

Economy makes happy homes and sound nations. Instill it deep.—George Washington.

THE SAN SABA STAR

A great deal of talent is lost in this world for want of courage.—Sidney Smith.

W. D. COWAN, Proprietor

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Yuletide Greetings



Your interests are closely linked with ours and we have been friends all these years. We will be cheerful and happy in order to spread the Yuletide Spirit. Have one of the Latch Keys to Happiness. Call Personally—perhaps it is yours.



BIGGS & CLARK

MEN'S OUTFITTERS.

Prison System's

Balance is Large

Austin, Tex., Dec. 17.—The total number of convicts in the penitentiary and on State farms on December 1 was 3,672 according to the monthly report made by the Prison Commissioner to Governor Hobby. On November 1 there were 3,612 convicts on hand, which shows an increase of sixty in the prison population for November.

A statement received by the Governor from the Prison Commission shows that on December 10 there was a balance of \$1,542,000 to the credit of the prison system.

During November 179 new convicts were received: 11 were recaptured, 2 returned by Sheriffs, 2 returned by parole. Sixty three convicts were discharged during the month, 10 were pardoned, 23 escaped, 1 died, malaria fever being cause of death; 3 were delivered to Sheriffs, 34 were paroled.

On December 1 the total number of convicts on State farms was 3,070 and 602 on leased farms. The forces were distributed as follows:

Huntsville, 450; Rusk, 110; Harlem, 359; Clemens, 464; Imperial, 374; Ramsey, 446; Wynne, 165; Goree, 97; Shaw, 141; Eastham, 344; Ferguson, 83; Bradshaw, 17; Morton, 10; Asylum, 10; Darrington, 54; B. Blackely, 86; Retrieve, 78; Rogers, 87; Blue Ridge, 297.

We Thank You

For your kind and appreciated business during the year 1917.

We wish you a very Happy and Prosperous

New Year.

Simmons' Drug Store.

Mr. Ben Small and son David are visitors in San Saba this week.

Miss Naomie Small of Dallas is visiting friends here this week.

Miss Kathleen Allen of Lampasas is visiting Miss Inez Ketchum.

Miss Harriet Manuel of Lampasas is visiting Miss Elisabeth Kirkpatrick.

Mr. W. J. Wilson left Wednesday for Brenham and other points in east Texas.

Murray Fentress of Brownwood was the guest of relatives here this week.

Mrs. R. G. Halden is the guest of her father, W. L. McNatt of Algerita this week.

Frank Chamberlain and Harkey Thornton are in Lampasas this week on business.

More Goods, Better Quality, Less Price.

The Famous Bargain Store

More Goods, Better Quality, Less Price.



This Holiday Greeting is expressed in appreciation of the nice business we have enjoyed during the past year and to indulge the hope that all may have a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



The Famous Bargain Store

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jones spent the holidays with their parents at Hico.

Willie Eiler of Leon Springs training camp is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eiler.

Miss Augusta McNatt is visiting in Cherokee this week the guest of her sister Mrs. Otis Graham.

Willie McConnell who is a student at the T. U. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McConnell.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Beck are guests in the home of the former parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller.

Robert Duncan of Camp Travis is a visitor at the Doran Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hillin of Chappel spent Christmas with the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Brazil.

Dr Harry Harber of Houston is here on a furlough the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Harber.

Miss Nell Baker of Georgetown is spending her vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Baker.

Chas Grumbles of Camp Travis is spending his vacation with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Grumbles.

Presbyterian Church.

Let us make the last Sunday of the year the best and take it as a pattern for the coming year. The subject of the morning sermon will be: "The Two Paths." As we stand at the Threshold of the New Year, two paths lie before us, which shall we take? The way we begin determines where and how we shall end. "In all the ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct the paths."

To our church members a four-fold invitation is extended each Sabbath to worship with us. Will you not answer the call of your God, your soul's deep needs, your vacant pew, and your pastor. We also urge our friends to worship with us. Come and Welcome.

B. D. D. Greer, Pastor.

Mr. Guy Bourland of Fort Worth is visiting his wife and baby who have been here some time the guests of Mrs. Bourlands parents Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Henry.

Herbert Clark of Bellbuckle Tenn. is at home during the holidays the guest of his mother, Mrs. W. E. Barrow.

Miss Fannie Harber who is a student of Toby's Business College of Waco is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Harber.

To My Customers and Friends:

I thank you for the trade you gave me during the year 1917. My wish for you is that you will make lots of produce to sell during the year 1918 and will get high prices for everything you sell. I will appreciate your trade for next year.
Your Friend

T. C. Henry.

YULETIDE GREETINGS

AS THE HOLIDAY SEASON ONCE MORE APPROACHES, THE OFFICERS OF THIS INSTITUTION EXTEND TO EVERY PATRON AND FRIEND THEIR BEST WISHES FOR

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

—A CHRISTMASTIDE FILLED WITH JOY AND A NEW YEAR BRIGHT WITH OPPORTUNITY.

SAN SABA NATIONAL BANK

RAILROADS TAKEN OVER BY THE PREST.

Secretary of Treasury and Railway War Board to Direct Unification of Transportation System Under New Plan. Management of Various Roads to Remain in Hands of the Present Officials—Authority for Move.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Government possession and operation of the nation's railroads for the war was proclaimed by President Wilson tonight, to become effective at noon Friday, December 28. William G. McAdoo, retaining his place in the cabinet as secretary of the treasury, is placed in charge as director-general of railroads. Every railroad engaged in general transportation with its appurtenances, including steamship lines, is taken over and all systems will be operated as one under the director-general. In a statement accompanying his proclamation, the president announced that as soon as congress re-assembles he will recommend legislation guaranteeing pre-war earnings and maintenance of railroad properties in good repair.

Government to Back Securities.

Government backing will be given to new issues of railroad securities that a ready market may be found. The president's move, although forecasted for weeks, came at this time as a great surprise to nearly everybody in Washington, including railroad officials. It had been generally believed he would await the re-assembling of congress before taking any step. He acted through Secretary of War Baker under authority conferred in the army appropriation act. Direct management of the roads will remain in the hands of railroad officials and the railroads' war boards, comprised of five railroad heads, will continue to direct actual operation under Secretary McAdoo's general supervision. The chief practical effect of government operation will be to permit a complete unification of all rail systems impossible under private operation by reason of statutes prohibiting pooling of rail traffic and earnings. The roads themselves had gone as far as they dared in this direction and it became known only today that they had been warned by Attorney General Gregory that a violation of anti-pooling laws could not be per-

mitted.

This situation was fully realized by President Wilson, who in his statement declared the roads had gone as far as they could and that already some systems were endangering their earnings in attempting unification.

Although the proclamation applies to all electric lines engaged in general transportation local interurban systems are specifically exempted.

To Guarantee Earnings.

Congress will be asked to guarantee earnings equivalent to the average net operating income of each railroad in the three-year period ending June 30, 1917. Railroad experts estimate that this will cost the government next year in the neighborhood of \$100,000,000, which can be raised in large part by increased freights if the interstate commerce commission grants the roads application for the fifteen per cent rate increase now pending. Otherwise it will be paid largely out of the general government funds.

The interstate commerce commission and other government agencies which have to do with the railroads will continue to perform their functions as heretofore except that they will be subject to orders of the director of railroads.

Roads Very Loyal.

The president makes it clear that his decision was not made because of any failure on the part of the railroads to perform their whole duty insofar as they could while hampered as they were by legal restrictions.

"The committee of railroad executives," said his statement, "have done the utmost that it was possible for them to do, but there were difficulties they neither could escape nor neutralize. In mere fairness to them the full authority of the government must be substituted."

The plan of control as outlined in the proclamation and statement leaves much unsaid as to details, but the general scheme appears to follow closely the British system. In England however government freight is carried free and the guaranteed earnings require an enormous amount of money from government funds, while in the United States the government will pay for its freight as in the past and will stand its part of increased freight rates if they are found to be necessary.

Aside from the president's statement there was no comment in the capital tonight on the government's move. Secretary McAdoo declined to be

quoted and members of the railroad's war board said they would have no statement to make until tomorrow.

The president's statement follows:

Text of Statement

"I have exercised the powers over the transportation systems of the country which were granted me by the act of congress of last August because it has become imperatively necessary for me to do so. This is a war of resources no less than of men, perhaps even more than of men, and it is necessary for the complete mobilization of our resources that the transportation systems of the country should be organized and employed under a single authority and a simplified method of co-ordination which have not proved possible under private management and control. The committee of executives who have been co-operating with the government in this all-important matter have done the utmost that it was possible for them to do; have done it with patriotic zeal and with great ability; but there were difficulties that they could neither escape nor neutralize. Complete unity of administration in the present circumstances involves upon various occasions and in many points a serious dislocation of earnings and the committee was, of course, without power or authority to rearrange charges or effect proper compensations and adjustments of earnings. Several roads which were willingly and with admirable public spirit accepting the orders of the committee have already suffered from the circumstances and should not be required to suffer further. In mere justice to them the full authority of the government must be substituted. The government itself will thereby gain an immediate increase of efficiency in the conduct of the war and of the innumerable activities upon which its successful conduct depends.

To Protect Investments.

"The public interest must be first served, and, in addition the financial interests of the government and the financial interests of the railways must be brought under a common direction. The financial operation of the railways need not then interfere with the borrowings of the government and they themselves can be conducted at a greater advantage. Investors in railway securities may rest assured that their rights and interests will be as scrupulously looked after by the government as they could be by the directors of the several railway systems.

Net Earnings Guaranteed.

"Immediately upon the re-assembling of congress I shall recommend that the definite guarantees be given: first, of course, that the railway properties will be maintained during the period of federal control in as good repair and as complete equipment as when taken over by the government and second, that the roads shall receive a net operating income equal in each case to the average net income of the three years preceding June 30, 1917; and I am entirely confident that the congress will be disposed in this, as in others, to see that justice is done and full security assured to the owners and creditors of the great systems which the government must now use under its own direction or else suffer serious embarrassment.

Authority Given McAdoo.

"The secretary of war and I are agreed that, all the circumstances being taken into consideration, the best results can be obtained under the immediate executive direction of Honorable William G. McAdoo,

whose practical experiences peculiarly fit him for the service and whose authority as the secretary of treasury will enable him to co-ordinate as no other man could, the many financial interests which will be involved and which might unless systematically directed, suffer very embarrassing entanglements.

"The government of the United States is the only great government now engaged in the war which has not already assumed control of this sort. It was thought to be in the spirit of American institutions to attempt to do everything that was necessary through private management, and if zeal and ability and patriotic motive could have accomplished the necessary unification of administration, it would certainly have been accomplished; but not zeal or ability could overcome insuperable obstacles and I have deemed it my duty to recognize that fact in all candor now that it is demonstrated and to use without reserve the great authority reposed in me. A great national necessity dictated the action and I was therefore not at liberty to abstain from it.

