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Hero of Soissons Visited in Slaton

Lieutenant Tarply Matthews was in Slaton Tuesday to take dinner at the home of W. S. Adams on his way to Houston. Lieutenant Matthews had been to Blanco on a short visit to his father and his step mother. Mrs. Matthews is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adams.

Tarply has been a soldier for nearly six years, and has seen service in the Philippines and in Hawaii. He is just now from France where he took an active part in the battle of Soissons, and was slightly wounded in his right leg. While on active duty on the battle front he received orders to return home and take charge of the soldier's training camp at Houston.

He says frankly that it wouldn't surprise him if the war is over by Christmas for two very good reasons. First, the Germans won't stand up to the fighting that the Americans are carrying right into them, and second, the Germans won't allow their land to be torn up and despoiled like France has been and will make peace at any terms rather than experience that when the Allies get into Germany. As soon as St. Quentin and Metz are taken he looks for the war to be near a conclusion.

Lieutenant Matthews is the hero of a story that has been featured in the daily papers in the last few days. He says that in the battle of Soissons the Germans would hide in the brush and behind rocks and as soon as the Americans began to shoot into their lairs they would come out right now without any fight and with their hands up and yelling, "Kamerad! Kamerad!" Tarply is the officer who escorted a German colonel captured this way to the rear, and when the colonel reached the detention place and learned that he would get white bread and good meals he told the captors that if they would turn him loose he would go back and bring in the rest of his company. They conferred about the matter, and in American style, called his hand like this: "Hell, we won't lose much if he never comes back! Let's take a chance on him!" So the colonel was turned loose on his word, and sure enough, in due time here he came back with his whole company to surrender and take pot luck with the Americans! Tarply didn't know about this story in which he was the principal character having been recently featured in the daily papers.

The Germans are tired of the war, and they surrender so easily that they don't put up a good fight unless they are under the eyes of an officer they are afraid

of. They won't fight hand to hand under any circumstances, and these are the reasons why the soldiers think the war will soon end.

Mrs. J. P. Reynolds closed her music class in Slaton last week and is moving to Dallas to make her home. Mrs. Reynolds states that some investments she has made in oil stock during the last few years have turned out so nicely that the dividends are promising a splendid income, so promising that she will never teach music again. Her friends truly rejoice with her in her good fortune.

Westerman Had First Bale of 1918 Cotton

C. S. Westerman took the premium this year for the first bale of 1918 cotton ginned in Slaton. Mr. Westerman lives nine miles north of Slaton. He had 1,350 pounds of seed cotton, and it turned out at the McDonald gin 462 pounds of lint. On account of the government announcing that the price of cotton will be fixed the dealers are slow about buying until they know where the price will be, but E. N. Twaddle purchased the cotton at thirty cents, paying for the bale \$135.50. The seed sold for \$28.12, and the premium was \$44.00, making the total for the bale \$210.72. Mr. Westerman will have about fifteen bales of cotton this year.

Walter Fowler has resigned his place at the Slaton State Bank to accept a place in the Union National Bank of Houston, where he will be in charge of the transit department, at a very remunerative salary. Mr. Fowler is a splendid fellow and a good banker and his many friends in Slaton are glad to know that his ability has been recognized and he has been called to one of the best banks in Texas. He will be in Houston by Oct. 1st. His position at the Slaton State Bank has not yet been filled.

The Red Cross Chapter of Slaton has its offices again in the West Room of the Slaton State Bank building where the members can always find the materials for sewing and the room will be open for work at any time. The Red Cross is very anxious for the members to make good on their promises to help with the canteen work.

Harley Wood came home the first of the week from a visit with his sister, Mrs. Nath Fulfer, at Mountainair, N. M. He brot home a shipment of roasting ears for his father. Mountainair is over six thousand feet above sea level and yet good crops are raised in that section.

Big Force Working Now on North Road

J. L. Benton resigned last week as county commissioner from this district, and the court elected H. D. Talley to fill out his unexpired term. Mr. Benton had only three more months to serve before Mr. Talley succeeded him in the office, and as there are road matters here that need attention and will occupy much of the time of Mr. Talley during his term in office, Mr. Benton resigned and let him start the work now.

The first act of the county commissioners board after Mr. Talley was made commissioner was to apportion to this commissioner's district all the road money that belongs to it and let Mr. Talley spend it where he sees fit. Monday morning Mr. Talley started work on the new road across the canyon north of town under the directions of K. K. Tudor, and has now about thirty teams on the job. At the rate the work is progressing the road will be finished inside of a week, and it will be one of the best roads on the Plains. This will enable the farmers across the canyon to bring their cotton and feed to Slaton. The road will also separate the canyon pastures of the S. I. Johnston and O. L. Slaton ranches, both subdivisions of the O Six ranch which Mr. Johnston purchased from the Kokernots. It will be a first class public highway with pasture fences on each side. Heretofore the third class road went thru the pastures with gates to open and close, and when a traveler passed that way with a bunch of stock and found the excellent grass that always covers the valley of the canyon regardless of the seasons, as water can be found anywhere in a depth of only a few feet, the campers would sometimes take a week going across the canyon, and in this way lots of the valuable grass was appropriated from the ranch stock.

