General Heavey said the general staff was in favor of transferring the supplies, but was without authority. He explained that it would cost \$55,000,000 less to turn over stock on hand than to buy new equipment for the guard.

General Heavey urged that the national guard be maintained in the same form as it was before the United States entered the war, and that the increases in its strength authorized by the act of June 3, 1916, be carried out.

"The value to the country during the war of the national guardsmen can not be overestimated," he said. "At the time men were needed most the national guard provided a force of 367,000 men, and 12,123 officers. They have done magnificent work, comparing most favorably with the forces of any other nation. The efficiency of the officers was proved by the fact that of the entire number only 352 were discharged for inefficiency."

"The militia bureau strongly advocates universal military training, but believes it should be carried out in connection with the national guard."

The act of June 3, 1916, provided for sixteen divisions of a total strength of 400,864 men, General Heavey said, but because of the war the terms of the act were not carried out.

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PEACE CONGRESS MARKS NEW EPOCH

French President Greets Delegates and Clemenceau Is Then Elected Chairman.

Paris, Jan. 18.—The peace congress, destined to be historic and on which the eyes of the world are now centered, was opened this afternoon in the great Salle de la Paix. The proceedings, which were confined to the election of Georges Clemenceau, the French premier, as permanent chairman of the conference, an address of welcome by the president of the French republic, Raymond Poincare, and speeches by President Wilson, Premier Lloyd George and Baron Sonnino, were characterized by expressions of lasting friendship and the apparent determination of the representatives of the various nations to come to an amicable understanding with respect to the problems to be decided by the conference.

When President Poincare spoke the entire assembly stood, and the fact that, according to custom, no applause greeted his utterances, gave greater solemnity to the scene.

M. Clemenceau's acceptance of the presidency of the congress was both a feeling expression of personal gratitude and a definite outline of the great questions immediately ahead. Three of these larger general subjects he defined as responsibility for the war, responsibility for crimes during the war and international labor legislation. The league of nations, he declared, was at the head of the program for the next session.

"Our ambition is a great and noble one," said M. Clemenceau. "We wish to avoid a repetition of the catastrophe which bathed the world in blood. If the league of nations is to be practicable we must all remain united. Let us carry out our program quickly and in an effective manner."

Referring to the authors of the war, he said he had consulted two eminent jurists on the penal responsibility of the former German emperor and that each delegate would receive a copy of the report.

In all seventy-two seats were provided for the opening session of the peace congress. On the outer side of the great horseshoe were arranged the Japanese, the British and the colonial delegates and the seat of the fifth British delegate. A chair for the fifth American delegate also was reserved immediately to the right of the table of honor.

The Italian, Belgian, Brazilian, Cuban, Haitian, Peruvian, Portuguese, Serbian, Czechoslovakian and Uruguayan delegates sat in the order named. Across at the left wing of the table sat the Siamese, Roumanian, Polish, Liberian, Hedjaz, Guatemalan, Ecuadorean, Chinese and Bolivian delegations.

Delegates Greeted by Military.

As the delegates arrived they were met by fanfares of trumpets and accorded military honors. The Japanese were among the earlier arrivals, and were followed by the Siamese and East Indians in picturesque turbans.

President Wilson's arrival, at 2:50 o'clock, was the signal for a demonstration from the crowds. The president passed into the antechamber, where M. Pichon, the French foreign minister, awaited, and conducted him to the council room.

Already the chamber was crowded with delegates, who greeted President Wilson warmly as he passed toward the table of honor. Here he was joined by Secretary Lansing, Mr. White and General Bliss, and exchanged greetings with the British and many other delegates.

Just at 3 o'clock a ruffle of drums and blare of trumpets announced the approach of M. Poincare. The French president was escorted by the group of premiers to the head of the table, while a hush fell upon the assemblage as the moment had arrived for the opening of the congress.

It was exactly three minutes past 3 o'clock when M. Poincare began his address and the peace congress came into being. The entire assemblage stood as the president spoke. President Wilson stood immediately at his right and listened attentively. M. Poincare spoke in an earnest, easy manner, without dramatic effect, and, following usage, there was no applause or interruption.

FROM HAROLD HOLLINGSWORTH

St. Nazaire, France,
November 25, 1918.

Dear Walker, Catherine and Children:

Well, the censorship is lifted now and I am free to write anything that I will and it won't be opened and read. Gee! that seems like a dream to me—it has been so long since I have been free to really write a decent letter. Of course any letters that I write would hardly be worth reading even if there never had been a censor at all. I haven't much to write now that is really interesting but I like the freedom of writing what I please, knowing that prying eyes will not read it.

Haven't had a letter from you Brownwood people in months, but I suppose you are so busy digging for oil that you haven't had time to do anything but think OIL both day and night. I wonder what success you are having Walker in the oil game. I wouldn't be surprised to hear that you are now a millionaire, neither would I be surprised to hear that you are now a pauper, because I know what the oil business is and I know that it is a very uncertain business at times.

I have had several letters from various members of the family since being here. They tell me that all the family escaped the "flu" and that all are practically well, so that is the really interesting and good part of their letters. Riall wrote me that Dr. Kennedy would soon be in the army, but since the armistice I suppose he will not get in. I suppose that's sweet music to Riall, also Dave. We have all certainly been fortunate in this great war.

I suppose mother is in Grapeland by this time, tho' she was in Loraine the last time I heard from her. Marshall and I both have allotments going to her now, so she should be plentifully supplied with money. I do not know Marshall's present status in the navy, tho' I think he is an ensign. I may have the good fortune to see him over here before long, tho' I hardly expect such good fortune.

