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105 MARTIN COUNTY YOUNG MEN REGISTER

In response to the proclamation of the president designating Tuesday, June 5th, as the day on which all male citizens of the United States between the ages of 21 and 30 years should register for military duty, 105 enrolled in Martin county. So far as known, no one in the county failed to register. The list of those registering follows:

Precinct No. 1

Salome Adadoca, J. O. Blackerby, Horace S. Blalock, W. S. Boyd, J. P. Boyd, John F. Bradley, J. R. Bright, W. V. Brothers, H. O. Cambron, O. C. Cason, Willie Clements, J. S. Cooper, S. Cooper, J. H. Crowder, K. J. Davis, B. P. Eidson, Tom Estes, Ben Fatheree, W. C. Flanagan, Elmer Gilstrap, I. T. Graves, J. R. Green, T. W. Haynie, Lewis L. Henson, J. H. Hinton, A. R. Houston, H. A. Houston, J. Z. Howard, Homer Johnson, W. A. Kaderli, J. N. Kaderli, C. C. Kelly, Stephen Kistner, Hugh A. King, M. M. Mason, H. G. Mayo, Harley Meeks, Geo. F. Mulkey, A. T. McDaniel, R. B. McWhorter, S. G. Nunn, C. J. Peters, John Peters, I. Peters, Willie Peters, E. Price, A. L. Reed, R. H. Reed, Jno. Ridgeway, H. R. Saur, O. C. Seiderman, Wm. H.

Seiderman, J. W. Stidham, P. G. Smithson, Louis Stoeger, A. C. Straub, Jouquin Topia, R. E. Timmons, B. F. Timmons, Jim Tom, Alfred J. Tom, Melvin A. Walker, T. F. Watson, Merville Walker, S. M. Wilkerson, Lee Wilson, D. C. Wiswell, Frank T. Wiswell, Daniel Wiswell,

Precinct No. 2

James Wesley Hopkins, Edgar Tulove.

Precinct No. 3

Guy Rush Anderson, William R. Chilton, Claude Denton, Frank Wolcott.

Precinct No. 4

W. R. Austin, Alvy W. Brown, Walter Brown, J. E. Castle, G. F. Cook, C. E. Corn, Roy Davis, B. C. Eidson, L. M. Estes, O. W. Flanagan, E. H. Forrester, B. L. Goolsby, S. A. Jeffcoat, W. D. Jeffcoat, Roy Kemper, A. E. Lawler, Roy Lawler, Wesley Lewis, Olen Lewis, J. Z. Linebarger, E. J. McCullough, J. D. McDurmon, J. C. Nichols, W. E. Nichols, J. P. Nichols, J. B. Sample, Robt. B. Turner, C. D. Willingham, C. E. Willingham, C. A. Wright, A. D. Youngblood.

LOST—In Stanton on June 2th, unaddressed letter containing 14 carat gold ring. Finder please return to this office for reward.

J. A. Harris and family spent the week end with relatives in Merkel, returning home Tuesday.

Boone

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized last Sunday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stevenson when their daughter, Miss Bertie, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Burton O. Boone, Rev. M. L. Moody officiating.

The bride is one of Stanton's most charming young ladies, having been reared here, her friends are numbered by her acquaintances. She was a general favorite among our young people—all of whom are loath to see her leave.

She was attired in a beautiful blue taffeta suit and with her accustomed smile and genial disposition portrayed a bride who would be worthy the admiration of all.

Martin county might well lay claim to the groom, who has lived south of town in the Boone community for years. Having recently gone to California where he has established a home. He has been associated a great deal with Stanton's young people and has a host of friends among them.

Shortly after the ceremony the bride and groom departed for the Stevenson ranch in Glascock county, after which they spent a few days at the Boone home. They will await the ar-

rival of the bride's sister, Mrs. Wood, and after a short visit here with her, will depart for their home in Chula Vista, Cal.

Woman's Missionary Society.

The Society held their monthly business meeting at the church on Monday afternoon.

The meeting was opened in due form by the president. The session was not a long one; there being very little business to attend to at this time.

The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Crain, and the lesson will be Bible questions on Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Jeremiah.

Supt. Publicity, W. M. S.

Home-Makers' Program

Thursday, June 14, 1917.

Quotations from Irving.

Biography of Irving—Mrs. Mulkey.

Sketch, Rip Van Winkle—Mrs. Konz.

Story, Ichabal Crane's Ride—Mrs. Wolcott.

Essay, Irving's Contemporaries—Miss Rogers.

