

# The Baird Star.

Our Motto: "TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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## Fresh Groceries

We take special pride in keeping our Grocery Department up to highest standard. We keep everything to be found in a first-class grocery store and our force of efficient clerks take pleasure in waiting on you when you come to the store, or your phone orders will receive just as careful attention. Let us have your grocery orders this month, we are sure we can serve you satisfactorily

**B. L. BOYDSTUN**  
THE PLACE WHERE MOST PEOPLE TRADE

### PRAIRIE DOGS MUST BE KILLED

The first called Session of the 34th Legislature passed a law making it mandatory for all land owners having prairie dogs on their premises to kill them. This law went into effect on August 28th, 1915, and provides that the owners shall have two years from that date in which to kill their dogs, and further provides that if they fail to so kill their dogs within said two years, the sheriff will, after 30 days notice, proceed to kill same and the expenses incident thereto will be a lien upon the land of the party so failing to kill. The law also provides that it will be the duty of the County Attorney to bring suit to enforce the payment of said expenses.

R. L. Surles,  
County Attorney.  
11.1t Adv.

### WASHINGTON TEA

The Ladies of the Presbyterian Church will give a Washington Tea at the home of Mrs. H. M. Peebles, Thursday evening, Feby., 22d from 4 to 6 o'clock. A free will offering will be taken.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the Masonic brothers and our neighbors for their kindness shown us in our illness. We appreciate their kindness from the bottom of our hearts. We want also to thank our nurse, Mrs. Rachel Crutchfield, who was kind and attentive. She did her duty and we will gladly recommend her to any and all who need help in sickness.

Sincerely  
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hamm.

### COOKED FOOD SALE

by the Methodist ladies at B. L. Boydston's dry goods department, Saturday. Buy your desert for Sunday from them.

### ENTERTAINED

On last Friday evening, Miss Jessie Haworth entertained a number of her friends with a delightful party. Games were played for some time after which punch and cake was served to the guests.

**EGGS FOR SALE**—White Leghorn, 15 for 50 cents. V. E. Jones 11-2t

### METHODIST CHURCH ITEMS

The Woman's Missionary Society met in business session last Monday at the church. Plans have been adopted to raise the financial budget of the year. The members on the team are as follows:

Mrs. Keifer, Barringer, Switzer, Ross, are with Mrs. B. L. Boydston in charge of the local work.

The ladies will have a cake and pie sale Saturday, Feb., 17th. at B. L. Boydston's Dry Goods Department. Get your desert for Sunday's dinner here, from them.

Every member is urged to be present at the social meeting Monday afternoon, Feb. 19th, Mrs. W. T. Wheeler will be the hostess. A splendid program has been prepared.

Last Friday evening Miss Bessie McKay entertained her Sunday School class at the home of Judge and Mrs. Russell. Quite a number of young people were present. The Hostess was assisted by Miss Marie Willis. Several interesting contests and music made the time pass all too rapidly. Dainty refreshments were served.

Sunday, the young peoples class was organized and the following officers were elected: Bob Norrell, Pres.; Miss Pierce, Vice Pres.; Miss Willis, Sec.; Dr. Hill, Treas.

Mrs. H. W. Ross has been appointed Superintendent of the Home Department and Mrs. Ben Sigal, Superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department. A sand table has been added to the Primary Department.

Sunday is to be "Patriotic Day." If you have not been to Sunday School this year, turn over a new leaf and began Sunday. The bell has been placed in the church tower and when you hear it call you to service, be sure to respond.

Every member of the church ought to be present at the regular services, 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Sunday.

Press Reporter.

### WILL PREACH AT BELLE PLAINE

Rev. H. M. Peebles requests us to announce that he will preach at the new church at Belle Plaine, Sunday, Feby. 18 at 3:30 p. m. Everybody invited to attend.

### MRS. J. M. GLOVER DEAD

Mrs. J. M. Glover, died at the family home south of town, Monday night, after an illness of some weeks. Funeral services were held at the residence Tuesday evening, conducted by Rev. W. Y. Switzer and the remains were interred in Ross Cemetery.

Mrs. Glover was a most estimable woman, a devoted wife and mother, and her death is regretted by all. She is survived by her husband and several small children, the youngest a little baby, just a few weeks old, her parents and several brothers and sisters, who have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their bereavement.

### MASONIC WORK.

Wednesday night there was a called meeting of Baird Lodge No. 522 A. F. & A. M. for work. The Entered Apprentice degree was conferred on one candidate and then the Master's degree was conferred upon the following candidates: M. G. Farmer, T. J. Lidia and Harold D. Austin. After work was finished a lunch was served in the ante room. C. E. Walker presided over the lunch counter with an 18 inch machete before lunch was served.

There were about sixty masons present, the largest attendance know at the Masonic Hall for quite awhile.

The following visitors were present from Cross Plains and Cottonwood: Jno. W. Wagner, O. D. Strahan, B. T. Higginbotham, M. C. Baum, J. H. Coats, S. N. Strabam, Virgil Hart, C. S. Boyles, Dodd Price, C. C. Neebe, Jno. Coats. From Clyde: T. F. Shelton, Don R. Marshall, Jno. W. Robbins, C. M. Peak. From Putnam: O. H. Burkett, R. L. Clinton, Geo. Biggerstaff, Jas. R. Bird, Y. A. Orr, Pierce Shackelford. H. Windham of Tecumseh, R. E. Wilson of Miles, Jno. W. Miller of Athens, L. M. Mann and G. W. Fraser of Fort Worth, Prof. R. D. Green and Dr. J. C. Jones of Cisco, Jess Duncan of Bells.

The house just south of Sam Webb's residence caught fire last Thursday evening from sparks from the flue, but our efficient Fire Department quickly responded to the alarm and the fire was extinguished before much damage was done.

## TAILORING

I have recently fitted up my Tailor Shop, added a new Steam Pressing Machine and a Dry Cleaning Machine and am now prepared to do first-class work promptly. With our new Dry Cleaning Machine we can clean the most delicate fabrics Satisfaction guaranteed.

LET ME BE YOUR TAILOR

**N. O. BURSON**

Fine Tailoring, Cleaning, Pressing, Etc.

### 53RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

On Thursday night, Feb. 22, 1917 at 7:30, the K. of P. will celebrate their 53rd Anniversary and the following program will be given. The public is invited.

Opening song, America.  
53 years of Pythian History—Geo. B. Scott.  
Music—Miss Stella Mitchell.  
Insurance Dept.—H. Schwartz.  
Solo.—Miss Helen Walker.  
Pythian Sisters—Mrs. Geo. Scott.  
Music—Miss Glyndol Elliott.  
Reading—Miss Norma Lee Lones.  
Piano Solo—Miss Evelyn Johnson  
Reading—Miss Maggie Scott.  
Violin Solo—Mrs. and Miss Hatcher  
Reading—Miss Naomi Cutbirth.  
Music—Misses Franklin and Hutchinson.

Jim Kimbill, of Oplin, was in town last Friday. Jim was enroute home from South Carolina, where he went with a car load of G. O. Cresswell's black Pole-Angus cattle, which he sold to a party in that state. Jim says they were having lots of rain in the east.

### 6 1-2 PER CENT MONEY QUICK SERVICE.

By dealing direct with borrowers, I can make loans on land at the rate above mentioned, and can give you the best service ever offered in the West. Abilene inspector, Abilene attorneys, Abilene money,—no red tape, no frills, no delays. Terms, brokerage and expenses reasonable. Write me for full particulars.

M. B. Bynum,  
No. 5, Radford Building,  
11.2t. Abilene, Texas.

### METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

There will be a special patriotic feature in connection with the regular Sunday School service next Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Come.

J. W. Turner, Supt.

### BAIRD COURT TRIBE OF BEN HUR

The largest Adequate Rate Insurance Society in America. Immediate Benefits, beautiful ritual and absolutely safe Protection.

For further information see Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Scribe, Dr. John Lee Williamson, Medical Examiner. 5-Stp.

# MAXWELL

I now have the agency for the Maxwell Automobile. If you contemplate buying a car let me show you this splendid one before you decide on a car.

PRICE: Touring Car \$690.

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Phone 91

Baird, Texas



### Your Health IS Paramount and deserves utmost care

One of the greatest drawbacks to health is a weak stomach, but in many cases this can be corrected by careful diet and the assistance of

## HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters

It is a Splendid First Aid

Poor Fellow Had to Walk. "Tell me of your early educational hardships."

"Well, I lived seven blocks from a Carnegie library, and we had no automobile."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Constipation generally indicates disordered stomach, liver and bowels. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills restores regularity without griping. Adv.

Sense of Justice. "That parrot I bought uses violent language."

"Lady," replied the dealer, "I won't deny that he does swear some. But you must give him credit for the fact that he doesn't drink nor gamble."

### CUTICURA KILLS DANDRUFF

The Cause of Dry, Thin and Falling Hair and Does It Quickly—Trial Free.

Anoint spots of dandruff, itching and irritation with Cuticura Ointment. Follow at once by a hot shampoo with Cuticura Soap, if a man, and next morning if a woman. When Dandruff goes the hair comes. Use Cuticura Soap daily for the toilet.

Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Odd Troubles. "There is one thing queer about plunging on a limited income."

"What's that?" "The more you live in a society round the harder you find it to make ends meet."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets are best for liver, bowels and stomach. One little Pellet for a laxative—three for a cathartic.—Adv.

Not Much Trouble. "What are you doing now, Pete?" "I'm collecting."

"Collecting what?" "My thoughts."

"Gosh, you always were lucky getting light work."—Puck.

COVETED BY ALL but possessed by few—a beautiful head of hair. If yours is streaked with gray, or is harsh and stiff, you can restore it to its former beauty and luster by using "La Croix" Hair Dressing. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Extreme Caution. "Jenks' fud is insisting that everything in life must have flavor."

