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Asquith said, on America's entrance into the war, that Germany would live to curse the day she forced the United States into the conflict. Germany is now cursing that day.

Upon convening it is expected congress will act quickly upon the new man-power bill, and that a new registration will be held about September 5, as class 1 before that time will be exhausted.

The republicans did it on the 24th ult., the democrats will be in evidence Saturday, and the non-partisans on the 20th. The firing squad will get ready, take aim and fire on the 5th of November.

"Onward with God," cried old Bill to his army; but apparently the army understood the message to be "homeward with God," and seeing nothing but devils on ahead of them, turned around and went the other way.

Because the eating of an apple led Eve to put on clothes, Editor Wilcox of the Field and Farm thinks that the women of today should eat about a bushel of apples apiece. And yet Wilcox has been called—"the blind editor."

One of the ways for the government to save paper is to cut out the tons of circular letters, on good letter paper, and bill the information of the different bureaus down to a single bulletin on cheap news print. The editors would thus have time to at least read the items, which they haven't got under the present arrangement.

By quotations in the Denver Democrat we notice certain republican papers have gotten inside information that Keating is a violent, disloyal German, besides being a common disorderly and an undesirable, and that they want the democrats to nominate Martin. The advice is probably well meant, but facts are we're suspicious of those fellows.

See elsewhere the ad. or the great annual "watermelon" fair at Rocky Ford. This fair has become as popular as the state fair at Pueblo, and the crowds there are as great, or even greater. Every year a goodly number of Baca county people attend the fair at Rocky Ford, and this year will not prove an exception. Notice the ad., and remember the date.

Official call of the Non-Partisan league to be held at the court house in Springfield, on Tuesday, August 20, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m. for placing in nomination one clerk and recorder, county treasurer, sheriff, superintendent of schools, assessor, coroner, surveyor, commissioner of the 2nd district. All members and their wives are requested to be present.

C. N. Mullen,  
J. M. Myers,  
J. F. Harrison,  
Committee.

## A Telegram to President Wilson

At the young soldier entertainment Tuesday it was voted unanimously to send to President Wilson a telegram assuring him that Baca is with him for a permanent peace by force of arms as against a temporary make shift by understanding, and to this end will stay with him figuratively till the last (Hun) dog is hung. The telegram follows:

Springfield, Colo.,  
Aug. 6, 1918.  
President Woodrow Wilson,  
Washington, D. C.  
Our Honorable President:—  
Baca county citizens assembled today in a patriotic meeting to bid good-bye and God speed to our boys leaving for the training camp, by unanimous vote pledge ourselves to back you in this war to the end. We hope you may lead our allies to accept no other armistice than an absolute and unconditional surrender of the central powers.

Rev. Jas. E. Davis and family of Kansas City, are visiting Mrs. Davis' sister at Springfield—Mrs. A. R. Liggett. Rev. Davis is the pastor of the First Christian church in Kansas City. Last year he did public speaking in the State of Nebraska for the Third Liberty Loan, and this year has been assigned to Colorado. Just what district in this state he is to be assigned to has yet to be determined. Mr. Davis has had an extensive experience in camp and hospital life, and has a thorough knowledge of trench life, and consequently his addresses are valuable as well as interesting. Rev. Davis addressed the soldier boys on their departure for camp Sunday and Tuesday, the address being greatly appreciated by both the boys and the audience. Rev. Davis will be here until arrangements are made for his district 4th Liberty Loan campaign.

## PERSONS

### Stories and Incidents For Old Boston And the Old Days

By the Writer  
Newspapers, Towns And Town Lots.

**The Boston Papers**  
Our readers will remember we have mentioned the Western World editorially at different times, and all have noticed that we have quoted from it quite frequently in the course of these write-ups.

The way that happens, the World was published by the present editor of the Herald, and a very incomplete file of it was preserved through all these many years—hence the quotations.

The World was the oldest paper east of Trinidad and south of the railroad, the Sparks of Lamar preceeding it by only about two months, it having been established early in January of 1887, and the World early in March of the same year.

There was no profiteering by any of the newspapers in those days. The World had the best advertising patronage of any of the papers, but its wind began to get awful short along in the latter part of '88. Along in the first part of '89 its pulse became so weak that it was hardly perceptible, and the patient was given up by the doctors.

Thereupon in July a consultation was held, and it was decided to try a change of climate, so the Western World was moved to Lyons, Kans., and changed its name to the Lyons Democrat—all the time under the captaincy of the present editor of the Springfield Herald.

Early in the year of 1890 the Lyons Democrat was sold and the plant taken to Missouri, where, out of force of habit, we presume it is doing yeoman service in the cause of democracy and for the glorious county in which it is located—and the flag floating over it.

The Boston Banner was started sometime during the summer of 1887 by Geo. Daniel. It was a seven column folio, while the World was an eight column; and it was provided with an Army press, while the World was equipped with a Washington. In other respects the equipments were not materially different.

