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

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WAR SAVING PRICES

Since we have pledged the President to practice saving in every possible manner, it behooves each of us to take advantage of war-saving prices. We have some attractive values in Ready-to-Wear garments and Summer Piece Goods that cannot fail to interest you. Below we mention a few, but the most convincing argument is to come in and let us show you

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FARMERS SHORT COURSE.

July 22-27, 1918, at A. & M. College, one cent a mile. For further particulars see I. B. Cupp, Farm Demonstrator, Baird.

DENTAL NOTICE.

My books are left with Hal Ramsey at W. D. Boydston's dry goods store. Please call and pay him, don't wait for a statement if you know you owe me. Please pay up for I need the money.

Dr. H. H. Ramsey.

Chris Dunlap, son of F. M. Dunlap, of Baird, who has been in the U. S. Navy for some time, was recently discharged on account of a broken arm and has returned home. Chris has made several trips to France and visited Paris on one trip.

CALLAHAN COUNTY BOYS WOUNDED

The following Callahan County boys are reported wounded in battle in France: Drew Hill and J. C. Allison of Cross Plains, Dalton Farrar of Eula and Brady T. Liveredge of Scranton.

The war is coming home to us, our county boys are already in the fighting, others just arrived in France and many others on their way.

We do not see how young men can calmly see their neighbors and boy friends leave for the battle front while they remain safe at home. We could not do that if we knew we would never return to our native land

DR. LEVEY COMING

Dr. A. Levey, the well known optician, from San Antonio, will be in Baird the latter part of July. See date later.

OIL DEVELOPMENT.

At least two test wells will soon be put down in Callahan county so the report goes, one on the Dawkins place and the other one on the Seale ranch. Heretofore the oil business in Callahan county has consisted solely in wild cat speculation in leases, but it seems that we are about to begin an era of development which we hope will prove successful because if Callahan county proves a paying oil field it means much to our people. Drilling is going on near Putnam in two wells with good prospects for oil.

BAIRD HAS NO BONDED DEBT.

Mayor H. Schwartz informs us that the city paid off the last lot of bonds held against the city yesterday, and that not one dollar of bonded debt is now held against the city. Few towns the size of Baird can say this. Baird warrants have always been worth face value. The city owns its own water works, built a city hall, has one of the best fire equipments of any town in Texas, chemical engine and motor fire engine, one of the best in the state. Good for Baird.

UNION SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Beginning Sunday evening the various Churches will hold Union Services each Sunday evening during the summer. The services will begin promptly at 7:30, and will be held on the east side of the Court House lawn. Rev. H. H. Bowers of the Presbyterian Church will preach Sunday evening.

RESIGNED PASTORATE

Rev. R. A. Scranton, for more than a year pastor of the Baptist Church here, has resigned and accepted a call of the Haskell Baptist Church. Bro. Scranton made many warm friends in Baird among members of all churches who regret to see him leave us. Bro. Scranton is an able preacher and a splendid man in every way, and his loss to the community will be keenly felt. We can say to the people of Haskell that they have secured one of the best preachers Baird ever had.

DIED IN FORT WORTH

Mrs. Mann, aged 46 years, wife of M. L. Mann, a well known T. & P. Ry. engineer, died at her home in Fort Worth last Thursday, July 4th. Funeral services were held at the Broadway Baptist Church at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon and the remains were taken to Weatherford for burial.

Mrs. Mann has been in failing health for several years and for several weeks was confined to her room. Everything that medical skill and loving care could do was done, but of no avail and the life of this lovable Christian woman was ended. Mrs. Mann was a member of the Broadway Baptist Church and was an active worker in church affairs and Eastern Star work until her health failed. She was a faithful and devoted wife and friend and her death leaves a home broken up and many hearts made sad.

Mrs. Mann was well known in Baird, having often visited here, where she made many warm friends, who are made sad by her death.

We tender sincere sympathy to Mr. Mann and other loved ones in their hour of sorrow. May the Heavenly Father, whom she served so faithfully, comfort them.

BLANTON CANCELS ALL SPEAKING DATES.

Judge Blanton requests us to say that congress having failed to take a recess, as expected, he cannot leave Washington to fill his appointments to speak, and must leave his campaign with his friends. This is no time to swap horses in the congressional race.

RAINFALL.

The following is the rainfall for the first six months of the year 1918: Jan. 0. Feb. 1-4. March 3-8. April 1 1-8. May 2 1-2. June 2 3-4. Total 7 inches.

The above is the lightest rainfall for the same period of time in 34 yrs M. R. Hailey.

Mrs. Claud Gates and little sons, Claud and Jim, have returned home from a visit with relatives at Bonham

NOTICE, TICK ERADICATION

Whereas, the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas was officially notified by the County Judges of Bowie, Callahan and Menard Counties, State of Texas, that elections were held in each of said counties on the following dates: Bowie County March 26th, 1918; Callahan County April 26th, 1918 and Menard County, March 20th, 1918, as prescribed in Section 7, Chapter 60, General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the 35th Legislature at its regular session, and that the Commissioners Courts of each of said counties in favor of tick eradication under the direction of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission; that said Commissioner's Courts caused publication of same in newspapers within each of said counties; that the county judges of each of said counties certified to said publications and filed their certificates with the county clerks of their respective counties.

The owner or caretaker of cattle, horses, mules and asses located in the Counties of Bowie, Callahan and Menard shall not ship, haul, drive, drift or in any other manner move or allow the movement of such live stock within, into or from any of the said counties, or from any premises therein, without a permit or certificate from an inspector of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission showing them to be free of fever ticks. If a certificate is issued, the live stock covered by same must be kept free from exposure to tick infection after the issuance of such certificate. No transportation company shall accept for shipment any cattle, horses, mules, or asses in any of said counties, unless they are accompanied by a permit or certificate. Transportation companies shall attach the original copy of the certificate or permit to the waybill covering the cattle, horses, mules or asses.

The transportation companies shall keep all shipping pens in the counties of Bowie, Callahan and Menard locked and allow no cattle, horses, mules or asses therein, unless accompanied by a certificate or permit from an authorized inspector of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission.

The above is published by request of local stockmen.

"GOD TOOK HER"

On Friday June 28th I was called to Putnam to conduct the funeral of little Bessie Annette Burnam, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burnam.

Bessie Annett, was born December 31, 1913 and died June 27, 1918. She was not quite five years old.

As we gathered at the cemetery it seemed to me that it was one of the saddest funerals I have attended. There were so many there show their love and sympathy to the bereaved parents and loved ones.

There are many things which come to us in life that we do not understand; yet we feel assured of the fact that "All things work together for good to them that love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." But we have to take life as a whole in order to get that point of view. God tells us they "work together", not separately. No one of such experiences alone might work out good, but all of them pleasant and unpleasant alike working together are for our good. May the Lord's blessings rest upon the parents and loved ones of little Annette and when time shall end here and Eternity becomes a reality to all of us, then may the circle be unbroken and the family be reunited about the throne of God.

R. A. Scranton

DENTAL NOTICE.

I will be in my office in Baird, on Thursday and Friday, July 18th and 19th, which will probably be my last week in Baird for some time.

32-14. H. H. Ramsey.

Lame Shoulder.

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles. All that is needed is absolute rest and a few applications of Chamberlain's Liniment. Try it. For sale by all druggists. Advt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Warren and Mrs. Than Warren spent Thursday in Abilene.

Mrs. August Horn of Ft. Worth, spent several days last week with friends in Baird.

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REVOLT ACCOMPANIES
VON MIRBACH MURDER

RUSSIAN WIRELESS SAYS MUTINY IS SUPPRESSED WITH SAN- GUINARY VIOLENCE.

THE KAISER ORDERS BREAK

Directs Foreign Secretary Kuehman to Sever Negotiations With Russian Delegates, According to Report.

London.—Fragments of news from various sources indicate that the assassination of Count von Mirbach, the German ambassador to Russia, was accompanied by a formidable uprising against the Bolsheviks in Moscow. A Russian wireless dispatch claims that the uprising has now been completely suppressed, and the tone of the message indicates that the suppression was accomplished with sanguinary violence, the orders being that all who showed resistance to the Bolsheviks should be "shot on the spot."

Several hundred participants in the rising have been arrested, among them Vice Chairman Alexandrovitch, while special orders have been issued to secure all members of the executive committee of the social revolutionary party.

As soon as Emperor William heard of the assassination of Count von Mirbach, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Russia, he ordered Secretary von Kuehman to break off negotiations with the delegates to Berlin.

Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, is endeavoring to placate the Germans by appointing an "extraordinary commission of investigation to inquire into the death of Count Mirbach. The commission is headed by Comrade Peters.

German newspapers are preparing the public for a radical move against Russia as punishment for the Mirbach affair. Exactly what this move will be is not as yet indicated, but Dutch and Scandinavian newspapers hint at a march on Moscow, and dispatches are printed showing that German forces are now about 200 miles west of that city and are being heavily reinforced.

Treasurer of Evening Mail Arrested.

New York.—Dr. Edward A. Rumley, vice president and treasurer of the Mail and Express company, publishers of the New York Evening Mail, has been arrested here in the office of Attorney General Lewis, charged with perjury in a report to A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian. The complaint against Dr. Rumley charges that in making a report to the alien property custodian he failed to disclose his relation with Count von Bernstorff and Dr. Heinrich von Albert.

Sub Remains an Important Factor.

Washington.—While the submarine has ceased to menace the allied victory, its continuation as a vital factor is demonstrated in official figures obtained here on construction and sinkings for the last six months. In gross tons the total of vessels completed by Great Britain and the United States from January to June, inclusive, was 1,488,317. The figures of the submarine losses for the five months from January to May, inclusive, the submarines accounted for 1,893,625 tons.

Telegraph Control Bitterly Contested

Washington.—Efforts of the administration to secure immediate disposal by the senate of the house resolution authorizing the president to take over telegraph, telephone, cable and radio systems during the war has stirred up a bitter fight in the upper house. The resolution was buffeted back and forth between the senate interstate commerce commission and the senate floor in a stormy controversy over the question of holding hearings or hastening senate debate and a vote.

Cotton Cloth Prices Reduced 20%.

Washington.—Prices for cotton products showing reductions of from 20 to 30 per cent as compared with quoted market prices were approved by President Wilson. The prices were agreed upon at conferences between the price-fixing committee of the war industries board and a committee representing cotton goods manufacturers.

Two Germans Desert.

With the American Forces on the Marne.—Two German deserters have crossed the American lines on the Marne. They said they were tired of the war and the ill treatment of their officers, who walked them far and fed them little.

Committee Favors War Prohibition.

Washington.—Legislation to prohibit the sale of distilled liquor, wine and beer after Jan. 1, 1919, and to prohibit the manufacture of wine and beer after Nov. 1 has been agreed by the senate agricultural committee. This is a substitute for the Norris amendment to the emergency agricultural appropriation bill, which would stop the sale of distilled liquor and wine on June 30, 1919, and prohibit the manufacture of beer three months after the bill becomes a law.

CAPT. ADELAIDE B. BAYLIS



Capt. Adelaide B. Baylis is the only woman in the military service of national or state recognition. She commands the National League for Women's Service.

ALLIES ADVANCE IN
FRANCE AND BALKANS

FRENCH GAIN NEAR SOISSONS WHILE AUSTRALIANS SCORE EAST OF AMIENS.

Paris.—French troops Monday advanced two-thirds of a mile on a two-mile front northwest of Longpont and captured 347 Germans. Longpont is about eight miles southwest of Soissons, on the railroad from Soissons to Paris and is about midway on the battle line between Montdidier and Chateau-Thierry.

On a front of 3,000 yards involving both sides of the Somme river, east of Amiens, the Australian troops advanced 600 yards Sunday night and took a few prisoners. The fighting was about 50 miles northwest of Longpont, and is on that part of the front where the Australians advanced on the Fourth of July and again on the fifth of July.

The British war office reports that German artillery was active north of this region to the north of Albert and also in the region of Bethune, in the Flanders salient.

In Albania the French and Italians who started an offensive Sunday, have captured more than 1,000 enemy soldiers, and the battle continues.

The Italians also report that they have advanced their lines in the region of Pribite hill and in the Grappa region on the mountain front, the extent not being stated.

Negro Soldiers are Cited for Bravery.

With American Army in France.—Henry Johnson and Robert Robinson, colored soldiers from New York, have been cited for bravery while fighting with their unit in a sector of the French front. They put to flight in No Man's Land a party of Germans estimated to number 40. The citation comes from the French command.

Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

A branch of the bureau of war risk insurance has been established in Dallas. This branch bureau will cover three states, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas. It will be known as the 14th district of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, and Royal R. Watkins, of Dallas, has been named by Secretary McAdoo as the superintendent of this district. The main office will be in Dallas, branch offices will be established in Oklahoma City, Little Rock and San Antonio, with several field men throughout the district. This bureau will not write insurance, as this is always handled by the insurance officers in the army, but the purpose of its work is to look after the just and equitable distribution of the soldiers' allotments to their dependents. Every family represented by a soldier in the army is interested in the work of this bureau of war risk insurance, and should any one desire information concerning its work, or their allotments, etc., they are requested to communicate with Royal R. Watkins, the superintendent at Dallas, Texas.

