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## WARSHIP IS FIRED AND GUTTED

*By United Press.*  
TRIESTE, Oct. 15.—A new Austrian dreadnaught which was scheduled to be launched this afternoon at the Austrian government ship yards was mysteriously fired and gutted early today.

The ship was severely damaged and will have to be rehailed immediately.

Six new torpedo boats made by the Austrian government were also found in flames at the same time. All were severely damaged before the flames could be extinguished.

Tom Trail of Paint Rock, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

C. N. Craft and Abner Perry, of Miles, came in Thursday morning. Mr. Perry came on a short business trip and Mr. Craft to attend the called session of the Commissioners Court.

Mrs. J. B. Cooper of Houston, who had been visiting relatives and friends in this city and county the past several weeks left for her home Wednesday afternoon.

## EVERY MALE IS FORCED TO WAR

*By United Press.*  
HAVRE, Oct. 15.—The Belgian government, which has established headquarters in this city, has directed that all males between the ages 18 and 45 join the army within two days on the penalty of being treated as traitors to their country.

## SMITH OPENS SENATE WITH TAX DEBATE

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Senator Hoke Smith opened today's session of the senate with a debate on the cotton bond issue, favoring an amendment to the war tax bill.

It is declared here by senators that if the bill is defeated, the senators from the South will not further block the adjournment of Congress.

J. A. Watkins of the Valley Creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.

## MARITZ' FORCE LESS THAN 1000

*By United Press.*  
LONDON, Oct. 15.—It was declared here today by authorities that the force which has taken up with Colonel Maritz in South Africa number less than a thousand men.

There is a general feeling here that the revolt in the provinces may be something big before it is finally quieted. Some uneasiness is felt, it is known, among the governmental officials over the failure of other prominent Boer generals to promptly disavow the revolt.

With the Portugal province active, the English would be confident that the trouble in South Africa would not necessitate a formal declaration of war on Germany.

## RESIGNATION OF CARRANZA IS NOT ACTED UPON TODAY

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—General Carranza presented today his resignation to the peace conference now being held at Aguas Calientes but it was decided by the body there that it would not be acted upon until Zapata's representation.

The convention recessed today until Oct. 20, when the matter will again be presented.

J. P. Cogsdell of Whittiers, had business in Ballinger Thursday. Judge M. C. Smith had legal business at Miles between trains Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Harris and baby left Thursday at noon on a short visit to San Angelo.

Emory Williams of Teague, came in Thursday at noon to visit Ballinger friends a few days.

W. W. Farmer came in from the Panhandle country Thursday to look after his large crop interest.

## COMMISSIONERS COURT CONVENED

The special session of the County Commissioners Court convened in Ballinger Thursday to pass on the Tax Rolls of Tax Assessor Mike C. Boyd for the year 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alston and babe left Wednesday afternoon to visit her relatives at Talpa a few days.

# Kaiser Moves Farther Into Enemy's Home

## ENCIRCLING MOVEMENT IS TURNED

*By United Press.*  
LONDON, Oct. 15.—It is unofficially reported that a Belgian-French-British force inflicted a severe check on the German encircling movement in Belgium.

The German line of westward advance, it is declared, was sent back under assault in which the Germans lost heavily.

The ultimate German occupation of Ostend is accepted and discredited in London. The English blockading fleet, it is declared, could render Ostend useless for Zeppelin hangars, which the Germans, doubtless, hope to establish in the Belgian seacoast city. However, despite this assurance of safety, residents of London still fear that an aerial raid upon the city will be experienced before very long.

## GLYNN ENDORSED BY PRESIDENT

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—In a letter to parties in New York, emphatic endorsement was given by President Wilson to Glynn, candidate for the governorship of that state.

## LAST "BIG BUSINESS" BILL SIGNED TODAY

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—President Wilson today signed the Clayton anti-trust bill, and thereby completed the present program of the administration affecting big business interests.

W. A. Wells of the Wingate country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

*By United Press.*  
BERLIN, Oct. 15.—"The Kaiser's headquarters have been moved farther into France," said the official bulletin issued here this morning. "The German troops in Belgium are marching toward Ostend and the French frontier."

"Heavy fighting is in progress east of Soissons and in the Ar-gonne region."

## CENSORSHIP TO BE VERY STRICT

*By United Press.*  
PETROGRAD, Oct. 15.—Until some definite conclusion to the great conflict raging along the Vistula river is reached, the censorship upon matter from that district will be very strict.

More than 200,000 men are engaged on each side, it was declared by the war office.

The Galician campaign is comparatively insignificant when alongside that now being carried on in Russian Poland. The fight in the latter district is demanding Russia's supreme effort to crush the large German army.

"The French official reports detailing their success in the Woevre region are untrue."

"Etain is now in German hands. The French have been repulsed near Saint Michiel."

"The Russians have been defeated near Schirwindt with a loss of 1500 prisoners and twenty cannon. The Germans have repulsed the Russians in Southern Poland and driven them back to Warsaw and to the Vistula river."

## 11 THOUSAND RUSSIANS ARE TAKEN

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Eleven thousand prisoners, fifty-one guns and twelve machine guns were captured by the Germans in a vigorous fight with the Russians near Schirwindt and Warsaw. This was brought to this country in a dispatch from the Foreign Office to the German embassy in Washington.

Forty-five hundred prisoners were taken in the engagement around Lille. The allies are retreating from Ghent westward to the Belgian coast, it was declared in the dispatch.

# NOTICE!

**For the benefit of the farmers,**

We have devised a special register and file for cotton tickets.

Leave your yard receipts with us where they will be safe from fire and loss.

We will be glad to assist you in getting the highest price for your cotton.

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# "Arizona Will Take Care of Border"

*By United Press.*  
PHOENIX, Oct. 14.—Governor Hunt refused to modify his order for a mobilization of the state troops.

He declared today, "I am a man of peace, but if the federal government will not protect the border, Arizona will."

## No Need for More Troops, Says Garrison.

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—A dispatch received here from Governor Hunt stated that a critical situation similar in many respects to that at Naco, Arizona, where two Americans have been wounded, exists at Douglass.

The governor said that all the

available militia is being mobilized.

Secretary of War Garrison in answering his telegram, replied that there is no need of additional troops on the border. Fourteen troops of cavalry are now stationed at Naco and four at Douglass.

*By United Press.*  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Following a conference with President Wilson Secretary of War Garrison today sent a vigorous request to Governor Hunt of Arizona, asking that he not send the state militia to the Mexican border.

He pointed out that by sending the state troops to the border to quiet disturbances among the Mexicans, such a move might precipitate a war with Mexico.

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with its patrons in the past have been both pleasant and profitable, and it will endeavor to conduct its business along these lines in the future.

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## Premium Winners In Agricultural Department

Following is the list of winners in the Boys Feterita Club and also the awards made in the agricultural department of the recent agricultural and live stock exhibit Feterita Club.

Richard Kregel first, Yiled 99 11-36 bushels per acre. Net profit \$20.56.  
Ed Farmer, second, 60 bushels per acre, net \$20.25.  
Alfons Kregel third, 99 bushels, net \$20.20.

Tom Harrell fourth, 55 1-4 bushels per acre, net \$19.22.  
Boy Jayroe fifth, 56 bushels, net \$16.88.

David Coulter, sixth, 57 5-8, net \$15.47.  
Jo Eagan, seventh, 48 34-72, net \$13.70.

Vivian Colburn eighth, 46 bushels, net \$12.20.

Best kept record Jas. Eagan. Agricultural Awards.

Best Irish Potatoes, Hy. Kasberg.  
Best Sweet Potato, Thos. Lilly first; F. T. Rushing, second; J. B. Carlton, third.

Best 10 ears corn, Thos. Lilly first; W. B. Rogers, second; E. Jayroe, third.

Best Kershaw, first, from Rowena, party's name not given; R. B. Creasy, second.

Best bunch peanuts: J. H. Wilbourn.  
Best exhibit broom corn, W. F. Redman, of Rowena.

Best 10 heads irrigated red milo maize, E. R. Boddy, first; W. Clayton, second.

White maize, Wash Clayton, Oxien.  
Best 10 heads Feterita, Jess M. Lorry first, Wash Clayton, second.

Best 10 heads red kaffir, Wash Clayton, Oxien.  
Best Oil product, Ballinger Cotton Oil Co.

Best mill product, Missouri Milling Co.  
Best bunch green pepper, M. C. Falls.

Best exhibit figs, Miss Maggie Sharp.

## CONSUMPTION TAKES 350 PEOPLE DAILY

Over 350 people succumb to consumption every day in the United States. Science proves that the germs only thrive when the system is weakened from colds or sickness, overwork, confining duties or when general weakness exists. The best physicians point out that during changing seasons the blood should be made rich and pure and active by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals. The cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion warms the body by enriching the blood; it peculiarly strengthens the lungs and throat, while it rebuilds the resistive forces of the body to avoid colds and prevent consumption. If you work indoors, tire easily, feel languid or nervous, Scott's Emulsion is the most strengthening food-medicine known. It is totally free from alcohol or any stupefying drug. Avoid substitutes.

14-42 Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

## SANTA FE STILL HAULING NEGROES

A special train of five cars arrived in Ballinger Sunday at two o'clock and unloaded about two hundred negroes at Ballinger and carried about one hundred to Miles and Paint Rock.

This makes about the third or fourth "Cotton Picker's Special" that the Santa Fe has operated on this end of its line during the last three weeks, and in addition they have been using double headers on their regular train and bringing negroes here by the car load. Parties who have been keeping tab on the influx of the cotton pickers estimate that there are between 1500 and 2000 negroes in the county at present, to say nothing of the white people and Mexicans that have been brought here to help pick cotton.

Of the number that arrived Sunday there were about fifty white people who came in on the regular train. The special following one hour after the regular train was strictly a negro train, and it was a big show to watch them unload and distributed out among the farmers who were here with their wagons to take them to the cotton patch.

Cotton is turning out fully as well as the most optimistic hoped for, and far better than many expected, and the gins are badly crowded. With favorable weather the picking will be completed before the winter weather sets in, and the farmers will be able to plant grain. The big crop makes it very necessary that many hands be put on the job, and this accounts for the hundreds of negroes that have been arriving here almost daily for the past two weeks.

## EAT CABBAGE, FISH, SAUSAGE, NEW BREAD

"Pape's Diapepsin" digests food when stomach can't—Cures indigestion.

Do some foods you eat hit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into stubborn lumps and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, jot this down: Pape's Diapepsin digests everything, leaving nothing to sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is disordered you will get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it strengthens and regulates your stomach so you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

Most remedies give you relief sometimes—they are slow, but not sure. "Pape's Diapepsin" is a quick, positive and puts your stomach in a healthy condition so the misery won't come back.

You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food, your head clears and you feel fine.

Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion dyspepsia or any stomach disorder.

## MRS. M. ROSENWASSER DEAD

Nathan Passuer received a telegram Monday morning stating that Mrs. M. Rosenwasser died at San Antonio at three o'clock Monday morning.

It will be remembered that Mrs. Rosenwasser was carried to San Antonio for treatment about two weeks ago, and an operation was performed after she arrived at that place. Daily reports from her bedside have been very encouraging to Mr. Passuer, who has been here looking after the Rosenwasser business, and it was thought that she was out of danger, and the news of her death came as a great surprise.

Mrs. Rosenwasser and husband have been living here for a number of years, and she has many friends here who will be made to sorrow when they hear of her death.

All her children and her husband were with her when death came, except one son who is in California. Mr. Passuer, the son-in-law who is here stated that he had received no news of the funeral arrangements but he felt sure that the remains would be buried at San Antonio today.

For Lease. Irrigated farm for term of five years. Apply to Jno. W. Clampitt, Ballinger. 25-2td 3tw

Mrs. J. A. Abernathy and son Pink, and her daughter, Mrs. Barton and baby, of Garden City, came in Monday afternoon to be at the bedside of Mr. Abernathy, who is quite ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ben Smith in our city. Mr. Abernathy was here on a visit when he was taken sick.

The best alarm clock on earth at Jas. E. Brewer's Jewelry Store. 3-4tw ts

## PREMIUM LIST OF TEXTILE DISPLAY IS ANNOUNCED

The judges of the articles displayed in the textile department with the First Runnels County Agricultural and Live Stock Exhibition, announced the winners to day, as follows:

**Class A.**  
Ladies over 60 years of age. Best knitting, Mrs. R. H. Wright first; M. L. Moberly second. Best drawn work, Mrs. D. P. Moser, 74 years old. Best embroidery, Mrs. Shaffer, first.

Best Bed spread, Mrs. Shaffer, first. Crochet Jacket, Mrs. Halstead, first. Knitted mittens, Mrs. Lizzie Mitchel, first. Best quilt, Mrs. L. B. Stubbs, first.

Best sheet, Mrs. Cordelia Skaggs Winters, second. Crochet center piece, Mrs. J. F. Shaffer, first. Mrs. Stubbs, second.

**Class B.**  
Best embroidered lunch cloth, Miss Ha Garlington, first; Miss Glayds Oliver second.

Best center piece, Mrs. W. E. Barbee, first; Mary Baron second. Sheet, Mrs. M. J. Smith first; Mrs. Boyd second.

Pillow cases, Mrs. Ruppert first, L. E. Bair second. Towels, J. M. Skaggs, first; Mrs. D. M. Baker second.

Punch Work, Mrs. Guion first; Mrs. W. A. Schuhmann second. Night dress, Miss Idra Sharp, first; Miss Pearl Sandler second.

Boudair cap, Miss Gerngross, first; Mrs. J. M. Skaggs, Winters, second. Suit Underwear, Mrs. Arthur Doose, first.