Geo. Daniel was a genial soul and a good writer. We believe the Banner was his second effort, he having published having or been connected with a paper some where in western Kansas prior to starting the Banner.

In the early part of April, in 1889, George left suddenly—on the occasion of the citizen-cow-boy round-up—a story which is yet to be told, and never again returned.

No doubt after leaving here George for awhile had an up-hill pull, having nothing and having

a family to support. We heard different things about him afterwards—that he had joined the navy, that he was a street-car conductor, that he had written a book of experiences, etc., etc., nothing of which either may or may not be true.

At the present time George is in the employ of the federal government as postoffice inspector, and is living at Denver.

## The Springfield papers.

The Springfield Herald is an example of a quick mail transit. Vol. 1 No. 1 contains a complimentary notice of its birth from the Lamar Sparks. It was this way: The first papers of the Herald were run off and wired to Lamar. The Sparks being ready for press inserted a complimentary and wired a paper back to the Herald, when said Herald stopped the press; inserted the complimentary and ran off the rest of the edition.—World, Oct. 6, 1887.

The Western World says the reason the Springfield school has a larger attendance than the Boston school is because the report published in the Herald was not a teacher's report. You're another. The attendance at the Springfield school is almost double that of Boston, and we have no hesitancy in pronouncing the Springfield school the best conducted in the county. Verily, verily, we say unto you, our school is a dandy.—Springfield Advertiser, Dec. 15, 1887.

The same to you, Bro. Whashyourname. You gave your school an enrollment of sixty scholars, and at last reports ours was fifty-seven. Our seats are now on the road, and as soon as they come we will enroll twice as many. Our Sunday school now enrolls 172 members, and every Sunday a great many have to go away—can't get into the house. Taking this in connection with 257 votes against 92 at Springfield, and—

You can draw your own conclusions.—World, Dec. 29, 1887.

Thos. Hambric of Boston and Mr. Konkel, editor of the Western World, and another gentleman, stopped over in Springfield Wednesday evening for the express purpose, they said, of seeing our little city, of which they had heard so much. The Advertiser acknowledged a pleasant call.—Springfield Advertiser, Feb. 23, 1888.

While at Lamar we were told there was a town by the name of Springfield twelve miles west of Vilas. To satisfy our curiosity, we drove around that way.—World, Mar. 1, 1888.

Ditto next week

## SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK INDORSES CONG. KEATING

Speaker Champ Clark states the case in a letter to General Joseph H. Maupin of Canon City as follows:

Hon. Joseph H. Maupin, Canon City, Colo.  
My Dear Maupin:—  
I have your telegraphic inquiry about the standing, etc., of Honorable Edward Keating, your congressman. I regard him as among the very able men in the house. He is constant in his attendance, both in committees and sitting of the house. He participates ably in the debates; and he is not only a prominent man in the house, but he is a growing man.

Anybody that charges him with being pro-German and un-American is either weak in the upper story or very economical of the truth.

He is a thorough-going American and discharges his duties ably and well.

The truth is, all over the country there is a lot of bullet-headed fellows running for nomination who are trying to pull themselves into office by slandering and misrepresenting the patriotism of others. It seems to run through the whole muck-raking crowd, from candidates for constable up.

Of course it is none of my busi-

ness to participate in the local politics of Colorado or any other state except Missouri, but I would be a churl if I were not willing to answer a letter of inquiry such as yours, especially when it comes from an old Missouri friend.

I regard Keating very highly. I don't always agree with him, but he has as much right to his opinions as I have to mine. We generally agree. Your friend,  
Champ Clark.

## A LETTER FROM NOGALES, ARIZ.

Co. "E" 35th Infantry,  
Nogales, Ari., July 24, 1918.  
The Springfield Herald:—

I take this opportunity to let you all know that I am in the best of health, and hope this letter finds you the same.

We have been here very near two months, and were just getting acquainted nicely when yesterday the commanding officer here announced that we would leave for a mobilization camp some time after the 15th of August.

We are all certainly anxious to take that trip across the pond and it can't come too quick to suit us.

We have a fine bunch of officers here and hope that we will be fortunate enough to keep them in the future.

I again want to thank the "Welcome Sunday school" class for the remembrance they sent me. It certainly gets dreadfully warm here. Last Saturday the thermometer registered 122. We did military guard on the Mexican line last week, and were expecting trouble as there were a bunch of outlaws over there that were shooting it up.

I promised so many of my friends to write to them when I left but I haven't found time, so take this means to write to them all. I consider I have left many friends there, and don't want to leave any of them to feel slighted. I hope to find every smiling face there when I return, and you can all rest assured that you will find me the same as when I left.