"Yes, he will not even sit down to a table unless sure the wood is seasoned."

Granulated Eyelids. Sties, Infamed Eyes relieved over night by Roman Eye Balm. One trial proves its merit. Adv.

British scientists are studying a mineral found in Wales that emits a faint light in its natural state.

Poverty nips many a budding genius in the bud.

### Meat Eaters' Backache

Meat lovers are apt to have backaches and rheumatic attacks. Unless you do heavy work and get lots of fresh air, don't eat too much meat. It's rich in nitrogen and helps to form uric acid—a solid poison that irritates the nerves, damages the kidneys and often causes dropsy, gravel and urinary disorders. Doan's Kidney Pills help weak kidneys to throw off uric acid. Thousands recommend them.

#### A Texas Case

J. W. Barnard, Boy and Oriental St., Bonham, Tex., says: "I did a lot of stooping and I think that weakened my kidneys. I had a constant dull ache through my back and often could hardly get up or down. The kidney action was too frequent and the kidneys were highly colored. On a friend's advice, I used Doan's Kidney Pills and two boxes completely cured me."

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W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 7-1917.

## U. S. CAN BECOME MIGHTIEST NATION

Experts Agree All Other Belligerent Countries Could Be Surpassed.

### LEADS IN ACTUAL WEALTH

Possibilities Are Unlimited, It Is Declared, if Uncle Sam Should Choose to Develop Vast Powers.

Should the United States choose to develop all her vast powers, military experts agree, she will become the strongest military nation in the world. No belligerent on either side will equal her.

Other nations, or empires, have larger populations; but none has so many intelligent, energetic citizens of the type from which, universal experience shows, the best fighting material comes.

No other nation can approach her in natural resources.

No other nation can approach her in actual wealth.

No other nation can approach her in self-efficiency and ability to flourish without outside assistance of any sort.

No other nation can approach her, history shows, in the invention of new weapons of war; and leading American military men know that this factor takes a very important position in the calculations of foreign military councils when estimating the ability of the United States to resist or to attack.

The population of the United States and its colonial possessions is nearly as large as the combined population of Germany and Austria-Hungary.

The entrance of the United States into the war would add to the resources of the entente a national stock of gold as large as the combined gold reserve of France, Russia and Great Britain. When the gold in private hands is considered the preponderance of Uncle Sam is still more impressive. The gold stock of the central powers together is only about one-fifth of ours.

But iron, steel and copper are still more important in war than gold, and here the United States shines so brilliantly as to dim the rest of the world.

The United States produces more pig iron than all the other countries of the world combined.

The central powers' pig iron production is equivalent to three-eighths of this country's production.

Great Britain, France and Russia combined produce only a little more than half the amount mined and smelted here.

But when we come to copper, that indispensable of war, the full importance of the United States is realized.

In 1916 the United States produced twice as much copper as the rest of the world.

The central powers produce about one twenty-fourth as much copper as the United States. Great Britain, with all her colonies, produces only one-twelfth as much.

In industrial development and large-scale production, American energy and ingenuity lead the world.

While exact figures are lacking, it is known certainly that the United States has more than four times as many automobiles as all of the rest of the world put together. And the rate of production is putting this country farther ahead in automobile ownership every moment, despite vast exports.

About three-fourths of the automobile factory facilities, it is estimated, will be put to work immediately on munitions in case of war.

The railroad system of the United States compared with other nations, is a giant among pigmies.

It would be possible to spread this inventory of the American resources over many pages. Nowhere else does a man's labor produce so much as here, due to the unequalled utilization of mechanical power.

All that is needed to turn this mighty cataract of national energy to the business of war is time and preparation.

New York to Train Big Army. Albany, N. Y.—When New York state's plan of universal military training, with the changes now projected, is in effect, 240,000 boys from sixteen to nineteen years of age will be under instruction. This is a larger force than the regular army.

Only in the third year of the course will the boys use regular rifles and ammunition. Great pains will be taken to get instructors who are gentlemanly in manners and conduct and whose influence on their charges will be good in every way.

Motor Boat Data Ready. The navy department has made a complete inventory for military use of American merchant and sailing vessels, including pleasure craft down to the smallest motor boat. It is said that so thorough has been this preparation that the records show every boat, its speed and capacity, its owner and possible method of use. The motor boat inventory was begun some months ago under navy department directions, with a view to the utilization of these craft for the formation of a motor boat patrol.

Industrial Canvass Complete. Both the war and navy departments have available the report of the committee on national defense, headed by Herbert Coffin, which made a thorough canvass of the industrial facilities of the country with a view to their utilization and mobilization in time of war. It became known only recently that the government was making a careful inventory of munition-making machinery in the hands of manufacturers throughout the country. Whether this report has been completed at this time cannot be said.

### HIGHEST NAVAL OFFICER



REAR ADMIRAL W. S. BENSON. Chief of naval operations and ranking officer of the United States navy since the death of Admiral Dewey.

### SHIPBUILDERS TO RUSH WORK ON U. S. WARSHIPS

Big Firms Double Their Forces and Put Contracts for Navy Ahead of All Others.

Washington.—Construction of navy craft by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, the Fore River Shipbuilding company and the Electric Boat company will be speeded up to the limit of the plants. Work on two battleships at the plant of the Newport News company, at Secretary Daniels' suggestion, already is proceeding under doubled crews, and the offers of the other two companies to take similar steps met with the secretary's hearty approval.

At the Newport News plant it is estimated that the battleship Mississippi, recently launched, can be completed by midsummer instead of January 1, 1918, as called for in the contract. The keel of one of the four new battleships recently contracted for will be laid on the slip vacated by the Mississippi instead of a merchant vessel, as had been intended.

Representatives of the Fore River and Electric Boat companies called on Mr. Daniels, offering to rush work on destroyers and submarines for which they have contracts, setting aside other private work to that end. They were told to go ahead at full speed. The plan is to get the vessels launched as soon as possible, freeing stocks for the new set of destroyers and submarines to be authorized in the pending navy bill.

### NAVY MARKSMEN ACCURATE

American Gunners Never Showed as Great Proficiency as They Have in Recent Trials.

Data made public recently by the navy department show that at no other time in its history has the marksmanship of the United States navy been so good as it is at present. The new superdreadnaught Nevada gave an example of the general shooting efficiency of the Atlantic fleet. In recent target practice this ship fired 56 shots from her 14-inch guns, and the target, at varying ranges, was smashed 43 times, a record that is believed to equal, if not surpass, any record with similar guns in any other navy.

The following table shows at a glance what the gunners of the Atlantic fleet did with the big guns in the recent target practice:

#### 14-INCH-45-CALIBER.

Vessel	Shots	Hits	P. C. of Hits
Nevada	56	43	76.8
New York	60	41	68.3
Oklahoma	66	36	54.5
Pennsylvania	56	36	64.3
Texas	59	48	81.4

#### 12-INCH-30-CALIBER.

Arkansas	44	41	67.7
Wyoming	72	60	83.3

#### 12-INCH-45-CALIBER.

Delaware	59	45	76.3
Florida	58	54	93.1
Kansas	21	19	90.5
Michigan	48	32	66.7
Minnesota	23	14	60.9
New Hampshire	22	17	77.3
South Carolina	46	38	82.6
Utah	58	50	86.2
Vermont	21	12	57.1

#### 8-INCH-45-CALIBER.

Kansas	48	37	77.1
Minnesota	44	28	63.6
New Hampshire	46	29	63.0
Vermont	44	28	63.6

#### 7-INCH-45-CALIBER.

Kansas	75	38	50.7
Minnesota	89	41	46.1
New Hampshire	83	60	72.3
Vermont	80	39	48.8

#### 5-INCH-50-CALIBER.

Arkansas	161	94	58.4
Delaware	130	56	43.1
Florida	124	70	56.5
Kansas	158	86	54.4
New York	168	130	77.4
Oklahoma	168	98	58.3
Pennsylvania	174	119	68.4
Texas	167	106	63.5
Utah	115	66	57.4
Wyoming	164	98	59.8

## Horticultural Points



### PLAN TO MOVE LARGE TREES

Best Time for Working is When Ground is Frozen—Simple Arrangement is Illustrated.

The arrangement illustrated is very simple, and a big tree may thus be taken up and replanted. First dig around the tree, preferably when the ground is frozen; don't injure the roots by going too near; take up a large clump of dirt. Place connecting piece of the standards against the tree, to which fasten with ropes, winding a cloth around to prevent barking the tree. One or two horses hitched to the rope will easily raise the tree with ball of earth, and swing it onto the waiting stone-boat, on which you may haul it to the planting place. There dig a hole sufficiently big, set the tree, and fill and ram the earth securely into place. Then trim the bare branches a little—to make up for



Moving Large Trees.

any roots lost in the moving operation. If the situation is exposed to severe winds, it may be necessary to anchor the tree for several years. This can be done with guy-ropes, being careful to protect the bark from chafing. Also, it may be necessary to water the tree several times during the first one or two summers.—Farm Journal.

### MICE RAVAGES IN ORCHARDS

Serious Losses Result to Orchardists, Farmers and Those Interested in Our Forests.

The ravages of short-tailed field mice in many parts of the United States, according to D. E. Lantz, assistant biologist of the department of agriculture, result in serious losses to farmers, orchardists and those concerned with the conservation of our forests, and the problem of controlling the animals is one of considerable importance. Short-tailed field mice are commonly known as meadow mice, pine mice and moles; locally as bear mice, buck-tailed mice or black mice. Over 50 species and races occur within the United States, and nearly 40 other forms have been located in North America.