"Woodrow Wilson."

STOPPED HIS PAPER



This Ornerly Cuss got mad and Stopped His Paper in the Editor sent him a Bill for Six Years' arrears. Hereafter he will borrow his Neighbors' paper. He thinks the Editor will feel Bad and commit Suicide, whereas the editor will give Three Rousing Cheers.

Have you paid your account? We have notified you if you haven't. Please don't dissappoint us again.—Biggs & Clark.

Your account is due we need the money please settle.—Biggs & Clark.

Your account is due we need the money please settle.—Biggs & Clark.

Light Crust Flour

None is better you know it. If you want better results out of your baking, use Light Crust.

Both Phones 141

D. BODZINER

Ford For Sale.

We have two Fords in good condition to sell.—G. A. Arhelger.

Money to Loan.

In any amount. Ranch loans a specialty. Vendor's lien notes bought. Rate of interest depending on security. Quick action.

W. V. DEAN, Agent.

Christmas and the Happy New Year would seem odd without these Good Wishes from the Old Bank, the Strong Bank, the Safe Bank.

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK
CAPITAL \$100,000.00

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of San Saba. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of San Saba County, on the 4 day of December, 1917, by Jno. H. Moore Clerk of said District Court San Saba County, for the sum of One thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Four and 32-100 dollars and cost of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Addie Wood Guardian in a certain cause in said Court, No. 2040 and styled Addie Wood Guardian vs. W. A. Hardin et al, placed in my hands for service, I, Edgar T. Neal, as Sheriff of San Saba County, Texas, did, on the 4th day of December, 1917, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in San Saba County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: About four and one-half miles North of Richland Springs and being 80 acres off of the East end of the North half of the H. & T. C. railway Company survey No. 39, Abstract No. 627, described by field notes as follows: Beginning at the N. E. corner of said survey No. 39, the same being the N. W. corner of A. L. Pfannstiel survey No. 265, then South 950 varas to the S. E. corner of this tract, the same being the N. E. corner of 97.7 acres of said survey No. 39, sold to Miss Addie Strawbridge, thence N. 62 1/2 W. 562 varas to corner, thence N. 950 varas to the North line of said survey No. 39, thence with said N. B. line 562 varas to the place of beginning, and levied upon as the property of W. A. Hardin and that on the first Tuesday in January 1918, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door, of San Saba County, in the town of San Saba, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. A. Hardin.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the San Saba Star, a newspaper published in San Saba County.

Witness my hand, this, the 4th day of December, 1917.
EDGAR T. NEAL, Sheriff San Saba County, Texas.

YOUR TITLE PASSES WHEN WE ABSTRACT AND PERFECT IT. NO DELAY, NO MISTAKES.—WALTERS & BAKER.

If you owe us, we are still patiently waiting for you to come in and settle your account.—Biggs & Clark.

We thank our friends for their trade and always feel grateful to them for the patronage they have given us.—Ashby's Cash Store.

We will have everything for your holiday baking and eating.
J. W. McConnel & Sons.

Flashlights and batteries at the Corner Drug Store.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of San Saba. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of San Saba County, on the 5th day of December, 1917, by John H. Moore, Clerk of said Court, for the sum of six thousand and ninety-one dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of A. L. Wood in a certain cause in said Court, No. 2145 and styled A. L. Wood vs. T. H. Penn and wife, Mrs. T. H. Penn, placed in my hands for service, I, Edgar T. Neal, as Sheriff of San Saba County, Texas, did, on the 5th day of December, 1917, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in San Saba County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: A part of survey No. 715, patented to Stephen Crosby, assignee of Fisher & Miller by virtue of Certificate No. 125. Described as follows: Beginning at the N. W. corner of said survey No. 715, thence south with the West B. L. of said survey 440 yards, passing the N. E. corner of Bob Duncan's land and continuing south 550 vrs. from said Duncan corner, a stake for corner, thence east on a hacked line,—vrs to W. R. Lewis W. B. L., a stone for corner, thence north with Lewis line to the north line of survey No. 715, a stake for corner, thence west with the N. B. L. of survey No. 715, to its N. W. corner, the place of beginning, containing 135 acres more or less, and levied upon as the property of T. H. Penn and Mrs. T. H. Penn and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1918, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door, of San Saba County, in the City of San Saba, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said judgment I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said T. H. Penn and Mrs. T. H. Penn.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the San Saba Star, a newspaper published in San Saba County.

Witness my hand, this 5th day of December, 1917.
EDGAR T. NEAL, Sheriff San Saba County, Texas.

Cottonseed.

Pure Mebane cottonseed direct from the originator.—Frizzell & Taff.

Do it now. Pay us the account you owe us.—Biggs & Clark.

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How to Prevent Croup.

In a child that is subject to attacks of croup the first indications of the disease is hoarseness. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be warded off and all danger and anxiety avoided.

Cottonseed.

Pure Mebane cottonseed direct from the originator.—Frizzell & Taff.

O. K. Wagon Yard

I handle all kinds of feed in car load lots. Free delivery to any part of town. Nice camp houses and stalls for the traveling public. Give me a call.

A. L. HAMRICK, Prop.

GUNTER & MATHEWS' GARAGE

Fire Stone Tires.

FREE AIR

We have an up to date Garage Equipment. Ford Repairs and Extras a Specialty.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

33rd Judicial District
N. T. Stubbs, District Judge, Johnson City, Texas.
T. E. Hammond, District Attorney, Burnett, Texas.
John H. Moore, Clerk, San Saba, Texas.

County Officers
W. V. Dean, Judge
Arch Woods, Clerk
A. B. Wilson, Attorney
W. W. Skelton, Collector
Edgar T. Neal, Sheriff
B. B. Ducey, Assessor
J. G. Holder, Treasurer
Dor W. Brown, Supt. Pub. Instruct.
S. J. Cross, Surveyor

Precinct Officers
COMMISSIONERS:
Precinct No. 1—Joe A. Williams, San Saba, Texas.
Precinct No. 2—W. L. Pearce, Richland Springs, Texas.
Precinct No. 3—J. D. Caviness, Cherokee, Texas.
Precinct No. 4—G. W. Long, Chappel, Texas.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS:
Precinct No. 1—Geo. W. Brown, San Saba, Texas.
Precinct No. 2—Geo. F. Smith, Richland Springs, Texas.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE:
Precinct No. 1—U. T. Chamberlain, San Saba, Texas.
Precinct No. 2—J. W. Munsell, Richland Springs, Texas.
Precinct No. 3—J. D. Caviness, Cherokee, Texas.
Precinct No. 4—A. McCoury, Bend, Texas.

City Officers
Mayor, W. A. Smith
Commissioners—R. O. Harris, W. F. Sullivan.
City Attorney—G. A. Walters
City Marshal—Dave Chadwick
Mitch Johnson, City Clerk
Night Watchman—J. V. Carr
Fire Chief—Ted Brown

Hours of Arrival and Dispatch of Mail, on Trains

Mail for West dispatched 11:50 a. m.
Mail from East arrives 11:50 a. m.
Mail for East dispatched 2:20 p. m.
Mail from West arrives 2:40 p. m.
Schedule of Rural Routes, Effective April 1 to October 31

Route No. 1, Roger Holden carrier, leaves at 8:00 a. m.; returns at 3:30 p. m.
Route No. 2, Frank Chamberlain carrier, leaves at 8:00 a. m.; returns 12:00 m.
Route No. 3, E. E. Quinn, carrier, leaves at 8:00 a. m.; returns at 3:30 p. m.
Route No. 4, Arthur Hill carrier, leaves at 8:00 a. m.; returns at 2:30 p. m.

Star Route Schedule

Cherokee daily, except Sunday, arrives at San Saba at 10:45 a. m.
Cherokee daily, except Sunday, leaves San Saba at 12 m.
Maxwelton, Tuesday and Saturday, arrives at San Saba at 12:00 m.
Maxwelton, Tuesday and Saturday, leaves San Saba at 1:30 p. m.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Methodist.
Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesdays at 8 p. m.
Sunday school every Sabbath at 9:45 a. m.—Z. V. Liles, Pastor.

Presbyterian.
Preaching services on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Sunday school every Sabbath at 10 a. m.
Preaching on 3rd Sunday in each month at Sloan.—B. D. D. Greer, Pastor.

Cumberland Presbyterian.
Sunday school each Sunday at 10 a. m.
Not supplied with Pastor.

Episcopal.
Sabbath school every Sunday at 10 a. m.
Services as announced from time to time.—John Power, Rector.

The Church of Christ.
Meets regularly every Lord's day at 11 a. m.
Sunday school at 10 a. m.—Wm. Scott, Elder.

Baptist.
Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Sunday school every Sabbath at 10 a. m.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.—G. W. Light, Pastor.

Catholic.
Father Poahlen holds services 1st Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.
Sunday school at 3 p. m.

Tabernacle Christian.
Sunday school every Sabbath at 10 a. m.
Services every 3rd Sunday.

Fifty per cent of the trouble in this world is imaginary, forty-nine per cent is brought on ourselves and the balance is unavoidable.

After a man has been scared into being good he likes to go around boasting about his virtues.

RED CROSS RUSHED HELP TO STRICKEN IN HALIFAX HORROR

TWO RELIEF TRAINS EN ROUTE 12 HOURS AFTER EXPLOSION WRECKS CITY.

FOOD AND CLOTHES ABOARD

Doctors and Nurses Accompany Specials Sent From New York and Boston—Care Provided for Destitute.

More evidence of the prompt dispatch with which the American Red Cross, which opens its Christmas membership drive for 2,000,000 more members in the Southwest division Monday, Dec. 17, continuing until Christmas eve, rushes relief to the stricken in the Halifax disaster.
Twelve hours after an explosion of munitions aboard a vessel in the harbor had exacted a toll of 4,000 men, women and children dead and as many more injured and maimed special relief trains left New York and Boston, carrying aid to the injured and destitute.

Immediate Relief Steps.
Immediately following receipt of news of the holocaust in Washington the Military Relief and Civilian Relief departments of the Red Cross were in telegraphic communication with their representatives at the scene of the disaster, and with the Red Cross workers in New York and Boston were making ready the relief trains.
Aboard the relief trains were nurses and doctors connected with the Public Safety Committee of the state of Massachusetts, all of whom had experience at the Salem and Chelsea fires a few years ago.

The special train which left New York, flying the Red Cross flag and marked "Relief for Halifax," consisted of four baggage cars and coach. There was one carload of food, two and one-half carloads of clothing and one-half carload of surgical supplies.