Again thanking each and every one in Baca county for the numerous favors that they have extended to me, while there and here, I will close. Wishing you all success and happiness, I beg to remain,

Your Friend,  
Harry Dapron.

## A COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

We are rather surprised at our correspondent, "C. M. S.," in making the assertion that the Great County Builder had never championed, or apparently mentioned, the good cause of a county high school.

The Herald has talked high school for five years, and during the last year has had several articles on the subject, all the way from paragraphs so close to column lengths.

Dosen't our correspondent remember the eight-room high-school building the Herald has been talking and trying to promote?

Sometime last fall we believed that Baca county had secured a settler a successful high-school teacher, so we took up the cause of a high-school building in order to make the most of the golden opportunity.

The teacher referred to is Miss Lena Wright, who built up at Beaver, Okla., one of the best high schools in the state. Miss Wright has had trouble in getting the land here she wanted, but now has things straightened up, and will at once build on her land and become a citizen of the county.

Rome wasn't built in a day. It takes time for the people to wake up to any great enterprise, and it will take time to put this high-school proposition through.

Our correspondent is on the right track. Would we had more such live wires in the county.

## Big Flat

Hot winds lately are doing the crops no good.

One more boy from Big Flat will have to go to training camp in a few days—one of the Blake boys.

Quite a number of the farmers have gone to haul wheat to Lamar, and coal back from Lamar for Wheeler.

Pearl Crawford was visiting her brother Will Sunday.

McCullum cultivated for Mrs. Dewey a few days this week.

Harvey Locke has gone to Bent county, his brother being very low with pneumonia.

## Regnier

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Harry Doyle of Regnier who died early Tuesday morning at his sister's, Mrs. Bosley. He was taken sick Sunday with a pain in the his side. Dr. Culp was called.

The Stinson Bros. sold their ranch last week to a man from Emporia, Kan. We understand he sold his cattle at \$90 per head from 2-year-old up.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Frantz and daughter Vera and Mr. Hulbert left Sunday morning for Denver and mountain points—visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin and daughters, Misses Belle and Dorothy, and Mr. and Mrs. Zina Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brown, and Mrs. Nellie Bennett were visitors at E. A. Thomas', Sunday.

Bert Schneider was called to the colors Sunday, and we hope he gets several Huns.

Mr. and Mrs. Art McCormick and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams and families were Sunday visitors at Robt. Jones'.

## Diamond Ridge

We are still having hot weather, but have had plenty of rain so far.

Crops are looking better these parts.

Several of the neighbors ate Sunday dinner with C. D. Wray's including Mrs. Russel Hartsock of Elkhart, Ind., and son Leroy, who have been visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. D. Hufford.

Miss Nellie Grasham, J. H. Benson's niece, left Friday for her home, near Hutchinson, on Thursday, after an extended visit.

Bill Watson's of Elkhart, are visiting with W. H. Pridemore's.

## Utleyville

There was another Red Cross dance at Henry Yeagars Tuesday night. We understand the proceeds were \$6.00.

Mrs. Bray of Campo, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Utley, this week.

We would like to have a good soaking rain in this vicinity, although we are having plenty of garden beans and black-eyed peas, squashes, etc.

Roy Craft of Edler, was in our neighborhood Tuesday on business.

We had a hail storm here Friday evening which split the fodder leaves considerable.

T. F. Hefner and wife of Blossom, Texas, are visiting their daughter and family, Mrs. W. S. Gantt.

J. W. Gault and wife are visiting their sons, the Gault boys.

## Graft

Mrs. Wm. G. Hall died at the hospital in Lamar last Tuesday night, where she had been taken for an operation.

Mrs. Fannie Scarbrough returned home Monday from a visit with her children in Kansas and Oklahoma.

Pearl Osborn is some better since her return from Lamar where she went for treatment.

John Seymour is home from Oklahoma where he has been for two months.

Sam Randals is going to move his residence to the month and west of the present site.

## Pride

There was an ice-cream social at Joe Caldwell's the 29th ult., in honor of his 26th birthday. 54 were present and all report a nice time.

Lewis Stewart's parents from Port, Okla., have been visiting him.

Miss Vera Tipton of Elkhart is spending the week with Mrs. J. W. Harmon.

Dee Caldwell and Miss Fern Masemare were married Thursday of last week.

J. W. Harmon received word this week that his son John had arrived safely in France.

Charles Carr and Sam Brown went to Elkhart Thursday.

George Geppner of Junction City, Kans., and Miss Nina Letha Grimm of Springfield, Colo., were joined in holy matrimony on the 3rd inst. by Justice Emerson. Congratulations.

## CLYDE

Pearces sold their broomcorn and will deliver it in Lamar this week.

Bill Davis left Sunday for training camp.

Sam Jent threshed wheat for Dillon, Madden, and Alice Jack last week.

Arch Davis delivered broomcorn in Lamar last week.