Infant pillar, Mrs. Arthur Doose first; Mrs. C. E. Baskin, second. Infants dress, Mrs. Gus Deloach first; S. C. Baskin second.

Hardorger, R. R. Cogdell, Winters, first; Mrs. Jas. Cogdell Winters, second. Baby cap, Mrs. E. C. Baskin, first; Jas. P. Cogdell second.

Apron, Mary Baron first; Pearl Sanlin, second. Quilt, Mrs. Jas. Clayton first; Mrs. Buicek, second.

Colored embroidery, Mrs. R. H. Smith first; Mrs. Machatka second. Lunch set, Miss Katherine Barnett, first.

Best cross stich, Mrs. Machotka first. Towel, Mrs. J. M. Skaggs, first.

**Class C.**  
Point Lace, Mrs. Guion, first; Miss Mae Massey second. Filer, Lace Mrs. Gerngross first Rowena.

Battenburg, Mrs. J. J. Erwin, first; Mrs. Matilda Doose second. Tatting, Miss Louis Orgain, first; Mrs. R. D. Davis, Winters, second.

**Class D.**  
Baby cap, Mrs. Arthur Doose first. Center Piece, Mrs. J. M. Skaggs Winters, first.

Lunch cloth, Mrs. H. L. Moberly, Mrs. Ben S. Long. Scarf, Mrs. J. H. Numm, first; Mrs. Ben S. Long second.

Bag, Mrs. F. H. Hill, Winters first. Bed spread, Mrs. James Clayton Mrs. S. P. Stone.

Slippers, Miss Mory Baron, Rowena. Colored crochet, Mrs. Mattie Reed first.

Crocheted sheet, Mrs. M. J. Smith, first; Mrs. Boyd Stocks, second.

**Class E, China Painting.**  
Punch bowl, Miss Bertha Van Pelt. Chocolate set, Mrs. D. P. Moser. Vase, Miss Bertha Van Pelt, first; Mrs. D. P. Moser, second.

Bon Bon, Miss Bertha Van Pelt. Pitcher, Maggie Sharp, first; Mrs. D. P. Moser, second. 6 plates, Maggie Sharp. Cream and sugar set, Moggie Sharp.

**Class F, Oil Paintings.**  
Best Landscape, Mrs. C. A. Doose, first; Miss Gladys Oliver, second.

**Class G, Water Colors**  
Best Landscape, Miss Neil Guion, first; Mrs. Donnie Meeks, second. Best Head, Bertha Van Pelt; Mrs. C. A. Doose.


Best Nature, Maggie Sharp, first. **Class H, Children Under 14**  
Best water, Vera Nicholson, 13 years old, first.

Best flower, Miss Vera Nicholson, first. Best water, William Skaggs, 13 years old, first.

Set table mats, Clarence Smith.

**Guarantee**

A Saving of  
1/3 in Fuel  
With Soft  
Coal, Slack  
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You get back the original cost of your stove in the fuel money saved each winter. Could you ask for more? Here is the Guarantee on

## Cole's Original Hot Blast Heater

Backed Up in Every Particular by the Makers:

- "1—A saving of one-third in fuel over any lower draft stove of the same size, with soft coal, slack or lignite.
  - "2—That Cole's Hot Blast will use less hard coal for heating a given space than any base burner made with the same size fire pot.
  - "3—That the rooms can be heated from one to two hours each morning with the soft coal or hard coal put in the stove the evening before.
  - "4—That the stove will hold fire with soft coal from Saturday night until Monday morning.
  - "5—A uniform heat day and night, with soft coal, hard coal or lignite.
  - "6—That every stove will remain absolutely air-tight as long as used.
  - "7—That the feed-door is and will remain smoke and dust-proof.
  - "8—That the Anti-Puffing Draft will prevent puffing.
- "All we ask is that the stove shall be operated according to directions and connected with a good flue."  
(Signed) COLE MANUFACTURING CO.  
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(Makers of the Original Patented Hot Blast Stove.) This Guarantee can not be made on any other heating stove.

If you want economy and real home comfort, come in and let us sell you one of these stoves.



See the name "Cole's" on feed door of each stove. None genuine without it.  
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Oldest relic, Mrs. M. J. Smith first, bonnet 300 years old. **CULINARY DEPARTMENT.**

**Class I.**  
Best loaf wheat bread, Mrs. J. Gilliam; best fruit cake, Mrs. S. P. Hathaway; best angel food cake, Mrs. Frank Drews; best pound butter, Mrs. D. L. Brevard.

**Class J.**  
Best jar apple preserves, Mrs. W. G. Bair; second best jar preserves, Mrs. Hill; best Damson plum preserves, Mrs. R. B. Creasy; best jar cherries, Mrs. R. B. Creasy; best apply jelly, Mrs. J. J. Erwin; second best jar apple jelly, Mrs. Hill; best jar fig preserves, Mrs. R. B. Creasy; best watermelon preserves, Mrs. M. Kleberg; second best watermelon preserves, Mrs. Chas. Straach; grape jam, Mrs. S. P. Hathaway, first; Mrs. R. B. Creasy, second.

**Class K.**  
Best can beets, Mrs. J. F. Dean, first; Mrs. Paul Gehardt, second; best catsup, Mrs. Charles Schlake Lowake, first; best schowchow, F. Blumentritt, first; Mrs. R. B. Creasy, second; best cucumber, Paul Gehardt, first; best pickles, Mrs. B. H. Eggenmeyer, first; Miss Amelia Schertwener, second; mince meat, Mrs. R. B. Creasy.

**Class L.**  
Corn, B. H. Eggenmeyer, first; carrots, F. Blumentritt, first; peans, F. E. Fejfor, first; peaches, Charles Schlake, first; Mrs. R. B. Creasy, second; Onions, F. Blumentritt, first; F. Blumentritt, second; tomatoes, Mrs. W. G. Bair; first; Mrs. S. P. Hathaway, second.

**Class M.**  
Best can beets, Mrs. J. F. Dean, first; Mrs. Paul Gehardt, second; best catsup, Mrs. Charles Schlake Lowake, first; best schowchow, F. Blumentritt, first; Mrs. R. B. Creasy, second; best cucumber, Paul Gehardt, first; best pickles, Mrs. B. H. Eggenmeyer, first; Miss Amelia Schertwener, second; mince meat, Mrs. R. B. Creasy.

**Class N.**  
Soap, Mrs. August Voglesang; first; Grandmother Corn, second.

**Class O.**  
Berries, Miss Amelia Schertwener; plums, Mrs. R. B. Creasy; first; blackberries, Mrs. R. B. Creasy, first.

**Class P.**  
When you want a fact to become generally known, the right way is to publish it. Mrs. Joseph Kallans, Peru, Ind., was troubled with belching, sour stomach and frequent headaches. She writes, "I feel it my duty to tell others what Chamberlain's Tablets have done for me. They have helped my digestion and regulated my bowels. Since using them I have been entirely well." For sale by all dealers.

**Class Q.**  
J. K. Buttrick of Clifton, who had been looking after land interests in the plains country, came in Saturday to spend a few days with home folks and Ballinger friends.

**TRESSPASS NOTICE**  
You are hereby warned not to trasspass on my ranch on the Conecho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing, hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.  
**GODFREY MASSEY,**  
wtf Conecho county, Tex.

## STOMACH TROUBLE FOR FIVE YEARS

Majority of Friends Thought Mr. Hughes Would Die, But One Helped Him to Recovery.

Pomeroyton, Ky.—In interesting advices from this place, Mr. A. J. Hughes writes as follows: "I was down with stomach trouble for five (5) years, and would have sick headache so bad, at times, that I thought surely I would die. I tried different treatments, but they did not seem to do me any good. I got so bad, I could not eat or sleep, and all my friends, except one, thought I package today.  
quarter.

I decided to take his advice, although I did not have any confidence in it. I have now been taking Black-Draught for three months, and it has cured me—haven't had those awful sick headaches since I began using it. I am so thankful for what Black-Draught has done for me." Thedford's Black-Draught has been found a very valuable medicine for derangements of the stomach and liver. It is composed of pure, vegetable herbs, contains no dangerous ingredients, and acts gently, yet surely. It can be freely used by young and old, and should be kept in every family chest.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**

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Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. They are the only pills made in England. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Sold by Druggists Everywhere.





# Reported Portugal Declares War on Germany Today

## MURDER, RAPINE, CRUELTY

By Karl H. Von Wiegand, United Press Correspondent.

KONIGSBURG, Oct. 14.—Hordes of Cossacks left a bleeding trail of desolation and woe across the fertile plains of East Prussia as they retreated after a defeat by the Germans into Russian Poland.

I traveled over a country which told the stories of murder, rapine, and cruelty beyond belief. The Russian hordes satisfied their lust by violating scores of defenseless peasant women, some of whom were sixty and seventy years old. Catholic sisters and young girls bore cruelties worse than death.

The Russians as they retreated killed every man they encountered of military age.

### GRAPHIC PICTURE OF HIS FIRST WAR

LONDON, Sept. 30. (By mail to New York).—A very graphic picture of the feelings of a man plunged for the first time into war are given, in a letter received here from a Russian officer at the front. He wrote:

"When war was declared our brigade was despatched to the theatre of operations. I went with delight and so did the others. When we reached our destination we were told that the battle would begin in the morning.

"At daybreak positions were assigned to us, and the commander of the brigade handed us a plan of action for our artillery. From that moment horror possessed our souls.

"It was not anxiety for ourselves or fear of the enemy, but a feeling of awe in the face of something unknown. At six o'clock we opened fire at a mark which we could not distinguish but which we understood was the enemy.

"Suddenly we see the enemy coming. At the same time he opens fire on us. We turn our guns upon him and I give the order to fire. I myself feel that I am in kind of a nightmare.

"One of the enemy's regiments is annihilated. Then a second one. All this time I am pouring missiles in among them. But now the nerves feeling has left me. My soul is filled with hate, and I continue to shoot at the enemy without the least feeling of pity.

"Yet still the enemy is advancing, rushing forward and lying down in turns. I do not understand his tactics, but what are they to me? It is enough for me that I am occupying a favorable

position and mowing him down like a strong man with a scythe in a clover field.

"During the first night after the battle I could not sleep a wink. All the time my mind was filled with pictures of the battlefield. I saw German regiments approaching, and myself firing right into the thick of them. Heads, arms, legs and whole bodies of men were being flung high into the air. It was dreadful. I was in four battles. When the second began I went into it like an automaton. Only your muscles are taxed. All the rest of your being seems paralyzed. So complete is the suspension of the sensory processes that I never felt my wound. All I remember is that a feeling of giddiness came over me and my head began to swim."

PARIS, Oct. 13.—General Damade, who is in command of the French troops on the extreme left wing, has been reinforced. It is the common belief in Paris today that the French and British soldiers will now be able to drive the German back. It is expressed here today that the next great battle of the war will be fought on Belgian soil. The allies according to reports which have been received in Paris, are strongly situated there and are prepared in every way for a great conflict.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—"On October 11, on the left bank of the Vistula river, a battle was begun on the road leading to Tangorod and Warsaw," reads a dispatch received at the Russian embassy here from the Petrograd Foreign Office.

"Our cavalry crossed the Carpathian Mountains in several places and invaded the Hungarian plains.

"The rest of the situation is unchanged."

### War Bulletins

NAPLES, Oct. 12.—Twenty transports, each heavily escorted with British soldiers, sailed today from Tripoli, bring back a 100,000 Italian troops, ostensibly because the enlistment of the men has expired but it is declared here that these troops will still be subject to duty under the order of the general mobilization of Italy.

The movement is generally accepted in Italian circles as being another preparation of Italy for the eventual participation of this war.

The present mobilization of Italy consists of 500,000 soldiers.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—It is reported here among officials that strong reinforcements have reached Ostend from England and that the on the extreme northwestern German Allies are massing for an assault man wing.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 12.—Further advances of the Russians in Galicia and Bukowina were announced today by the War Office, but the general staff withheld details of the movement.

It is believed here since the minutest details of the advances have been withheld by the Russians war office that an important coup is impending.

The announcement this morning declares that the situation in East Prussia is unchanged.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—Several more German aeroplanes circled over Paris today, dropping bombs in several sections of the city. None of them exploded and the damage inflicted upon buildings is slight.

The official report issued this morning declared that the dropping of bombs yesterday killed four people and injured twenty. Several were seriously hurt and may die from the wounds. The bombs hit the Cathedral Notre Dame but failed to explode.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—This afternoon's official communique told of the German attempt to sweep the French coast to the straits of Dover.

Vigorous cavalry engagements continue in the region of the Hazebrouk.

The German attack, the communique reads, between Lassigny and Roysse have been repulsed by the French forces. The French forward movement, it is stated, along the center of the Allied line continues on the extreme right wing.

North of St. Die, the statement declares, a night attack made by the Germans was repulsed by the allied forces.

BERLIN, Oct. 12.—The general staff this afternoon reported that the Antwerp garrison fled in full rout after the attack made by the German infantry and marines. The staff declares that the Germans took many prisoners.

General Von Behler, who commanded the German forces which took Antwerp, has received from the German government declarations for his noble work.

Dispatches received here from Vienna say that the Russians have abandoned the siege of Przemysl. The Czar's army has withdrawn from the city to quite a distance.

The Austrians have defeated the Servians, according to German statements today. The Russians divisions near Lon cut and routed the Cossack division east of the Nymao.

LONDON, Oct. 10.—The confirmation of escape of the Belgian field army from Antwerp before its surrender was contained in the official announcement this morning.