M. Olim States He Will Locate Wholesale House in Amarillo

M. Olim announces this week that he will close the Grand Leader store in Slaton next Thursday night, Oct. 3rd, and will immediately pack the remainder of the stock of goods following the close of the sale, for shipment. He states that his closing out sale has been very satisfactory and he has sold a world of goods. Mr. Olim opened the Grand Leader in Slaton four and a half years ago and has enjoyed a nice business and built up the store constantly until he carried a large stock of goods. He is closing the store in Slaton to enter the wholesale business in Amarillo, and has already rented a building and large warehouses on Polk Street in that city for carrying on the business. He has been more than pleased with his business in Slaton.

He will be associated in the wholesale business at Amarillo by his brother-in-law, A. Kessel, and they will handle dry goods and furnishings and all lines of ladies ready to wear, hosiery, etc. The new wholesale house of this kind to be opened in the Panhandle. Their business will be jobbing, manufacturing agents, commission merchants and brokerage.

Bro. Cypret preach at the Christian church in Slaton this week. Services on Thursday night until Sunday. Everybody cordially invited to attend the services.

W. T. Dykeman, district manager, and Mrs. Fontella D. Lindsay, assistant district manager, for the Knights and Ladies of Security were in Slaton this week arranging for the institution of a lodge of that kind in Slaton. They report excellent progress and will announce the date of institution in a few days. The Knights and Ladies of Security is a fraternal insurance order, and there are several old members in Slaton.

The farmers are very busy this week cutting and putting up feed and all the binders in the vicinity are in great demand.

Soldier Boys Letters Mostly From France

Lieutenant R. E. McCarthy This letter from R. E. McCarthy, formerly Chief dispatcher for the Santa Fe at Slaton, is a dandy and will be of interest to all.

France, July 29th, 1918.

Dear Friends: Had a very pleasant trip across the Atlantic; the weather was ideal and the ocean like a mill-pond, with the exception of one night when it got pretty rough, but not sufficiently so as to mar my health, although we did have several cases of sea sickness. Was certainly glad that I did not have a touch of it as it is a very distressing malady. Uncle Sam takes care of his boys; they are well conveyed, etc. Woe be to the sub that crosses their path. There were many interesting sights to be seen on the way over; that is, marine inhabitants, etc.; saw numbers of sharks, whales and fish that will never see a butcher shop or Fred Harvey.

Landed at a large port in France on Sunday, July 21st, 1918; spent several days there assembling our equipment, and resting after the voyage. We were then moved, via the French railroad to France, where we are now attending school, learning the French methods of railroad ing. We have our regiment divided into schools. French instructors teach us the French railroad methods, which are entirely foreign to ours; therefore essential we learned them, as we operate in conjunction with the French. Knowledge of their language also is necessary; this we are now studying. In all probabilities we will spend several weeks in school before we actually take hold of the work. We are certainly well taken care of here; entirely new barracks, all of stone and brick, four stories high—that is where the men are quartered. The officers have a two story brick to themselves, good eats, plenty of bread, white bread too; none of Uncle Fred's half baked corn bread, lots of work and satisfied.

Now let's see, I'll tell you about the town we landed in. It was a city of 90,000 or thereabouts, very old; large harbor.

The streets were narrow, small buildings and close together, street cars about 20 feet long and six feet wide, run on a track about two feet wide. On the main street of the town the sidewalk is about three feet wide; can stand on the sidewalk and touch the street car as it runs by you. The road about 25 feet wide and then another three foot sidewalk on opposite side of the street. This is an illustration of a typical street in the seaport town I referred to. Shops very close together.

LADIES:

WE WOULD be pleased to have you call every day for we can show you something new nearly every day now. See our new



Ladies Waists price from—\$5.00 to \$9.00

Ladies Skirts price from—\$3.50 to \$17.50

LADIES COATS price from—\$5.00 to \$40.00

LADIES SUITS price from—\$40.00 down to \$20.00

LADIES DRESSES price from—\$12.50 to \$35.00

FIRST AND LAST:

FIRST, BUY EARLY; there's a reason.

