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BAIRD, TEXAS

DIED AT ABILENE.

Mrs. Mary E. Williamson, wife of C. F. Williamson, died at 6 o'clock Saturday morning, Oct. 6th, 1917, at the family home at Eighth and Peach Sts., after an illness of some time. The funeral was held at 9:30 Sunday morning.—Abilene Reporter

Mrs. Williamson was formerly Miss Mary Ellis of Baird, daughter of Price Ellis and has many friends here who are made sad by her death. Her father, sister and brother, Price Ellis, Miss Freida and Sam Ellis attended the funeral at Abilene Sunday morning. THE STAR extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Vernon and Frank Spencer, of Burnt Branch, were in town yesterday.

MARRIED

Mr. Carl Pemberton, of Stephenville, and Miss Golda Lidia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lidia, of Baird, were married Sunday, October 7, 1917, Rev. W. Y. Switzer, officiating. The young people left Monday for Fort Worth, Dallas and other points on a short bridal trip. They will make their home in Stephenville, Mr. Pemberton being a prominent young ranchman of Erath county. Miss Golda is a popular young lady. She has been a teacher in the Baird Public School for some time and is loved by all. We wish for them long and happy lives.

Miss Mary McElroy, of San Antonio, was elected by the Board of Trustees to fill the place vacated by Miss Golda.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Wednesday Club met in regular session, Oct. 10th at the home of Mrs. Settle. In the absence of the President, Mrs. Faust, first vice-president, called the meeting to order. Twelve members responded to roll call with short sketches of great figures in Spanish Literature. After the reading of the minutes the following program was rendered:

Talk, "The Escorial," Mrs. Switzer
Paper, "Madrid, the Spanish Capital"—Mrs. Boren

Reading, "To Spain" Jose Zorilla
Miss Collier

In place of the lesson Miss Gilliland read a most interesting article on the Spanish Drama. Delicious refreshments were served and the Club adjourned to meet on October 17th with Mrs. Switzer.

MASS MEETING

A mass meeting will be held at the Hall building, on Market Street, Saturday, Oct. 13th, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of organizing to sell Liberty Loan Bonds. Everybody is urged to attend.

RED CROSS CHAPTER

The Red Cross Chapter is badly in need of sewing machines and will be very grateful to anyone having machines not in use, who will lend them to the Chapter. Also want expert knitters to knit sweaters for the soldiers. If there are any women in town who will undertake the work please report at Red Cross Hall Tuesday afternoon and material and instructions will be furnished them.
Mrs. F. S. Bell, President

DIED

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Gist, who live at the Cutbirth Ranch on Rough Creek, died Wednesday morning and the remains were taken to Atwell yesterday for burial. We extend sincere sympathy to the parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gist, of Baird, in their sorrow.

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CHANGE IN TRAIN SCHEDULE

No. 3 and 4 now run to Sweetwater.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Floyd, Monday, Oct. 15th at 4 p. m. and all members are urged to be present. The following is the program.

Roll Call.
Scripture lesson.—Mrs. Ross.
Presentation of Stewardship—Mrs. Wheeler.
Native Leadership—Mrs. Wathen.
Co-operative Homes—Mrs. Wristen.
In Kansas City.—Mrs. Fraser.
Solo—Mrs. King.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Elder Mead will hold services at the Christian Church Sunday, Oct. 14th, at 11 o'clock and night. Everybody invited to attend.

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Have You Noticed

the new line of Perfume, Toilet Water and Face Powder we are displaying in our show window. A new shipment of the very best on the market.

Lowney's Candies

We are still receiving new shipments of Lowney's Candies, always fresh and in assorted size packages.

Prescriptions

All Prescriptions carefully filled and only the purest drugs used.

Jewelry Display

See our window where we have an excellent display of Hawks Cut Glass, for which we are sole agents, and we are showing the latest patterns.

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Our Bridal Veil Glass, something new, and absolutely beautiful.

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Baird, Texas

WHAT CITIZENS MUST GIVE TO WAR REVENUES

Conferees of Senate and House Report as to Expenditures Made Necessary.

TAX IS DIVIDED IN EQUITY

BURDEN EQUITABLY DIVIDED AS SEEN WISE BY COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

Corporations Will Pay Commensurate Share for the Protection of the Country—Statesmen at the Capital Well Satisfied With the Efforts They Have Put Forth.

Washington.—The joint conferees on the war revenue bill completed their draft after two weeks of deliberation. As revised by the conferees the measure has been raised from the levy fixed by the senate of \$2,416,670,000 to an aggregate of approximately \$2,700,000,000.

Profits Tax Modified. The excess war profits tax, as agreed to by the conferees, is a modification of the senate bill, the principal changes being in the maximum and minimum rates of exemption upon which the tax is to be determined.

The definition of capital, which was a point upon which the conferees argued for days, was modified so as to provide that the actual value of tangible property paid into a corporation or partnership or individual business before January 1, 1914, shall be taken as of that date.

As to "Invested Capital." In calculating war excess profits the terms "invested capital" of corporations and partnerships was declared to include "actual cash paid in, actual cash value and other tangible property paid for stock or shares at the time of payment or January 1, 1914, but in no case to exceed the par value of the original securities; paid in or earned surplus and undivided profits used or employed in the business, exclusive of undivided profits earned during the taxable year."

The allowance for intangible assets includes "actual cash value of patents and copyrights paid in for stock or shares at the time of payment . . . good will, trademarks, trade brands, franchises . . . if for bona-fide payments not to exceed the cash value." It stipulates that such intangible assets exchanged for securities before March 3, 1917, not exceeding 20 per cent of the total, shall be included at a value not exceeding a fair cash value at the time of purchase.

Postal Increases. A flat increase on reading matter of 3/4 cent per pound until July 1, 1919, and 1/2 cent thereafter was provided. Advertising matter exceeding 5 per cent of the total space would be taxed from 1/4 to 2 1/4 cents additional until July 1, 1919, and from 1/2 to 4 1/2 cents more until July 1, 1920; and from 3/4 to 6 1/2 cents to 1921 and from 1 cent to 9 cents thereafter.

An additional tax of 1/4 cent per pound until July 1, 1919, and 1/4 cent thereafter, on religious, agricultural, fraternal and similar publications was adopted.

The 1 cent tax on letters, excepting drop letters and postal cards, was restored by the conferees. A 1 cent additional tax on postal and private mailing cards was added. The first-class mail increases are estimated to raise \$90,000,000, and are effective 30 days after the passage of the act. The senate provision exempting from postage letters written by soldiers and sailors abroad was retained.

Railroad Tickets Hit. The conferees levied 8 per cent in lieu of the senate rate of 5 and the house rate of 10 per cent on passenger transportation, estimated to raise about \$60,000,000 instead of \$37,500,000 under the senate plan. The 3 per cent tax on freight transportation was retained and the tax on express transportation was increased so that 1 cent would be levied on each 20 cents paid instead of each 25 cents. The house 10 per cent tax on Pullman accommodations, cut to 5 per cent by the senate, was restored and is estimated to raise \$5,000,000.

In lieu of the house 5 per cent tax on sales of automobiles by manufacturers and the senate federal license tax on owners, the conferees adopted a 3 per cent tax on all motor vehicles, including trucks, payable by manufacturers, producers and importers. Taxes of 3 per cent of manufacturers' sales of musical instruments and jewelry also were written in, with a tax of 1/4 cent a foot on motion picture film.

Washington.—The war revenue bill, as finally agreed on by the house and senate conferees provides for the raising of approximately \$2,696,320,000, as follows:

Table with columns for item and amount. Includes Income tax (\$842,000,000), Excess profits tax (1,110,000,000), Distilled spirits (135,000,000), Rectified spirits (5,000,000), Fermented liquors (46,000,000), Wines, etc. (10,000,000), Soft drinks, sirups, etc. (14,000,000), Cigars (10,000,000), Cigarettes (20,000,000), Tobacco (25,000,000), Snuff (1,500,000), Cigarette papers (200,000), Freight transportation (77,500,000), Express and parcel post (16,000,000), Passenger transportation (58,000,000), Pipe lines (4,500,000), Seats and berths (2,250,000), Telegraph and telephone messages (7,000,000), Insurance policies (new) (5,000,000), Automobiles (sale of) (40,000,000), Musical instruments (sale of) (4,300,000), Motion picture films (3,000,000), Jewelry (sale by manufacturer) (4,500,000), Sporting goods (1,200,000), Pleasure boats (500,000), Perfumes and cosmetics (1,900,000), Proprietary medicines (3,000,000), Cameras (750,000), Admissions (50,000,000), Club dues (1,200,000), Schedule A, including playing cards (30,000,000), War estate tax (5,000,000), Virgin island products (20,000), First class mail matter (60,000,000), Second class mail matter (14,000,000). Total: \$2,696,320,000.

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Amusement taxes agreed upon provide that all persons entering places of amusement free, except employees and officials on duty and children under twelve, would pay a tax rate of 1 cent on each 10 cents or fraction thereof of the admission charge. This tax also would apply to cabarets and similar performances where the cost of entertainment is included in other costs, such as service. Holders of annual box seats would pay 10 per cent of the annual rental. Nickel theaters and shows, rides and other outdoor park amusements with a maximum admission of 10 cents and benefit entertainments and agricultural fairs were exempted.

After November 1, 1917, members of all clubs, except fraternal orders, paying more than \$12 annual dues would be subject to a 10 per cent tax. Exemptions Are Allowed. On excess profits the conferees agreed upon a minimum deduction of 7 per cent and a maximum of 10 per cent, instead of the 6 to 10 per cent fixed by the senate.

Miscellaneous income tax amendments inserted by the senate were generally adopted, including the so-called Jones amendment for a tax of 10 per cent on corporations' undistributed surplus, without allowance for income taxes paid. The 10 per cent tax would not apply to undistributed income actually invested or employed in business or invested in federal securities after September 1, 1917, and 5 per cent penalty for surplus retained but not employed is provided.

In making provision for administration and collection of the new and existing taxes the conferees provided that the special tax of 12 1/2 per cent on war munitions manufactures shall be reduced to 10 per cent, but retained to January 1, 1918. It now yields about \$29,000,000 annually and the senate had proposed its repeal.