The runs of meadow mice are mainly on the surface of the ground under grass, leaves, weeds, brush, boards, snow or other sheltering litter. They are hollowed out by the animal's claws and worn hard and smooth by being frequently traversed. The runs lead to shallow burrows where large nests of dead grass furnish winter retreats for the mice. Summer nests are large balls of the same material hidden in the grass and often elevated on small hummocks in the meadows and marshes where the animals abound. The young are brought forth in either underground or surface nests.

### SECURE FRUIT TREES EARLY

Those Intending to Plant Nursery Stock This Winter Should Get Orders in at Once.

(By C. W. RAPP, Department of Horticulture, Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater.)

Those who expect to plant nursery stock during the present winter should purchase their trees as soon as possible. By so doing they are likely to profit, and they cannot lose.

Every nurseryman prepares for his custom to the best of his ability, but he is not always able to gauge his volume of business correctly, or a part of his stock may be unavoidably poor and stunted. In either case he does the best he can for his customers. Everybody gets the best, but the best toward the close of the selling season is frequently far inferior to the best at the beginning.

For these reasons the prudent buyer will place his order early. Even if he does not wish his stock delivered at once, he will place his order subject to call, or to delivery on a certain date. In this way he will receive the advantage of an early order, and the best trees will be his.

### GOOD WHITEWASH FOR TREES

Protection Against Sunscald and Insects Made From Mixture of Lime, Salt and Tallow.

A good whitewash for trees is made of 30 pounds lime, 5 pounds salt, 4 pounds tallow, stirring the tallow in while the lime is hot. Add enough water to make the wash flow well. It is a better protection against sunburn and insects than whitewash which the tallow has not been added.

## HOME TOWN HELPS

### RECOGNIZE VALUE OF BEAUTY

Los Angeles County Property Owners Wise in Planting Flowers on Borders of Roads.

"Los Angeles county, California, is the American Riviera, and in no way is the visitor more reminded of the beauty of the famous Mediterranean playground than in the treatment of the roadsides," says the American Highway association. "There is one broad boulevard where, for 18 miles one travels between continuous rose bowers backed with palms or firs. About fifty thousand rose bushes of fifty varieties were used in this landscape gardening."

"In many places the roads wind through orange, lemon and walnut groves separated from the roadway by masses of rose bushes four to six feet high, which charm the eye and fill the air with fragrance even in December."

"The work was done by individuals, but it was so successful that about two years ago a committee was organized to carry on such roadside treatment on a larger scale and in accordance with comprehensive plans. Funds were raised by a direct tax, and the county forestry department was placed in charge of the execution of the project."

"About two hundred miles of road now have 90 road trellises to the mile of highway. Each trellis is 20 feet long, five feet high and supports five bushes. Fifty varieties of roses are used, and give an attractive combination of colors. In addition, poppies, petunias and geraniums, which grow luxuriantly in that climate, have also been used along the boulevards, and palms and eucalyptus trees have been set out where necessary to break flat monotony or furnish a background."

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### HAVE HOUSE PROPERLY BUILT

Duty Man Owes to His Neighbors and to the City in Which He Plans to Reside.

Any house, whether it have three rooms or twenty, is a fascinating study. It is as full of possibilities as the owner himself, and like him its character is sometimes fully developed, sometimes not. But even an old, a stuffy house, one that has been as long "for let" as a man's conscience, may be improved! Here a window may be thrown out to admit light or to include a view, there a wing may be added and a dull dwelling transformed into one full of delightful surprises. A properly built house adds greatly to the appearance of the street on which it is built.

"The most fascinating house I ever knew," said an architect recently, "had originally but four rooms, to which every five or six years a new wing was added, the net result being a long, rambling, bow-windowed structure, which one never left without regret, and to which friends came homing as to a dove-cote."

### Concealed Will in Book.

A remarkable story concerning the discovery of a will was recently made known. Dr. Peter Quin Keegan, an elderly Irishman, and an LL.D. of Dublin university, was keenly interested in botany. A short time before his death he met Mr. Ronald Ellwood, traveler for a Penrith firm, and a friendship sprang up, based on their botanical studies. Doctor Keegan gave him a book on the subject, but Mr. Ellwood had no occasion to refer to it until a few days ago. He then found that two of the pages were fastened together, and outside one of them was an instruction in Doctor Keegan's peculiar writing that the pages were not to be opened until after his death. Doctor Keegan being already dead, Mr. Ellwood opened the pages and found between them the old gentleman's will.

### Will Build Russian Canal.

The project for the construction and equipment of a Voiga-Don canal, as designed by the Russian minister of ways and communications, has been approved by the government. The projected canal will play an important part in the economic development of southeastern Russia and of the Voiga and Don basins. Grain from Tsaritsin and timber and ore from the Urals will thereby obtain a direct outlet to the ports of the Sea of Azof and thence to the Black sea. Moreover, the canal will make it possible to supply coal to all the chief cities and industrial centers of the Voiga and surrounding country from the rich coal district of the Donetz basin.

### Planting Trees in Streets.

J. H. Reed says of street planting: "Proceed with caution, but proceed. It is too little appreciated that results from ornamental-tree planting, or its neglect, are to continue indefinitely. In the generations to come tree-lovers will be praising the good taste and good judgment of the planters and caretakers before them, or will be criticizing the injudicious work, or the entire absence of what should then have been done."

### Plant Vines.

Home grounds whether in the country or city, are incomplete without vines.

## MRS. KIESO SICK SEVEN MONTHS

Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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### COAST GUARDS SAVED DEER

Rescued Animal When It Had Broken Through Ice, Revived It and Set It Free.

Humanitarian activities of the coast guard extend to the saving of wild animal life. A deer chased by dogs attempted to cross the ice, crashed in, was rescued, nearly done for, by the coast guard crew of the station at Quonochontaug, R. I.; was taken into the station boat and thence to the station; was worked over until it revived, and then was set at liberty.

The tale comes in the report of the keeper of the station. The incident happened on the morning of January 3, when, about ten o'clock, the station crew sighted the deer



## GERMANY'S PROPOSAL IS FLATLY REJECTED

UNITED STATES CAN NOT PARLEY WHILE SUBMARINE WARFARE CONTINUES.

## MUST ABIDE BY PROMISES

Proposal From Berlin Was Conditioned on Continuing the Destruction of Vessels.

Washington.—The United States has flatly rejected Germany's offer to discuss the differences between the two nations while the ruthless submarine campaign is in progress.

In a note Monday to the Swiss minister, who on Saturday presented orally the German proposal, Secretary Lansing said the United States does not feel it can enter into any discussion with the German government concerning the policy of submarine warfare against neutrals which it is now pursuing unless the German government renounces its assurances of May 4 (the Sussex note) and acts upon the assurances.

The state department made public the secretary's reply, together with a memorandum which, at Mr. Lansing's suggestion, Dr. Ritter, the Swiss minister, had prepared, setting down in writing the suggestion originally transmitted orally.

Previously officials had declined to confirm the announcement by the Associated Press Saturday afternoon that such a proposal had been delivered by Dr. Ritter.

### Regarded as Insincere.

In view of the fact that the United States has taken the most vigorous course possible short of war to denounce the ruthless submarine warfare officials of the government regarded the German proposal to negotiate while the campaign is in progress as utterly insincere. From the first the move has been looked upon and resented as a piece of propaganda designed to belound the issue and put the United States into a false position of belligerency.

The question of whether navy guns shall be provided for American ships owners desiring to arm their vessels for defense against submarines has been submitted to President Wilson by the state and navy departments. It is understood that the state department, the government's spokesman on international problems, has recommended that the guns be provided.

There is said to be no authority under which the navy department can actually supply the guns, though there are precedents for the loaning of weapons under bond for their return. Under existing law only condemned guns and stores can be sold by the navy.

## CARRANZA PROPOSES EMBARGO.

Note From City of Mexico Causes Amusement and Gravity in Washington.

Washington.—Mexico's de facto government has entered the lists as an international peacemaker with an identic note to all neutrals proposing a joint effort to end the European war, to be followed in the event of failure by the cutting off of all exports of munitions and food supplies to belligerents.

It was received with expressions of mingled amusement and gravity in official quarters. The prevailing opinion was that Secretary Lansing would reply promptly and briefly, referring to the futile effort of President Wilson to bring about peace and pointing out that under existing conditions an embargo on exports would be a breach of neutrality.

Among entente diplomats Carranza's action was denounced as another evidence of German influence in Mexico and as a further effort to belound the issue and embarrass the United States in the situation resulting from Germany's new submarine campaign.

## Crews Had Orders to Cripple Ships.

Honolulu, Hawaii.—Machine guns and ammunition were found stowed aboard the German interned cruiser Geier, which was set on fire here by her crew. At the time the Greiser interned her commander was ordered to turn over all arms and ammunition to United States naval authorities. A number of German merchantmen free to go to sea at any time have been lying in port here. They are now incapacitated, fires having been built by their crews under empty boilers. This work it was admitted, was started on advices received by cable from the mainland.

## Americans Give Up Work in Belgium.

London.—The American commission for relief in Belgium has officially notified the German authorities that the Americans will withdraw from participation in the relief work in Belgium and northern France. This step was taken in reply to an order from the German authorities that Americans must withdraw from the provinces of Belgium and northern France, leaving only a few of their representatives headed by Brand Whitlock, American minister to Belgium.

## BLOCKADE OF BRITAIN IS WORKING DISASTER

AT RATE SUBMARINES ARE GOING WORLD'S TONNAGE COULD BE DESTROYED IN FOUR YEARS.

## MILLION TONS A MONTH LOSS

Ship Manufacturers in Allied and Neutral Countries Rushing to Make Up Deficit in Bottoms.