LAST, but by no means least, BUY a LIBERTY BOND on SATURDAY the 28th

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water; the French use it entirely with their meals—it is of a light variety and takes lots of it to have any effect. Take cognac and you get a kick out of it; champagne also consumed, principally by the Americans. Drinking is permitted over here. Personally, have not tried it. One can get a bottle of beer also; I tried a couple bottles of beer, it is or tastes about like our Bevo, although it is alcoholic. The railroads seem very queer to us. They are standard gauge down here but imagine a fair sized engine with no pilot on it, no air hose or headlight, no cab, and you have a picture of a French locomotive. The engineer and fireman stand up while they work. Coal is made, not mined. A lump of coal is made like one of our bricks, pressed and all that; only difference is it is black instead of red. There is a coal making factory in the town we landed in. I'll have to find out

how they make it, don't know yet. Anyway a tank load of coal is piled up in tiers in the engine tank. The cars are sure odd. About 26 feet long, no couplers or air on them; they couple up with a long rod, or trust rod, running between the cars. The cars are screwed together, a turn screw arrangement. There are two bumpers about 18 inches long on each car, these come together against the bumper on any other cars to which they are to be coupled. This leaves a space of about 36 inches between the cars; they are then shoved together, the brakeman stands in between this space and when the cars have come together he takes his screw or turn buckle and screws the cars together, tight, allowing no slack, and they are coupled up. Cars are, as I say, very small, takes quite a while to couple up a train, but when they are all set

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Advertising Rates among the locals 5c per line each issue.

Mrs. S. Bowman, nurse, telephone No. 32.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crews on Sept. 16th.

Prescriptions carefully compounded from pure drugs at the Slaton Drug Store.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Teague, Jr., on Tuesday, Sept. 17th.

Mrs. J. P. Reynolds music class 5 lessons per week. 50c a session. Near school house.

Frank Mitchell of Plainview has moved to Slaton. He is a brakeman on the Santa Fe.

Stop at our fountain and relieve that tired feeling. A cold drink here will carry you thru a hot day.—Slaton Drug Company.

Headquarters for stationery for the school folks. Papers and writing material. We can supply you. Teague's Confectionery.

Mrs. H. H. Robinson received word last week that her son, Henry Trammell, is now at Camp Travis under the colors. This makes three of her sons in the army. Roe, Henry, and Jesse.

A. L. Hoffman left a sample of plums at the Slatonite office Saturday to show what a little three year old tree will do. The tree was loaded to capacity and the plums were a nice variety.

J. Q. Robinson, a few miles south of Slaton, had a load of watermelons in town Saturday that created a lot of comment. The melons of the entire load weighed from 45 to 55 pounds each; no little ones in the bunch. The load weighed 1,525 pounds and J. G. Harper bought it.

The Slatonite has been asked when the new road north across the canyon will be opened for travel. We don't know but understand that work has practically been completed. The farmers across the canyon want to bring their cotton to the Slaton gins this fall, but it seems that they will not be able to.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Talley and their son, Gidney, returned home last Friday from a vacation trip of thirty days. They went east thru Louisiana to Magnolia, Ark., before starting back. Mr. Talley says that he saw very little crops on the entire trip. With the exception of some crops northeast of Dallas, he did not see anything that looked very encouraging for prosperity this winter. Until they reached Southland on the way home they were confident that the entire country had gone on a crop strike, but from Southland on to Slaton they found fairly good crops. H. D. said that he was truly a surprised man when he got home and was told that there would be a thousand bales of cotton ginned here this fall. When he left he didn't think that there would be any cotton ginned, but thirty days has made a wonderful difference.

A. E. Howerton is in Hot Springs, Ark., taking the baths for the benefit of his health.

School children can get all the tablets, pens, pencils, ink, etc., they need at Teague's Confectionery.

R. A. Baldwin went to Amarillo last Saturday to meet the campaign managers of this district to make plans for the Fourth Liberty Loan drive.

Fresh candies, pure ice cream, correctly mixed cold drinks and choice cigars and tobaccos at Teague's Confectionery. A parlor for the ladies and children.

Jim Story was here Wednesday from Slaton where he has been working for the Santa Fe, on his way to Cincinnati, O., to enter the engineering department of the B. & O.—Clarendon News.

W. W. Wood left a Cobb muskmelon at the Slatonite office Tuesday. The muskmelon weighed 15 pounds and was a fine melon. It has a spotted rind and is a peculiar looking variety for a muskmelon but is a good one for those who prefer muskmelon to cantaloupes.

A delivery Ford ran into the rear of Mayor R. J. Murray's Oakland Six Monday, and the Ford escaped with only a rear wheel smashed. When the driver of the Ford hit the other car he hollered, "Whoa!" to his Ford. The Ford evidently was trained for it stopped immediately.

WANT ADS

Wanted, For Sale, Lost, Found, Etc.

Classified Advertising Rates: One Cent per word for first insertion; Half a Cent per word for each subsequent insertion.

STRAYED—ABOUT A MONTH ago, black pig, 6 weeks old, about 30 pounds. Reward for recovery. Notify Slatonite office.

SOME NICE HOUSEHOLD furniture and furnishings. For sale at a low price. See M. Olim at the Grand Leader.

FOR SALE OR TRADE, FOUR room frame house in Slaton. Practically new, cost \$1,250.00, well finished inside and out, good well in yard. Will sell, part cash, balance easy terms, or will trade for land of near equal value, improved or unimproved, and pay difference in cash. LAND MUST BE GOOD AND WELL LOCATED, and priced right. See H. D. Talley, Slaton, or write me at Whitesboro, Texas. J. W. Carey.