We have been given the privilege of putting in our applications for discharge from the navy, and I have already put mine in. Don't know when they will take action on it, but I should get out in six months anyway, perhaps sooner. It is my intention to go back to Texas when I am released, though it is too early to say yet just what I will do. Want to take a vacation and be with the home folks first thing when I am released. You know that is the natural inclination of all the boys that are in the service.

Well, I haven't had a very exciting career since I have been in the navy, but I have seen a submarine blown clear out of the water and have had some thrilling experiences with the subs. On one occasion the "Good ship Orizaba" ran a gauntlet of 25 to 30 submarines and escaped without a scratch. That was rather an exciting experience and we came out better than we ever expected to. We were being convoyed by ten U. S. destroyers and I certainly want to hand it to the destroyers; they were on the job. American destroyers were far better and more efficient than any other nation's. If it hadn't been for our little old destroyers the American troops would have never got here. The depth bombs were the mainstay of the destroyers. We call them "ash cans" because they resemble an ash can. It was an "ash can" that exploded prematurely on board the Ori-

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zaba and caused the death of our executive officer and three enlisted men and wounded 18 others. When that explosion occurred a submarine appeared immediately after and we opened fire on it, but did not get it.

I used to copy SOSs almost every day on the radio watch and sometimes they were right in our convoy.

The people of France certainly went wild with joy when the armistice was signed. In fact we all went wild, quit work and celebrated. The French people are still celebrating. I don't blame them, for they have something real to celebrate for.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my little part in the drama and I feel that I have benefitted wonderfully from the experience. I hope the nations will get together and avoid future wars, because if there is ever another big war the world will be wiped out because of new inventions, etc. The U.

S. has inventions now that could wipe out Germany completely if we were to use them against her.

I am getting along fine here and haven't a thing to complain of except that I would like to be home with you people. Am learning quite a bit of

the French language. Have a teacher and am progressing fast. Am taking careful precautions as to my health, etc.

Harold Hollingsworth,
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Hope Bleached Domestic, finished soft for needle, worth 35c yd., in this sale	24c	Good grade Cotton Checks, worth 20c yard, in this sale.....	12 1-2c	One lot Bed Comforts, worth \$4.50 each, in this sale.....	\$3.45
Crystal Spray Bleached Domestic, 36 in. wide, worth 30c yard, in this sale	18c	One lot Ladies' Union Suits, ribbed, bleached, worth \$1.25, in this sale....	98c	One lot Bed Blankets, size 64x80, worth \$4.50, in this sale.....	\$3.49
J.L. Sea Island Domestic, 36 in. wide, worth 25c yard, in this sale.....	18c	One lot Ladies' Union Suits, ribbed, bleached, worth \$2.00, in this sale.....	\$1.49	One lot Men's Manhattan Dress Shirts, \$2.00-\$2.50 values, this sale.....	\$1.45
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9-4 Pepperell Unbleached Sheeting, worth 75c yard, in this sale.....	58c	One lot Ladies' Ribbed Drawers, worth 75c, in this sale.....	49c	One lot Ladies' Serge Dresses, all colors, late models, \$15.00 and \$18.00 values, in this sale	\$11.98
Best grade Outing, worth 30c yard in this sale.....	20c	One lot Men's Ribbed Bleached Union Suits, worth \$2.00, in this sale.....	\$1.49	One lot Ladies' Silk Dresses, late models, \$15.00 and \$18.00 values, in this sale	\$11.98
Standard Tupelo Cheviots, worth 35c yard, in this sale.....	25c	Men's Heavy Ribbed Underwear, worth \$2.00 suit, this sale, all sizes.....	\$1.60	One lot Ladies' Silk Poplin Skirts, \$6.50 and \$7.00 values, in this sale.....	\$4.98
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Always Something New That's Good

Obituary of Royal J. Dominy.

The many friends of Prof. Royal J. Dominy were shocked to learn of his untimely death the 13th of this month. That he, in his apparent strong and vigorous health, should be snatched from us who loved him, the sad fact seems unreal if not impossible.

Royal J. Dominy was born and reared on a farm near Pennington, Trinity county, Texas. His early life was filled with the many things common to every farmer's boy, the things and duties that have prepared so many boys from the farms for useful, courageous and manly lives. His boyhood school days were spent in regular attendance in the rural schools near the family home. With the opportunities thus afforded him, at nature's own studio, among the blossoming fields, within the then unscarred woodlands, amid the great unbounded out-of-doors, he learned at first hand the many useful lessons so necessary for the fruitful life he was destined to lead.

From early childhood, he had an unconquerable ambition for higher education. Though his path was not always strewn with flowers, his dauntless courage and his never-faltering determination, he forged his way ahead. He made the most of his opportunities in the rural schools. He stood "head" in his classes, and was a leader in many of the childhood activities that did so much to make child-life brighter and happier and better.

At an early age he entered the historic Sam Houston Normal of Huntsville where his devotion to his studies and his manly stand for right soon won him recognition from the faculty and his fellow-students. There, also, he became a leader, a leader in his

work, a leader in student life and a leader in the fight for the great principles of life. It was there amid the best and loveliest Christian influence we have ever known, that he learned at the age of eighteen to know God; it was there under the tender tutelage of his teachers whom he loved so well and under the irresistible, Christ-like influence and teachings of the late and lamented Reverend Dr. W. C. Friley that he consecrated his life to God and there became associated with the First Baptist church at that place. From that time until his death, he lived a consistent Christian life, following in the foot-steps of the lowly Nazarene.

