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SENATORS PLEDGED TO VOTE AGAINST LEAGUE OF NATIONS

LODGE SIGNS UP 37 MEMBERS OF NEXT SENATE, ENOUGH FOR DEFEAT.

Washington, March 3.—Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader, introduced a resolution late Monday night proposing that the senate go on record as opposing the approval of the constitution of the league of nations as now drawn and favoring the immediate conclusion of peace with Germany without waiting the working out of the league plan.

Senator Lodge requested unanimous consent for immediate consideration of the resolution, but Senator Martin, democratic leader, and Senator Swanson, both of Virginia, joined in simultaneous objection and the resolution went over under the rules.

Unable to secure consideration of his measure, Senator Lodge read the names of 37 members of the next senate which will consider the peace treaty, who, the minority leader said, favor his resolution.

There was no further discussion of the matter and debate on the \$750,000,000 railroad administration revolving fund was renewed. The move by the republican leader came as a surprise to many of the democratic senators, but some few of them had been advised of it in advance.

On the list read by Mr. Lodge were the names of several republican senators-elect. The total of 37 is more than one-third of the membership, or enough to defeat ratification of the peace treaty for which a two-thirds vote is required. A few senators whose names were not on the list, Mr. Lodge said, also had advised him of their support of his resolution.

While opposing the proposed constitution, the resolution would express the desire of the senate "that the nations of the world should unite to promote peace and general disarmament." It also said the proposal for a league "to insure the permanent peace of the world should be taken up for careful and serious consideration" after the peace treaty had been concluded.

Berlin Mob Threatens United States Officers.

Berlin, Sunday, March 2.—During a demonstration on the return of General Von Lettow-Vorbeck and some of his East African troops this afternoon, a crowd of enthusiasts shook fists and sticks at a number of American officers sitting in the windows of the hotel where the American mission is quartered. Others in the crowd countered by clapping their hands and cheering the Americans. The officers promptly withdrew when they saw their presence might provoke trouble.

The hostile crowd hung around the hotel for a long time and made offensive remarks about the French mission which has its headquarters in the same hotel, because of an unfounded report that the French had hissed the German procession. Finally German troops were lined up in front of the hotel to prevent possible violence.

The reception to the former German commander in East

Africa savored of the old regime. The imperial flags fluttered everywhere instead of the banners of the German republics. Patriotic songs of the old regime rang out in quite the old way.

Offers \$1000 for Chance to Hear President Speak.

New York, March 3.—A Wall Street man offered \$1000 Monday morning for one seat Tuesday night at the Metropolitan Opera House where President Wilson and former President Taft are to speak on the league of nations. He said he did not want to bribe anybody but that he would pay the \$1000 to any charity if he could get the seat. He did not get it.

A woman with a little boy appeared at the office of Abram I. Elkus, where the tickets had been given out. She said she had come from Chicago to hear the speeches and she wept when she couldn't get a ticket.

Henry C. Frick sent a clerk to make a special appeal but he was too late. There is a ton or so of mail applications still unopened. Mr. Elkus, who estimated Saturday that the total would be 250,000, now guesses 300,000—without counting the thousands of telephone appeals. Extra operators have been hired to sit at telephones and say, "no, no, no," all day long.

To lessen the smoke and gas in tunnels Swiss railroads are equipping their locomotive stacks with lids to be closed when a tunnel is entered, steam being exhausted beneath the engines.

REQUEST TO MODIFY IS TURNED DOWN BY LEGISLATURE

House Committee on Liquor Traffic Offers Report on Matter.

Austin, Tex., March 3.—The house committee on liquor traffic today flatly turned down the request of the druggists, wholesalers and manufacturers for a modification of the prohibition laws which would enable them to make and sell flavoring extracts, hair tonics and proprietary remedies. This action was taken on the advice of W. A. Keeling, first assistant attorney general, who also is quoted in the committee's report as opposing changes of any kind in the law. This last turns down the requests from several priests and clergymen, who asked that the law be modified so that they could obtain more than one gallon of sacramental wine at one time.

Many flavoring extracts and hair tonics have gone off the market, likewise patent remedies, and from today's action there is little hope of their returning under their old formulas.

In taking the action it did today the house liquor traffic committee adopted the report of its

subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. O'Banion, Sneed and Owen. Their report, in part, follows:

"Knowing Judge Keeling of the attorney general's department to be the proper person to render opinions on the question involved, we called upon him and submitted certain proposed amendments which had been drafted by the wholesale and retail druggists and wholesale merchants, which sought to remedy and remove the objections complained of by these people. Judge Keeling was of the opinion that such amendments, if adopted, would be a detriment to the present statutory prohibition laws and work untold hardships upon the prosecuting officials of this state, and in a way would legalize the sale of certain medicines as beverages which are capable of producing intoxication.

"The attorney general's department was of the opinion that there exists no need whatever for any change in our present statutory prohibition laws at this time, and that the same will not interfere with any legitimate trade; that the present laws are the identical ones which have been in full force and effect in many counties of this state for the past twenty years.

"In view of the above, we, your committee, beg leave to recommend that the committee on liquor traffic take no action whatever at this time toward the adoption of any proposed change in our present statutory prohibition laws. A proposed amendment to the constitution has been submitted to the people to be voted upon on the 24th day of May, 1919, and which amendment, if adopted, will necessarily result in the re-enacting of our prohibition laws, at which time any proposed changes may be considered, and if found necessary be adopted by the legislature."

President's Trip Cost Him \$2,000 in Tips.

Washington, March 1.—President Wilson's first trip to Europe cost him in the neighborhood of \$2,000 out of his own pocket.

The president was unable to make any great bestowals, such as that of President Poincare of \$20,000 to servants of the czar in Petrograd and \$10,000 to the royal household of Sweden.

The president's money was scattered in "small" tips of \$25 and \$50 to porters in trains, at hotels and in the palaces he visited. He also spent considerable money in buying presents for attendants for Mrs. Wilson, himself and his staff.

In Rome the president was politely informed that it was customary for visiting rulers to contribute \$10,000 to a fund for the poor of the city. Persons in the president's party say he was somewhat taken aback at the news, but replied that if he made such present he would have to take the money from his own pocket. This he did not feel able to do.

Some Postscripts.

To prevent dust being drawn into the back of an automobile when its top is down an inventor has patented a curtain to be suspended behind a car, so shaped as to deflect the dust clouds.

The government of Switzerland decided in favor of the single phase system for electrifying its railways in preference to the third rail because it cost 10 per cent less to make the change in equipment.

Concrete is prepared much more rapidly than ordinarily with a new mixer that has a set of six buckets parallel with the length of the drum and curved wings running from each alternate bucket to the outlet.

LEGISLATIVE HOUSE ADOPTS COMMITTEE REPORT ON RANGERS

Canales States Investigating Board Had No Right to Commend Adjutant General.

Austin, Tex., March 1.—The ranger question came back to the house today with all of its heated debate. The question was on the adoption of the report of the ranger investigating committee. This was adopted, 87 to 10, after a substitute to recommit had failed, 88 to 12.

Most of the day was spent on the question. J. T. Canales led in the opposition of the report. It was defended by W. H. Bledsoe, chairman of the committee, and others. Objection was raised to that portion of the report which commends the adjutant general. Mr. Canales objected to this on the ground that he had not been allowed to introduce any evidence on the ability or efficiency of the official. In his remarks he charged that the adjutant general is holding office in violation of the constitution.

One charge was that as a member of the senate Adjutant General James A. Harley had introduced and voted for a bill to increase the salary of that position. To then accept such emolument was held out as a violation of the constitution.

It was further charged that the report of the central investigating committee last year showed that Adjutant General Harley had been on the pay roll of the war department as disbursing officer. A section of the constitution was cited to show this unlawful.

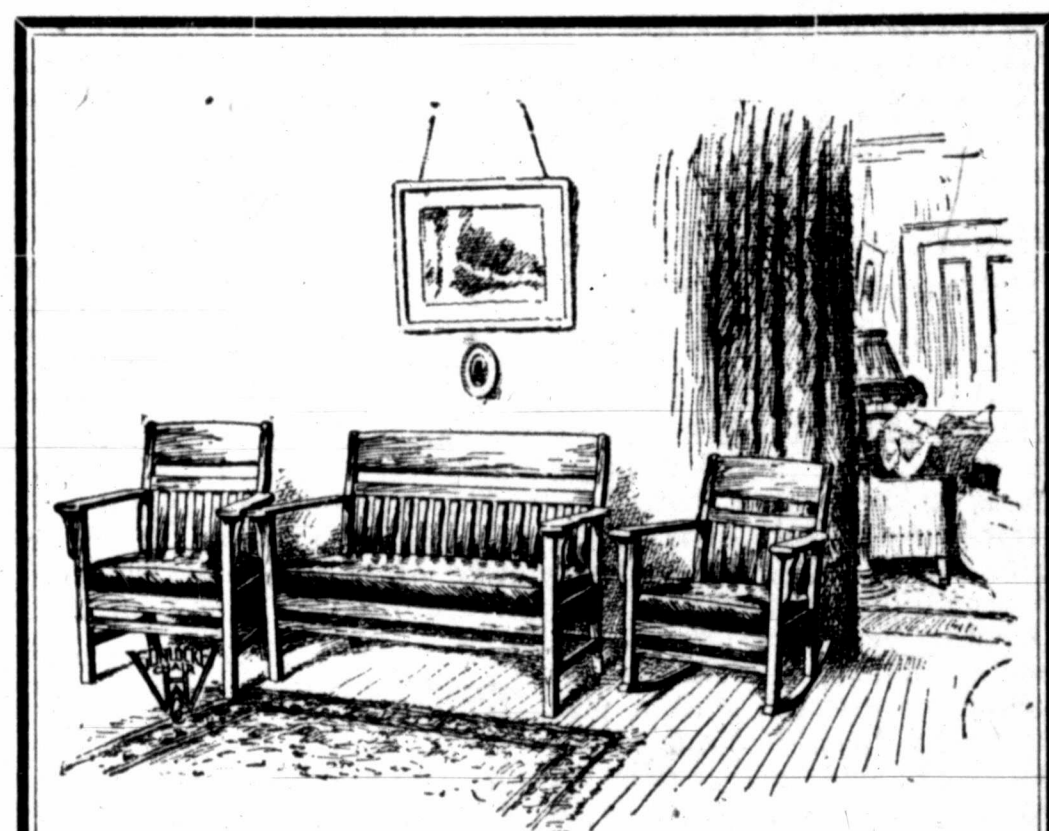
Chance to Bring Evidence.

To the first charge Chairman Bledsoe contended that Mr. Canales had opportunity to introduce any testimony against the adjutant general. However, he added that the first charge is not true. He contended that the adjutant general took the office under the old salary and had been paid that sum until the law was changed at the fourth called session of the thirty-fifth legislature. Chairman Bledsoe said that the charge of taking money from the federal government was a matter of record that could be handled in any court, and if true should bring the dismissal of the official. While the issue was on the commendation of the adjutant general, it brought the whole ranger matter before the house. Debate continued most of the day. In his charge Mr. Canales contended that the committee had gone beyond its power. He said it could acquit the adjutant general, but should not commend him, when he had been denied a chance to introduce evidence on this question.

This reference was charge No. 17 as filed before the investigating committee. This charged the adjutant general with inefficiency. The committee, 5 to 2, refused to let the charge stand. Chairman Bledsoe explained on the floor that the resolution ordering the investigation did not authorize an inquiry into the acts of any official.

"Why, after they refuse to let this charge stand, do they come along and report, and not only acquit the adjutant general, but also commend him?" Mr. Canales asked. "They say no evi-

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

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Miss Mae Fitchett is visiting at Guthrie, Okla.

Miss Alline Foster was a visitor at Palestine Tuesday.

Frank Chamberlain of Houston was here Sunday and Monday.

Miss Georgia Laura Dick of Houston is visiting Miss Jennie McLean.

Miss Mary McLean went to Palestine Friday to visit with relatives.

Save money on your plow tools by buying them from R. L. Shivers, Crockett, Texas. tf.

Horton Ellis from the army hospital is again at home in Crockett on furlough.

Top prices for chickens and eggs. See me. tf. Johnson Arledge.

Increase your yield by using Meridian fertilizer. Sold in Crockett by Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

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

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Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Craddock and little daughter of Kennard spent Sunday and Monday with relatives and friends here.

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I want to buy your produce. Top price paid for chickens, eggs and hides. tf. Johnson Arledge.

We can make it interesting for you on groceries and dry goods, if you will give us a chance. tf. R. L. Shivers.