Washington.—Germany's ruthless submarine warfare continued with the success of the first few days would destroy within a short time a great part of the world's merchant tonnage. Officials here estimated on records for the first three days after expiration of the time allowed in the German proclamation for ships at sea on Feb. 1 to get into port that vessels were being sunk at the rate of nearly a million tons a month, the amount German authorities set as necessary to starve the British Isles.

At that rate it would take just four years to destroy the tonnage of the entire world—48,000,000—if all the world's ships ventured into the war zone.

Lloyd's reports puts the tonnage sunk Feb. 5, 6 and 7 at about \$5,000,000.

The world turned out in 1916 less than 2,000,000 tons of merchant vessels. During the year the Germans sank a trifle more than that, making the net loss in world's shipping about 1 1/2 per cent.

### Rush Work on Merchant Ships.

Ship manufacturers in all the allied and neutral countries are rushing work on merchant ships. Vessels have been standardized and it is almost impossible to have made anywhere a ship of special construction. The British government is having built great steel cargo ships, all alike and of simple construction. The yards are busy night and day on their construction and as they are off the ways keels will be laid for more.

### United States Second.

Of the 48,000,000 tons of merchant ships in the world, Great Britain owns about 30,000,000 tons. The United States is second with a little more than 6,000,000 tons, of which 2,000,000 tons is in lake and river trade. In American ports there are 95 German merchant vessels of 600,000 tons tonnage which put in for haven at the outbreak of the war.

### Britain Not Alarmed at Sub Activity.

London.—"We are not alarmed at the sharpened submarine war. We knew it was coming and prepared for it. Time will tell how our confidence is justified." This statement was made to the Associated Press at the admiralty, and it was added: "It must be remembered that one submarine may cruise whole days without getting a victim. For instance, on one day since Feb. 1 torpedoes were fired on sight at seven or our merchantmen without getting a single hit. We have taken measures which we have reason to believe will frustrate the U-boat warfare. Of course, it is obvious that we can not reveal them—the daily reports of the decrease in sinkings will be the best evidence of our success."

## STEAMER CALIFORNIA SUNK.

British Vessel Torpedoed Without Warning Off Irish Coast.

London.—The British passenger steamer California of the Anchor line, bound from New York for Glasgow, was torpedoed at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning off the Irish coast and sank in nine minutes with the loss of 41 lives. The stricken ship was able to send out "S O S" calls and help arrived promptly. Nevertheless, five persons were killed by the explosion and 36 were drowned in the launching of the life boats.

The California was an armed liner, carrying a single 4.7 gun mounted on the stern, and was of 48,562 tons. The gunboat was just training the weapon on the spot where oil bubbles had revealed the presence of the undersea enemy when a torpedo struck the port side with an explosion so violent that most of the people aboard were thrown off their feet, five being killed and a score injured.

The submarine fired a second torpedo in an apparent effort to accelerate the sinking, but the second shot missed, although both torpedoes were fired from a distance of less than 300 yards.

There was only one American aboard the California and he is among the survivors.

## Brazil is Putting Navy in Condition.

Rio Janeiro.—Great activity is being displayed at all navy yards. Orders have been issued closing all Brazilian ports and commanders of forts have been instructed to employ force if necessary to prevent the departure or entrance of any vessel. Brazil's answer to Germany has been drawn. It is understood that the note will say that Brazil will strongly maintain its rights. Brazil remains loyal to its traditions that it has never entered a war only when forced to do so.

## GUNS MAY BE PUT AT SHIPS' DISPOSAL

IT IS INTIMATED GOVERNMENT WILL FURNISH WEAPONS FOR PROTECTION.

Washington.—American ship owners who have been holding their vessels in port because of inability to obtain guns for defense against submarines probably will have their difficulties solved in a few days. Strong intimations were given in official quarters that, while the government will not actually arm merchant craft or even formally advise arming, a way will be found to put weapons at the disposal of owners who desire to prepare for defense against illegal attack.

The enforced idleness of the American merchant fleet is being viewed with growing disquietude and the general view here is that not only the export trade, but the nation's standing before the world, demands that American vessels continue to ply the high seas without regard to the German proclamation.

The German proposal delivered to the state department Saturday, that means be discussed of preventing the break in relations from resulting in war, apparently has struck no responsive chord here.

No official would indicate whether a reply already had been given, but there was no disposition to deny that the proposal had been made or that the American government regards it as an effort on the part of Germany to begot the issue.

### Nothing to Discuss.

It was made clear everywhere in government circles that there was nothing to discuss unless Germany desired to stop abridging American rights and illegally menacing American life.

### One Vessel Destroyed.

The fact that only one vessel was destroyed in the war zone Sunday and that the number has been growing smaller daily, has modified the views of those who thought the new submarine campaign might completely isolate England. Reports from British sources that less than 90 vessels of the 1,100 going to and from England had been destroyed since the campaign are regarded as insignificant as to the success of the undersea warfare to date.

## SPAIN PROTESTS TO GERMANY.

Closing of Certain Sea Routes Declared Wholly Outside Legal Principles.

Madrid, via Paris.—The Spanish government's reply to Germany's submarine war zone note is a firm and dignified protest against it. It declares that Germany's decision to close completely certain sea routes is outside the legal principles of international law. It adds that if Germany hopes to have Spain's help to avoid more loss of life it must be understood that Spain, while ready at the proper time to lend the initiative in support of the establishment of peace can not accept the legality of exceptional methods of war.

## SMALL BANKS NEVER SO STRONG

Sharp Shrinkage, on the Other Hand, in Resources of Big National Banks.

Washington.—Sharp Shrinkage in the resources of national banks in the chief cities of the country and gains showing strength never attained before in smaller cities were disclosed in the comptroller of the currency's statement of bank conditions on Dec. 27, the date of the last call. There was a net shrinkage of \$186,000,000. New York city banks reduced their resources \$200,000,000; in Chicago the reduction was \$15,000,000; in Philadelphia \$22,000,000; in Boston \$15,000,000; in San Francisco \$7,000,000, and in St. Louis \$5,000,000. Louisville banks showed a \$5,000,000 increase and in Des Moines and Salt Lake city, next on the list, the increase was about \$4,000,000 each.

## Chile Will Uphold Her Rights at Sea.

Santiago, Chile.—The reply of the Chilean government to the German note on submarine warfare, according to official announcement, declares that such a measure denotes restriction of the rights of neutrals, which Chile cannot accept. Chile reserves for herself liberty of action to protect her rights in event of any hostile act against her interests.

## \$250,000,000 Revenue Bill Acceptable.

Washington.—The administration revenue bill, designed to raise approximately \$250,000,000 and authorizing a bond issue of \$100,000,000, is practically agreed on by the Democrats of the senate finance committee.

## SUBS SUNK SIX SHIPS FRIDAY.

One British, One Spanish and Four Norwegian Vessels Sunk.

Washington.—Five neutral vessels and one British steamer were added to the list of victims of the German submarine campaign, according to Friday dispatches from London. Four of the neutrals were of Norwegian registry and the other was the Spanish steamer Nueva Montana. The total tonnage lost, according to Friday's reports, was 10,424.

## OVERT ACT WILL NOT BE SIGNAL FOR WAR

NEXT MOVE WILL BE MERELY TO ARRANGE FOR PROTECTION OF AMERICANS AT SEA.

## ARMING OF SHIPS ONE PLAN

This and Convoying Merchantmen to Europe is Considered at Meeting of Cabinet.

Washington.—The course to be taken by the United States if Germany compels the use of force to safeguard American lives and rights has been determined. It was learned authoritatively after Friday's cabinet meeting that in the event President Wilson goes before congress again it will not be to ask for a declaration of war, but to follow literally the words of the address in which he announced the break of diplomatic relations and requested authority to use means deemed necessary to protect American seamen and people.

The president, it was stated, is as anxious as ever to avoid war with Germany, but also is as determined as ever that American citizens and ships shall be free to travel the high seas unmolested. His next step, if taken, will be to enforce that right, and even then the issue of war or peace will be with Germany. Any hostile action will have to come in the form of an interference with an American right.

Details of the government's plans are not discussed. It is known, however, that convoying and arming of merchant ships are being considered.

### No Important Development.

No development came to indicate that the overt act by Germany regarded as inevitable was nearer at hand. Fewer reports of ships sunk came in and none told officially of the loss of an American life. Further information received about George Washington, the negro fireman lost on the Turino, indicated that he probably was a British subject.

## SUB DESTROY 12 SHIPS IN DAY.

Six Victims Carried British Flag and Other Six Were Neutral.

London, Feb. 6.—Destruction of nine ships of various kinds was reported Tuesday, presumably by submarines. Six were British, five Norwegian and one Swedish. The total tonnage of these vessels was 37,426, and are as follows: British steamship Port Adelaide, carrying passengers; ninety-six of the passengers and crew have been picked up at sea; Floridan of 4,777 tons gross. Sixteen members of the crew were landed; British steamship Warley Pickering of 4,196 tons gross; Norwegian bark Tamara of 463 tons; the British sailing vessel Belford, 1,995 tons; the Swedish steamer Bravalla, 1,553 tons. The crew was landed. They were fired on by the submarine as they entered the boats; Norwegian steamer Rigel, 1,771 tons, 22 of her crew picked up at sea; Norwegian bark Wasdale, 1,850 tons; nineteen of her crew picked up; Norwegian bark Songdal, 2,889 tons, twenty-five of her crew picked up; British steamers Palm Leaf, 3,308 tons, and Cliftonian, 4,303 tons, have been torpedoed by a German submarine and that the Norwegian ship Thor II, 2,144 tons, has been torpedoed. The crews of the two British steamers were landed.

## German-Americans Back Up President

Philadelphia, Pa.—Resolutions endorsing the action of President Wilson in severing diplomatic relations with Germany and pledging its loyalty to the United States were adopted by the German-American national alliance at a meeting here. It was decided, in case of hostilities to form regiments of German-Americans and to turn over to the American Red cross funds which the alliance has been collecting for German war relief. The meeting was attended by delegates from 28 states. The alliance is said to have a membership of 3,000,000.