It was in the Sam Houston Normal we first knew him. It was there we learned to know and to love each other. Though we were together in school only one year, our friendship was real from the beginning. We knew each other's plans, hopes and ambitions; we knew and shared the disappointments as well as the joys of each other. We knew each other as few young men do, not a plan or secret was kept from the other. We knew each other as we were, and loved each other for what we were. Though our chosen labors have drawn us personally apart, our feelings each for the other have remained steadfast. Though God has taken him from us, we shall treasure the memory of Royal J. Dominy until we too are called to be with him "over there."

Leaving school, he plunged vigorously into his chosen life-work, the work of teaching and training young boys and girls into useful men and women. So conscientious and arduous were his labors, his wonderful success, so well known to so many,

seems but natural, and so it is. He taught a few years at and near his old home, Pennington. His success there opened greater fields of service for him, and he was called to Houston county to help make better the best public schools in Texas. For five successive years, he remained in charge of the Grounds public school, and built it from a struggling rural school to one of the leading high schools of Houston county, established in it new departments, secured for it State aid, and built, in fact if not in name, a worthy monument unto himself. From there he was called to Ratcliff where greater fields of usefulness awaited him. Though he had been there only a part of one year, "He was deeply loved by his pupils, and his presence will be sadly missed by his little friends who looked to him for guidance."

Prof. Dominy has been prominent for a number of years; not only in his public school work, but in his work as Assistant County Superintendent of Houston county, as summer normal instructor, in State Teachers' Associations, and most of all as a good citizen. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and of the Odd Fellows, and practiced daily the teachings of those worthy organizations.

His life of usefulness could not remain his own. Though the good he has done will live forever, his body has returned to dust from whence it came and his soul has gone to Him who gave it. Having suffered from influenza and pneumonia for about ten days, he passed quietly from his earthly abode unto the "Great Beyond" at 10:45 Monday evening the 13th. The body was laid to rest in the family burial grounds at Penning-

ton, Reverend Reagan of Grove-ton officiating.

He is survived by an aged mother, four brothers, three sisters, scores of more distant relatives, a host of friends, and his immediate family consisting of one child, Frank, age nine years and his loving wife who was Miss Clara Mortimer of Crockett before her marriage. To these so lonely and sad, whose sobs find an echo in our own bosom, whose broken hearts are bleeding for the loss of the lost father and husband, we extend our sympathy. We would to God that his tenderest mercies may be shed about them.

By J. C. Fuller,
Marfa, Texas.

Adv.

In Memory of Effie Hardin Baker.

"In the land of beautiful dreams come true,
Where flowers are blooming and skies are blue,
And all is joyous and free from care,
Our loved ones are waiting just over there;
In the "many mansions" prepared above—
In that beautiful region of peace and love.

In the passing of Mrs. Effie Hardin Baker into that better land, on the morning of Jan. 21st, at her home in Jacksonville, her family and friends sustained a loss that shall ever be felt most keenly. Every life with which she came in contact was the richer from her influence. Her winning personality, sweet smile and gentle manner drew all hearts to her as naturally as flowers turn to the sunlight. Most truly can it be said, "To know her was to love her." From a life unusually worth while, from fond friends and relatives, from an adoring husband and children, she has been called to a higher life.

"There seems a shadow on the day,
Her smile no longer cheers;
A dimness on the stars of night,
Like eyes that look through tears.
"Alone unto our Father's will
One thought hath reconciled:
That He whose love exceedeth ours
Hath taken home His child."
R. K. D.

Secretary of the Treasury Carter Glass has officially announced from Washington that the name of the next (Fifth) War Loan will be the "Victory Liberty Loan."

The honor flag of the "Victory Liberty Loan" will bear a blue "V" on a white field, surrounded by a red border, the "V" denoting both "five" (Fifth Loan) and "Victory."

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GRACE IN A CAFETERIA.

The other day a little group of people went into a restaurant in Columbus—one of these modern, self-serve affairs. There was a mother and father, and a soldier son, and two smaller children—a rugged family that was evidently here to meet the soldier son who was returning from the service.

The family took its place in the long line in front of the counters where the food is served, and moved along gradually making its selection. When members reached the cashier's desk, and each had upon his plate the food he or she had selected, the father paused and the family bowed their heads. And then, there in the public place, with busy people all around, the father returned thanks to the Creator for the food of which they were about to partake, audibly, with a firm voice, with great faith, with humility and thankfulness in his tone.

But the little family were not the only ones who bowed their heads. The long line of busy people paused in their snatching; each bowed his or her head, and waited the end of the blessing. There was never a smile of derision, never a murmur of disgust. Instead, there were smiles of appreciation, and everybody in the long line felt better. Each felt that there was something in the thanks offered up that helped wonderfully in this prosy old world.

Returning thanks before partaking of the daily food is going out of style, it seems, but it ought not to go out of style. It ought to be practiced in every home. We are getting away from too many of the sacred things of the earlier days. We are to prone to give up the little sentiments that mean so much in this material age.—Columbus Dispatch.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF RAILROADS.

The fact may not be generally known, but several States of our Union have found public ownership of railways a costly and altogether unsatisfactory experiment. Missouri sank twenty-five millions in such a project. Pennsylvania lost twenty millions, and North Carolina and Georgia still own rail lines which they operated at a loss, but which lessees are able to operate with some success.

It is the universal experience of the nations also that public ownership and operation of railroads is a failure. Belgium began her experimentation in this line in 1834. There are State-owned roads in England, France and Canada. Public ownership is the rule in Germany, Austria, Russia; but in all of them the service has been notably unsatisfactory and the taxpayers have to make huge deficits good. British India owns its railroads, but leases most of them. Holland owns its roads, but leaves their operation to private companies. Financial ends have never met under public ownership and operation; or, as M. Guyot, French minister of public works in 1914, showed in an illuminating report upon the subject, State-operated roads have failed to give service equal in any respect to that of privately operated lines.