LONDON, Oct. 10.—Realizing the hopefulness of an unequal struggle against the great German siege guns at Antwerp, that city has surrendered. Two-thirds of the city is wrecked from the shells. Two-thirds of the inhabitants have fled. The burgomaster and the artillery commandant decided that nothing could be achieved by further destruction of the city and the continued sacrifice of life.

It is stated here that the retreating Belgians blew up the

### GERMANS LOST 211,000

By United Press.

BERLIN, Oct. 13.—The forty-fourth official list of German casualties brought the list to 211,000. This list announced today does not include the losses sustained by the Bavarian, Saxon and Wurtemberg armies.

famous fort of Merxem, north of the city, so the Germans could not use it in future operations.

According to messages received here, a rain of German shells fell in the city for a period extending over 48 hours.

BERLIN, Oct. 10.—The complete occupation of Antwerp by the German army was announced in the morning review of the war office as follows:

"Antwerp is in our possession. We have had control of the city since yesterday afternoon. A few forts remain in the possession of the Belgians but our occupation of the city itself is complete." White Flag Hoisted Over Cathedral.

The Hague, Oct. 10.—Antwerp surrendered to the Germans at nine o'clock Friday morning, according to information which has been received here. The white flag was hoisted from the tower of the Cathedral Notre Dame, at that hour, and almost at once, the German bombardment ceased.

As soon as the white flag was raised above the tower, of the Cathedral, Burgomaster Devos, accompanied by Alderman Louis Frank, went to the Berschem gate and met General Von Vesler, who was in charge of the German army besieging the city. The burgomaster unconditionally surrendered the city, the Germans taking possession immediately.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—The general opinion here is that Germany will not violate the neutrality of Holland. Naval experts declare that if the Germans attempt to concentrate a fleet at the Antwerp port, they would be easily blockaded afterwards. But at the same time, it is declared, that the German battleships would first have to leave Wilhelmshaven and do battle with all the allies' fleet, which is on guard now off the Heligoland.

The Allies are waiting and hoping for just such a battle, the experts say.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 13.—The general staff of the Russian army today announced the defeat of the Austro-German forces in Galicia near the River San. The enemy, it is stated, lost heavily. Also a number of guns and transport wagons fell into the hands of the Russians.

PARIS, Oct. 13.—Despite the request made by the Germans that the capital be continued in Antwerp, the Belgian government has been moved to Havre, France. Quarters have been provided there by the French government.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—England has asked the United States to assume the British embassy if Germany captures Warsaw.

CETTINJE, Oct. 13.—The Montenegrins routed 16,000 Austrians south of Sarajevo, killing and wounding 2500. A desperate hand to hand conflict ensued. Two Montenegrin generals were wounded in the battle.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Martial law has been proclaimed throughout South Africa following the discovery of a plot by Colonel Martini, who is in command for the republic in the Northwest cape provinces. He was ordered removed by his government but he arrested all his loyal soldiers in his command and sent them prisoners into German Southwest Africa. He is now at the head of a force of German troops in addition to his own rebels.

The German governor of Southwest Africa has agreed to support Colonel Martini and guarantee independence for the proposed republic and further more to cede it certain ports now in the German possession.

The British colonial government is taking vigorous measures to crush the rebellion and punish the traitors to the cause.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—News agency dispatches from Madrid, Spain, today said that it is reported from Lisbon that Portugal has declared war on Germany.

The message was passed by the official press bureau here but its authenticity is not guaranteed.

### Congress Summoned

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The Portugese Cabinet has summoned Congress to meet next Friday for the purpose of voting on a bill for the complete mobilization of the Portugese soldiers.

It is reported that the German minister has already left Lisbon and that German residents of Portugal are anticipating Portugal's entry into the war with the allies very soon. Many of the German residents of the country are said to be fleeing to their native land.

### FIGHTING IS IN PROGRESS AT WARSAW

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—The Russian embassy in this city today received a message from the Foreign Office at Petrograd, in which it was stated that the Russian and German troops are now fighting around Warsaw. The German war office yesterday declared that Warsaw is the only city on the west banks of the Vistula which is not occupied by the Germans.

### BELGIAN MINISTER ASKS HELP

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—The condition in Belgium is so serious that the Belgian minister has again called the state department for relief. Food supplies intended for relief of famine stricken Belgium, now are held in England because Germany will not reply to the United States request for the assurance that the supplies will not be seized by the Germans.

### Success Claimed

PARIS, Oct. 14.—Success of the French forces against the German encircling movement in Belgium was claimed in this afternoon's communique which was telegraphed here from Bordeaux. It is claimed in the statement that Ypres is occupied by the Allies.

It is unofficially reported in this city today that the French attack on the German center was resumed. The official communique reports that there is progress there for the French forces.

BERLIN, Oct. 13.—It was officially claimed this morning by the German government that Poland west of the Vistula river is in the possession of the German army. There remains only one city on the west bank of the river which is in the possession of the Russians and that is Warsaw where the Russian army has mobilized.

### GERMANS LOSE TWO VESSELS

PETROGRAD, Oct. 14.—The loss of the Russian cruiser Pallada and its crew of 570 men was today offset by the sinking of two German submarines of a fleet whose torpedoes sank the Pallada. This was the official statement of the Russian war office today.

### BRITISH TRAWLERS ARE SUNK?

LONDON, Oct. 14.—It is reported here that two British trawlers were sunk in the North Sea.

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An idle horse is a poor investment. So is an idle man.

If you don't like to read base ball news, just remember that every dog has his day.

When a man works he produces. When a man loaf he reduces. What are you?

News from Austin says the legislature will adjourn today. Let us feel thankful.

Last Sunday was Peace Sunday. We should make every Sunday a peaceful one.

What Jim Ferguson and Woodrow Wilson are talking about in Washington would no doubt make good reading.

You no doubt heard some one say that easy money goes easy. Gives us easy money and we will look after the going part.

Yes, there are many a slip betwixt the cup and the lip, but a kiss in the morning and a kiss at night prevents a many a slip.

There is no doubt but what political aspiration buzzing in the bonnet of our governor is responsible for some of the expense.

Better sell enough cotton to pay your poll tax. Its the right thing to do, and you might need the little document next year.

The man who makes good does not need a certificate of recommendation with a seal on it. He finds it an easy job to get a job.

Sorrow generally follows death, but there was general rejoicing throughout Texas when the Texas Bank bill died.

Tobacco is a drag on the market and the Virginia tobacco growers should advocate buying a "chaw."

To eliminate the cotton production next year means taking a year's vacation for many farmers.

The Santa Anna News says that Santa Anna has natural gas. Nothing strange about that, we have some natural gas over here, and also some gas that is not natural.

The European war will reduce the horse population of this country. You can reduce your cotton acreage, Mr. Farmers, and increase your supply of mares.

McLemore has given out a statement thanking the voters of Texas for electing him as their congressman-at-large. Any man that experiences such a close call should always give thanks.

The Krupp gun factory has 50,000 men employed making guns. It is not the rapid approach of the open game season that is making the gun business good but is the wholesale slaughter that is going on just across the pond.

The innocent are often made to suffer for the sins of others. We heard a white man complaining this week because he could not get a job picking cotton, and made the statement that the negroes were taking this country and robbing the white men of the work.

Common sense teaches us that when there is more of anything than the world can use that it is going to be a drag on the market. Yet some farmers will tell you there is nothing in the supply and demand theory.

When Sherman said that war was hell the armies were fighting on the ground and occasionally on the water. Wonder what the general would say if he could witness one of the battles in the air or under the water?

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One objection the farmers are making to cutting the cotton acreage is that cotton is our cash crop. Not so this year. There are other crops that are better cash crops than cotton. Its a mighty small hog that will not bring as much cash as a bale of cotton.

It is a great age we are living in when it becomes necessary for our lawmakers to pass laws compelling us not to produce something that there is no demand for and we can't sell. Its a mighty good time to give the children an education.

Abilene is to have a \$500 drinking fountain for animals. Just another straw to show that humanity is getting better. After while we will devote more attention to raising better babies, and will supply our children with drinking fountains. For the present they can drink out of hydrant and tin cups.

San Angelo is to have a new paper which will make its appearance on October 18th and will be known as the Sun. E. K. Doyle, recently connected with the Temple Telegram and a well known newspaper man of this part of the state, will join J. W. Williams, an Angelo printer in the launching of the Sun. May the Sun's rays be bright and a blessing to San Angelo.

Quite a number of papers around over the state are proposing to take cotton from their subscribers in payment of subscription to the paper. After taking the matter up with the thirty-odd mouths that are depending on this paper to be fed we regret to say that we can't use the cotton. The boys say they can't eat the stuff. However, we will take a carload or two of chickens on subscriptions, also fat hogs, beeves, or milk cows. Bring them in any time day or night.

When we think of the hoop age it is disgusting to hear a man complain about the present day woman's fashion. How would you like to see your wife going down the streets with one of those wire contraptions standing out like a dirigible balloon? And, then think what it would mean to the tangoer and some other kinds of goers.

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BAD BLOOD

Hatred of the Nations for One Another.

This European war was born of the hatred caused by earlier warfare—it will engender other wars between the same nations in the future. The sons yet unborn will carry this hatred in their blood to blaze into warfare when the spark is touched by Kings or Statesmen who are yet an infancy.

It's bad blood that makes your liver sluggish and the same bad blood causes your stomach muscles to lose their elasticity and become flabby and weak and that means indigestion.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, purely vegetable and free from alcohol or narcotics, is not a secret remedy for all its ingredients are printed on wrapper.

Take it as directed and it will search out impure and poisonous matter in the stomach, liver, bowels and kidneys and drive it from the system through the natural channels.

It will penetrate into the joints and muscles, and dissolve the poisonous accumulations. It will replace all the bad blood it drives out, with rich, pure blood full of vital force. It will furnish you with the kind of blood that increases energy and ambition, that puts the entire body in such perfect physical condition that brain or muscles know no fatigue.

It will clear the skin; eczema, pimples, rash, blotches will dry up and disappear; boils, carbuncles and other evidences of tainted blood will pass away never to appear again.

Get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery at any medicine dealer today, in either liquid or tablet form as you prefer. It's the one great blood maker and purifier that all weak or run down people ought to start to use at once. If you want good blood, good health and clear skin, get a supply today.

M. G. L. James, of Brown county, who has recently bought land up the river in Rannels county, and was here looking after his property, returned home Wednesday morning.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

The first month's report will go to the parents today. Father and mother should read it carefully. The report is an estimate of the work done. Teacher and pupil have been finding out what each wished and could do, and the next report ought to be a better one.

In the High School, at the first of the session, we worked several days trying to make a full course of work for some who failed last year. In each instance, they promised to do the work if we would only let them try the advanced work. The reports made by some new and some former teachers show that promises are easily made and soon forgotten. Then too, some have been interested in outside events or taking part in semi-social functions which are all right in themselves perhaps, but these prove more interesting and powerful deterrents to successful study, hence poor preparation for the rugged effort necessary to pass. Parents should quietly determine which is of the most importance: learning thoroughly the work assigned in school; or learning the latest dances. May the latter not be learned after the school work is done—say from May to September—thus keeping the time clear for the most important work the pupil can do at his or her present age? Certainly if the pupil goes much during the week, and if they fail, as some are doing, then the parent ought not to lay the blame on us or expect us to try to make irregular schedules for the accommodation of these who carry full work in society.

Our school family is large; some are absent; some play out; therefore it is necessary to request that parents write an excuse for such absences. If this is done all is settled at once.

There are some out who ought to be in school. These should be entered at once, unless necessary to keep them in the cotton patch. Some who are out will enter the first grade. The beginners in the first grade ought to have started Sept. 14, 1914 as it impossible for them to join in just anywhere in the beginning of the word lists.

If your son or daughter does not bring home a report, you should notify us at once. Last year some parents claimed that no report ever came to their home. As they were signed, we assumed that the report was read by the parent singing it. Please help us to help your child.

W. S. FLEMING.

CONCHO STOCK MOVEMENTS

The Paint Rock Herald reports that D. E. Sims this week, bought of Mr. Thompson of San Angelo 500 head of steers, two and three to later put on feed. The terms are private. The cattle will reach the ranch Saturday.

W. O. Schultz dipped 800 head of cattle at his dipping vats at the ranch. Pretty good work for one day.

W. O. Schultz has now on feed two separate bunches of cattle of two hundred head each. He has silage as well as every other kind of feed cattle eat.

LOST — Notebook containing cotton seed tickets. Tickets issued by Ballinger Cotton Oil Co. Book indexed with alphabet. My name written in book. Will pay \$2.50 reward for book and tickets. H. A. GRIMES. 1td 1twpl

TAKES FANCY SHOT AT MIDNIGHT PROWLER

The family of A. Wilke was disturbed Tuesday night by some one prowling around the house. Mr. Wilke was out of town, being in San Antonio, and his son LeRoy was attracted by the caller, and as he went out to investigate the man made his get-away. Young Wilke after learning that the man was up to mischief, took a shot at him as he went over the fence.

This is the first report of burglary, or attempt at burglary that has been reported to the Ledger. With so many strangers here it is probable that there will be more or less stealing, and it will be a good idea to keep a little closer watch over your valuables than you have been in the habit of doing in the past.

The best \$ watch made. Our own guarantee with every one we sell. Jas. E. Brewer, The Jeweler. 3-4tw ts

J. H. and Adolph Wilke left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio where they go in response to a message stating their mother was seriously ill and not expected to live.

NEGRO BURGLAR CAUGHT WITH GOODS

Jasper Jackson, better known among his race as "Buck Shot" is in the Ballinger jail charged with burglary and theft of goods to the value of \$62.50.