## Invents Self-Guiding Torpedo.

Williston, N. D.—A self-guiding torpedo, based on magnetic control, against which an enemy would have little chance for defense, has been invented by Chas. J. Field, who laid the first trans-Atlantic cable. Mr. Field, in announcing his invention, said that it had been turned over to the United States government. Recent official government test credited the device with seven hits out of eight attempts, whereas the ordinary torpedo has a much smaller average.

## Philadelphia Active War Preparations

Philadelphia.—Active war preparations here continue, with brisk recruiting in the army, navy and marine corps and the naval militia and the coaling of battleships, cruisers and auxiliaries of the Atlantic reserve fleet of the Philadelphia navy yard. Naval officers of the Fourth naval district, about 40 in number, have received notification that their services would be required in the event of war. It is said that the navy yard will be placed on a night and day working basis at once.

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 18

#### JESUS HEALS NOBLEMAN'S SON.

LESSON TEXT—John 4:46-54. GOLDEN TEXT—As thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee.—Matt. 8:13.

This event occurred a few days after that of last Sunday's lesson. It was Jesus' second miracle in Cana. John the Baptist is still preaching, and Jesus is closing the first year of his ministry and beginning his work in Galilee. Teachers should bring a vivid picture of Galilee to their classes, as that was one of the important fields to which our Master devoted much of his time. (For description see some good Bible dictionary.) The people of that land were more worldly, less bound by conventionalities, and more accessible to the teachings which Jesus brought than those of Judea. Josephus says they were "fond of innovations, and disposed to changes."

I. Supplication (Testing) vv. 43-49. Jesus left the revival at Samaria (vv. 39-44) and returned to Galilee. His own people of Nazareth refused to accept him "for a prophet hath no honor in his own country." It was in Galilee that he had his great victories. Here he was welcome (v. 45) because they had known the things that he did at Jerusalem, the report of which was brought back by those who had visited the feast (John 2:14-17). In Cana (Ch. 2:11) one came to him who was a king's officer, one who was used to command, and whose great personal need overcame any prejudice (Matt. 9:18; Luke 7:2). God uses afflictions oftentimes to drive us to him, and the most effective way to induce men to come to Jesus is to bring them to recognize their need which he alone can supply. The lad was "at the point of death," hence the father's journey of twenty miles from Capernaum to Cana, seeking help. We have here the weakness of faith indicated in verse forty-eight, in that the man would not believe except he should see signs and wonders. We have also the earnestness of the man in verse 49, "Sir, come down ere my child die."

Man's extremity is ever God's opportunity. Not only extreme cases of sickness can be brought to him, but extreme cases of sin as well (I Tim. 1:15; Heb. 7:25). He can heal not only those who are "at the point of death" but those who are already dead (Eph. 2:1). The child was dying, the father had not strength to wait to see wonders, but he could and did trust Jesus to heal his son.

#### II. Surrender (Trusting) vv. 50-51.

When the soldier took Jesus at his word, he surrendered his previous conception, and accepted the word of God; literally acting upon his belief. He went his way because he believed. He did not ask Jesus again to go to Capernaum. We must not confuse this kind of faith, however, with his having accepted Jesus as Savior. He accepted Jesus only as healer. We have men today who will accept Jesus Christ in the perfection of his character and the purity of his teachings but who will not accept him to be their personal Savior. Such men want to receive the benefits of Christianity, failing to recognize its spiritual power and authority.

#### III. Satisfaction (Triumph) (vv. 52-54).

The father's faith rose to the need for "he believed the word that Jesus spake." That word did not seem at all probable, but it was enough. The word of Jesus who is, himself, the truth, is a sure and more reasonable ground of faith than any amount of speculation. This father's walk from Cana to Capernaum was a walk of faith. He had nothing but a bare promise to support him, yet on his return he found his son living (v. 52). On this word of Jesus he, himself, believed, and his whole house. It seems improbable that this could be otherwise if he were an honest man.

#### IV. Suggestions (1) The living, personal presence of Christ is not needful.

It was a wise provision of God's economy that Christ should have returned to heaven. (2) Acts are the true indications of our faith. God's written revelation and the revelation of his son, the Living Word, and the witness of the experience of God's saints are sufficient facts upon which to base faith. (3) Faith is progressive. Notice the growth from verses 48 to 50 and 53. At first the man believed in Jesus' word; then he believed in Jesus' word, and believed in Jesus, himself; then he reaches the highest point in that he does not believe alone, for his whole house believed with him. (4) Faith is the source of all Christian gifts and graces. We have an advantage over these Galileans of nearly nineteen centuries of what Christ has wrought among the peoples of the earth among those who have believed on him. He has been tried and proved, and the gifts of God's grace, eternal life, the gifts of the Spirit are all conditioned upon our faith in him and in the Lord Jesus.

#### (2) Acts are the true indications of our faith.

Our salvation from sin, our effectiveness as disciples and followers depend upon our faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior from sin, and as our Lord and Master.

## LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE IF SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH

Hurry, Mother! Remove poisons from little stomach, liver, bowels.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once if bilious or constipated.



Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, it is a sure sign that your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

When peevish, cross, listless, pale, doesn't sleep, doesn't eat or act naturally, or is feverish, stomach sour, breath bad; has stomach-ache, sore throat, diarrhoea, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of the little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

You needn't coax sick children to take this harmless "fruit laxative;" they love its delicious taste, and it always makes them feel splendid.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. To be sure you get the genuine, ask to see that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Adv.

### Akin to Marriage.

Willis—What system do these military airplanes work on?  
Gillis—One person runs the machine, and the other is just an observer, but both of them fight.  
Willis—I see; just like being married.

### IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

should be given to sprains, swellings, bruises, rheumatism and neuralgia. Keep Mansfield's Magic Arnica Liniment handy on the shelf. Three sizes—25c, 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

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"The doctor says I'm eating too much sweet stuff. Says sugar makes you lazy. Think it does?"  
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Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your head clear, stomach sweet and your liver and bowels regular for months. Adv.

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"The people are laying for that egg magnum."  
"Yes, but so are the hens."

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Maybe it will turn out that Texas will drown the tick in booze, then destroy the booze—maybe.

What is the biggest joke in Texas, one asks? We don't know, but we are inclined to believe one of them is, Trinity, river navigation at Dallas.

Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis says she is going to visit the districts of those members of the legislature who voted against "submission", and raise thunder with them.

Old Carranza has proposed to all the Neutrals to refuse to ship any more food or munitions to the warring nations. What, a joke! With Mexican people starving and industries all paralyzed by five years of internal strife...

The pros have blundered again on submission. The antis offered a bone-dry amendment to the pro committee resolution which the pros defeated. Now, after having been defeated on the main resolution they have agreed to accept, a few changes, the amendment, they rejected.

It required many years of hard work by the newspaper men and a few other enterprising citizens of Texas to convince the people that good roads, while they cost something, do not cost as much as bad roads...

Many pros say they are fighting the open saloon mainly. Well here is a hunch to the pros in the legislature: Why not pass a law prohibiting the open saloon in Texas? You have the power to pass it if all pros and antis who oppose the open saloon will vote for it.

We saw some of the evidence of the "traditional friendship" of the German government for Republican America in the Spanish War. All that prevented Germany from joining Spain against us, was the evidence early in the war of Spain's impotence.

Bryan is playing a role that may lose him much of his popularity. He is at his old trick of having the

people wire the President to keep out of war. That was the game he successfully played at Baltimore against Champ Clark, and nominated Wilson—not Bryan, as he really expected.

There is a bill before Congress to prohibit liquor concerns and newspapers containing liquor ads to circulate through the mails. Some of the newspapers are very much disturbed about this, saying that it is an abridgment of the rights of a free press.

The German government thinks a great deal more of a "little scrap of paper" now than they did in 1914 when it violated its own treaty with Belgium when German armies attacked that country because it refused to allow them to attack France through Belgium.

Submission appears to be defeated in both branches of the legislature at Austin and we are glad of it, for this reason: One thing it will give Texas a little rest on the prohibition agitation that has blocked nearly everything else in legislation in Texas for more than ten years.

is the least doubt but what it would carry by a large majority. The antis have been accused of being defenders of the open saloon, but we know whereof we speak when we say that many antis are opposed to the open saloon; but our laws have been so manipulated that it is either the open saloon or prohibition.

The legislature should do something to prevent, if possible, reckless speeding on the public highway and streets of the towns by irresponsible autoists.

Callahan County has over five hundred autos and perhaps every one of them violates the law repeatedly every day they use the public streets or roads, yet our people are no more reckless than people of other counties, perhaps not so much so, at least we sometimes think so; but we see an increase in reckless driving that if not checked will cost some person their life.

The auto is a good thing, but the privilege of using them on the streets and highway is grossly abused by most drivers. Many of the violations are not intentional, they just don't think.

We are in receipt of a communication from District Judge Joe Burkett opposing the proposed change in the law which, if passed, will hereafter require that all nominations for judicial offices be made by a convention.

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We have not at any time refused to render what help we could to those in distress or temporary need. We have not been hard or impatient with you in requests for help when we were in need of the little amount you justly owed us.

SOME THINGS WE ARE GOING TO DO

We are going to sell more goods, get more cash, do less credit and owe less money. We are going to do more for the needy, less for the unworthy and collect from those who can pay.

After having read this, if you can think of any way you can help us, we will appreciate it. You might owe us something. If you will ask we can tell you. WHY NOT?

