

# THE COMMERCIAL

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## Democratic Ticket

Chancellor—V. H. JAMES  
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County Judge—JOHN W. WADDELL  
Attorney General—THOS. O. MORRIS  
County Court Clerk—R. H. BOND  
Circuit Court Clerk—THURMAN TALLEY  
County Trustee—T. J. EASTWOOD  
County Register—R. J. MILNER  
Sheriff—J. M. HICKMAN

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### For State Senate.

CALDWELL.—We are authorized to announce D. P. Caldwell a candidate for the Senate branch of the Tennessee General Assembly, to represent the counties of Weakley, Obion and Lake, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

### For Representative.

BRATTON.—We are authorized to announce S. R. Bratton, Esq., as a candidate for representative from Obion County in the Tennessee General Assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

### For Floater.

GRIFFIN.—We are authorized to announce Dr. J. Frank Griffin as a candidate for Floater Representative in the Tennessee General Assembly, to represent the counties of Dyer, Lake and Obion, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## The Soldier Boys.

### Somewhere in France.

The captain of the 28th Infantry A. E. F., writes to Mrs. Joe Nailling that her son, Private Julian N. Geens, landed in France on the 12th of November, 1917, in excellent health and good standing with two months training in the U. S. A., and that, altho they are in a strange land with many discomforts and exercising patriotic sacrifices, most of the boys are satisfied. Occasionally some one shirks duty, but he should be thankful that they have good shelters (stone buildings) and beds and plenty to eat, and to make them happy is to receive a lot of letters from homefolks and friends. This keeps off home sickness. I never knew a soldier but what had a sweet tooth and enjoyed a package of candy and jam and tobacco, or a box of cigars.

The captain writes that he wishes he had met more of the lads' mothers so that he could write them too, but it happens that Mrs. Nailling is the only one. He met Mrs. Nailling at Fort Ben Harrison, Ind., while visiting her son, and writes that her son has been bright and cheerful all the way thru and is worthy of his mother's pride.

The captain adds that he had to bid farewell to his own wife and child. War, he says, is terrible and demands the greatest sacrifices from everyone. May we all be brave to endure them and may good fortune attend all our loved ones and bring them back safely.

The letter is from Capt. William C. Whitson, of the 28th Infantry.

### Over the Top.

On February 22 the 30th Division declared a holiday. Armour Ratliffe, Warren Reeves and T. C. Harrison decided to celebrate George Washington's birthday by exploring Paris mountains.

We left camp early that morning. Raided Company F, 105th supply train's kitchen, and secured enough rations to drive the wolf from the door and set out for the hike, going by way of Sevier and the cake and candy counter, and hitting the trail again by the field signal battalion, the field hospital, and the ambulance companies. We made a bee line due west for the target range, which we found to be very interesting. We first made a tour of investigation in trenches and found a lot of empty shells and clips, taking quite a number as souvenirs. One noticeable feature was that the ground was burned where the rifles were held against the ground while firing from the trenches.

We then made a dash across "No Man's Land," and entered the enemy's territory. We found it interesting pastime picking up the bullets. We found a few that were perfect in shape, but most of them were flattened from hitting the trees and many had the steel jackets broken off. The timber looked like a bunch of beavers had been running at large. There were trees eight and ten inches in diameter that were mowed down by the bullets. After picking up quite a load of steel and lead, and with great difficulty in persuading Harrison to leave the place, for he seemed to get immeasurable and unspeakable joy out of hunting the bullets, we started again for the highest mountain with the determination to scale it; nothing daunted us. We passed a regular corrugation of hills, or rather we passed over them. We have often read of people using sticks while climbing mountains, but we did not realize

what a valuable asset they are until we, ourselves, had used them. There were mountains to the left of us; mountains to the right of us, and mountains ahead of us. Steep and precipitous! But nothing daunted us! Our aim was for the top and we put forth our best efforts.

We are very sorry to relate that we would sometimes have to stop for our friend, Reeves, to catch his breath, for it seemed that he had left it at the foot of the mountain, but we did not hold this against him, for Ratliffe set the pace, and he is some mountain climber. But alas, the spirit of the party waned and fell, for after wandering for quite awhile we realized that we were lost. We also realized that if we did not get back to camp by the time they checked quarters we would be A. W. O. L. This put new energy into us and starting out with renewed determination we finally came out in a clearing and found a house in the center of the clearing. We were told by the residents that this was the highest point on the mountain. And as we bought some cakes from these people to satisfy our hunger we found that what they said applied alike to prices and to altitude. After a short rest we selected a path that led off in the direction of the camp and started on our downward road.