Rush Food and Clothing.
Among the specific relief supplies rushed to Halifax were 10,000 blankets, 500 cots, 100 cases of clothing, cotton, 20 cases of bandages, slip pillow cases, 10,000 sweaters, 5,000 socks, warm clothes for children, coffee, canned soup, condensed milk, flour, 60 cases of surgical supplies and 20 cases of disinfectant.

An entire base hospital, with nurses, doctors and full equipment, accompanied the train from Boston. This base hospital had 800 beds.
As soon as it was known that a great disaster had taken place officials of the Red Cross got in touch with Nova Scotia authorities. The following telegram was sent to the Mayor of Halifax:

"American Red Cross is ready and anxious to render service and assistance. Will you indicate what is most needed and most practical that we might do?"

RED CROSS AND Y. M. C. A. CO-OPERATE WITH HUTS

Arrangements for thorough co-operation between the American Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A. in the equipment and management of army hospital recreation huts have been completed. Under the agreement the Red Cross provides and equips the "huts," and in each "hut" a Y. M. C. A. representative, with his staff, will conduct the regular association activities.
A Red Cross staff also will conduct its own regular activities, and Red Cross workers will have charge of such part of the recreation work as is carried on in the wards of the hospitals with which the "huts" are directly connected.

Red Cross Navy Hospital.
The American Red Cross has established at Philadelphia the first general Red Cross hospital in this country. It contains 250 beds and is now being used by the United States navy.

School Tax Due.
The receipts for the taxes for the San Saba Independent School District are now ready. Avoid a 10 per cent penalty and 6 per cent interest by paying before January 31st, next.
John Seiders, Collector.

A woman hates to be so old that she feels justified in lying about her age.

When a woman brags that a woman is at her best when she is forty, it isn't hard to guess how old she is.

If you want to make enemies out of both women, just tell two of them how much each resembles the other.

HOW THE RED CROSS SUPPLY DEPOTS AID THE WAR HOSPITALS

What the American Red Cross hospital supply service means in increasing the effectiveness of many of the war hospitals in France is shown in a message recently received by Dr. Harvey Cushing of Boston, in charge of a base hospital behind the British lines in France. Major Cushing wrote in part:

"I cannot tell you how cheered I was when I found how well organized the Red Cross was in Paris and what a great start you had made.
"When an American officer could actually walk into the warehouse you had taken over and find Quibb's and Mallinckrodt's ether, bathrobes, adhesive plaster, aspirin, surgical instruments, kerosene lamps, canvas aprons, aspirating needles and many other things which our camps happen to need, I for the first time began to realize what the Red Cross might be able to do for waifs like ourselves over here.
"it all goes to show what an enormously important part the Red Cross will undoubtedly come to play as more persons come over and our affairs overseas get more and more complicated.
"Unquestionably countless emergencies will arise and sudden calls such as ours will be made for odd and diverse things; and I hope that we may see huge storehouses established under you where those in need can get the supplies which are absolutely essential to their work—whether it be an automobile or a hypodermic needle.
"Certainly the people at home will subscribe with their accustomed liberality to an organization of this kind and you will do as much toward winning the war as the men who carry the rifles."

RED CROSS PLAN IS NIPPED BY NATIONAL FIRE UNDERWRITERS

"A Red Cross Service Flag in 15,000,000 American Homes Christmas Eve With a Lighted Candle Behind It!"
This was the slogan of the Red Cross Christmas membership drive, which began Dec. 17. But the slogan has been altered slightly. If every patriotic American does his or her duty the 15,000,000 service flags will be displayed, but—there will be no candles behind them, that is, if the National Board of Fire Underwriters has its way.
The service flag-candle idea had been exploited in thousands of newspapers throughout the United States and hundreds of thousands of patriots had provided themselves with candles after receiving a service flag upon joining the Red Cross. Then the underwriters issued a warning to national headquarters of the Red Cross, at Washington, to the effect that lighted candles behind the paper service flags in millions of homes on Christmas eve would involve a fire hazard of such proportions that hundreds of fires might result.

It has been suggested by Red Cross headquarters that every member of the organization display his flag in a front window of his home between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock Christmas eve, but that the candle be dispensed with. Instead, it is suggested that curtains be removed from the windows so that the ordinary lighting in the room may illuminate the service flag. If an electric flashlight is available that may be placed behind the service flag with safety.

SURGICAL DRESSING MANUAL

Five hundred thousand manuals on the making of surgical dressings are being sent out by the national headquarters of the American Red Cross to chapters throughout the country. Complete directions are given for making the twenty-three standard and special dressings now authorized for shipment to base hospitals in France.

WE ARE BETTER EQUIPPED THAN EVER TO ABSTRACT AND PERFECT TITLES. SEE US.—WALTERS & BAKER.

A wife gets a heap of pleasure out of telling her husband how good other women's husbands are.

FREE This \$1.00 FLASHLIGHT POST PAID

We want every trapper to have one of these wonderful brilliant ELECTRIC FRENCH FLASHLIGHTS without a cent of cost! Thousands are sold at stores for \$1.00 each! Just the thing to find traps after dark—shoot coon—etc. Write us today! See why we can positively pay you HIGHEST PRICES FOR FURS!



RED CROSS WORK SAVES SOLDIERS FOR NEXT SPRING

MEN AT FRONT ARE HEARTENED BECAUSE THEIR FAMILIES ARE CARED FOR.

GEN. PERSHING CO-OPERATES

American Leader and Gen. Petain Aid in Relieving Distress, Thereby Keeping up the Morale of the Army.

That the work which the Red Cross is doing in France to alleviate suffering among the families of Frenchmen who are fighting at the front represents a saving of 1,500,000 men is the opinion of William Allen White, noted writer and owner of the Emporia (Kan.) Gazette, who has just returned from France.
"It is not probable that our army in France will get into the fighting to any large extent until next spring. The real war work that should interest the people of America this winter is of an economic rather than of a military character. It will be carried on by the Red Cross in France, its purpose being to relieve needy conditions in the homes of French soldiers who are in winter quarters in the trenches at the front.
Comfort Women and Children.
"it is felt by the military officers of both nations that nothing could do more to keep up the morale of the French soldiers during the coming winter than to bring comfort to women and children at home. The soldier's knowledge that his family is being well cared for will take a great load off his mind and hearten him to stand up against privation which otherwise might break his spirit and render him of no physical use.
Maj. Grayson M. P. Murphy of the Red Cross, Gen. Pershing and Gen. Petain of France are working in unison to perfect the plans for the relief of families of soldiers, the military commanders believing that it will be of the greatest benefit to both armies. It should be kept in mind that every soldier who is saved this winter means the saving of an American boy when the big drive begins next spring. Some American boy will have to take the place of every Frenchman who is killed or who breaks down under the strain.
This particular relief work means, therefore, that French soldiers will be saved for work in the spring and American lives will be conserved at the same time.
Gen. Pershing is doing a Great Service.
"Gen. Pershing is having French officers go right down the lines and ascertain from every soldier whether he has any worries on his mind concerning sickness or want at home. Report will be made to headquarters weekly and not a single case will be overlooked in the immense undertaking. Special attention will be given to the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis, and child welfare work also will be an accompaniment of the general relief. Scattered through France, many of them in soldiers' homes, are some 200,000 refugees from the war zone, and these also will receive attention.
In short, it is the purpose to keep the spirit of France bright until the military forces are ready to deal their smashing blow against German autocracy. Thus it is I say that the great struggle of the winter will be the economic struggle. The Red Cross practically will fight the American fight until our boys take their places on the firing line next spring."

RED CROSS NURSES SENT TO ARMY CANTONMENTS

Fifty public health nurses have been assigned by the American Red Cross to the zones surrounding the national army cantonments, camps and navy bases.
The nurses will work under Red Cross sanitary directions in co-operation with the local state and federal health authorities.
Nurses have already taken up their work in the vicinity of cantonments at Hattiesburg, Miss.; Ft. Riley, Kan.; Des Moines, Iowa; Louisville, Ky.; Little Rock, Ark.; Ayer, Mass.; Chillicothe, Ohio; Atlanta, Ga.; Newport News and Petersburg, Va.
As visiting nurses in the rural territory and cities adjoining the camps the Red Cross nurses assigned to public health work will endeavor to prevent the spread of tuberculosis, malaria and other infectious diseases and strengthen the local work for infant welfare.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO AID IN WORK OF RED CROSS

Organization of the Junior Red Cross among public school children throughout the United States has been warmly approved by President Wilson, in a letter to Dr. H. N. MacCracken, president of Vassar college, who is in charge of the organization of the new Junior Membership Board. The campaign for members is being carried on in connection with the Christmas membership drive.

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President Vinson, of the state university when asked if he had not raised the salaries of professors above that allowed in the university appropriation bill, replied he had, and that it was his intention to thus put the university in a higher rank among the great universities of the country. It seems to be the policy of everybody but Dr. Vinson to conserve our resources right now. After the war will be time enough to see about "raising the rank."—Hamilton Herald.

Democratic Leader Claude Kitchen declared in the house of representatives Monday on the assembling of congress that the present is no time for making money. "I believe that any man," he said, "who is as well off in this world's goods after the war as he was at the beginning ought to be perfectly satisfied. He ought to be willing after making a reasonable living and after his industry makes a reasonable profit to sustain itself, to give the balance of his earnings to his country. The quicker all of our people shall resolve to make the period of this war a day of sacrifice for the country the quicker will the war end." But there are men in every line of industry who are getting rich off of this terrible war. Congressman Tom Connally gave it as his opinion that the government was going to make the people who don't have to fight "come across" with the money to pay the expenses. And that is the right thing to do.—Hamilton Herald.

Hot Time Coming.

There will be no trial of former Governor James E. Ferguson, for the good and sufficient reason that all the indictments found against him have been quashed. What is more, all of them were quashed on the motion of the district attorney of Travis county.

This is no argument, either pro or con, in relation to the Ferguson case, but it is well to look the facts in the face.

The courts have held that James E. Ferguson is blameless in respect to the charges made against him by the Legislature of Texas, and because of which it impeached and dismissed him from office. If the courts have not held him blameless, they have, at least, decided that there is no cause for action. If there is no cause for action in the courts, what cause for action was there in the Legislature?

There is great force in this argument which will without doubt be advanced by Mr. Ferguson in his campaign for the governorship, and not even his strongest enemies can deny that there is much merit in the contention.

It is admitted on all sides that James E. Ferguson had many personal and political enemies in the Legislature and it is also admitted that all his political enemies were in favor of his impeachment as his political friends were against it.

Now comes a court without political bias and says that the charges on which James E. Ferguson was ousted from the governorship have no standing.