This is an incontestable fact, the reasons for which are various and obvious. Credited though he is with unusual capacity and the best of intentions, with limitless power and a bottomless purse, the net result of Mr.

McAdoo's management was to double wages, increase rates, impair service to an almost unbelievable degree and run the government hundreds of millions of dollars in debt. Who, with the possible exception of the employees, wants government ownership or operation of any public utility, on the showing Mr. McAdoo has made with the rails and Mr. Bureson with the wires?—Rochester Post-Express.

Only about 6000 men are left at Camp Logan as the result of transfers to other camps, but the future of the camp is uncertain. Many men are arriving from overseas for treatment in the base hospitals. The 59th infantry has been sent to Camp Pike, and the 43rd infantry has been split up one battalion each going to Fort Worth and Waco, and one staying here. The 79th and 80th infantry and other units of the 15th division are still there.

PROMINENT MAN DEAD

Scott Bagby, one of Corsicana's best known and most popular young business men, died at his home on West-Collin street last night after only two days illness with influenza and pneumonia. He was at his place of business filling prescriptions for the sick till Friday, and was sick for some time two or three days before he went to bed. His condition was critical before many of his friends knew that he was sick, and his death came as a distressing surprise to almost the entire community.

The deceased came to Corsicana when a child from Virginia, and his father is buried here, but his mother died while on a visit to Virginia and was buried there, and his only sister now lives at Roanoke, that state. Surviving the deceased is his wife and three small children, two boys and a girl. Scott Jr., one of the boys is now very sick.

The funeral services will take place tomorrow morning at 10:30 from the home, with funeral services at the grave conducted by Rev. Dr. Ellis of St. John's Episcopal Church.—Corsican Sun of October 14.

MRS. BAKER DEAD.

It is with sadness that we chronicle the death of Mrs. Effie Hardin Baker, wife of Rev. W. H. Baker, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city. She was called away at 2:35 o'clock this morning, at the age of 40 years, 11 months, 18 days.

Mrs. Baker had been quite ill for several days, suffering from influenza, and friends and relatives were in a manner prepared for the worst, as she had been in bad health for a number of years and it was realized that her powers of resistance were not strong.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastors of the city, Revs. W. D. White, J. M. Newburn, L. T. Hastings and Tom Dean. The body was taken to Crockett for burial, the funeral party leaving on the Sunshine Special about 1 o'clock.

Accompanying the remains of Mrs. Baker to Crockett besides the relatives, were: F. E. Churchill, J. L. Brown, G. W. Gibson, J. E. McFarland, Rev. L. T. Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Jones, Mrs. E. M. Newton and Mrs. Riden.—Jacksonville Banner.

PORTER SPRINGS DOTS.

Mr. J. W. Turner died Tuesday morning at 11:20. He was about 67 years of age. Mr. Turner was the father of four boys, bravely enlisted in the army to be a helping hand to Uncle Sam. He leaves a wife and ten children. The funeral services were held at the Methodist church Wednesday morning at 11:30 by the pastor of the Methodist church of Porter Springs.

Mr. Luther Sullivan of Long Island, N. J., has returned home; he has been undergoing a few months training. He is the son of Mrs. Tom Murray.

Mr. J. E. Smith of Kimble county is visiting his parents at Porter Springs.

Mr. A. L. Meek has two children on the sick list this week. Mrs. Freddie Adair also has a child on the sick list.

Mr. C. O. Nelson, one of our new merchants, has "bought out" Mrs. Freddie Adair.

Mr. C. A. Callier and family have moved in with us. We welcome them to our community.

Mr. Clyde Nelson of Porter Springs has enlisted in the navy for four years. He will leave Sunday for the Great Lakes.

Porter Springs High School is teaching a system of typewriting. Uncle Sam's Pet.

HIGHLY ESTEEMED LADY DEAD

Mrs. N. B. Bruner, aged sixty-six years and who had lived here for many years, was found in her room in an unconscious condition about 6 o'clock yesterday morning, and passed away a few hours later as the result of apoplexy. During her long residence here the deceased had endeared herself to all who knew her by her gentle and lovable character as well as her many womanly virtues,

Burton Hardware Company

ANNOUNCES THIS WEEK THAT THE INVOICES WE ARE RECEIVING DAILY COMPEL US TO IMPRESS UPON YOU THE FACT THAT THE BURTON HARDWARE COMPANY WILL HAVE THE MOST COMPLETE STOCK OF DEPENDABLE HARDWARE THAT CROCKETT HAS EVER KNOWN, NOT ONLY IN QUALITY, BUT IN PRICE AS WELL.

WE HAVE SOME MOST INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENTS TO MAKE TO YOU LATER, BUT AT PRESENT WE WISH ONLY TO IMPRESS UPON YOU OUR SLOGAN: "EVERYTHING NEW BUT THE HARDWARE MEN."

Sam Smith—Managers—Dan McConnell

HARDWARE THAT'S MADE FOR HARD WEAR

and the entire community is grieved because of her death.

Mrs. Bruner was a sister-in-law of Gen. W. H. King, who died a few years ago, at Sulphur Springs and was buried here. He was prominent in Texas politics, was adjutant general under Gov. O. M. Roberts' administration and represented Hopkins county in the legislature. He frequently visited here where he was well known. Mrs. Bruner belonged to the old South. She was refined and possessed that Southern womanliness that endeared her to all who knew her. She was a native of Alabama but grew to young womanhood at Crockett, Houston county, Texas, where she came with her parents and where she was married and where her husband died before she made Corsicana her home.