Elbert Betts reached home last week from the artillery training school at Camp Doniphan, Fort Sill, Okla. He was first at Camp Bowie, but was transferred from the 36th Division to the artillery school in Oklahoma.

We have just received a car load of Studebaker wagons, both in oak and bois'darc rims. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

For Sale.

Two bran new Fords, never been run, for sale at list price. See W. A. Tyer, Crockett, Texas. It.

Seed corn, cane, millett, rape, Sudan grass, Bermuda, pop corn, soy beans and all kinds of garden seeds and seed potatoes at Johnson Arledge's. tf.

Lee Smelley, a member of the motor truck corps at Camp Normoyle, San Antonio, is spending a brief furlough with relatives and friends near Crockett.

Notice.

To give our customers better service we have discontinued all outside deliveries. tf. Kent & Trube, Phone 155. Phone 155.

We have a large stock of Virginia-Carolina fertilizer, and can supply you with the special kind you need. Consult us before you buy. Our prices are right. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Sanders-Leediker.

At the Methodist parsonage, at 7:15 o'clock on Wednesday evening of last week, occurred the marriage of Miss Louise Leediker to Mr. G. V. Sanders. Both the bride and the bridegroom are prominent and popular young people of the Lone Pine community and members of two of Lone Pine's best families. They were accompanied to the parsonage by Mr. and Mrs. Homer Leediker of Crockett and the ceremony was performed by Rev. C. B. Garrett, the Methodist pastor. They have the best wishes of all our people.

Methodist Harvest Day.

What is Harvest Day? It is the day set for the Methodist church to bring in conference collections. And we have appointed Sunday, March 16, as our Harvest Day. At that time we expect to get in all conference collections for the year. Other churches have done this, why not we? The new plan is for every one of the members to "bring" or "send" that day their payment on these offerings for the year to the church. We would all be happy to make a "clearing of the decks" on these claims. And if we work together, it will be done. Get ready for your part of the service.

Also look in the "post box" at the church for your mail next Sunday. Remember the Sunday school, the league and the preaching service.

C. B. Garrett, Pastor.

Returning from Overseas.

Louis Keene Meriwether reached home Friday night from the army. He has been serving as a radio sergeant with a regiment of American coast artillery in France. He received a schooling in wireless telegraphy at one of the eastern military camps before going to France. Returning with his regiment to this country, he succeeded in getting a transfer to Fort Crockett, the coast artillery camp at Galveston, which is a branch of the regular army. He is on a sixteen-day furlough to visit his mother and family in Crockett.

McGee-Thomas.

Miss Sallie Thomas, sister of Dr. M. A. Thomas of this city, and Rev. L. H. McGee, pastor of the First Methodist church at Somerville, were married at Palestine Saturday afternoon. Rev. Mr. McGee and his bride went on the noon train to Palestine, where the ceremony was performed. They proceeded by west-bound train to their home at Somerville. The bride has many friends in Crockett and Houston county who will hasten to extend best wishes and also congratulations to the bridegroom. Their marriage was a surprise to friends here.

Struck by Automobile.

Sunday afternoon a small child of Tom Allen, living at Latexo, six miles north of Crockett, was struck by a passing automobile and seriously injured. The child, which is only three or four years old, was crossing or attempting to cross the road with other children when the automobile, driven by Grapeland parties, came over the hill. The children became confused and ran in different directions and one of them got in the way of the car before it could be stopped. Contact was with one of the fenders and wheel, resulting in severe bruises, but no broken bones.

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The wheel did not pass over the child, but brushed it. The accident happened just north of the tramway crossing, where there are houses on both sides of the road or street, and in one of which houses the Allens live. It is said that the car barely missed three children on the other side.

Stolen Horse Recovered.

Langston Gordon, a young negro about 25 years old, rode a small, black horse to town Monday morning and offered it for sale to Leonard Sullivan, a livestock dealer. Sullivan happened to know the horse because he rides over the country a great deal. Suspecting that it was stolen, Sullivan prolonged the trade with the negro, dilly-dallying until he could find out something more about the negro and the horse. The negro withdrew and disappeared. Soon Mr. Henry Shaw, a farmer living two miles southwest of Grapeland, appeared and laid claim to the horse, which he also claimed had been stolen from him. Sheriff Spence started in pursuit of Gordon, who had left town afoot and whom he overtook at Latexo. Gordon works about the sawmill front, near which Shaw lives. He had taken Shaw's horse Sunday night and brought it to Crockett early the next morning. Gordon was brought to town by the sheriff and locked in the county jail, charged with horse theft.

Change Positions.

J. L. Sherman is now with the Bishop Drug Company, having last month bought an active interest to become effective March 1.

Mr. Sherman's place with the Crockett Drug Company has been taken by Mr. Dan Julian, formerly of Ratcliff and Kennard, but more recently with the medical corps of the army at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio.

Friends of both young men are wishing them success in their new positions.

Returning from Overseas.

T. W. English of Kennard was in Crockett Tuesday en route home, having recently been discharged from an army hospital. He was a member of E Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division, and was both wounded and gassed while serving on the battlefield in France. Fragments of a bursting shell struck him on the hand and arm, tearing away a part of the right hand. Company E of the 360th Infantry was composed largely of Houston county boys, some of whom lost their lives. They trained at Camp Travis, San Antonio.

A method has been invented by a Russian artist for painting several theatrical scenes on the same canvas, the pictures changing as the light thrown on them is changed.

Armenia has a copper mine that has been operated without interruption since prehistoric times.



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Palestine, Texas, Feb. 26, 1919.
Postmaster, Crockett, Texas.

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Please give this information as much publicity as possible. Respectfully,
R. E. Weedon,
Deputy Collector.

Not Enough School Money on Hand to Meet Demand.

Austin, Tex., March 1.—State Treasurer John W. Baker today gave out the following:

"My attention has been called to statements that are current in the press relative to the apportionment of the available school funds, claiming that state officers who make the apportionment are slow in sending it out, and in justice to the board of education, which is composed of the state treasurer, controller and superintendent of public instruction, feel that this statement should be made.

"I also take the liberty of calling attention to some more matters that have produced this seeming tardiness. These matters referred to are not used for the purpose of censuring any one. When apportionment of \$3 per capita was made on the last day of January there were funds to the credit of the available school fund in the treasury department to have permitted only a 67c apportionment. However, in view of the fact that the schools of the state were sorely in need of these funds and anticipated heavy returns to be sent in by tax collectors for the month of January, the \$3 apportionment was made, and at this

time the treasury department is carrying \$1,298,085 of warrants issued under said apportionment. Notwithstanding this large deficit the board, on the last day of February, under direction of the state treasurer, made an apportionment of \$1 per capita. This action, however, was taken because the board again realized that the schools of the state needed this assistance, also anticipating heavy collections within a few days.

"By referring to our records we find that only 126 tax collectors have forwarded their January collections, hence the revenue for this month has been less than anticipated. This is no disparagement to the tax collectors, because they are permitted by special statute to have until the 3d of March to send in their returns for January collections.

"The apportionments are made on the last day of each month, based on the amount that at that time is to the credit of the available school fund in the treasury department, hence it is quite evident, instead of the board of education being slow in getting these funds to the various schools, that really they are making apportionments when there are no funds out of which to pay them; but believing that the best interest of the schools of the state is conserved by the apportionment, same is made anticipating receipt of funds to take care of them."

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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing for and Relating to Equal Suffrage.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 7.

Proposing to amend Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas so that it shall hereafter, in substance, provide that every person, male or female, subject to no constitutional disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall reside in this State one year next preceding an election and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector; provided electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence; declaring that the electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; providing that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before he or she shall offer to vote at any election in this State and hold a receipt showing that poll tax has been paid before the first day of February next preceding such election; declaring that if said voter shall have lost or misplaced such tax receipt, he or she shall be entitled to vote, upon making affidavit that such tax receipt has been lost, which affidavit must be in writing and left with the judge of the election. And declaring that all laws now on the statutes relating to qualified voters and governing and regulating elections shall apply to male and female voters alike; and all laws relating to elections shall remain in full force and effect until changed or modified by the Legislature, and declaring that this amendment to the Constitution shall be self-enacting.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so that hereafter said section shall read as follows, to-wit:

Section 2. Every person, male or female, subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election, and the last six months within the district or county in which he offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector; and all electors shall vote in the election pre-

inct of their residence; provided, that electors living in any unorganized county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and provided further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas shall have paid said tax before he or she offers to vote at any election in this State and hold a receipt showing such poll tax paid before the first day of February next preceding such election. Or if said voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt, he or she shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit shall be made in writing and left with the judge of the election. All laws now on the statutes of this State regulating and relating to qualified voters in both primary and general elections shall apply to and govern and regulate both male and female voters, and shall be in effect until such statutes are changed or amended by the Legislature. And this amendment to the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 3. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election to be held for such purpose on the fourth Saturday in May, A. D. 1919, the same being the twenty-fourth day of said month; at said election, the votes shall be placed on an official ballot which shall have printed or written thereon the words, "For the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters," and also the words, "Against the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters." All voters favoring this proposed constitutional amendment shall erase the words "Against the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas," and those opposing it shall erase the words, "For the amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing qualifications for male and female voters." All ballots cast, as above provided, shall be counted as cast for or against a proposed amendment, and if a majority shall be for the amendment it shall be declared adopted; if a majority of the votes cast shall be against the amendment, said amendment shall be lost. All provisions of the general election laws, as amended and en-

forced at the time said election is held, shall govern in all respects as to the qualifications of the electors, the method of holding such elections, and in all other respects so far as such election laws can be made applicable.

Sec. 4. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for such election and have same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Sec. 5. The sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such proclamation, publication and election.
Geo. F. Howard,
Secretary of State.

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Crockett, Texas, February 14th, 1919.

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Houston County, Texas:
In compliance with law, I herewith hand you my annual report, showing amounts received and disbursed out of the various funds of the County by the County Treasurer, also the amount of outstanding indebtedness of the County as it existed on the 1st day of February, 1919.

COUNTY FUND—3RD CLASS.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$1,826.42	
To amount received since last report.....	3,180.65	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. "A".....	\$3,835.59	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	76.71	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	63.61	
Amount to balance.....	1,031.16	
	5,007.07	5,007.07

Balance \$1,031.16

JURY FUND—1ST CLASS.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$2,359.48	
To amount received since last report.....	540.01	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. B.....	80.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	10.81	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	1.60	
Amount to balance.....	2,807.08	
	2,899.49	2,899.49

Balance \$2,807.08

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL COUNTY FUND—3RD CLASS.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 845.85	
To amount received since last report.....	1,144.73	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. C.....	\$1,110.25	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	22.89	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	22.20	
Amount to balance.....	835.24	
	1,990.58	1,990.58

Balance \$ 835.24

JAIL BUILDING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 359.40	
To amount received since last report.....	208.13	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	\$ 4.16	
Amount to balance.....	563.37	
	567.53	567.53

Balance \$ 563.37

ROAD AND BRIDGE CURRENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 28.05	
To amount received since last report.....	22.95	
By amount overdrawn last report.....	\$ 2.95	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. E.....	15.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.01	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	30	
Amount to balance.....	31.74	
	51.00	51.00

Balance \$ 31.74

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 1 FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 154.98	
To amount received since last report.....	72.87	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. F.....	\$ 234.76	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.46	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	4.69	
Amount to balance.....	13.06	
	240.91	240.91

Balance, overdrawn..... \$ 13.06

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 2 FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 78.17	
To amount received since last report.....	21.76	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. G.....	\$ 138.40	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	45	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	2.75	
Amount to balance.....	41.67	
	141.60	141.60

Balance, overdrawn..... \$ 41.67

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 3 FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 38.13	
To amount received since last report.....	152.59	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. H.....	\$ 77.90	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	3.05	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	1.56	
Amount to balance.....	108.21	
	190.72	190.72

Balance \$ 108.21

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 4 FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 66.87	
To amount received since last report.....	83.17	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. I.....	\$ 22.21	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	1.66	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.44	
Amount to balance.....	125.73	
	150.04	150.04

Balance \$ 125.73

ROAD AND BRIDGE SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 94.07	
To amount received since last report.....	208.13	
By amount paid out since last report.....	\$ 4.16	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	298.04	
Amount to balance.....	302.20	
	302.20	302.20

Balance \$ 298.04

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 1, ROAD TAX.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 104.40	
To amount received since last report.....	230.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. J.....	\$ 9.60	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.00	
Amount to balance.....	320.80	
	334.40	334.40

Balance \$ 320.80

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 2, ROAD TAX.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 15.68	
To amount received since last report.....	225.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. K.....	\$ 24.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	4.50	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.48	
Amount to balance.....	211.70	
	240.68	240.68

Balance \$ 211.70

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OIL SUPPLY 40 PER CENT EXHAUSTED

Secretary of Interior Furnishes Senate Committee With Figures.