Buck Shot broke into the house of Will Porter, another negro, and made his get-away with Porter's goods to the amount of \$62.50. When Porter missed the goods he suspicioned Buck Shot and he reported the matter to the officers and put the officers on Buck Shot's trail. Among the items missing from Porter's home was his hat and a suit of clothes. Buck Shot was kind enough to leave his old hat in place of the good hat, and this led to the clue that landed him in jail.

Deputy Sheriff Perkins trailed the negro to San Angelo where he caught him and brought him back to Ballinger, together with all the stolen property except a \$25 watch which Buck Shot "soaked" for \$1.50 at Rowena. Included in the items of stolen property was a six shooter. Buck Shot still had this when arrested.

The negro broke into the house which constitutes a charge of burglary and he also stole goods to the value of \$50 which constitutes another felony charge. He has pled guilty to the offense, or at least admits his guilt, and will no doubt be given the usual punishment for such crime.

IF HEADACHE, DIZZY, BILIOUS "CASCARETS"

Tonight! Clean your bowels and Stomach headache, colds, sour tosmach.

Get a 10-cent box now.

You are bilious! You have a throbbing sensation in your head a bad taste in your mouth, your eyes burn, your skin is yellow, with dark rings under your eyes; your lips are parched. No wonder you feel ugly, mean and illtempered. Your system is full of bile not properly passed off, and what you need is a cleaning up inside. Don't continue being a bilious nuisance to yourself and those who love you, and don't resort to harsh physics that irritate and injure. Remember that most disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels are cured by morning with gentle thorough Cascarets—they work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from your druggists will keep your liver and bowels clean; stomach sweet, and your head clear for months. Children love to take Cascarets because they taste good and never gripe or sicken.

WILL STUDY ALCOHOLISM

WACO, Oct. 14.—Students of Baylor University, on petition to the faculty, have secured a departure in the University curriculum in the nature of an elective lecture course on alcoholism. The lectures will be given weekly by President S. P. Brooks and others of the University faculty on the economic, sociological, and hygienic sides. When the class was formed last week, a large number of the students voluntarily enrolled and showed the keen interest that the students are coming to have in practical courses on questions of present day morals and politics.

Your Fall Cold Needs Attention

No use to fuss and try to wear it out. It will wear you instead. Take Dr. King's New Discovery, relief follows quickly. It checks your cold and soothes your cough away. Pleasant, Antiseptic and Healing. Children like it. Get a 50c bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and keep it in the house "Our family Cough and Cold Doctor" writes Lewis Chamberlain, Manchester, Ohio. Money back if not satisfied, but it nearly always helps.

C. C. Robason of Ennot, returned home Tuesday afternoon from points along the Santa Fe where he left his section hands on account of the rush of cotton picking in this section. Mr. Robason was compelled to go east to get hands to work on the Santa Fe section in this part of the state.

Stop coughing! you rack the lungs and worry the body. Ballard's Horhound Syrup checks irritation, heals the lungs and restores comfortable breathing. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

NO ALUM in Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

COUNTY COTTON MEETING SATURDAY

R. T. Williams, county chairman of the Southern Cotton Association has sent out circulars calling a meeting of the farmers at the court house Saturday, Oct. 17th at 2 o'clock.

In discussing the question and the coming meeting Mr. Williams said that it was up to the farmer to save the cotton crop. Just what action would be taken at the meeting is not known, but it is up to the farmer to handle the situation. The price of the present crop depends on what the farmers will do about cutting the acreage in 1915. It is folly to think about receiving a big price for the big crop now being thrown on the market unless the spinners and speculators are assured that the present supply must go a long ways towards making up the supply for two years.

Every farmer who is interested in his own welfare is urged to attend the meeting Saturday and help work out some plan to save the day. It will be a farmers meeting, and the business men stand ready to co-operate with them in making the present cotton crop bring all that is possible to get out of it.

WILL TEST VALUE OF JERSEY CATTLE

DALLAS, Oct. 14.—Twenty-eight Jersey cattle will take part in the twelve days' competitive dairy test at the State Fair this year. This contest is held to convince visitors of the importance of the Jersey in converting the foods of the farm into valuable human food. They will be fed a certain amount of food each day, food selected by owner, and the cow producing the most butter fat during the contest receives first prize. The American Jersey Cattle Club has contributed \$185 to the success of this contest.

PAINT OR NOT.

Is a horse worth more or less after feed? Hay and oats are high today; shall I wait today and feed him tomorrow? That's how men do about painting their houses and barns and fences. Paint has been high for several years; and so they have waited. Some are still waiting. Their property drops a trifle a year and the next job of paint creeps-up creeps-up; it'll take more paint by a gallon a year; they don't save a cent, and the property goes on suffering. DEVOE Ballinger Lumber Co., sells it.

ARM BROKEN.

Louie Dell, the little 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Homann, had the misfortune to get her arm broken Tuesday afternoon near the home of her parents on Ninth street. The right arm near the elbow was broken, caused by her running in a rut on her tri-cycle. We are glad to report the little girl doing very nicely today.

Keep Your Stomach and Liver Healthy

A vigorous Stomach, perfect working Liver and regular acting Bowels is guaranteed if you will use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They insure good Digestion, correct Constipation and have an excellent tonic effect on the whole system—Purify your blood and rid you of all body poisons thru the Bowels. Only 25c. at your Druggist.

J. H. Tucker of Hatchel, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

R. M. Thomson of Austin, passed through Ballinger Wednesday at noon en route to their Schleicher county ranch.

LOST—Hoop of cheese between Ballinger and Spur creek. Finder please return to Ledger office. d&w 1tpd

NAZARENE CHURCH GETS BALE COTTON

J. D. Mangum contributed a bale of cotton to the Nazarene church provided the members of the church would pick the bale. The members very readily accepted the offer and went after the cotton Tuesday.

Quite a number of the members met in the cotton patch at nine o'clock Tuesday morning and before night they had picked the bale of cotton, and it was brought to the gin Wednesday. The pastor Rev. Wells lead the pickers making the highest score with 253 pounds to his credit.

The proceeds from the bale of cotton will be used for the benefit of the church, but it will probably be held until the price looks up a little.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo Sold by druggists.

The many friends of George Vaughn will be glad to learn that he is able again to be back at his place of business having come down town Tuesday afternoon for the first time in several weeks.

Judge Jno. W. Goodwin of Brownwood, who had been here to open District Court, returned home Tuesday afternoon having adjourned court until November 2nd, on account of the busy time with the farmers.

TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OTHERS WHO ARE AMBITIOUS

Take scraps of time from the waste basket, turn them into dollars; earn while you learn by taking a guaranteed correspondence course of Bookkeeping, Shorthand Typewriting, Business Law, Business English, Business Arithmetic, Salesmanship, Advertising or Business Writing thru our correspondence department. We can teach you. We guarantee it. We secure satisfactory results or refund the money. All tuition paid on correspondence course is credited on personal courses if the student desires to finish in our school. In other words, the instructions received in the correspondence department costs you absolutely nothing where a scholarship is sought for personal work. Many find it to their advantage, even where they intend to take personal work later, to first enroll for correspondence work and utilize their spare moments until they are ready to enter since it cost nothing extra. This often saves them a couple of month's time and board in school on personal work. Others take the correspondence course with a view to finishing it by correspondence and expect a position with out entering school.

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Help swell the demand for cotton. We must all join hands to held the cotton situation.



### BUY COTTON GOODS

The more cotton goods you buy the more cotton the mills will have to have. Help the cause.

Aside from the cotton crop this country has been blessed with a bounteous feed crop and other products that will more than equal the amount realized by all products heretofore. Still we are trying to help the price of cotton by increasing the demand.

We Invite You to Come to This Store and Make Your Selection

## Cotton Goods That Are Useful Now

<b>Outing</b> Best quality. Plain and fancy outings, cotton sale	<b>9c</b>	<b>Checks</b> 7 1-2c cotton checks a lucky purchase, cotton sale 25	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Domestic</b> 40 inch Sea Island domestic worth 12 1-2c cotton sale	<b>9c</b>	<b>Ginghams</b> Best quality gingham, ideal for school wear, worth 12 1-2c	<b>9c</b>
<b>Domestic</b> 36 inch bleached domestic regular price 10c now	<b>7 1/2c</b>	<b>Blankets</b> A special lot cotton sale	<b>75c</b>
<b>Calico</b> Best Columbus prints cotton sale	<b>5c</b>	<b>Apron Checks</b> Best grade 14 yards for	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Parcale</b> 27 inch parcale light and dark colors neat patterns cotton sale	<b>6c</b>	<b>Blankets</b> Heavy cotton blankets just the thing for this weather cotton sale	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Underwear</b> Ladies' heavy ribbed vest and pants worth 35c	<b>23c</b>	<b>Talcum Powder</b> Williams talcum powder all orders cotton sale	<b>15c</b>
<b>Cotton Flannel</b> Extra heavy unbleached cotton flannel	<b>9c</b>		

**Purses** Guaranteed leather purses with mirror and change receptacles, worth \$4.00 cotton sale **\$2.00**

**Purses** A special lot of purses worth up to \$3.50 a bargain at that price, cotton sale. **\$1.50**

## Smart Styles In Tailored Suits At All Prices

Every express brings in many new suits in all the latest models and fabrics. We are now showing the long suits and styles of medium length, as well as short coats. These suits are shown in broadcloths, men's wear serges, gabardines and velvet trimmed effects. Black, navy, green and brown being the best styles and they are here in a range of prices to suit all.

## You Will Find Many New Hats In Our MILLINERY DEPARTMENT



## Special Sale Men's Shirts All Sizes

Beautiful cotton madras and printed shirts in all this season's new and attractive patterns. Black, blue, helio and mixed stripes, some are woven fabrics worth \$1.00 and \$1.25. Cotton sale **79c**

### Special Lot Men's Hose

Black, tan, grey and navy. A good serviceable sock that is made for wear. Cotton sale, 3 pair **25c**

### Special Lot Ladies' Shoes

These shoes are broken lines, only a few pair of a kind. Many are worth up to \$4.00 cotton sale **\$1.98**

# Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.

Ballinger's Greatest Store

**"Wear Holeproof Hose and Find the Mend"**

Ballinger, Texas

## Echoes from County Fair; Bills Paid and Money Left

The first Runnels County Fair has passed into history. It was not the biggest fair in Texas, but that it was a success no one will dare deny, and for its success some body deserves credit.

Every one should remember, in making the final account of Runnels County first fair, that it was gotten up on a short notice. When we say short notice we mean that nothing was due towards arranging for the fair until about two weeks before the time for holding same was fixed. The various committees took up their work and each one was determined to see that it was a success, and it was.

Secretary Boler of the Y. M. B. L. informs us that all bills have been paid, and that there remains in the treasury more than \$150. Mr. Boler and Government Agent McLelland will prorate the \$150 among the premium winners of the fair, and this work will be done as soon as they can get to it.

Mr. Boler also informs us that after all expenses had been paid from the subscription list that there was a balance of \$13 left in the treasury. This is better than was expected, and those who so successfully handled the financing of the fair deserve credit for their good work.

In handling the finances and auditing the various accounts A. C. Homann did the big end of the work, and much credit is due Mr. Homann for the success of this part of the fair.

It should be encouraging to those who are anxious to see Runnels County have a good fair to know that the premium winners will be able to receive cash premiums or funds whatever were provided for paying premiums at the beginning of the work.

In discussing the splendid manner with which the various departments of the exhibit were so successfully handled Mr. Boler says the Young Men's Business League feels kindly and under many obligations to those who were so faithful in assisting in the work.

The West Texas Telephone Co., installed a telephone in the exhibit hall and handled all calls without cost to the fair committee.

Judge C. H. Willingham had charge of the agricultural exhibits. He superintended the arranging of the exhibits and remained on duty almost day and night throughout the two days, and took a delight in showing the visitors through this department. Judge Willingham made this department a success.

S. P. Stone and Price Maddox, who had charge of the livestock exhibit, handled this department in a most satisfactory way, and sustains the kindest feeling for the sustain the kindest feeling for the exhibit.

W. V. Bethel, a visitor to Ballinger, who happened to be here in the interest of a life insurance company, fell in line and assisted in the work of decorating and arranging the hall, and was a great help to the ladies in the textile department. Mr. Bethel is a booster for Ballinger.

Miss Bertha Van Pelt tendered the use of her auto for the various members of the committee and would not accept pay for same. The committee was saved many steps through the kindness of Miss Van Pelt.

Miss Mary Sue Spill assisted in the office of the Young Men's Business League during the rush and declined pay for her services. She made it possible for those calling at the office to get information while Secretary Boler was absent from the office.

Those who volunteered their services to act as doorkeepers at the exhibit hall were Misses Lois Crews, Bettie Miller, Ada Allen, Nell Alexander, Winnie Trail, Neoma Austin, Susie Sharp, Neil Guion. They added to the success of the fair in receiving the many visitors.

What speaks for itself and what will be useful too all future fairs, is a record of entries, and other data pertaining to the first Runnels County Fair, is on file in the Y. M. B. L. office, and is the work of the committee in charge of this feature of the work, and is a credit to Judge and Mrs. M. Kleberg, Misses Maggie Sharp, Mary Phillips, of Ballinger; Miss Ophelia Graham of Winters, and Celia Gerngross of Rowena. This committee had charge of the textile, art and culinary departments, and they are responsible for the success of these departments.

Miss Alma Studeman, stenographer for the Y. M. B. L. worked faithfully for the success of the fair, and in counting up suc-

cess she should not be forgotten.