U. S. Laboring Men Forego Holidays.

Washington.—As the guns on the western front do not cease their work Saturday afternoons and holidays, neither do the hammers and saws in the shipyards on this side of the Atlantic. The men who are building the "bridge of ships" know that every minute counts and have voluntarily renounced the hours formerly devoted to recreation.

Overseas Casualties Now 11,086.

Washington.—Casualties in the American expeditionary forces increased by 793 during the week, compared with 497 the previous week, and aggregate 11,086, with the inclusion of the army list giving 117 names and the marine corps list giving 53 names. Total deaths, including 291 men lost at sea, men killed in action, died of wounds, disease, accident and other causes, number 4,414—army men 3,817, marines 467. The wounded aggregate 6,165—army 5,200, marines 969.

AMERICANS TURN TIDE IN FAVOR OF ALLIES

INCREASING MAN-POWER EN- ABLES GENERAL FOCH TO ADOPT NEW TACTICS.

Washington.—Increasing man power and rapidly extending control of the air have permitted the adoption of a new policy by General Foch, supreme commander of the allied armies on the western front. In the opinion of many observers here they believe the sequence of hard local blows that have been struck recently by French, American, British and Italian troops shows a new phase of the great battle is developing which might expand into a major operation.

Reports of the recent highly successful strokes at the German lines are taken here to indicate General Foch no longer feels under the urgent necessity of keeping rigidly on the defensive to conserve his forces. The fact that the Germans have been completely surprised and overwhelmed by several of the local counter-operations is believed to be due to the work of the allied airmen.

American aid has already served to change the tide of the fighting. The arrival of American troops by the hundreds of thousands has enabled General Foch to begin harassing the enemy all along the line, while the increasing number of American pilots makes possible concentrations of air forces that sweep enemy scouts out of the sky in the sectors selected for limited drives.

ALLIES READY FOR HUN DRIVE.

Germans Unable to Recover Ground Captured by Australians in Thursday's Fight.

With the French Armies.—While the Franco-American and Franco-British forces are continuing their brilliant local detail operations at many points on the line there is a feeling that the next enemy drive is very near.

The abnormal number of prisoners taken in every small action in the last fortnight indicates that the enemy is holding only mediocre troops in his line and is preparing to swing his mass of men with the heaviest force in, his power within either a day or perhaps hours.

The allied command has visualized the possibilities of this drive and has prepared accordingly. The hardest fighting is looked forward to, but there is every confidence in the ability to hold everywhere and to inflict losses on the enemy which will be serious for him.

The Germans Thursday night attempted to recapture the ground which the Australians took from them east of Amiens in celebrating the Fourth of July, but had no success. The prisoners captured by the Australians Thursday exceeded 1,500 and included 40 officers.

Since last Saturday the Italians have captured 5,200 Austrians in small attacks.

Red Cross Looks After Prisoners.

Washington.—An American Red Cross special commission to Switzerland, to take charge of the relief work of American prisoners of war and American civilian prisoners in the hands of the central powers, has been announced by the Red Cross, with Joseph B. Dimmick, once mayor of Scranton, Pa., as its chairman.

Major Mitchell to Be Buried Thursday.

New York.—The body of Major John Purroy Mitchell, former mayor of New York, who was killed in an airplane accident at Gretna, Pa., will lie in state at the city hall from Wednesday afternoon until Thursday morning, when it will be buried at Woodlawn cemetery with full military honors, according to plans announced.

Murman Coast Joins With Allies.

Copenhagen.—The entire population of the Murman coast (on the Kola peninsula bordering the White sea and the Arctic) has broken with Russia and joined the entente, according to a dispatch from Vardoe, Norway, to the Christiania Tidens Tegns. A supply of provisions from the United States has arrived at Murmansk, the dispatch adds.

U. S. to Police Two Panama Cities.

Washington.—Secretary Baker has instructed Major Blatchford, commanding the department of Panama, to take over the policing of the cities of Panama and Colon for the purpose of maintaining public order. The action resulted from information received at the state department from the government of Panama that grave disorders were expected because of the postponement of the national elections set for June 30.

Excursion Boat Goes Down.

Peoria, Ill.—Hundreds of people are believed to have been drowned when the excursion steamer Columbia overturned in the Illinois river five miles south of here Friday night. All available nurses and physicians have been summoned from Peoria, Ill., which is near the scene of the accident, and from Peoria. The boat jammed against the Peoria side of the river in a fog and tore a huge hole in the bow. It sank almost immediately after the collision with the bank.

PRINCE WILLIAM



Prince William of Hohenzollern is a brother of the king of Roumania and a claimant of the throne. He is an officer in the Prussian army.

AUSTRALIANS MOVE UP ON WEST FRONT

FOURTH OF JULY IS FITTINGLY CELEBRATED BY CAPTURING FIFTEEN HUNDRED HUNS.

Paris.—As a fourth of July compliment to their American allies, Australian troops Thursday captured 1,500 Germans and wrested from the enemy a strip of ground about six miles long and averaging a mile wide, running from opposite Villers-Bretonneux northward to the Ancre river. A detachment of American troops participated in the drive, according to an official announcement from London. The advance covered both sides of the Somme river, about two miles on the north side and about four miles on the south side.

Wednesday night the French captured 1,866 Germans in an attack in the neighborhood of Autrech, northwest of Soissons, and pushed into the enemy's territory on a front of more than three miles to a maximum depth of three-fifths of a mile.

Along the lower Piave, near the Adriatic, the Italians continued their offensive movement started Tuesday and captured 223 Austrians Wednesday. Press reports from Italian headquarters dated Wednesday say that the most stubborn opposition the Italians had to meet in the lower Piave region came from Bosnians and Herzegovinians. Press reports tell of the destruction of Austrian bridges thrown across the lower Piave by dropping burning barrels of oil on them from airplanes.

For several days all the attacks in France and Italy have resulted favorably to the allies and the daily toll of prisoners has resulted in their favor. The prisoners captured in the last two weeks reach into the thousands, whereas the Germans and Austrians have not captured enough at any one time to mention in exact figures.

A report from Austrian sources announces the death of the sultan of Turkey. The cause of his death is not given. There have been stories recently of much discontent in Turkey.

Two Flyers Elected to Death.

Ardmore, Okla.—Lieut. E. B. Sullivan and Mechanic Ed C. Doyle of Barron field, Fort Worth, Texas, were burned to death here when their machine fell into a nose spin while ascending.

52 Ships Are Launched on July 4.

Philadelphia.—The great fourth of July splash of American ships which Charles M. Schwab, director general of the emergency fleet corporation, said would re-echo in the ears of the German emperor, took place as planned by the ship building concerns of the United States. Incomplete reports gave the number of vessels sent overboard as 52, of which 33 were steel and the other 19 wood. These figures do not include the launching of vessels by the navy department.

Orange Shipyards and Vessels Burn.

Orange, Texas.—The complete destruction of the Orange maritime shipyard, together with the three large ships in the course of construction, was the toll of a fire Thursday morning. The Orange Maritime company plant, owned and operated by Orange capital, was valued at almost \$1,000,000 and was located on the Louisiana side of Sabine river. Besides the loss of property, two men are known to have lost their lives, George York and — Erickson.

Five Subs Sunk by Allied Vessels.

An Atlantic Port.—Destruction of European waters of five German submarines by British transports and by American and British destroyers involving them was described by passengers who arrived here on an English liner. The transports, one of which was carrying 7,900 American soldiers to Europe, accounted for three of the U-boats, and the destroyers sank the other two, according to the voyagers. Officers of the liner confirmed their stories.

ORCHARD GLEANINGS

JUDGMENT IN THINNING FRUIT

Common Rule Is to Thin So That Fruits Will Not Be Nearer Together Than Four Inches.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Most varieties of peaches, as well as other fruits, for that matter, under favorable conditions often set much more fruit than the tree can possibly develop to a good degree of perfection for commercial purposes. The natural tendency of the tree is to perpetuate its kind. To this end, left to itself, it develops the largest possible number of seeds, with each seed possessing the possibility of a new tree.

The grower's aim is for the tree to produce the largest possible amount of fruit that can attain the highest commercial standard. The effort of the tree and the object desired by the grower tend to impose incompatible requirements. The development of a great number of seeds is a tree-exhausting process. This is opposed to the development of large fruits. To meet his ends in this respect, the grower has recourse to thinning the fruit.

Perhaps no operation in the production of peaches requires keener judgment than thinning the fruit. No fixed rules for it can be given. A common rule, very generally applicable, is to thin so that the fruits will not be nearer together than 4 to 6 inches. But the strength of the tree, the fertility of the soil, and especially the soil moisture, together with the size of the crop (or, in other words, the number of fruits allowed to develop on the tree), govern very largely the size and perfection of the individual fruits.

Obviously, a vigorous tree growing under favorable conditions as to moisture, plant food, etc., can develop a larger number of fruits to good size than can a weak tree, or even the same tree when there is a marked deficiency either in the supply of moisture or of plant food. The skill of the grower is shown in his ability to adjust the size of the crop on his trees to the conditions of the season. He can reduce the number of fruits on the trees if the season becomes very dry as it progresses. Thus the grower should aim to control the size of the individual fruits by thinning and by tillage and pruning. While thinning may cost a relatively large amount per tree, actually more high-grade fruit is produced, as a rule, on a tree which bears only a moderate



Peach Tree After Its First Year's Growth in Orchard.

crop than on one which is heavily overloaded, and the average fruit on the tree with a moderate crop is of better grade than the best fruit in an overloaded tree.

The thinning should be done after the "June drop"—which usually occurs from a month to six weeks after the blossoming period, when the imperfectly fertilized and other weakly developed fruits drop off—and before the pits begin to harden. After the "June drop" is over there is very little dropping of the peaches. Hence practically all the fruit which remains then will be on the trees at harvest time. It will have to be picked then, anyway. It probably costs considerably less to pick a portion of the crop in June or July and drop the fruit on the ground than to pick it later and put it in a basket, where much of it will have to be handled over several times in grading and packing and then finally large quantities discarded as culls because the fruits are so small. Moreover, the fruit on an overloaded tree will sometimes ripen less uniformly than on a tree that has a moderate crop.

As the development of its pits is an exhaustive process, the limiting of the number of fruits tends to conserve the vitality of the tree. A large portion of the flesh of the peach is water; hence, if the soil is well supplied with moisture the development of the edible portion of the fruit makes a relatively light demand on the strength of the tree.

Mature Grape Vine Buds. Sixty buds on the mature grape vine are enough. These will produce a hundred bunches of grapes.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.) (Copyright, 1918, Western Newspaper Union.)

LESSON FOR JULY 14

READING GOD'S WORD.

LESSON TEXT—Psalms 19:7-11; Acts 8:26-29.

GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL FOR TEACHERS—Psalms 37:31; 119:9-16; Proverbs 13:13; Isaiah 55:1-11; John 5:29-46-47; Romans 15:4.

DEVOTIONAL READING—Psalms 119: 8-15, 97-105.

I. Characteristics of God's Word (P's. 19:7-11).

The Psalmist here sets forth six descriptive titles of God's Word, six outstanding qualities, and six resultant effects.

FIRST GROUP—

1. Title: "The Law of the Lord" (v. 7).

By this is meant the fundamental principles which God as a moral being reveals to the consciences of men as binding upon the soul. These are everywhere discernible in the Bible.

2. Quality: "Perfect" (v. 7).

It is free from omissions and redundancies. Being perfect, there should be no adding to or taking away from. To do so is most perilous (Rev. 22:18, 19). It is perfect as a moral code, and it perfectly accomplishes man's salvation.

3. Effect: "Converting the Soul" (v. 7).

Convert means to restore. Man is continually wandering away from God. The practical effect of the law of God is to turn men to God himself, righteousness and holiness. The mighty and only instrument used in the salvation of souls is the Word of God. It is quick and powerful (Heb. 4:12). It restores our backslidings also. The daily study of it is necessary.

SECOND GROUP—

1. Title: "The Testimony of the Lord" (v. 7).

It is the witness which God bears as to his attributes, and against man's sins.

2. Quality: "Sure" (v. 7).

It is plain and infallible. We can repose in it our interests for time and eternity. In a world of doubt and uncertainty, it is a blessed thing to have that which is sure to rest upon.

3. Effect: "Making Wise the Simple" (v. 7).

The simple are those who have humble, open and teachable minds. Things which are hidden from the wise and prudent are revealed unto babes. How true it is that those who with open minds feed upon the Word of God are fortified against the devices of the devil which sweep the worldly-wise from their feet.

THIRD GROUP—

1. Title: "The Statutes of the Lord" (v. 8).

These are the principles or charges which the Lord gives to us all, to fit us to rightly perform the duties which the different relations of life make obligatory upon us.

2. Quality: "Right" (v. 8).

They are from the righteous God who knows our nature and circumstances. They are absolutely just and equitable.

3. Effect: "Rejoicing the Heart" (v. 8).

The Word of God not only saves but makes happy. The high moral principles of God's Word cause the heart to exult. The true heart rejoices in justice and equity. It rejoices when the weak is defended and the oppressor is rebuked.

FOURTH GROUP—

1. Title: "The Commandment of the Lord" (v. 8).

This brings into view the personal God who stands back of his law to enforce its demands—to require obedience to its precepts.