Surviving the deceased are three daughters, Mrs. Minnie Sutton and Mrs. Scott Bagby of Corsicana, and Mrs. Phil Nolen of Taylor. The funeral took place at 10:30 this morning from the late home of the deceased and was largely attended and many beautiful floral offerings were sent in by loving friends. Rev. C. H. Booth officiated and Robert Johnson, L. C. Coulson, E. M. Polk, W. H. Hastings and P. H. Loggins acted as pall bearers. The honorary pall bearers were Robert Watt, A. V. Partain, W. F. Colquitt, Dr. T. A. Miller, Dr. W. D. Cross, Dr. E. E. Sanner, Dr. Trim Houston, Clem Weaver, Lucien Halbert, C. L. Jester, Will Hilliard, E. H. Church, J. S. Murchison, T. E. Singer, G. W. Brillhart and Ralph Beaton.—Corsicana Sun of January 13.

Glenwood Cemetery Association.

The president of Glenwood Cemetery Association will soon call a meeting to determine whether the cemetery work shall continue for another year.

It is impossible to have a successful organization, or to keep the work going, unless the owners of lots feel sufficiently interested to attend meetings, pay dues and show by their presence and contributions that they wish the work to continue.

The cemeteries were well kept for 1918, and those who made frequent visits will admit this. The sexton, not knowing who had paid and who had not, cleaned all lots as he came to them. No objection was made to this, as we felt sure all owners of lots would appreciate the effort we were making. Almost a daily superintendence of the work was given, and there was a careful, judicious use of the money contributed, as the bank books will show. Out of town residents, who

have lots in our cemeteries, are anxious for the work to continue and cheerfully respond when called upon. but to "carry on," as Harry Lauder would say, we must have united effort and interest. Mrs. C. N. Corry, Vice President Glenwood Cemetery Association.

104,000 Wounded Americans Remain Overseas.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Wounded American soldiers remaining in hospitals overseas number approximately

104,000, Colonel W. H. Smith of the surgeon general's office today told the senate committee conducting an inquiry of hospital facilities and construction. Many of these wounded, he said, will not be brought home until they recover.

In the hospitals of this country, Colonel Smith said, there are now about 4,500 vacant beds which can be placed in use as additional sick and wounded are returned.

India is estimated to consume one-sixth of the world's supply of quinine.

Fords! Fords!

Any Number When You Want Them!

I am prepared to supply you with a new Ford automobile on short notice. Have several cars on hand and can secure any number.

SOME DODGES FOR SALE

Also have some Dodge Brothers cars for sale. Cars in good condition. See me at once if you are interested.

Ray Baughman

CROCKETT, TEXAS

We Cared for You During the "Flu," Now Let Us Fill All Your Prescriptions

During the recent epidemic we did the very best within human power to fill every drug requirement, and through our own foresight in properly stocking our prescription department, we were not caught napping. Now that the "flu" is over, remember that we are just as able and capable of putting up prescriptions as ever. We solicit your business in this respect. We promise you the best drugs and the best care, honest treatment and honest cost.

Crockett Drug Company
The House of Service.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

See T. D. Craddock's Shoe Bargains. 2t.

T. D. Craddock will save you money on clothing. 2t.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Arledge were at Houston this week.

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

When you want good work shoes go to T. D. Craddock's. 2t.

Smith Harkins, in the medical corps at Camp Travis, is at home on furlough.

Free Air

For your automobile at Bishop Drug Company's. 1t.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Waller have come from Trinity to make their home in Crockett.

C. C. Walden of Langley Field, Hampton, Va., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Tom Hairston.

Those new buggies at R. L. Shivers' are dandies. See them if you want the very best. 1t.

Mrs. Geo. A. Daugherty of Jefferson is a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Miller.

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

Miss Alline Frazier of Lovelady visited Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Monzingo Saturday and Sunday.

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

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED

a fresh supply of gas and can burn that carbon for you now.

Every one, when you think of having their battery charged, think of us—for we are prepared to take care of it in the right manner. We are giving the right kind of service you should expect in all lines.

CROCKETT MOTOR CO.

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

Wade Buchanan has returned from the army. He was in a training camp in the state of Washington.

See J. R. Howard for thoroughbred cherry-red Duroc pigs. Also half Berkshire and Duroc pigs, from \$5.00 up. tf.

Better cut your stalks this year. Let us show you the Oliver stalk cutter. tf.

Jas. S. Shivers.

Ford for Sale.

Ford automobile, 1917 model, five-passenger. In good condition. 2t. E. C. Arledge.

T. D. Craddock will sell Nublack shotgun shells for 75 cents; New Club, 80 cents; Winchester for 90 cents; Nitro Club for \$1.10. 2t.

Come in and let us show you the complete line of Oliver implements. There is nothing better made. tf.

Jas. S. Shivers.

To get the best results use Virginia-Carolina fertilizers. We can supply you with any quantity. It.

Arnold Brothers.

Improve your cotton yield with Pure Mebane cotton seed and the famous Meridian fertilizer. We have both. tf.

Jas. S. Shivers.

I. A. Daniel, F. G. Edmiston, R. H. Wootters, D. O. Kiessling and perhaps others from Houston county are serving on the Federal grand jury at Tyler this week.

Downes Foster reached home Tuesday night from San Francisco, where he enlisted last summer in the navy. Having received his "honorable," he is at home to stay.

Cultivators.

The riding and walking kind are both here. We want to sell you. Our prices are right. When in town come to see us. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, Misses Jewell and Grace Williams and Theo Williams visited relatives here this and last week. They came from their home at Wichita Falls by automobile.