Stamp Taxes Fixed. Stamp taxes agreed upon are: Bonds of indebtedness, 5 cents on each \$100. Indemnity and surety bonds, 50 cents. Parcel post packages, 1 cent for each 25 cents of the cost of transportation. Capital stock, original issues, 5 cents per \$100. Sales and transfers, 2 cents per \$100. Sales of produce on exchange, 2 cents for each \$100 value in merchandise.

Drafts, checks payable other than on sight or demand, promissory notes, except bank notes for circulation, and renewals, 2 cents for all sums below \$100 and 2 cents for each additional \$100 or fraction thereof. Conveyance papers, 50 cents between \$100 and \$500 and 50 cents for each additional \$500. Customs house entries, from 25 cents to \$1; entry for withdrawal from bonded warehouses, 50 cents. Passenger vessel tickets for ports other than those in the United States, Canada and Mexico, between \$10 and \$30, \$1; between \$30 and \$60, \$3, and above \$60, \$5. Voting proxies, 10 cents. Power of attorney, 25 cents. Playing cards, decks of not more

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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR OCTOBER 14. RETURNING FROM CAPTIVITY.

LESSON TEXT—Ezra 1. GOLDEN TEXT—The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.—Psalms 126:3.

Israel went into captivity because of her sins. The time of her disciplinary process was about to end, as its purpose was now accomplished; namely, the cure of Israel's idolatry. Ever since the Babylonian captivity the Hebrew people have been worshippers of the one God. Monotheism has stood forth as a vital characteristic. The main reason for the Jews' maintenance of racial identity in spite of their national dislocation and the breaking up of their social ties, is the unity of their faith, around the one God.

1. The Proclamation of Cyrus (vv. 1-4). (1) The Time of (v. 1). The first year of Cyrus; that is the first year after his conquest of Babylon.

(2) How It Was Brought About (v. 1). The Lord stirred up his spirit. The Lord often uses very unlikely agents in the accomplishment of his purposes. There is nothing too hard for him. He can readily use a heathen king to accomplish his purpose. He can find a way of approach to any heart. Likely Daniel was the agent used to bring the matter to the king's attention. Daniel was still the influential prime minister of Babylon. From his study of the prophecies of Jeremiah (Jer. 25:12; Isa. 45:1; compare Daniel 9:2), he knew that the time was near for the return of the people to their own land, so he likely brought the matter to the attention of the king and persuaded him to thus favor his people.

(3) Its Contents (vv. 2-4). (a) A confession of the true God (vv. 2, 3).

He acknowledges him to be the God of heaven, the Most High, the Supreme God, a God of goodness. He declared, "He has given me all the kingdoms of the earth," and that God had with authority laid upon him the charge of building him a house at Jerusalem. (b) A Generous Permission to Israel (v. 3). All who desired to go up to Jerusalem and build the Lord's house were permitted to go. He even commanded the blessing of the Lord to be upon them.

(c) A Positive Co-Operation (v. 4). None were obliged to go up, but a positive obligation was laid upon those who did not go up to render assistance to those who did. They were to aid in the building of the house of God by giving money, beasts and goods. It was more than a free-will offering, an obligation in addition thereto. The obligation was even wider than the people of Israel. The heathen were asked to render aid.

II. Response to the Proclamation of Cyrus (vv. 5, 6).

(1) By Israel (v. 5). Strange to say the decree of Cyrus was not met with great enthusiasm. Only a small number, chiefly from Judah and Benjamin, returned (v. 5). For most of them it meant giving up business interests, for they had settled down to the regular callings of life. Besides the sacrifice of business interests it involved great risks as to the future. The entire company, including servants, was about fifty thousand (2:64). Of this company we note the following divisions; first, chiefs of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, that is magistrates; second, priests and Levites, leaders in religion; third, skillful artificers, head workmen.

(2) By Their Neighbors (v. 6). This response was apparently more hearty than that of the Jews themselves. Their neighbors gave freely of gold, silver, beasts and goods. God had not only graciously disposed the heart of Cyrus toward his people, but they found peculiar favor from their neighbors, so that their wants were abundantly supplied.

III. Restoration of the Sacred Vessels (vv. 7-11). These vessels had been carried away to Babylon many years before. Little did Nebuchadnezzar realize that he would put into safe keeping the vessels which would be needed at this time. They were carefully numbered and turned over to the proper officers. Except for their desecration in Belshazzar's feast, they were none the worse for having been carried away. These were brought up to Jerusalem from Babylon.

Poverty. Poverty is only contemptible when it is felt to be so. Doubtless the best way to make our poverty respectable is to seem never to feel it as an evil.—Bovee.

Love's Secret. Love's secret is to be always doing things for God, and not to mind because they are such very little ones.—Frederick W. Faber.

Honest Endeavors. I think that there is success in all honest endeavor, and that there is some victory gained in every gallant struggle that is made.—Dickens.

Power of Littles. Trifles make perfection, and perfect men is no trifle.—Michel Angelo.

UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

Just Once! Try "Dodson's Liver Tone" When Bilious, Constipated, Headachy—Don't Lose a Day's Work.

Live up your sluggish liver! Feel fine and cheerful; make your work a pleasure; be vigorous and full of ambition. But take no nasty, dangerous calomel, because it makes you sick and you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver, which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-

back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning, because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.—Adv.

Advertisement for Stifel's Indigo Cloth. Includes text: 'Best for rough work OVERALLS of STIFEL'S INDIGO CLOTH Standard for over 75 Years FOR MEN, and of MISS STIFEL INDIGO CLOTH FOR WOMEN'. Features an illustration of a man in overalls and a woman in a dress.

A shrewd man may be both wise and honest, but the chances are that he is neither.

DON'T GAMBLE that your heart's all right. Make sure. Take "Renovine"—a heart and nerve tonic. Price 50c and \$1.00.—Adv.

What He Learned. Gerald was much depressed on bringing his monthly report card home from school at being scolded severely by his parents because it showed his department had only been 80 per cent out of a possible 100, and thinking she had punished him enough the mother, to cheer him, asked: "Well, what did you learn this month in school, Gerald? Something nice, I'm sure." "Didn't learn nothin'," he pouted. "Oh, you surely must have learned something," the mother insisted. "Well, nothin', only just how to be good," he conceded.—Indianapolis News.

Apology Accepted. There is a good story of J. M. Barrie in Douglas Sladen's "Twenty Years of My Life." "It appears that the talented author of 'The Little Minister,' having promised to be present at a dinner of the Authors' club, was late, for which he apologized. He had, he explained, been to the wrong club. He had never been to the Authors' before, he said, so he asked a policeman the way. From the way he pronounced the word, the policeman thought he meant Arthur's club, and to Arthur's accordingly Barrie was directed. When he got there he found it a very grand place. The club porter looked him up and down, and said: "The servants' entrance is round the corner." It took the moral courage of a Scotsman (adds Mr. Sladen) to tell that story; but it was imminently funny, told in Barrie's broad Doric.—Exchange.

Back Lame and Achy? There's little peace when your kidneys are weak and while at first there may be nothing more serious than dull backache, sharp, stabbing pains, headaches, dizzy spells and kidney irregularities, you must act quickly to avoid the more serious trouble, dropsy, gravel, heart disease, Bright's disease. Use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that is so warmly recommended everywhere by grateful users.

Advertisement for Doan's Kidney Pills. Includes text: 'A Texas Case. "Every Picture Tells a Story" Otto Reeb, 409 Central St., New Braunfels, Tex., says: "I had a sharp pain over my kidneys which bothered me when I stooped. At night, the trouble broke my rest. Mornings, when I first got up, I was sore and lame across my back. Doan's Kidney Pills cured me. That happened four years ago and I haven't had a weak or painful back since." Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.'

GREEN MOUNTAIN ASTHMA TREATMENT

This treatment is the result of many years of study and experience in the special treatment of most of the diseases of the lungs and throat by the late Dr. J. H. Guild, graduate of New York Medical College and New York University, Laboratory, a practitioner in Bellevue and New York Charity Hospitals, and an eminent physician. \$5 and \$10.50 at drugists. Free literature and practical treatise on Asthma, its causes, treatment, etc. Sent on request. J. H. Guild Co., Report, Va.

WINTERSMITH'S CHILL TONIC

Sold for 47 years. For Malaria, Chills and Fever. Also a Fine General Strengthening Tonic.

Every Woman Wants PASTINE ANTISEPTIC POWDER

FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE. Dissolved in water for douches stops pelvic catarrh, ulceration and inflammation. Recommended by Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co. for ten years. A healing wonder for nasal catarrh, sore throat and sore eyes. Economical. Has extraordinary cleansing and germicidal power. Sample Free. 50c. All druggists, or sent by mail. The Paxton Toilet Company, Boston, Mass.

CHILL FUGE FOR MALARIA IT GETS THE GERM

W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 41-1917.

SEEKS NEW LIBERTY LOAN

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo Formally Opens Campaign to Raise Needed Funds.

Washington.—The campaign for the second Liberty loan of \$3,000,000,000 was formally opened at Cleveland by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo. Ten million subscribers to the new loan will be sought, and it is possible that the ultimate issue of bonds may be \$5,000,000,000.

Secretary McAdoo issued the following appeal: "There is now offered to the American people a new issue of \$3,000,000,000 of bonds to be known as the second Liberty loan. They will be issued in such denominations and upon such terms that every patriotic citizen will have an opportunity to assist the government by lending his money upon security of the government bond.

"It is essential to the success of the war and to the support of our gallant troops that these loans shall not only be subscribed, but oversubscribed. No one is asked to donate or give his money to the government, but every one is asked to lend his money to the government. The loans will be repaid in full with interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum. A government bond is the safest investment in the world; it is as good as currency and yet better, because the government bond bears interest and currency does not. No other investment compares with it for safety and ready convertibility into cash."

GARFIELD FIXES COAL PRICES

Fuel Administrator Announces Final Decision, Which Will Be Binding on All Dealers.

Washington.—Fuel Administrator Garfield announced regulations, effective at once, for the limitation of the retail prices of bituminous and anthracite coal throughout the country. The fuel administration has fixed, in the conclusions arrived at, not the specific price which the retail dealer will be allowed to charge the consumer, but the gross margin which the retail dealer will be allowed to add to the average wholesale cost of his coal, in making retail prices.