After going about half a mile we sat down by the side of the path and as our thoughts are always with our friends back home we decided to give you a sketch of the day's doings. The only fear we have is encountering military police at the foot of the mountain, for we are not sure that we are allowed on this mountain.

Prophecy by Ratliffe: "One year from now, where will we three be?"

ARMOUR RATLIFFE.

T. C. HARRISON.

WARREN REEVES.

### A Soldier in France.

I left the United States Sept. 18, 1917, and landed on this side Oct. 2.

Have been stationed at several different places in France and England, but we have been taken good care of. While we were in England we got lots of hardtacks, the first I ever ate, so I thought for awhile it was mighty bad bread, but we are getting plenty of good eats now and a good place to sleep. We had a fine Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas, too, better than lots of you people in U. S. A. Each soldier in France received a Red Cross bag for a Christmas present, which was appreciated very much. The bag that I got contained a towel, soap, tooth brush, tooth paste, cigarettes, chewing and smoking tobacco, handkerchief, and candy, and a postal card addressed to the sender of the bag, so we all got to thank the one that sent our present, and it is not hard to find a booster for the Red Cross in my company. I, for one, think it one of the greatest organizations in the world.

I have not had time to learn to talk the French language very much, but have an invitation to a birthday party to-morrow night, Jan. 29, it being the young lady's eighteenth birthday. It is customary in France for the girls at eighteen years to become a Mademoiselle, or as we say Miss. She, on that day, combs her hair and fixes it as she likes and is her own boss.

We have fine officers in our company—Captain N. H. Strickland, of Georgia; Lieut. F. H. Fisher, of New York; Lieut. J. F. Robertson, of Louisiana. I am in the Ordnance Detachment. We repair automobiles, wagons, guns and trucks of all kinds, handle ammunition and carry it to the front.

Well I will close, hoping before I have the opportunity to write again we will have the old Kaiser Bill licked and the world will be in peace again.

JOSEPH T. PRUETT,

Advanced Ord. Depot No. 1,  
Military U. S.—P. O. 712,  
France.

### Letter From France.

Misses Margaret and Louise Carter, South Fifth street, Union City, Tenn.—Dear kids: Your sweet and most appreciated letter arrived and am compelled to admit it certainly was a surprise. It's certainly sweet in you to think of "Jack" in such a far off country where even the sight of a letter post marked U. S. A. thrills him and gives encouragement.

Would have written to Mary Elizabeth in this letter also, but thought probably she would be back in Benton going to school.

So you want to know how I'm getting along, what I'm doing and also something of France. Well, to begin with will take myself. Am getting along just fine and dandy. Wouldn't want to feel better, for fear I would croak. My work is very hard. Am working in a hos-

pital, and sure do enjoy the work. Am in hopes of learning something that will benefit me in after years.

Now describing France is rather a hard proposition, but will try my hand anyhow. Hope from the description you will have some idea of this country. France, as far as I've seen, is very hilly and some places you could easily say mountains. The hills, most of them, are in, or will be in cultivation real soon. Part of them are forests. You are aware of the fact that France protects her forests. They have soldiers, known as the Alpine Guards, that stay in the forest and see that the underbrush is cleared out and the larger trees remain. The highways, of which I am sure France is proud of, are made of gravel packed hard and all in the best of condition. The only mud is from the dust that is caused by the heavy automobile traffic. It is hard to walk a kilometer, which is about 1/2 of a mile, without being passed by one or more motor trucks.

There is also quite a bit of shipping done by canals. They have their big canal boats and are propelled by mule power. One mule can easily pull a big canal boat. It is a slow method of shipping, but it's safe. The railroads are kept busy in the transportation of troops and supplies. The cars are small, also the engines, but they are like the Ford—they do the work just the same. Now, there is one train called Paris Special, that is a good train, very fast and has modern conveniences. The climate at present is moderate—cool nights and warm days, but guess we are in for some more real winter, but hope not. We sure did have a winter here. It was very disagreeable, and the sunshine we get now certainly is appreciated.

Well, kids, you may not find this letter very interesting, but just found time to write a few lines. Write me a long letter. Tell me all about yourself, school and in fact all the news. Give my regards to daddy, mother, all the kids, Aunt Betty and all. Let me hear from you real soon.

Your cousin in France,  
PRIVATE JACK SOWELL,  
Field Hospital No. 2, 1st Division American Expeditionary Forces, Somewhere in France, via New York City.