Now, with plenty of moisture in the ground, this is the year of all years to use fertilizer. If you are not familiar with the Meridian, ask your neighbor; he used it last year. Sold by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

Harvey Turner, the 16 years old son of Mrs. Florence Turner of Porter Springs, died at the family home early Sunday morning. Those bereft have the sympathy of a large and kind-hearted community.

It's time to get busy, Mr. Farmer. Put your tools in order. Look over your planters, cultivators, turning plows, etc. If you need any parts give us the order early so we can supply you. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Lot for Sale.

$\frac{7}{8}$ of acre on North College street, between John Ellis' and Abb Phillips' residences. Water and sewer connections. For quick sale see me at once. 3t. J. D. Sheridan.

Demonstration, Saturday, February 1.

Detroit Vapor Stoves work like gas, burn coal oil. A factory man will show you its merits. Remember the date. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Abstract Your Land Titles

And let us do the work for you. We have a complete abstract of all the land titles of this county down to NOW.

Madden & Denny, Crockett, Texas. tf.

Please Take Notice.

This is to notify all owners of hogs that are running at large in violation of law in Houston county that said hogs will be dealt with according to law on and after February 1, 1919. 1t.* Interested Parties.

Planters, Planters.

Do you realize the time for planting is nearly here? You can't do the work properly without a good planter. We handle the Standard, Ledbetter One Seed and the famous Moline Gearless Lulu. Look our's over. 1t. Smith-Murchison Hdw. Co.

Business Change.

C. L. Manning & Company of Kennard have bought the mercantile business of E. Douglass in Crockett, which they will continue at the present location. The firm of E. Douglass was said to be the oldest in Crockett, having been conducted by two generations.

Red Cross Notice.

There will be a business meeting of the Red Cross chapter in Crockett next Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of winding up its business affairs. A full attendance is desired. The various branches over the county will please send representatives. Mrs. B. B. Warfield, President.

Notice of Bids for County Depository.

The Commissioners' Court of Houston county, Texas, will receive sealed bids for County Depository on Monday, February 10th, 1919, which must be filed with the County Clerk before 10 a. m. of that date.

Nat Patton, County Judge. 2t.

Fertilizers.

Planters, owing to higher freight rates, it will pay you as never before to figure with us before buying elsewhere. The cotton seed meal used in our mixtures does not have to be freighted. If you need phosphate and meal, we can serve you to advantage. We have great interest in good yields. Houston County Oil Mill & Mfg. Co. 3t.

Sunday Marriages.

Alfred Best and Miss Mattie Warren, two prominent young people of east Houston county, were married at Ratcliff on Sunday of last week. Another marriage in the eastern part of the county that we have heard of was that of Alton Dowdy and Miss Lena Vaughn, who were married at Tadmor on Sunday of last week. Justice McCelvey officiated in the first marriage and Rev. Mr. Campbell in the other.

Delivery Discontinued

We have decided to discontinue our free delivery service after February 1. By eliminating this expense, we will be in a position to supply you with groceries and feed at closer prices, thereby enabling you to save money by coming to us for your supplies.

We thank you for the liberal patronage you have given us in the past and trust that we may have a continuance of the same.

BUY FROM US AND SAVE THE DIFFERENCE

Arnold Brothers

GROCERIES, FEED AND HARDWARE PHONE 270

Horton Ellis Visits Home.

Horton Ellis, son of J. A. Ellis of this city, arrived last week to visit his father and family. Horton was in the first regular army division to land in France, and the regular army was first to land there under General Pershing. He served through some of the hardest battles of the war, and in one of these was badly wounded in an arm. He was returned by the war department to this country for treatment in a southern hospital, but has never recovered from his wounds. Following the visit with relatives and friends here, he will again return to the hospital for further treatment. He hopes to regain the use of an arm that is now useless, and in this his friends share his fondest hopes.

Boys Coming Home.

Lieutenant Brent Driskell of Lovelady arrived Sunday afternoon from the battle fields of France. Lieutenant Driskell left Crockett in what afterward became E Company, 143rd Infantry, in the reorganization at Camp Bowie. He was afterward recommended for the officers' training school and, graduating as a second lieutenant of artillery, went overseas in the artillery brigade of the 7th Division, in which he saw service in France as a second lieutenant. The artillery brigades, or some of them, are now being returned to America.

Lieutenant Driskell is in fine health and in fine spirits over the part his brigade took in helping to win the war. He got off of the train in Crockett Sunday afternoon long enough to shake hands with some of his friends and then proceeded to Lovelady where relatives and friends were anxiously and happily awaiting his return.

Property for Sale.

To liquidate the estate of M. Bromberg, deceased, I offer the following property for sale:

- 16 2-3 acres P. Steward survey.
 - 100 acres M. Hunt survey.
 - 1000 acres Jno. Moore survey.
 - 100 acres M. W. Connor survey.
 - 635 acres Arthur Henry survey.
 - 100 acres P. Halmark survey.
 - 105 acres W. E. Long survey.
 - 172 acres B. S. Porter survey.
 - 74 acres Jno. David survey.
 - 110 acres D. Childress survey.
- Mose Bromberg.

ONLY THREE MORE DAYS

A great many of our customers have taken advantage of our Price-Smashed Sale on Staple Groceries. They know that they have saved dollars.

Why not follow their example and buy your supply while it's not too late? Remember, the sale closes Saturday, February 1, with the close of business.

CAPRIELIAN BROTHERS

Groceries and Feed—Phone 52
The Home of Satisfied Customers

OUR COUNTY'S ROLL OF HONOR

Following are the names of the Houston county boys who have given their lives in the service of our country:

John B. Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ellis, died in the service November 29, 1917. Member of E Company, 143d Infantry, 36th Division.