FOR SALE—14 GEO. B. FARIS white full blood Leghorn roosters. 264 egg strain, four and five months old. Price \$1 to \$3 each. 4 o. k. for service. J. N. Schones, Slaton, Texas.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR light keeping at the Cannon Rooming House.

BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE lots (12) in Slaton will be sold in one or more sales. Easy terms if desired.—Hugo Seaberg, Raton, N. M.

Gun Club Makes Good Score

The Slaton Gun Club had a very interesting shoot last Friday, and a splendid record was made by the five shooters participating. The score for 50 shots was:

- E. P. Bowen, 48 straight.
- W. E. Olive, 44.
- B. A. Dodgen, 41.
- H. T. Shelby, 36.
- J. A. Molyneaux, 35.

The gun club is preparing to hold regular shoots from now on and the members are enthusiastic over the sport. On account of circumstances preventing they have not been able to shoot for the loving cup won by the Slaton Gun Club as the Amateur Champion Club of Texas, but will soon announce the shoot to see which individual is to have possession of the trophy. Watch for the announcement of this shoot.

Col. L. A. H. Smith received a message from his son, George Pickens Smith, at Augusta, Ga., that he had just been commissioned a Second Lieutenant. Colonel Smith will leave Saturday for Tulsa, Okla., to attend the annual Confederate Veterans Reunion. The ranks at the Veterans reunions are getting very thin and it will soon come that there will not be a sufficient number of Confederates left to maintain their reunions. Most of the boys are between seventy and eighty-five years of age now.

The Woman's Culture and Civic Club met with Mrs. Anderson Saturday afternoon with a large and enthusiastic attendance. The usual business session was held. The members are anxious to begin the year's work. Red Cross work will be the special feature, while there is need for it. Delicious ice punch was served during the afternoon. The club will meet with Mrs. Baldwin on Saturday, Sept. 28th.

Mrs. J. D. Butler entertained the Comrade class of the M. E. Sunday School and the Young Lady's Missionary Society at her home last Friday night in honor of Miss Kate Horton, who is leaving this week for her home at Alexander City, Ala. Miss Horton is a sister of Mrs. G. M. Harlan. There were forty present at Mrs. Butler's reception and a most excellent time was enjoyed by the young people.

The Mexican celebration of Independence Day for Mexico was duly observed at Slaton with auspicious ceremonies. In response to the invitation extended them, many citizens of Slaton went to the camp to observe the program. A large number of Mexicans came to the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ashley left Slaton Thursday for Atlanta, Ga., in response to a message that Mr. Ashley's brother was dying from the ravages of a cancer. Mr. Ashley had not seen his brother for over twenty years.

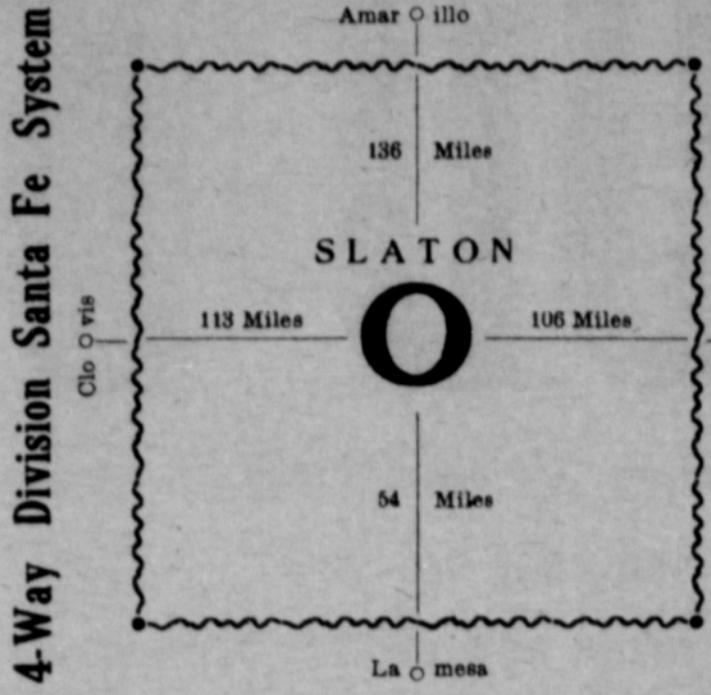
Mrs. C. M. Fincher and her little daughter, Oneta, returned to Austin Tuesday after a visit of several days with Mrs. Fincher's mother, Mrs. J. W. Henry, and also her sister, Mrs. C. F. Austin.

See A. L. Hoffman at the Covington Second Hand Store. Buys and sells new and second hand furniture. Handles the Watkin's line of medicines, extracts, flavors, etc.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bennett died in the hospital at Lubbock Monday. The body was taken to the old home in Scurry County for burial.

SLATON A SOUTH PLAINS DIVISION TOWN

Founded and Owned by the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Co.