Baptist Church

Sunday School at 10. Preaching at 8:30 p. m., subject the Plan of Salvation as revealed in the Catholic Bible. Everybody cordially invited.

M. F. Richardson.

Pay your subscription at once.

HOME-MAKERS' CLUB IN REGULAR SESSION

The Home Makers Club met in their regular semi-monthly meeting May 31 at the home of Mrs. Paul Konz.

The regular order of business was dispensed with, conducted by the president, Mrs. Woodard.

The lesson for the afternoon was then taken up. This was a review of the Courtship of Miles Standish. Interesting and instructive papers were read by Mrs. Hutchins, Mrs. Bachman and Mrs. Woodard.

We were very glad to welcome Mrs. Stevenson as a new member and hope others will soon follow her example.

In keeping with her reputation as an ideal hostess, Mrs. Konz served delightful refreshments which the warm day made particularly appropriate. It was decided at this meeting, that for the remainder of the warm weather the Club would meet at 4:30.

After a pleasant social hour the Club adjourned to meet June 14, 1917 with Mrs. Bartlet Smith.

Mrs. Chas. Tom and daughter, Miss Anna Mae, left yesterday for an extended visit with relatives at Brady. Alfred Tom drove them over.

NOTICE, CUSTOMERS

Beginning June 1st we will run the Garage on strictly CASH BASIS. Everything will be CASH before the goods or car leaves the garage, unless you pay promptly on the first of each month. If you owe past due accounts

We WILL NOT Charge Anything on the Books to You

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WILSON GARAGE

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Published every Friday

A. J. WAGNER, Editor and Mgr.

Entered as second class mail matter March 24, 1906, at the post office at Stanton, Texas, under the act of congress of March 3, 1879.

Don't forget as you go along that in case you cannot restrain your desire to talk against the intests of Uncle Sam you will soon have a jailer for your audience.

The gink who wrote, "Isn't it fine when it doesn't rain Just when we thought it would?" evidently was picnic bound; at least he didn't get his inspiration from conditions in this section. Our observation has been: Every time it looks like rain A sand storm blights our hopes again.

Through a spirit of economy and retrenchment the commissioners court have suspended the publication of the treasurer's quarterly report. The publishing of this document quarterly would not cost the largest taxpayer in the county ten cents a year, and from the inquiries we have received we don't think there is one in the county but that would be more than willing to pay twice that sum. Does the commissioners court safeguard the finances of the county in every particular as carefully as in this? There are adverse rumors abroad.

In vetoing the appropriation for the State University Gov. Ferguson has cast a stigma upon the highest position in the gifts of the people of this great state. Not only that, he has cast a reflection on the intelligence of the voters who elevated him to this place of trust and honor. No matter what may have been the foibles of his predecessors; no matter what may be the weaknesses and prejudices of his successors, when "finis" is written in the pages of Texas history, this one act alone will brand Ferguson as being the smallest man who ever served as governor of the state. "A degenerate son of an illustrious sire." We know the first to be a fact and hope the second is also. Governor Ferguson will go down in history as a failure, as a man who, for personal spite and to help his own political fortunes,

sought to hamper the progress of the leading educational institution of his state and to blast the hopes of hundreds of deserving young men and women who have worked long and faithfully for that education which the laws of the state were designed to provide for them.

Piano for Sale

One of the most reliable piano manufacturing concerns in the United States has placed at our disposal a piano to be shipped direct from the factory, which we we can sell at less than half price and on easy terms. The instrument is fully guaranteed. Ask us for particulars.

Election Order

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Stanton Independent School District that an election be held at the court house in the town of Stanton in said Stanton Independent School District on the 9th day of June, 1917, to determine whether the Board of Trustees of said district shall have the power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said district for the support and maintenance of public free schools in said Stanton Independent School District, of and at the rate not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of taxable property; such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1917 and annually thereafter, unless it be discontinued as provided by law.

J. N. Crane is hereby appointed manager of said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same. None but property taxpayers who are qualified voters in said Stanton Independent School District shall vote at said election.

A copy of this order signed by the president and attested by the secretary of this board shall serve as a proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with law.

W. Y. Houston, Pres.
Chas. Ebbersol, Sec'y.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free. All Druggists. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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We have a scholarship in the Tyler Commercial College for sale, which if taken in the next few days, will go at a bargain. Parties entering the school now will have completed the course right at the time the government will make its draft for stenographers and typewriters, thus offering an opportunity without parallel for graduates to step into a lucrative position, either in the service of the government or to take the places of those who do. Call at this office for full particulars.