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"Grip of Evil"

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The Wonder Pathe Serial in 15 Episodes Featuring Grace Darmond  
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I have a splendid stock of Furniture, Rugs, Art Squares, Window Shades, Mattresses, Pillows, Stoves. Also do repairing and picture framing. First-class work.

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Come in and get a Club Book Free and join our "Christmas Banking Club." It is an easy way to have money. Join the Club yourself and take out a membership for each one of your Children; teach them to save. In 50 weeks:

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5-cent club pays \$ 63.75  
10-cent club pays \$ 127.50

You can put in \$1.00 or \$2.00 or \$5.00 each week and in 50 weeks have \$50 or \$100 or \$250.

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### T. & P. TIME TABLE.

The following changes have been made in the schedule:

East Bound.	
No. 2 (Sunshine)	9:55 a. m.
" 4	11:45 a. m.
No. 6	11:50 p. m.
West Bound.	
No. 1 (Sunshine)	7:00 p. m.
" 5	4:00 a. m.
" 3	4:05 p. m.

No. 3 only goes to Sweetwater.  
J. H. Rowley, Agent.

### PERSONALS

Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones were in town, yesterday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hart, Tuesday, Feby. 6, 1917, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hickman and little son, were in town yesterday.

Will Rice was in from the Hall Ranch, Tuesday.

G. W. Hamm is able to be out again after an illness of several weeks.

See The Sequel to The Diamond From The Sky at The Royal to night. Adv

I. R. Keel, of Oplid, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office this week.

Special Educational and Agricultural feature at the Royal Monday night. Don't miss it. 10.1f

B. L. Boydston returned Wednesday morning from the eastern markets.

Commissioners Court is in regular session this week with all members of the Court present.

Mr. H. G. Craig, U. S. Government road engineer, in company with Judge B. L. Russell made THE STAR office a brief call a few days ago.

G. W. Miller and son, Marcus, of Rowden, were in town Monday, and both renewed their subscription to THE STAR.

Pies 20 cents and 25 cents, cakes 50 cents and 60 cents at the Cooked Food Sale given by the Methodist ladies, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Gee are attending Grand Opera in Dallas this week and will visit in Greenville before returning to Baird.

Wanted.—One-half dozen setting hens.—Mrs. Geo. B. Scott, Phone 187. 14-1t.

Rev. L. O. Cox, of Rule, former pastor of the Baptist Church here, visited his son, L. O., Jr., this week.

Ed Merrill, of Baird, has been here this week and is being given an opportunity to make good as an engine driver.—Big Springs Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Schwartz left Saturday morning on the Sunshine Special for St. Louis to buy their spring and summer dry goods.

"The Traitor," the first episode of the new Pathe serial, "Pearl of the Army," featuring Pearl White will be shown at The Royal Saturday night, Feb. 24, 1917. Adv.

A. J. Arvin, of Cottonwood, made THE STAR office his 30th annual visit last Saturday. Sorry we did not get to see the old sinner.

Joe Crutchfield and J. L. Denham two of the old timers, renewed their subscription to THE STAR this week. Thanks, boys, may your shadow never grow less.

Rev. A. W. Waddill, of Anson, former pastor of the Methodist Church at Baird, was in town one day last week. He did not visit this office and we had a good notion not to mention his visit.

N. P. McCoy, of Elko, Nevada, was called here some weeks ago by the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. J. S. Davidson. Mrs. Davidson is much better, and Mr. McCoy will leave in a few days for his home.

SEED OATS FOR SALE.—Free of Johnson grass. Phone 20 L S. 9-t. Adv. J. W. Jones.

### BAIRD IS WINNER

Baird has succeeded in administering several kinds of defeat to Abilene recently. Her basketball teams, both girls and boys, won over the respective teams at Baird last Friday while her spelling team defeated the local spellers.—Taylor County Times.

### LIST OF PETIT JURORS

For the first week of the March Term, A. D. 1917 of the County Court of Callahan County, Tex.

Jim Appleton, L. D. Boyd, E. W. Graves, Ed Rylee, W. H. Dawkins, W. E. Caperton, Ace Hickman, W. L. Miller, Henry Weeks, J. C. Gist, Roy Smalley and Ernest Riggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Jones, of Baird, have been visiting relatives here this week. Mr. Jones who successfully passed the examination made his first run as a locomotive engineer Tuesday night.—Big Springs Herald.

F. L. Tidwell and family moved to Gunter, Grayson county, this week. Mr. Tidwell and family have made many friends in Baird, where they have resided for many years, and we all regret to have them leave us. THE STAR will visit them weekly. May fortune smile upon them in their new home.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, Feb. 11th, 1917.	
Baptist Sunday School.	
Number present	100
Collection	\$2.06
Methodist Sunday School.	
Number present	88
Collection	\$3.63
Presbyterian Sunday School	
Number present	98
Collection	\$4.10
Church of Christ Sunday School.	
Number present	48
Collection	\$2.06
Chapters read	468
Total Attendance	334
Total Collection	\$11.85

### HONOR ROLL

The following have paid their subscription since last report.

O. D. Morrow	\$1.00
x J. A. Wagner	1.00
T. P. Bearden	1.00
Tom Perry	1.00
Fred Alvord	1.00
x A. L. Biggerstaff	1.00
Joe Glover	1.00
Mrs. H. H. Gregory	1.00
x Mrs. Jasper McCoy	1.00
Dr. R. F. Minnock	1.00
J. N. Tyson	1.00
B. L. Russell	1.00
Fred Lindner	1.00
T. W. Breeding	1.00
Pat Fahey	.50
Mrs. S. M. Hazel	.50
Joe Crutchfield	1.00
J. L. White	1.00
Roy D. Williams	.50
W. H. Norrid	1.00
I. R. Keele	1.00
J. L. Denham	1.00
x A. J. Arvin	1.00
G. W. Miller	1.00
M. S. Miller	1.00
Fred Cutbirth	2.00
Wylie M. James	1.00
J. D. Davis	1.00
N. P. McCoy	1.00
Frank Tidwell	1.00
Ike Dean	1.00

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### THE BEST RECOMMENDATION

The strongest recommendation any article may receive is a favorable word from the user. It is the recommendations of those who have used it that makes Chamberlain's Cough Remedy so popular. Mrs. Amanda Gierhart, Waynesfield, Ohio, writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my family off and on for twenty years and it has never failed to cure a cough or cold."

For sale by ALL DEALERS. 9-4t-Adv.

BULK SEED.—We have garden seed in bulk and packages, and can sell you as cheap as you can buy from anyone. Chambers Bros. 10-2t.



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The car is popular the world over. It is a favorite on all continents. The Chevrolet is seen in the remotest parts of all nations.

It is deserving of this recognition. This worldwide tribute proves the good qualities we claim for it.

Of simple and sturdy construction, sufficient power, good looks, and low upkeep cost, the Chevrolet quickly finds favor everywhere. Today it is the leader.

**Price \$590.00 Delivered**

The price is exceptionally low, considering the quality of the car and complete equipment. A two-unit electric starting and lighting system is supplied which renders the Chevrolet a pleasure car especially desirable for women. Come in today and see the latest models.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

NOTICE:—On January 15th Chevrolet cars were advanced \$60, making them \$590. delivered.

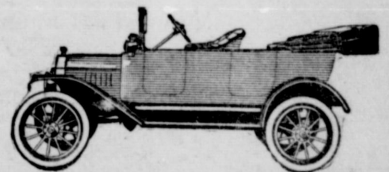
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A registered German Coach Station. For further information see W. W. Smith, Moton Wagon Yard. 1tp.

FOR A BILIOUS ATTACK

When you have a severe headache, accompanied by a coated tongue, loathing of food, constipation, torpid liver, vomiting of partly digested food and then bile, you may know that you have a severe bilious attack. While you may be quite sick there is much consolation in knowing that relief may be had by taking three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They are prompt and effectual.

For sale by ALL DEALERS. Adv.

SHOES

We have received two large shipments of shoes in addition to some smaller lots. We have the Diamond Brand, and the price and the shoe will fit. They are all leather shoes. A nice line of Tennis Shoes, Sister Sue Pumps, etc. Come and look them over, be from Missouri.

Chambers Bros.

P. S.—You will find our goods marked in plain figures that your child can read. We do not give any premiums, we give back your change and let you buy what you want. 10-2

Eggs from Thompson Barred and Fishel White Rocks, Black Minorca D. W. Young and Geo. Ferris White Leghorns and White Orpingtons, \$1.50 for fifteen; \$7.00 per 100. Save this ad. Put in your order now R. D. Carter, Cross Plains, Tex. 9

The \$10,000 Sequel to the Diamond from the Sky will begin at the Royal, tonight, Friday, Feb. 2, 9-1t-Adv.



Backache

In spite of the best care one takes of oneself, any part of the human machine is liable to become out of order.

The kidneys are the scavengers and they work day and night in separating the poisons from the blood.

The very best way to restore the kidneys to their normal state of health, says Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., "is to drink plenty of pure water and obtain from your favorite pharmacy a small amount of Anuric, which is dispensed by almost every druggist."

Innocent Recreation.

Father had demanded a heart-to-heart talk with his only son.

"I am told that you are given to gambling," he said sternly.

"I admit it," the son acknowledged, "but only for small stakes."

"Oh, as long as it is for something to eat I don't mind," the father said.

FALLING HAIR MEANS DANDRUFF IS ACTIVE

Save Your Hair! Get a 25 Cent Bottle of Danderine Right Now—Also Stops Itching Scalp.

Thin, brittle, colorless and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp; of dandruff—that awful scurf.

There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its luster, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast.

A little Danderine tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any store, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, luster and luxuriance which is so beautiful.

It will become wavy and fluffy and have the appearance of abundance; an incomparable gloss and softness, but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp. Adv.

His Suspicion.

"Do you know why the bridegroom's attendant at the wedding is called the 'best man'?"