INFANTRY ACTION IN FLANDERS IMPOSSIBLE

RAINS RENDER PASSCHENDELE GHELUVELT RIDGE A VERITABLE BOG.

BIG GUNS ARE STILL ACTIVE

Russians Near Riga Repulse Several Strong Attacks by Germans and Take Prisoners.

Washington.—Although the sun shone again Monday in Flanders, the rain had rendered the territory east of the Passchendaele-Gheluvelt ridge a veritable bog, making infantry actions on a large scale impossible for the present.

There have been, however, a number of small actions in the nature of trench raids on reconnaissances, and the big guns of both the British and the Germans are keeping up the mighty artillery duel virtually without pause.

Likewise on the southern line in France and in the Austro-Italian theater only the artillery is active. On the northern end of the front in Russia several attacks by the Germans on positions in the Riga sector have been repulsed by the Russians, who also took prisoners.

Italian U-Boat Fired on by Mistake.

Vice Admiral Sims cabled the Navy department that an American patrol vessel, on duty at night in the war zone, had fired on an Italian submarine, which failed to answer recognition signals, killing one officer and an enlisted man.

Secretary Daniels at once sent a message to the Italian ministry of marine expressing the deepest regret over the unfortunate occurrence and tendering his and the American navy's sympathy for the loss of life.

Greece Ready to Put Army in Field.

Greece is nearly ready to put a large and effective army in the field to co-operate with the allies, according to dispatches from the Athens foreign office to the Greek legation here. Lack of equipment is being remedied rapidly with the allies' aid.

U-BOAT TOLL LESSENS FAST.

Decrease in Losses Cuts War Risk Rate Nearly 25 Per Cent.

Washington.—The havoc wrought by Germany's ruthless U-boat warfare is waning.

This was officially confirmed when the bureau of war insurance of the treasury department reduced its rates on all American steamers and cargoes traversing the war zones, from 6 1/2 to 5 per cent.

"This reduction," it was explained, "was made because of the corresponding risk of the risks."

The insurance rates of the government bureau is a sure index of the effectiveness of the submarine warfare. When the United States entered the war six months ago, the rate was three per cent. By May 1 it was 5 and on July 31 it skyrocketed to 6 1/2—the record figure. In the first year of the great war the rate was as low as 3-4 and 7-8 of one per cent.

Report Crew of See Adler Captured.

London.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Melbourne says it is reported there that a whaleboat with a crew of Germans from the raider See Adler has been captured near the Fiji islands. The boat contained a gun and machine guns, the dispatch says, and the Germans admitted they had been detained from the See Adler to make raids.

5-Cent Loaf War Bread to Be Made.

Philadelphia.—This city is to be the scene of an experiment by Herbert C. Hoover, national food administrator, in the preparation of a 5c loaf of war bread. It is also proposed to establish a standardized method of mixing and making the bread. The new war loaf will, it is said, effect a saving of sugar, lard and milk and yet be wholesome.

Search for German Sea Raiders.

Washington.—With definite information of the presence of two German sea raiders in the South Pacific ocean, announced in dispatches from Samoa to the Navy department, a hunt for the commerce destroyers has been set in motion. The two raiders are manned by the crew of the famous Seeadler, which made her way last year from Germany through the allies' patrol into the Atlantic, southward around South America, preying on shipping, and thence to the South Pacific, where she stranded on Mophea island and had to be abandoned.

Sign Contract for Fleet of Destroyers.

Washington.—Contracts to put into force the \$350,000,000 destroyer project approved by congress just before adjournment have been signed by Secretary Daniels. Preliminary contracts made with ship, boiler and engine building companies, providing for completion in not more than 18 months, were of a tentative nature. The plan is to build additional ships and shipyards at which destroyers enough to more than double the present American fleet

MME. BOTCHKAREV



Mme. Botchkarev, leader of the "League of Death," the organization of Russian women who are fighting heroically on the eastern battle line. Mme. Botchkarev, who was wounded in battle, is shown wearing several decorations bestowed on her for valor.

BRITISH CONSOLIDATE CAPTURED POSITIONS

Germans Make Only Mild Counter-Attacks in Efforts to Relake Ground Lost to British.

London.—With the British secure in all the positions they won Thursday along the more than eight-mile front of the Ypres sector in Flanders, Field Marshal Haig's men were busy Friday consolidating their newly won positions and preparing for another hack into the German lines when the time becomes propitious.

Nothing but the dropping of shells from German guns served to interrupt the breathing spell the British were taking, except here and there small counter-attacks which lacked the usual strength the Germans employ in endeavoring to regain lost ground.

In addition to the enormous casualties inflicted on the Germans, the British captured 4,446 prisoners in Thursday's attack, among them 114 officers.

Comparative quiet prevails on all the other battle fronts. The artillery duels between the French and the Germans on the Verdun sector and in Champagne continue and at several points. In the latter sector General Petain's forces again have repulsed surprise attacks delivered by troops of the German crown prince.

Apparently the Teutonic allies in Roumania after several weeks of virtual inactivity again are preparing to attempt to force back the Russo-Japanese line. The Russians have been forced to sustain an offensive near Radutz, while near the Buzeu river region attacks by Bulgarian troops have been defeated.

Admission is made in the latest Vienna official communication that the Italians were successful in winning trenches from the Austrians on the western slope of Monte San Gabriele in the Gorizia sector.

German Isolation is More Complete.

Washington.—The war administrative board has joined in the order of Great Britain in drawing a tighter embargo around the enemy by denying coal to neutral vessels touching these shores if it appears their cargoes are liable to reach the enemy. The full isolation of Germany is to be the weapon, and, while built along drastic lines, as proposed for the embargo, may involve international questions of wide scope, it is held to violate none of the laws of belligerent nations.

Record for U-Boat Sinkings Set.

London.—A high official of the admiralty has said that more German submarine boats had been sunk during the last three months than in any similar period.

Congress to Give Wilson More Power.

Washington.—After a call at the White House Senator Lewis said he would propose passage of a bill giving the president full power to do anything during the forthcoming recess of congress that may be called for by any sudden emergency. "I told the president," said the senator, "that we could get the war revenue bill passed finally this week; pass the soldiers' insurance bill next week, and adjourn by the end of the following week. The president is anxious that the insurance bill pass."

CONGRESS ADJOURNS MEMORABLE SESSION

CLOSING HOURS IN SENATE ARE MARKED BY REPLY OF SENATOR LA FOLLETTE.

RESUME OF WORK DONE

During 188 Work Days Nearly Twenty Billions Dollars War Credits Were Approved.

Washington.—Under spectacular circumstances, featured by the most unrestrained debate in house and senate history, the war session of congress adjourned at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Closing hours snapped with bitter invective—first launched by Senator La Follette against those who have accused him of seditious utterances and second by Senator Robinson, Arkansas, who assailed La Follette.

Never in the history of the world's parliaments has a representative body disposed of such tremendous work as that completed by the American congress. President Wilson paid a high tribute to the "remarkable session." Billions have been raised and disposed of through legislation enacted during the last six months.

And at the same time there never has been such a session, so replete in dramatic incidents.

Senator La Follette employed three hours' time in a speech dealing with his attitude toward war legislation and in direct answer to the pressing demands from over the country that he be expelled from the senate. The Wisconsin senator, in burling defiance at his critics, wherein he warned that his course would not be altered, spent practically the entire time defending the right of free speech and the right of petition, neither of which principles have been controverted from any source in the country. Not once did he touch the issue of his Minnesota speech where he impliedly justified the sinking of the Lusitania.

Resume of Work Done.

Here is the 188-day war record of congress:

Raising the Money.
War bond bill \$11,538,000,000.
War revenue, \$2,700,000,000.
Second bond bill \$5,000,000,000.
Spending the Money.
For the army \$7,752,726,441.
For the navy \$1,604,840,690.
Buy and build ships \$1,040,517,500.
Loans to allies \$7,000,000,000.
Ordinary civil expenses \$958,948,688.

Soldiers' and sailors' insurance \$178,250,000.
Food control \$173,846,000.
President's discretion \$100,000,000.
Welfare, fighters and public:
Food control bill.
War insurance measure.
No questionable resorts allowed near camps. Free mail for soldiers and sailors.

Raising Fighting Forces.
Selective drafts.
Increasing nava land marine corps personnel.
Increasing enrollment West Point and Annapolis.
Anti-enemies legislation.
Prohibiting trading with the enemy.
Wireless and cable censorship.
Suppressing disloyal publications.
Espionage bill, giving wide powers to secret service.

Bills That Failed to Pass.

Alleg slacker, at the instance of state department.

Civil rights bill, held up in senate.

Next Session.

Surfrage constitutional amendment.

Prohibition amendment.

Attempted repeal second-class post rates.

Reports on Representative Herlin and Senator La Follette's conduct.

Civil rights bill.

Meet a billion dollar deficit.

Peru Breaks With Germany.

Lima, Peru.—Peru formally broke off relations with Germany Saturday night in accordance with an overwhelming vote for such a rupture, the government handed passports to the German minister.

Oppose Raising Interest on Deposits.

Washington.—The comptroller of the currency is opposed to banks increasing their rates of interest on deposits from 3 to 4 per cent. Many banks proposed the advance so as to reduce the inconvenience which might follow large withdrawals of deposits for investments in Liberty bonds. There is a large amount of money in seclusion which both the banks and the government believe can be brought to the surface in an appeal to aid the government by the purchase of bonds.

Grant Wage Increase to Coal Miners.

Washington.—Baltimore coal miners of the central competitive field won their fight for a general wage increase when operators and miners' representatives in conference here reached a compromise agreement on the terms of a new contract. The agreement presages a wage raise throughout the industry, since the central field scale serves as a basis for all other districts and a consequent advance in the government's fixed price for coal.

CHARLES DE BEERENBROCK



Jonkheer Charles Ruys de Beerenbrock, a noted Dutchman, has been appointed as head of the Belgian relief commission, succeeding Herbert Hoover, America's food chief. He is a Roman Catholic deputy for a Limburg constituency and a son of the queen's commission for that province. He is an expert social worker and has given much assistance to Belgian refugees.