W. R. Cannon of Van Alstyne, Grayson County, is here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kelly. He reports crops in good condition in that section, with plenty of moisture.

Health About Gone
Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. — had us get Cardui. . . I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic
She writes further: "I am in splendid health . . . can do my work. I feel I owe it to Cardui, for I was in dreadful condition." If you are nervous, run-down and weak, or suffer from headache, backache, etc., every month, try Cardui. Thousands of women praise this medicine for — and it has done the same for many physicians have used Cardui successfully with their women patients, for years, endorse this medicine. Think what it means to be in splendid health, like Mrs. Spell. Give Cardui a trial.
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HENRY FARNHAM, Spring Valley, Minn.

Local and Personal

Miss Lelia Tom was shopping in Big Spring yesterday.

S. W. Pratt made a trip to Barstow this week on legal business.

Born, to Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Richardson, on Monday, June 4th, a girl.

Spark plugs guaranteed for life of motor by us, for sale at Wilson Garage.

Miss Letha Estes is at home for a short visit after a four months stay in Post.

Miss Clara Jones left Monday afternoon for Abilene where she will enter Simmons College.

STRAYED—Two red sow pigs about five weeks old. Finder please notify B. P. Eidson.

We are now selling the automobile number at 50 per cent discount, come and see—Wilson Garage.

Mrs. R. V. Hart and son, Kenneth, of Baird visited the family of W. W. Harris first of the week.

Mrs. A. L. Green and sons have arrived from Van Horn and now occupy their home in the south part of town.

Mrs. W. F. Rogers returned Wednesday from a three-weeks stay in Dallas where she received medical treatment.

Wm. Wilkerson and family left yesterday for a visit with relatives at DeLeon and other points in Central Texas.

We just received a barrel of famous Atlas Gear Compound, come in and let us fill your transmission. Wilson Garage.

Elder T. F. Thomason will preach at the Church of Christ Saturday night, Sunday at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and at night. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

Misses Mamie Kelly and Thelma Smith have returned from Thorpe Springs, where they spent the past session in a college. Miss Smith was a member of the senior class.

J. L. Hall and family left Thursday for a visit of several days with Mrs. Hall's relatives at Robert Lee. While there they will attend a reunion of all the children at the home of Mrs. Hall's father, F. S. McCabe.

Dental Notice

Dr. C. H. Tigner, dentist, of Midland, will be in Stanton, Saturday, June 16th. Those needing dental work should arrange to see him. Crown and bridge work a specialty.

No More Free Lunches.

An ordinance which will bar free lunches in all Fort Worth saloons by unanimous vote was adopted by the city commission. Penalty for violation is a fine of from \$10 to \$50. The measure was advocated by the Retail Liquor Dealers' association.

Fatal for Mother and Son.

Mrs. J. M. Pressler and son, Leonard, were killed, and Miss Ollie Belle Pressler, sister-in-law of the dead woman, seriously injured, when their automobile turned over half a mile from Bullard, Smith county, overturned. A second son of Mrs. Pressler escaped injury.

Big Increase.

The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company of Winston-Salem, N. C., has issued a notice to stockholders announcing an increase of \$5,000,000 in the capital stock. This will give the company a capital stock of twenty million dollars, ten millions being common and ten millions preferred.

English Author Dies.

Wm. Newnham Davis, author of "The Right," died at London.

WHY INDIVIDUALISM IS AS DEAD AS A SMELT

George W. Perkins, Chairman of the New York City Committee on Food Supply, Finds That Science and Invention Are Forcing Revolutionary Changes in the World's Industrial Relations, Whether We Like It or Not.

AT A RECENT public hearing on certain proposed food legislation which Mr. Perkins favored and which recognized the necessity of co-operation some one remarked that the legislation was a violation of the principle of individualism.

Mr. Perkins retorted, "Individualism is as dead as a smelt."

Mr. Perkins' reasons for his belief are outlined in the following article:—

By **GEORGE W. PERKINS**, Chairman of Mayor Mitchell's Food Supply Committee.

One of the greatest stumbling blocks to progress is the human inclination to follow precedent and old methods too



GEORGE W. PERKINS.

closely. We find it difficult to strike out along entirely new lines.