Hobart Pearce expects to get a ten days' furlough and come home to visit his parents this week.

Floyd Pearce took Will Davis to his homestead Sunday near Regnier.

O. F. Thorn was in town Monday. Mr. Thorn has become one of the main springs of the Non-partisans, and is particularly interested in cleaning up the reactionary legislators of this state.

Att'y Cole and family of Lamar were visiting his brother Willard of Carriazo last week. Willard has been suffering the last year from rheumatism, and left the first of the week for Hot Springs, Ark., to test the virtues of their mineral waters.

## Stonington

Sam Holt and wife spent Sunday here with R. B. and family. Rev. Hazel preached his another good sermon last Sunday.

Our next county commissioner, Geo. W. Eley, last Friday started with his family for a two week's outing in the mountains, going by the Ford route.

The editor of the Stonington News seemed to have gained several pounds in weight the last week, the result of the good things he had to eat at Springfield, Elkhart, and other places where he has business.

Bennie Ross and wife have returned from Wichita where they have been on business. While there he purchased three quarters of Baca county land of H. C. Wear.

Mr. Eckinnis and H. K. Ellis were at Two Buttes last week on business for the Colorado State bank.

The two month old baby of D. R. Rupe is very sick with very little hopes of recovery.

The delegates from Stonington to the Republican assembly at Springfield were B. J. Jones, S. L. Thompson, H. K. Ellis, R. B. Kerr, I. O. Fager, and James Jefferies. Is said all the Boys acted fairly good except R. B. Kerr who left the bunch and hid to the country and got a good dinner.

S. L. Thompson is having a cellar dug back of his store, and intends to build a large ware house over it.

Chas. Malmberg spent the latter part of last week of last week on his wife's claim, looking after the fences and cutting a few weeds out of his crop.

Om. Spell and family moved in their new house last Friday.

Ivan Konkel sold all his horse Dr. Nidholson.

We hear our school board were successful in securing the services of Mrs. Mary Jones as principal of our school for next winter.

## Prairie Queen

Bean hoeing is the order of the day. Dr. Patterson has 3 hoes going and his beans will do to harvest in three weeks.

Had a surprise on Mr. Cotton's folks last Friday night, and when they all got there someone else was surprised to find them in bed.

Crops in this part are extra good. Ernest Sloan is having plenty of corn to eat now and is also the daddy of a boy.

Mat Lynch has a new cream separator.

If we get one more good rain it will call for several new binders in this part.

Henry Tibbit is in the cedars. Hope he will get a good wetting while he is gone.

## ZION

The Zion news must be interesting. We see the Herald is printing it twice. This week they printed what was sent in three or four weeks ago, but left out what was sent in last week.

Crops are needing rain badly, but we hope the rain will come soon and make us a good crop this year.

Threshing is a little slow in this neighborhood, on account of the machine breaking down.

Vida Kidder has the mumps. They seem to linger around our neighborhood.

All the small boys went home with Howard Boyd for dinner Sunday from Sunday school.

The attendance at Sunday school has been rather poor lately on account of the hot weather, but we hope we will all spunk up and do better now that let it approach.

We see the Herald editor wants to call the new school house the Red Cross. We hadn't thought of that for a name, but we think, since the two schools are joined together, that the new school house should be called "Union." [Good name and good idea.]

A son arrived at the home of Brooks Brinkley Saturday. All doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ladd are the proud parents of a little daughter that arrived last week.

The Red Cross will serve lunch at T. Smith's sale next Thursday, Aug. 8.

## Richards

Ben Adams purchased a new Overland car last week.

Albert Murphy and brother returned Friday from a five days' trip to the mountains. Report a fine time.

Mrs. Jesse Turner visited Mrs. Chas. Gisch Saturday.

Little Miss Mabel Cathrine Maynard visited her grandparents, Merchant Mitchell and wife, the 1st and 2nd inst.

Turner brothers secured broomcorn for Chas. Gisch the 3rd.

Mrs. R. P. Murphy is quite poorly this hot weather.

Fred Collins and wife traded in Richards the 2nd.

The youngest son of O. P. Osteen was run over and knocked down by a loose horse the afternoon of the 2nd. When picked up he was found to have only a few bruises on him.

Misses Veree and Alma Turner visited the Misses Kicenski all day Sunday.

## West Pretty Prairie

Fred, Roy, and Pearl Morgan, accompanied by Josie Rean, left for Oklahoma Sunday.

Chas. Medley and wife visited with relatives in Las Animas county Tuesday night.

Geo. Mathews made a business trip to Lamar this week, returning Friday.

The West girls had dental work done at Webb while their father went to Holly this week.

W. A. Greathouse and family motored to Camp Cody, New Mexico, to visit Mrs. Greathouse's brother.

Frank Hughes came in from Las Animas county for his wife and babe. They will go home next week.