The several questions that are plainly obvious will call for extended and heated debate

when the campaign is in full swing. What is more those questions are going to be exceedingly difficult to answer.—San Antonio Light.

Town Patriotism.

This is a time when people talk much about "patriotism," and "loyalty" to country, for unless we stand by our government and are ready to fight its battles it cannot defeat those who are seeking its downfall.

Every town needs loyal, patriotic citizens who are ready to stand for its progress and advancement even if necessary at a personal sacrifice. A paper is dependent upon the loyalty of those whom it is trying to serve, if it is to be of benefit to the community where it is published. The people need the home paper. The Red Cross keeps its work going and the interest of the people aroused by using the columns of the home paper. Every matter of public interest must be presented in the paper and no movement or business of any importance is attempted without the aid of the home paper. But how many people are loyal enough to their town and its interests to try to help the paper in a financial way? It would seem that every citizen would want the paper to prosper, since it largely represents its community in the eyes of the outside world. Every town is judged largely by the character of its newspapers. In a small town like Hamilton the editor has many duties to perform. Every hour and every day he has to spend in looking after business could be used in gathering news or in devoting his thoughts to the editorial features of the paper, if only those who should take a pride in the paper's appearance and in its growth and prosperity would but show their loyalty in giving it the support and patronage it must have in order to continue publication and reflect credit on the town. How many of the good ladies who are so loyal in other ways ever think of what they owe to the paper that is so ready and willing to co-operate with them in their work? How many business men ever solicit subscribers to the paper that is forever "boosting" for the town? They talk about looking after business, yet because a paper differs with them politically and has the moral courage to stand for its convictions on public questions they withhold their support, and sometimes actually abuse the paper and try to discourage others from patronizing it, although they know that a paper without convictions and the courage to state them cannot hope to command respect or exercise any influence for the upbuilding of the community. They do not seem to realize that a paper without character and courage is no value and is unworthy of support. Loyalty is needed among home people and if they are disloyal to their home paper they are hurting themselves and the town and country where they live.

Get out of that narrow rut and you will find you are happier for it, and you will help your town to grow. Be patriotic.—Hamilton Herald.

Reduce Farm Loan Premiums.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19—Insure large enough sales of bonds to meet the demands of the farm loan board today. The 5 per cent interest rate to the borrower originally fixed the federal land banks was predicted on the sales of 4 1/2 per cent bonds at a premium.

Don't forget Jan. 1st. is pay day.—W. R. Harris

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Cherokee Locals.

(By Daffodil.)

Miss Gladys Thomson and brother, Ralph, went to Lometa Monday.

Mr. Lewis Awalt of Katemcy arrived here Wednesday for a short visit here before the holidays. He is a former C. J. C. student, and his many friends were delighted to see him.

Mr. Benton Taylor of Rochelle arrived here Wednesday for the Christmas holidays, and also to be present at the wedding of her sister Miss Jewel Elliot, to Mr. Willie Calley.

Mr. and Mrs. Keyer returned this week to their home at Pontotoc, after spending a pleasant visit in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ed Brown.

Mr. T. A. Kincaid and small son, Victor, and Prof. W. J. Wilcox went to Llano Thursday afternoon.

Misses Delia and Sallie Mae Burke went to Llano Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ruffner were shopping in Llano Thursday.

Wednesday night, at the College Auditorium, the Beginners recited in fine arts was given. All of the little folks who were taking music or expression were on the program, as well as the primary pupils of Miss Lackers room, The Junior band played. The program was very good, however, the audience was small.

Miss Francis Kuykendall came in Thursday from Austin, where she had been attending the Whitis school, to spend the holidays here.

Mrs Maggie Fischer and small son, Dunbar, of Brownwood, arrived here Friday to spend the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Thomson.

Mr. Dewey Mayes, who has been attending school at Southwestern came in Thursday to be at home for the holidays.

Misses Flora Bell and Pauline Gray, who have been attending school in Fort Worth, returned Thursday to be here for the holidays.

Mrs. D. A. Gay and Son, Nelson, went to Llano Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Lora Hart who has been attending school at Dallas, came in Friday to spend the holidays at home.

Miss Lora White, who has been attending the C. I. A. at Denton, came in Friday to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Reuben Gray, who is attending school at Southwestern, came in Friday to spend the holidays here.

Misses Delia Kuykendall, Fannie and Beulah May Walker, returned Friday from Brady, where they had been attending the teachers Institute.

Miss Eunice Hart returned Friday from Brady, where she had been attending the Teachers Institute.

Ross Green went to San Saba Friday.

Miss Sue Bettie Gray, who has been attending the C. I. A. at Denton, came in Friday to spend the holidays here.

Misses Kate Gay and Nell Hubbert, who attended the Institute at Brady, came in Friday.

Miss Nora Walker went up to San Saba the latter part of the week, and returned Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mitchell and children of Dewar, Okla. came in Saturday to spend the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kuykendall and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mitchell.

Messers. Lawrence Gregg and Claude Gay who have been in training at Fort Worth the past months, came in Saturday to spend a few days with homefolks here.

Miss Monnie Brown, of Fort Worth, came in the latter part of the week to be here for the Green-Kuykendall wedding.

Miss Georgia Bickley, who is teaching at Kerns, came in Sat-

urday to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Miss Wilma Hillman, who is attending the C. I. A. at Denton, came in Saturday to spend the holidays here with homefolks.

Friday night occurred the Fine Arts Recital, given by the advanced pupils in Fine Arts. The readings and music were excellent. One especial feature of the program was the beautiful religious pantomime, "Israel's Womanhood." Fourteen girls took part in this pantomime, representing the different women in Jewish Bible history. The whole program was unusually good. A large audience was present. This program closed the exercises of the C. J. C. until after the holidays.

Miss Grace Brown and Oscar Brown of Llano were here the latter part of the week for the Green-Kuykendall Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fishback went to San Saba Sunday. Mr. Lee Hart, who had just come in that day from New Mexico, came home with them to Cherokee. This is the first time he has been home in about two years. He will spend the Christmas holidays at home.

Vester Ruffner came in Sunday from San Antonio, where he has been in training. He will spend a few days at home before going back.

Misses Jessie Allison and Floy Farnsworth and Douglas Farnsworth went to San Saba Saturday to take the train for Eden, where they go to spend the holidays.

Mr. Edwards and daughter, Miss Zuma, of Valley Springs, were over Saturday after Miss Ruby Edwards who will spend the holidays at her home in Valley Springs.

News has been received here of the marriage of Miss Grace Redford to Mr. Francis Talley,

A New Year Thought

We beg to express our gratitude to our many friends and customers for their liberal patronage the year now drawing to a close, and assure them that each and every item of trade given us, large or small, has been thoroughly appreciated.

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both of Valley Springs. Miss Redford formerly lived here, and had attended the C. J. C. a number of years. The marriage occurred on Thursday Dec. 20. She has many friends here who wish her a happy married life.

Emmet Kuykendall went to Lometa Sunday.

Misses Kate Kuykendall and Eunice Hart were in San Saba Sunday.

Rev. Shook of Llano fulfilled his regular appointment here at the Primitive Baptist Church Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. The church held conference and announced that he had been called as their pastor here for another year.

Mr. N. R. Thomson, who has been in training at San Antonio arrived here Sunday to visit friends for awhile. He was met in Llano by Iry Felts.

Friends and relatives here have received the news of the marriage of Miss Ona Moore of Pontotoc to Mr. Jim Wells of Valley Springs. Mr Wells formerly lived here. Their friends here wish them a happy married life.

A call for help has gone out

from the various training camps in Texas. The need for quilts is great, and in order to save suffering and death, they should be supplied at once. Mrs. Laura Barber and Mrs. Hugh Barber have taken the lead in Cherokee, and every one who has a quilt to spare should take it to them. The first lot of quilts will be sent off Monday, Dec. 24. But a second lot will be sent off later. Let every one help, in this hour of need. Mrs. John May and daughter, Miss Willie, left the latter part of last week for Austin, where they went to visit the former's daughter, Mrs. George Walker, during the holidays.

Miss Daisy Burke returned Monday from Katemcy, where she had been since the Institute at Brady, the guest of her friend, Miss Bess Chamberlain.

News has reached here of the death of Eugene Tate, who died of pneumonia in the training camp. He died Friday and was buried Sunday at Maxwellton. He was a former student of the C. J. C. and had many friends here who regret sincerely to learn of his death.