Thomas Jefferson, in his old age, wrote a letter in which he said:—

Some men ascribe to the men of the preceding age a wisdom more than human, and suppose what they did to be beyond amendment. I knew that age [of the Revolution] well. I belonged to it and labored with it. It deserved well of its country. It was very like the present, but without the experience of the present; and forty years of experience is worth a century of book reading; and this they would say themselves were they to arise from the dead.

Great Changes Taking Place Rapidly.

The changes that occurred from the close of the Revolutionary War to Jefferson's old age made a deep impression on his mind; yet as we look back

at them from this distance they seem infinitesimal when compared with the changes that have taken place in the world the last quarter of a century and the tremendous changes taking place now.

George Washington was a representative of the best of American century and a statesman, a scholar, a soldier, a statesman, yet the business in which they are jointly engaged.

This advance is inevitable because of our educational system, which teaches the workman to think for himself.

It is inevitable because intercommunication has told the workman in one community what the workman in other communities are striving for and achieving.

It is inevitable, because strikes and lockouts can never be settled satisfactorily or permanently by merely raising a man's wages.

It is inevitable because it gives stability to business and because it is as advantageous to capital as to labor.

As a matter of fact, when a workman strikes it is not merely to obtain an increase in his wage; that is what the papers tell us the trouble is all about and that is what he asks for; but way down underneath what he is really striking for is a larger percentage of the profits of the business.

He may not realize this, but, subconsciously, this is precisely what he is doing.

No mere increase in wages can ever satisfactorily solve this problem. It can be solved only on the basis of profit sharing.

By profit sharing I do not mean bonus giving. I mean actual profit sharing plans based on the earnings of the business, with a fair percentage to capital and a fair percentage to labor after ordinary wages and interest have been earned.

Profit sharing can be done satisfactorily only when the business concern makes public its transactions, so that the laborer and the stockholder can know as much about the business as does the manager himself.

In the adjustment of difficulties between capital and labor I am confident that open books will accomplish much more than open shops.

These changes are far-reaching and fundamental. What are we going to do about it? What is to be our mental attitude? How are we going to handle these problems?

Can we approach them from the same point of view as did our fathers, who lived in a strictly individualistic age? Can we approach them from the knowledge we have gained from law books which were written in the individualistic age? If we do we will be combatting the mighty onward rush of new thought and new conditions, provided in large measure by the scientist, the educator, the inventor.

What the Future Holds Forth.

What is the outlook? Is it a sad, pessimistic future that unfolds? Does life hardly seem worth living under the new conditions or does it hold out an optimistic future, with finer opportunities and more worth while goals?

Let me see if I can picture it as I see it. First, just a glance into the past.

About the only goal we have had has been the almighty dollar. The first question asked when a man dies is, "How much was he worth?" with scarcely a thought as to how much he did for his community or his country.

But what has all amounted to? freedom to a police, in many phases of our life, amounted to license to do almost anything that we pleased or that brought profit or fancied renown, regardless of its effect on one's fellowmen.

In the early days, when instantaneous intercommunication did not exist, when education was meagre and science undeveloped, what the individual did was of comparatively small consequence, for his deeds did not reach very far and did not affect many people.



"I DO AS I LIKE."
—Individualism.

With intercommunication drawing the world together in one centralized community, the act of the individual can affect a large number of people; therefore, that form of freedom which is simply another expression for license to do as one pleases can no longer exist.

When Manhattan was sparsely settled and most of the people lived on its southern end it would not have mattered much had there been a case of smallpox at the north end. The patient could have done pretty much as he pleased without endangering any one else.

But a case of smallpox in the northern end of Manhattan to-day must be quarantined immediately to protect other people.

When I was a boy there was no Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and had any one suggested that a man could not whip his horse as much as he pleased he would have been ridiculed. Indeed, in those days the idea that a man had not the right to beat his own child as he pleased was given little attention.

When we were all driving horses and buggies there was no speed limit and a man did not have to procure a license to drive a horse. With the advent of the automobile a license has become a necessity. The public must know that the man who operates an automobile knows first how to operate it and, second, to control it.

Society is finding it necessary to take away much of what has hitherto been called "freedom of the individual." In my judgment this process is only in its infancy.

(Continued next week)

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The American people are going to be adequately and well fed.

Such is the purpose of Herbert C. Hoover, the nation's food distributor. After that the wants of the allies and neutrals on the other side of the Atlantic ocean will be attended to.

Forthcoming national food census, balanced with generous estimates of this country's food needs, will be followed by a policy of shipping to the allies and neutrals the resultant surplus.

Enforcement of this policy is believed to mean a substantial decrease in the present cost of living in United States.