GERMAN SUB TOLL IS AGAIN LOWERED

Eleven Ships Over 1,600 Tons and Two Under 1,600 Tons Sunk Last Week.

London.—Eleven British merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons each and two vessels under 1,600 tons were sunk by mines or submarines last week, according to the British admiralty.

The statement again lowers the aggregate of merchantmen sunk by mines or submarines during any week since Germany began her intensified submarine campaign. As against 15 vessels sunk the previous week, which was the low record since February, only 13 merchantmen are shown to have been sent to the bottom last week.

The total of all losses to world's shipping since Germany's ruthless U-boat war went into effect aggregate about two-thirds of those claimed by the Germans in a statement issued on Sept. 1. At that time the Germans alleged that an average of 900,000 tons had been sunk monthly for seven months.

The actual totals of tonnage sunk compiled here show that not even during the most successful month for the U-boats—April—have the figures reached any such proportion, while the August losses dropped to almost half the April figure.

Soldiers' Insurance Bill to Wilson.

Washington.—The last important measure on the program for adjournment of congress, the administration soldiers' and sailors' insurance measure, was made ready for President Wilson's signature Friday with the adoption by the senate of the conference report already approved by the house. Pension advocates succeeded in overriding the committee by forcing adoption of the Smoot amendment to the bill, which extends the benefits of the law to the widows of men who fought in both Civil and Spanish-American wars.

Senate Postpones LaFollette Decision

Washington.—Decision as to what action it shall take on petitions demanding expulsion of Senator La Follette was again postponed. The committee is considering various courses. The question of a formal investigation and hearings upon La Follette's speeches and statements was discussed. Several senators were said to favor a resolution deploring his attitude and censuring him. More drastic action, such as expulsion or impeachment, it was said, is not seriously considered.

20,000 Airplanes Now Being Built

Washington.—Twenty thousand airplanes for America's fighting forces in France, authorized in the \$640,000,000 aviation bill passed by congress last July, actually are under construction. The necessary motors also are being manufactured. Secretary Baker announced, and the whole aircraft program has been so coordinated that when planes and motors are completed, trained aviators as well as machine guns and all other equipment, will be waiting.

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THE EDITOR.

CHAPTER I.

The men who govern India—more power to them and her—are few. Those who stand in their way and pretend to help them with a flood of words are a host. The charge has been the light in print that India—well-meaning of plague and sudden death and money lenders—has sold her soul to twenty succeeding conquerors in turn.

So when the world war broke the world was destined to be surprised on India's account. The Red sea, full of racing transports crowded with dark-skinned gentlemen, whose one prayer was that the war might not be over before they should have struck a blow for Britain, was the Indian army's answer to the press.

More than one nation was deeply shocked by India's answer to "practices" that had extended over years. But there were men in India who learned to love India long ago with that love that casts out fear, who knew exactly what was going to happen and could therefore afford to wait for orders instead of running round in rings.

Athelstan King, for instance, nothing yet but a captain unattached, sat in meagerly furnished quarters, with his heels on a table. He is not a doctor, yet he read a book on surgery; and when he went over to the club he carried the book under his arm and continued to read it there.

In the other room where the telegraph blanks were littered in confusion all about the floor, the other officers sent telegrams and forgot King, who sat and smoked and read about surgery; and before he had nearly finished one box of cheroots a general at Peshawar wiped a bald red skull and sent him an urgent telegram.

"Come at once!" it said simply. King was at Lahore, but miles don't matter when the dogs of war are loosed. The right man goes to the right place at the exact right time then, and the fool goes to the wall. In that one respect war is better than some kinds of peace.

In the train on the way to Peshawar he was not troubled by forced conversation. Consequently he reached Peshawar comfortable, in spite of the heat. And his genial manner of saluting the full-general who met him with a dogcart at Peshawar station was something scandalous. Full-generals, particularly in the early days of war,



"Come at Once," It Said.

do not drive to the station to meet captives very often; yet King climbed into the dogcart unexcitedly, after keeping the general waiting while he checked a trunk!

The general cracked his whip without any other comment than a smile. A blood mare tore sparks out of the macadam, and a dusty military road began to ribbon out between the wheels. Sentries in unexpected places announced themselves with a ring of shaken steels as their rifles came to the "present," which courtesies the general noticed with a raised whip. On the dogcart's high front seat, staring straight ahead of him between the horse's ears, King listened. The general did nearly all the talking.

"The North's the danger." King grunted with the lids half-lowered over full, dark eyes. He did not look especially handsome in that attitude. Some men swear he looks like a Roubin, and others liken him to a gargoye, all of them choosing to ignore the smile that can transform his whole face instantly.

"We're denuding India of troops—

not keeping back more than a mere handful to hold the tribes in check." King nodded. There has never been peace along the northwest border. It did not need vision to foresee trouble from that quarter. In fact it must have been partly on the strength of some of King's reports that the general was planning now.

"Well, the tribes'll know presently how many men we're sending overseas. There've been rumors about Khyber by the hundred lately. They're cooking something. Can you imagine 'em keeping quiet now?"

"That depends, sir. Yes, I can imagine it." The general laughed. "That's why I sent for you. I need a man with imagination! There's a woman you've got to work with on this occasion who can imagine a shade or two too much. What's worse, she's ambitious. So I chose you to work with her."

King's lips stiffened under his moustache, and the corners of his eyes wrinkled into crow's feet to correspond. Eyes are never coal-black, of course, but his looked it at that minute.

"You know we've sent men to Khyber who are said to have entered the caves. Not one of 'em has ever returned."

King frowned. "She claims she can enter the caves and come out again at pleasure. She has offered to do it, and I have accepted. Can you guess who she is?"

"Not Yasmini?" King hazarded, and the general nodded. The helmet-strap mark, printed indelibly on King's jaw and cheek by the Indian sun, tightened and grew whiter—as the general noted out of the corner of his eye.

"Know her?" "Know of her, of course, sir. Everybody does. Never met her to my knowledge."

"Um-m-m! Whose fault was that? Somebody ought to have seen to that. Go to Delhi now and meet her. I'll send her a wire to say you're coming. She knows I've chosen you. She tried to insist on full discretion, but I overruled her."

King's tongue licked his lips, and his eyes wrinkled. The general's voice became the least shade more authoritative.

"When you see her, get a pass from her that'll take you into Khyber caves! Ask her for it! For the sake of appearances I'll gazette you seconded to the Khyber rifles. For the sake of success, get a pass from her!"

"Very well, sir." "You've a brother in the Khyber rifles, haven't you? Was it you or your brother who visited Khyber once and sent in a report?"

"I did, sir." He spoke without pride. Even the brigade of British-Indian cavalry that went to Khyber on the strength of his report and leveled its defenses with the ground, had not been able to find the famous caves. Yet the caves themselves are a byword.

"There's talk of a jihad (holy war). There's worse than that! When you went to Khyber, what was your chief object?"

"To find the source of the everlasting rumors about the so-called 'Heart of the Hills,' sir."

"Yes, yes. I remember. I read your report. You didn't find anything, did you? Well, the story is now that the 'Heart of the Hills' has come to life. So the spies say."

King whistled softly. "There's no guessing what it means," said the general. "Go and work with Yasmini. The spies keep bringing in rumors of ten thousand men in Khyber caves, and of another large lashkar not far away from Khyber. There must be no jihad, King! India is all but defenseless! This story about a 'Heart of the Hills' coming to life may presage unity of action and a holy war such as the world has not seen. Go up there and stop it if you can. At least, let me know the facts."

King grunted. To stop a holy war single handed would be rather like stopping the wind—possibly easy enough, if one knew the way. Yet he knew no general would throw away a man like himself on a useless venture. He began to look happy.

The general clucked to the mare and one wheel ceased to touch the gravel as they whirled along a semi-circular drive. Under the porch of a pretentious residence, sentries saluted, the sails swung down and in less than sixty seconds King was following the general through a wide entrance into a crowded hall. The in-

stant the general's fat figure darkened the doorway twenty men of higher rank than King, native and English, rose from lined-up chairs and pressed forward.

"Sorry—have to keep you all waiting—busy!" He waved them aside with a little apologetic gesture. "Come in here, King."

King followed him through a door that slammed tight behind him on rubber jamba.

"Sit down!" The general unlocked a steel drawer and began to rummage among the papers in it. In a minute he produced a package, bound in rubber bands, with a faded photograph face upward on the top.

"That's the woman! How do you like the look of her?"

King took the package and for a minute stared hard at the likeness of a woman whose fame has traveled up and down India, until her witchery has become a proverb. She was



"That's the Woman! How Do You Like the Look of Her?"

dressed as a dancing woman, yet very few dancing women could afford to be dressed as she was.

The general watched his face with eyes that missed nothing. "Remember—I said work with her!" King looked up and nodded.

"They say she's three parts Russian," said the general. "To my knowledge she speaks Russian like a native, and about twenty other tongues as well, including English. She was the girl widow of a rascally hill rajah. I've heard she loved her rajah. And I've heard she didn't! There's another story that she poisoned him. I know she got away with his money—and that's proof enough of brains! Some say she's a she-devil. I think that's an exaggeration, but bear in mind she's dangerous!"

King grinned. A man who trusts Eastern women over readily does not rise far in the secret service.

"If you've got nous enough to keep on her soft side and use her—not let her use you—you can keep the 'Hills' quiet and the Khyber safe! If you can contrive that—now—in this pluck—there's no limit for you! Commander in chief shall be your job before you're sixty!"

King pocketed the photograph and papers. "I'm well enough content, sir, as things are," he said quietly. The general paced once across the room and once back again, with hands behind him. Then he stopped in front of King.

"No man in India has a stiffer task than you have now! A jihad launched from the 'Hills' would mean anarchy in the plains. That would entail sending back from France an army that can't be spared. There must be no jihad, King! There must—not—be—one! Keep that in your head!"

"What arrangements have been made with her, sir?"

"Practically none! She's watching the spies in Delhi, but they're likely to brea' for the 'Hills' any minute. Then they'll be arrested. When that happens the fate of India may be in your hands and hers! Get out of my way now, until tiffin-time!"