There are others who helped to make the fair a success, but memory fails us, and we only make mention of those whom we recall as being on the job from start to finish and whose faithful service we feel that the public in general appreciates.

Secretary Boler and Mr. McLelland worked hand in hand and cooperated in making the fair a success. Mr. McLelland has been busy throughout the year pushing the boys feterita club and baby pig clubs and getting the exhibits of these clubs in shape for the fair, and we are glad to be able to published a list of prize winners else where in this paper.

Both Mr. Boler and Mr. McLelland deserves credit for their work, the results of which demonstrates to the most skeptical what could be accomplished by beginning early and arranging for the next fall fair.

## HEADACHE GONE! NO PAIN OR NEURALGIA

Dr. James' Headache Powders give instant relief—10 cents a package

When your head aches you simply must have relief or you will go wild. It's needless to suffer when you can take a remedy like Dr. James' Headache Powders and relieve the pain and neuralgia at once. Send someone to the drug store now for a dime package of Dr. James' Headache Powders. Don't suffer. In a few minutes you will feel fine—headache gone—no more neuralgia pain.

## JACK FROST HERE TUESDAY NIGHT

The government weather gauge dropped to 35 degrees Tuesday night, and left a light coat of Jack Frost on the high places. It is claimed that 40 degrees weather will produce frost, but the frost Tuesday night was very mild and not heavy enough to damage anything.

Quite a number of farmers have not harvested their late feed crop and are not ready for frost, while taking the county as a whole frost would not destroy much feed. Cotton has about completed its work, and with the late opening the crop will be ready for the pickers.

Only One "BROMO QUININE"  
To get the genuine, call for full name, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for signature of E. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day. Stops cough and headache, and works off cold. 25c.

## 800,000 BALES SHORT THIS YEAR IN SHIPPING

By United Press.  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—The census report issued today showed that the cotton exports for September were 125,778 bales against 930,328 last September. Domestic manufacturing establishment consumed 556,068 bales against 614,581 bales September, 1913.

FOUND—A suit case containing clothing and other items. It is the property of G. L. Goodwin or M. F. James. Call at Ledger office. w&d 11

R. R. Russell of San Antonio, who is looking after cattle and property interests in this county, came in from the Blocker ranch up the river Tuesday afternoon and is the guest of Jo B. Wilmeth while in Ballinger.

### CITY MEAT MARKET

We always handle the very best meats of all kinds that the market affords, and your orders promptly attended to at all hours. We will buy your stock and hides from you at top prices, when you have anything to sell. We guarantee first-class meats and we handle the same in a sanitary way. Your orders appreciated. City Meat Market, Telephone 185 STANLEY CAMERON, Prop. dwtf.



### Only Sure Corn Cure Ever Known

**"Gets-It" the New Way, 2 Drops Do It.**  
To endure the pains and tortures caused by a little thing like a corn is ridiculous, simply because it is unnecessary. The new-plan corn cure.

Use "GETS-IT" for Corns and You Won't "Holler" When You Put on Your Shoes.



"GETS-IT" is the first one ever known to remove corns without pain, without pain and without trouble. This is why it is the biggest-selling corn cure in existence today. It is now used by millions, because it does away with sticky tape, with plasters and cotton rings that shift their position and press down onto the corn, with knives that "raw up" the corn, with "burners" that cause pressure and pain, with knives, razors and files, clawing and pulling at a corn. "GETS-IT" is applied in two seconds. Two drops applied with the glass rod do the work. Pain goes, the corn shrivels vanishes. Accept no substitute. Try it on any corn, wart, callus or bunion tonight. "GETS-IT" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago. "Gets-It" sold in Ballinger by J. Y. Pearce, The Walker Drug Co., and City Drug Store.

## \$200,000 LOSS BY TEXAS CO.

TULSA, Oct. 10.—The Texas Oil Co., was today advised that its Antwerp oil tanks and property were destroyed by German shells at Antwerp during the German bombardment. It is estimated that the loss is \$200,000.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—The Germans fired the Antwerp oil tanks while the American flag was flying over them, according to a message which was received here from Consul General Diederich. The tanks with their contents were total losses to the American owners.

**The Magic Washing Stick.**  
"The Magic Washing Stick is just fine. It did just what you said it would do and the clothes were so nice and white with all the hard rubbing left off," writes Mrs. Sarah Goodale, Preston, Texas. The Magic Stick is not a soap nor a washing powder. Sold by grocers and druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

J. S. Williams who had been visiting his daughter Mrs. C. M. Doyle of the Valley creek country, passed thru Ballinger Monday en route to Benoit to spend a while with relatives in that neighborhood.

C. B. Armstrong left Monday at noon for San Angelo on a short business trip.

When we fit your eyes "they are right," no guessing. Jas. E. Brewer, Jeweler and optometrist. 3-4tw ts

R. J. Sandres and family, who had been working home at Winters the past year or two, passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon for Center, Texas, where they will make home in the future.

D. B. Duncan left Monday afternoon for San Saba, where he goes to sell out a car load of apples.

**The Magic Washing Stick.**  
"The Magic Washing Stick is the finest thing in the world. Cleans the clothes without rubbing—makes the whitest clothes I ever saw. I cannot do without it anymore. All you say is true, it does all you say it will. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. Hope every lady will try it," writes Mrs. W. F. Gammill Ashdown, Ark. This peculiar article is sold by grocers and druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

H. Clemens of New Braunfels, came in Monday afternoon to look after business interests in Ballinger and Runnels county for a few weeks.

### SECRETARY OF STATE FOUND IN GARAGE

SPRINGFIELD, Oct. 12.—Secretary of State Harry Woods, who was recently defeated for senator, suicided Sunday night. His body was found in his garage today by workers.

Financial papers found in Woods' pockets suggested that the motive of the suicide was on account of pecuniary matters. According to certain persons here, the last time the secretary of state was seen was Sunday morning when he was leaving his home. He was fifty-one years of age.

Woods' quarterly report which was due Sept. 30, has not yet been rendered. The state auditor put nine men auditing the books of the secretary of state.

### Woods Plunges Into Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Grain brokers declared here today that Woods plunged heavily lately in a desperate effort to regain huge sums spent in his campaign for the democratic nomination for the senatorship. He lost all because the war came on at the time, upsetting the wheat market and throwing him worse in debt.

SPRINGFIELD, Oct. 13.—An auditor's investigation showed that Secretary of State Harry Woods had kept a straight account. The coroner's jury was a verdict of suicide.

The governor of the state today appointed Louis Stevenson, former vice president of the United States, to succeed Woods as secretary of state.

### MINATURE COTTON FACTORY

How thread is made, spooled and how the spools are nicked at the edge, will be shown in a miniature factory plant at the State Fair of Texas which opens Saturday, October 17th.

The Spool Company of New York has secured special space to install a four-spindle automatic spooling machine which will wind a 200 yard spool in forty five seconds. The product will be ticketed and distributed as souvenirs.

Besides the spooling machine there will be shown goods in various processes of manufacture, from the raw material to the finished article, including all sorts of cotton fabrics, crochet and embroidery work.

Another exhibit is also planned to show the handling of cotton, from the field to the gin and thence to the mill, an exhibit that will deal with the importance of the cotton manufacturing industry of Texas.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

- List of letters advertised October 10, 1914:
- Austin, Everett,
  - Baker, J. R.
  - Baker, Eugene,
  - Fowler, J. D.
  - Herring, J. E.
  - Jeringan, Mrs. Emma,
  - Jeneka, Pete,
  - Matlock, Oscar,
  - Mitchell, Hobart,
  - McClendon, Ebby,
  - McClendon, Elba,
  - McCollum, Galloway,
  - Rowland, John W. G.,
  - Smith, C. E.
  - Smith, A. J.
  - Sellers, Mrs. Tessie,
  - Webster, Roscoe,
  - Williams, Earl.
- When calling for the above letters please say "Advertised" and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead-letter-office.  
James J. Erwin P. M.

We measure your eyes **absolutely correct**, and charge you only for lenses required in your particular case, which will more often cost from \$1.00 to \$3.00. In special cases higher but, never, in any case, over \$13.00. Jas. E. Brewer, Jeweler and optometrist. 3-4tw ts

H. E. Dickinson of Reagan county, who had been visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger and Runnels county, left for home Monday.

D. H. Parmer of the Miles country, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Mrs. Richards and children of the Winters country, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McKnown the past few days, returned home Tuesday afternoon.

### GRIGGS SAYS QUICK ACTION NECESSARY

R. T. Williams is in receipt of a letter dealing with the cotton reduction acreage and Mr. Griggs writes as follows:

Relative to prospective action of the Legislature on the subject recently submitted by the Governor to cut down the cotton acreage for 1915, beg to advise that I don't see now how such a law can be passed under our constitution but I heard Col. Harvey Jordan speak here a day or two ago and I am convinced that something should be done, in some way, to reduce the acreage next year, or cotton will sell next fall just like it is now. I saw in The Daily Ledger that you were working up a crowd for Governor Noel's speech in Ballinger, I would be glad to hear from you and all who are interested relative to your ideas and wishes in the matter. You might have my suggestion published in the papers there, but quick action is necessary as we may adjourn. I voted against adjourning Saturday and want to give this matter full consideration.

### IF CHILD IS CROSS, FEVERISH AND SICK

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated, cleanse little bowels with "California Syrup of Figs."

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother. See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages, plainly printed on the bottle. Be ware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

E. F. Burson and two little sons of the Token country, were among the number who attended the Gentry Show in Ballinger Monday.

We give free tickets in the Dunlap Pony Contest for your favorite child. Jas. E. Brewer, jeweler and optometrist. 3-4tw tsd

Miss Virginia Wood returned home Tuesday morning from an extended visit to her sister, of Meisse, N. M.

**Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days**  
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives ease and rest. 50c.

Ivan Hamilton one of the Winters confectionary dealers, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Make it a point to stop at Brewer's Jewelry Store and see the newest and best rings, lavalliers, electric lamps, cut glass, silver ware and etc. We are always glad to show you. Jas. E. Brewer 709 Hutchins Ave. 3-4tw tsd

Judge J. O. Woodward of Coleman, came in Tuesday to look after legal business in the District court.

G. W. Coswell of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years  
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

### Moving Nigger Land To Runnels County

The second special train for this week, loaded to the limit with negro cotton pickers, arrived in Ballinger at one o'clock Tuesday at noon. The train consisted of four cars, and all but about one dozen of the negroes were unloaded at Ballinger and huddled together at the depot until each farmer who had placed his order for hands had been supplied. The negroes were all readily engaged and carried to the country.

Parties went to nigger land and secured the negroes, wiring here to the banks for transportation for them. The banks supplied the transportation for the various farmers.

The threatening weather Monday morning made things look a little gloomy for the farmer with a big drove of negroes on his hands, but the Norther soon dispelled the gloom and cotton picking is going on at rapid rate

with prospects for a week of favorable weather for gathering the fleecy staple.

Some seem to think that it is time to call a halt on importing negro hands, and it is probable that few more will be brought here but the farmers say they will have work for the present supply until late in the fall.

These negroes will be returned to their homes just as soon as the farmers are through with them. The people who have charge of bringing this class of labor here say that the white people are glad to let the negroes come here and make money to run them through the winter. Work is short in their home counties, and they must depend upon the white people for supplies through the winter, or until another crop is started and by being able to get work here it will be a big help to them through the winter.

### Arguments Beg'n Before High Court

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—Arguments on points, the decisions on which will affect virtually every man, woman, and child in the United States were begun today before the United States Supreme Court. As an illustration, every owner of railroad stock or bonds in the country, and every person interested in state taxation questions, and every person who pays to ride on trains, is interested in the case of the Norfolk & Western Railroad Co. against the state of West Virginia. This is one of the cases set for early argument by the Supreme Court, and is the first on the list.

While harking back to the question of confiscatory rates, the argument in this case rests on the point whether any one rate can be confiscatory, unless the entire rate system of which it is a part is confiscatory. Assuming the contention of the railroad attorneys that the two cent fare law results in the company not receiving enough revenue from its intrastate passenger traffic to yield it a profit to be correct, and this is virtually conceded by the attorneys for the state, the question is put up to the court—is that sufficient to declare the rate confiscatory?

The state of West Virginia holds that it is not. The state contends that all of the business of the Norfolk & Western within the state of West Virginia is profitable, and that it is beside the point to pick out the passenger traffic, and say that this particular line of business does not pay. Incidentally, the figures of the state's experts, as produced in the lower courts, show that the revenue from the 2 cent tickets gives the company just about operating expenses, so that a clear case is established, as this would yield no return on the investment. The company's experts figure that it does not even pay them to haul the business at the two cent rate, but that it is not the question which is put up to the Supreme Court.

This question is made of more interest because of the recent five per cent rate decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which suggested to the railroads, in denying the full measure of increases in freight rates asked for, to raise their passenger rates as many of them were unprofitable.

Another case set for early argument of great interest to railroad men is that of the Pullman Co. versus W. V. Knott, as comptroller of the state of Florida. This case concerns the validity of the state act taxing the gross earnings of all sleeping and dining cars within the limits or the states, one and one half cent, in addition to advalorem and license taxes.

Argument on the so-called "Book Trust" case will also be begun at once. This is the case of I. and U. Straus, (R. H. Macy & Co.) against the American Publishers' Association. Because Macy & Co. refused to agree to maintain fixed retail price for copyrighted books sold to it by members of the association, it is charged, that all its members refused to sell their books and publications to the department store, causing it a loss

of \$125,000. The suit is under the anti-trust law, and is to recover treble damages.