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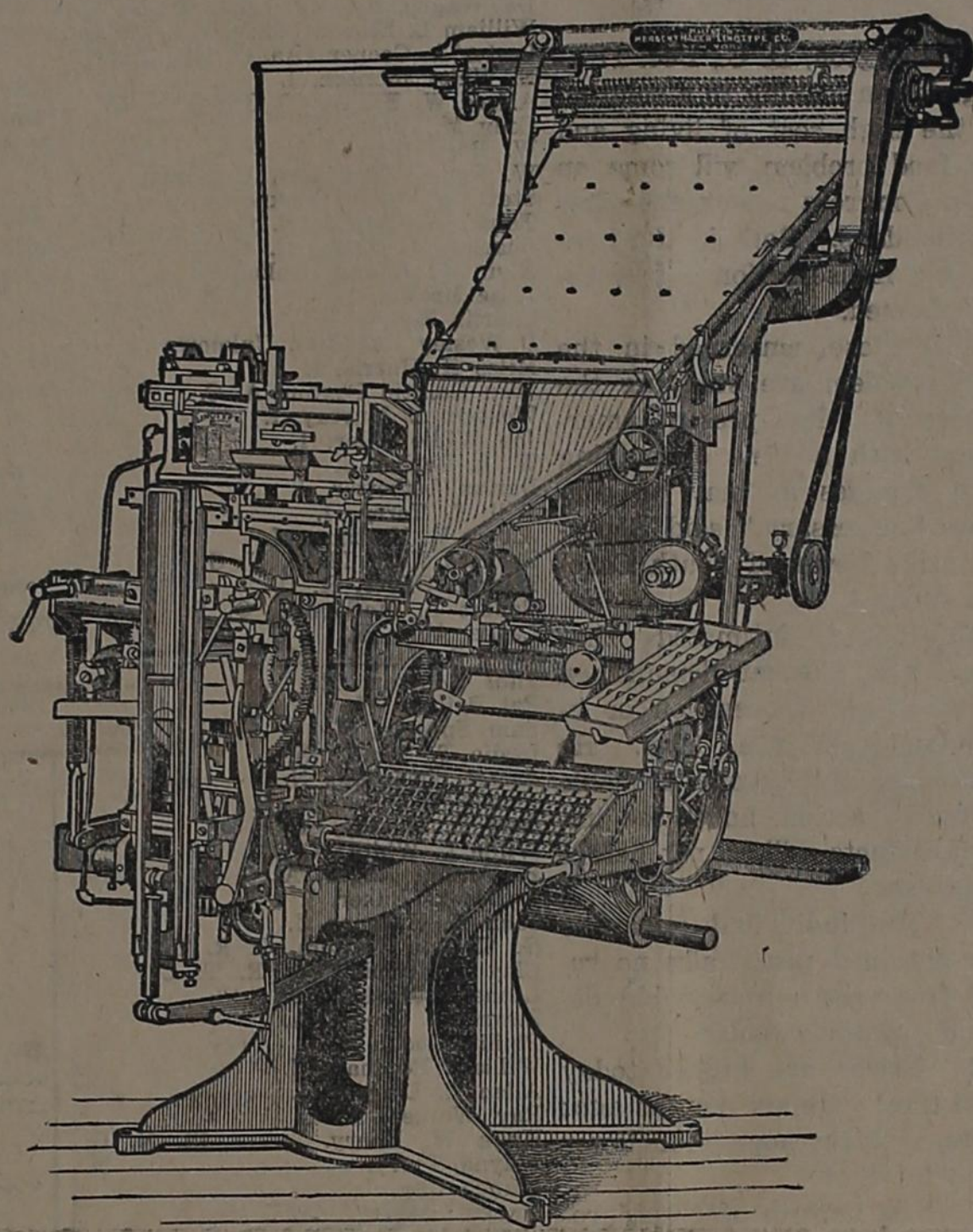
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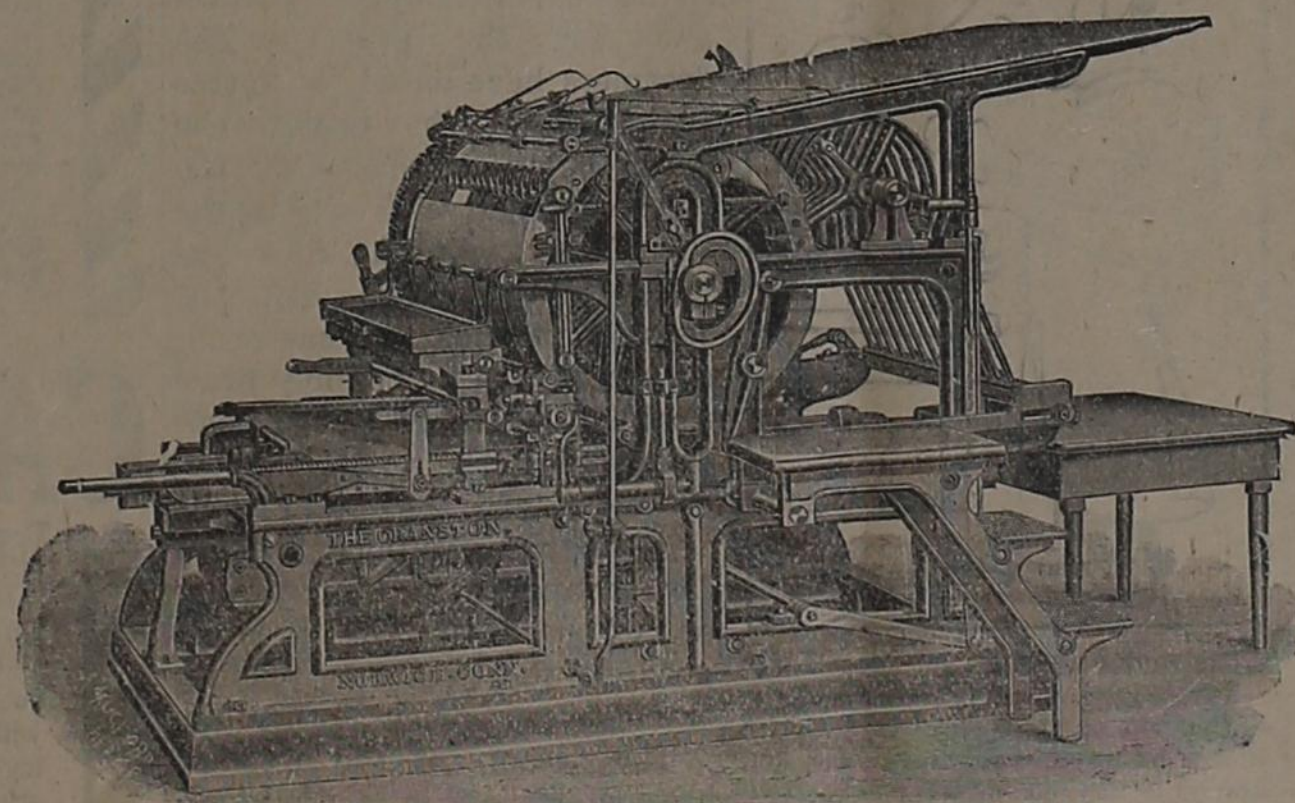
Wishes for the New Year

That old Jupiter Pluvius will put in an order, for immediate delivery, a regular gully-washer and trash-moving rain and that it may come with the dawning of the New Year.

That the Producers may realize as handsome a price for their products as they did in 1917.

That all our Patrons may have a Happy and Prosperous year during 1918

That we may retain all our friends, and add new ones the coming year.



PACKING AND MARKETING OF COTTON

A STUDY OF THE PRESENT WASTEFUL METHODS AND CERTAIN SUGGESTIONS FOR THEIR IMPROVEMENT

(By John M. Carson, Commercial Agent of Bureau of Commerce and Labor.)

[Editor's Note.—There will be printed three installments of this question under the headings "Present Methods," "A Proposed System" and "Classifying and Grading." If you want to get valuable information on this subject read these articles as they deal with this important question in a practical and businesslike manner by a man who has had experience in the cotton business.]

A PROPOSED SYSTEM

The foregoing grades constitute what is known as white cotton. Following are the "tinged" and "stained" grades, the basis being middling, 12 cents per pound, as in the former table:

Strict good middling	
tinged	*43 *\$2.15
Good middling tinged (same as middling)	
Strict middling	
tinged	-15 - .75
Middling tinged	-30 -1.50
Strict low middling	
tinged	-80 -4.00
Low middling	
tinged	-100 -5.00
Middling stained	-90 -4.50

Under the rules of the New York Cotton Exchange delivery of cotton purchased for future delivery may be made at seller's option on three days' notice to buyer. Delivery of any grade may be made from good ordinary (white) to fair, inclusive; and if tinged, not below middling tinged; if stained, not below middling stained. The price is for middling with additions or reductions for other grades according to the rates existing on the afternoon of the day previous to the date of delivery.

Liverpool classification for middling and all grades above is about one-fourth grade lower than New York classification, and for grades below middling one-fourth to one-half grade higher than New York.

Government Types.

The nine types selected by the Department of Agriculture beginning with the highest, are Fair, strict good middling, good middling, strict middling, (basis), strict low middling, low middling, strict good ordinary, and good ordinary. These types were established by a committee of experts in accordance with the act of Congress providing for the work, and as explained in another part of this report, are generally accepted by those actively engaged in the buying and selling of cotton.

They are not intended to determine length, strength, and fineness of staple, but to determine color and cleanliness of the cotton. They have special value in making comparisons to decide types, and are used much in the same manner as samples of fabrics are employed in "matching." Objection is made that while these Government types have value in determining the general quality of cotton grown in the section from which the standard types were taken, they can not be used with accuracy in classifying cotton grown in other sections.

The confusion in standards of various markets is shown in the following statement from a North Carolina merchant which, it should be mentioned, was made before the Government types were selected:

Cotton from different sections represents different values. For instance, middling cotton from Mississippi is given preference over middling cotton from Georgia, and middling cotton from Georgia will bring a higher price than middling cotton from North Carolina. That is owing not only to a difference in staple but in the general character of the cotton—what we call the "body" of the cotton. The Mississippi cotton, for instance, has the heaviest

body and the strongest fiber of the cotton of any State east of the Mississippi River, unless it be Louisiana. Georgia cotton has about the same body as Carolina cotton, but better staple. But the grade of the cotton is not determined by the staple nor the body of the cotton, but by its character as to cleanliness and color.

Cotton Required By Manufacturers.

Each manufacturer requires a certain grade and type of cotton to produce his particular class of goods. When a manufacturer makes a small range in numbers of yarn, or is confined to one or two different grades of fabrics, only one grade of cotton will be needed. When, however, a manufacturer makes a wide range of yarns and fabrics, different grades of cotton are frequently used. In the first case it will be necessary for the manufacturer to have as nearly as possible even-running bales. To have a mixture of cotton—that is, to mix the longer with the shorter staple—would cause a considerable amount of trouble, particularly if the cotton should be mixed together. Any mixing of long and short staple would mean a loss of production with an additional amount of waste in the making of yarns. This occurs in mills where the mixing of cotton does not receive the particular attention which should be given it. Inability to mix and successfully spin cotton of different grades and lengths is due to the fact that the rolls in the different machines which have to draw out the cotton into thread travel at different speeds, the back roll traveling slower than the front roll. These rolls are also set a certain distance apart, according to the length of the staple. If the rolls should be set to spin 1-inch cotton and 1 1/4-inch should be used, the rolls would break the fibers, and this would have a bad effect in the making of yarn. On the other hand, if the rolls should be set for 1 1/4 inch and seven-eighths or 1 inch cotton should be used, many fibers would drop between the rolls and in this way there would be much waste and loss. Where the manufacturer makes a wide range of yarns and fabrics, such a mixing of cottons of extreme different lengths is almost unheard of. Therefore, should the manufacturer get different grades in any lot of cotton, the bales would be separated according to grade, and used according to the staple required for a certain yarn or fabric.

Lesson From The Figures

The foregoing brief outline of the methods that obtain in classification and grading of cotton will convey an idea of the intricacies of the system and of the difficulties that confront the ordinary farmer in seeking to obtain a fair and proper price for his product. It has been pertinently said that in the South "cotton is bought, not sold." The expert buyer, familiar with the relative value of grades, decides upon the quality of the cotton offered and the farmer often has no means of ascertaining the correctness of the buyer's judgment.

ment. As may be seen from the foregoing table, which is given to illustrate the different values of the various grades according to the classification and grades established by the New York exchange for the period stated, the difference in a single grade above middling may have a money value of \$2.80 per bale, and if the difference should be two grades "on" the money value may be \$6.50 per bale.

FOOD LEGISLATION AFTER THE RECESS IS PROMISE NOW

Congress Is Planning to Make Some Effort to Solve the High Cost of Living Problem and Relieve the Individual Consumer.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Legislation looking to a solution of the high cost of living and the food problem will come up when Congress reconvenes after the holidays. Both in the Senate and House action is now being planned.