2. Quality: "Pure" (v. 8).

It is free from deceit and error. On every page is the evidence of straightforward sincerity. No sinister motives are to be found or suspected. Every demand made upon man is for his own, not God's, good.

3. Effect: "Enlightening the Eyes" (v. 8).

The effect of God's law is to give man ability, not only to understand his love and salvation, but to be wise as to the things about him.

FIFTH GROUP—

1. Title: "The Fear of the Lord" (v. 9).

Reading the Word of God produces reverential fear in the heart of the reader.

2. Quality: "Clean" (v. 9).

It is not only clean in itself, but sanctifies the heart of those who receive it.

3. Effect: "Enduring Forever" (v. 9).

The life and relationship founded upon his law abide forever.

SIXTH GROUP—

1. Title: "The Judgments of the Lord" (v. 9).

By this is meant the sentences pronounced by God's Word.

2. Quality: "True and Righteous" (v. 9).

The penalties prescribed by God are true, conformable to the intuitive moral sense of man.

3. Effect: "Serve as Warnings and Bring Reward" (v. 11).

If the warnings be heeded, shipwrecks upon life's sea will be prevented. Besides God pays a wage

Exploits of "Pussyfoot" Johnson in Cleaning Up Indian Territory

At an editor's desk in Westerville, O., there sits a stoutish man of about fifty-two, preparing the lay-outs of a chain of temperance magazines and newspapers. His head is as bald as an egg, and it would surprise anyone who had just met him and was listening to the editor's gentle, half-timid accents, to know that the several indentations in the top of it come from revolver butts implanted there during a struggle in a courtroom somewhere in Texas, when the said editor was known as the most sensational newspaper detective west of the Mississippi.

William Eugene Johnson is a natural-born bad man. That his activities have always been enlisted on behalf of good citizenship is probably an accident due to early training and environment. Picture a man of about six feet three, by four feet in diameter, an elongated flour barrel, with muscles bulging out all over him; the face of a bandit, utter fearlessness, a love of fighting surpassing an Irishman's, a strain of Indian blood that makes him as tenacious and resolute as a full-blood, and one governing principle. That is Johnson.

The governing principle is this: Save the Indian from the bootleggers who are debauching them with illicit alcohol.

Johnson is a staunch temperance man, but no fanatic. It is only when his blood-brothers, the Indians, are ruined by "rum" that you can see the man's moral indignation aroused to the point of fanaticism. For six years he fought a battle in the West on behalf of the government's wards that has never been equaled in strenuous activity. The tale of his exploits is here to be set out in full for the first time.

In August, 1906, at the suggestion of Commissioner Francis E. Leupp, Johnson was appointed by Secretary Hitchcock to be special agent in Indian Territory, for the purpose of stamping out the sale of intoxicants to Indians. In 1908 he was made chief of the service, and after Oklahoma achieved statehood his duties were extended to cover all the Indian reservations throughout the country.

"Go down there," were Johnson's instructions, "and put as many bootleggers and illicit whisky sellers out of business as you can. Put them in jail for as long as you are able, and when they get out, throw them back again."

Johnson, arriving at the scene of operations, found four courts and eight judges, with 6,000 criminal cases awaiting trial. It was evident that he might kick his heels till judgment day so far as bringing criminals to trial was concerned. He found his deputies bulldozed and disheartened and laughed at by the grog-sellers.

That was where Johnson began.

His first move was to make the best collection of so-called "temperance drinks" used for debauching Indians that was ever assembled. He scooped up bottles of "Uno," "Ino," "Mistletoe," "Longhorn," "Waukesha," "New State," "Meth," "Teetotal," "Tintop," "Uauto," "Nottox," "Pablo," etc., and had them submitted to expert analysis. Every one of them proved to be beer, highly charged with alcohol.

Johnson went before various grand juries with this evidence, and the grand juries smiled and voted "no bill."

That spurred Johnson. He gave out a signed statement to the newspapers that he was going away for a few days, and that, on his return, he was going to Carrie Nationalize Indian Territory.

He posted "spotters" at all points where beer or whisky could enter the territory, thus actually blockading it. Then, gathering a band of deputies around him, and armed with a big six-shooter, a steel hammer, and a "jimmy" for prying open cases, coffins, etc., he returned. And that was the beginning of real war.

"I was shanghaied by Mr. Leupp into the job of leading this enterprise," says Johnson. "I marveled somewhat at taking the job, as I knew what it meant if anything real was undertaken."

"I gathered together a band of fellows who felt much as I did and who were ready to 'take a chance' with me. And for 14 months flying beer bottles, midnight shooting affairs, burning gambling outfits, and broken heads followed."

"At the end of the period an astronomical reckoning showed that we had destroyed 250,000 bottles of liquor, burned out 75 gambling houses, and made 1,142 arrests. Fresh mounds of earth marked the resting places of four of my boys who had been killed in the campaign. Another carried a bullet in his neck, and most of us carried scars of one sort or another. There has been 'something doing.'"

"We have not been very tender in our dealings with these hyenas, who would get an Indian drunk so as to rob him of his blanket. Nothing but the unrelenting cold steel of absolute justice will have any effect on the cuticle of such. There is no quarter asked or given, and no sympathy wasted. I have never invoked the law against a man for making an assault on me or attempting my life."

Tulsa, I. T., was the scene of the first hostilities. Numbers of gamblers had flocked into that city across the Texas line, and had made arrangements with the city council to open gambling houses on payment of a "fine" of \$125. The inevitable crowd of bootleggers and whisky peddlers followed them.

Shortly before midnight Johnson, accompanied by three trusted deputies, Sam Cone, Ed T. Egan and Frank West, who was a half-breed Creek Indian, slipped into Tulsa. Their movements were so swift and sudden that the terrorized citizens believed that Johnson had a whole army at his back. For four hours the town was in a fever of excitement. Three gambling houses were burned out, the flames reaching as high as the tops of the tallest buildings. Only one man offered resistance. This was a notorious "bad man" named Bill Burke, who armed himself and threatened to drive the raiders out of the town. This added some zest to Johnson's enjoyment. He at once turned his prisoners over to his assistant, and, taking a magazine rifle, started down the middle of the street to give battle to the "terror." Covered with sweat and

In Five Years by Grit, Courage, Ingenuity and Bulldog Tenacity He Wiped Out the Gamblers and Whisky Peddlers From Every Indian Reservation—Remarkable Narrative That Rivals Deeds of Old Frontiersmen.

HE STARTS TO CARRIE NATIONIZE THE "JOINTS"

With Three Trusted Deputies He Suddenly Descends on Tulsa and Fires Three Gambling Houses—Raids Other Towns and Puts Crimp in Gambling and Saloon Business.

mud, the blood streaming down his clothes from a wounded hand, Big Johnson must have presented the appearance of a walking Eiffel tower that had been thrown down and picked up again. Bill Burke cast one glance at this awful apparition, jumped on his horse, without waiting to saddle it or to put on his coat, and made for the woods at full gallop.

Johnson likes Tulsa. He raided it three times. It is said that whenever business was slow he stirred up Tulsa. He left town immediately, giving out a story that he intended to go to another part of the Territory, and slipped back again, alone, and undetected. Meanwhile Dick Borden, a noted gambler, gave a hurry order to a furniture emporium, which had some new furniture and gambling paraphernalia shipped post haste to Borden's new place above Tate Brady's store. Borden established poker and crap tables, a faro wheel, a roulette wheel, hung mirrors on the walls, put in electric fans and rigged out a buffet for his customers. About 30 gamblers were playing when in walked Johnson and Deputy Marshal Booth.

The gamblers took one look at Johnson and sprang for the back window, leaping out upon the roof of an adjoining building. Johnson jumped after them and drove them all back, firing a few shots at their feet to show he meant business. They rushed back to be confronted by Booth's revolver, and surrendered. Cash bonds having been deposited for their appearance in court next day, one of the gamblers seized the \$400 roulette wheel and ran with it down a hallway. Johnson went after him and floored him with a blow from his fist. Another seized the wheel and threw it out of a window into an alley, where a third caught it. Then he glanced up as a command rang out, to see Johnson covering him with his six-shooter.

"Drop it!" said Johnson.

The gambler dropped it.

Johnson did not rest on his laurels. In pairs he sent his men to cover all the towns in the surrounding territory. At Tullahoma, Sam Cone seized two trunks full of whisky, which had been shipped as "baggage." That night, while he was lodged in the house of Dr. Mann, a gang of negroes assembled outside and began firing through the windows. One bullet grazed Cone's hand and another pierced his clothes; but the two men went after the negroes, drove them away with a well-directed fire, and captured two of them.

Through an "underground wlie" Johnson learned that a man at Muskogee named Stewart had received a big consignment of liquor. Taking Deputy Lerbetter, he searched Stewart's house, without results, until 15 cases of whisky were discovered behind a secret panel. Johnson pulled Stewart out of bed and found a bottle of champagne.

"Please don't break that," pleaded Stewart. "I got it for my wife, who is very ill."

Johnson, who is a humane man, went downstairs and found Mrs. Stewart at the family wash tub.

"I guess your wife needs soup more than champagne," said Johnson, as he smashed the bottle.

Between Tulsa and Sapulpa Johnson came upon two teams in the road. He stopped the first wagon, whereupon the driver of the second wagon leaped from his seat and ran to cover. The first wagon was full of tanks and bottles. Johnson drew his trusty ax, but the driver let out so wild a peal of terror that Johnson paused.

"For—for—say! This wagon is loaded with nitroglycerine!" shouted the driver. "We are on our way to the Sapulpa oil fields to shoot a well."

Investigation proved that this story was true. The second wagon contained the whisky, which was soon put out of commission, while the team was taken for public sale.

Such methods practically drove the liquor men out of business, for not only was their money gone, but their liquor had been destroyed, and Johnson's "blockade" effectively prevented their obtaining a further supply at profitable prices. When Johnson got through with Indian Territory the retail price of a flask of whisky had risen from 25 cents to \$3.

Johnson did not stop when he had accomplished the first part of his duties. As has been said, Texas was the jumping off place for most of the gamblers and "bad men" who had infested Indian Territory. Johnson went over the border to Sherman, and here he pulled off a coup which gave him the reputation of being the "nerviest" man in the Southwest. In fact, his deed is believed to be without parallel outside of dime novel fiction.

There was a certain establishment known to be both a liquor "joint" and a gambling house, but it was almost impossible to get into the place without being known, and, once in, it was practically impossible to obtain evidence that would convict, for the law required a man to be identified before he could be convicted of the sale of liquor.

Going to the building, Johnson found a guard posted. He talked his way past him with his good-natured, smooth Yankee accents, and went on till he met another guard. He talked his way past him also and met a third guard. The third guard, after cross-questioning him, admitted him to an inner door, which was locked. A voice on the other side demanded to know what Johnson wanted.

"I'm from the Territory and I have a ten-dollar thirst," said Johnson.

"Well, if you're thirsty, come in," answered the voice. The door was unlocked and Johnson found a fourth guard behind it. He went further and came to a place where about 100 men were gambling and engaging in various amusements.

At the far end was a bar, where drinks of all sorts except "soft" were being served. The bartender wore a mask and was dressed in a Mother Hubbard, so that the only way in which he could be identified would be by his production in court.

"What's yours?" he inquired of Johnson.

"Old rye," answered Johnson.

The bartender placed the bottle upon the bar. As he stooped forward Johnson whipped off his mask and pulled his two Colt revolvers. "You're under arrest," he said.

Jerking him across the bar, he marched him through the midst of the astounded gamblers, opened the locked door, passed the four guards, who were still too much confused to realize that there was only one raider, and took him to the lock-up.

Shortly after this a man in a small town near Okmulgee sent word to Johnson that if he came to his town to "start anything" he would kill him on sight. This was the sort of situation that always tickled Johnson, and he met it in his characteristic way.

After making inquiries he learned that the man knew of him only by reputation and by photographs published in the newspapers. Accordingly Johnson changed his appearance as much as possible—which was not much—got on a horse and rode to the town, where he at once made for the saloon. It was wide open and apparently in a prosperous condition.

"What's yours?" inquired the letter-writer.

"Old rye," answered Johnson.

The proprietor, who had a Colt .45 in each hip pocket, turned his back to Johnson for a moment to get the bottle. Johnson leaned over the bar and with each hand deftly extracted one of the revolvers. Then he arrested the man at the point of his own weapons and marched him away.

At the beginning of his career, various epithets were applied to Johnson. "Whisky Johnson," and "Pale Ale Johnson" were familiar sobriquets. But after this sensational exploit he was known as "Pussyfoot Johnson." This appellation clung to him, and in every state where an Indian reservation exists he is known today only under that title. Johnson worked almost invariably at night. He never gave the outlaws a chance to shoot if he could help it. He says, too, that he never killed a man in his life. But the murderous nature of his undertaking is shown by the fact that some two dozen outlaws and deputies perished during Johnson's Indian Territory campaign.

Johnson had to work with apathetic courts and civil officials almost invariably hostile. He met lawlessness with scrupulous law abidingness. He dug up an old Indian treaty of 1855 which banned the sale of liquor to Indians in Minnesota, and put the lid on hundreds of grog shops in that state. He dug up another old law giving an officer the right to enter a gambling house and destroy the paraphernalia within. Johnson's huge bonfires became a feature of his campaign. Often he had the opposition of the fire departments, which put out the flames. But he never faltered. A dozen times he was arrested and thrown into jail, but he got free and turned the tables completely.