Title to valuable oil lands in California hangs on the arguments in the case of Antonio Maria Peralta and others against the State of California. In patents issued prior to 1877, it is alleged, fraudulent surveys were inserted. The title to this enormously valuable land dates back to an original grant by the Governor of Alta to Luis Peralta, in 1820.

A most interesting case to the white people of the South set for early argument is that of Carl Oliver, against the State of Texas. Oliver is a negro and was indicted for the murder of Robert D. Stanley in June, 1910. Since then the case has been dragging its way through the courts. The question which will be put up to the Supreme Court for decision however, is the fact that all negroes were excluded from the Grand Jury, and only white men were permitted to serve.

### What Would You Do?

There are many times when one man questions another's actions and motives. Men act differently under different circumstances. Do right now if you had a severe cold? Could you do better than to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended by people who have used it for years and know its value. Mrs. O. E. Sargent, Peru, Ind., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is worth its weight in gold and I take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Pink Abernathy and babe and Luther Abernathy returned to their home near Garden City Tuesday. They had been here at the bedside of Mr. Abernathy who we are glad to report much better Tuesday when they left for home.

Jack Guy, the Talpa hardware merchant, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Mrs. Jack Applewhite left Monday afternoon for Goldthwaite to visit her parents a week or two.

**How To Give Quinine To Children.**  
FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2 ounce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

J. R. Harris and C. G. Seible, two of the representative citizens of the Hatchel country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Attorney Bigler of Miles, came over Tuesday morning to look after business in the District Court now in session in Ballinger.

I have associated with me Mr. E. J. Hunt, who is an expert mechanic, which enables me to take care of all your watch and jewelry repairing and engraving promptly and in the best possible manner. Jas. E. Brewer, The Jeweler. 3-4tw tsd

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and assistance during the sickness and death of our husband and father. May God bless each and every one. MRS. M. M. HAMILTON, and family.

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Four Brilliant, Splendid-Trained High-Class Bands—Famous Vocal and Instrumental Soloists—Power's Educated Elephants, Direct from New York Hippodrome—Attractive Misses Who Can Sing, Dance and do Acrobatic Stunts—Other Splendid Acts Composing the Coliseum Bill.

**SUPERB GRANDSTAND PROGRAM**  
America's greatest trotters and pacers in daily contests for \$50,000 in stakes and purses October 20-30. THREE BIG GRIDIRON CONTESTS. EDUCATIONAL—VACATIONAL

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**W. I. YOPP, President.**      **W. H. STRATTON, Secretary**

**COTTON GROWER OFFERS REWARD**

The statement sent out from Dallas and published in number of papers last week, condemning half and half cotton, and quoting cotton buyers as saying the half and half cotton was of an inferior staple, has brought a protest from the growers of this staple.

In an interview published in the Miles Messenger, G. H. Reed, contends that it is a scheme on the part of the cotton seed crushers to discourage the production of cotton. The Messenger in quoting Mr. Reed, says:

"G. H. Reed has perhaps 50 acres in cotton known as the 'half and half' variety and when shown the statement in the papers to the effect that the Dallas Cotton Exchange had recently condemned the half and half cotton as being no better than the American Linter's or the East India staple, Mr. Reed replied: 'Yes there is a bug under the chip. The Cotton Crushers' Association knows that when this variety of cotton is extensively grown that they will suffer by an under production of seed. The local buyers have been unable so far to class the half and half variety as being inferior from other varieties of cotton and I have offered a premium to the man who will find it not up to the standard.'

**WAREHOUSE TO BE BUILT VERY SOON**

A cotton warehouse will be constructed in Ballinger. This decision was reached Friday afternoon by the Warehouse Committee of the Young Men's Business League.

A committee was named at the meeting Friday to make all collections of funds for the construction of the warehouse. The list was circulated several weeks ago and sufficient money has been subscribed to the fund for the building of one house in Ballinger. The committee is composed of Wm. Dooze, Jr., C. R. Stephens and E. R. Boler. Immediately will the committee begin collecting the funds for the building of the warehouse.

It was authorized by the Warehouse committee that the special committee be authorized to act with power in the selection of the site for the building, to carry out its construction according to the plans of the committee. Bids will be advertised to be sealed and delivered to the Young Men's Business League. They will be opened Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 10 o'clock.

The site which is now being considered by the Warehouse Committee is along the Santa Fe right-of-way, near the Colorado river bridge.


**MAN PICKS 898 POUNDS COTTON IN ONE DAY**

So far as our information goes the season's cotton picking pennant of Coleman county is already won by the three young men of Rockwood, who on Thursday of last week picked 2,502 pound of cotton. This information was furnished us by R. M. Hall, who has been in the Rockwood district on business the past week.

The individual record of the three pickers is as follows: Evan Wise, 898 pounds; Denby Wise, 790 pounds; and Ray Caldwell, 814 pounds.

**Two Girls Pick 1,253 Pounds.**  
Not far behind the boys' picking record comes the record of two Rockwood girls, the Misses Box, who picked 1,23 pounds cotton in a day.—Coleman-Democrat Voice.

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**DALLAS, TEXAS**

**TALKING MACHINE CO. BUYS TEN CENT BALE**

J. Y. Pearce, local representative for the Victor Talking Machine Company, of Camden, N. J., received instructions this week to buy a bale of distressed cotton, paying ten cents for same.

Mr. Pearce went out in the open market and purchased a bale paying ten cents per pound for the bale. The bale will be compressed and shipped to the Victor factory, at Camden, New Jersey.

Texas is one of the big states for the sale of talking machines, and the Victor people do a good business in this state. They are showing their appreciation of the patronage given them by Texas people by aiding in helping to take care of the big cotton crop.

**FOUND DEAD IN HIS BUGGY**

News reached Ballinger Saturday of the sudden death of A. Wheeler, better known as Dock Wheeler, a prominent farmer of the Miles country.

Mr. Wheeler was returning to his home from Miles, and was traveling alone in his buggy when he died. He was discovered by a man traveling in a wagon along the same road. The horse to the buggy was traveling faster than the team to the wagon and caught up with the wagon, when the man driving the wagon noticed that the man had tied the lines to the whip socket, and was sitting in his seat dead. The man in the wagon jumped out and stopped the horse to the buggy as he turned out of the road and was trotting by the wagon as though he was being guided.

Deceased was about sixty years old, and had been suffering for some time with dropsy, and his death was caused by heart trouble. He leaves a wife and three sons. The funeral was held at Miles.

**Hopeless Lung Trouble Cured**

Many recoveries from Lung Troubles are due to Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey. It strengthens the Lungs, checks the Cough and gives relief at once.—Mr. W. S. Wilkins, Gates, N. C., writes: "I used Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey in a case given up as hopeless and it affected a complete cure." Get a bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. If your cough is dry and hacking let it trickle down the throat, and you will surely get relief. Only 25c. at your Druggist.

**The Magic Washing Stick.**

"All glory to the Magic Washing Stick—my clothes were as white as snow," writes Mrs. Sallie Cummings, Marquez, Texas. Not a soap or a washing powder but a peculiar article which makes dirty clothes clean and beautiful without a bit of rubbing. Sold by grocers and druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

**It Always Does the Work.**

"I like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy better than any other," writes R. E. Roberts, Homer City, Pa. I have taken it off and on for years and it has never failed to give the desired results." For sale by all dealers.

A letter received Friday morning from our friend W. S. Mullin, of Myndas, N. M. enclosed a dollar to keep posted on the old home news and sends regards to his many friends in Rannels county.

When your food does not digest well and you feel "blue," tired and discouraged, you should use a little *Herbine* at bedtime. It opens the bowels, purifies the system and restores a fine feeling of health and energy. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

**COUNTY GIN RECEIPTS**

WINTERS, Tex., Oct. 9.—There were 6,899 bales of cotton ginned in Rannels County from the crop of 1914 prior to Sept. 25, as compared with 7,775 bales ginned to Sept. 25, 1913.

Wormy children are unhappy, puny and sickly. They can't be otherwise while worms eat away their strength and vitality. A few doses of *White's Cream Vermifuge* performs a marvelous transformation. Cheerfulness, strength and rosy bloom of health speedily return. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

**The Magic Washing Stick.**

"I cannot speak highly enough in praise of the Magic Washing Stick. It saves half the labor in washing. Makes the clothes sweet clean and white as snow without the use of rubboard," writes Mrs. R. M. Cardwell, Forney, Texas. Sold by grocers and druggists three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

G. W. Wilson of the Pony creek country was marketing cotton in Ballinger Saturday and says cotton is turning out fine, getting about three-fourths of a bale to the acre first picking.

**Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly**

The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. See

W. J. Sims of Amarillo, who had been visiting friends and relatives in our section the past few days, left for his home Saturday afternoon.

**RETURNS TO BALLINGER**

H. G. Stokes, the express agent, at Ballinger, returned home Friday afternoon from a two or three weeks vacation in the Pecos country, with his son and family and reports a most enjoyable visit. He enjoyed the motor boat riding on the big irrigation lake of the Imperial Irrigation company and the fish he caught are beyond enumeration Mrs. H. G. Stokes, Jr., and children returned home with him to visit in Ballinger a few weeks.

**RETURNS HOME.**

Lee Drennan came in from Hong Cong, China, Thursday having his honorable discharge from the U. S. navy where he had been serving the past three or four years. He is delighted to be back at home and has many thrilling experiences to tell of his stay in the navy.

**Deafness Cannot Be Cured.**

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When the tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENNY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

Judge C. O. Harris of San Angelo, came in Friday afternoon to visit relatives and to look after legal business a day or so.

Sam Boyer of the New Home community and Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell of Hatchell, were among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

**CITATION.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon V. E. Hutchens and the unknown heirs of V. E. Hutchens, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Ballinger, Texas on the 2nd, Monday in October, A. D., 1914, the same being the 12th day of October, A. D., 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 27th day of August, A. D., 1914 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1643, wherein Mrs. Myrtle Jones, joined by her husband, Willie Jones, and Minnie and Charley Ray Stamps, minors, acting by and through duly appointed guardian, T. W. Murray are plaintiffs, and V. E. Hutchens and the unknown heirs of V. E. Hutchens, deceased, are defendants and said petition alleging a cause of action in trespass to try title on the following described lands and premises, to wit:

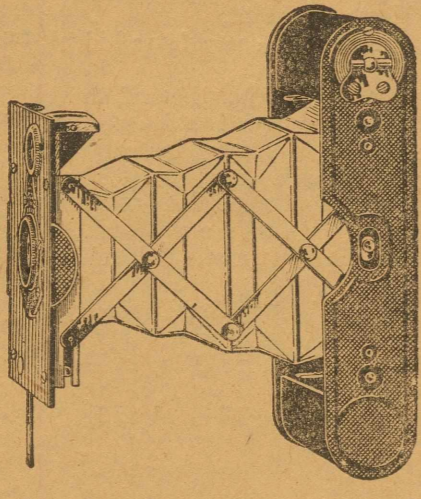
Situated in Rannels County, in the State of Texas, being 160 acres of land, being the southeast quarter of a 640 acres survey situated on the waters of Coyote creek, known as survey No. 99, abstract No. 626, originally granted to the H. & T. C. Ry Co., by virtue of certificate No. 28-2063, patented to the said Ry. Co., October 11th, 1877, by letters patent No. 638, volume 18 in which plaintiffs ask for the recovery of the possession and title to said property for costs of suit and for general relief.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court at office in Ballinger, Texas, this, the 27th day of August, A. D. 1914.

(Seal)  
MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk,  
District Court, Rannels County  
By W. H. Weeks, Deputy.

*The very essence of efficiency.*



**The Vest Pocket KODAK**

Literally small enough to go into the vest pocket (or a lady's handbag)—big enough to bring home all outdoors—a miniature in size, but lacking nothing of Kodak efficiency or simplicity.

Has Kodak Ball Bearing shutter with iris diaphragm stops, meniscus achromatic lens. Autotime scale and brilliant reversible finder. Loads in daylight with Kodak Film Cartridges for eight exposures. A fixed focus makes it always ready for quick work. Lustrous black metal finish.

Pictures, 1 5/8 x 2 1/2 inches. Price, \$6.00

*Catalogue at your dealers, or on request. Free.*

**EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY,**  
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

**City Drug Store, Local Dealer.**

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We Have Overhauled Our Gin and Will Give You the Same Good Work.

A Share of Your Patronage Will Be Appreciated.

**Ballinger Gin Company**  
Joe Spoons,      Manager

We Are Headquarters For All Kinds of

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We Believe You Will Save Money By Buying From Us

**No Trouble for Us to Figure Bills, whether you buy from us or not.**

Give Us a Trial is All We Ask.

**Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.**

**Do Your Building Now! It Will Never Cost You Less.**

Are you going to build a store, a house, a barn, a fence, or anything at any time in the near future? Take our advice and do it now. Lumber and other expenses will never be lower than they are now. See us about your lumber, lath, shingles, casings, cement, lime and anything else you need.

**We Carry Them All In Stock.**

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**BALLINGER LUMBER CO.**



### To Our Country Friends

The old Rock Stable is now the Leach Auto Works—a place where your car can get supplies of all kinds.

## Special Attention to Hurried Calls. LEACH AUTO WORKS

PHONE 69

## NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 percent interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on

**H. Giesecke** Ballinger, Texas.

### H. L. WENDORF,

THE SADDLE AND HARNESS MAN

Everything in the leather goods line. All kinds of repairing done neatly and promptly. Shoe shop in connection. Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, Texas

For Neat, Quick and Reliable Abstract Work See

### Security Title Company

Blue Back Abstracts and Conveyancing.