In a way that some men never learn, King proceeded to efface himself entirely among the crowd in the hall, contriving to say nothing of any account to anybody until the great gong boomed and the general led them all in to his long dining table. Yet he did not look furtive or secretive. Nobody noticed him, and he noticed everybody. There is nothing whatever secretive about that.

The fare was plain, and the meal a perfunctory affair. The general and his guests were there for no other reason than to eat food, and only the man who happened to seat himself next to King—a major by the name of Hyde—spoke to him at all.

"Why aren't you with your regiment?" he asked.

"Because the general asked me to lunch, sir!"

"I suppose you've been pestering him for an appointment!"

King, with his mouth full of curry, did not answer, but his eyes smiled.

After lunch he was closeted with the general again for twenty minutes. Then one of the general's carriages took him to the station; and it did not appear to trouble him at all that the other occupant of the carriage was the self-same Major Hyde who had sat next him at lunch. In fact, he smiled so pleasantly that Hyde grew exasperated. Neither of them spoke. At the station Hyde lost his temper openly, and King left him abusing an unhappy native servant.

The station was crammed to suffocation by a crowd that roared and writhed and smelt to high heaven. But the general himself had telephoned for King's reservation, so he took his time. There were din and stink and dust beneath a savage sun, shaken into reverberations by the scream of an engine's safety valve. It was India in essence and awake!—India arising out of lethargy!—India as she is more often nowadays—and it made King, for the time being of the Khyber rifles, happier than some other men can be in ballrooms.

Any one who watched him—and there was at least one man who did—must have noticed his strange ability, almost like that of water, to reach the point he aimed for, through, and not around, the crowd.

He neither shoved nor argued. Orders and blows would have been equally useless, for had it tried the crowd could not have obeyed, and it was in no mind to try. Without the least apparent effort he arrived—and there is no other word that quite describes it—he arrived. He climbed into his carriage and leaned from the window.

"Why are you here?" asked an acid voice behind him; and without troubling to turn his head, he knew that Major Hyde was to be his carriage mate again.

"Orders," said King. "Is that your answer?" asked the major. Balked ambition is an ugly horse to ride. He had tried for a command but had been shelved.

"I have sufficient authority," said King, unruffled. He spoke as if he were thinking of something entirely different. His eyes were as if they saw the major from a very long way off and rather approved of him on the whole.

"Show me your authority, please!"

King dived into an inner pocket and produced a card that had about ten words written on its face, above a general's signature. Hyde read it and passed it back.

"So you're one of those, are you?" he said in a tone of voice that would start a fight in some parts of the world and in some services. But King nodded cheerfully, and that annoyed the major more than ever; he snorted, closed his mouth with a snap and turned to rearrange the sheet and pillow on his berth.

CHAPTER II.

The train pulled out, amid a din of voices from the left-behind that nearly drowned the panting of the overloaded engine. Hyde all but stripped himself and drew on striped pajamas. King was content to lie in shirt sleeves on the other berth, with knees raised, so that Hyde could not overlook the general's papers. At his ease he studied them one by one, memorizing a string of names, with details as to their owners' antecedents and probable present whereabouts. There were several photographs in the packet, and he studied them very carefully indeed.

But much more carefully of all he examined Yasmini's portrait, returning to it again and again. He reached the conclusion in the end that when it was taken she had been cunningly disguised.

"This was intended for purpose of identification at a given time and place," he told himself.

"Were you muttering at me?" asked Hyde.

"No sir. Nothing of the sort intended."

Hyde turned an indignant back on him, and King studied the back as if he found it interesting. On the whole he looked sympathetic, so it was as well that Hyde did not look around. Balked ambition as a rule loathes sympathy.

After many prickly-hot, interminable, jolting hours the train drew up at Rawal-Pindi station. Instantly King was on his feet with his tunic on, and he was out on the blazing hot platform before the train's motion had quite ceased.

He began to walk up and down, not elbowing but percolating through the crowd, missing nothing worth noticing in all the hot kaleidoscope and seeming to find new amusement at every turn. It was not in the least astonishing that a well-dressed native should address him presently, for he looked genial enough to be asked to hold a baby. King himself did not seem surprised at all. Far from it; he looked pleased.

"Excuse me, sir," said the man in glib babu English. "I am seeking Captain King sahib, for whom my brother is verree anxious to be servant. Can

you kindly tell me, sir, where I could find Captain King sahib?"

"Certainly," King answered him. He looked glad to be of help. "Are you traveling on this train?"

The question sounded like politeness welling from the lips of unsuspicion.

"Yes, sir. I am traveling from this place where I have spent a few days, to Bombay, where my business is."

"How did you know King sahib is on the train?" King asked him, smiling so genially that even the police could not have charged him with more than curiosity.

"By telegram, sir. My brother had the misfortune to miss Captain King sahib at Peshawar and therefore sent a telegram to me asking me to do what I can at an interview."

"I see," said King. "I see." And judging by the sparkle in his eyes as he looked away, he could see a lot. But the native could not see his eyes at that instant, although he tried to.

He looked back at the train, giving the man a good chance to study his face in profile.

"See that carriage?" he asked, pointing. "The fourth first-class carriage from the end? Well—there are only two of us in there; I'm Major Hyde, and the other is Captain King. I'll tell Captain King to look out for you."

"Oh, thank you, sir!" said the native oobly. "You are most kind! I am your humble servant, sir!"

King nodded good-by to him, his dark eyes in the shadow of the khaki helmet seeming scarcely interested any longer.

"Couldn't you find another berth?" Hyde asked him angrily when he stepped back into the compartment. "What were you out there looking for?"

King smiled back at him blandly. "I think there are railway thieves on the train," he announced without any effort at relevance. He might not have heard the question.

Hyde snorted and returned to his seat in the silence of unspeakable scorn. But presently he opened a suitcase and drew out a repeating pistol which he cocked carefully and stowed beneath his pillow; not at all a contemptible move, because the Indian railway thief is the most resourceful specialist in the world. But King took no overt precautions of any kind.

After more interminable hours night shut down on them, red-hot, black-dark, mesmerically subdivided into seconds by the thump of carriage wheels and lit at intervals by showers of sparks from the gasping engine. Then King, strangely without kicking off his shoes, drew a sheet up over his shoulders. On the opposite berth Hyde covered his head, to keep dust out of his hair, and presently King heard him begin to snore gently. Then, very carefully he adjusted his own position so that his profile lay outlined in the dim light from the gas lamp in the roof. He might almost have been waiting to be shaved. Long after midnight his vigil was rewarded by a slight sound at the door. From that instant his eyes were on the watch, under dark closed lashes; but his even breathing was that of the seventh stage of sleep that knows no dreams.

A click of the door-latch heralded the appearance of a hand. With skill, of the sort that only special training can develop, a man in native dress insinuated himself into the carriage.

"Did you see that runaway?" he asked.

"Ha, sahib. I saw one running. Shall I follow?"

"No. This piece of his shirt will identify him. Take it. Hide it! When a man with a torn shirt, into which that piece fits, makes for the telegraph office after this train has gone on, see that he is allowed to send any telegrams he wants to! Only, have copies of every one of them wired to Captain King, care of the stationmaster, Delhi. Have you understood?"

"Ha, sahib."

"Grab him, and lock him up tight afterward—but not until he has sent his telegrams!"

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"Make yourself scarce, then!" Major Hyde was dressed, having performed that military evolution in something less than record time.

"Who was that you were talking to?" he demanded. But King did not seem to understand until the native sergeant had quite vanished into the shadows.

The engine shrieked of death and torment; the heat relaxed as the engine moved—loosened—let go—lifted at last, and a trainload of hot passengers sighed thanks.

"What are you looking at?" Hyde demanded at last, sitting on King's berth.

"Only a knife," said King. He was standing under the dim gas lamp that helped make the darkness more unbearable. He stowed the knife away in his bosom, and the major crossed to his own side.

For about five minutes, while the train swayed headlong into Indian darkness, the man stood listening and watching King's face. He stood so near that King recognized him for the one who had accosted him on Rawal-Pindi platform. And he could see the outline of the knife-hilt that the man's fingers clutched underneath his shirt. He feigned sleep so successfully that the native turned away at last.

"Thought so!" He dared open his eyes a mite wider. "He's pukka—true to type! Rob first and then kill!"

As he watched, the thief drew the sheet back from Hyde's face, with trained fingers that could have taken spectacles from the victim's nose without his knowledge. Then as fish glide in and out among the reeds without touching them, swift and soft and unseen, his fingers searched Hyde's body. They found nothing.

King moved in his sleep, rather noisily, and the movement knocked a book to the floor from the foot of his berth. The noise of that awoke Hyde, and King pretended to begin to wake, yawning and rolling on his back (that being much the safest position an unarmed man can take and much the most awkward for his enemy).

"Thieves!" Hyde yelled at the top of his lungs, groping wildly for his pistol and not finding it.

King sat up and rubbed his eyes. The native drew the knife, and—believing himself in command of the situation—hesitated for one priceless second. He saw his error and darted for the door too late. With a movement unbelievably swift King was there ahead of him; and with another movement not so swift, but much more disconcerting, he threw his sheet as the retreating used to throw a net in ancient Rome. It wrapped round the native's head and arms, and the two went together to the floor in a twisted stranglehold.

In another half-minute the native was groaning, for King had his knife-wrist in two hands and was bending it backward while he pressed the man's stomach with his knees.

The knife fell to the floor, and the thief made a gallant effort to recover it, but King was too strong for him. He seized the knife himself, slipped it in his own bosom and resumed his hold before the native guessed what he was after. The train screamed itself to a standstill at a wayside station, and a man with a lantern began to chant the station's name. The instant the train's motion altogether ceased the heat shut in on them as if the lid of Tophet had been slammed. The prickly heat burst out all over Hyde's skin and King's too.

There was plenty of excuse for relaxing hold, and King made full use of it. A second later he gave a very good pretense of pain in his finger ends as the thief burst free. The native made a dive at his bosom for the knife, but he frustrated that. Then he made a prodigious effort, just too late, to clutch the man again, and he did succeed in tearing loose a piece of shirt; but the fleeing robber must have wondered, as he bolted into the blacker shadows of the station building, why such an iron-fingered, wide-awake sahib should have made such a truly feeble showing at the end.