LOCATION

SLATON is in the southeast corner of Lubbock County, in the center of the South Plains of central west Texas. Is on the new main Trans-Continental Line of the Santa Fe. Connects with North Texas Lines of that system at Canyon, Texas; with South Texas lines of the Santa Fe at Coleman, Texas; and with New Mexico and Pacific lines of the same system at Texico, N. M. SLATON is the junction of the Lamesa road, Santa Fe System.

Advantages and Improvements

The Railway Company has Division Terminal Facilities at this point, constructed mostly of reinforced concrete material and including a Round House, a Power House, Machine and Blacksmith Shops, Coal Chute, a Sand House, Water Plant, Ice House, etc. Also have a Fred Harvey Eating House, and a Reading Room for Santa Fe employees. Have extensive yard tracks for handling a heavy trans-continental business, both freight and passenger, between the Gulf and Atlantic Coast and the Pacific Coast territories, and on branch lines to Tahoka, Lamesa and other towns.

BUSINESS SECTION AND RESIDENCES BUILT

3000 feet of business streets are graded and macadamized and several residence streets are graded; there are 30 business buildings of brick and reinforced concrete, with others to follow; 700 residences under construction and completed.

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R. J. Murray & Company
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Harry T. McGee
Local Townsite Agent, Slaton

Missionary Society Program

Program for Monday, Sept. 23. Leader, Mrs. Adams. Topic, Minutes from Annual Meeting at Abilene. Thoughts from President's Message, Mrs. Murray. Excerpts from Council Reports, Mrs. Hall. Solo, Mrs. Tait. Thoughts from Mrs. Howell's Address, Mrs. Shankle. Official Minutes, Mrs. Posey. Officers' Reports: 1st V. President, Mrs. Brewer. 2nd V. President, Mrs. Gus Robertson. Publicity Supt., Mrs. Proctor. Social Service Supt., Mrs. Dyer. Cor. Secy., Mrs. Worley. Supplies Supt., Mrs. Page. Treasurer, Mrs. Hall. Song and Benediction.

Presbyterian Preaching Notice

The Presbyterians will have preaching services at the Movie Theater on the second and fourth Sundays in each month, conducted by the Rev. A. E. Faust. Hours 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

SYNDICATE WILL FARM FIVE THOUSAND ACRES

Will Raise Feedstuffs of Proven Success—Food to Win War, is Program

The Texas Land & Development Co., which owns nearly 60,000 acres of land in this district, considerable of which is under pump irrigation, will take over all irrigated farms that it has had out on lease, and will operate same the coming year. There is about five thousand acres of land under irrigation available under this plan.

The syndicate will hire white American labor, and will plant and grow proven successful feed and food crops—alfalfa, maize, kaffir, beans and such crops, and under irrigation and extensive cultivation the five thousand acres

should make a tremendous yield next year. This will give employment to from fifty to seventy five additional men.

The farm will be equipped with the best tools, implements and animals for farm work.

Henry S. Fleming of New York City, president, and Minor C. Keith of New York, trustee and large stockholder, were here conferring with Manager C. E. Craig, and decided upon the plans as stated above.—Plainview News.

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LETTERS from our boys in the trenches and from the women in the home and other war work, all bring to us the same message—SEND US NEWS FROM HOME.

World news is all right, but OUR BOYS want NEWS OF THIS TOWN. They want the home newspaper. Publishers are prevented from sending their papers free to anyone, even boys in the service. Consequently a national movement has been started by Col. William Boyce Thompson of New York, who is acting as President of the Home Paper Service of America to give the boys what they are calling for. Every community is joining the movement. Let us see that our boys are not forgotten.

Send to the publisher of this newspaper whatever amount of money you can—5 cents or \$50.00. We will publish a list each week of those contributing, and the amounts contributed.

Every cent received will be used to send this paper to our boys at the front. If at the end of the war, there is any surplus, it will be turned over to the local Red Cross Committee.

There is no profit in this to the publisher—even in normal times, subscriptions are not sold at a profit. With war prices prevailing, and the high rate of postage on papers sent to France, our cost will scarcely be covered by our full subscription price.

Remember that over in France, some brave soldier or sailor from this town—perhaps even some splendid woman working within sound of the guns—is depending on you to "KEEP THE HOME LOVE KINDLED."

They are calling to YOU from "Over There" GIVE WHAT YOU CAN

Help the Slaton Boys to Hear from Home Once a Week
L. P. LOOMIS, Publisher THE SLATONITE

Y. W. C. A. DOING SPECIAL WORK AMONG BOHEMIANS AND SPANIARDS TO HELP GOV.

Two obstacles to efficient execution of the government's food conservation plans bid fair to disappear as the work of the International Institute, the division of the Young Women's Christian Association devised to deal with problems of foreign-born women, extends its work.

San Antonio has been the center of this type of work in the Southwest, but recent trips of sectional leaders through Texas disclosed the fact that the number of women in Texas who speak Bohemian is exceeded only by the number speaking Spanish. Women of neither of these nationalities have hitherto cooperated thoroughly and understandingly with the food conservation program. This has been due solely to the fact they have not understood the plans.