Washington, March 2.—Forty per cent of the total known oil supply in the United States, exclusive of oil shale deposits in three states, has been exhausted, according to estimates transmitted by Secretary Lane to the senate commerce committee, in compliance with a resolution presented by Senator Ransdell of Louisiana, and made public today by the committee. Up to last Jan. 1, Mr. Lane said, a total of 4,598,000,000 barrels had been produced, while the known available oil resources, not counting the shale deposits, in the ground and in field storage, were estimated at 6,740,000,000 barrels. Distillation of shale deposits in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming, however, would produce 70,000,000,000 barrels of oil, the secretary said.

In response to the same resolution Secretary Daniels informed the committee that 4,000,000 barrels of fuel oil will be required by the navy in 1919, while 31,309,000 barrels would be needed by the shipping board. Most of the oil for the navy department, he said, comes from the mid-continent field in Kansas, Oklahoma and Northern Texas, while some is obtained from the gulf coast field.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

Two weeks ago we mailed notices to quite a few of our subscribers advising them of the fact that their subscription to the Herald had expired. The greater majority of them responded and paid their paper in advance, the balance we dropped

from our list last week.

The Herald subscription list is now on a strictly pay in advance system, and we believe that the greater majority of our readers had rather have it that way, and on account of the high cost of paper, we are going to keep the plan as was first ordered by the war department as a paper saving measure.

We want all the subscribers we can possibly get, and appreciate every one of them, but the newspaper business is not very lucrative at its best, and the price of paper now forbids to give any away, simply because

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PEACE EXPECTED IN FEW MONTHS

Territorial Questions Only Delicate Problem Yet to Be Settled at Paris.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Further important expressions of opinion on the league of nations came Thursday from President Wilson in his conferences at the capitol, from Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, chairman of the foreign relations committee, in an address to the senate, and from senators and representatives who attended the dinner Wednesday night at the White House.

President Wilson expressed confidence in the success of the plan. He also let it be known that he has every expectation of the conclusion of peace within a few months. He said that territorial adjustments presented the most delicate problem remaining. Work on all other questions, he stated, is rapidly nearing completion.

The president declared that in no particular did the proposed constitution of the league conflict with the American constitution or with the Monroe doctrine. He also said he had in mind only one amendment, designed to clarify the clause dealing with enforcement of territorial decrees.

Mr. Wilson was said to have indicated that he was reluctant to reopen the league constitution before the peace conference. He was represented as feeling that with the document approved unanimously by 14 powers after many weeks' deliberation, it would be inadvisable to reopen the negotiations unless changes proposed were fundamental. The change he has in mind was not so classed by the executive.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution, Giving the Legislature Power to Give or Lend, or Authorize the Giving or Lending, of the Credit of the State for the Purpose of Assisting Citizens, Heads of Families, to Acquire or Improve Their Homes.

House Joint Resolution No. 19.

To amend Section 50, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, to provide that the Legislature shall have power to give or lend, or authorize the giving or lending, of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve their homes; authorizing the State to acquire, improve, sell or lease real estate or assist such citizens to acquire or improve their homes upon terms and conditions prescribed by the Legislature; authorizing the Legislature to create such agencies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this section; providing that obligations created under this section shall never be taxed; and providing that the Legislature shall have authority to provide a method of securing any deferred payments for lands purchased hereunder, and that such obligations shall be secured in addition to the usual liens by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land; and providing that the Legislature shall have no power to relieve any person from any obligation entered into under this provision or any statute enacted thereunder; and providing for the classification of lands acquired under this Act, and limiting acreage sold to any one person where lands are classed as agricultural.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 50 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended that the same will read and hereafter be as follows:

Sec. 50. The Legislature shall have no power to give or to lend, or to authorize the giving or lending, of the credit of the State in aid of or to any person, association, or corporation, whether municipal or other, or to pledge the credit of the State in any manner whatsoever, for the payment of the liabilities, present or prospective, of any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporation, whatsoever, except that the Legislature shall have the power to

SAYS OPPOSITION IS REACTIONARY

Speaker Characterizes Three Opposing Senators as Destructive Critics.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 25.—William Howard Taft, former president of the United States, and Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey, were the featured speakers at the first day's session of the continent section of the National Conference for a League of Nations, which opened today and will continue tomorrow. The Southern congress will open at Atlanta Thursday. Conferences have been held in New York, Boston, Chicago, Minneapolis, Portland, San Francisco and Salt Lake City.

The Odeon, a hall seating 2,500 persons, could not accommodate the crowds. The former president of the United States referred to Senators Reed, Poindexter and Borah as "reactionaries." He termed them destructive critics. He declared they were not in search of a solution of a difficulty that "we in common with the other nations at the Paris conference have to meet—and solve."

The audience hissed the names of the senators mentioned. Mr. Taft predicted that the United States would be drawn into another great war if the covenant of permanent peace is refused and issued a challenge to those who have opposed the proposal of the league.

The former chief executive of the United States was interrupted during his speech by Dr. Henry W. Curtin of this city, who has been active in local Irish societies.

"There are two kinds of bolshevism, the proletarian bolshevism of Russia and the imperialistic bolshevism of England. The league of nations contains the seeds of bolshevism. Have you heard of Ireland being granted self-determination? We want a peace based on justice. Every nation must have the right to rule itself." The interruption caused much excitement. Mr. Taft ordered the police to not eject the man, as he said he wanted to answer him.

"The fourteen nations in Paris," said Mr. Taft, "are met for the purpose of drawing up a treaty of peace by nations that were at war with Germany and settling the sphere in which that war was fought."

"They are met under conditions that forever bar the consideration at that conference of anything internal in those nations. The American people have deeply sympathized with the wrongs of Ireland in the past. They have recognized the sincere efforts of British statesmen to help Ireland. And Ireland has been helped as no other part of the British Empire has been helped. The land laws of Ireland have been greatly improved, so that today the Irish farmer is more prosperous than any other farmer in the whole British kingdom. The people of America have sympathized with Ireland as between Ireland and Scotland and England with reference to home rule. The question of the form of government which shall prevail is a question of internal government by Great Britain, and whatsoever the views of the American citizens on that subject, a man who seeks to inject it at Paris is not an American patriot. In other words, our president is there to accomplish as much as he can, and we have no right to embarrass him by urging him to take up a matter in that conference that is not within the legitimate jurisdiction of that conference. I hold no brief for England in her controversy with the Irish subjects, or what government she should allow or give to them, but what I do say is that many measures of public progress have been defeated by unthinking enthusiasts. I renew my challenge to those who object to this league to produce the machinery that shall meet the crisis that we now confront in the sphere of war."

give or to lend, or to authorize the giving or lending, of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting native born or naturalized citizens who are heads of families and who will become in good faith actual occupants, to acquire or improve their homes; and for this purpose the State is authorized to acquire, improve, sell or lease real estate or assist such citizens to acquire or improve their homes upon such terms and conditions and in such manner and subject to such limitations as the Legislature may from time to time prescribe. Provided that no land shall be acquired by the State under the terms of this amendment to the Constitution until the said lands are examined, and the value of said lands is appraised and ascertained as to its actual value for agricultural purposes, by a commission hereby authorized, composed of the Governor, Attorney General, Land Commissioner, Comptroller of Public Accounts and the State Treasurer; and their report shall be available to all prospective land purchasers. The Legislature shall have authority to create by law such agencies as may be deemed necessary to effect the purposes of the Act. Obligations created under this section shall never be taxed, and the Legislature shall have

authority to provide a method of securing deferred payments for lands purchased hereunder, and in addition to the usual liens may secure the same by an annual assessment collected as a tax against the land; provided, however, the Legislature shall have no power to relieve any person from any obligation entered into with the State under this provision or any statute enacted hereunder. The terms of this Act shall not apply, or be extended to any person who is not a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas and who has not been such citizen at least two years prior to the extension of such aid, nor shall the terms of this Act ever be applied to any lands outside of the State of Texas. Provided further that all land acquired by the State under the provisions of this section for which the State may lend its credit shall be classed as agricultural lands or otherwise, and if classed as agricultural lands, then no more than 200 acres shall be sold to any one person under the provisions herein.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Texas at an election to be held throughout the State on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1919, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment to Section 50, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the Legislature shall have power to give or lend or authorize the giving or lending of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve their homes," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Section 50, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that the Legislature shall have power to give or lend or authorize the giving or lending of the credit of the State for the purpose of assisting citizens who are heads of families to acquire or improve their homes."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of \$5000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election. George F. Howard, Secretary of State.

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varas to a Pine mkd X for corner. Thence South 54 West 170 varas to North West corner of a 12 7-10 acre tract. Thence South 58 1-4 East with said tract 452 varas to stake for corner. Thence North 54 East 90 varas pass corner at 924 varas to stake for corner a Hickory mkd X for witness tree. Thence North 35 West 410 varas to P O mkd X for corner. Thence South 54 West 224 varas rock for corner. Thence North 35 1-2 West 846 varas to corner on the Chamar and Bozeman league line R O 16 in mkd X brs N 8 1-2 E 4 1-5 vrs Do S 10 E 1 4-5 vrs. Thence south 54 West 712 varas to place of beginning; plaintiff's original petition sets out in detail all of the deeds and other instruments under and by virtue of which plaintiff claims title to said land.

Plaintiff alleges that he and those under whom he claims title to said land have been in the actual, continuous, peaceable and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same under deeds duly registered, paying all taxes due thereon for periods of five and ten years, respectively, next before the filing of this suit, and plaintiff specially pleads the five and ten years Statutes of Limitation in bar of any claims asserted by the defendants to said land; plaintiff alleges that there is no title on record out of H. W. Bozeman, the original grantee, of said property, and that plaintiff does not know that the parties purporting to convey same are either the heirs of H. W. Bozeman or the sole and only heirs of H. W. Bozeman, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title; plaintiff alleges that the deed from J. M. Jordan and wife to W. J. Bartee conveying a part of said land does not specifically name the wife in either the body of the deed or certificate of acknowledgment, although the wife signs the same, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title, and that the other and further claims of the defendants in and to said property are unknown to plaintiff.

Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds therefrom, and for general and special relief. Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919. V. B. Tunstall,

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A TIME EXTENSION DESIRABLE.

The new law providing for collection of income taxes has been in effect such a short time that the government has not had time to prepare blanks for corporations to fill out in filing their returns, and even the blanks for individual returns on incomes of more than \$5000 have not been distributed. But under the ruling of the treasury department that all returns must be filed by March 15, only fifteen days are left in which taxpayers may file without incurring heavy penalties.

Senator New of Indiana, however, has introduced in the senate a joint resolution, which is now pending, providing for an extension of time for filing tax returns thirty days, or making April 15 the last day upon which they may be filed. The adoption of this resolution would greatly relieve the situation, and in view of the fact that the government itself is not ready to collect the tax because it has failed to have blanks for filing returns completed, it is difficult to see how congress can avoid granting the extension of the time.

It is a physical impossibility for the large corporations, with extensive interests in various parts of the country, to complete their returns between now and March 15, even were the blanks available. The filling out of the blanks is one of the most complicated pieces of business that the corporations have been called upon to transact. It is difficult enough for the individual or small business man, and as the corporations are to pay a large percentage of the tax they are certainly entitled to the time necessary to make their returns.

To be sure, the treasury department has ruled that a corporation may make a return on an estimated tax, paying the first quarterly installment by March 15 on the amount estimated to be due, and may then file a complete revised return within forty-five days and receive the proper credit. This is unsatisfactory because it will require time and labor even to make an estimate on the returns, and will simply mean more expense and trouble for both the corporations and the treasury department itself.

This new income tax is the largest in the history of the country. It is going deep down into the pockets of the people and of business interests. The law providing for its collection carries with it unusual fines and penalties. Considering the complicated nature of the tax re-

turns, and the drastic penalties for failure in making returns, justice to those who must pay this enormous tax demands that they be given time and opportunity to comply with the law.—Houston Post.

AN UNOFFICIAL HERO.