"I did not know before I was married," replied skipper little Mr. Meek, "but very soon afterward I began to suspect."—Judge.

Habit or Disease

Mothers, whether it's a disease or habit, if your child's kidneys act too often or while asleep at night, why let this condition continue throwing extra, unsanitary work upon you, endangering the child's health by exposure and finally as is often the result, develop some incurable kidney disease in after years if not stopped, when Liquid Shu Make will entirely free the child from the nightly occurrence, with but little trouble and expense to you?

Any drug store has Liquid Shu Make in 25-cent bottles. It is harmless and gives results in two days.—Adv.

Picked the Right Spot.

"I see where a rich man has built a lake and flower garden on top of an apartment house."

"That would be just the place for a truck garden."

"Why?"

"I don't see how the neighbor's chickens could ever get up there."

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

Signature of *Wm. D. Feltcher* In Use for Over 30 Years—Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

An automobile factory is to be established in Cork, Ireland.

An up-to-date woman is seldom up-to-date with her age.

The Quinine That Does Not Cause Nervousness or Ringing in Head

Because of its Tonic and Laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. It removes the cause of Colds, Grip and Headache. Used whenever Quinine is needed.

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Used the World Over to Cure a Cold 25c. in One Day.

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pimples, blotches, sores, humors, and eruptions, by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. For a poor complexion, and for the poor blood that causes it, this is the best of all known remedies.

In every disease or disorder of the skin or scalp, in every trouble that comes from impure blood, the "Discovery" is the only medicine sold that does what it promises.

Scrofula in all its various forms, Eczema, Tetter, Salt-rheum, Erysipelas, Boils, Carbuncles, Enlarged Glands, and Swellings, and every kindred ailment, are benefited and cured by it.

Cut this out and mail to us with the name of the paper—we will mail you free a medical treatise on above diseases. Address: Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take as candy.

Often a woman is so inconsistent that after making up her mind as to her age she's unable to stick to it.

Weak, Faint Heart, and Hysterics can be rectified by taking "Renovine" a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1. Adv.

It is reported that an Ohio temperance advocate refused to have his portrait painted unless it was done in water colors.

CAPUDINE

—For Headaches—

Try it and be convinced. Good for aches in back and limbs also—Assists Nature to get right and stay so. It's Liquid—easy to take.—Adv.

A Hint.

"Oh, I just love animals; don't you?" gurgled the sweet young thing.

"Sure. Let's have a Welsh rabbit," said the accommodating youth.—Town Topics.

If you suspect that your child has Worms, a single dose of Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" will settle the question. Its action upon the stomach and bowels is beneficial in either case. No second dose or after purgative necessary. Adv.

A Logical Conclusion.

"Did you really call this gentleman an old fool last night?" said the judge severely.

The prisoner tried hard to collect his thoughts.

"The more I look at him the more likely it seems that I did," he replied.

INDIGESTION, GAS OR SICK STOMACH

Time it! Pape's Diapepsin ends all Stomach misery in five minutes.

Do some foods you eat hit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into stubborn lumps and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, jot this down: Pape's Diapepsin digests everything, leaving nothing to sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is disordered you will get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it strengthens and regulates your stomach so you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food.

Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or bad stomach. Adv.

Unspoiled.

The lady who likes children was gushing over Helen, aged three.

"How old are you, darling?" she asked.

"I isn't old," said Helen, "I'm nearly new."

THAT GRIM WHITE SPECTRE, Pneumonia, follows on the heels of a neglected cough or cold. Delay no longer. Take Mansfield's Cough Balsam. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

Old Man Maguire says a woman always takes the cork out of a bottle by pushing it in.

SEVERAL BILLS ARE PASSED BY SENATE

APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN FIGHTING DISEASE APPROVED.

Senator McNealus Proposes Amendment to Fix Minimum Loan Price of Cotton in Texas.

Austin, Texas.—The senate passed finally the bill by Senator Strickland making an appropriation of \$25,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1917, and \$45,000 for the next fiscal year, for intensive work by the state department of health in the 80 counties in the state in which malaria, hookworm and typhoid fever are prevalent.

The senate passed finally also the bill by Senator McNealus providing that county commissioners' courts may, at their option, provide allowances for indigent widowed mothers.

House bill by Messrs. Laney and Carlock, known as the buy-it-made-in-Texas bill, was finally passed.

Loan Price on Cotton.

Mr. McNealus introduced senate joint resolution No. 15, proposing an amendment to the constitution providing that the legislature shall have authority, either by law or by an appropriate governmental agency, to fix a minimum price at which cotton grown in the state may be valued for lending of money thereon. Elaborated details are provided for financing the cotton.

Mr. McNealus said that when the resolution comes before the senate he intends to offer an amendment to have a minimum price of 14c written into the amendment, rather than leaving it to the legislature to fix such minimum price.

Pipe Line Bill Passes.

Without argument or record vote the house passed to a third reading the McNealus (senate) pipe line bill, making all pipe lines common carriers, and without debate and by a vote of 87 to 38, passed to a third reading the Dayton (senate) so-called "Texas company bill."

Items Paid Out of Mansion Fund.

Austin, Texas.—The official stenographers of the house who collected from the state comptroller's records the items of expenditure for the executive mansion have certified to what purports to be a true and correct copy of the accounts on file in that office, which have been paid by deficiency appropriations. The record is voluminous and contains several hundred items, among which are bacon, soap, ham, lemons, oranges, salt, vegetables, eggs, sugar, baking powder, ice, candy, pickles, tooth picks, pecans, vinegar, cheese, laundry, water, drawing ink, engraved invitations, envelopes, embossed cards, paper, pen holders, pens, powder, telegrams, chicken feed, automobile repairs, casing, gasoline, lubricating oil, dollies, nut cases, aprons, lace, towels, ice cream, calico, spreads, wire, dusters, polish, eggbeater, sheets, thread, squabs, needles, selected classics, books, padlocks, tire chains, bread, danda violin complete, strings, belt pudding, bird seed, salad, beaten biscuits and many other things.

Woman Suffrage Defeated.

Austin.—In the house Tuesday woman's suffrage failed to receive the two-thirds affirmative vote that is necessary, in each branch of the legislature, to submit a constitutional amendment. Thus, although the resolution is engrossed, it is considered dead, as there is no apparent probability of sufficient members changing their position on the question.

After an all-day debate, with the galleries crowded with applauding women, the resolution received fifty-six nays, nineteen less than the required ninety-five. The galleries were conspicuously animated throughout the long debate, rounds of applause being given all speakers for the resolution.

Navy Recruits Increase.

San Antonio.—Applications for enlistment in the United States navy have been pouring into the naval recruiting station in San Antonio since the United States severed diplomatic relations with Germany, according to Chief Quartermaster C. O. Evans, in charge of the station. Many former navy men who are now in the national guard are seeking release from the militia in order to be able to join the navy, said Mr. Evans, who expressed the opinion that these applications for release will be granted as a means toward bringing the navy up to its regular complement. The navy is short 23,356 men. Many ex-seamen in civil pursuits also are anxious to get back into the navy, said Mr. Evans.

17 Anti-Spy Bills Reported.

Washington.—The 17 bills drafted by the department of justice to give the government power in prosecution of spies, conspirators and offenders against American neutrality were reported to the senate by the judiciary committee. Acting Chairman Overman said he expected to call them up for action at the earliest moment. They were favorably reported to the house and will be pressed there also, in compliance with a request from President Wilson.

STATE CAPITAL HAPPENINGS

Child Labor Bill Passed By Senate.

Austin.—The senate passed finally the Westbrook child labor bill, the Hall bill donating to the city of Galveston the state ad valorem taxes and a part of the occupation and poll taxes for ten years from Sept. 1, 1918, to be used in rebuilding the causeway and grade raising. The Westbrook child labor bill prohibits the employment of children under 15 years of age to labor in or about any factory, mill, workshop, laundry, telegraph office or messenger service, or under 17 in or about any distillery, brewery or other place where intoxicating liquors are kept or manufactured, or in any mine, quarry or place where explosives are used, or disorderly house, or messenger service requiring calling at such places. Children under 12 years whose earnings are necessary for their own support or that of a needy mother or invalid father, may be permitted to work in other places than where dangerous machinery is used, or such places as where the moral or physical condition of the child is likely to be injured.

House Passes Bills for \$2,513,600.

Austin.—The house passed finally appropriations totaling \$2,513,600, including the \$2,000,000 rural school bill, and engrossed another measure, the Metcalfe wolf and jack rabbit scalp bounty bill, carrying \$200,000, for two years, or a total of \$2,713,600 approved. Among other measures passed finally were the Dayton (senate) so-called "Texas company bill," McNealus (senate) pipe line bill and Nichols (house) bill allowing the sale of gasoline, soft drinks, cigars, etc., on Sunday.

C. W. Woodman Not Confirmed.

Austin.—Governor Ferguson's reappointment of C. W. Woodman to be state commissioner of labor statistics was rejected finally by the senate, after an executive session lasting nearly three hours. It was the third of such executive sessions, supporters of Mr. Woodman having, throughout the controversy, a sufficient majority to adjourn without definite action, but not the necessary two-thirds for confirmation.

House Pros Renew Submission Fight.

Austin.—The submission resolution is now in the hands of a sub-committee of the house committee on constitutional amendments, which sub-committee will frame a bone dry amendment for the main committee to report back to the house. According to Mr. Cope, the submission fight will continue during this entire legislative unless the question is submitted.

Quarter Million Fire at El Paso.

El Paso, Texas.—Fire early Sunday caused a loss of \$250,000 to lumber manufacturing concerns and swept two entire blocks. The properties burned were the El Paso Sash and Door Company's plant, valued at \$200,000, and the Galbraith-Foxworth Lumber company's plant, valued at \$25,000. In addition, three residences were wrecked and 14 cars containing merchandise were burned. Immediately after the fire was discovered a Mexican was seen running from the vicinity.