For Lowest Interest Rates on Realty Loans and Land Bargains See

**Chas. S. Miller.**

## DELICATE APPETITES

need a variety to tempt them. This Store has, for many years, always lead in this respect.

Fresh vegetables, good butter, fruit and the very highest class of Groceries are always to be found in our store.

Many stores are short on the very thing you want, but we can always fill the bill.

**A Trial Will Convince You**

## THE MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

708 Hutchings Avenue

Ballinger Texas.

PHONE 66

## Hall Hardware Co.

Hardware, Implements and Vehicles

Standard Implements, Windmills Studebaker and Schuttler Wagons

## Hall Hardware Co.

### We Gin While You Wait!

We have just thoroughly overhauled our entire gin plant and added new machinery and have just installed a new seed conveyor, and are doing good work and making splendid turn out. Give us a trial.

## DAY GIN

Edwin Day, Manager.

Next to river bridge

## Young Ladies Graduate In Laudable Work

The graduating exercises of the Halley & Love Training School for Nurses, was attended with great success Friday night, and those who attended were given a treat in entertainment of this character.

The exercises were held at the Carnegie Library, and at an early hour the auditorium was well filled with friends of the school, and most marked attention was given throughout the rendition of the splendid program.

Rev. W. B. Adkins was the first on the program and opened the evening exercises with prayer, as the large crowd stood and reverently bowed their heads.

The first musical number on the program was the piano solo by Mrs. Troy Simpson. Mrs. Simpson's name on a program is synonym of high-class entertainment and her rendition on this occasion was pleasing to the music lovers of the large audience.

Jo Wilmeth was assigned the place on the program of making the introductory speech. Mr. Wilmeth kept the audience in an uproar of laughter throughout his speech, relating twenty-five or thirty humorous jokes in telling of the experience of the doctors. Mr. Wilmeth's talk added variety to the evening's entertainment that made it all the more enjoyable.

A solo by Mrs. E. L. McAlpine brought forth a hearty applause. A musical program without Mrs. McAlpine's name is not complete, and the solo rendered on this occasion was one of the enjoyable numbers on the program.

Miss Maurice Truly entertained the music lovers of the large audience with her violin and throughout the rendition of the violin solo a silence prevailed throughout the audience that was almost solemn, and at the conclusion of this number on the program Miss Truly was given a cheerful encore. Miss Truly is teaching violin in our city.

Dr. J. M. Carroll, president of Howard Payne College, Brownwood and the only out of town speaker on the program, was the principle speaker for the evening. Dr. Carroll talked on "Preparation," pointing out that it counted for something in life besides money to prepare for any vocation. The thought brought out so clearly in Dr. Carroll's talk was that every one should prepare himself to make true men and women, and that making money should be the second thought in preparation.

Chas. S. Miller delivered the address and presented the diplomas to the graduates, Misses Loeffler, Pagles, and Weideman. Mr. Miller's address is published in full elsewhere in this issue of the Ledger, and is worthy of the space that it occupies and the publicity that it is our pleasure to give it.

Miss A. V. Toulme, superintendent of the Halley & Love Sanitarium, presented the graduates with the pins.

Miss Schooler rendered a solo, and this was the last musical number on the program. Miss Schooler's name was not on the program, but the supplementing of her name was a pleasant surprise to those who were present to enjoy the evening's entertainment.

Rev. W. H. Doss pronounced the benediction and the audience dispersed feeling proud that we had in our midst such an institution as the Training School for Nurses.

### PRESENTING OF DIPLOMAS.

Directors and Nurses of the Training School. Ladies and Gentlemen:—In appearing before you on this occasion, I wish to assure you that I certainly feel highly honored to have been selected to deliver to these most worthy young ladies their Diplomas; and before proceeding to do this, though I lack the necessary oratorical ability, to do full justice to the occasion, nevertheless, realizing that I am addressing friends and patrons of this praise worthy institution, I feel that the few remarks I shall make in my humble way, will fall upon appreciative ears, and thus not have been spoken in vain.

Do you, my kind friends, fully realize that 'The Halley and Love Sanitarium' is and means for Ballinger, why, I am almost justified in calling it ours, Ballinger's Sanitarium, one that each of us should feel a personal pride and interest in. Not that we have any pecuniary interest in it, but by reason of the broad-gauged charitable and Christian spirit in which its owners have operated this most humane Haven for the sick and afflicted resulting in the up-building of one of the most valu-

able assets that Ballinger possesses. These worthy doctors, have so identified themselves and this grand institution with Ballinger as its public benefactors, that each and every citizen, should feel as sacredly attached to the welfare and continued success of same as he feels toward his own home and fireside.

This Sanitarium ranks today the equal of any in the state in high-class and scientific surgical operations and attention received by its patients. Its surgeons have earned a most enviable reputation to such an extent that its moving spirit, Love, to my certain knowledge has been sought after by other larger cities, who have offered to dig down into their own pockets, and build for his own use and supervision in their city, a larger Sanitarium than he has here, one our own city practically possesses all the benefits and advantages of, without any cost to it as same has been entirely paid for by these untiring and unselfish doctors with their own means and work. But this spirit of Love has become so dearly attached to our city, that all these tempting offers have been declined. Is there a citizen in the sound of my voice who can refuse to be touched by such sentiments as these?

If I tell you that I have been reliably informed that the average death rate in surgical hospitals is three per cent, and then, if you will examine the published record of this Sanitarium, and find that its average death rate is less than one per cent, can you further doubt the efficiency and high standing of our Ballinger Sanitarium?

When I contemplate the successful and noble work of this institution and its moving spirit Love the more forcibly am I impressed by the words of Voltaire when he said, "Nothing is more estimable than a physician, having studied nature from his youth, knows the properties of the human body, the diseases which assail it, the remedies which will benefit it, exercises his art with caution, and pays equal attention to the rich and the poor."

Now, to you, dear young lady graduates, who through your untiring work, have earned your Diplomas, in this School of Training which, though under a distinct incorporation of its own, still is an adjunct and part of our Sanitarium, as you will henceforth embark on your commencement of life, as thoroughly trained nurses I take great pleasure in stating to you, that I deem this, one of the highest honors ever bestowed on me, in having the opportunity to appear here tonight to deliver your diplomas to you.

Though your life task may be hard and your work very tax, nevertheless you have chosen a most noble and honorable profession, one that any good woman can feel proud of.

And while I am fully aware that your school of training has impressed you, with all the principles and virtues of life, that all trained nurses are and should be endowed with, still it may not come amiss, for a private citizen in the everyday whirl of business life, to venture a few thoughts that might in some way add to the noble sentiments you now already have gained in your training

in this most worthy profession you have chosen.

I repeat with emphasis worthy and noble calling or profession, for according to my ideals of a trained nurse, she is the right-hand bower to the guardians of our homes, our dear mothers. It has been said that God could not be everywhere, so he made Mothers, to fill his place, to this I might justly add, that Mothers also can not be everywhere, so we have had to substitute them with trained nurses.

To you of our audience, who have been sick or operated upon and have experienced the care and attention of trained nurses, no words are sufficient to express your feeling of love and gratitude toward them, and you will readily join me in saying:

They are good as they are fair  
None, none on earth above them  
As pure in thought as angels are,  
To know them is to love them.

My dear young ladies, trained nurses, I wish to call your especial attention to three virtues in life, which if sacredly guarded and looked up to as your guiding stars will prove a great aid and constant solace to you.

"Kindness is wisdom. There is none in life

But needs it, and may learn."

Another hath said:

"There is no dearth of kindness  
In this world of ours,  
Only in our blindness

We gather thorns from flowers."

Love's strongest attribute is kindness, and through it many a pain is eased and alleviated. Through kindness you at once gain the confidence of your patient. Many a time a patient is saved, by the patient's confidence being inspired, through the kindness of the nurse.

The second virtue you should possess is Patience. No nurse can make a success without patience, it is the constant burning flame that keeps warmed up the milk of human kindness.

"How poor are they that have not patience,  
What wound did ever heal, but by degrees."

The third virtue, which I wish to call your attention to, will prove a tax on your physical as well as your mental faculties, and that is Endurance:

"Endurance is the crowning quality,  
And patience, all the passion of a great heart."

Knowing the training and schooling each of you have had, in this Ballinger Training School for Nurses, which ranks in efficiency and scientific nurse training equal to any in the state, I feel confident and have no doubt, but that each of you, come up to that high ideal of a trained nurse, which I can picture only in the following quotation:

"Her patient soul endures, what Heaven ordains,  
But neither feels nor fears ideal pains."

And as a guaranty thereof, these certificates of graduation signed and sealed by your instructors, being physicians of unquestioned standing and proficiency, have been granted, and I now take pleasure in delivering one to each of you:

This one is for Miss Doris Pagles.

This one is for Miss Lillian Wiedemann.

This one is for Miss Selma Loeffler.

FOR SALE—Good brood mare to work or ride, in good flesh. See John Knight, Ballinger. 9-2tvpd

### Help the Stomach Digest Your Food

When the stomach fails to digest and distribute that which is eaten, the bowels become clogged with a mass of waste and refuse that ferments and generates poisons that are gradually forced into the blood, causing distress and often serious illness.

Most people naturally object to the drastic cathartic and purgative agents that shock the system. A mild, gentle laxative, positive in its effect and that will quickly relieve constipation is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, sold by druggists at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle. It does not gripe or cramp but acts easily and pleasantly and is therefore the most satisfactory remedy for children, women and elderly persons. For a free trial bottle write to Dr. Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 451 Washington St. Monticello, Ill.

### TAX RECEIPT NO. 1 ISSUED FRIDAY

W. T. Padgett is busy getting ready to receive the "burden of taxes." He has opened his poll tax record, and the first poll tax for 1914 was issued Friday morning to the editor of The Ledger.

The tax rolls are ready, but the court has not passed on them. The court will probably meet next week and O. K. the rolls and Mr. Padgett will then be ready to receive all tax money due the county and state and the Independent School District.

There has been a slight change in the forms to be used in the tax collector's office and Mr. Padgett and his assistants are familiarizing themselves with the work, and when the rush comes on there will be no delay.

The coming year is what is known as an "off year" in politics, and as a rule there is a falling off in poll tax receipts. However, if rumors prove true, it will not be an off year in Runnels county, and those who fail to arm themselves with a pass port to the polls may regret it before the weather gets warm again. At any rate, you should be a citizen and contribute \$1.75 to the cause.

### Apply Sloan's Freely

For Lumbago  
Your attacks of Lumbago are not nearly so hopeless as they seem. You can relieve them almost instantly by a simple application of Sloan's Liniment on the back and loins. Lumbago is a form of rheumatism, and yields perfectly to Sloan's, which penetrates quickly all in through the sore, tender muscles, limbers up the back and makes it feel fine. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any druggist and have it in the house—against colds, sore and swollen joints, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.

Dan McLary, one of the successful young farmers up the river, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

## War or No War

We are still in a position to make you farm loans and take up and extend your vendors lien notes in the future just as we have heretofore done in the past.

No informal red tape proceedings. When you get your loans through us, we handle them right off the reel.

For further particulars call on, phone or write

## C. A. Doose & Co.

Ballinger, Texas.



YOUR attention is respectfully called to an important point not generally known, that a laxative should have a tonic element to successfully meet constipation.

Mr. John B. Capers, of 610 Pecan St., Fort Worth, Texas, had a significant experience in this particular. He was afflicted with a severe case of constipation and bowel trouble. He spent a good deal of money in trying to find a remedy. To his astonishment, Peruna very quickly relieved him of his bad symptoms.



This happened a number of years ago. Since then, Mr. Capers states that he has had similar attacks of trouble, the prominent symptom of which is constipation, and has always found prompt and efficient relief from Peruna. He says: "Up to the time I started using your Peruna I could drink castor oil like water. It did no good. As for salts, they were of no use. Physicists of all kinds and classes were used, but we had to call on the fountain syringe for help." Peruna was able to correct this condition completely in Mr. Capers' case, and there is every reason to believe that it was the tonic qualities of Peruna, added to the laxative qualities, that procured this very desirable result.

\$2,000. AND MEDAL FOR SAVING BABY

University Station, Oct. 10.—students at the state University discovered a heroine in their midst today in the person of Miss Pauline McKinney of Van Alstyne, Texas, a freshman who has the distinction of being the only woman to receive a Carnegie medal for bravery in 1913. Not only did she receive a medal for saving a baby cousin from being crushed to death by a fast approaching passenger train, but the substantial reward of two thousand dollars in gold. Miss McKinney has apparently been so modest about this achievement that the facts were not generally known to her fellow students, until today.

Neuralgia of the face, shoulder hands, or feet requires a powerful remedy that will penetrate the flesh. Ballard's Snow Liment possesses that power. Rubbed in where the pain is felt is all that is necessary to relieve suffering and restore normal conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

DO NOT HITCH TO TREES

Some of the citizens, possibly strangers, failed to observe the ordinance and hitch to the shade trees on the streets, which is a violation of the law and you may have to pay a fine some day and this is only a gentle reminder and may keep you out of trouble.

Wagons and Teams for Sale.

I have one good wagon and one not so good, and two fairly good teams of horses for sale, reasonable. See me seven miles south of Ballinger on R. L. Stoke's place. Route 1, Box 35, Ben Rutledge. 1 td 2tw pd.

J. M. Whitaker of Robtown, Texas, who had been here on business and a short visit to relatives and friends left for home Saturday afternoon.

Ed Drake of Rosebud, who had been spending some time with his brother of the Maverick country, left from this point Saturday afternoon for his home.