When Oklahoma became a state Johnson's activities were ended there, to become national ones. He was made chief special officer, with duties extending over every Indian reservation in the country. "Pussyfoot" became a national name.

In Oklahoma one man transformed the situation from one of lawlessness to one of respect for the government. But he had sown seeds of hatred which were to blossom into a crop of deaths and sanguinary battles, in relentless tracking and in dramatic revenge.

"I represent the department of Indian affairs," he said quietly. "You men had better get out of here until we finish our work."

As the marshal demurred Johnson advanced a step in his direction and smiled in his face.

"Get out!" he said.

The marshal accepted the spirit of the invitation and "got." So did the armed posse. When the destruction was complete Johnson led his deputies out of the saloon to where the marshal and the posse were standing.

"Did you want to arrest me?" inquired Johnson, with his famous smile.

"Why, yes," stammered the marshal, "I should like to."

"Go ahead, then," answered Johnson, and the marshal went ahead. But Johnson was fully sustained by the authorities at Washington and liberated almost immediately.

Johnson possessed a small caliber rifle which had been specially made for him. It would shoot through 24 inches of hardwood. The reputation of this weapon spread throughout the West and Southwest. That was a good thing, for Johnson, like most stout men, is not a first-class sprinter.

"Why didn't you try to escape?" somebody once asked one of Johnson's captives in his presence.

"I was afraid he'd turn that darned spray on me," replied the prisoner, glancing at Johnson's automatics.

By the time Indian Territory was incorporated with Oklahoma as a state a large and thriving colony of federal prisoners at Fort Leavenworth and in other United States penitentiaries attested to Johnson's activities. Many are still there, life prisoners, including the murderer Harris, whom Johnson arrested single-handed in his camp near the Canadian river. Johnson had succeeded in making his name one of terror to every outlaw in the Territory. He was shot at innumerable times, but, though four of his deputies were shot dead and three others wounded he escaped with nothing worse than a few fingers broken upon a prisoner's head. And he had inspired his followers with his own enthusiasm and courage.

DE WET WAS HARD TO CATCH

Boer Leader Took Delight in Telling of His Achievements in Evading the Pursuing Britons.

On one or two occasions I have seen his face light up when he referred to one of his own achievements in evasion, and of those achievements one still stands out in my memory.

One evening, after a long day's march—so he told us—all his wanderings seemed to have come to an end. The lights of the British bivouac fires twinkled from every point of the horizon. De Wet, as was his wont, went apart from his men and sat alone in dumb despair. Then there came to him softly one of those wonderful scouts who served him so well. The scout had discovered a slight gap in the British lines between two regiments that were not quite keeping touch.

In a moment De Wet was on his feet. Within an hour every horse's foot was muffled with cloth or wool and every wagon wheel was swathed. The Boer camp fires were lighted and were left burning brightly. Then the whole Boer force crept out through the darkness of the night in utter silence, penetrated the gap in the British lines and started on a new course of fugitive warfare.—Youth's Companion.

Nervousness.

"What's the trouble with you?"

"Kind of a nervous dyspepsia, I suppose. Every time I think of what my dinner is going to cost I get nervous."



"DROP IT!" SAID JOHNSON.



JERKING HIM ACROSS THE BAR, HE MARCHED HIM THROUGH THE MIDST OF THE ASTONISHED GAMBLERS.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

One Year \$1.00
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Thank goodness the primary will soon be over.

Outside of the governor's race no one seems to care a whoop about the other state offices.

The High Court of Impeachment are scared out of their silk socks lest the people will not uphold their decision in the Ferguson farce trial.

Congressman Thos. L. Blanton is serving his first term and by all rules of fairness he deserves reelection. Let's forget prejudices and give the Judge a boost for a second term. He deserves it, he has attended strictly to business and is in complete harmony with the administration.

The women would never have been allowed to vote in the primary if the legislature had not become alarmed lest the men would elect Ferguson and thus discredit the High and Mighty Court of Impeachment. It would be a joke on a lot of the slickest political schemers in Texas if the scheme to defeat Ferguson should miscarry.

Has Sam Sparks, the long time enemy of Ferguson, ever denied that he told a certain man that Fuller would call the legislature together and that Ferguson would be impeached and removed from office and that Hobby would become governor? All this before the events occurred. All cut and dried, and Ferguson had a fair trial, in a horn.

President Vinson announces that one of the University Professors has made a discovery that is worth more than all the money appropriated for the University in the past thirty years. He refuses to tell what it is, but no doubt will reveal this great (?) discovery after the primary election. Do you reckon he has at last discovered a plan to grow wool on the back of the Armadillo? If it is something else equally as great why keep an anxious public in suspense?

The fighting in France and Italy for the past three weeks has all been in favor of the allies. Correspondents for two weeks have told us every day that another great German drive is expected at any hour, but up to this time, Tuesday, nothing of the kind is visible, but may come before this appears in print. The Austrian defeat by the Italians is growing bigger as the facts become public. Austria lost 250,000 men in the drive against Italy, one hundred thousand killed and some 70,000 prisoners. This may have some bearing on the German offensive in France. It would be too much to expect Germany to fail to make a greater effort than ever to win a decisive victory in France before the summer is over. Every week's delay is worth a great deal more to the allies than to Germany, all admit this, and the German general staff realizes it, but for some reason the threatened blow has been delayed two weeks beyond the time it was expected to fall. Internal conditions in Austria and Germany too, are critical. A great offensive that should fall as the Austrian offensive failed in Italy might prove disastrous and Germany may not risk it, but we believe they will, because the inflated-bag-of-egotism that is at the head of the German Empire will not hesitate to sacrifice even a million soldiers of his incomparable army, as he calls it, if he had the faintest hope of winning a decisive victory. So

far since March 21st the German army has won something over one thousand square miles of territory in France, but has won no decisive victory yet. True, he is some miles nearer Paris and some miles nearer the channel ports and he is shy eight hundred thousand men as the price paid.

If we could just get a rain.—Toyah Valley Herald.
Same down here, only it would take at least a week's rain to wet the parched earth.

DID THE LEGISLATURE GIVE FERGUSON A SQUARE DEAL?

Ferguson had a fair and impartial trial, was convicted and dismissed from office legally, says the Hobby speakers and press. Yes, Ferguson had a fair and impartial trial if a man can have a fair and impartial trial by personal and political enemies, who for two campaigns not only tried to destroy him politically, but tried to ruin his private character.

We have not forgotten the bitter personal abuse of Ferguson in his first and second campaigns, when every imaginable falsehood was circulated about him as a man and a citizen. His trial was not fair because in the very nature of things it was impossible.

It was not impartial because it was instituted and conducted by men who had tried in two campaigns to destroy him. Because four or five of his supposed friends in the Senate turned against him proves nothing except, perhaps, they were carried away by the furor raised by the student body of the University combined with his political enemies, both pros and anties. Perhaps like some other leading anties they were not as much his friend as the public believed.

You must remember that Jim Ferguson is the first man elected governor in Texas for the last thirty years that did not first consult the leaders of the Democratic party or faction and secure their consent and support before he announced for governor. Jim Ferguson refused to compromise or let certain anti leaders dictate to him and finally forced every anti candidate out of the race. Some of these anti leaders were so incensed at Ferguson that they supported Tom Ball, the pro candidate, and they were so confident that Ferguson could not win without their support that they openly boasted up to the day of the primary that he would be overwhelmingly defeated. What must have been their chagrin and mortification to learn that an unknown man could defy them, the self-constituted bosses of the anti faction, and could win without their support. In this one thing, and Ferguson's veto of the University appropriation together with the insane desire of certain pro leaders to destroy him, you will find the real reason for the fight against Ferguson. He would be governor today had he not vetoed the most extravagant appropriation ever made for the State University.

LIBERTY LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The meeting of the County of Defense and financial member of the County Council was held at the Court House at Baird, Texas on July 8th, 1918, and all parts of the county were represented. It was unanimously decided that in the next Liberty Loan drive the assessment plan for subscriptions should be based upon the subscribers or citizens net worth as shown by statement of his financial condition.

Each subscriber shall receive credit for his prior purchases of Liberty Bonds and War Saving Stamps.

Plans in detail have not yet been worked out, but a committee was appointed and plans will be drafted to equalize the Liberty Loan subscriptions. Full details of these plans will be furnished each citizen when the plans have been worked out.

Gerard O. Crosswell,
Chairman.

Mrs. B. L. Boydston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Gee at Cross Plains.

LEGAL NOTICE.

No. 519. Estate of Annie Derrington, a person of unsound mind, D. H. Derrington, Guardian.
In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas.

To all persons interested in the estate of Annie Derrington, a person of unsound mind:

Notice is hereby given that application has been filed with the county judge of Callahan county, Texas, by D. H. Derrington, guardian of the estate of said Annie Derrington, a person of unsound mind, for an order authorizing said guardian to lease the interest of said Annie Derrington in the following described land for development of oil, gas and other minerals, to-wit:

An undivided 1-2 interest in 95 acres of land out of the W. G. Anderson Sur. No. 777 in Callahan county, Texas. Also an undivided 1-2 interest in 38 1-3 acres of land out of said W. G. Anderson Sur. No. 777 in Callahan county, Texas, which application will be heard before said court on the 18th day of July 1918, at the Court House, county of Callahan, and all persons, are notified to appear at said time and place and show cause if they have any, why said application shall not be granted.

Witness my hand this 9th day of July A. D. 1918.

D. H. Derrington,
32-1t. Guardian.

COUNTY WAR SAVINGS PLEDGES.

The War Savings Campaign in Callahan county has been in most respects encouraging. The total amount owned and pledged for the year is approximately \$185,000.00 and many pledge cards are yet coming in. Our County's quota has not been raised, but in the face of the discouraging outlook for making crops, the campaign is a success.

Many school districts report every person in attendance on June 28th, and 100 per cent subscriptions given and most all districts report pledges from persons who did not attend the Rally Meetings. In individual family subscriptions the County shows nearly 100 per cent in subscriptions to War Savings.

We trust that in meeting the Pledge-Obligations that many of the pledges will be oversubscribed, and we believe it will be done.

When all reports are tabulated, another statement will be furnished the county papers.

Respectfully,
S. Ernest Settle,
Co. Chm. War Savings Committee.

APPLICATION TO LEASE LAND.

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County. Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to have published in some newspaper published in Callahan County, for one week before the return day hereof the following citation:

The State of Texas, County of Callahan, In the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, July 4th, A. D. 1918.

Know ye that S. J. Rutherford, Guardian of Neal Moore, et al, Minors, having on the 4th day of July A. D. 1918, filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, her application to make an oil and mineral lease on the following described land belonging to said minors, lying and being situated in Callahan County, Texas, to-wit: 75 acres out of the T. E. & L. Co. Survey No. 2275.

Now therefore, there are to notify you, and each of you, who are interested in the welfare of said minors, to be and personally appear at the court house in the city of Baird in Callahan County, Texas, at 2 o'clock on Saturday, July 20th, A. D. 1918, and then and there show cause why said application should not be granted.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 4th day of July A. D. 1918.

Chas. Nordyke, Clerk,
County Court, Callahan Co. Texas.
I hereby certify that the foregoing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following named candidates for office subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

DISTRICT OFFICES

For Representative, 110 District, Callahan and Brown counties:

J. C. Allcorn
of Brown county

J. T. Hamilton
Brown County

H. P. Taylor
Brown County

For District Clerk:

Thos. H. Floyd,

Baird
Mrs. Katie Burkett-Grubbs
Clyde

Roy D. Williams
of Baird

COUNTY OFFICES

For Tax Assessor:

C. W. Conner

Baird
Jack Jones
Baird

Melvin G. Farmer
re-election
W. R. Robbins,
Cottonwood

V. L. Falton
Cottonwood

H. C. (Claud) Ncworthy
of Clyde

For Tax Collector:

W. P. Ramsey

Baird
Roy Kendrick
Denton

W. A. Everett
of Cottonwood

J. A. Kerley
of Clyde

For County Clerk:

Chas. Nordyke

re-election

For Sheriff:

C. H. Corn

of Putnam
Geo. W. Williams
of Clyde

Pete Fulcher
of Baird

S. B. Stanbury
Atwell

For County Judge:

R. L. Surlis

of Baird
J. R. Black
of Admial

For County Treasurer:

J. S. Yeager

of Putnam
W. C. Martin
Admial

For Superintendent Public School:

S. Ernest Settle

Re-election

For County Attorney:

J. Rupert Jackson

For Co. Commissioner Pre. No. 1:

A. E. Kendrick

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2:

H. Windham

Tecumseh

For Commissioner Precinct No. 3:

J. B. Eubank

Putnam

E. R. Sprawls

For Justice of the Peace Pre. No. 4:

H. Windham

ing is a true copy of the original citation now in my hands.

J. A. Moore, Sheriff,
32-1t. Callahan County, Texas.

SOLDIER INSURANCE.

Secretary McAdoo has called upon all local draft boards to acquaint drafted men with the provisions of the soldier-insurance law and to urge every drafted man to take out this insurance. The boards have been furnished with literature to aid them in this educational work.