Continuation of policies heretofore adopted promises acceptable translations, into the languages with which these women are familiar, of the food conservation program.

AMERICAN PHONE GIRLS HELPING DEFEAT GERMANS

"American girls of the Signal Corps are godsend to American army officers; the men always ask for operators who can speak English," writes the secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association at Paris, France, who is in charge of the home where the girls from the United States are living.

She adds: "In Paris they have their own hostess house. They are splendid war workers. They must speak French fluently in order to be on this mission, so there are many who have come through pure desire to give patriotic service and many who never did telephone work until they undertook this. Some are college girls, some are teachers.

"As in the United States, only women can live at the hostess house, but men come for meals. The dining room is crowded with men and women in a bewildering mass of uniforms. There are, to name a few, the doctors, the Red Cross nurses, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. workers, the men with their Red Triangle and the women wearing the now well-known Blue Triangle."

Doing Y.W.C.A. Work Among Women in India



DR. GURABAT KAMARKAR

Recently she attended a meeting held in New York by the War Work Council of the Young Women's Christian Association. She has returned to her native country to work among the women there under the direction of this association.

That Melon Patch Again

Well sir "old boss," we stand ready to supply any information most you want about the melon patch, for we know. It contains just twelve acres, and the proprietor says it is easy accessible, and to tell you that you can have all you want by coming in the day time, or you can slip in with the coyotes at night, just suit your self, Bro. Loomis.—Brown field Herald.

Thanks for the information. You didn't tell us how many melons the gentleman ships each week. We asked thru honest curiosity to know what success the grower is having with such a large patch, and the Herald responds by addressing us as a boss, and then poco pronto, by inference, a coyote, a chameleon attribute that we feel we are hardly able to measure up to in ragtime tempo. However, we are glad that we went to Strickland for the information—hit the right source the first time, in fact—for he seems to have both routes well in mind, and can go over or under, to suit the exigencies of the night.

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER

Mr. and Mrs. Sharp attended Sunday School here Sunday.

Miss Neva Cowart spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Williamson.

Two New Hope Misses have purchased them a new brown hat.

Sunday School every Sunday evening at 4 o'clock. Everyone is invited.

Everyone is enjoying the cool weather but hoping the frost will stay away a while longer.

All who attended the singing at Mr. Richardson's Sunday night reported a good time.

Mr. Batton and Mr. Kelley have returned home after an absence of about two months.

One New Hope Miss has decided she had rather ride in a Ford than a buggy. We wonder why?

The surprise party at Mrs. Wylie's Tuesday night was enjoyed by all. It was given in honor of Miss Lula Kate's twenty first birthday.

Misses Lula Kate Wylie, Neva Cowart, Edith Richardson and Mrs. Hendrix spent last Wednesday with Mrs. Marvin Bounds at the home of Mrs. Reed. They reported a fine dinner and a nice time.

Seven Reasons Why

Paper is essential: It has been placed on the priority list only on the express condition that all wastes be eliminated and every economy be practiced. In doing this the government will use its best efforts to provide sufficient paper for strictly needful purposes but nothing more. Every distributor, converter or user of paper is hereby notified that the continuance of his supply is dependent entirely upon the strict observance of the rulings of the War Industries Board, one of which is that paper must not be wasted. Failure to comply with this requirement will lead to the withdrawal of any or all priority privileges, without which the supply cannot be maintained.

Seven reasons why paper must not be wasted.

1. The government's requirements for all kinds of paper are increasing rapidly and must be supplied.
2. Paper making requires a large amount of fuel which is essential for war purposes. A pound of paper wasted represents one to three pounds of coal wasted.
3. Paper contains valuable chemicals necessary for war purposes. Economy in the use of paper will release a large quantity of these materials for making ammunition or poisonous gases.
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ALL PERSONS RESIDING in the Slaton Independent School District are urged to attend this meeting. Prepare to join in the PARADE which will form at the School House promptly at 1.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

APPROPRIATE PATRIOTIC demonstrations by all citizens, such as display of flags at residences, decoration of windows of business houses with bunting and flags, for that day and thruout the period of the campaign is desired and urged.

ENTHUSIASTIC, PATRIOTIC cooperation of all persons to create and maintain a healthy American atmosphere is necessary. It is absolutely necessary at this time.

WE CANNOT RAISE our quota without keen sacrifice. Let us endeavor to distribute this sacrifice evenly among the people. The keynote of this Fourth Campaign is SACRIFICE. Investing funds you can conveniently spare is not sacrifice. Think it over carefully before you decide that you have done your best. Judge yourself and you will not be judged by others.

YOUR PRESENCE at the meeting will greatly contribute to its success. Think Liberty Bonds. Talk Liberty Bonds. Purchase Liberty Bonds.

Slaton Fourth Liberty Bond Campaign Committee.