Corporal Rufus Shelton was a Fannin county boy who fell in France. In a pocket of his uniform the following letter was found, addressed to his mother, as printed in the Honey Grove Signal:

"Dear Mother: I am writing these few lines that in case I do not return you may know how I feel about the war. Mamma, we are about to enter into the first drive that the United States has made and I am sure it will be a great success—in fact, I know it will. There are some of us that will not live through it, but, mamma, the reason I am writing you these few lines is to let you know that I am willing to give my life gladly and I think very little of the man who would not. For me to fall on the field of honor I know would hurt you, but not like it would if you knew I was not giving my life freely for my country and that I am leading a better life—a life that when the Lord calls me I am ready to go. Mother, we may not meet on earth again, but some day we will meet and there will be no sorrows there. And if I go, mother, in my last minutes on earth my thoughts will be of the dear little mother who has fought the battles of life for the last fourteen years—long years—to raise me to where I am now. I have gone through many hardships since I have been over here that I did not look like I could go through, but I went through them all O. K. and I am glad I have. I have always tried to do my duty and be as cheerful as I could. It does not matter what hardships I have gone through I could not compare them with yours or what you have suffered for me. I know I am not worth half the trouble you have endured for me, but if I had lived to come back and show the world that I could be somebody, and most of all to show mother how much I love her. With love to mother, I remain your son. God keep and bless you until we meet again.

"Corporal Rufus Shelton."

SOUTH MUST GROW ITS FOOD SUPPLY.

Because of the great increase in wheat acreage which has been made at the expense of corn in States where corn and wheat may be grown to advantage, Clarence Ousley, assistant secretary of agriculture, warns the Southern farmers that they should make sure of their food and feed supplies in planning their crops this year. He calls attention to the increasing evidence that the demand for cotton is uncertain and gives reports on the wheat, corn and other food crop acreages in several States to show that it is necessary for the Southern farmers to play safe by producing as much of their own food and feed as possible.

In a statement just given out Mr. Ousley says:

"In recent statements to Texas farmers I venture the guess that the spring wheat acreage is likely to be considerably increased over last year, because of the guaranteed price for wheat without a guaranteed price for any other crop, and I assumed that such increase in spring wheat will be at the expense of corn acreage.

"My expectation is receiving confirmation in unofficial but reliable reports coming to the department of agriculture such as the following:

"Illinois—Due to guaranteed price, acreage will be largely increased at

expense of corn, oats and meadows. "Michigan—Large acreage contemplated this year because of excellent yield last season.

"Missouri—If weather and soil conditions are right during the next four weeks a large acreage will be sown. "Colorado—Indications promise large acreage.

"Washington—The rain of the past two weeks will greatly benefit soil for spring wheat.

"As will be remembered the corn acreage last year was considerably reduced below the acreage of 1917. The winter wheat acreage is some 7,000,000 greater than the acreage last year, and no small part of this increase is at the expense of corn in States where corn or wheat can be planted to equal advantage.

"This all confirms the view that Southern farmers should make sure of food and feed supplies. The condition of soil has delayed corn planting in many sections, but there are late varieties which can be utilized or other feed crops can be substituted. On the other hand, evidence multiplies that the demand for cotton is uncertain."

ON WITH THE DANCE!

When things slow down a bit, and there's nothing much to write about but weather and the cotton acreage, State Press has only to thrash around a little with his heels, and lo! somebody's toes are stepped on—after which there is something doing. One day last week while suffering the exactions of a severe attack of ennui, S. P. wrote a small defense of the dance. It wasn't a long piece, nor particularly scholarly—just average prose literature. But it was enough. It got results, a surprised and pained epistle. "You say," laments the customer, "that dancing is a universal pastime. I do not believe the statement. As to this community, there are over 3,000 people here, and I doubt if you could find three dozen people here that dance." All right! But S. P. said universal, not unanimous. Quite a difference in the two words.

And if the dance is as demoralizing as the brother allows, then he is to be congratulated upon living in a danceless community—where there are no scandals, no whisperings, no shrugs of shoulders. Another good customer writes in a quite vigorous manner and hauls S. P. over the coals until the atmosphere grows redolent of fried meat. The brother makes about as good a prosecution of the dance as anybody makes, but he, like most of the dance's enemies, appears to assume that a dance indulged in by young ladies and young gentlemen is the same as one conducted by frankly immoral men and women. As a rule, men and women frankly immoral dance little. They prefer to drink and go joy-riding. People who are not light-hearted care little for the dance, perhaps because they dance badly, and debauchees are never light-hearted. A lady is a lady, whether in the ballroom tripping the light fantastic or in the back yard doing the week's wash. Another kind reader writes in to take sides with State Press. She admits having been married more than thirty years, says she has danced all her life and never felt mean or believed she was bad. Then, from an unknown source, there came an illustrated brochure entitled "Light on the Dance," and composed by a gentleman of the name of Ham. The pictures are gripping—at least there are illustrations of dances in which the partners appear to be trying to break each other in two. And they seem to be drunk. State Press has never attended that kind of a dance, but Brother Ham evidently knows what he is doing when he writes an anti-dance book. He must have got his ideas of the dance from a Coney Island steamboat party. Primitive men and women, as in "Bible times," do not dance together. But their sex morals are and were rotten. Salome danced solo. Solomon never danced at all.—Galveston News.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Prohibiting the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

House Joint Resolution No. 1. A resolution proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas, by amending Article 16, Section 20 thereof by striking out and repealing said section and substituting in lieu thereof a new Section 20, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter or exchange in the State of Texas of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters capa-

ble of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever, except for medicinal, mechanical, scientific or sacramental purposes, and providing that the Legislature shall enact laws to enforce this section; providing that until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different regulations on the subject the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever, for medicinal purposes shall be made only in cases of actual sickness, and then only upon prescription of a regular practicing physician, subject to certain regulations with reference to the same; providing that this amendment shall be self-operative, and until the Legislature shall provide other or different penalties, the violation of any part of this constitutional provision shall be deemed a felony punishable by confinement in the penitentiary for a term of years specified, without the benefit of any law providing for suspended sentence; conferring authority upon the District Courts and judges thereof, under their equity powers, to issue upon suit of the Attorney General injunctions against infractions or threatened infractions of any part of this constitutional provision; providing that, without affecting the provisions herein, intoxicating liquors are declared to be subject to the general police power of this State; declaring that the Legislature shall have power to pass any additional prohibitory laws in aid thereof which it may deem advisable; fixing the time for the election for the adoption or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment and prescribing certain rules and regulations with reference to the same; declaring that the provisions of the General Election Law shall govern in all respects as to qualification of electors and method of holding the election and in all other respects where applicable; directing proclamation for the election and making certain provisions for the election and ballots thereof and method of voting; prescribing certain duties for the Governor of the State; and making an appropriation to carry out this resolution.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by striking out and repealing Section 20 thereof and substituting in lieu of said Section 20 the following:

Sec. 20. (a) The manufacture, sale, barter and exchange in the State of Texas, of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever except for medicinal, mechanical, scientific or sacramental purposes, are each and all hereby prohibited.

The Legislature shall enact laws to enforce this section.

(b) Until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different regulations on the subject, the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters, capable of producing intoxication, or any other intoxicant whatever, for medicinal purposes shall be made only in cases of actual sickness, and then only upon the prescription of a regular practicing physician, subject to the regulations applicable to sales under prescriptions in prohibited territory by virtue of Article 598, Chapter 7, Title 11, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas.

(c) This amendment is self-operative, and until the Legislature shall prescribe other or different penalties, any person, acting for himself or in behalf of another, or in behalf of any partnership, corporation or association of persons, who shall, after the adoption of this amendment, violate any part of this constitutional provision shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and shall, upon conviction in a prosecution commenced, carried on and concluded in the manner prescribed by law in cases of felonies, be punished by confinement in the penitentiary for a period of time not less than one year nor more than five years, without the benefit of any law provided for suspended sentence. And the district courts and the judges thereof, under their equity powers, shall have the authority to issue, upon suit of the Attorney General, injunctions against infractions or threatened infractions of any part of this constitutional provision.

(d) Without affecting the provisions herein, intoxicating liquors are declared to be subject to the general police power of the State; and the Legislature shall have the power to pass any additional prohibitory laws, or laws in aid thereof, which it may deem advisable.

(e) Liability for violating any liquor laws in force at the time of the adoption of this amendment shall not be affected by this amendment, and all remedies, civil and criminal, for such violations shall be preserved.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the fourth Saturday in May, being the twenty-fourth day thereof, A. D. 1919. At said election, the vote shall be by official ballot, which shall have printed or written at the top thereof in plain letters the words, "Official Ballot." Said ballot shall have also written or printed thereon the words, "For Prohibition," and the words, "Against Prohibition." All voters favoring said proposed

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One Calotab on the tongue at bed time, with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, pleasure or work. Next morning your liver is active, your system is purified, and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Druggists sell Calotabs only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your money will be cheerfully refunded if you do not find them delightful. (Adv.)

amendment shall erase the words "Against Prohibition" by making a mark through the same, and those opposing it shall erase the words, "For Prohibition," by making a mark through the same.

If a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be "For Prohibition," said amendment shall be declared adopted. If a majority of the votes shall be "Against Prohibition," said amendment shall be lost, and so declared.

All the provisions of the General Election Laws as amended and in force at the time of said election is held shall govern in all respects as to the qualifications of the electors, the method of holding such election, and all other respects, so far as such election laws can be made applicable.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Sec. 4. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such proclamation and election.

Geo. F. Howard,
Secretary of State.

(A true copy.) 4t.

Notice by Publication.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. In Probate Court.

The State of Texas,
To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, at least once a week for two consecutive weeks before the return day hereof, the following notice:

The State of Texas,
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of George Wilson Beeson:

T. W. Thompson filed in the County Court of Houston County, Texas, on the 24th day of February, 1919, an application to probate the last will and testament of said George Wilson Beeson, and for letters testamentary on the estate of said George Wilson Beeson, which said proceeding will be heard by said Court on the 5th day May, 1919, at the Court House of said County, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said proceeding, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett, Texas, this 24th day of February, 1919. A. E. Owens,
Clerk, County Court, Houston County, Texas.

By W. D. Collins, Deputy. 2t.

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BLANKS NOW READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

Some time ago it was announced that a record would be made of each soldier or sailor who enlisted or was drafted from Houston county in the great war and the record kept in a permanent form in the county clerk's office. This record is to be made and kept as a matter of justice to the brave young men who served their country when the services of brave men were needed, and for the information of future generations. The blanks for obtaining these records are now ready for distribution and the following named gentlemen will receive a supply of them and are earnestly requested to see every returned soldier and sailor in their respective neighborhoods and obtain a complete history of each one's war record from the date of enlistment to date of discharge on one of these blanks and forward the completed blanks to Hon. A. E. Owens, County Clerk:

Crockett—Nat Patton, D. O. Kiessling, C. W. Butler.
Grapeland—Murdock Darsey, C. W. Kennedy.
Lovelady—W. H. Collins, C. B. Moore.
Kennard—Hugh English, Claibe Lattimer.
Ratcliff—Bob Conner, Frank Weimer.
Augusta—A. S. Moore.
Weldon—W. H. Mangum, Mr. Carroll.
Weches—Will Vaught.
Fodice—D. McCullough.
Creek—J. D. McCullough Jr.
Porter Springs—J. G. Webb.
Ash—L. J. Knox.
Arbor—Dr. M. A. Thomas.
Belott—Geo. Parker.
Blanks will be sent to each of the above named gentlemen as soon as possible, but if any of them are in Crockett in the next

few days or before they receive the blanks they are requested to call at the county clerk's office for a supply.

It is exceedingly important, if the record is to be of value, that every soldier and sailor who went from Houston county be seen, no matter how long or how short his service may have been or whether he reached France or not, and the record of his service obtained. Where a soldier or sailor was killed in battle or died in service obtain his record from his parents or nearest relative.
I. A. Daniel.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon William Taylor by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, on the 4th Monday in March, A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of March, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 7791, wherein Ella Taylor is plaintiff, and William Taylor is defendant, and said petition alleging that on or about the 17th day of October, 1910, in Houston County, Texas, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant and that they lived together as husband and wife until the day of March, 1913, when defendant, without excuse, left the bed and board of plaintiff, with intention of permanent abandonment and has not lived with her since; that plaintiff was dutiful wife to defendant; wherefore she sues for a divorce from defendant.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal

LETTER FROM PRVT. SALLIE J. CHERRY

Commercy Meuse, France,
January 28, 1919.

Miss Hula Gossett:
Just yesterday afternoon the postman handed me a letter from you which was written January 4, 1919. Now then you ask me to tell you something of this country. First of all I want to say that the weather is awful disagreeable at the present time as the ground is covered with ice and snow.