### Change of Status.

1. Particular attention is directed to the status of registrants who have been given deferred classification for agricultural or industrial reasons.

2. In each and every instance where a registrant was granted deferred classification on account of his being engaged in agriculture or industry, it was based upon the fact that the registrant would remain in the immediate occupation that he was at the time of classification. If such registrant should leave the farm or factory for work on any other farm or factory, he must be immediately called before the Board and re-classified. Whenever the registrant changes his status, he must be classified accordingly.

3. The registrant is required by law to report any change of his status and failing to do so, he commits an act punishable by imprisonment, but boards must not wait for registrants to report a change where they have knowledge of such change of status. It is the duty of all citizens under the law to report immediately to the proper board the change of status of any registrant and if any citizen so fails or refuses to report such registrant, he himself commits an act punishable by imprisonment.

By direction of the Governor,  
RUTLEDGE SMITH,  
Major, Infantry, U. S. R. Executive Officer.

### St. Louis Live Stock Market.

To-day's receipts: Cattle 5500, hogs 11500, sheep 750.

The hog market opened slow, but held a generally steady basis with Saturday. Good to choice hogs, 160 to 220 pounds, selling \$16.90 to \$17.15; heavy hogs 230 pounds and up \$16.75 to \$17.10; pigs, 120 to 140 pounds, \$16.25 to \$16.75; 110 to 120 pounds \$15 to \$16; lighter pigs, \$11 to \$15; best roughs \$15.75 to \$16.

The cattle supply was moderate and the inquiry for all kinds proved broad enough to clean up receipts in line with the decline of 50 to 75 cents per hundred weight that was noted last week.

The sheep trade about steady with last week's close, with the receipts limited, with good to choice lambs \$16.75 to \$17.15; medium to good \$16.25 to \$16.75. Fat sheep \$13.25 to \$13; choppers \$9.50 to \$10.50; canners \$6 to \$7. Goats \$8 to \$9; kids \$11.50 to \$13.

Monday, Mar. 4.

NATIONAL LIVE STOCK COM. CO.

You've tried the rest, now try the best—Jersey Cream Flour.

## Wet Buckeye Hulls carry the feed perfectly



**ROUGH-AGE** is of little value if it allows the concentrated foods to sift to the bottom of the trough and become separated from it. There is no danger of this with

**BUCKEYE HULLS**  
COTTONSEED  
LINTLESS

when they are wetted down a half hour or so before using. Then they combine more thoroughly and uniformly with the other forage than the old style hulls. Use Buckeye Hulls properly and you will find them a better roughage than old style hulls and far more economical.

### Other Advantages

Buckeye Hulls cost much less than old style hulls. They allow better assimilation of food. No trash or dust. No lint.

2000 pounds real roughage to the ton—not 1500 pounds of roughage and 500 pounds of lint. Sacked—easy to handle. Take less space in the barn.

Mr. E. W. Leonard, Ellendale, Tenn., has been feeding Buckeye Hulls to three milk cows. He says that the cows are giving more milk and butter and are in fine condition. He prefers Buckeye Hulls.

To secure the best results and to develop the ensilage odor, wet the hulls thoroughly twelve hours before feeding. It is easy to do this by wetting them down night and morning for the next feeding. If at any time this cannot be done, wet down at least thirty minutes. If you prefer to feed the hulls dry, use only half as much by bulk as of old style hulls.

**Book of Mixed Feeds Free**  
Gives the right formula for every combination of feeds used in the South. Tells how much to feed for maintenance, for milk, for fattening, for work. Describes Buckeye Hulls and gives directions for using them properly. Send for your copy to the nearest mill.

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Atlanta Augusta Birmingham Charlotte Greenwood Jackson Little Rock Macon Memphis Selma

# FEBRUARY

January has come and gone, with its bitters and its sweets. We are thankful it was no worse. While we have given very poor service, yet our customers have been so nice and kind, it has added to the sweets of life and removed some of the bitters, and made us feel glad sometimes we were living. We thank you for your courtesy, and hope to serve you better in February with the best and freshest of everything in Groceries, Vegetables, Fruits and meats.

Stop with us, trade with us; we will do thee good.  
Make our place headquarters for everything to eat.

## E. P. GRISSOM

Three Phones Union City. Two Fords

## To Our Friends and Patrons

Effective December 26th, we were required to manufacture a special flour to comply with the regulations of the United States Food Administration. This ruling, in question, forces us to put on one grade of flour. This will not be as white as our Jersey Cream has been, but we assure you that it will be a wholesome and nutritious flour, and we believe that it is better for all concerned, and ask your kind co-operation.