"Hang it!—couldn't you hold him? Were you afraid of him, or what?" demanded Hyde, beginning to dress himself. Instead of answering, King leaned out into the lamp-lit gloom, and in a minute he caught sight of a sergeant of native infantry passing down the train. He made a sign that brought the man to him on the run.

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In Delhi, King meets Rewa Gunga, Yasmini's man, who tells him she has already gone north. In Yasmini's house the captain is given his first test of character.

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Buy a Liberty Bond.

The Central West Texas Fair at Abilene, is much better than expected. Callahan County it is claimed has the best agricultural exhibit at the Fair. Today is Callahan County Day and many Bairdites are planning to attend.

Gen. Tasker H. Bliss and John J. Pershing, by special act of Congress, have been promoted to the full rank of general. General Bliss is the ranking officer by reason of seniority but Gen. Pershing will have supreme command of the American army in France while Gen. Bliss will have supreme command of the army organization in this country. This was necessary to make Gen. Pershing equal in rank to the Commanders of the French and English armies in France. The office of Lieut.-Gen. was also revived but both ranks will cease at the end of the war.

Our guess is that Germany is going to make a desperate effort for peace before next Spring. They make light of America's part in the war, but just the same the leaders know the danger that will confront Germany next Spring if one million or even half a million American soldiers enter the war in earnest. The Germans made fun of the English, said they were a race of shopkeepers and would not fight. These same shopkeepers are pounding the Hindenberg line to powder in Flanders. Next year will likely prove a fateful year for the Kaiser.

Do not write sad, wailing letters to your sons, brothers or other relatives in the Army. We know how hard it is to see those nearest and dearest to us march away to war. We had such experiences during the Civil war. Write cheerful letters to your boys, that is the best way, both for the writers and the boys. Most of our boys are not half as blue as we think they are. Practically all of them will be contented when they get their bearings. Don't write them in a way to make them discontented. We need more of the Spartan courage at home to help the boys at the front.

The article in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram recently by Col. Roosevelt criticizing the national administration for its do nothing policy, met with considerable criticism, much more than was reported to the S.—T. which editorially repudiated the article. No one doubts Col. Roosevelt's loyalty, but that does not blind the public to the fact that his criticisms of the administration was both unfair and untimely and he is not likely to repeat his mistake. No one knows better than Col. Roosevelt that armies and navies are not built up in a day. The United States has done more in six months to deal Kaiserism a death blow than all other nations have done in three years. Not that other nations have done nothing, but the aid in money, food, war supplies, ships, airplanes, and the ground work is laid for the finest army that was ever marshaled under one flag in the history of this old world. Don't rock the boat, Colonel! Uncle Sam is coming with millions of men and twenty-one billions of money for the first year. It took England nearly three years to get three million men in France. Uncle Sam will have two million ready in twelve months and three or even five million more ready in two years if necessary.

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MORE CALLAHAN COUNTY BOYS TO ARMY

Last Monday the third contingent of Callahan county's quota of men for the army left on the noon train for Camp Travis, San Antonio. There were 27 men in all. The two men from whom the Board had not heard, reported all right. The Star is proud of our boys. God bless them, so far there is not a slacker among them. This is a record all have a right to feel proud of because many other counties have had to report certain men missing when the time came for them to go.

This leaves 19 more men of Callahan's quota of 101 men, 82 having already gone. Henry Fredrick Foy was elected Captain of the squad, but the boys had not elected a Lieutenant up to the time they left.

Notwithstanding the cold, and a light rain that fell Monday morning there was a large crowd present to see the boys off. There was speaking by various persons, but the editor did not know of this part of the program until it was over and will not try to give a list of speakers lest we omit some names. Many presents, tokens of love and friendship, were given to the boys by relatives and friends. One little incident we happened to hear of at the time, was perhaps only one of the many that we did not hear of. Robert Lee Estes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes, of Baird, who was born in Baird 26 years ago and has lived here all his life and has a host of friends. Just before the train pulled out a number of his friends presented him with various sums of cash, just how much we did not learn. Elmer Street presented him with a beautiful watch and it seemed that every man, woman and child wanted to tell him good-bye and this was true of all the boys, all wanted to do or say something to cheer them on their way. The ladies of the Red Cross Chapter prepared lunches for the boys and each one was presented with a box of good eats.

On the way down some of the boys wrote on the side of the car with chalk in big letters, "Callahan County Kaiser Killers" which attracted attention at every place they stopped and called for loud cheers. Of course the boys have no personal animosity toward the Kaiser or Fritz, but just labeled the car in a spirit of fun. As all were bidding the boys good-bye Lee D. Kingston, a ranchman of Jeff Davis county, who is visiting here, told the boys that he would give 100 heifer yearlings to them or any Texas boy who would get the Kaiser and \$250 in Liberty Loan Bonds to any Texas boy who would get Hindenberg.

The Baird Band was present and discoursed music for the occasion and just before the train pulled out the old battle hymn of the Confederacy, "Dixie" so popular in the South during the civil war, was started by the band and caused everyone present to cheer. "The storm cradled nation" fell 52 years ago, but its Battle Hymn still lives and is known the wide world over. A United States marine band, by special request of the German Kaiser played "Dixie" for him some years ago in Germany. The Kaiser may again hear the strains of "Dixie" on the western battle front under conditions little dreamed of by him or any one

a few years ago.

The following is a list of the boys who left Monday. O. C. Harris excepted, who wired the Board from Houston that he would join them at Camp Travis.

- Guy B. Tabor.
- O. C. Harris.
- Pinkney Augusta Willmon.
- Benjamin F. Gilstrap.
- Albert James Williams.
- Robert Terry Walls.
- Ernest McFarlin Watts.
- James Albert Wilson.
- Samuel Price Ellis.
- Henry Frederick Foy.
- Carl E. Young.
- Elzaphan E. Howton.
- Leroy Dillard.
- Russell Frazier Arvin.
- William B. Bauleh.
- Oscar Martin Lewis.
- Sam H. Waggoner.
- Howard Wesley Baum.
- William Leroy Pippen.
- Paul Arndall.
- Carl Slaughter.
- Robert Lee Estes.
- John Derrell Tedford.
- George Francis Eubanks.
- James Wylie Moore.
- Walter McCollum.
- Charles Spurgeon Irby.

EULA LOCALS

Oct. 8, 1917.—Well we will try and come again. We have been wanting to report a good rain, ever since last May. We are still dry as old Bill.

Some have made good crops, the sandy land has done very well; most of the black land was a failure. We will have to back our ears and come again next year. I guess it will rain some time. We all want to plant winter pasture, I guess we can wait if we have to.

Most all have finished picking cotton. The price on cotton has been fine, we welcome the high price.

Well, the Abilene Fair opens up to day, we hope they will have a good one. Our old friend, John Gibson has sent several different things up there. John has a good crop this year. In fact he has a fine farm and plenty of good water.

Preston Clark sold his farm to an Ellis Co. man. We learn Preston bought J. T. E. Smith farm. We are glad Mr. Clark will stay with us.

Ed Rylie has traded his farm, in north of Eula to Walter Miller for the old Caps farm 5 miles South-west of Eula. You see this country is in demand, if it is dry.

We are sure in favor of voting bonds and getting good roads. Good roads and schools and churches will bring any country to the front.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Settle, of Baird, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kelton in north Eula.

J. F. Hampton came through Eula Thursday with a nice bunch of cattle. Geo. Williams and wife of Abilene, spent last week on the Harris ranch, the guests of George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Williams.

J. M. Reynolds and J. T. E. Smith have gone to N. M. prospecting.

I saw my old friend Sam Cutbirth, Jr., the other day. Sam tells me the west is in an awful hard shape that he himself has lost lots of money. You can't hold such men as the Cutbirth boys down, they will come again.

With best wishes to The Star force and all of it's readers, I am,

"Patsie."

COTTONWOOD LOCALS.

Oct. 2nd.—We are again this morning inclined to give the readers of The Star a little foretaste of our intelligence. We are a little afraid

to give vent to a vigorous flow of our intelligence or physical qualifications lest the authorities will think our physical qualities renders us capable of performing military duty, and say Uncle Billie we had some experience along that line in the sixties and it made a lasting impression on us. But we will be frank with you: when we read of the experiences of the boys in camp we would like to be there if we could be still, but if we had to march it would all be off with us and we would no doubt "lag"

As quite a lot of our boys have joined the service and some of the others feel bad on that account and there are others who are scared to death for fear they will have to go, that local news is scarce article in our community.

Prof. Schrader of Scranton is pleasantly domiciled in our town and is perhaps "weilding the birch in place of Prof. Kuykendall's strap." We welcome him to our town and wish him a pleasant and successful school term.

Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Burkett in of near Burkett in Coleman county were visitors to Cottonwood, Friday, the guests of J. T. Respass' family.

Mrs. Beulah Burkett, daughter of Uncle Jimmie and who has been

teaching in the absence of Prof. Kuykendall who is in the service of his country, has closed her services as teacher here and has gone to begin her own school below Burkett. Mr. Burkett, her husband, is serving in the Navy and is stationed in the state of Washington.

Warren Everett with his family made a trip to Rising Star, Sunday to visit his parents and incidentally help to discuss the merits of a roast gobbler, as Mr. Everett plays a good game of knife and fork.

We presume the school is prospering and as there is no more war material in the school we presume the school will move on now with not a ripple save now and then a short trouble between teacher and student and in which the student always comes out "second best."

Say, has "Old Juan" positively quit us and have we no correspondent at Burat Branch? Now this won't do, "Juan" wherever you are, come out of your shell and let us have the fruits of your "faber." Now you know we are not going to let you quit us, and you know you have been in the "barraess" so long you can't quit now. Come along "Juan," come along.

Now down in front just a little while and let us "keno."

"Uncle Jimmie."

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday, Oct. 7, 1917.

Baptist Sunday School	
Number present	166
Collection	\$3.45
Methodist Sunday School.	
Number present	109
Collection	\$6.45
Presbyterian Sunday School	
Number present	96
Collection	\$4.43
Christian Sunday School	
Number present	81
Collection	\$4.85
Chapters read	235
Total Attendance	452
Total Collection	\$19.18

The Sick.

Will Hinds is not doing so well the last few days.

Mrs. J. R. Price appears to be improving, though she is not yet able to sit up.