The law affording insurance to our fighting forces has been well called the most just and humane provision ever made by a nation for its soldiers and sailors. The Government and the American people recognize the justice of affording this protection to the men who risk their lives for their country and to their families and dependents at home. It is only just to themselves and to their families and dependents that our fighting men avail themselves of this opportunity.

Every American enlisting should

No. 5493

Report of the Condition of

THE HOME NATIONAL BANK

AT BAIRD.

In the State of Texas, at the Close of Business, June 29, 1918.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$231,870.48	\$211,111.04
Notes and bills rediscounted, other than bank acceptances sold	20,759.44	1,489.69
Overdrafts, unsecured, \$1,489.69		
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$ 50,000.00	
U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness owned and unpledged	1,000.00	61,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds; unpledged, 3-1-2 per cent and 4 per cent	2,100.00	
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3-1-2 and 4 per cent pledged to secure U. S. deposits	10,000.00	12,100.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds, not including stocks, owned unpledged	1,948.90	1,948.90
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank, [50 per cent of subscription]		1,900.00
Value of Banking house	14,772.56	14,772.56
Furniture and Fixtures		5,507.80
Real estate owned other than banking house		1,414.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		12,976.82
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks		37,963.05
Due from banks and bankers, and trust companies [other than above]		3,131.02
Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		823.29
Total of items		\$41,913.36
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items		4,159.15
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		2,500.00
War Saving certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned		572.14
Total		\$861,371.56

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	50,000.00	
Surplus fund	10,689.48	12,000.00
Undivided profits	10,689.48	
Less current expenses interest and taxes paid	6,646.25	4,043.23
Circulating notes outstanding		48,800.00
Net amounts due to National banks		22,151.57
Due banks and bankers [other than above]		21,908.12
Total of items		\$44,115.59
Demand deposits subject to Reserve [deposits payable within 30 days]:		
Individual deposits subject to check		180,092.28
Certificate of deposit due in less than 30 days [other than for money borrowed]		618.24
Cashier's checks outstanding		688.29
Dividends unpaid		36.00
Total demand deposits other than bank deposits subject to Reserve		\$181,408.76
Time deposits subject to Reserve:		
Certificates of deposit [other than for money borrowed]		19,914.74
Total time deposits		19,914.74
War loan deposit account		2,086.24
Total		\$361,371.56
Liabilities for rediscounts, including those with Federal Reserve Bank		30,759.44

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, SS: I, T. E. Powell, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.
INEZ FRANKLIN, Notary Public.

take out this insurance and carry with him into danger the heartening knowledge that whatever happens, himself and his dependents are protected by his Government.

George Nitschke and Boyce Alvord went to El Paso this week where they enlisted in the navy and were sent to a training camp in California.

LOST—A Pres-O-lite tank off of truck between Baird and Putnam.—J. G. Hightower. 32-1t.

Mrs. Frank McDonald has returned from Fort Worth where she spent a few weeks with her husband who has been stationed at Camp Bowie.

Kay Lidia and J. C. Estes spent a few days in El Paso this week.

Mrs. Robert L. Estes has returned from Fort Worth where she spent several weeks with her husband who was stationed at Camp Bowie, but now with a number of other Callahan county boys has been transferred to an eastern camp.

James Ross returned this morning from El Paso where he enlisted in the navy. He is in the Naval Reserve and subject to call anytime.

Groceries and Fresh Meats

We carry a full line of staple and fancy groceries and are prepared to supply you with the best. We also carry a full supply of Fresh Meats, which makes it very convenient to order your groceries and meats at the same time. Prompt attention given all orders.

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W. A. Hinds	Tom Windham
	J. B. Cutbirth.

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Our Government in Thought,
We are Selling
QUALITY MERCHANDISE

at small profit so you may invest more of your savings in Liberty Bonds, Thrift Stamps, etc.

IT ALL DEPENDS UPON YOU!

The enemy has definitely decided to win the war this year and "the fate of the Empire, the fate of Europe, and the fate of liberty throughout the world" may depend upon the ability of the Allies, and especially of America, to feed fresh man-power to the firing line during the next seven or eight months. Already our troop-movement to France has been increased threefold in a few weeks, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, and at the same time the records show a falling off in the activeness of Germany's U-boat campaign.

Because of the immediate emergency in France, American battalions will be brigaded with British and French divisions. "one of the most important decisions of the war," declares Lloyd George, "in fact, the issue of the battle might very well be determined by it."

MY STORE

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BAIRD

TEXAS

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Will McCoy were in from the Bayou, Monday.

Miss Bess Curry of Lancaster is the guest of Miss Kathryn Boydston

H. Windham and son, Hillery, of Tecumseh, were in Baird Monday.

Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones from Clear Creek were in town, Tuesday.

Mrs. J. O. Moore of Clyde is in Dallas with her husband who underwent an operation there.

Miss Myrtle Conner has returned home from a visit with friends at Fort Worth.

Miss Pensie Work has returned from Big Springs where she has been visiting friends.

FOR SALE—A second-hand typewriter and desk. Apply at STAR office.

Miss Mary Parks of Weatherford, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. E. Alvord and family.

Mrs. Pete Fulcher and children spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Mrs. M. R. Hailey at Belle Plains.

FOR SALE.—12 White Orpington hens and 1 cockrel, at \$1.00 each. Phone Mrs. Geo. B. Scott, 32-1f.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Iverson, left Monday night for Minnesota and other northern states where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. Maunie Finch and sister, Miss Pensie Work have gone to Dallas where they will attend a business college.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Estes and little son, Fred Jr., have returned from Clarksville where they visited Mrs. Estes' parents.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Blakely and children from the Bayou, and Miss Josephine Blakely of Belle Plaine were in town Tuesday.

C. L. Dickey and family left the first of the week for an auto trip to Central Texas, where they will visit relatives.

Sam Windham, Charley Straley, Ernest and Frank Windham of Oplin brought in in cattle Monday which they shipped to Fort Worth.

Sergt. W. J. Bowler of Camp McArthur, Waco, spent Saturday and Sunday in Baird the guest of H. A. Lones and family.

Mrs. M. A. Youngblood has returned to her home at Abilene after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Vaughn.

Misses Willa and Eva Mullican of Ranger are spending a few days here this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Mullican.

Mrs. Frank Hinds spent Thursday in Abilene with her daughter, Miss Elsie, who is attending a business college there.

Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth and daughters, Misses Naomi and Bonnie, returned Monday from Pilot Point where they have been visiting relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Y. Switzer attended a district meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the North-west Texas Conference at Anson, Thursday.

Mrs. B. N. Leonard and children of Shreveport, La., Mrs. J. R. Copeland of Big Springs and Mrs. W. P. Kershner of Parsons, Kan., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lones.

Misses Eliza Gilliland and Catherine Walker and Master Bob Price spent Wednesday evening in Abilene Miss Nell Price, who is attending Simmons College came home with them to spend a few days.

Mrs. Tom Windham and daughters, Miss Winnie and Mrs. Charley Straley and little daughter, Frankie Lee, of Oplin, were in Baird, Wednesday to meet Mr. Windham and son, Ernest, who had been to Fort Worth with a shipment of cattle.

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With every cash purchase you make at our store we give you a Coupon with which you can secure Premiums of all kind of Cooking Utensils in guaranteed Aluminum Ware Premiums are now on display. Come in and see the many useful things shown

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We have a nice line of Dry-Goods, Notions, Shoes, Ladies Hats, and Ready-to-Wear. Come in see our stock.

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First-class, laundry work of all kind. Work called for on Tuesday, delivered Friday

Mrs. Emma Ashton, Agt.

SPIRELLA CORSETS

I have my new spring samples and will be glad to show you same and take your measure for a Spirella the best made-to-measure corset to be had. Phone me and I will gladly call to take your order

Mrs. J. R. Price, Phone 6.

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the FARMERS STATE BANK at Putnam, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 29th day of June 1918, published in **The Baird Star**, a newspaper published at Baird, State of Texas, on the 12th day of July 1918.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$64,676.26
Loans, real estate.....	1,405.00
Overdrafts.....	486.13
Real Estate (banking house).....	5,500.00
Other Real Estate, Liberty Bonds.....	3,050.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,900.00
War Saving Stamps.....	102.95
Due from Banks and Bankers.....	53,564.74
Cash Items.....	118.87
Currency.....	6,644.00
Specie.....	3,600.00
Int. and Assessment in Depositors Guaranty Fund.....	1,512.64
Total.....	\$142,561.19

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	6,000.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	3,973.18
Individual Deposit subject to check.....	117,588.01
Total.....	\$142,561.19

STATE OF TEXAS
County of Callahan We, C. T. Hutchison, as President, and Jas. R. Bird as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief
C. T. HUTCHISON, Pres.
JAS. R. BIRD, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this, 5th day of July A. D. 1918.

PIERCE SHACKELFORD,
Notary Public, Callahan County, Texas
CORRECT ATTEST:
S. W. Jobe
O. H. Harwell
A. L. Biggerstaff
Directors.

Mrs. G. P. Goble called at this office Wednesday and ordered THE STAR sent to her son, William T. Goble, who is serving his country at the Naval Air Station, Miami, Fla.

CHRISTIAN MEETING AT PUTNAM

We are requested to extend an invitation to the general public of Baird and Clyde and surrounding country to attend the meeting beginning Saturday night, July 6th at the Church of Christ, at Putnam, conducted by Eld. W. T. Kidwell, of Dallas.



If Only as an Example to Your Boy

you should bank your money and pay all bills by check. It will teach him business methods which will be of value to him in his career. We will open an account with you and assure you that you will benefit by it as much as your boy. Call and talk it over

The Home National Bank

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J. D. DALLAS, Baird, Texas

FOR SALE—Farm Wagon and a set of heavy harness.—M. M. Terry, Baird Texas.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. If you have any troubles of this sort, give them a trial and realize for yourself what a first class medicine will do for you. They only cost a quarter. For sale by all druggists.

Y. M. C. A. HUT IS THEIR HANGOUT

Yanks Travel Many Miles to Spend Evening in the Club.

SOMEBODY ALWAYS ON JOB

"Y" Guy Can Be Depended Upon to Get Move On in Emergency—Men Made to Feel Perfectly Free and Unrestrained.

By CLARENCE BUDINGTON KELLAND.

Paris.—Thirty sailors off an American war vessel hired a motor truck and drove nine miles to get to the Y. M. C. A. club in a famous French city. I asked them why.

"Because it's a regular hangout," one of them said, and another added, "Because you get white bread with butter on it, and eggs fried on both sides and coffee with piano accompaniment."

As soon as I broke into the place I found why men would ride nine miles on a truck to loaf there from eight until eleven.

It wasn't the sort of place folks in the United States imagine a Y. M. C. A. to be. It was a swelteringly hot night, and the broad front steps were lined from end to end with men in khaki and men in navy blue. They were gasping and smoking until the place looked as if the captain had ordered a smoke screen to help him through the submarine zone.

From the street you could hear a piano doing business and a lot more men in uniform howling, "Joan of Arc." If the mothers of these boys could have heard that racket their hearts would have dropped off a pound of weight and increased their beat by ten to the second. They sang as if they were glad to be alive.

Right on the job.

And then somebody busted up the game. A sailorman came in and made the announcement that the driver of their truck refused to take them back to quarters again, and it was a walk of nine miles on a hot night, or a stretch in the brig for them. Gloom descended. Then somebody turned around and bellowed, "Where's one of them 'Y' guys?"

A "Y" guy happened to be on the spot and in a second he was surrounded, not by a crowd of men who were angry or in a mood to demand something, but by fellows who were mighty courteous in an unpleasant situation. That was something worth remarking, and it made you sort of glad to be around.

They put the thing up to the "Y" guy and one fellow said sort of bashful-like, "We don't want to act like we was puttin' this up to you. 'Tain't your fault, but—"

It was apparent they had gotten the idea somehow that you could depend on a "Y" guy to get a move on him, and the "Y" guy allowed as much.

"Sure, it's up to us," he said, "that's why we're here."

Inside of twenty minutes he was back with a big truck with a red triangle on the side of it. He tucked the thirty sailormen into it and off they went to keep their appointment with their boss.

That, quite likely, is one reason why they rode nine miles to spend an evening in the Y. M. C. A., because they knew somebody was on the job.

Like You Owned the Place.

Another reason is that you don't have to knock, show a ticket, wiggle your first finger or roll over and play dead to get in. You just walk in like you were there to foreclose a first mortgage on the place.

When you walk through the front door you don't run into a lecture hall, though there is one upstairs, and the odor that comes to your nose isn't the odor of sanctity. It's the smell of fried eggs. The cafeteria is the first thing you meet, and if you are wise you get acquainted with it and stay acquainted while you are in this locality, for it is the best and cheapest place to eat in town. I know because I tried several.

The most impressive thing about it is the complete absence of an ostentatious welcome. You just help yourself and nobody says a word. You wander in and eat and wipe your

mouth on your sleeve and hike upstairs to mess around on a piano or write a letter or play billiards, or to do as you doggone please. You are free. To be able to make a huge number of men feel perfectly free and unrestrained and at home is quite some little accomplishment. I haven't had time to find out how it is done, but the next time I have a party at my house I'm going to try it on. It's the real thing in hospitality.