Allied purchasing capacity, heretofore unlimited, will be limited. Allied willingness to pay any price for American food, formerly unlimited, will be disregarded.

Competition between the billions of allied governments and the pennies of the American consumer will vanish, it is pointed out.

Moreover, it is highly probable, and in line with the proposed international buying commission, that the allies will be consolidated in their food purchases, presenting a single buying front in place of their "cut-throat counter-bidding" in American markets for the last three years.

Hoover's plan is: Plenty of food is going to be held right here in this country to supply domestic demand. Residue may go abroad, first, probably to the allies, and later to the neutrals, but none to the enemy, directly or indirectly.

Declared Bad.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels has ordered a thorough investigation of the charges made in a letter introduced in the senate by Mr. Calder of New York alleging that conditions on board the United States hospital ship Solace are notoriously bad. Picturing unbearable conditions on board, sailors on the ship have sent a round robin letter to Senator Calder. It declares men with high fevers, measles and mumps, scarlet fever and other diseases mingled with one another on board ship, were forced to use same blankets, compelled to sleep on deck with inadequate covering and forced to eat out of dishes that were washed in laboratories and dried with toilet paper. A copy of the letter was wireless to Admiral Mayo, commanding the Atlantic fleet. He was ordered to conduct the investigation and report at the earliest moment. At the same time Surgeon General W. C. Braisted left Washington to go to the feet and aid in the probe. The Solace is the only hospital ship in the United States navy.

Important Mission.

Appointment of Major Alvin B. Barber as a member of the mission to France to study the needs of the country in regard to the rehabilitation of its railroads and also to study trench warfare and trench construction is regarded at Washington as of the highest importance.

VILLISTAS CAPTURE OJINAGA. NUMBER OF THE BULLETS FALL ON TEXAS SOIL.

A Villista force under Chico Cano captured the Mexican town of Ojinaga, opposite Presidio, Tex., after an engagement lasting several hours, according to information reaching military headquarters at El Paso. Bullets fell in Presidio. Uner Jose Rodriguez, the Carranza forces fled to Jimenez.

No Americans were reported as being injured.

Censorship Soared.

Criticism, not to say denunciation, of efforts to impose at Washington a rigid censorship on the American press during the war was uttered before the National Conference on Foreign Relations of the United States in session at Long Branch, N. J., under the auspices of the Academy of Political Science by Frederic Roy Martin of the Associated Press and John Temple Graves of the Atlanta Georgian. Oscar Straus presided.

Policy Carried Long ways.

Edward C. Schafer of Mattoon, Ill., received a letter from a mad at Dana, Ill., stating that the latter had just picked up a life insurance policy for \$1000 made out to Mrs. E. C. Schafer of Mattoon. The Schafer home was destroyed by the recent tornado. Dana is sixty-five miles from Mattoon.

TO HARDWARE BUYERS

Having purchased the Brien stock of Hardware and Implements and consolidated it with our own large stock, we are in better position to serve you in these lines than ever before. By this consolidation we now have one of the largest stocks of

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You yourself, your community, your town, your state, are on trial.

You are not subscribing to the Liberty Loan as you should. What are you going to do about it? Perhaps yours is a farming community where the wealth is in the ground but ready money is scarce. The government knows your troubles and is doing everything possible to help you, and to see that you get good prices for your crops. Means must be found to raise money for the Liberty Loan. We say this for two reasons, the first is, because you are patriots, and the second, is that if you do not subscribe to the loan the tax collector will force you to raise the money.

You say "we need the money in our business." Nobody questions that. The point is, that you have to find the money anyway, and you had better find it now and lend it to the government than have to give it up later and never see one cent of it back.

The Government is fighting to keep the Germans from this country, to keep the seas open so that your products can be sent across the seas and bring you good prices.

We are in the war, and in to stay. Let us see it through.

Farmers of the Southwest, the country calls to you. It wants you to help, not the other fellow but you. Will you respond, and buy a Liberty Bond.

Missionary Observations

A Chinese Christian once said "Christianity is China's only hope." China needs three things for her business life that the Gospel can give. First—a universal spirit of unselfish service. This is alien to the Chinese mind. Second—moral trustworthiness. Good business and material prosperity are, after all questions of good morals and sound character. Third—the ability to do things together. Of this the Chinese have no conception. The ability to organize and to hold together in a great combination for the accomplishment of a given task is one of the fundamental needs of these people.