When we landed in Brest, France, on October 20, Sunday evening about 3:30, you can just imagine how we all rejoiced, for we had been on the ocean fourteen long days and nights, and they were long days, too. We unloaded the next morning about 9 o'clock and, to our great surprise, we found that Sunny France was knee deep in mud and water. But, nevertheless, with that 70-pound pack on our backs, we pulled through four miles of it to our rest camp, and it raining on us all the way. We got out there about 1 p. m., soaking wet and hungry, for we had breakfast that morning at 4. So the cooks, Joe Savage, Bert Smith and four K. P.s, prepared us a lunch of corn beef and baker's bread. Well, we relished that for the time, and about 7 p. m. we had our night lunch. Then we all began to unroll our packs and spread our blankets for our night's rest. I say rest, but we did not rest, for we tried to cough our heads off from being exposed that day.

But the hardest call of all was when the bugler got us up at 5 a. m. the next morning. I believe the army's process of hardening a man is to freeze him stiff. So that's the way we were that morning—froze stiff. Yes, they told us we were going to a rest camp for a few days, and we did. Out of the five days and nights we were there we got 24 hours rest. All the rest of our time was spent on guard duty and details. Then came orders on the sixth night for us to roll our packs for a four day and night journey in side-door sleepers. Don't suppose you know what side-door sleepers are, and will leave it to you to guess. All the soldiers in France can tell you what they are. To our surprise we landed in Bour Bonne, Les Bains, on the fourth day. Our captain began to look up our billets among the civilian population of the town. He found us a place and we threw those packs off, and how hungry we were you can't imagine. About 4 p. m. we got our dinner and after that into our billets we went till the next morning—out for revielle at 5.

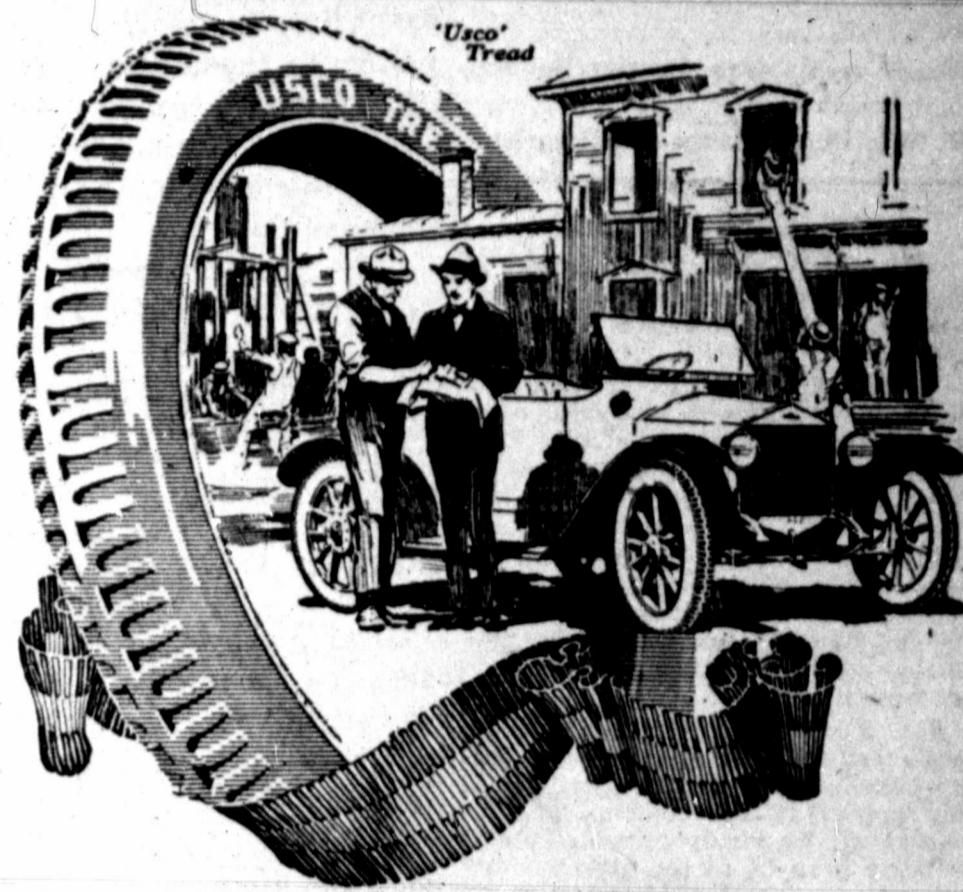
After we had our breakfast at 6, then our daily task. Marched us out to where the 3rd cavalry were stationed in barracks. There we were kept busy with them, and, no joke, the mud was knee deep, and how muddy we were by night! Grumbling by custom, cheerful by nature and taking things as we came to them!

We were stationed there about one and one-half weeks. Then came orders for us to move for Commercy Meuse, our present location, which is a real nice French town of 7,886 population. We are quartered in the La-Chateau, which is a stone building in the shape of a horseshoe, built in the year of 823 A. D. So you see this is a real old city.

Most of us boys are not doing anything—only get our skates and go for a little pastime with the mademoiselle for the evening. You wouldn't know Cherry now. I weigh more now than I ever did.

Hoping this will find you well and enjoying life, I am
Your friend,
Prvt. Sallie J. Cherry,
335 Field Remount Squadron.

of said Court, at office in Crockett, this the 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.
V. B. Tunstall, Clerk,
District Court, Houston County.
By J. B. Stanton, Deputy. 4t.



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Notice by Publication.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. In Probate Court.

The State of Texas,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, at least once a week for twenty consecutive days before the return day hereof, the following notice:

The State of Texas,
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of W. L. Barbee, deceased:

Whereas, Guy Cater, administrator of the estate of W. L. Barbee, deceased, has filed with this court an exhibit showing the condition of said estate; and with said exhibit has filed application to sell a part of the real property belonging to said estate, which real property is described as follows, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situated in the county of Houston, State of Texas, and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at Robert Parker's N. W. corner on the Moses Gregg league on branch a pin oak 12 in. dia. mkd. X. Thence N. 1495 vrs. to Bussell's N. E. corner a red oak 20 in. dia. brs. S. 6 W. 9 2-5 vrs. a post oak 16 in. dia. brs. S. 25 E. 9 2-5 vrs. Thence S. 62 1-2 E. 1085 vrs. to stake a post

oak 30 in. dia. brs. S. 82 W. 6 vrs., another 14 in. dia. brs. S. 29 E. 4 3-5 vrs. Thence S. 1 1-2 E. 1210 vrs. to the creek a red oak 24 in. dia. brs. N. 29 E. 5 2-5 vrs., another 30 in. dia. brs. N. 62 W. 5 2-5 vrs. Thence up said creek to mouth of branch. Thence up said branch with meanders of each on general course of N. 78 1-4 W. 1014 vrs. to the beginning, containing 232 acres of land out of the Moses Gregg survey, abstract No. 36, which said proceeding will be heard by said Court on the 5th day of May, 1919, at the Court House of said County, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said proceeding, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett, Texas, this 17th day of February, 1919. A. E. Owens, Clerk, County Court, Houston County, Texas. 3t.

Lost—One small, brown mare, about 8 years old, branded on hip. Liberal reward for information leading to recovery.

Dolph Zachary,
Crockett, Texas. 2t.

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The biggest value in refreshment you can possibly buy.

A BENEFIT to teeth, breath, appetite and digestion.

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BILLION DOLLAR WHEAT GUARANTEE BILL IS PASSED

Administration Measure Is Put
Through Early—Filibuster
Charged.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The administration bill appropriating \$1,000,000,000 to fulfill the government's guarantee of wheat prices to the farmers for the 1919 crop was passed at 12:30 o'clock this morning by the senate, without material amendment and now goes to conference.

Charges that the republicans are conducting a filibuster in an effort to delay transaction of business was made on the senate floor tonight by Senator Owen of Oklahoma, democrat, during consideration of the wheat guarantee bill.

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, republican, denied the accusation and declared that since the Oklahoma senator, as well as Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, has devoted three-quarters of the day to discussing an "academic subject" it was "effrontery" to charge the republicans with delaying transaction of business.

University Interscholastic League.

School boys and girls from every section of Texas will gather in Austin during the first week of May to determine championship in spelling, declamation, debate, and all manner of athletic contests under the Interscholastic League. The meet for this district, which consists of Liberty, San Jacinto, Polk, Trinity and Houston counties, will be held at Livingston, Texas, April 11 and 12. Big preparations are being made by the Livingston public school and prizes will be given to the winners of various contests. A large loving-cup goes to the school that wins in declamation.

The 2000 boys and girls who come to participate in the final contests at Austin have been selected by gruelling process of elimination, beginning in the particular school from which they come, then the county contest, and finally the district con-

test, before they are eligible for the state contests which decide the championship.

Every school in Texas below college rank can and should become a member of this league. Bulletins containing the rules governing each of the contests, the manner of conducting them and all other necessary information may be had free of charge upon request to Dr. E. D. Shurter, chairman, University Station, Austin, Texas, or to E. A. Moers, Director General for the District, Livingston, Texas.

By means of the Extension Loan Library and specially prepared bulletins, material for the debates and declamation contests is furnished those who are preparing to enter the contests.

The county and district contests have proved to be the most successful school rallies ever held. Older boys who are about to drop out of school have their interest in things quickened, parents catch the enthusiasm of the teachers and pupils, and the whole community is benefited.

The subject for debate is always some live public question in which the people should be interested. The question for this year is, "Resolved, that the universal military training similar to the Swiss system should be adopted in the United States, constitutionality granted." Each contestant must prepare on both sides of the question, reliable information being furnished him by the extension department. Just as the contests in debate, declamation, essay-writing and spelling are highly instructive, so the various contests in athletics are entertaining and teach many of the greatest lessons that life has to teach—the lessons of self-control, fairness, courage and social leadership.

All teachers should grasp the opportunity at once and prepare the pupils for the county meet. Material is always available and it is a teacher's patriotic duty to push this work. The pupils who take part are fitting themselves for places of prominence. They become leaders by participation in these contests, and they will remain leaders in their counties, districts and state. So all teachers should start at once on some of the work and be ready for the county meet, and later for the district meet at Livingston. Some of the largest and strongest schools in the district are in Houston county, and the teachers should try to keep Houston county on the top and win most of the prizes at Livingston.

Notice by Publication.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. In Probate Court.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, in a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, at least once a week for three consecutive weeks before the return day hereof, the following notice:

The State of Texas, To All Persons Interested in the Welfare of John R. King, a Minor:

On the 1st day of June, 1918, Walker King, guardian of the estate of said John R. King, a minor, filed in the County Court, Houston County, his annual account showing the condition of said minor's estate, which said proceeding will be heard by said Court on the 5th day of May, 1919, at the Court House of said County, in Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said minor's welfare are required to appear and answer said proceeding, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next regular term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crockett, Texas, this 21st day of February, 1919.

A. E. Owens, Clerk, County Court, Houston County, Texas. By W. D. Collins, Deputy.

Campaign Against Swindlers.

Washington, Feb. 25.—War department and postoffice officials are planning a vigorous campaign against swindlers seeking to defraud relatives of soldiers through false telegrams and letters.

The swindler obtains the names of relatives of a soldier from the published casualty lists. A telegram signed in the soldier's name is sent saying he is free to come home if his relatives wire money. Sometimes relatives are asked to send the money to the soldier, care of general delivery at the city postoffice.

Farmers, Figure! FERTILIZE!

Owing to high prices, we are making farmers closest figures on fertilizer we have ever made and it will pay you to see us before buying, or compare others' analysis and prices with the following, which we offer as long as our supply lasts:

	Phosphoric Acid Percent	Nitrogen Percent	Potash Percent	Price
Crockett Phosphate Meal Mixture	11	1.65	0	\$40.00
Crockett Compound	9	3.50	1	\$55.00
Crockett 16 percent Acid Phosphate, 200-lb. sacks	16	0	0	\$30.00
Crockett 16 percent Acid Phosphate, 100-lb. sacks	16	0	0	\$31.00

The above will save you from \$3.00 to \$6.00 per ton and give you better goods.

We have a few sacks of peanut meal for sale.