PLAN BOYCOTT ON GERMAN MADE GOODS

Seattle, Wash.—A nation-wide boycott of German-made goods for a generation after the war will be enforced by the women of America if the Huns inflict cruelty on any American prisoners or fail to treat them according to the recognized usages of war. This is the plan originated by Mrs. E. A. Strout of this city, who is enlisting the aid of every woman in the city and state to help her carry the propaganda to all American women.

PLAY-CIRL OF WESTERN FRONT

Wonderful Part Played by Elsie Janis in Keeping Up Morale of Troops.

SINGS TO BOYS OVER THERE

Many a Company Has Marched to First Night in Trenches With More Gallant Swing Because Elsie Cheered Them on Way.

By ALEXANDER WOOLLCOTT.

Paris.—The theater was no theater at all. It was just the great train shed which serves as the workshop and headquarters for a small army of American engineers who are lending the P. R. R. touch to the astonished landscape of France. Though retreat had sounded an hour or so before, it was packed to suffocation with Yanks, for all that day rakish posters, turned out in the company painter's best style, had intrigued the eye with the modest announcement:

ELSIE JANIS—AMERICA'S GREATEST ACTRESS—FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY.

And at last, with warning toots from a distant whistle and a great wave of laughter as the order was passed along to clear the track, a locomotive trundled in out of the night. In its cab a pair of proud and grinning engineers, on its cowcatcher Elsie Janis. A mo-

ment later and the engine was near enough to the stage for her to clear the space at a single jump and there she was, with her black velvet tam pushed back on her tossing hair, with her eyes alight and her hands uplifted, her whole voice thrown into the question which is the beginning and the end of morale, which is the most important question in the army: "Are we downhearted?"

The Thunderous Response.

You can only faintly imagine the thunderous "No" with which the train shed echoed. And it is the whole point of Elsie Janis—as well as the whole point of all the numbers now being booked to play for the A. E. F.—that whatever the spirit of the boys before her coming, they really meant that "No" with all there was in them, that any who might have been just a little downhearted before, felt better about it after seeing and hearing her. For, like the rare officer who can inspire his men to very prodigies of valor, so the flashing Elsie is compact of that priceless thing which, for lack of a less pedantic phrase, we must call positive magnetism. More than one company has marched off to its first night in the trenches with brighter eyes, squarer shoulders and a more gallant swing because, at the very threshold of safety, this snaky and lovely lady from Columbus, Ohio, waved and sang and cheered them on their way.

That is why, when the history of this great expedition comes to be written, there should be a chapter devoted to the play-girl of the western front, the star of the A. E. F., the forerunner of those players who are now being booked in the greatest circuit of them all, the Y. M. C. A. huts of France.

For her, and for her like, there is always room. And work aplenty to do. There are troops to be fired—as by martial music—on the edge of the advance.

Elsie Janis (and mother) are having the time of their lives, and she meant every word of it when she cabled back to all her brothers and sisters of the stage to come or they would never know what they had missed.

Barn-Storming With Vengeance.

For Elsie it has been barn-storming with a vengeance, a tour of tank towns in more senses than one. It has meant traveling without a maid for once in a way, playing a whole season with a one-dress wardrobe, bivouacking in strange and uninviting hotels.

It has meant warbling as a cabaret singer among tables of some officers' mess or mounting a bench to sing through the windows of some cantonment barracks where the isolated doughboys had been tearing their infected hair with disappointment because they had heard she was in the post and knew they could not get out to see her.

It has meant lingering for an extra performance at some hut because a whole new audience was coming through the starlit heavens from the aviation camp down the lines.

In all her years on the stage she has known no such tumultuous, heart-warming welcomes as are her nightly portions in the biggest time a booking office can offer to a player in the year 1918.

The boys swarm up on the stage and slap her on the back and vow there never was such a girl since the world began. They cheer her until they are hoarse, and she is dizzy with pride.

HEAVY CANADIAN HOWITZER IN ACTION



Canadian gunners are kept busy feeding this heavy Canadian howitzer that is here shown in action.

TAKES DAUGHTER TO CAMP

Virginia Draftee, Sole Support of Child, Carries Her With Him to Cantonment.

Camp Lee, Va.—A. W. Carpenter, a Virginia draftee, arrived at the camp with his three-and-a-half-year-old daughter. He claimed he was the sole support of the child and had brought her to camp, hoping to keep her with him. The nurses at the base hospital will "adopt" the child if the father gives his legal consent.

Eagle Attacks Woman.

Franklin, W. Va.—A bald eagle that has made frequent excursions into this part of the country made a vicious attack on Mrs. Anna Stimmons while she was walking to her home near this city. Three deep wounds were made in her face where the eagle's talons had gouged into the flesh. Will Halterman, who ran to her assistance, was also attacked and forced to seek shelter.

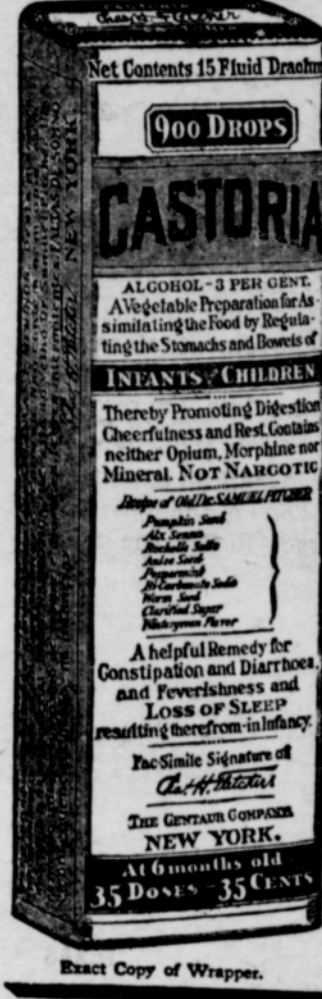
It is right to resist oppression.

A Great Responsibility.

THE responsibility attached to the preparing of a remedy for infants and children is undoubtedly greater than that imposed upon the manufacturer of remedies for adults whose system is sufficiently strong to counteract, for a time at least, any injurious drug. It is well to observe that Castoria is prepared today, as it has been for the past 40 years, under the personal supervision of Mr. Chas. H. Fletcher.

What have makers of imitations and substitutes at stake? What are their responsibilities? To whom are they answerable? They spring up today, scatter their nefarious wares broadcast, and disappear tomorrow.

Could each mother see the painstaking care with which the prescription for Fletcher's Castoria is prepared: could they read the innumerable testimonials from grateful mothers, they would never listen to the subtle pleadings and false arguments of those who would offer an imitation of, or substitute for the tried and true Fletcher's Castoria.



Children Cry For Fletcher's CASTORIA

Extracts from Letters by Grateful Parents to Chas. H. Fletcher.

G. J. English, of Springfield, Mass., says: "It was your Castoria that saved my child."
Mrs. Mary McGinnis, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "We have given our baby your Castoria ever since she was born, and we recommend it to all mothers."
N. E. Calmes, of Marion, Ky., says: "You have the best medicine in the world, as I have given your Castoria to my babies from first to last."
Mrs. Albert Ugusky, of Lawrenceburg, Ind., says: "As I have had your Castoria in use for nearly three years, I am pleased to say it is just as represented. My children are both well and happy—thanks to Castoria."
R. F. Stockton, of New Orleans, La., says: "We began giving your Castoria to our baby when he was eight days old and have kept it up ever since, never having had to give any other medicine."
Mrs. Dolph Hornbuckle, of Colorado Springs, Colo., says: "We commenced giving your Castoria to our baby when she was four weeks old. She is now seven months and weighs 19½ pounds. Everyone remarks: 'What a healthy looking baby.' We give Castoria credit for it."

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS BEARS

the Signature of

Chas. H. Fletcher.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY

Let's Talk.

She—Some one has said that kisses are love's language.
He—That so? Let's talk.

FRECKLES

Now is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as Othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots. Simply get an ounce of Othine—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than one ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion. Be sure to ask for the double strength Othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

Optimistic Thought.
Man is neither by birth nor disposition a savage.

HEADACHES

This distressing ailment should be relieved at once and save strain on Nervous System. CAPUDINE gives quick relief. It's a liquid—Pleasant to take.—Adv.

Some men are high livers because of their inability to pay ground floor rents.

What Makes You Feel Tired?

If it isn't hard work or exercise, then it's your blood. Your blood has been poisoned by the bite of a malaria mosquito or by stomach and liver disorders. In some cases low vitality and lack of energy is due to thin, weak blood.

Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic

Enriches the Blood and Purifies the Blood; by this means it Strengthens the body from head to toe and you can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. It contains just what the blood needs, Iron and Quinine, in a form acceptable to the most delicate stomach.

GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC is an exceptionally Good General Strengthening Tonic for the Child, for the Mother or any of the Family, young or old. Pleasant to take. Price 60c.

Perfectly Harmless. Contains no Nux-Vomica or other Poisonous Drugs.



Veal Loaf with such flavor!

THIS delicately flavored Veal Loaf is made with such perfection by Libby's expert chefs in the immaculate Libby's kitchens—that you will always want these chefs to make it for you. You find it so appetizing, so nutritious a meat at such little cost and trouble.

Order Libby's Veal Loaf for lunch-eon today. Serve either hot or cold, your family will delight in it.

Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago



CUT TIME ON SHIPS

New Record for Rapid Construction Is Set.

Baltimore Shipbuilding Company Reduces the Present Average by Half.

Washington.—In its effort to set a new record for rapid ship construction, the Baltimore Dry Dock and Shipbuilding company has cut in half the present average time for construction of contract steel ships. This average for the 12 contract steel ships built to date is 130 5-6 days.

In previous days a year was regarded as fast time for building a steel vessel of or above 6,000 tons.

The ten fastest built vessels for the shipping board have averaged 99 9-10 days between keel laying and delivery; on the Great Lakes, 124 2-5 days; on the Atlantic coast, 269 1-5 days.

built in 37 days. On the list of the ten fastest built ships the slowest time was 119 days. Here is the list: Tuckahoe, 5,500 tons, New York Shipbuilding company, 37 days. West Lianga, 8,800 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle, 78 days. West Aisek, 8,800 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle, 92 days. Ossineke, 8,571 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle, 108 days. West Durfee, 8,800 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle, 111 days. Canoga, 8,548 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle 112 days. Westgrove, 8,800 tons, Columbia River S. B. Co., Seattle, 112 days. Western Queen, 8,800 tons, Skinner & Eddy corporation, Seattle, 113 days. Lake Huron, 3,100 tons, American S. B. Co., Chicago, 117 days. Lake Forest, 3,100 tons, American S. B. Co., Chicago 119 days.

On the Pacific coast the five vessels built in the fastest time have averaged 100 1-5 days between keel laying and delivery; on the Great Lakes, 124 2-5 days; on the Atlantic coast, 269 1-5 days.

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LUMBER, SHINGLES, SILLWORK—High quality guaranteed. Straight cuts or house bills shipped anywhere. Inq. Co-operative Lumber Co., Lake Charles, La.



Kill All Flies!

They spread disease. Flies anywhere, Doley Fly Killer attracts and kills all flies, black, house, common, house, and sheep. Each 10c. Made in U.S.A. Doley Fly Killer is the only fly killer that kills all flies, including the most stubborn, at once. Doley Fly Killer sold by druggists, or 5c each by mail, prepaid, to Harold Sowers, 130 N. Dear Ave., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.

Where He Goes.

Asker—What's become of the incorrigible kid who used to be driven from home because his parents couldn't do anything with him?

Tellum—Oh, he takes an hour or two off from his duties as president and director of half the big concerns in the city to drive around to the old folks in one of his new twelve-cylinder palaces to tell pa and ma that he's getting along just tolerable.

When Your Eyes Need Care Try Murine Eye Remedy

So Soothing—Just 5c. Sold everywhere. Sold by Druggists of Mail. Write for Free Eye Book. MURINE EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO

LEMON JUICE TAKES OFF TAN

Girls! Make bleaching lotion if skin is sunburned, tanned or freckled

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of Orchard White, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle, sunburn and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very small cost. Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of Orchard White for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands each day and see how freckles, sunburn, windburn and tan disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.—Adv.

Heartless Papa.

"What did papa say," asked the bright spot of his life, breathlessly, as her head came limping out of papa's studio after an interview. "He didn't say much," returned her bright spot, mournfully, "but I wish I were as unfeeling as he is."

KIDNEY TROUBLE NOT EASILY RECOGNIZED

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected

An examining physician for one of the prominent life insurance companies, in an interview of the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

We find that Swamp-Root is strictly an herbal compound and we would advise our readers who feel in need of such a remedy to give it a trial. It is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

Nursing Fallacies.

"Blighins has great self-esteem." "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "Perhaps that is why he doesn't get on better. A man with too much self-esteem is usually a bad judge of things in general."

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GILLEY'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a general strengthening tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant taste. 50c per bottle.

Testing Inventions.

Inventions of a war nature must have prompt government attention. Therefore the United States government is setting apart an "inventions section" for immediate and thorough investigation of all devices of a mechanical, electrical or chemical nature submitted for test, sale or inspection. People who wish inventions considered should apply data: Name and object of invention, any claim for superiority or novelty, and results obtained by actual experiment, whether the invention is patented, whether remuneration is expected, whether the invention has been before any other agency, whether the writer is owner or agent. Drawings and descriptions should accompany. Communications should be addressed to Inventions Section, General Staff, Army War College, Washington.