The eleven year old son of W. L. Smith is reported seriously ill.

Rainfall for September.

M. R. Hailey, volunteer weather observer, reports 4 1-8 inches rainfall for September.

MUD CHAINS LOST.—On Friday, Oct., 5th, between Baird and Rowden. Suitable reward for return to M. J. Whitfield, Clyde, Texas, 45-2t-adv.

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W. Y. Switzer, Pastor

MARRIED

Oct., 9, 1917—Lieutenant Dan W. Murphy, Artilleryman from Camp Bowie and Miss Tula Stokes of Wichita Falls, were married here last night at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stokes. Lieutenant and Mrs. Murphy will make their home at Fort Worth until the troop movement.—Dallas News.

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MONEY LOST

Eighty-two dollars, 8 \$10. bills and 2 \$1. bills. Lost Oct. 4th on road from Mrs. A. J. Berry's to town. Reasonable reward to finder.
Willis Saddler
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NOTICE

Dr. Simmons, of Abilene will be in Baird, October the 15th, at Dr. Griggs' office. Practice limited to diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. And fitting glasses.
45.2t-adv.

PASTURAGE.—Will take a few cows in my pasture, south of Baird.
43.1f-adv. Mrs. G. M. Hall.

Mrs. C. H. Mahan has recently returned from Fort Worth where she spent ten days with her sons, Earl and Carl Mahan, who are in the employ of the T. & P. Ry. there.

Mrs. D. F. Short of Ovalo, and Miss Bernice Foy, of Fort Worth, are visiting here this week. They came to spend a few days with their brother, Fred Foy, who left Monday with the Callahan county boys for Camp Travis, where they will enter the new National Army.

Mrs. C. B. Holmes, Worthy Matron of Callahan Chapter, No. 242, Order of the Eastern Star, is attending the Grand Chapter of that order at San Antonio this week. Miss Winnie Windham of Oplin, Worthy Matron of Tecumseh Chapter, is also in attendance.

Miss Franke Johnson, who has a position in the T. & P. Ry. General office at Dallas, came in Saturday evening on the Sunshine Special and spent Sunday with her mother. She was accompanied by her little niece, Elmer Ellen Walker of Fort Worth.

Do you want a daily paper and your county paper at clubbing rates? For the next few weeks I can give you the Abilene Daily Reporter and The Baird Star for only \$4.25. Take advantage of this offer today, and let me send in your order.—Miss John Gilliland, Baird Star office.

Mr. F. S. Russell was in town Wednesday. He said, "Well, William J. Russell, my baby boy, 20 years old, has enlisted in the army as a volunteer from New Mexico." He wrote his father that all his young friends were enlisting and that he could not resist, but had to go. He gave up a hundred dollar per month job to join the army, as the call of the army was the stronger and to La Belle France he will go. He went out to New Mexico last spring.

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PASTURE POSTED.

My pastures on Clear Creek are posted and all camping, cutting bee trees, fishing, hunting and pecan gathering is positively forbidden.
38-12t. H. A. McWhorter

Mr. and Mrs. Lee D. Kinston, who have been visiting the editor and family, left Tuesday for an auto trip to Menard and other points south and will go from there to their home at Balmorhea.

Mrs. Lowery Blakely and children, from the Bayou, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, while Lowery and his brother, Teller, have gone to Throckmorton county on a business trip.

Rev. H. M. Peebles and Robert Elliott and family of Baird attended the Abilene Fair Tuesday. Rev. Peebles will go from here to Memphis Texas to attend the State Synod meeting of the Presbyterian Church.—Abilene Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGowen and children have returned from Fort Worth where they spent a few days with Mrs. McGowen's brother, Tommie Thaxton at Camp Bowie. They made the trip by auto. Mrs. H. C. McGowen and little daughter accompanied them as far as Weatherford.

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PERSONALS

Frost Tuesday, Oct. 9t, 1917, not much damage reported.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Griggs, Oct. 10, 1917, a girl.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Chambers, Oct., 10, 1917, a boy.

Abilene Daily Reporter and Baird Star for \$4.25.—Miss John Gilliland, Baird Star office.

We call the attention of our readers to the professional card of Dr. O. W. Sedgwick, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist, Cisco, Texas.

Quite a number of Baird people are attending the Abilene Fair this week.

Mrs. W. C. Asbury, of Ennis, is visiting her son, John Asbury and family at Chautauqua.

Mrs. Frank Burt, of Wichita Falls is visiting her father, C. O. Seale at the ranch at Belle Plaine.

Boon Holmes, Alex McWhorter, Jr.; James Asbury and Jack Peebles attended the Abilene Fair, Thursday

Miss Mittie Brock of Abilene spent Sunday with Miss Kathryn Boydston.

FOR SALE.—2 coal heaters reasonable price.—Mrs. C. H. Mahan. 44

Carl Mahan, of Fort Worth, spent a few days here this week with his mother, Mrs. C. H. Mahan

G. L. Carlisle and daughter, Miss Mae, of Belle Plaine, were Baird visitors, Tuesday.

Kay Lidia and sister, Miss Jessie, spent last Sunday at Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, with their brother, Otho Lidia.

Sam Cutbirth, of Reagan county came in last week on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Jasper McCoy. Mrs. Cutbirth has been visiting her daughter for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes have returned from Fort Worth where they accompanied their son, Robert Estes, who left Monday with the boys for Camp Travis, at San Antonio.

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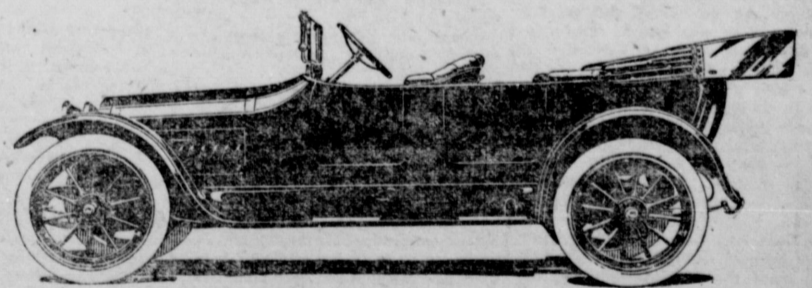


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Very truly yours, MEIGS DRUG STORE, Centerville, Ala. June 15, 1916.

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Very Likely. "I had an experience yesterday which made me lose my nerve." "Dear me! What was it?" "A seance with my dentist."

AVOID A DOCTOR'S BILL. on the first of the month by taking now a bottle of Mansfield Cough Balsam for that hacking, hollow cough. Price 25c and 50c.—Adv.

The Real Thing. "I heard a report that you had an execution in your house." "That probably started from the fact that we were hanging some wall paper."

BROKEN DOWN IN HEALTH

Woman Tells How \$5 Worth of Pinkham's Compound Made Her Well.

Lima, Ohio.—"I was all broken down in health from a displacement. One of my lady friends came to see me and she advised me to commence taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Sanative Wash. I began taking your remedies and took \$5.00 worth and in two months was a well woman after three doctors said I never would stand up straight again. I was a midwife for seven years and I recommended the Vegetable Compound to every woman to take before birth and afterwards, and they all got along so nicely that it surely is a godsend to suffering women. If women wish to write to me I will be delighted to answer them."

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"I wouldn't take five hundred dollars in cash for the good four bottles of Tanlac did me," said J. M. Mallory, a well-known farmer of Stonewall, Georgia, a short time ago. "For forty-five years I suffered almost every day," he continued, "and was so crippled up with rheumatism that I had to hobble around on crutches. My knees were so stiff I could hardly bend them and often I have been so weak that I have had to take to my bed for weeks at a time. More than half the time I couldn't do any work. I had indigestion and stomach trouble, too, and my back hurt so bad that I couldn't lay on my left side at all. I tried every medicine I saw advertised and many prescriptions besides, but kept getting worse. "My brother living in Atlanta told me what Tanlac had done for him and begged me to try it. Well, sir, I have taken four bottles in all and have thrown my crutches away for the rheumatism is entirely gone and I can jump two feet off the ground without it hurting me a bit. I am a well man in every way and feel as strong and healthy as I ever did in my life."

There is a Tanlac dealer in your town.—Adv.

An Old-Timer. "Here's Uncle Jed. He can reminisce with Uncle Peleg." "How far back can Uncle Jed reminisce?" "To the Civil war, of course." "That won't suit Uncle Peleg. He reminisces back to the Black Hawk and Mexican wars."

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Classic Poses. "About our tableaux." "Yes?" "Mrs. De Style has consented to pose as Minerva." "There's one bit of news we'll have to take to her gently." "What is that?" "Minerva didn't use a lozenge." Constipation generally indicates disordered stomach, liver and bowels. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills restores regularity without stripping. Adv. Many more men would buy heavenly shares if they could be had on the installment plan.

INTRACITY RATE CASE CONTINUED

Application of Railroads Before Commission to Be Taken Up Nov. 13.

Austin.—By agreement of interest ed parties the railroad commission continued until the next term, Nov. 13, the application of the railroads for a material advance or cancellation of the present intracity freight charges. This was brought about after a conference of shippers and railroad men. A joint committee has been selected to take up the matter and see if it can be adjusted in time for approval at the next hearing.

The railroads have complained that the intracity movements have been wasting cars and that something should be done to stop the waste in the interest of conservation of transportation facilities, as demanded by those who would win the war. The intracity rates are much higher than switching charges and the railroads were not complaining about inadequacy of rates as much as they were of the careless and wasteful methods used in handling such shipments.

SOUTH-CENTRAL CROPS POOR

Drouth Damage More Severe in South and West Texas, Except in Few Sections.

Dallas.—According to reports reaching here from Williamson and Travis counties there are worse crop conditions than in Bell and other counties lying east and north. For the drouth increased in its intensity as it took its course south and west. A third of a cotton crop, no corn crop and perhaps a half small grain crop in Bell is what is claimed by the people of that county. In the adjoining county of Williamson the conditions are not so good. In Travis, Hays, Comal and other counties following down the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad the intensity of the drouth increased and the damage done has been greater. In Tom Green county some of the valleys along the Concho river are irrigated, hence the crops raised are about the normal crops raised in the locality. Along the Rio Grande river, where irrigation is employed in crop raising, the farmers are more prosperous, perhaps, than they have ever been.