Houston County Oil Mill and Manufacturing Company

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of M. J. Chamar, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Samora, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Levi W. Lawler, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Third Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Third Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Crockett, Texas, on the fourth Monday in March, A. D. 1919, the same being the 24th day of March, A. D. 1919, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1919, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 5774, wherein J. H. Borchers is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of M. J. Chamar, deceased, the unknown heirs of Mary Samora, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Levi W. Lawler, deceased, are defendants, and said petition alleging that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described tracts of land situated in Houston County, Texas, same being a part of the M. J. Chamar League, and described as follows:

FIRST TRACT containing 58 acres and beginning at the South East corner of the S. C. Hiroms' homestead tract, a Sweet Gum 10 in dia brs E 22 E 2 varas mkd X. Thence North 35 West with said East line 1302 varas a stake a B J 10 in dia brs N 40 1-2 W 2 8-10 varas mkd X. Thence South 55 West 268 varas stake a P O 6 in dia brs S 52 W 2 1-2 varas. Thence South 35 East 1230 varas stake on North Bank Cane Bayou a Pin Oak 8 in dia brs 64 E 6 6-10 varas mkd X. Thence up the North Bank of Cane Bayou to the place of beginning; and

SECOND TRACT containing 2 acres and beginning at the North East corner of the aforesaid S. C. Hiroms survey a B J 6 in dia brs N 10 varas. Thence West with the North West line of same 86 yards to where said line intersects the North Boundary line of same. Thence South, East and North a sufficient distance so as to include the said two acres of land; plaintiff's original petition sets out in

detail all of the deeds and other instruments under and by virtue of which plaintiff claims title to said land.

Plaintiff alleges that he and those under whom he claims title to said land have been in the actual, continuous, peaceable and adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same under deeds duly registered, paying all taxes due thereon for periods of five years and ten years, respectively, next before the filing of this suit, and plaintiff specially pleads the five and ten years Statutes of Limitation in bar of any claims asserted by the defendants to said land; plaintiff alleges that there is no title on record out of M. J. Chamar, the original grantee, of said property, which casts a cloud on plaintiff's title, and that the other and further claims of the defendants in and to said property are unknown to plaintiff.

Plaintiff prays judgment for said land, removing all clouds therefrom, and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Crockett, Texas, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.

V. B. Tunstall, Clerk, District Court, Houston County. By J. B. Stanton, Deputy. 4t.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13.

A resolution to amend Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as follows: Strike out the words "Four Thousands," found in the third line of Section 5, and insert in lieu thereof the words "Ten Thousand," and adding after the word "furniture" the words, "and this clause shall be self-enacting," and making an appropriation to pay necessary expenses hereof.

Be it Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section No. 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 5. Article IV. Governor's Salary and Mansion.—He shall at stated times receive as compensation for his service an annual salary of ten thousand dollars, and no more, and shall have the use and occupation of the Governor's Mansion, fixtures and furniture, and this clause shall be self-enacting.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election

to be held throughout the State of Texas on the fourth Saturday in May, A. D. 1919, same being the twenty-fourth day of May, A. D. 1919, and the Governor of this State is hereby directed to make the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same duly published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. Said election shall be held under and in accordance with the general election laws of the State and the official ballot shall have printed or written thereon in plain letters the words, "Official Ballot," and also the words, "For the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas," and also the words, "Against the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas."

All voters favoring such amendment shall erase, by making a mark through the words "Against the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas," and all voters opposing such amendment shall erase by making a mark through the words "For the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas." If a majority of the votes cast shall be "For the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas," said amendment shall be declared adopted. If a majority of the votes cast shall be "Against the amendment to Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas in regard to the salary of the Governor of the State of Texas," said amendment shall be lost and shall be so declared.

Sec. 3. There is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary to cover the necessary expenses attached to the proclamation and publication of this amendment, and the Governor shall issue the necessary proclamation and cause the same to be duly published.

George F. Howard, Secretary of State. (A true copy.) 4t.

Government veterinarians in the Philippines have found that cattle can be immunized against rinderpest with a loss of less than 1 per cent of the animals.

Reasons!

Why you should use Cardui, the woman's tonic, for your troubles, have been shown in thousands of letters from actual users of this medicine, who speak from personal experience. If the results obtained by other women for so many years have been so uniformly good, why not give Cardui a trial?

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Mrs. Mary J. Irvin, of Cullen, Va., writes: "About 11 years ago, I suffered untold misery with female trouble, bearing-down pains, headache, numbness... I would go for three weeks almost bent double... My husband went to Dr. for Cardui... After taking about two bottles I began going around and when I took three bottles I could do all my work." E-80

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ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 3, ROAD TAX.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 67.63	
To amount received since last report.....	275.00	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. L.....		\$ 28.81
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		5.50
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		.57
Amount to balance.....		307.75

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Balance \$ 307.75

ROAD AND BRIDGE NO. 4, ROAD TAX.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 38.00	
To amount received since last report.....	80.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 1.60
Amount to balance.....		116.40

118.00 118.00

Balance \$ 116.40

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3, CURRENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 232.14	
To amount received since last report.....	664.83	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. M.....		\$1,006.92
By amount transferred to other funds, since last report.....	973.65	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		13.25
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		20.13
Amount to balance.....		828.22

1,868.52 1,868.52

Balance \$ 828.22

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3, SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 883.09	
To amount received since last report.....	1,453.43	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 29.07
Amount to balance.....		2,307.45

2,336.52 2,336.52

Balance \$2,307.45

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3, ROAD TAX.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	
To amount received since last report.....	320.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 6.40
Amount to balance.....		313.60

320.00 320.00

Balance \$ 313.60

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1, CURRENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 296.07	
To amount received since last report.....	207.17	
To amount transferred from other funds, since last report.....	313.76	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. N.....		\$ 8.09
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		4.14
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		.16
Amount to balance.....		804.61

817.00 817.00

Balance \$ 804.61

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1, SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 479.98	
To amount received since last report.....	262.34	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. O.....		\$ 9.84
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		5.25
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		.18
Amount to balance.....		727.05

742.32 742.32

Balance \$ 727.05

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4, CURRENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$35,250.48	
To amount received since last report.....	3,852.53	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. P.....		\$9,097.54
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		77.05
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		181.95
Amount to balance.....		29,746.47

39,103.01 39,103.01

Balance \$29,746.47

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4, SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 385.79	
To amount received since last report.....	341.54	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 6.83
Amount to balance.....		720.50

727.33 727.33

Balance \$ 720.50

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 7, CURRENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$41,381.14	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. Q.....		\$1,959.34
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....		39.18
Amount to balance.....		39,382.62

41,381.14 41,381.14

Balance \$39,382.62

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 7, SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 268.02	
To amount received since last report.....	407.63	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 8.15
Amount to balance.....		667.50

675.65 675.65

Balance \$ 667.50

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 6, CURRENT FUND.

Balance overdrawn last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 13.92	
Amount to balance.....		\$ 13.92

13.92 13.92

Balance, overdrawn \$ 13.92

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 6, SINKING FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 233.41	
To amount received since last report.....	237.31	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 4.72
Amount to balance.....		466.00

470.72 470.72

Balance \$ 466.00

LOVELADY ROAD DISTRICT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 466.75	
To amount received since last report.....	293.83	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....		\$ 5.87
Amount to balance.....		754.71

760.58 760.58

Balance \$ 754.71

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Springtime Dresses for Women



Styles That Reflect the Most Recent of the Accepted Innovations.

Responding eagerly to the buoyancy of peace times, the new dresses for Spring have rushed to a rare expression of charming elegance—an expression characterized by slenderness of line, richness of coloring and supreme good taste.

Ingenius and Becoming Frocks

Frocks that are to be decidedly the vogue during the weeks immediately before us. A variety of ideas that will allow each woman to choose just the thing dearest to her heart.

Each style shown radiates that unmistakable something different and apart from the ordinary.

James S. Shivers

IMPOSSIBLE TO UPHOLD POLICY

TELEGRAPHS PRESIDENT WILSON TO ACCEPT HIS RESIGNATION AT ONCE.

Houston, Texas, March 3.—United States District Attorney John E. Green Jr. Sunday telegraphed his resignation to President Woodrow Wilson, to take effect immediately. Mr. Green's resignation was prompted, he said, by personal views which made it impossible for him to conscientiously defend the position taken by Postmaster General Albert Sidney Burleson in ordering 50 per cent increased telephone rates in Houston.

Recently Mr. Burleson ordered the telephone company to raise its rates. The city protested, and conferred with Mr. Burleson without avail. Suit seeking to restrain the company from applying the increased rates was

filed by the city in the Sixty-first civil district court, and later transferred on motion of the company, concurred in by the city, to the United States district court. The suit has been set down for a hearing by Judge J. C. Hutcheson Jr. March 13.

Mr. Green's resignation was telegraphed to President Wilson Sunday night following receipt of instructions from the attorney general, Thomas W. Gregory, to cooperate with the telephone company's attorneys in defending the injunction proceedings instituted by the city. Mr. Green's telegram to the president follows:

His Excellency, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, Washington, D. C. I herewith respectfully tender you my resignation as United States attorney for the Southern district of Texas. My action at this time is prompted by the fact that I have been directed by the attorney general to co-operate with the attorneys of the Southern telephone company in the defense of a suit brought by the city of Houston to restrain

the telephone company from enforcing certain local rates established by Postmaster General Burleson. My pronounced personal views make it impossible for me to conscientiously defend the position taken by the postmaster general and I have so advised the attorney general.

John E. Green Jr.,
U. S. Attorney.

In discussing the resignation, Mr. Green said as he was an appointee of President Wilson, it was proper he should notify him of his decision to resign. He said he was desirous that immediate action be taken before the president's departure for Europe.

Mr. Green said he had also notified the attorney general of his resignation. He declined to discuss his resignation further than to reiterate what he had stated in the telegram. "That expresses my convictions on the matter thoroughly. My personal views on the telephone rate situation are such," he said, "it would be impossible for me to co-operate in the defense of this suit."

ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER

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ROAD CONSTRUCTION WARRANT FUND.

Balance overdrawn last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 1,855.09	
To amount received since last report.....	1,028.76	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	20.57	
Amount to balance.....	846.90	
	1,875.66	1,875.66

Balance, overdrawn..... \$ 846.90

DELINQUENT FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 16.67	
To amount received since last report.....	483.33	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. R.....	\$ 450.00	
By 2 per cent commission on amount received.....	9.66	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	9.00	
Amount to balance.....	31.34	
	500.00	500.00

Balance..... \$ 31.34

LOVELADY HIGHWAY FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	
To amount received since last report.....	431.19	
Amount to balance.....	\$ 431.19	
	431.19	431.19

Balance..... \$ 431.19

KENNARD HIGHWAY FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	
To amount received since last report.....	894.90	
Amount to balance.....	\$ 894.90	
	894.90	894.90

Balance..... \$ 894.90

WEST SAN ANTONIO ROAD HIGHWAY FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	
To amount received since last report.....	553.23	
Amount to balance.....	\$ 553.23	
	553.23	553.23

Balance..... \$ 553.23

EAST SAN ANTONIO ROAD HIGHWAY FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$.00	
To amount received since last report.....	1,080.02	
Amount to balance.....	\$ 1,080.02	
	1,080.02	1,080.02

Balance..... \$ 1,080.02

ALABAMA FERRY FUND.

Balance last report, filed Dec. 2, 1918.....	\$ 16.72	
By amount paid out since last report, Ex. S.....	\$ 16.06	
By 2 per cent commission on amount paid out.....	.32	
Amount to balance.....	.34	
	16.72	16.72

Balance..... \$.34

For the further information of the court and of the public, I will state that the January collections of the Tax Collector, amounting to \$52,147.68 for the benefit of the various funds listed above, have not yet been passed to the credit of said funds, but will show on the next report of the Treasurer and myself.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Owens, County Clerk,
Houston County, Texas.

RECAPITULATION.