"All those concerned in the food problem are studying the phases of the present emergency with a view of making such changes as may be considered necessary," said Representative Lever of South Carolina today.

Mr. Lever intimated that there was a great demand on all sides for a revision or amendment of the laws. He would not outline any probable course of action, but these important facts will be put before Congress:

1. The individual consumer has obtained practically no relief from the unreasonable demands of the retailers.
2. Prices are higher today than they were six months ago; there is little hope for lower costs in sight.
3. The margin of great profit, cut off from the broker and middleman by law, is now going to the retail dealer.
4. In some cities retailers are making from 50 to 100 per cent on their stocks.
5. The food manufacturers and canners are obtaining from 8 to 15 per cent margin on profits. Their desire for high prices have been almost eliminated by law and the watch of the Food Administration.

THE HANDY MAN



The Handy Man has got himself into a Fine Fix. When first married, he started out to Show The Wife what a Slicker he was around the House, and now he is Elected to Everything, from swabbing the Dishes to putting out the Wash. His Specialty is giving Advice to young Bachelors.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Williams of Fort Stockton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Kirk during the holidays.

Miss Lucy Rector is visiting in Lampasas this week.

Mrs. Mary F. Bass of Brownwood was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Bass on Christmas day.

Miss Ruth Russell spent Christmas in San Antonio.

VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

The Star desires to print the names and service of each one of the San Saba boys who has entered the service. If there is anyone who knows of a volunteer from this county whose name does not appear in the following list, they will confer a favor on us if they will send in such name and service, so we can print a complete roster of the volunteers from San Saba county. The list will be printed for several weeks in order that all may see it and no one serving at the front will be overlooked.

- Men who have lived in San Saba, who are in some branch of the United States Army or Navy as volunteers:
- Capt. Richard C. Burleson, F. A.
 - Capt. R. Burney Braley, O. R. C., I.
 - Lieut. Wiley B. Murray, O. R. C., I.
 - Lieut. Joseph J. Brown, O. R. C., C.A.
 - Lieut. Harry Harber, F. H. C.
 - Lieut. James Greer Harrell, A.
 - Foy E. Whitt, I.
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 - Lindley P. Greer, I.
 - Ira N. King, I.
 - Bryan H. Scott, H. C.
 - Allen Vanderhider, A.
 - Gilbert Vanderhider, I.
 - Voyage Spears, I.
 - De Wayne Beasley (M.), T. N. G.
 - William L. Ellison (Chief M.), T.N.G.
 - Lester A. Cooper (As. C. M.), T.N.G.
 - E. Whitt Johnson, I.
 - Alfred W. Hibler, (S. C.), T. N. G.
 - Cody M. Hibler, I.
 - W. Boyd Linn, I.
 - W. Ernest Grumbles, Unknown.
 - Steve Wells, Jr., Unknown.
 - Edwin A. Trimm, E. C.
 - Charles M. Green, E. C.
 - Alvin A. Rowell, Unknown.
 - Jesse Brown, A.
 - Charlie Ballaw, A.
 - D Wesley Hagsdale, Unknown
 - Miles H. Harris, I.
 - John Gallatin Paxton, A. C.
 - Western L. Murray, I.
 - Joe Willie Eiler, I.
 - W. L. Barber, I.
 - Darius Letbetter, I.
 - Will T. Terry, I.
 - Albert V. Mortimer, I.
 - Bernard Hart, Idaho, N. G.
 - Murray Oliver, H. C.
 - Robert L. McConnell, Q. D.
 - Leslie Able, N.
 - Fred S. Feisker, M.
 - Paul Sullivan, M.
 - Pal Ballard, N.
 - Sam Speegle, N.
 - Leslie T. Bomar, N.
 - Albert Shoemaker, N.
 - Frank H. Flack, A. C.
 - Bert V. Massey, A. C.
 - Willie L. White, A. C.
 - P. Vernon Magill, A. C.
 - J. Brooks Baker, I.
 - John H. Haltmar, I.
 - G. Clayton Walters, O. R. T. C.
 - Clay Kuykendall, O. R. T. C.
 - Leonard Mitchell, N.
 - Lawrence Gregg, A.
 - Phillip Cook, N.
 - William Beckham, I.
 - Allen L. Lindsey, I.
 - Ray Walker, A. C.
 - Hugh W. Henry, I.
 - Wayne Terry, I.
 - Claude Gay, I.
 - Marvin Bagley, Artillery.
 - Tom Bagley, A.
 - Eugene Long, N.
 - Tim Frank Estep, I.
 - Graves Burke, N.
 - William Wesley Dempsey, N. G.
 - Steve Ballew, Aviation Corps.
 - Zack Wells, Aviation Corps.
 - T. E. Thorpe, Aviation Corps.
 - Brock Ashby, Aviation Corps.
 - Virgil Haggard, Commissary
- N. B.—The abbreviations used in the preceding are: N., Navy, M., Marine Corps; I., Infantry; A. C., Aviation Corps; N. G., National Guard; F. A., F. A. and A., Field, Coast, Artillery and Artillery, respectively; H. C., Hospital Corps; E. C., Engineers Corps; O. R. T. C., Officers Reserve Training Camp; O. R. C., Officers Reserve Corps.

Government Ownership.

The dream of the idealist has been that all things used in common by all the people and for all the people should be owned and operated by the government for the people. The dreamers have dared to express such theories in books, the books being purchased by the people and marveled over by the thoughtful. As the idea has taken firmer hold upon the sense of the masses it has seemed not only to be possibly practical but probably so, as demonstrated in the post office department of the government and other institutions not so far advanced in the working out of the dream of greatest good to the greatest number through government ownership.

The dream of the dreamer has materialized in fact gradually for years and years until the most skeptical is hardly prepared to raise serious objection to further advance into its realization. So much so that there is no ripple of wonder when the government takes over the control of the railroads. control that will never return to the several controlling organizations as it was before the dawning of the twenty-eight day of December, anno domini nineteen hundred and seventeen. The dream of the dreamer has blossomed into fruition and we have government control of railroads in the degree just one re-

move from ownership. The system is under the supervision of William G. McAdoo, the man who has given us the regional reserve bank and the federal land bank, the two being the longest advance ever made in this country in the business of giving the financial power of the government into the hands of the people rather than into the hands of the money kings. The railroad system is in good hands. We must confidently anticipate the best of results from its operation. We must rejoice that the problem of handling the railroads has been removed from our war calculations and that we are nearer a victory for all the people now that this great problem is shelved into a place where it can wait.—Temple Telegram.

FURNITURE FOR SALE

Several articles of household furniture for sale at a bargain. Apply at this office or phone 154.

Every boy longs to be 21 so he will be his own boss and do just as he pleases. And when he reaches that age the bland fool goes and gets married and fails to realize his ambition.

Pay less and get the best at Ashby's New Cash Store.

See Ashby before you sell your pecans; he wants them.

KNOWS WHAT TO EXPECT



The Tired Fisherman has a Fine String of Fish. Yet he does not look Happy, for he knows that when he Gets to Town, the Fellows will ask, "Where did you Buy them?" and he will have to Goin Sheepishly, whereas he would like to Wallop them Fore and Aft with his string of Finny Beattles.

Reasons!

Why you should use Cardui, the woman's tonic, for your troubles, have been shown in thousands of letters from actual users of this medicine, who speak from personal experience. If the results obtained by other women for so many years have been so uniformly good, why not give Cardui a trial?

Take

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

Mrs. Mary J. Irvin, of Cullen, Va., writes: "About 11 years ago, I suffered untold misery with female trouble, bearing-down pains, headache, numbness . . . I would go for three weeks almost bent double . . . My husband went to Dr. . . for Cardui . . . After taking about two bottles I began going around and when I took three bottles I could do all my work." E-80

Flashlights and batteries at the Corner Drug Store.

If you owe us, we are still patiently waiting for you to come in and settle your account. —Biggs & Clark.

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LAND LOANS 5 1/2 PER CENT

The appraiser for the Federal Land Bank will visit this county within the next few days. See me at once and fill out your application if you want this cheap money. Interest at 5 1/2 per cent. No commission.—San Saba National Farm Loan Association, Knight Rector, Jr., Secretary.

We are still buying pecans.
J. W. McConnel & Sons.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds and croup but is also pleasant and safe to take, which is important when medicine must be given to children. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement.

8 Per Cent Money

Let us make you a 10 year loan with optional payments. Land will double in value before your loan matures.—WALTERS & BAKER.

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Fresh Meats

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Everything neat and clean

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Fees do not include subscription to The San Saba Star.

Cottonseed

Pure Mebane cottonseed direct from the originator.—Frizzell & Taff.

I am in the market for pecans so don't fail to see me.—Will Ashby.

The Truth About Cancer. A new book giving a most comprehensive explanation of cancer and its successful treatment without the knife is offered for free distribution by a medical institution of national prominence. Send for your copy today. Address, O. A. Johnson, M. D., Suite 560, 1320 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.—Advt.

We are headquarters for the best coffee.—Will Ashby.

ATTENTION, REGISTRANTS!

State of Texas Adjutant General's Department, Austin, 30 November, 1917.

From the Adjutant General, State of Texas, to District Boards and Local Boards. Subject: Change of address of registrants.

1. The following telegram from the office of the Provost Marshal General, addressed to the Governor, has just been received: Please cause the broadest and most extensive and continuous possible publicity to be given through the Adjutant General, Local and District Boards, the newspapers and by all other possible means of warning to all registrants who may have changed their places of abode and post office address to communicate immediately with their local boards where they are registered and furnish their present address so that Questionnaires which will begin to be mailed December 15th, will reach such registrants without delay. Registrants are bound by law to keep themselves advised of all proceedings in respect of them and failure to do so may result in their losing the right to claim exemption or discharges. Please request newspapers to give this warning broad and continuous publication from this time until the process of mailing the Questionnaires has been accomplished.

2. Please place this advice with all representatives of the press in your locality with the request that the same be given as much publicity as possible. JOHN C. TOWNES, Jr., Major of Infantry, Supervisor of Selective Service Law in Texas.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE RED CROSS IS TRUE PATRIOTISM

REAL SERVICE TO NATION AND HER FIGHTERS AWAITS ALL LOYAL CITIZENS.

SACRIFICES BEFORE VICTORY

Cheer and Comfort for Boys "Over There" and Succor for Families Here is Organization's Aim.

Americanism, 100 per cent true, means membership in the American Red Cross.

This great organization, which stands for humanity the world over and succor to all races and creeds, now is face to face with its greatest task—backing up the army and navy of these United States in a titanic struggle to make the universe safe for democracy.

In its Christmas membership drive for 2,000,000 new members in the Southwest division, comprising the states of Missouri, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, the American Red Cross appeals not for charity, but for patriotism of an undivided people.