COTTON LOSES 452,000 BALES.

According to Census Report Entire Yield is Estimated at 12,047,000 Bales—Insect Damage Big.

Washington.—Deterioration during September over almost the entire cotton belt caused a loss of 452,000 bales in the prospective production of cotton, and leaves the 1917 crop at 12,047,000 equivalent 500-pound bales. The department of agriculture in its final condition report of the season announced a decline of 7.9 points in cotton's condition during the month, caused principally by boll worms and weevils. Cool weather, drouth, shedding, wilt, blight, lack of potash in fertilizer, and in the extreme eastern belt storm damage also caused loss.

"In northern and eastern Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas bollworms caused serious damage," the report says. "In the entire weevil-infested area, now embracing all or portions of the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida and Georgia, great damage resulted from the weevil activity. Rains fell over much of the drouth-stricken section of Texas and plant growth was stimulated, but a matured top crop in that section is extremely doubtful."

98 County Election Returns Missing. Austin.—Churchill J. Bartlett, secretary of state, has sent letters to the county judges of 98 counties which failed to submit returns from the August election at which the conservation amendment to the constitution was adopted. These counties filed no returns and offered no explanation. The secretary of state asks the judges to advise him why the returns were not sent in. However, there is no law to make the judges send in the returns, or to even answer the letter of the secretary.

30 Cents for Cotton Agreed Upon. New Orleans.—Texas and South Carolina won a sweeping victory in the cotton conference held here, when after a determined fight by delegates from these two states for the fixing of a minimum price on cotton, L. B. Jackson, director of the marketing bureau of Georgia, Atlanta, offered an amendment to the resolution declaring it the sense of this committee that the present selling price of manufactured cotton products justifies the farmer in receiving 30 cents per pound for cotton.

Hobby Signs Bills and Resolutions. Austin.—Governor Hobby has signed a number of bills and minor resolutions. Most bills were local in effect, providing road laws for Trinity, Coleman, Newton, Llano, Titus, Red River and Madison counties and school districts at Ben Wheeler and Oakland. Likewise the bill providing that the new state office building shall house the general land office, department of agriculture and such other departments as the governor may designate.

HOBBY SIGNS BOLLWORM BILL

Provides for Border Zone and \$10,000 Appropriations to Fight the Pink Pest.

Austin.—Governor Hobby has signed senate bill No. 7, by Messrs. Page and Caldwell, providing for the border zone against the introduction of pink bollworm and appropriating \$10,000 to carry the act into effect. The bill fixes a border area where cotton cannot be grown and also provides for the extermination of the pink bollworm if it appears in Texas.

The house did not give the bill the two-thirds record vote and it will not become a law until 90 days after adjournment. This will not prevent the state and federal authorities from keeping a close watch and to act promptly where the pink bollworm does not appear, as it did at Hearne.

Hobby to Approve Investigation Cost

Austin.—Governor Hobby has a number of bills on his desk awaiting disposition. They came to him during the last 10 days of the session and he has 20 days after the session to dispose of them. Among the bills on the executive table is that appropriating \$35,000 to pay the contingent expenses of the session. The single purpose of this bill is to cover the cost of the departmental and institution investigation by the legislature. It is to supplement about \$14,000 left in the contingent fund appropriated during the first days of the session and makes nearly \$50,000 available for the work. Governor Hobby said he expected to approve the bill and thus make the investigation possible.

File New Interurban Bond Securities

Dallas.—That approximately \$4,500,000 will be spent in the near future in the construction of interurban lines radiating from Dallas was indicated by the filing of two trust deeds in the county clerk's office. Each of them secures a bond issue of \$2,250,000 on franchises and property of companies whose representatives have secured franchises for interurban lines here. Work on one of these lines, a road from Dallas to Irving, has commenced, and the construction of the other will begin within the next few weeks, according to men in close touch with the projects.

Gov. Hobby Makes Address at Tyler.

Tyler.—That which in fact is his inaugural address was delivered by Gov. William P. Hobby Saturday in the presence of record-breaking audience at the East Texas fair. His arraignment of kaiserism; his praise of President Wilson; his appeal for loyalty and service in order that we may win this war, and his pledges earnestly to strive to reduce the expenses of the state government, and to bring about efficiency, in order that taxpayers may not be unduly burdened, and that every dollar possible shall be made available for the support of our arms—all these were received with enthusiastic applause, which, it was notable, was led by farmers.

War Tax Measure Now in Effect.

Washington.—The war tax bill became a law late Wednesday with President Wilson's signature. All new taxes in the bill become effective when the president signs it, except certain specified rates. The 1c letter and postcard tax becomes operative in 30 days and the second-class mail increases July 1. New income and war excess profits taxes are based on income of the 1917 calendar year and payable before March 31, 1918. All stamp taxes, including those on parcel post packages, become effective Dec. 1.

43 Fires in Dallas During September.

Dallas.—The insured loss from fires in Dallas during September was \$106,229 and the uninsured loss was \$37,240, according to the monthly report of Fire Marshal Naylor. During the month there were 43 alarms. Twenty-seven fires were confined to the place of origin, and four extended to adjoining property.

Large Meteor Falls Near Hillsboro.

Waco.—A meteor weighing several tons fell and completely buried itself in the cotton field of Harry James, two miles south of Hillsboro. Many persons saw the meteor, which was the size of an ordinary automobile, falling through the air, and there was some excitement in the vicinity.

Britain Gets Another \$50,000,000.

Washington.—Another credit of \$150,000,000 has been advanced to Great Britain by the government.

Judge Advises Shooting of Traitors.

Houston.—Court rules prevented cheering at the conclusion of the address of the Honorable Walter T. Burns, judge of the United States district court, when he charged the grand jury for the September term of court, during which he advocated that those opposed to the government of the United States and those who sought to obtain votes at the expense of the nation's welfare should be placed against a stone wall and shot.

Catarrh of Stomach

Mrs. Mary Fennell, R. F. D., Pomon, Missouri, writes: "I wish to say a few words in the praise of Peruna. I have used it with good results for cramps in the stomach. Also found it the very thing for catarrh of the head. My sister was cured of catarrh of stomach by the use of Peruna." Mrs. E. T. Chomer, 69 East 42nd St., Chicago, Ill., says: "Manalin best laxative on the market for liver and bowels, very good for indigestion and heart burn." Those who object to liquid medicines can secure Peruna Tablets.

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CLEAR AWAY PIMPLES Does Cuticura Ointment—Assisted by Cuticura Soap—Trial Free.

On rising and retiring smear the affected surfaces gently with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. When the skin is clear keep it so by using Cuticura for every-day toilet and nursery purposes. Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Might Work. "We are extending too many speeches in the Congressional Record." "What's the remedy, Senator?" "When a member gets tired let him continue his speech by means of a graphophone."

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

Pleasant Thought. "I love to hold the ten of diamonds." "The ace is a much better card." "I like the ten. Think of a cluster of diamonds that size!"

Help to Save Nation's Food Supply

In this time of high cost of living, everybody should use all possible means to prevent waste and to help save food. No one means can be more effective than a vigorous campaign to exterminate rats which destroy over two hundred million dollars worth of foodstuffs annually. Keep garbage in rat-proof cans, stop up their holes, and above all exterminate them with Stearns' Paste, which can be bought for a few cents at any store. A two ounce box will usually rid a house or barn of every rat. It destroys mice, cockroaches and waterbugs as well. Adv.

The Optimistic Papa. Again the Kid was delving into literature, and again he sought from his father solution of his difficulties. "Pa!" he said. "Father looked up from his paper in that kindly, patient way of his. "Well, my son?" "It says here in this literature lesson: 'At the age of twenty, Coleridge was graduated from the university and admitted to holy orders.'" "Yes?" "Well, what are 'holy orders?'" "Holy orders? Why—ed—the Ten Commandments, of course."

"But what does that—" "Now go on with your book, and don't interrupt me again." Her Skill. "So Mrs. Tart has that fierce-tempered husband of hers tamed, has she?" "I should say she has. She's got him that tame that she takes money out of his hand without him snapping at her."

The Alibi. A college president known for his drollery was describing the Home Guard of Connecticut—an admirable force whose service will be confined to the state except in case of invasion.—Christian Register.

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Just His Way. "Puts on airs about everything, doesn't he?" "Yes, if he got the upper compartment in a sleeping car he'd make that an occasion for bragging about his high berth."

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Connect Georgia Cities. Atlanta and Anderson, Ga., are to be connected by a new interurban electric railway.

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A Feat in Itself. "Edith, I love you." "Is—that all you have to say, Reggie?" "Great Scott, Edith, it has taken me eighteen months to say that."

All That a Vacation Does. "Get rested on your vacation?" "No; just got tired in new ways."

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BAPTIST CHURCH

On the Fourth Sunday in October the Sunday School will render a program. The main subject for the entire service will be "State Missions" This is designated by our Church as State Mission Day and we hope to make it instructive and helpful to all who come. The Church and Sunday School will make their offerings to this great work on this day.

At the evening service we are to have Rev. Paul Wataneba, the Japanese preacher, with us. He will preach at the evening hour and will also sing at the morning service. He is worthy of your coming to hear. He will speak of some of the customs and habits of his people. The other churches of the town are especially invited to be with us at this hour.

We have taken up the work of the Teacher Training course for our teachers and substitute teachers and all others who will come. The work starts off nicely. About twenty persons present last Monday night. The class will meet on Monday and Friday evenings at 7:15 o'clock. Everybody invited to these lessons.

On next Sunday the pastor will speak at both services on the subject, "Eternal Life." The morning hour will be given to the subject in a more general way. The evening hour will be given to the phase of the subject, the "Final Preservation of The Believer in Jesus." This will be a spiritual and scriptural discussion of some things that should be of interest to every child of God, and that are calculated to make us love our Heavenly Father more. Everybody is invited to these services. R. A. Scanton, Pastor

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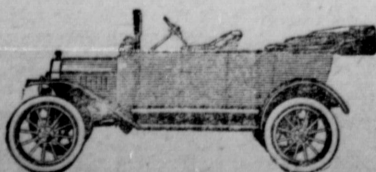
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