Archie Poole, son of Mrs. V. V. Barclay, died in the service November 29, 1917. Member of E Company, 143rd Infantry, 36th Division.

Albert D. Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murray, died in the service December 1, 1917. Member of H Company, 143d Infantry, 36th Division.

Henry Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson, died in the service March 26, 1918. Member of A Company, 345th Battalion, National Army.

Lieutenant Thomas R. Brailsford, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brailsford, fell in battle June 6, 1918. Member of Company C, 126th Regiment of Marines, 2nd Division.

Shade Carlton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carlton, fell in battle August 1, 1918. Member of D Company, 47th Infantry (regular army).

James O. Ritchie, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Ritchie, fell in battle September 12, 1918. Member of A Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division.

Barker T. LaRue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Babe LeRue, fell in battle September 13, 1918. Member of E Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division.

Lacy High, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. High, died in the service October 10, 1918. Member of training company, National Army, Camp Bowie.

Corporal Wyatt N. Creath, son of W. G. Creath, died in the service October 14, 1918. Member of C Company, 85th Infantry, 18th Division.

Clifford A. Dennis, son of Mr. John A. Dennis, died in France October 18, 1918. Member of G Company, 143rd Infantry, 36th Division.

William R. Matchett, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Matchett, died in the service October 21, 1918. Member of L Company, 131st Infantry, 31st Division.

Norman Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Richards, fell in battle November 4, 1918. Member of I Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division.

Corporal Thomas H. Sepmoree, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Sepmoree, died November 14 of wounds received in action. Member of E Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division.

GOOD ROADS IN PROFITABLE FARMING.

Three necessary factors in successful farming are: (1) The greatest possible yields at the lowest possible cost; (2) The opportunity to sell at a profit over cost of production; (3) Roads in such condition and such railway facilities as will enable the grower to place his product in the hands of the buyer at a reasonable hauling cost.

If any one of these factors is lacking, or is even poor, farming will decline, trade languish, and social, educational and religious life will be restricted. Colonel Henry Exall used to say that no man is so far from market as the farmer who has nothing to sell, and all farmers have experienced the disappointment of selling their products under the cost of production. A community with bad roads does not realize the handicap it suffers, because it has never known what good roads mean, and for this reason farmers often stand in their own light in the matter of road improvement. Everybody likes good roads, but no one likes the added tax required to build and keep them in good condition.

The total value of the farm lands of the United States in 1900 was thirteen billion dollars; in 1910, twenty-eight and a half billion dollars. No more feed was grown on the average acre in those ten years but there were fifteen million more people to be fed in 1910 than in 1900; thus the increase in total value of \$936.86 for each person added to the population, or the doubling of the acre's value, has come from the greater use that must be made of the land. Greater use of the land can only be made by getting its products more quickly and easily to the shipping point.

It has been said that it costs seven-eighths of a cent to move a ton of freight over one mile of railroad; twenty-three cents to haul it one mile over the average dirt road in the

United States, and forty-three cents to haul it one mile over the average dirt road in Texas. These figures are several years old and therefore do not closely approximate the hauling cost at this time, but they serve to show where the greatest improvement can be made, and where a good part of the fifteen and a half billion dollars came from that were added in ten years to the value of land that grew no more feedstuffs in 1910 than in 1900.

Houston county needs good roads.

With Our Subscribers.

There are yet several names that ought to be in Houston County's Honor Roll. The Courier is depending on the relatives and friends of the boys to supply it with the needed information. If the reader knows of any Houston county soldier who has given his life in training camp or on battle field and whose name is not now appearing in Houston County's Roll of Honor as published in the Courier, we would thank him for the information necessary to get his name in Houston County's Roll of Honor.

A number of subscribers have called this week and a number have sent in their subscriptions. Courier subscribers have gotten the habit of paying in advance as a matter of preference, and many of them do not wait for their subscriptions to expire before renewing, for all of which we are thankful. Those calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their subscriptions, since last issue are as follows:

W. A. Douglass, Lovelady Route 2.
J. E. Bean, Grapeland Rt. 3.
P. H. Bayne, Conroe.
M. E. Allen, Lovelady Rt. 1.
G. W. Allbright, Lovelady.
J. L. Beard, Grapeland.
S. A. Cook, Crockett Rt. 2.
W. R. Henry, Crockett Rt. 2.
Morgan Brashers, Grapeland Route 2.
J. R. Richards, Grapeland.
M. D. Murchison, Grapeland.
G. W. Broxson, Lovelady.
J. B. Turner, Lovelady.
Dan Hartt, Lovelady.
W. B. Hearon, Crockett.
F. L. Hill, Crockett Rt. A.
Horace Moore (col.), Crockett Route A.
Earle LaRue (col.), Crockett Route 5.
D. McCollough (col.), Crockett Route 4.

Mrs. W. F. Dent.

Mrs. Nannie Dent, wife of W. F. Dent of Lovelady, Texas, died January 5, 1919, after an illness of several days with influenza, followed by pneumonia. She was converted during her early married life and joined the Missionary Baptist Church at Lovelady, where she lived a faithful member until her death. She was the mother of seven children, one of whom died in infancy—two daughters and four sons now living. She had two sons in service—one in France and the other in the navy—whom her heart was centered upon and she longed to see them before she passed away.

She was the light of her home; a loving mother and a devoted wife. She was free from selfishness, her chief thought being for others. Her heart always went out to those in need of deep sorrow. She was a kind and sympathetic neighbor and loved her friends.

May the God of all Grace comfort the sad and bereaved family, together with all who miss her so much. It. A Friend.