Cash on hand in—		
County Fund.....	\$ 1,031.16	
Jury Fund.....	2,807.08	
Court House and Jail Fund.....	835.24	
Jail Building Fund.....	563.37	
Road and Bridge Current Fund.....	31.74	
Road and Bridge No. 3 Fund.....	108.21	
Road and Bridge No. 4 Fund.....	125.73	
Road and Bridge Sinking Fund.....	298.04	
Road and Bridge No. 1 Road Tax Fund.....	320.80	
Road and Bridge No. 2 Road Tax Fund.....	211.70	
Road and Bridge No. 3 Road Tax Fund.....	307.75	
Road and Bridge No. 4 Road Tax Fund.....	116.40	
Road District No. 3 Current Fund (Crockett).....	828.22	
Road District No. 3 Sinking Fund.....	2,307.45	
Road District No. 3 Road Tax.....	313.60	
Road District No. 1 Current Fund (Grapeland West).....	804.01	
Road District No. 1 Sinking Fund.....	727.05	
Road District No. 4 Current Fund (Belott).....	29,746.47	
Road District No. 4 Sinking Fund.....	720.50	
Road District No. 7 Current Fund (Ratcliff).....	39,382.62	
Road District No. 7 Sinking Fund.....	667.50	
Road District No. 6 Sinking Fund (Grapeland East).....	466.00	
Lovelady Road District Fund.....	754.71	
Delinquent Fund.....	31.34	
Lovelady Highway Fund.....	431.19	
Kennard Highway Fund.....	894.90	
West San Antonio Road Fund.....	553.23	
East San Antonio Road Fund.....	1,080.02	
Alabama Ferry Fund.....	.34	
Total cash on hand to credit of various funds.....	\$86,466.97	
Less overdrafts to debit of various funds—		
Road and Bridge No. 1 Fund.....	\$ 13.06	
Road and Bridge No. 2 Fund.....	41.67	
Road District No. 6 Current Fund.....	13.92	
Construction Warrants.....	846.90	
Total cash on hand.....	\$85,551.42	

BONDED AND REGISTERED INDEBTEDNESS OF HOUSTON COUNTY.		
Road District No. 4, Bonds.....	\$ 50,000.00	
Road District No. 7, Bonds.....	50,000.00	
Road and Bridge (old) Bonds.....	4,000.00	
Road District No. 3, Bonds.....	125,000.00	
Road District No. 1, Bonds.....	21,000.00	
Jail Building Warrants.....	11,000.00	
Road Construction Warrants.....	110,000.00	
Warrants registered in County Fund.....	27,862.28	
Warrants registered in Road & Bridge No. 1 Fund.....	3,086.60	
Warrants registered in Road & Bridge No. 3 Fund.....	4,912.14	
Warrants registered in Road & Bridge No. 4 Fund.....	6,579.67	
Warrants registered in Road & Bridge No. 2 Fund.....	41.64	
Total Registered and Bonded Indebtedness.....	\$413,482.33	

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Houston. I, A. E. Owens, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Annual Report, showing the amounts received and paid out in the different funds of the county and the amount of outstanding indebtedness of the county, is true and correct according to the records of my office and the reports of the County Treasurer now on file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Crockett, Texas, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.
A. E. OWENS,
(Seal) County Clerk, Houston County, Texas.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.
NAT PATTON,
County Judge, Houston County, Texas.

Two-Color Blouses of Georgette Crepe



LATE MODEL LUCILE NECK

Colors: Flesh, White, Navy, Copen, Havana Brown
Priced from \$5.50 to \$7.50

The blouse of georgette crepe needs no one to sing its praises. This exquisite fabric is a permanent acquisition, and has made a place in the esteem of women that it will be difficult to usurp. But we are grateful to the blouse makers who have turned their talents to designing new styles, in which two colors, instead of one, are used. This color combination leads up to new trimming ideas and lends an added interest to incoming styles in spring blouses.

W. V. McConnell

Established 1886.

J. W. McConnell, Mgr.

A BONUS FOR THE SOLDIERS-SAILORS

Camp Travis, Texas, March 1.
—A bonus of sixty dollars will be paid every person, who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war and who has resigned or been discharged under honorable conditions since April 6, 1917. This bonus also applies in the case of reservists who have been placed on inactive duty, or who, at any time thereafter, but not later than the termination of the current enlistment or term of service, in the case of enlisted personnel and female nurses, or within one year after the termination of the present war in the case of officers, may resign or be discharged under honorable conditions.

War department orders to this effect have been received by the commanding general, Camp Travis, Texas. The order states that all persons separated from active military service after receipt of these instructions who are entitled to the bonus will be credited with and paid the money on their final pay voucher. In the event they have been separated from active service prior to receipt of these instructions, but have not yet received final pay, the disbursing officer making final settlement will include and pay the bonus. In making such settlement the disbursing officer in connection with final settlement will show by indorsement on discharge certificate that such bonus was paid.

All persons separated from active military service from April 6, 1917, to date of receipt of

these instructions who are entitled to the bonus, and who have received their final pay, will forward claim for such bonus direct to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., who is hereby designated to settle such claim.

Such applications must contain the discharge certificate or order for discharge or relief, if no certificate was issued, both certificate and order if both were issued, the paper bearing indorsement of final payment being required; a statement of all military service since April 6, 1917, showing place and date of recording at first military station, and address to which check is to be sent. When settlement is made all personal papers will be returned to applicant with check. No further correspondence is necessary, except to advise in change of address of applicant. No other disbursing officers are authorized to pay claims covered by this order.

This bonus shall not be paid to any person who though appointed or inducted into the military or naval forces on or prior to November 11, 1918, had not reported for duty at his station on or prior to such date, or to any person who has already received one month's pay under the provisions of the act authorizing the president to increase temporarily the military establishment of the United States, approved May 18, 1917, or to any person who is entitled to retirement pay, or to the heirs or legal representatives of any person entitled to any payment under this section who has died or may die before receiving such payment.

THE ACID TEST

The Acid Test of Paint is Time.

Masury Paint Lasts

—WE SELL IT—

B. F. Chamberlain
CROCKETT, TEXAS

Seed Peas.
To the People of Houston County: Seed speckle peas for sale at \$3.50 per bushel. See P. W. Tatom, Crockett, Texas, Rt. 5, Box 20. 5t.*

WANTED!

Salesmen and salesladies in every town to represent R. E. HARD & CO., Fiscal Agents, 1213 Main St., Fort Worth, Texas. Selling such high class propositions as CARTER-MASON OIL COMPANY stock. Experience not necessary. If responsible you have a permanent connection.

LONG DISTANCE PHONE, LAMAR 1810.

Unsurpassed Record

Why let your little ills drift along until they become serious maladies?

Nip them in the bud by using Tanlac the celebrated health restorer.

Tanlac has the record for helping more people than any other medicine ever sold, in the same length of time.

WE SELL TANLAC

Crockett Drug Company
The House of Service.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Buy your acid phosphate from Jas. S. Shivers. tf.

For Rent—A 6-room residence. Apply to W. C. Shivers. tf.

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

Ernest Clark of Mineral Wells was a business visitor here last week.

Mrs. C. H. Hanson has returned from a visit to relatives at Humble.

Miss Jennie McLean returned Monday afternoon from a visit to Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Dean of Palestine were guests of Mrs. M. Scarborough Sunday.

Misses Katie Chamberlain and Lillie Hail are again at home after a recent visit to Houston.

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

Lieutenant Oliver C. Aldrich of Austin was here last week to visit Mrs. Aldrich and the baby.

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

You will have to hurry if you get your share of those good imported Mebane cotton seed at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

Mule for Sale.

R. E. McPhail has a good work mule for sale at a bargain if taken quick. 1t.*

The best general line of implements to be found anywhere, at live and let live prices, at R. L. Shivers', Crockett, Texas. tf.

There is nothing better than the Oliver Implements. Full line now on display. tf. Jas. S. Shivers.

Ribbon can syrup in 5 gallon cans, 10 gallon kegs and 30 gallon barrels. See me. tf. Johnson Arledge.

Mebane cotton seed for sale at \$1.50 per bushel. Dave Long, 4t.* Crockett, Texas, Rt. 3.

H. F. Moore, J. W. Young, J. H. Painter, Gary Mahony and County Judge Nat Patton returned Sunday afternoon from St. Louis, where they attended as delegates the world peace league conference.

We buy hides, green or dry, and pay top price. See us before you sell. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Mower Wanted.

I want to buy a second-hand hay mower. Address or see W. B. Bagwell, Pennington, Texas. 2t.*

Mrs. Katie Ward, Miss Virginia Foster and Messrs. A. E. Owens and J. S. French comprised a theater party at Palestine Tuesday evening.

A. M. Carleton and J. P. Peacock returned Friday afternoon from St. Louis, where they attended as delegates the Mid-Continent Conference in the interest of a world peace league.

The best is the cheapest in the long run, so when you go to select your planter, cultivator or plow goods of any kind go to R. L. Shivers. You can do better work and more of it easier than with any other line. tf.

Mrs. George W. Crook, Mrs. J. D. Woodson and Miss Leslie Vann Sams chaperoned the basketball team of the Crockett city schools to Palestine Tuesday when a game was played with the team of the Palestine city schools.

Messrs. T. J. Waller and J. L. Monk returned from a business trip to Dallas Tuesday evening, bringing with them a new automobile hearse to be used by the Deupree & Waller undertaking establishment. The motor-driven hearse is an innovation in Crockett, and is an evidence of progressiveness among our business people.

Lost Mule.

One mouse-colored horse mule, 6 years old, about 15 hands high, no brand. Shoes on front feet. One bay mare, with white spot in face, past two years old, no brand.

Parties finding them please deliver to E. B. Goodrum, Lovelady, Texas, or Jas. S. Shivers, Crockett, Texas, and receive \$10.00 reward. Notify R. M. Berry, Fodice, Texas. 2t.

Returning from Overseas.

Henry J. Berry reached home Sunday night from the navy, in which he has been serving on foreign shores for a number of months. He was inducted into active service soon after his enlistment, and has been in almost every harbor of France and Great Britain. Having received his discharge he is back in Crockett to stay. He is glad to be back among his friends, and his friends are glad to have him back among them.

Edwards-Woodson.

Sunday morning at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. C. B. Garrett officiating, Mr. W. F. Edwards and Mrs. Eliza Woodson were united in marriage. Both the bride and the bridegroom are well known people living four miles southwest of Crockett on the San Antonio road. They have the best wishes of our people.

With Our Subscribers.

There are yet several names that ought to be in Houston County's Honor Roll. Please look the Honor Roll over, and if you find any names omitted, bring or send to the Courier office the information necessary to get the names in the Honor Roll. The Courier is running this Honor Roll without charge, and we are depending on the relatives and friends of departed soldiers to assist us in making it complete.

Among those calling to renew or subscribe, or sending in their renewals and subscriptions, since the last issue of the Courier are the following:

- J. W. J. Rains, Crockett Rt. 4.
- B. J. Clancy, Lovelady Rt. 3.
- J. S. Reed, Crockett Rt. 3.
- Roy Selman, Crockett Rt. 1.
- Willard Goodwin, Lovelady Route 3.
- Mrs. F. P. Chandler, Orange.
- A. E. Owens, Crockett.
- D. P. Craddock, Kennard.
- Bud Tunstall, Crockett Rt. 2.

Fell in Battle.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Adams, living southwest of Crockett, recently received a confirmatory telegram regarding the death of their son, Isaiah D. Adams, who fell in battle October 4, 1918. Young Adams was a member of L Company, 23rd Infantry, and was making a fine record as a soldier when he lost his life. With two other Houston county boys, he was on the Tuscania when it was torpedoed by an enemy submarine of Irish coast. Of these three boys, one, young Sims of Ratcliff, lost his life. The other two, Adams and West, were rescued and taken to Manchester, England, where they remained for some time. Their overseas training completed, they were advanced into the regular army at the front, where they saw perhaps six months of active service and where young Adams fell in the cause of his country. Of the three Houston county boys on the Tuscania, two have lost their lives. All of the three began their military training at Camp Travis, San Antonio.

President and League Are Defended After Attack.

Washington, March 3.—In the senate, after Senator Sherman had spoken for an hour and made a sharp attack on the league and President Wilson for proposing it, Senator McCumber made an address of more than four hours, in which he took issue with the tenor of recent republican criticisms, while suggesting amendment of the tentative charter.

A brief address was also made by Senator Spencer of Missouri, republican, who urged specific amendment of the league constitution so as to exclude anything that implies relinquishment of American policies, including the Monroe doctrine.

Democratic leaders criticized the republicans for occupying so much time with discussion of the league while appropriation bills were being pressed.

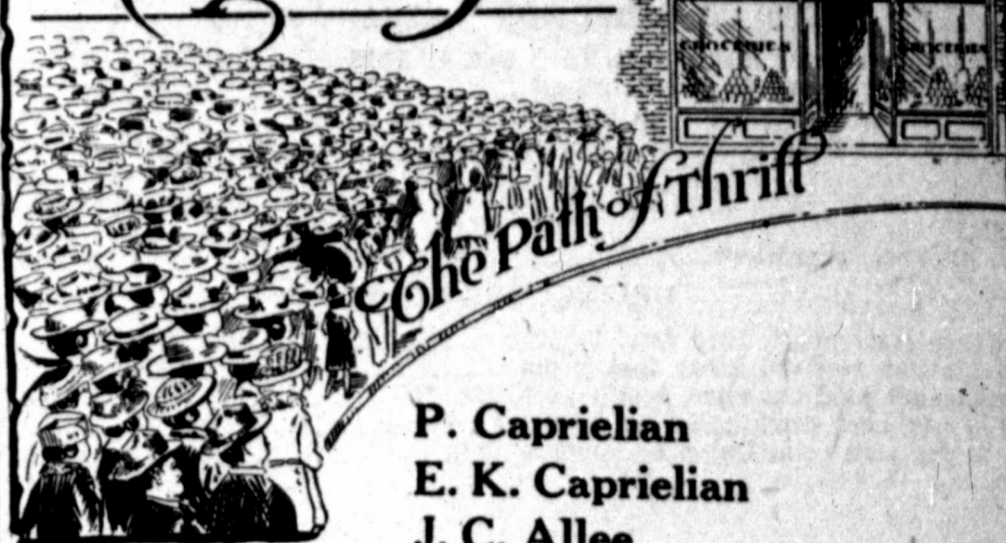
Minority spokesmen replied that the subject was of paramount interest, and that President Wilson had only recently presented the league plan and also had requested that debate be deferred until a few days ago.