We are required to cancel all our outstanding contracts so far as Jersey Cream is concerned, but are ready and willing to fill all contracts with this special flour.

We thank our patrons for the many past favors and assure you that there will be no shortage of flour this year.

G.D.S. Dahnke-Walker Milling Co.

## Vulcanizing

Let us repair your tires now. Our plant may be closed indefinitely soon.

R. S. WATSON  
With Union City Garage.

Office: Room  
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UNION CITY.

## J. C. BURK

Wholesale and Retail  
Reelfoot Lake at  
Mississippi River

## Fish & Game

Oysters in Season.  
New location, East Main St.  
Phone 185 UNION CITY.

### LAND SALE.

O. H. Clemmons et al. vs. D. E. degrass et al.  
In Chancery Court at Union City, Tennessee.

In obedience to a decree of Chancery Court at Union City, made at the October term, 1917, in the above styled case, I will, on

Monday, the 1st Day of April, 1918, at Union City, Tenn., in front of the east door of the courthouse sell to the highest and best bidder the property in said decree described, being a one-half undivided interest in a certain tract of land lying and being in the Civil District of Obion County, Tenn., and described as follows: Beginning at the north end of a slough known as the "cut off" of Obion River, and runs thence southeast and southwest with the meandering of said river to the south end of said slough or "cut off" where it enters and empties into said Obion River; thence north with the meanderings of said slough or "cut off" to the beginning, containing 12 acres more or less and known as the Bill Robinson Island and being the extreme eastern part of said Robinson home place. Reference is made to the deed of the said G. W. Murphy to said property recorded in Book C, No. 8, page 9, of the Register's office of Obion County, Tenn.

TERMS OF SALE—Sale will be made on a credit of seven months and in bar of the right and equity of redemption. Note for the purchase money with good personal security will be taken from the purchaser. 50-3t

This 6th day of March, 1918,  
GEO. A. GIBBS,  
Clerk and Master.

Lannom & Stanfield, Solicitors.

### Non-Resident Notice.

Parker Nichols and wife, Lillian Nichols, and D. C. Ridings and wife, Ludie Ridings, vs. O. D. Burton, W. R. Powell and O. C. Huffstutter.

Chancery Court, Obion County, Tennessee.

In the above styled cause it appearing to the Clerk and Master from the bill of complaint, which is sworn to, that the defendant, O. D. Burton, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee and a resident of the State of Missouri, so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. It is therefore hereby ordered that the said above named defendant appear before the Judge of the Chancery Court of Obion County, Tennessee, on or before the First Monday of April, 1918, that being a regular term time of said Chancery Court and make defense to the said bill, or the same will be taken as confessed by you and the said cause set for hearing ex-parte as to you. It is further ordered that publication of this notice be made for four consecutive weeks in The Commercial, a weekly newspaper published in Obion County, Tennessee. This Feb. 12, 1918. 47-4t

GEO. A. GIBBS,  
Clerk and Master.  
By T. L. Lancaster, D. C. and M. J. L. Mosler, Sol. for Compl't.

### LAND SALE.

W. B. Thorne and his wife, Nettie Thorne, vs. Barney Mitchell, Will Mitchell and Ida Wilson.

In the County Court of Obion County, at Union City, Tennessee, before the Hon. George B. Kenney, County Judge.

In obedience to a decree of said Court duly rendered in said cause, I will on

Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1918,

at or about one o'clock p. m., in front of the courthouse door at Union City, Obion County, Tenn., expose to sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, a tract of land situate about 4 miles north of Troy, in the Sixth Civil District of Obion County, Tenn., on the Troy and Hickman road, and bounded, in a general way, on the north by G. H. Muse, on the east by D. H. Burnett, on the south by the Troy and Hickman road and Mrs. Belt, and on the west by G. H. Muse, and containing 65 acres, more or less, and being the lands once owned by J. D. Mitchell and that he purchased of D. B. Garrison and wife. Said 65 acres will be sold subject to the homestead and life interest of Mrs. J. A. Mitchell therein, and which homestead and life interest is owned by Petitioner W. B. Thorne, and will be sold on terms of one-half cash and the balance on a credit of six months, evidenced by note bearing six per cent interest from date, with personal security, and with lien retained on land to secure payment of said note. Further particulars on day of sale. This, February 20th, 1918. 43-3t C. S. TALLEY, Clerk.