Dummy Airplanes.

Aviators from training camps throughout the country are completing their education in aerial gunnery at the finishing school near Lake Charles, La. The targets are reproductions of a German "taube" airplane placed on the surface of the lake and with a black cross painted thereon to represent the enemy pilot, the principal mark for the gunners.

Genius Defined.

Genius may be defined as an ability to do with little trouble that which cannot be done by the ordinary man with any amount of trouble.—Spencer.

Besides Saving Wheat Ma Says I'm Saving Cooking When I Eat

POST TOASTIES

BEST CORN FLAKES EVER



Texas News

The Texas watermelon crop is now moving to the markets in carload lots.

The Texas Railway Claim Agents' Association meets in Galveston this week.

Texas passed the safest, sanest and quietest Fourth of July last Thursday in years.

Boll weevils are reported to be seriously damaging the cotton crop in Denton county.

The Texas Association of Industries will hold its autumn convention at Galveston in September.

Attorney General Looney rules that women of Texas may register so they may be able to vote up to and including July 12.

The Tri-County Teachers' Institute, composed of the counties of Washington, Waller and Austin, will be held at Brenham the first week in September.

Brigadier General J. F. Wolters, commanding the First Brigade Texas Cavalry, has begun in earnest the recruiting of the East Texas regiment of infantry.

Gaines county is the first county to repay the State the drouth relief loan, which was \$4,000. The State has loaned about \$410,000 to 32 counties out of the \$2,000,000 drouth relief appropriation.

The Gulf States Shipbuilding Company, with headquarters at Orange, has secured title to twenty-two acres of land situated on the Sabine River, almost in the heart of Orange, for a shipbuilding plant.

The camphor thrip, a small insect that has been working on camphor trees in several Southern states, has made its appearance in Texas. The pest has been discovered in Houston, Port Arthur and other points in South Texas.

Mrs. Willa Bell Wilson, a member of the oakum spinning crew of the national shipyards at Orange, has achieved a record for earning money in that capacity. The young woman has earned as high as \$9 a day spinning oakum.

The Texas Elberta peach crop is beginning to move and thousands of bushels will be shipped during the coming three or four weeks. The crop this year is very good, and some of the largest peaches ever grown will go out from East Texas.

Twenty-five carloads of Irish potatoes have been shipped out of Washington county this season. This does not represent the production, as almost every farmer and grower has on hand a supply sufficient to last until time to plant the next crop. Potatoes have advanced in price to \$1.50 per hundred pounds.

The attorney general Saturday approved the following bond issues: Sixty thousand dollars Angelina county road district No. 2, 10-40s, 5s; \$10,000 Grimes county common school district No. 10, 10-40s, 5s; \$42,000 Montgomery county road district No. 5, 5-20s, 5s, 5 1/2 per cent; \$1,000 Trinity county school district No. 27, 5-20s, 5s, and \$3,000 Fall county common school district No. 65, 10-20s, 5s.

Silos serve as receptacles for stock feed the year round. They are not only semicircular in affording a safe storage for feed, but make it possible to conserve material that would go to waste if it were not properly housed. On a farm where there are a few head of stock a silo is an asset that can be appreciated by anyone who has given the subject any study at all. They are going up all over Texas.

According to figures obtained at the Texas railroad commission Saturday returned forty-five Texas short lines to their owners and retained seventeen short lines in this state. The former have an aggregate of 981 miles and the rejected lines totaled 1,526 miles. However, the commission does not accept the unofficial reports of six lines being returned and thinks the final order will show that they have been retained. In that event, 411 miles will be added to the retained lines and that amount subtracted from the rejected roads, which would make 1,392 miles of short lines retained under government control and 1,154 rejected.

The attorney general has approved bond issues for the following common school districts: Somervell county, district No. 11, \$2,400, fifteen, forties fives; Somervell county, No. 16, \$2,000, fifteen, twenties, fives; Hunt county, No. 81, \$3,000, serials, fives; Rusk, No. 8, \$2,000, tens, twenties, fives; Coleman, No. 12, \$1,200, tens, twenties, fives; Henderson, No. 44, \$1,200, twenties, fives; Smith, No. 64, \$1,000, tens, twenties, fives; Alto Independent School District, \$20,000, serials, fives

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 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 the "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Adv.

Any man with motheaten ideas simply has to air his opinions.

Soothe Itching Scalps.

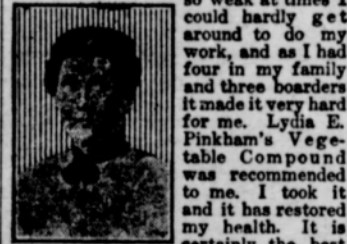
On retiring gently rub spots of dandruff and itching with Cuticura Ointment. Next morning shampoo with Cuticura Soap and hot water. For free samples address, "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail, Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

If a man has a poor memory he should stick to the truth.

"BEST MEDICINE FOR WOMEN"

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Did For Ohio Woman.

Portsmouth, Ohio.—"I suffered from irregularities, pains in my side and was so weak at times I could hardly get around to do my work, and as I had four in my family and three boarders it made it very hard for me. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me. I took it and it has restored my health. It is certainly the best medicine for woman's ailments I ever saw."—Mrs. SARA SHAW, R. No. 1, Portsmouth, Ohio.



Mrs. Shaw proved the merit of this medicine and wrote this letter in order that other suffering women may find relief as she did.

Women who are suffering as she was should not drag along from day to day without giving this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a trial. For special advice in regard to such ailments write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its forty years' experience is at your service.

MR. JONES HAD RIGHT IDEA

Some Statesmen and any Soldiers Fully Agree With the Gentleman From Atlanta.

George Washington Jones, late of Atlanta, was making his first trip frontward on a supply wagon—with not much further to go—when, from the side of the road, a camouflaged American battery broke forth thunderously, sending a few 300-pound tokens over the line to Fritz. The ground trembled from the salvo, but not any more than George as he jumped from his high seat to the road.

The American artillery officer in charge of the battery crossed over to the road.

"Scared?" he demanded. "Well," said George, "Ah was slightly agitated at first. Ah suttlingly was. But keep right on. Dat's the only way to win dis wuh—flah dem guns."

Get New Kidneys!

The kidneys are the most overworked organs of the human body, and when they fail in their work of filtering out and throwing off the poisons developed in the system, things begin to happen.

One of the first warnings is pain or stiffness in the lower part of the back; highly colored urine; loss of appetite; indigestion; irritability, or even stone in the bladder. These symptoms indicate a condition that may lead to that dreaded and fatal malady, Bright's disease, for which there is said to be no cure.

Do not delay a minute. At the first indication of trouble in the kidney, liver, bladder or urinary organs start taking Gold Medal Haarlem Oil Capsules, and save yourself before it is too late. Instant relief, your money will be refunded. Be sure you get the GOLD MEDAL brand. None other genuine. In boxes, three sizes.—Adv.

You can almost certainly find immediate relief in Gold Medal Haarlem Oil Capsules. For more than 200 years this famous preparation has been an unfailing remedy for all kidney, bladder and urinary troubles.

It is the pure, original Haarlem Oil your great-grandmother used. About two capsules each day will keep you toned up and feeling fine. Get it at any drug store, and if it does not give you almost immediate relief, your money will be refunded.

Be sure you get the GOLD MEDAL brand. None other genuine. In boxes, three sizes.—Adv.

Not Such a Great Loss.

A German farmer in Australia had a rather delicate wife, who worked herself up to death in a few years. After the funeral a neighbor was condoling with him on his great loss.

"Yah," said August, "she was a good woman—but a bit too light for my work."—Sydney (N. S. W.) Bulletin.

RED CROSS SERVICE.

Red Cross Ball Blue gives to every housewife unequalled service. A large 5 cent package gives more real, genuine merit than any other blue. Red Cross Ball Blue makes clothes whiter than snow. You will be delighted. At all good grocers.—Adv.

Choice Reichstag Dialogue.

When rogues fall out there may be embarrassment for the printer, London Answers observes. The Vienna Reichspost tells of a quarrel between Hertling, the German chancellor, and Herr Erzberger.

Hertling said to Erzberger: "You have intrigued with Vienna against me," to which Erzberger replied: "No."

"Hertling retorted: "Yes, you have been to Vienna, and you have intrigued."

Erzberger: "I have not been to Vienna."

"Hertling: "I have proofs that you are—"

The Reichspost says it cannot reproduce the last words of Hertling. Herr Erzberger is the leader of the center party; and it looks as if on this occasion Hertling inclined to the extreme left.

Granulated Epsom Salts. Infamed Eyes relieved over night by Roman Eye Balsam. One trial proves its merit.—Adv.

Of Two Evils.

"Never change lawyers!" The speaker was Senator Thomas of Colorado.

"No matter how greedily your lawyer may be bleeding you," he said, "don't change him. Remember the old horse."

"An old horse stood under a tree patiently, though he was all covered with horse flies." A kind-hearted man went up to brush the flies away, but the old horse said:

"Hold on, sir. Don't disturb those flies. They're nearly full. Drive them off, and a fresh lot will come, more hungry than the last."

Charity is a cloak that covers a multitude of amateur theatrical performances.

Calomel Today! Sick Tomorrow!

I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Don't take nasty, dangerous calomel when bilious, constipated, headachy. Listen to me!

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 bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a

few cents 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 get 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 about me.—Adv.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC

SOLD FOR 50 YEARS For MALARIA, CHILLS and FEVER Also a Fine General Strengthening Tonic. SOLD BY ALL DRUG STORES.

Keeping 'Em Sweet.

Florence (reading war news)—It says here that General Foch is a master of tactics.

Her Hubby—Yes, he's a great master of the proper disposition of his troops.

Florence—I've often wondered what made them so good-natured.—Cartoons Magazine.

Baby's Second Summer GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE will correct the Stomach and Bowel Troubles and it is absolutely harmless. Can be given to infants with perfect safety. See directions on the bottle.

Cheer Up.

The following, unsigned, came through the mail to the News. It is self-explanatory.

"This all happened within two weeks: 'Arrested for speeding; gave a fellow a \$10 bill, thought it was \$1; married two weeks ago—worst of all; had my car stolen; just had notice of my draft call to the army. Hope they shoot me quick."

"Good-bye, ma. Good-bye, pa." This happens to be a true story.—Indianapolis News.

Indigestion produces disagreeable and sometimes alarming symptoms. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills stimulate the digestive process to function naturally. Adv.

Those Girls.

"That floppy hat is becoming to you." "But it hides most of my face." "I said it was becoming."

Hot Weather Poisons Hit The Stomach First

How to Keep Your Stomach Strong, Cool and Sweet

Hot weather always starts those quick chemical changes which produce poisons in meats, fish, fruits, vegetables, milk and food products.

Such summer poisons in foods not only make well stomachs sick but develop with dangerous rapidity in sensitive, sick or ailing stomachs and bowels.

These poisons not only generate gases and fluids which cause that bloated, lumpy feeling, heartburn, sour stomach, belching, acidity, but endless other stomach and bowel miseries.

A sure, safe, quick acting relief has been found which absorbs and neutralizes these poisons, too much acid and harmful gases. EATONIC Tablets, one or two taken after every meal, will keep your stomach sweet. You will have a good appetite to eat what you like, when you want it and be

free from all those bad effects liable to come after a hearty meal in summer.

EATONIC Tablets are hot weather protectors for the stomach. They guard against the germs that lurk in the things you eat and drink. They rebuild business appetites, promote digestion by aiding proper action of the stomach functions and insure speedy relief from indigestion and all stomach distress.

EATONIC is good to eat like candy. People from all over send grateful testimonials. Tens of thousands are obtaining relief with EATONIC every day but the best evidence is to let your own stomach tell you the truth. Go to your druggist and get a big box of EATONIC. Tell him you want it for the prevention and sure relief of stomach and bowel disorders produced by hot weather poisons.

Then if EATONIC fails to satisfy you—turn it to your druggist, whom you know and can trust. He will cheerfully refund your money. If your druggist doesn't keep EATONIC—drop us a postal. It will be delivered to your address and you can then pay for it. Address, H. J. Kramer, Pres., 1215 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE

This valuable and harmless Baby Medicine is composed of the following:

BISMUTH, LIME, PEPSIN AND CATECHU WITH PURE SIMPLE SYRUP

Bismuth is healing to the mucous membrane of the stomach; the Lime neutralizes the acid where there is a sour stomach; the Pepsin digests any indigestible food that may be in the stomach, and the Catechu acts as a mild astringent to control the bowels where there is a disposition to Dysentery, Diarrhoea, Flux or Sick Stomach.

GROVE'S BABY BOWEL MEDICINE is not a patent medicine. We give the ingredients and tell the effect of each ingredient so that you can judge for yourself.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—This preparation does not contain Morphine or Opium in any form and we don't advocate the giving of Opiates unless it is absolutely necessary.

RELIEVES SOUR STOMACH

For Dyspeptics who are Troubled with Sour Stomach

AIDS DIGESTION

It Relieves Stomach and Bowel Trouble and is Just as Good for Adults as for Children

We have numerous letters on file from parties claiming that this preparation relieved their babies of Chronic Dysentery, where everything else had failed and where they had been troubled in this way for several years. Children like to take it.