Aid for America's Sons. Up to the present time the Red Cross has gone to the front for all peoples combatting a ruthless autocracy unprecedented in the annals of mankind. Today it is engaged in recruiting its wonderful resources to aid the millions of men America is assembling for the decisive battle in the trenches, in the air and on the seas.

"Charity begins at home" is a time-worn, trite axiom. But, brought up to date, it finds a real meaning in the support for this country's fighters and those they leave behind.

The millions who find protection under the Stars and Stripes are now offered an opportunity to do real service to the nation and the boys who will fight for them against the evil which menaces the very foundation of this free government.

Service is Awaiting All. The War Council of the American Red Cross has decided that a great national purpose will be served by having membership in the Red Cross almost as universal as citizenship.

Although pledged as a nation to the national purpose during this crisis, it will not be granted to a large percentage of American men, women and children to play a part in the fighting branch of our country's service. All, however, can be identified, through membership in the Red Cross, which in this case, when entire nations are organized for warfare, is big enough and strong enough to carry some of the burden for our soldiers, for our sailors and our allies.

America's struggle is one of Men, Money, Material and Mercy. Men supply the military force. Money represents the means by which the army and navy are supplied. Material consists of guns, ammunition, uniforms and supplies. Mercy—the Red Cross.

Morale Vital Factor.

Comfort kits, sweaters, wristlets and bandages go far in promoting the welfare of Uncle Sam's fighters, but the greatest stimulant to the army's morale is concrete evidence of American citizenship's unity by an addition of 2,000,000 members to the American Red Cross in the Southwest by Christmas Eve.

No sacrifice an American can make here at home can compensate the father, son or brother menaced by all the perils of warfare in the trenches abroad.

Lack of proper morale has, without doubt, been largely responsible for the collapse of Russia and the crumbling of Italy's forces. No man can throw himself wholeheartedly into the business of war when devoured by the most acute anxiety as to the welfare of his loved ones at home.

More than 5,000,000 men and women already have enlisted in the ranks of the American Red Cross to minister relief to the maimed and suffering and to carry cheer and comfort to America's army and navy. In camp and cantonment, amid the roar of battle, the standard of the Red Cross challenges all forces of destruction.

Patriotism is calling to Americans to range themselves with their dollars, service and encouragement behind the men in khaki who are going forth to die, if need be, in their defense.

MAKE THIS A RED CROSS CHRISTMAS

It is our first Christmas in the war. Millions of our men are away from their homes, in the trenches and on the sea. It is our hope that on Christmas eve all members will light Christmas candles and place them in their windows behind their Red Cross service flags. Through this simple ceremony we shall express the close union of the Christmas spirit of service with our Red Cross symbol of mercy.

AMERICAN RED CROSS.

YOU AND I AND NOW AND THEN

By Orin R. Colle, St. Louis, Mo.

One of these days there will come from "over there" a casualty list of American soldiers that will eat into your soul and my soul. Many of the boys who went "over there" to protect your honor and my honor and your freedom and my freedom will be on the list of dead. They will have given up their lives, even as the Man of Galilee, for you and for me.

NOW, and not THEN, you and I should ask ourselves, "Are we doing EVERYTHING we can to help the Army which is back of the Army?" The Army Back of the Army is the great American Red Cross. The Red Cross is one of the biggest agencies for winning the war for the Allies. We are going to win the war, of course. But when? NOW is the time to consider that question, too. NOW is the time for you and for me to do EVERYTHING WE CAN for the government of the United States and for the rest of the Allies. And we ought to go to the depths of our hearts for the answer to the question: "Are we doing ALL we can?"

The American Red Cross is the very backbone of the American expeditionary forces. It cares for the soldier's family while he is away, if the family needs care; it cares for the soldier himself, both on the way to the battlefields and after he arrives there; the great American Red Cross MAKES the MORALE of not only the American forces overseas but the forces of the other Allies as well. We are going to win the war, yes, but we are not going to win it without the support of the American Red Cross.

And so, as I said before, one of these days we are going to get our first big casualty list from "over there," and your boy or your neighbor's boy will be one of the dead. THEN, with tears in our eyes and lumps in our throats, realizing at last that the boys "over there" have made the Supreme Sacrifice, realizing that they gave us LIFE by embracing DEATH, then—THEN—But THEN will be TOO LATE. What about NOW? This is OUR hour to act; this is our hour to rally around the Red Cross; this is our hour to join that greatest of all great humanitarian organizations; this is our hour to help make a success of the Christmas membership campaign which has for its purpose the enlistment of 10,000,000 new members by Christmas eve; this is our hour to take to our hearts the Red Cross flag, the flag which stands not only for relief, not only for the care of OUR boys "over there," but also for the MORALE which is necessary for winning the war.

If YOU and I do not belong to the Red Cross we are prolonging the suffering of our boys in France, because we are prolonging the war itself.

Christmas day there will be flashed to the battlefields the inspiring message that 15,000,000 American men and women have joined the American Red Cross and have signified by that action that they are going to back up our boys in the trenches until the shot shall have been fired that will mean that the world has been saved for democracy!

Let us act NOW, not THEN, you and I.

RED CROSS TO PREPARE CLOTHING FOR INFANTS

To help relieve the worries of fathers at the front or in the armed forces preparing to proceed there, the American Red Cross, which opens its Christmas membership drive Monday, Dec. 17, continuing until Christmas eve, is planning to provide every mother who may need it with an infant's layette. The Woman's Bureau has published a leaflet, available at every Red Cross chapter, describing this simple outfit of warm baby clothes.

The Red Cross is anxious that these baby clothes be made by women working at home instead of in the chapter workrooms.

Members of the Junior Red Cross, little girls in the grammar grade sewing classes, have offered to help with the baby clothes, and many women in the rural districts will find these simple contributions to the winning of the great war and the comforting of motherhood and childhood.

WOMAN WORKER IN ALASKA RAISES FUNDS FOR RELIEF

The American Red Cross has received a remittance and the following letter from a woman in a town in Alaska:

"I am sending you a money order for the amount of \$36.50, to be used for the Red Cross. I collected it from the men on two Tin Dredges here in the summer. I am the only white woman here and my nearest Nabor (white woman) are 50 miles from here. I have been here 10 years, without been outside, but tried to do my best to do my bit for our boys in this awful war." I had only two refusals, so consider myself lucky, and a little bit proud. Please let me know when you receive it."

SPECIAL WAR GIFTS

Announcement is made by the Town and County Nursing Service of the American Red Cross of a series of public health nursing scholarships, donated by chapters and individuals special war gifts.

Stock Selling Scheme

IN a few days a stock peddler will call on you. Watch out for him. He will try to unload on you some stock in a queer corporation. The corporation is called the American Red Cross, and he'll tackle you for a membership. The price is small; only a dollar or such a matter. And he will tell you in his oily tongue about the dividends.

But don't you be fooled! There will be no dividends except in brotherhood, and if you get into the corporation you will be stuck for assessments. Lord, Man, the assessments will come in thick and fast before this war is over. Your heart will be wrung time and again by the need of our soldiers; by the disease and famine in the families of our soldiers; by the disease and famine in Europe. And while, of course, the assessments are voluntary, they will come and come and come. And you will have your choice—meet them or harden your heart. If you meet them your life will grow. Deny them and your bank account will grow. Take your choice. Deny them or pass them. The assessments are before you, and if you buy stock in this corporation your whole life's destiny will hinge upon the way you handle that stock.

And it is a curious stock in this: The dividends, as hereinbefore stated, are in human brotherhood. From all over the earth, wherever men and women and children are in want and misery, at home, in France, in Italy, in England—even in Russia—will come to America during this war, and forever after this war, the deep, sweet abiding gratitude of those whom we have saved and succored. We are feeding the starving through this corporation, and they will not forget it, nor their children's children. We are healing the sick—the tubercular, the undernourished—covered with sores and filth. We are housing the homeless in the devastated area of Belgium and France and Italy, and the agents of this corporation are gathering up the good will of humanity in bales and shiploads and are pouring it back into America.

Now, don't you want your share? Don't you want some of these dividends? In other ages when peace shall come permanently to this world—shall come because America sowed in this great war the seeds of good will, where Germany sowed the dragon's teeth of hate—men too old to fight, and women who could not go into battle, will say, "I was a member of the Red Cross. Here is my membership. It is a certificate from the herald's college of my nobility. You children and all of yours for generations may know that in the great Peace Corporation, I was an investor. I drew my dividends in brotherhood. I paid the assessments that came from my heart. I am proud that I joined."

In a few days the stock peddler will call on you. Watch out for him. He will try to sell you something that will make you bigger and better and kinder; something that will sting you for dividends, something that will make you or break you in the real game of life.

Watch out for that stock seller. Don't let him fool you. If you become a stockholder in his corporation, it will cost you your heart's best aspirations, your mind's best plans, and much—exceedingly much—of the work of your hands. And all you will get out of it is your country's everlasting glory and your own soul's comfort and content. So, when that stock peddler comes around—beware. Don't let him fool you.

RED CROSS SAVES U.S. MAN-POWER BY WORK AT FRONT

RESTORATION OF WOUNDED ALIES CONSERVES LIVES OF SO MANY AMERICAN SOLDIERS.

BROTHERHOOD BIG WAR ANGLE

Money Not Sole Need, but Absolute Pledge of Personal Loyalty and Co-Operation is Required.

Every man, woman or child who, out of his own heart, gives to support the American Red Cross by enlisting as a member in its ranks is helping America to win the war from an angle of attack that is new in modern war.

It is the angle of brotherhood. It stiffens the courage of the civilians. It puts hearts into our soldiers by the comforting knowledge that their home affairs are going well.

President Wilson's Red Cross Christmas Proclamation

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES:

TEN MILLION AMERICANS are invited to join the American Red Cross during the week ending with Christmas Eve. The times require that every branch of our great national effort shall be loyally upheld and it is peculiarly fitting that at the Christmas Season the Red Cross should be the branch through which your willingness to help is expressed.

You should join the American Red Cross because it alone can carry the pledges of Christmas good-will to those who are bearing for us the real burdens of the world war both in our own Army and Navy and in the nations upon whose territory the issues of the world are being fought out. Your evidence of faith in this work is necessary for their heartening and cheer.

You should join the Red Cross because this arm of the National Service is steadily and efficiently maintaining its overseas relief in every suffering land, administering our millions wisely and well, and awakening the gratitude of every people.

Our consciences will not let us enjoy the Christmas Season if this pledge of support to our cause and the world's weal is left unfulfilled. Red Cross membership is the Christmas spirit in terms of action.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON, President of the American Red Cross.