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**PRESIDENT WILSON ON
EDUCATION IN WAR TIME.**

I am pleased to know that despite the unusual burdens imposed upon people by the war, they have maintained their schools and other agencies of education so nearly at their normal efficiency. That this should be continued throughout the war and that, in so far as the draft law will permit, there should be no falling off in attendance in elementary schools, high schools or colleges is a matter of the very greatest importance, affecting both our strength in war and our national welfare and efficiency when the war is over. So long as the war continues there will be constant need of men and women of the highest and most thorough training for war service in many lines. After the war there will be urgent need not only for trained leadership in all lines in industrial, commercial, social and civic life, but for a very high average of intelligence and preparation on the part of the people. I would therefore urge that the people continue to give generous support to their schools of all grades and that the schools adjust themselves as wisely as possible to the new conditions to the end that no boy or girl shall have less opportunity for education because of the war and that the Nation may be strengthened as it can only be through the right education of all its people. I approve most heartily your plans for making through the Bureau of Education a comprehensive campaign for the support of the schools and for the maintenance of attendance upon them, and trust that you may have the cooperation in this work of the American Council on Education.

**WILL YOU HELP
OUR BOYS ABROAD?**

Every Man, Woman and Child
Can Join to Send News of
This Town Into the Front Line
Trenches.

**WHOLE NATION MOVES
TO BANISH SOLITUDE**

Our Heroes are Calling From
Over There—Give What You
Can to Help Those From
Home.

Every citizen interested in the boys of his home town now at the front, and in the brave women who equally are serving their country abroad, has an opportunity to show his appreciation of the sacrifice they are making. The opportunity comes as a result of the generosity and thought of Colonel William Boyce Thompson of New York, who has conceived and put into execution what is known as the Home Paper Service.

Under the plan, every man and woman in foreign service will receive the town newspaper, and so be kept in constant touch with the places and the people they know and love.

Every branch of the United States Government is interested in the plan. The Government realizes the importance of keeping those in the service happy and constantly in touch with their home ties and associations. Nothing is more depressing in a national emergency than the spirit of loneliness in those serving their country, and officials know that nothing can dispel this feeling more effectually than reading the home town newspaper.

Publishers of newspapers in all parts of the country—this newspaper included—have grasped with pleasure the plan outlined by Colonel Thompson, and they have agreed to co-operate in every way.

Under the ruling of the War Indus-

tries Board newspaper publishers are forbidden to send their newspapers free, even to soldiers. The newspaper must be subscribed for in the regular way, the only exception being soldiers who formerly were in the employ of the newspaper and who left that service to enlist. Colonel Thompson therefore proposes that the public in each community contribute to a fund so that the home newspaper (in our case this newspaper) may reach every man and woman now in the service of his country.

Anyone may contribute to the fund, and any sum may be contributed. It is not necessary to contribute the entire amount of one subscription. It does not matter whether the rich man sends in one hundred dollars or the poor boy or little girl sends in five cents. Each gift will be a message of love and helpfulness to the home town folks "Over There." The money will be lumped into one fund, out of which subscriptions will be entered as fast as the money is received.

Contributors who send in the full price of a year's subscription may, if they wish, designate to what particular person they wish the newspaper sent, but if the name given is already listed as receiving the paper, then the publisher reserves the right to apply the subscription to some less fortunate soldier boy or noble woman who is just as lonely for news of home and home folks.

The name of every contributor to this home paper service will be published in this newspaper, and the name of everyone entered for a subscription will be published as well as the number of those remaining whose subscriptions have not been covered.

If the amount of money received shall be more than is necessary to send the paper to every person from the town now in the service, then the balance will be turned over to the Red Cross.

The plan is endorsed by the publisher of this newspaper without any thought of profit, either directly or indirectly, but with a sincere desire to help keep the home fires burning and to send to our heroes and heroines news of our town, to keep their hearts warm for us and to let them know they are constantly in our minds.

The publisher, of course, cannot make a profit on circulation, and additional circulation such as this will be—circulation from non-purchasers sent far across the sea—can have no added value to the advertiser.

These facts are stated so that every contributor may feel that every cent contributed goes to the good cause.

The mothers of our boys are facing an ordeal with a bravery that commands respect and admiration. Here and there where tiny stars are turned from blue to gold, where anguish grips the heart, the nation stands in silence and honors the women who have given of their blood, the very bone of their bone, to their country. To them, home has lost its meaning—the soul of it has fled—there is no home, it is just a place, and no place is quite so lonely, unless it be within the hearts of those brave sons in far off France who long for just a word of home. There cannot be a man, there cannot be a woman, no, not even a child, who will fail to contribute just a little to make the hearts of these patriots lighter. Not one. Not in our town.

**Soldier Boys Letters
Mostly From France**

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you go, move pretty fast and cars do not ride bad, at least so the men say. I did not ride box cars, although all the men did. Officers had a first class coach to ride in. I'll tell you about that later on.