From Kobe, Japan. "We are approaching the end of the school year. It is the largest and most successful we have ever had. Thirteen of our students were admitted into the church yesterday. This makes fifty-one additions to the church this school year.

A new missionary in Africa writes, "I am very happy in that I am doing the man for the job, and he takes it up in high hopes, enthusiasm, good courage and unyielding faith in God. As I look over the field I see in our Lubefu work very large possibilities, and I am entering the work there with a resolute determination to put all that I am and have into it for the glory of God and the good of man. Pray for this work and for the one in charge."—T. E.

Reeve, Central Africa.

When war is consuming men enough and money enough to evangelize the world a hundred times over, it is fitting that we stop and pray. Mighty intercessions could release the limitless possibilities of the church to meet the needs of the whole world. Christian leaders differ on many points, but on one point all agree—namely, that the missionary enterprise is a spiritual warfare, and the victory will be to those who wield spiritual weapons. If you have put your hand to the plow do not turn back. Set your face like a flint—and get there! God and his world need men who will arrive.

Supt. Publicity, W. M. S.

Notice to Taxpayers

You are hereby notified to appear before the Honorable Commissioners Court of Martin County, Texas, sitting as a Board of Equalization at Stanton, Texas, on the 11th day of June, 1917, and show cause why the valuation of your property should not be raised. H. HAMILTON, County Clerk, Martin Co., Texas.

We are now running our business on strictly cash basis, please help us by doing your part. Wilson Garage.

C. H. Knowlton spent last week with relatives in Brown county. He says everything is in fine shape down there—plenty of rain and crops doing fine.

NEW INTRIGUE IS REVEALED.

ATTEMPT TO INVOLVE THIS NATION WITH TWO FOREIGN LANDS.

Another startling German plot was revealed before the house interstate commerce committee.

Secretary of State Lansing disclosed that "Germans or German officials" attempted shortly before this nation's war declaration to involve the United States in differences with Great Britain and France through organization of a big steamship company that was deliberately to violate immediately foreign trading with the enemy acts.

The plot is now being investigated by the department of justice upon the authority of reliable government information, the secretary stated to the committee.

Secretary Lansing, Secretary of Commerce Redfield and Assistant Attorney General Warren, author of most of the war legislation, were before the interstate commerce committee in behalf of the Adamson trading with the enemy bill, introduced in the house several days previous.

Mr. Lansing was questioned by a committee member regarding the real need for such an act.

"There was an attempt," Lansing said, "by Germans or German officials—I do not know which—to force a breach between this country and either England or France.

"A steamship company was organized with an American board of directors to make trouble, before the American declaration of war against Germany, between the United States and England or France."

Lansing declared that before we entered into this war Germany sent an agent here, or designated one of her spies on American soil, to organize the steamship company.

This agent, he said, loaned Americans the money to buy grain and place it aboard ship in order to raise some issue between this country and one of the allies over the question of seizure of American cargoes.

Both Lansing and Redfield declared that the Adamson trading with the enemy act is designed to prevent any commerce between American citizens, either here or in Germany, or German citizens, in the United States, or German firms, or between such citizens and firms of countries that are allied with Germany.

Great Britain's act prevents trading with any subject of Germany or Austria. The American act is designed more to prevent trading with any firm whose products might enter Germany.

German Influence in Texas.

According to an authorized statement from the department of justice German influences were responsible for inducing an organization in Texas recently discovered to resist the selective draft provisions of the army law. Eleven indictments returned by federal grand juries in Texas have been followed by arrests in other sections of the country, and also on similar charges, although not linked with German influences, according to investigations made by agents of the department.

Three Go Down.

British hospital ship Dover Castle has been torpedoed and also the merchant armed cruiser met the same fate. A British destroyer was sunk in a collision.

Discrimination Charged.

The tariff arrangement which went into effect last November is highly discriminatory against their interests and in favor of Oklahoma interests brick manufacturers from west, central and northwest Texas testified before an interstate commerce commission examiner in the threeport rate case hearing at San Antonio. By the new tariff, they declare, the Oklahoma brick men have been able to invade Texas successfully and without fair competitive shipping facilities for the interests of this state.

Powerful Explosive.

Discovery of "terrorall," an explosive so powerful that five grains would be sufficient to crumble the tallest New York building, is announced by Dr. Dayve B. De Wailoff. The doctor and his son, Morton, were working to compound a chemical solution which would give a cheap substitute for gasoline when the new explosive mixture was accidentally discovered.

S. R. Black went to the new town of Fasken Monday night where he has under consideration a contract to move a number of buildings.