Cabbage Worth \$105 a Ton.

San Benito, Texas.—Cabbage has reached \$105 a ton here. This is \$5 higher than the highest price ever paid before in San Benito, it is stated by local produce men. Eighty dollars a ton was quoted previous to this. Scarcely any damage to cabbage near maturity has been reported from the freeze of last week.

Fire Does \$20,000 Damage at Sherman.

Sherman, Texas.—The stock of dry goods and clothing of M. Pollack, valued at \$25,000, was damaged to the extent of \$16,500 by fire Sunday night. The building occupied by the firm was damaged about \$3,500.

Germany Will Hold Gerard.

Copenhagen.—It is officially stated that James W. Gerard, the American ambassador to Germany, will not be allowed to leave Berlin until the German government is satisfied as to the treatment of Count von Bernstorff, the retired German ambassador at Washington, by the American government.

American Negro Killed.

Queenstown.—The British steamer Turino, 2,702 tons, has been sunk by a submarine. An American negro fireman on the Turino, George Washington, was killed, according to a report received by the American embassy. One of the survivors is Calvin Bay, an American citizen of Filmore, Utah. Washington was one of the three firemen who were killed.

For Higher Post Rate on Newspapers

Washington.—An immediate increase from 1c to 1½c a pound in the postage rates on newspapers and periodicals for this year and to 2c a pound next year is provided in the postoffice appropriation bill ordered reported to the senate by the postoffice committee. The senate committee also recommended an amendment reducing, after July 1, the rate on drop letters to 1c an ounce in cities where there is carrier service and also on rural routes.

CALOMEL SICKENS! IT SALIVATES! DON'T STAY BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED

I Guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Give You the Best Liver and Bowel Cleansing You Ever Had—Don't Lose a Day's Work!

Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious, feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone

under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver, clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you can have your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it is pleasant tasting and doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound, reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist or storekeeper about me. Adv.

For PINK EYE

DISTEMPER CATARRH FEVER AND ALL NOSE AND THROAT DISEASES

Cures the sick and acts as a preventative for others. Liquid given on the tongue. Safe for brood mares and all others. Best kidney remedy. 50 cents a bottle, \$5 a dozen. Sold by all druggists and turf goods houses, or sent express paid, by the manufacturers. Booklet, "Distemper Cause and Cure," free.

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Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root Proves Its Great Value in the Most Distressing Cases

I believe Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is a very fine preparation and my patrons who have tested its value during the twenty-two years of my druggist career speak very favorably regarding it. I am confident that no medicine can stand on the top of the ladder for twelve years if it does not possess meritorious properties.

Very truly yours, J. M. EAKINS, Druggist, Oct. 26, 1916. Water Valley, Tex.

I was much gratified at the results received after using Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root and I heartily endorse its merit. I have been selling it for eight years and have never heard a single complaint. I am well pleased with the demand for same and I believe it is a very good preparation.

Very truly yours, N. I. JONES, Druggist, Oct. 26, 1916. Prairieville, Tex.

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Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention this paper. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

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Cincinnati man tells how to dry up a corn or callus so it lifts off with fingers.

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If your druggist hasn't any freezone tell him to get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house.—adv.

Rare. Customer—I'd like to see a good second-hand automobile. Dealer—So would I.

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.

A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

Polley. Cohen—Are you strictly neutral? Levy—Of course. How do I know which side is going to win?

A DELICIOUS DINNER

Break a quarter package of Skinner's Macaroni into boiling water, boil ten or twelve minutes, drain and blanch. Take equal parts of cold chicken, boiled Macaroni and tomato sauce; put in layers in a shallow dish and cover with buttered crumbs. Bake until brown. Just try this once. Skinner's Macaroni can be secured at any good grocery store.—Adv.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

### COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

#### COTTONWOOD LOCALS

Jan. 6.—This is Tuesday morning and quite cloudy, it looks very much like rain and we are anxious for it to rain. Everything is getting dry again. You see a snow does not wet the land equal to a rain, if it had rained as long as it snowed we would have had a much better season. Our country is indeed in proper condition for a crop save the season. The crop of peanuts last year created a desire to farm with those who advocates peanuts. Hogs and peanuts is the "slogan" here now. Long live the hog and peanut.

Mrs. Bettie Bell, who was living with her sister, Mrs. Pate, of Cottonwood, was severely burned Thursday night, just after she had eaten her supper she was standing by the fire, when her clothing caught fire, and before she was rescued from the flames she was so badly burned she died Friday night, and was buried at Cross Plains Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. Peace to her ashes.

J. K. Respass, a citizen of Ellis County, is visiting at Cottonwood, the guest of his brother, "Uncle Jimmie." J. K. is a carpenter of some renown and whose services are in demand in this country in which he lives.

Mr. Wes Everett returned from the West with his father, A. B. Everett and his Uncle, Mr. Saddler, both of these gentlemen, citizens of Eastland County and near Rising Star. Mr. Wes Everett accompanied them home and furnished them conveyance in his new car.

Walker Respass who has been

visiting her sister, Mrs. Beulah Burkett, of near Burkett, is at home and has accepted a position with Mr. G. H. Clifton on his farm.

The Cottonwood Brass Band had several visitors last night and they furnish quite an entertainment now, in their rehearsals.

The Baptists we presume had some kind of convention at Cottonwood Sunday.

G. W. Borden, of Cottonwood, a carpenter of some renown, who has been at work for several weeks out west, returned to his home here Sunday.

Well under the prevailing conditions we certainly think it advisable to "keno."

Feb. 13—Married: On Saturday, Feb. 10, 1917, Mr. J. S. Ray of Cottonwood and Mrs. Mann, living 6 miles north of Putnam were married, Charlie Andrews speaking the words that made them one. Mr. Ray is a widower of short standing and knows full well the value of a wife. Mrs. Mann is a widow with a wider experience along that line than Mr. Ray and will point out the rough places in life's journey to her newly made spouse. May the remainder of life's journey be made bright to each of them by having united their destinies and may they make the balance of life's journey hand in hand.

Uncle Jimmie."

#### BURNT BRANCH CULLINGS.

W. J. Goodman, an old and respected citizen of the Dressy country died at his residence on Friday last of a long and protracted case of

Bright's disease. Mr. Goodman located in Dressy about 15 years ago and opened the first store in the little village. After about a year he sold his mercantile interests, bought land and engaged in his favorite occupation of farming in which he was successful. He was a good man, citizen and friend, a loving husband and kind father has crossed the great divide. To his sorrowing family we extend sincere condolence.

Mrs. Fulce, about 86 years old died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Brashear on Sunday and was buried on Monday at the Peak Cemetery. The deceased was an old timer in the county and lived to a ripe old age. She leaves three children: Mrs. A. C. Brashear, Jack and Fayette Jones, who are well known here to all old timers.—Review.

Have known the children referred to for about 30 years and our sincere sympathy is extended to each in their bereavement. One by one we old timers are being numbered with the past and death claims us for his own.

Mrs. Warren, late of Paris Texas, now of Wichita Falls, is in these parts on land business. She contemplates a lease to oil people who propose to develop the same.

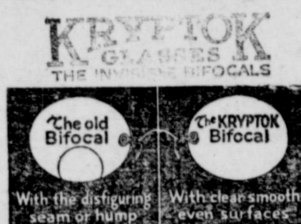
Bro. Davis at Victoria and Bro. Rogers at Burnt Branch, Methodist and Baptist respectively, held services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. so you see we are religiously inclined.

Mrs. Brashears of the Cutbirth ranch is visiting the old folks at home. We learn that "Fritz" and his bride have moved to the ranch.

We, the U. S. are apparently on the verge of an awful war. "Your Lordship this means war."—Lincoln in Trent affair. "My Country, right or wrong, My Country."—General Zackary Taylor. "Save in defense of my native state may I never draw my sword."—Gen. Lee. And various others too numerous to mention. No war if it can honorably be prevented. We know the right and dare mention it too, condemn all wrong and right pursue. And if Putschland don't want to scrap, act honorable and quit that everlasting bluffing. The snow apparently did lots of good, but the late freeze and cold snap we fear have counteracted the aforesaid and the same to a great extent. A regular blizzard and sandstorm hit us Sunday, followed by a freeze of vast demotions last night and all signs of rain disappeared. "Fritz" where art thou, doubtless preparing to go to the front, followed by the "Old Scout" and "Juan."

#### ADMIRAL NEWS

February 5, 1917. We are enjoying a quite day today, after a blustery day yesterday,



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we came near having a sandstorm. Mrs. E. E. Beasley spent a few days in Baird last week with her daughters, Mrs. Gussie Jones and Mrs. Ona Berry.

Karley Higgins, of Fort Worth, is spending a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Higgins.

Mrs. W. T. Austin and children and Miss Jennie Harris of Clyde, were the guests of R. J. Harris and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Black and little son, J. R. Jr., have moved from Baird to our little town. We welcome them among us.

Quite a crowd enjoyed the party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higgins Saturday night.

Earley Higgins and Miss Winnie Davis attended the singing convention at Turkey Creek Sunday afternoon.

A number of young people attended a debate at Cedar Grove Friday night.

Mrs. R. B. Harris and children who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Freeman Sunday. Mrs. Harris and children are leaving this week for Big Springs where they will make their home.

Miss Jessie McClendon who has been visiting in Roby for the past two months returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks and daughter, Madge, of Cedar Grove, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Black Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hawk are visiting relatives in Mitchell Co.

Mrs. Sam McClendon has a daughter from Dallas visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Jones, of Baird, spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

"Dottie Dimple."

#### SOMETHING GOOD

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