GEO. W. BROOKS Livery Stable.

GOOD FRESH TEAMS—RING US DAY OR NIGHT. TRANSFER LINE IN CONNECTION.

WE MEET EVERY TRAIN,

Miss Annie Ruth Gray is the guest of Miss Victoria Mathews house-party in Austin this week.

Miss Lucile Russell left Saturday for Colorado where she is teaching this year.

LODGE DIRECTORY

San Saba Lodge A. F. and A. M.

Regular Meeting Saturday night on or before each Full Moon. W. H. Hinyard, W. M. T. A. Gose, Secretary.

Alpha Lodge No. 204. I. O. O. F.

Meets every Thursday evening at Odd Fellows Hall. All sojourning brethren are cordially invited to meet with us. J. N. Estep, N. G. Jno. H. Moore, R-S M. G. Estep, V. G. Jno. Seiders, P-S

Chamberlain's Tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation, and have met with much success in the treatment of these diseases. People who have suffered for years with stomach trouble and have been unable to obtain any permanent relief, have been completely cured by the use of these tablets. Chamberlain's Tablets are also of great value for biliousness. Chronic constipation may be permanently cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and observing the plain printed directions with each bottle.

Sheet Iron for Sale. I am selling the sheet iron of the warehouse, and if you need any iron for barns or sheds you will make money by calling on me and getting the prices I am offering.—G. M. Gunter, Manager, F. U. Gin and W. H. Co.

Fresh Graham flour.—W. R. Harris.

Flashlights and batteries at the Corner Drug Store.

Notice to Registrants. The Local Legal Advisory board for San Saba, composed of E. L. Rector, J. H. Baker and N. C. Walker, has been organized and sworn in. They have appointed the following assistants on said advisory Board, to-wit:

W. V. Dean, J. K. Rector, Jr., John Seiders, G. H. Hagan, Emmett, Kelley, Arch Woods, John H. Moore, E. E. Fagg.

Registrants who are furnished with Questionnaires by the Local Board of San Saba will call at the office of that Board in the east room of the Murray building over Simmons Drug Store, and said Board will direct them to a certain member of the Legal Advisory Board, on whom they can call for assistance in answering the questions in the Questionnaire.

This business will not be taken up by the Legal Advisory board until half past one o'clock each day.

At the Chocolate Shop.

You can get the best chili, ham and eggs, steak and eggs, oysters in any style. A nice clean warm place for ladies to eat. Open day and night.

At the Chocolate shop you will find a nice line of fireworks.

If it is jewelry you want, I have a nice line and am selling cheaper than you ever bought it in your life. Every piece guaranteed. I have lots of nice diamonds; now is your time to get one.

Gasoline Engines.

While two gasoline engines are entirely too many for one man, circumstances has so decreed that we have two on hand and we want to divide responsibilities with someone needing an engine and will sell them one or both. These engines are the very thing to pump water and can be bought at a bargain. Call at the Star office and inspect them.

Wishing You a Happy New Year

Our business has been very pleasant the past year. Here's hoping that we will make 1918 more so. Thanking you for your patronage in the past and soliciting a liberal share of it for 1918, and wishing you all a **HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**, I am yours for a better business.

W.R. Harris

Mrs. Willie B. Henry is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Allison.

Wildbahn Martin is spending his vacation with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jno. H. Martin.

Mrs. Ida Wyatt of Ft. Smith Ark. is a guest in the home of her brother Mr. Frank Hardister.

Don't let your not or account run over Jan. 1st.—W. R. Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller and family left Thursday for Kerrville to visit their daughter, Miss Annie.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Avery spent the holidays in the home of their parents Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Rimmer.

Mrs. L. V. Riley and daughter Miss Nancy and son T. J. of Georgetown are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Riley.

Mrs. Bob Halcomb of Lampasas was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Sullivan on Christmas day.

Have you paid your account? We have notified you if you haven't. Please don't disappoint us again.—Biggs & Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Burleson had as their Christmas guests the following members of their family: Capt. Richard Burleson of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Burleson of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Burleson of Waco, and Mrs. Worth Price and son of Waco.

St. Luke's Church
Service Monday 7:30 p. m. by the Rev. John Power. L. L. D.

A Delightful Reception.

Mrs. Jno. H. Martin and daughters gave a reception Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 in honor of their guests the Misses Wilbarger of Bastrop.

Mrs. Martin received the guests in her own pleasant manner and ushered them into the parlor where Miss Ann Martin assisted by the following ladies formed the receiving line, Miss Lee Wilbarger, Miss Annette Moore, Miss Iva Wilbarger, Mrs. T. A. Murray, Miss Liles, Mrs. Pliny Taylor, and Miss Lucile Russell. The beautiful Martin home with its gracious hostess, the sparkling fire in the open grate and the profusion of pot plants in full bloom, intermingled with beautiful ferns, gave a pleasing setting with the soft glow of numerous lights reflecting upon the many lovely gowned maids and matrons who called during the afternoon. The ladies in the receiving line tried to excell each other in loveliness. The dining table was magnificent with a center piece of pink and white carnations, and was presided over by Mrs. F. A. Bass and Miss Carrie Sanderson, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Kirkpatrick and Miss Dorothy Woods. These two young ladies looked charming in their flimsy evening frocks, as they served a dainty salad course to the guests. After a pleasant meeting of friends and many good wishes of the seasons greeting the guests departed wishing the hostesses and their charming guests a most happy New Year.

Lampasas society people were well represented at the Club dance during the week. The latching is always on the outside, and we want you to come again.

San Saba Club.
The members of the San Saba club gave two delightful dances during the week, these social functions are always much enjoyed by the San Saba society and dancing folk. Our younger set is bubbling over with life and merriment and a few hours of graceful movements to the rythm of fantastic music will do a whole lot to bring them back to earth. There is a season for all things, and we hope that there are still young people who are cleanminded enough to enjoy the dance as innocently as they can enjoy their New Years dinner.

Lives of Babies and the Scale of Wages

The chance of life of a baby grows appallingly less as the father's earnings grow smaller. This is shown in the results of the investigations of the children's bureau made public in its fifth annual report.

The bureau's studies of infant mortality were made among 13,000 babies in eight American cities—Johnstown, Pa., Montclair, N. J., Manchester, N. H., Brockton, Mass., Saginaw, Mich., New Bedford, Mass., Waterbury, Conn., and Akron, Ohio. One-fourth of all the fathers earned less than \$550 a year; in these families every sixth baby died. Only about one-eighth of the fathers earned \$1050 or more; of their babies only 1 in 16 died. The rise of prices and the disorganization of social and industrial life with the war accentuate the importance of this persistent relation of income to infant mortality.

These studies show that to provide mothers' care and decent home conditions, the fathers must have adequate income. In Manchester, N. H. nearly three-fourths of the mothers whose husbands earned less than \$450 a year were gainfully employed; only about a tenth when the husband's wage was \$1050 or over. The babies of mothers who went out to work died at more than twice the rate of more fortunate children.

San Saba's society was well represented at the dinner and dance given at the Don Carlos at Llano Tuesday night. They all report a lovely trip, and the dinner at midnight could not be excelled.

We Auto Feel Good and We Do!!

Business is fine, thanks!!
To those who have helped make business good and to those who didn't but auto, and may, we wish

A Merry Christmas and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

S. Z. PARK, R. C. BOWEN.
General Manager. Shop Manager
SERVICE GARAGE
The Place for Service.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL—

To those who use our Products and those who will sometime become users, we extend the compliments of the season, and thank you for your patronage and your good will.

SAN SABA MILL & ELEVATOR CO.

Texas Farmers Ask Federal Land Bank for \$23,347,139.51

Indicative of the manner in which the farmers of Texas have responded to the advent of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, a total of \$23,347,139.51 had been asked in loans from that bank up to Decemebr 15, according to a report made Wednesday to the board of directions in session here by T. J. Caldwell, secretary of the bank. Of this volume of loans sought, applications for \$1,233,167.37 were made during the first half of the month.

Applications for loans have been approved by the loan committee of the board in the sum of \$12,653,975.66, subject to the approval of the abstracts of title to the farms on which the loans are sought. For the first half of this month the approval of the com ittee was given to applications in the sum of \$1,165,443.70. Loans actually closed by the bank during the first half of the month amounted to \$405,063, while the total volume of loans closed to December 15 amounted to \$1,550,408.70.

Loans in excess of \$53,000 were closed by the bank Wednesday morning, being distributed as follows: Taylor \$3500, \$2400, \$9900 and \$4250; Burnet, \$480; Glen Rose, \$800; Iredell, \$5250; Tyler, \$675; Garrison, \$625; Garwood, \$2000; Devine, \$3700 and \$1000; Albany, \$2500; Eldorado, \$2360; Bay City, \$2000; Lyford, \$750; Cisco, \$2000; Floresville, \$3000; Corsicana, \$6000.—The Houston Chronicle.

THE MODEL BAKERY

Desires to express its appreciation to its friends for their liberal patronage and to also wish for all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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N. L. Schnabel

Dinner Nets \$45 for Red Cross
Menard, Texas, Dec. 24.—The Red Cross of Menard county served dinner at the W. B. Ellis ranch, the receipts amounting to \$45. There are 700 Red Cross members in the county and great interest is being taken in the work.

Miss Vera Dean left Friday to spend the weeks end with her friend Miss Eloise Anderson of Goldthwaite.

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Stomach Trouble and Constipation.
Those who are afflicte dwith stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.

Mr. F. M. Carson left Saturday for an extended visit to his daughter Mrs. W. A. Dickerson of Dublin. The Star will keep him posted on home news during his absence.

Tim Frank Estep is here from Camp Crockett, he is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Estep.

Miss Bessie Sullivan of San Antonio is spending her vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Sullivan.

Miss Carrie Beveridge of Llano spent christmas with homefolks.

Oscar Gray of Cherokee was here this week on business.

This is an order on the future for
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The Jeweler.

Prof. and Mrs. Otis Graham and little son of Cherokee were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Halden Christmas day.

John Edwards a student of A. and M. college spent his vacation with his parents Mr. Mrs. F. F. Edwards.

SOLDIERS TOBACCO FUND GROWING

The Star's "Soldiers' Tobacco Fund" is growing. If you want to add your bit to the pleasure of our boys in Europe, hand in your amounts and they will be forwarded. The following have contributed:

- The San Saba Star25c
- W. M. Johnson25c
- Harry Arhelger25c
- Jack Cravy25c
- R. W. Burleson25c
- John Seiders25c
- Geo. Gaddy25c
- W. V. Dean25c
- R. O. Harris25c
- S. W. Walker25c
- Jim Cummins25c
- E. C. Simmons25c
- Oscar Gray, Cherokee\$1.00

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