Safe Robbed.

The store of Mrs. J. S. Gilbert at Cut was burglarized Sunday night and the safe robbed. The burglars rolled the safe out of the store and dumped it on the ground. They then procured a lumber dolly from the saw mill near by and carted the safe some distance down the railroad track, where they blew it open and took out what money there was in it, leaving Liberty bonds, stamps and papers. The safe-blowers got \$317. Sheriff R. J. Spence and Deputy W. A. Hooper were advised Monday morning early, just as soon as the

robbery was discovered. The officers spent the day at Cut, making a thorough investigation. Two negroes were taken temporarily in hand, but released because of insufficient evidence. Sheriff Spence, Deputy Hooper and Constable McPhail returned to cut Tuesday to complete their investigations, but no evidence warranting arrests could be uncovered.

Deaths in the Eastern Part of Houston County.

Miss Lonnie McCombs of Hargerville was a victim of influenza on Tuesday morning of last week. Interment in the Ivie cemetery followed on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. J. L. McKee conducting the services. The death of Miss Lonnie McCombs follows closely on the death of a brother, R. T. McCombs, who died of influenza about three weeks since.

Mr. Miles Gardner of the Creath community died on Monday of last week. Mr. Gardner's remains were laid to rest in the Bobbitt cemetery. His untimely death was the result of influenza and pneumonia.

Mrs. J. F. Jones, 38 years old, and son, Peyton Jones, 18 years old, died of influenza and pneumonia at Ratcliff last week. The remains of both were taken to Angelina county for interment.

Marriage Announced.

Mrs. J. King Myrick of San Antonio has posted announcements, which have been received in Crockett, of the marriage of her daughter, Ruth, to Bernard J. Lange Jr., also of San Antonio. The happy event occurred on Saturday, January 18, 1919. As Miss Ruth Myrick, the bride is pleasantly remembered in Crockett, where she has visited on more than one occasion and where she has been the recipient of a number of social hospitalities. She is a niece of Mrs. E. Winfree, Mrs. A. J. McLemore and Mrs. I. A. Daniel. The fortunate bridegroom is prominent in the business affairs of San Antonio, where he and his bride will make their home. They have the best wishes of our people.

Davis Crow Returns.

Lieutenant Davis Crow has returned from France. Lieutenant Crow was a volunteer in the engineer corps of the 36th Division, made up of Texas and Oklahoma national guardsmen. He began at Camp Bowie as a second lieutenant, but was subsequently promoted to a first lieutenant. The engineer corps are now being returned to the United States, hence Lieutenant Crow's return. He was given a hearty welcome at the station Monday afternoon. He has gone to Houston to visit relatives, but will return to Crockett in due course of time. Lieutenant Crow was chief engineer for the Houston-Leon County Coal Company before enlisting in the army.

Cheer for the Hero.

Horton Ellis, who has just returned from Georgia, where he has been in the hospital from a severe wound in France, was a visitor at the Crockett High School Monday morning from recess until noon.

At recess the Senior and Junior girls (the Seniors especially) took great pleasure in having their pictures taken with a "hero" of "This Great War."

Soon the bell rang for school to be taken up, and after entering the auditorium, the faculty and students took the greatest pleasure in giving him a cheer. We, the students, are very, very glad to have him visit us.

Student.

Garage Changes.

Changes in the automobile business on and since the first of the year have been as follows:

Kelley Willis has associated himself with Mr. Robinson in the Crockett Motor Company.

W. R. Allee is again with the East Texas Motor Company.

L. L. Murray has become a partner with J. H. Murray in the

management of the East Texas Garage.

Wilson Adair has associated himself with Ben Gunter in the conduct of the Day and Night Garage.

B. J. Mincher is now with J. E. Towery in the management of the Overland Garage.

House Cleaning.

County Judge Nat Patton is to be congratulated for his stand for better sanitary conditions. He inaugurated a general house cleaning at the court house last week and cleaned the old court house from cellar to clock tower and from center to circumference. His cleaning up did not stop on the inside, but was carried to the outside and applied with equal energy to the court house yard. He says that he has just started this cleaning business and that he is going to carry it on as long as the people keep him in office. "Bully" for Judge Patton.

Some Postscripts.

Bluing water should be very clear. For surgeons a hypodermic syringe has been invented that can be used twenty times without refilling.

To prevent overloading motor trucks a meter has been invented that shows the weight of each load carried.

Finland is considering harnessing two water courses from which 618,000 horsepower can be obtained.

THE SWEET POTATO PLANT INTERESTS

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this kind some time if we ever expect to improve our general situation. Why not get busy and start the work right now? Can anybody advance any sane reason why we should not?

To put it more direct. Here is a project that if adopted will enable every person in Houston county who owns or controls an acre of land to make \$1.00 per bushel on all the sweet potatoes he can raise, and he can raise from one hundred to three hundred bushels per acre.

In other words, a plant located at Crockett capable of storing thirty thousand bushels means, on a very conservative basis, the addition of \$30,000 net income to our people. This county should have, and could easily support, a half dozen such plants, and after one year's experience with the first one the rest would rapidly materialize. Crockett should logically take the lead.

Public Meeting.

Soon after this article appears a meeting will be called to give our people a chance to meet Mr. Bruce, industrial agent of the L & G. N., who will present an abundance of facts to support all that has been said in behalf of the subject, also present plans and submit estimates of cost of construction. Due notice of this meeting will be given. A good attendance means the starting of the project in time for everybody to engage his plants in time for spring planting. H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

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☞ We wish to say that we have bought the Douglass Grocery and Feed Store, and will be found in charge by Saturday.

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