For sale by all Dealers in Drugs.

Made and recommended to the public by PARIS MEDICINE CO., Manufacturers of LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE and GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, St. Louis, Mo.

WHAT THE **RED CROSS** IS DOING AND WHAT YOU CAN DO

WOMEN'S WORK.

Garments: In hospital garments the greatest needs at present are for bed jackets, bed shirts and helpless case shirts, the latter being a shirt that has a taped sleeve to go on over an injured arm.

In future Chapters will be asked to get along without sample garments, as it will answer the purpose equally well, and be far cheaper, if they will buy the paper patterns, which contain printed directions for making, and follow the directions. Every pattern company issues the official Red Cross Patterns.

The hospital garment patterns are numbered as follows:

- No. 1 Bed Socks, handaged foot sock.
- 2 Trench Foot Slipper.
- 10 Operating Cap and Operating Mask.
- 30 Hospital Bed Shirt.
- 35A Helpless Case Shirt (right arm injured).
- 35B Helpless Case Shirt (left arm injured).
- 40 Operating Gown.
- 60 Convalescent Robe.
- 85 Convalescent Robe (27-inch material).
- 60 Pajamas.
- 65 Bed Jacket A.
- 68 Bed Jacket B.
- 80 Undershirt.
- 81 Undershirt.

The following changes should be noted in the refugee garment patterns:

Pattern No. 150 This shirt should be made without the double bosom and pocket. It is unnecessary to include these details in the garment.

Pattern No. 156. Women's petticoat. It is unnecessary to have a yoke at the top of the petticoat. The garment may be made with a hem at the top, through which a draw string is run.

No pattern has been issued for boys' trousers, because any standard pattern for short straight trousers will be satisfactory. Material for these trousers should be brown corduroy if possible. Falling corduroy, any strong, warm, dark-colored material should be used for the trousers.

Knitting—There is a very urgent call for more socks. As additional troops are sent abroad they will have to have woolen socks, even in the summer weather. Anyone who can make good socks can be of great service now. Those who are doubtful of their ability to make them should try the rule which is published in our issue of March 4, which will be found much simpler than the one in A. R. C. 400.

MRS. EDMUND F. BROWN,
Director Women's Work, 1617 Railway Exchange, St. Louis, Mo.

BY THE ENTIREMENT VECS IN THE CONTEST, a cherry pie making contest and auction was staged. Hundreds of the good women of the county baked cherry pies. The pies were auctioned at a social, and \$2,590 was raised. A committee decided that the most delicious pie was the product of a woman 85 years old, who is ardently interested in Red Cross work. Her pie was bid in by a man, also 85 years old, for \$12.50.

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

of the First State Bank at Oplin, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 29th day of June 1918, published in The Baird Star, a newspaper printed and published at Baird State of Texas, on the 12th day of July 1918.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$39,332.19
Overdrafts.....	12.08
Furniture and Fixtures.....	800.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net.....	3,946.69
Cash Items.....	766.00
Currency.....	2,099.00
Specie.....	62.32
Int. and Assessment on Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	300.00
Other Resources: Liberty Loan 2,300.00	
Savings Stamps.....	104.79
Total.....	\$49,723.07

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$10,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	500.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	503.18
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	28,719.89
Bills Payable and Rediscunts.....	10,000.00
Total.....	\$49,723.07

State of Texas, County of Callahan We, Tom Windham as president, and Ben Allen, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Tom Windham, President
Ben Allen, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of July, A. D. 1918.

J. W. Turner,

Notary Public, Callahan Co. Tex.

Correct—Attest:

J. C. Steakley
Gerard O. Cresswell
W. S. Hinds
Directors

The Joy of Living.

To enjoy life we must have good health. No one can reasonably hope to get much real pleasure out of life when his bowels are clogged a good share of the time and the poisons that should be expelled are absorbed into the system, producing headache and indigestion. A few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets will move the bowels, strengthen the digestion and give you a chance to realize the real joy of living. Try it. For sale by all druggists. Advt.

No. 3286

Report of the Condition of

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

AT BAIRD,

In The State of Texas, at the Close of Business June 29, 1918.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts.....	\$231,774.55	\$231,774.55
Overdrafts, unsecured.....	\$796.29	7,566.29
U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value).....	\$25,000.00	25,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds, unpledged, 3-1/2 per cent and 4 per cent.....	800.00	800.00
Securities other than U. S. Bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged.....	3,048.45	5,048.45
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank [50 per cent of subscription].....		1,900.00
Value of Banking House.....	\$1,800.00	3,900.00
Furniture and fixtures.....		2,500.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....		16,093.05
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks.....		29,542.23
Due from banks and bankers, and trust companies (other than including above).....		41.34
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank.....		539.69
Total of Items 15, 16 and 18.....	\$30,123.26	
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items.....		1,250.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....		91.38
War Saving Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned.....		
Total.....		\$323,886.98

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund.....	15,000.00
Undivided profits.....	\$12,594.11
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid.....	6,866.59
Circulating notes outstanding.....	25,000.00
Net amounts due to National banks.....	870.35
Due to banks and bankers and trust companies (other than above).....	2,968.56
Total of Items.....	\$3,473.92
Demand deposits subject to Reserve:	
Individual deposits subject to check.....	203,770.00
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed).....	8,735.80
Cashier's checks outstanding.....	2,621.81
Dividends unpaid.....	245.00
Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve \$215,412.61	
Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, and postal savings).....	11,662.20
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed).....	
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve.....	11,662.20
United States deposits other than postal savings.....	
Total.....	\$323,886.98

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF CALLAHAN, SS: I, W. S. Hinds, Cashier of the above-named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. S. HINDS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July 1918. Geo. B. Scott, Notary Public

Correct—Attest:

J. F. DYER
J. B. GUTHRIE
TOM WINDHAM
Directors



JOE ADKINS

Candidate for Congress 17th Congressional District

In announcing as a candidate for Congress in this 17th District, I promise the people, if elected to stand by the President in his work to win the war, and support all measures that will strengthen our forces abroad and increase our productiveness at home.

When this war is over and victory is ours, and the world has been made safe for democracy, I believe that our boys who return, should be given assurance of our appreciation for their valor; therefore, I will favor and support a measure for a National Board of Arbitration to the end that differences between labor and capital may be justly arbitrated and settled.

All labor is honorable and those who toil in the shops, factories, railroads and farms are justly entitled to have their rights and grievances adjusted, without depriving them of any of their rights. Therefore, I will favor and support a measure for a National Board of Arbitration to the end that differences between labor and capital may be justly arbitrated and settled.

I am in favor of such legislation as will restrict and limit foreign emigration and the alien ownership of property.

Mrs. Burn's Letter.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur in almost every neighborhood, and people should know what to do in like circumstances:

Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916.

"I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery). I had another attack of the same complaint some three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy to dozens of people since I first used it." For sale by all druggists.

ADMIRAL NEWS

July 8th—We are having hot days cool nights and no rain in this part of the country, but we are living in hopes.

Parties, ice cream suppers and fishing parties seem to have been in order here last week. The party at M. Pearce's Thursday night and ice cream supper at S. C. Bradford's Friday night were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Higgins and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higgins and children and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harris and children, of Hawley, spent the 4th of July on the Clear Fork, fishing.

O. L. Black, wife and children, Arthur Beasley, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Bradford, Sophia and Homer Walker and Misses Velma Williams and Gladys Eastham, of Baird, spent the 4th on Mexia, fishing.

Mrs. Mattie Black spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Willie Boen, at Rowden, last week.

Mrs. Sarah Wright, of Turkey Creek, spent last week with her son, J. M. Shelton, and daughter, Mrs. J. P. Walker.

Mrs. Almer Street and children, of Baird, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Sanders here.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Jones, of Baird, spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Black, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higgins, R. J. Harris, J. M. Shelton and M. F. Justice went to Baird Sunday to hear Bro. Seranton's farewell sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flores and children, of Belle Plaine, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. M. Pearce.

Mrs. Allie Smith, of Grand Prairie Mrs. Dollie Rucker, of Oplin, and Mr. John Davis, of Mexia, returned to their respective homes last week after spending a few days with their parents, Maj and Mrs. M. K. Davis.

Miss Lillie Robinson was the guest of Misses Minnie Whitley and Clover Irion one day last week.

Mrs. Susie Healep and son, George and wife, of Last Chance were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crutchfield, Sunday.

Miss Nina Walker was the guest of Miss Irene Coffey, at Turkey Creek, last week.

Misses Sophia Walker, Lillie Robinson, Vernon Walker and Ernest Higgins attended church at Turkey Creek Saturday night.

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RED CROSS NEEDS 30,000 NURSES FOR WAR WORK

Four Thousand a Month Must Be Supplied if America is to Do Her Share.

More than 2,000 American Red Cross nurses have gone to Europe for active service since last Easter, quietly, as American soldiers have gone and are going, under orders of obedience, like the soldiers; and, like the soldiers again, in the face of danger and hardship, prepared for any sacrifice to protect the lives of our fighting men.

The tasks of these women, who have gone on the supreme adventure of their lives, are the very embodiment of the Easter message. And still there is a call for more nurses. Moreover, many of them must be recruited from the Southwest.

Even though more than 7,000 Red Cross nurses are on active duty in military and naval hospitals and in public health work at home and abroad, it is probable that 30,000 more will be needed for the American army alone. Five thousand are needed by June 1 of this year and 4,000 more each month until the first of January. The Surgeon-General of the United States is urging the American Red Cross to do its utmost to provide these nurses.

Will Women Emulate Men?

Washington headquarters of the Red Cross believes that women of the Southwest do not realize the vital need of America for their services, else the response would be much greater. Red Cross headquarters recently made this announcement:

Nurses, and more nurses, if America is to win the war, is the cry of the nation to her women today. There are at present about 7,000 nurses in active service. And the first contingent of the American Army is scarcely in the field. Men are being called to the colors by the hundreds of thousands. Whether they will be protected and cared for when sick or wounded depends on whether American women are willing to make the same sacrifices their brothers are making. Failing in this, they will have done incalculable harm to the efficiency and morale of our troops.

Requirements For Applicants.

Requirements for enrollment as a Red Cross nurse are as follows:

An applicant must be a graduate of a school for nurses giving at least a two years' course of training in a general hospital.

Registration: In states where registration is provided for by law, an applicant, to be eligible for enrollment, must be registered.

Age Limits: An applicant must be at least 21 years and not over 40 years of age.

Indorsement: An applicant must be a member of an organization affiliated with the American Nurses' Association and indorsed by the Executive Committee, or by at least two officers of such organization. She must also be indorsed by the present superintendent of the training school from which she was graduated or the one under whom she trained. Her application must be approved by the Local Committee on Red Cross Nursing Service, and before being forwarded to Washington must be indorsed by at least two members of the local committee.

Southwestern division Red Cross officials believe there will be a ready response to the appeal for nurses once the women of the Southwest realize the imperative need for their services.

The course in home nursing offered

by the American Red Cross is a continually established chapter activity of importance equal to any Red Cross activity.

Milton C. Work, a bridge authority, who is trying to raise \$100,000 for the Red Cross, is conducting a series of lectures, lessons and tournaments in St. Louis. He has obtained more than \$40,000 of the sum desired, and has turned it over to the Red Cross. His activities are taking him to all parts of the country.

JUNIOR RED CROSS IS DOING SPLENDID WORK HELPING TO WIN WAR

Hundreds of Thousands in Southwest
ern Division Are Tolling for
Men in the Trenches.

Hundreds of thousands of children in the Southwest are helping to win the war for America and her allies. There are not better patriots in the United States, in the whole world.

In cities and towns the children, a majority of whom are members of the Junior Red Cross, are working in thrift gardens, knitting sweaters, socks, etc., for our soldiers, turning old paper, rubber, metals and bottles into cash and investing the returns in thrift stamps and liberty bonds, making refugee activity of the Red Cross in which they can be of service.

In the country the children, who also generally are members of the Junior Red Cross, are raising pigs, sheep, rabbits, chickens, making gardens, doing general farm work to aid in the production of foodstuffs, canning and preserving, and like their city cousins they are buying Thrift Stamp and Liberty Bonds, knitting and making refugee garments.

Schools Close to Aid Juniors.

Many rural schools already have suspended until next fall and thousands of children have begun Spring and Summer campaigns which have for their purpose the doing of everything possible to win the war. In a majority of the towns and cities of the Southwest the schools still are in session and the children are taking their knitting to school with them and working on it at recess time and the noon hour, then doing other Red Cross work after school hours.

The pupils of 3,500 schools in the Southwestern division of the Red Cross have joined the Junior Red Cross since the membership campaign started early in February.

More than 100,000 children of the St. Louis schools are on the Junior membership rolls and 225,000 will have enrolled before the end of the campaign. This will make St. Louis 100 per cent Junior Red Cross. In other words, every child of school age who is in school soon will be a member.

Counties Use Unique Plans.

Tens of thousands more children will be enrolled outside St. Louis in the Southwestern division within the next few weeks.

Many counties in the division have enrolled every school, and many unique methods have been employed to raise the required membership fees. In Johnson County, Kansas, for instance, 5,000 children were enrolled as members of the Junior Red Cross in order to raise money with which to