In the course of his remarks Senator McCumber replied to questions of Senators Jones of Washington and Smith of Michigan, republicans. Senator McCumber explained what effect he thought the league would have upon America's relations with Mexico and upon the Monroe doctrine.

Under the proposed constitu-

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E. K. Caprielian
J. C. Allee

Do you know these men? They are the service squad at Caprielian Brothers'. They give you up-to-date service and courteous treatment.

And, haven't you found out yet that their prices can't be beat? It is up to you. If you want to save on your bills, have them filled at

CAPRIELIAN BROTHERS'

tion it would be necessary to submit to inquiry all questions that might arise between nations, said Senator McCumber; but to arbitration only those which any nation desired. He said arbitration was not made compulsory.

"All this document does is to prevent one nation from making war of aggression against another," he said. "No one can claim we are in danger, when it is provided that if we are unjustly attacked every other nation must come to our aid.

"Wouldn't it be better to exclude purely domestic questions from those to be submitted even for inquiry?" asked Senator Jones. "I think it would," replied the North Dakota senator, "and to prevent criticism I would also specifically provide that the Monroe doctrine should not be infringed, although I don't think that is necessary."

Senator Smith asked what would happen in case the United States should withdraw from the league, leaving all other nations of the Western hemisphere as members among whom a dispute might arise.

"Would not the dispute be settled by the league without reference to the United States?" asked Senator Smith.

"If America did not belong we

would not be bound by anything," replied Senator McCumber. "But the league constitution says that the 'Keep your hands off' policy of the Monroe doctrine shall be applied to the whole world."

Senator Smith suggested that the United States would have to place its case in "cold storage" for three months in the event of trouble with Mexico.

"We bind ourselves not to make an aggressive war on Mexico," replied Senator McCumber, "but if we are attacked by Mexico we are not bound not to take steps to defend ourselves."

He added that a bandit raid could not be considered as an act of war if it was not conducted by a government.

"That would depend on who was president," responded Senator Smith.

Some Postscripts.

A sand sprinkling device for slippery streets, which can be attached to street sweeping machines, has been invented by a Californian.

Prominent Australian business men have formed a company to develop an aerial route for mail and passengers between Australia and England, with landing sites about 300 miles apart.

A new stopper for milk bottles has a spout at one side for pouring, a valve within the device closing the admission of air when a bottle to which it is attached is held upright.

V.-C. Fertilizers Will Increase Your Yields

With labor scarcer than at any time in the history of the United States, it is to your interest to increase the efficiency of each acre.

V.-C. Fertilizers are Wonderful Farm Helpers if There Is a Shortage of Labor.

One bale or more of cotton from one acre is far better than only one bale from two acres. Well balanced, complete fertilizers are the best helpers if you are short of farm labor; because they help increase your yields per acre without necessitating any additional labor.

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ARNOLD BROTHERS

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 96th Company, 6th 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 13, 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.

Isaiah D. Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Adams, fell in battle October 4, 1918. Member of L Company, 23rd Infantry, regular army.

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, 123rd 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. Sepmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Sepmore, died November 14 of wounds received in action. Member of E Company, 360th Infantry, 90th Division.

The imagination could weave an analogy, although an imperfect and highly fragile one, of course, between the action of Robert E. Lee in resigning his commission in the United States army and that of Mr. John E. Green Jr. of Houston in resigning his commission as United States district attorney. Fundamentally their motives are the same. General Lee could not reconcile his conscience to the thought of being an agent of the Washington government in making war on what he conceived to be the principle of local self-government. And it is precisely because the Washington government is assailing that principle in trying to nullify the franchise which Houston has granted to the telephone company that Mr. Green can not reconcile his conscience to the thought of being an agent in the execution of its purpose. The analogy may suggest several curious and interesting reflections. The fact that it is a democratic administration that is seeking to enforce a philosophy of government which the Southern democracy, under the leadership of Lee, resisted for four years at such disastrous cost is at least a singular circumstance. Of course, it could not be said that Houston has seceded, but it has put itself in rebellion against the decrees of Washington, albeit it is to the courts rather than to arms that it has appealed for the preservation of what it conceives to be its rights against the assaults of authority and power centralized in Washington. Another notion one may come on, in following the meandering of his thoughts,

LEGISLATIVE HOUSE ADOPTS COMMITTEE REPORT ON RANGERS

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dence was given, when they know I never had a chance to introduce it."

To this point Chairman Bledsoe replied that most every charge made before the committee would have permitted the introduction of testimony as to the efficiency of the official.

In support of this contention that he could not have introduced the testimony, Mr. Canales raised the question of violations to the state constitution. He contended that General Harley, as a member of the senate, had introduced a bill which, among other things, provided for an increase of salary for the adjutant general. He said that General Harley then accepted that office in August of that year and received the benefits of the increased salary provided through his bill. Contrary to this, Chairman Bledsoe contended that the senate bill by General Harley had been held in conflict with the general law concerning that department and that General Harley took the office at the old salary. He said that the salary of General Harley was not increased until a law passed by the fourth called session of the legislature in April of 1918 took effect.

Pay From Federal Government.

The charge that the adjutant general was on the pay of the federal government was based on the report of the central investigating committee of the last legislature. This showed that the adjutant general received three checks from the war department for services as disbursing officer, a place later taken by Major Townes.

Sid Crumpton, in his remarks against the report, contended that the ranger investigating committee was bound by legal rules to take cognizance of this report of the former committee. Mr. Crumpton contended that the ranger report was fundamentally wrong.

"Do you not know," asked Chairman Bledsoe, "that no evidence to this effect ever came before our committee?"

"I do not know anything about the record," was the answer, "but I do know that your committee should have taken cognizance of it."

Later in his speech Chairman Bledsoe said he would hate to know that the house or any of its organizations is bound to take cognizance of all the reports of its various committees.

Mr. Crumpton charged that on Jan. 14 the adjutant general's records showed 900 special rangers and that 339 of them were discharged the day after the Canales bill was filed in the house.

In his speech Chairman Bledsoe pointed out that these men were members of the ranger home guard and were appointed under a special law with special limitations.

Mr. Canales previously stated that they held commissions in order to carry pistols contrary to law.

Thomas B. King characterized the ranger investigation report as a "pot of whitewash in which he did not care to put his brush."

is that the "centralization of authority, such as government ownership would require, would be a separating rather than a consolidating force. A larger measure of home rule than government ownership would allow is necessary if the remote sections of the country are to be held together in union.—Galveston News.

Operated by a forty horsepower kerosene motor, a self-propelled thresher has been invented which, as it travels across a field, pours grain into an accompanying wagon and deposits the straw in windrows.

BREST CAMP NOT PEST HOLE, ARMY CHAPLAIN WRITES

HEAVY DEATH RATE LAST FALL
DUE TO THE INFLUENZA
BROUGHT FROM U. S.

Washington, March 2.—Denial of many reports of bad conditions at the army debarkation camp at Brest, France, coupled with a graphic description of the terrible conditions there when, despite the ravages of the influenza epidemic, American troops were being rushed to France to help hurl back the German army, is contained in a letter from Chaplain W. B. Ayers of the navy, who served eight months at Brest.

Chaplain Ayers who has just returned from France said Brest has proved a healthful camp in spite of the mud and also continuous rains experienced during the winter months and that there has been no initial epidemic. Approximately 2000 soldiers died there from influenza, but the chaplain says that in practically all of these cases the men were brought ashore with the disease from transports.

Familiar With Conditions.

"Upon my return to America from France," the chaplain's letter says, "I find the newspapers filled with recrimination and widespread criticism concerning conditions at Brest. I happen to have a personal interest in Brest and some knowledge concerning the condition of both the army and the navy at that base.

"I maintained an office in Brest through the worst period both regarding climatic and military conditions. I made it my business to acquaint myself so far as possible with all matters of welfare pertaining to the army and the navy.

"Being a clergyman not connected with regular military service, I have naturally no reason for covering up any of the mistakes of the military.

"When the army moved into France it was as a huge new organization, breaking virgin soil. We were as much prepared to go into France as the French were prepared to receive us. At this time France was calling for our soldiers. We realized the need of haste in getting the men across.

Tents Saved Many.

"Some folks seem to think that it is terrible because our boys are living in tents on the hills around Pontenazen, yet those of us who have had their well being in mind have thanked God that the boys had the tents instead of wooden barracks. The tendency always is to crowd the barracks. Influenza is a crowd disease. We saved the lives of thousands of boys by getting them into the tents. Of the boys who slept in tents we lost very few.

"Of course there is mud in Pontenazen. There is practically no frost in Brest; no blizzards. The winter is

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a time of rain. It will rain a dozen times in a day.

"In September, October and November, 1918, many cases of influenza were among the soldiers. We lost probably 2000 men in that district alone and in practically all of these cases these men were brought ashore with the disease from the transports.

"One case of influenza aboard will infect half a ship of seafaring men. Such cases went aboard, of course. Men who were brought ashore, dying, told me that they knew before embarking in America that they had influenza, but that they hid the fact and pretended to be well for fear of losing their chance to get to the front.

"We lost about 2000, but we saved many thousand more in these same hospitals and tents that have now become the objects of such condemnation.

Wounded Flow In.

"In the midst of the influenza in the rear a great drive was on at the front and the streams of the wounded began to flow in.

"In a very special sense Brest was the place where these two fronts met. We had a kind of a hell there, but it was only because death stalked everywhere and in so many cases we did not seem to have a fighting chance.

"Kerbaum, a new base hospital, was in process of construction when the influenza reached us. It was not designed as a hospital for the sick and for contagious diseases, but it had to be pressed into this service.

"In one of our American newspapers recently I saw a bitter attack on this hospital in an alleged interview given by a Red Cross worker. Many of her statements were utterly inaccurate.

"After accusing the surgeons of neglect, heartlessness and indifference, this Red Cross worker, who is not a nurse, asserts that our dead were loaded onto trucks, carried out into the country and buried without ceremony, without religious services of any kind, were dumped into the ground and their coffins taken back to the hospital to be used again.

"This is one thing that I happen to know something about. At the first, there was no chaplain at Kerbaum. Naturally I offered to help. These boys have been ministered to when

dying, first by chaplains of the navy, Catholic and Protestant, whom we sent out there whenever they were called for.

No Coffins to Be Had.

"It is true that bodies were placed on trucks, the only available means of transportation, and at the time when the influenza raged most terribly there was not a coffin to be had in that whole district, nor the lumber to build one of.

"It became finally necessary for the army to face the prospect of burials without caskets. There was no other way. That very day about 500 bodies in the Brest district awaited burial. They had accumulated there while awaiting caskets. Each body was swathed in canvas or sheeting, completely covered.

"The army had purchased a field outside of Brest at Lombezelec, where perhaps a thousand of our boys lie. Two hundred and fifty negroes were detailed to dig graves.

"When the graves were dug the negroes lifted the caskets to their shoulders and marched to the individual graves; tenderly they lowered them, and I have never seen such reverence. Then, with hats off, beside each grave two negroes stood at attention while friends and fellow officers stood near as funeral services were conducted. I have never seen more reverently conducted funerals and I have witnessed many.

"When night came the caskets were exhausted and by the light of a torch I stood at their graves as I looked down at their shrouded figures and asked God's blessing upon their souls. Before the day came I had said prayers over approximately 300 thus, and I can vouch that every man had what blessing and faith man can bestow. Where Catholics and Protestants mingled in the same grave the priest and the minister stood side by side and together invoked the divine blessing, a fitting testimony to the fine brotherhood that is possible.

"I have written a thousand letters to parents or wives of those boys who died under these conditions and I do sion and value I have not been quite sion and value I have not been quite able to determine, destroying what meager comfort our honest and sincere assurances can bring."

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