Last Friday the 26th we got our orders to leave the seaport and loaded up, coming to this place. We moved in one train, had a first class car for us fellows, the men in boxcars, with windows in them. A first class coach has an aisle running the entire length of one side of it and off of this aisle there are six compartments each seating six people. The compartments are all upholstered in plush, looks like an old fashioned hack; the windows are raised with piece plush cloth; like a hack used to have. That is the first class coach; there are no sleepers down here. Second class cars are slightly less pretentious than first, although practically same construction. Third class about the same thing, with wooden seats instead of plush. We made pretty good time. The country through which we passed is very pretty. Seems peaceful and prosperous, hard to realize it is so near the war. You can see though when you get in towns all the able bodied men are gone, women and old men, girls and boys are all that are left. They run the farms and everything else. Farms are very small and picturesque, every available inch of land is cultivated; a hill side looks like a checkerboard with its small farms. Saw several old

moss covered castles, relics of the days that have WENT. In fact the trip was fine all the way. This town of — (pronounced —) is about 120,000 population, seems to be a newer town, streets are much wider and cleaner than the port, buildings much newer and better, in fact I am stuck on the burg. The barracks are swell and that makes a bit with all of us.

Yesterday, Sunday, 200 of us marched into town to church. Attended mass services in a large cathedral four hundred years old; it was great. The altar alone is about 300 feet wide, 250 feet deep; there were about twelve altars in the altar space; several priests assisting; a good choir and several thousand people. It was well worth while. After services, we went up in the church tower. Twin steeples, about 350 feet high, saw the old bells put up in 1806, also the old clock, do not know how old but still making the time. All this stuff is stone, that is the buildings, in fact almost every building is stone. This town also has an old chateau or castle eight hundred years old. No body home there now. It is a great sight, walls 31 feet thick, towers all standing up and in fair state of preservation.

The French are nice people, can't do enough for an American, but sure do bum cigarettes from you. Taken all around we are better off than most of them that are in the States. We get cigarettes, Camels, Piedmonts, Fatim as, etc., about eight cents a package, buy them from Government; Prince Albert tobacco is eight cents a can, you can buy almost anything you need from Uncle Sam for one-third to one-half what you pay for it in civil life and get it in France. I bought a \$5.00 Gillette razor from Uncle Sam for \$1.50 including twelve blades. We do not want for anything at all now. Understand the men are to be rationed to bacco, meaning that Uncle Sam will allow them so much each week same as he feeds and clothes them.

Guess the boys at the front must be giving it to the Germans today as the bells around town are all ringing, that's a good sign and we like to hear them. Had two men desert today and go to the front, that shows how they feel about it. They think we will remain here and not get right up to the fireworks so they dig out and go up there on their own hook. Have lots of trouble with that all the way through in all the regiments. Shows the spirit of the Yanks. By the way the two that went today were named O'Malley and Fitzgerald, so that explains why they wanted to fight so bad. Leave it to the Micks.

The way we have the Germans on the run now I may get back to Slaton in time for the fall rush. If I don't just turn it over to Quincy and he will take care of it. Well I've given you about all the dope I can think of now, so will cut out for the night. It is 8:10 P.M. now. Looking through the floor I can see the other side of the globe, it is 2:10 P.M. in Slaton. You are on the spot with a far away look in your eyes, Me. is coming down the street about the bank, everybody out in the Supt's office is on the spot except Toddy; he is taking the wrapper off a perfectly good five cent cigar. The sand is blowing like hell and it's a hot day. If that's not the dope I miss my guess. Well anyhow pass this letter around to the gang, let them know I'm Jake all around, sitting pretty and hitting on all six. Write me soon as you get time; letters few and far between over here; anything be apprecia regards.

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More letters from soldier boys
will appear in the Slatonite next
week, and they will prove to be
interesting to you.

Private Duke Bassenger

Somewhere in France.
Aug. 13th 1918.

Dear Folks:
Suppose you got my other letter, am well and doing fine. France sure is a beautiful country and the people treat us nice. What kind of crops are you all going to make? Suppose they will be good.

It is warm here in the day time but rather cool at night, something on the order of the plains. I have learned to speak a few words in French. I may be a Frenchman when I get back. Suppose the war news sounds encouraging to you all; it does to us. I can't tell much so I will have to quit and tell you when I get home.

Will write again soon.
Your son,
Duke.

Hdq. Co. 142 Inf. A. E. F.

Sargeant Briggs Robertson

Somewhere in France.
August 15th.

Dear Mother and Dad:
Had a good ocean trip coming over and enjoyed it, and am feeling fine. France is a very ancient country apparently and far from modern. All the people whom I've seen are mostly peasants and are selling nuts and candy along the roadside to the soldiers for a living. Things are five times as high here as they are in the states.

The country is very dusty from the constant tramp of troops. Sgt. Edwards and I are just lying around here in the tent talking about home and the folks. The

Allies are gaining on the front
everyday. The American slogan
here is "Hell, Heaven or Hoboken
by Christmas." I hope it's that
soon but hardly expect it. Tell
the folks to write often; letters

help over here. I didn't like
New York much. I'll tell you
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