ANNOUNCEMENT Dr. G. L. Lewis

announces that he has succeeded Dr. L. G. G. Buchanan in the practice of diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and the Fitting of Glasses

Office over Findlater's Store PHONE 320 SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

M. C. SMITH, Attorney-at-Law. Office up-stairs in C. A. Doose Building. Examining Land Titles a Specialty.

Runnels County Farmers Vote to Cut Out Cotton

With the court room two-thirds full, ex-Gov. Noel, of Mississippi is addressing the farmers and business men, and is appealing to them to join in the move to either cut the cotton acreage next year or to eliminate its production altogether.

Gov. Noel, and H. R. Herndon arrived on the Abilene & Southern. Mr. Herndon is one of the prominent men in the Texas Industrial Congress, and he is accompanying Gov. Noel on this tour of the state.

The distinguished gentlemen were met at the train by a committee composed of R. T. Williams, Dr. W. W. Fowler, R. W. Bruce, Geo. P. McLelland, Ed Boler and A. W. Sledge, and he was escorted to the Central Hotel for lunch. At two o'clock, Mayor Powell, C. A. Doose, Mr. McLelland and others accompanied the speaker to the court house.

Mayor Powell called the meeting to order and introduced Mr. Herndon, who made a brief talk preceding Gov. Noel. Mr. Herndon called the farmers attention to the high price of wheat and other food products, and the great demand for something to eat and the fact that cotton was a drag on the market. He told how it was unwise for the banks to loan money on cotton at anything like a reasonable value per bale, when cotton was continually going down. The banks, or any man loaning money must protect himself against worthless securities, was the thought that Mr. Herndon presented to the farmers.

Judge Powell introduced Gov. Noel, and stated that it was quite an honor to have such a distinguished man as our guest when his time in Texas was limited and he could only visit the principal cotton growing counties.

Gov. Noel plunged into his subject with a determination to impress upon his hearers the great importance of taking some action at once to stop the downward price of cotton. Gov. Noel had familiarized himself with cotton statistic and he used these freely in showing that there was two years supply of cotton in the world at present and that if a lot of cotton was grown next year, it would be impossible for the world to work up more than one half of the present crop.

"It is an elementary rule of political economies that when there is a known surplus of a product of demand the known surplus will draw down the price far below the cost," said Mr. Noel. "As a result the necessities of the producer are preyed upon. The only rule of reason, common sense and political economies to offset this condition is to stop the production of a surplus which is constantly depreciating what has already been produced.

In telling of a similar trouble in handling the cotton question during the Civil war, Mr. Noel said the curtailment of the cotton crop at the close of the Civil war was absolutely necessary, and so it is at this time.

Favors Acreage Reduction Now. "The impoverishment of the world caused by the exigencies of war will necessitate rigid economy not only in that part which is vitally affected but in every part. Economy can be practiced and will be practiced on clothing and food, more so on clothing than on food, because the clothes of today may be worn for a year or longer, but food must be followed by food. After one meal must come another. England and Russia in all their dependencies as well as all other nations are trying to conserve their supply of food stuffs just as in the South during the civil war. There was no demand for raw cotton then on account of the blockade. After appealing to reason the state of Mississippi in December, 1863, and most of the other southern states passed laws prohibiting the growing of cotton. Governmental action brought on the war and governmental action was needed and utilized to stop the production of that staple and force every man to produce foodstuff. Governmental action brought on this European war and it will be necessary for governmental action to correct the present condition. Governments are nothing more than agencies for the people to control and direct their conduct along the lines of least injury to others and great service to themselves.

"Law is nothing more than a rule of conduct imposed by governmental authority. A rule of conduct is now needed in relation to the handling of the present cotton situation. One that will bring wealth and prosperity without loss or injury to anyone except the cotton buyer who sold cotton at 8 or 9 cents to the spinner with expectations of buying it from the producer at 5 or 6 cents and to the bucket shops and the gamblers who rely upon the fluctuations of the market for their profits. A known and fixed supply of cotton for this year and the next two years would place cotton on a rising and increasing value and would cause it to be marketed and financed without it being a burden to anyone."

The plan as outlined by Mr. Noel was adopted by the cotton convention held in New Orleans on November 29 and 30. This plan has also been adopted in Mr. Noel's home state, state convention being held on Sept. 22nd, and the delegates voted almost unanimously for the reduction plan.

Two Years Supply on Hand. Mr. Noel presented statistics showing the amount of cotton on hand, and with the present crop would make enough to supply the world for two years. He contends that cotton will be a drag on the market and the farmers can not hope to realize a living price if they plant another crop.

Mr. Noel says that a total elimination of cotton growing for the year 1915 will bring the price of the present crop up to 12 cents per pound and for what is left over will bring 15 cents, per pound next year.

After listening to Ex-Governor Noel for more than an hour last Saturday afternoon, the farmers voted to ask the legislature to pass a law eliminating cotton production for the year 1915, provided all other cotton growing states passed the same kind of a law.

Gov. Noel says nothing short of a great reduction or the elimination altogether of the 1915 cotton crop will make the present bumper crop bring what it should bring. He stated in his address to the farmers that if the spinners and speculators were assured that there would be no cotton raised next year, that the present crop would bring 12 and 15 cents.

In his address Mr. Noel frequently quoted W. J. Davis, of Jackson, Miss., one of the best known cotton men and authorities on the cotton question in the South, Mr. Davis says:

I strongly advocate the abandonment of cotton production in the Cotton States for 1915 for the following reasons:

This 1914 crop of 15,000,000 bales or more will bring to the farmers much more money than the crop of 1914-15 will bring if the world knows we will not plant cotton in 1915.

We can raise a large Grain Crop in 1915, and sell it to the warring nations at a remunerative price.

It will teach our people that we can produce things profitably other than cotton.

It will educate our people to farm scientifically.

It will totally eradicate the Boll Weevil.

It will save our farmers from total bankruptcy.

It will largely increase the value of our lands.

It will make the South the most prosperous part of this United States.

It will start us in 1916 with small stocks of cotton at good prices and we will have a strong demand for cotton of 1916, and we can dictate prices.

It will reduce the rate of money to the farmers.

It will make us all prosperous.

It will make King Cotton bring its value.

I urge the growers of each cotton growing state and our law makers to rescue us from total ruin.

If we fail to abandon production of cotton totally in 1915.

This crop will sell lower than any crop since the Civil War and 1915 will bring still less.

To buy meat, corn, oats and mules at prevailing prices will bankrupt this Southern country.

It will take the South 20 years of time to recover its present position.

It will make our lands blanketed with mortgages as it did in 1897. Do you remember this?

I say to you, gentlemen, that this is the most serious proposition that the South has ever faced; it means total ruin and wreck. We can rescue ourselves by not growing in 1915.

Reduction of—or abandonment

of—by agreement or common consent is utterly useless and of no value.

I say to you, gentlemen, let us all unite in one grand law to stop growing cotton in 1915.

This is purely a business proposition, and should be handled as such, and all our interests are the same and the total abandonment of cotton production is the only safe, sane remedy.

I urge you to do this now, while the farmer has his cotton and let him have the benefit.

Convince the world that the crop is the total supply until August 1916, and we can name our price for the cotton on hand.

Mr. Herndon submitted the reduction proposition to the farmers at the meeting last Saturday, after Gov. Noel had spoken, and asked for an expression as to what the legislature should do and it was a great surprise when they voted almost unanimously to cut out growing cotton for one year.

The question is being put up to the people all over the South, and the law making bodies of the various states will no doubt take up the question and pass some law governing the growing of cotton. Gov. Noel stated that the law would be constitutional, and that there was no question but what the cotton acreage for 1915 would be cut.

IMPORTANT TO ALL WOMEN READERS OF THIS PAPER

Thousands upon thousands of women have kidney or bladder trouble and never suspect it.

Women's complaints often prove to be nothing else but kidney trouble, or the result of kidney or bladder disease.

If the kidneys are not in a healthy condition, they may cause the other organs to become diseased.

You may suffer a great deal with pain in the back, bearing-down feelings, headache and loss of ambition.

Poor health makes you nervous, irritable and may be despondent; it makes any one so.

But hundreds of women claim that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, by restoring health to the kidneys, proved to be just the remedy needed to overcome such conditions.

A good kidney medicine, possessing real healing and curative value, should be a blessing to thousands of nervous over-worked women.

Many send for a sample bottle to see what Swamp-Root, the great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy will do for them. Every reader of this paper, who has not already tried it, by enclosing ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Ginghamton, N. Y., may receive sample size bottle by Parcel Post. You can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at all drug stores.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxey Wilson of the Pony Creek country are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy, born to them Friday October 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Booth, of Ballinger are the proud parents of a baby girl born at their home last Sunday.

Toned Up Whale System

"Chamberlain's Tablets have done more for me than I ever dared hope for," writes Mrs. Esther Mae Baker, Spencerport, N. Y. "I used several bottles of these tablets a few months ago. They not only cured me of bilious attacks, sick headaches and that tired out feeling, but toned up my whole system." For sale by all dealers.

B. S. Taylor and M. R. Plummer spent Sunday with home folks and returned to Benoit Monday morning where they are doing some building for Postmaster Will Hill of that place.

Fore SORE or WEAK EYES, use Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water. Don't hurt. Feels good. w6-1-14 5m.

J. F. Cadleck, of Temple, is the guest of his brother-in-law, C. G. Seible and family of Hatchel, and was among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

John Dale, of Winters, was in Ballinger the past week.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

A TRUE BOWEL CLEANSER. A remedy that purifies the bowels mildly yet thoroughly, strengthens the bowel channels and promotes regularity. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS. Is an effective system regulator and bowel tonic. Persons of a constipated habit find it to be just what they need to re-establish regular bowel movements and to correct the evil effects of the disorder in the skin and blood. It drives out the impurities that have accumulated in the system. Removes sallowness, bad breath, pimples, skin eruptions, and restores the ruddy hue of health to the complexion. Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label. Price \$1.00 per Bottle.

KANSAS CITY LIFE TO AID TEXAS FARMER

C. A. Doose, manager for the Kansas City Life Insurance Co., of this territory, is in receipt of a letter from Fred W. Fleming, vice president and treasurer of that company, giving a very encouraging report as to what the company is doing to help relieve the financial situation in the South. The letter reads in part:

"The Kansas City Life is doing its full part toward relieving the condition in cotton counties of Texas and Southern Oklahoma, caused by the lack of a satisfactory market for cotton.

"The company has deposited in banks in the cotton counties of Texas and Oklahoma approximately \$100,000 for use to relieve the existing conditions, and during the month of September has approved farm mortgage loans from this territory of approximately \$250,000 of which \$200,000 was closed up during the last month. We have practically ceased making any loans except in Texas and Southern Oklahoma, and it is our purpose to co-operate with the business interests in Texas during the balance of the year in bettering conditions there by loaning every dollar of our surplus income for investments in that territory.

During October and December we will loan at least \$500,000 in Texas and Oklahoma. I am pleased to advise that the interests on our Texas farm loans are being paid promptly without default."

Mr. Doose has been busy this week approving some applications for loans. The Kansas City Life has placed loans in excess of a quarter million dollars in this territory through Mr. Doose, and the above letters shows that they consider Runnels county real estate first-class security and are taking Texas and Oklahoma lands in preference to other securities, and at the same time aiding the farmers who cannot meet their land note obligations without sacrificing their cotton crop.

Bob Richardson and his brother-in-law Ben Harney left Saturday afternoon for Jourdanton to get their household goods packed back to Runnels county. They are former citizens of this county but made home in that section the past year and are now moving back here well satisfied.

J. B. Patterson, who holds a position with T. S. Lankford, left Saturday afternoon to spend Sunday with his family at Coleman.

Miss Rena Walker of Hatchel, was shopping in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

For Sale. One five passenger car in good shape, will take stock are cash. Apply to Ballinger Auto Co., G. W. Dean. 28-wtf

Beef and Milk A-plenty. Cattle are kept for two purposes; for beef production and for milk production. To do either right they must be healthy. There is nothing better to keep them in continued good health, or to make them well quickly when sick, than a few doses of— Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE. Stirrs up the liver—Drives disease poisons away. Any time any of my cattle get anything wrong with them I give them a few doses of Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE. They soon get well. John S. Carroll, Moorhead, Miss. 25c, 50c and \$1. per can. At your dealer's. P. B. 2





# AUTHENTIC MODES IN WINTER APPAREL

It is a real joy to stroll through our suit and coat department and look at the wonderful variety of models we are showing. Beautiful garments of gabardines, serges, broadcloths and pile fabrics embodying the newest features of the latest models, are here at enticing prices now.

## Smart Frocks

Every woman who likes to be well dressed (and where is the woman who doesn't) will at once be interested in the pretty inexpensive dresses we are showing this season in wool, silk and crepe. See display at

\$4.98 to \$39.50

## Coats and Suits

Never have better suits or coats been offered at the price, establishing more fully than ever our supremacy in selling the finest and most exclusive suits at the lowest price. The styles are smart, and you will find a wonderful selection here. Prices coats \$2.98 and up to \$25.00 suits \$4.98 to \$35.00.

## Milady's Fall Footwear

The very best footwear we have ever been able to secure and we know that you will like it. The easy fitting, comfortable feeling, long wearing stylish appearing and low prices of our shoes appeal to the economically inclined shopper, as the best footwear values possible to buy.

\$1.50 to \$5.00

Our Wonderful Display of

## Laces

Laces are proving an irresistible attraction to every lady who enters our store, because our values are exceptional. The big demand for laces makes this display doubly welcome.

3c to \$1.50 Yard

## NOTIONS

We have a complete stock—everything that is necessary to the user of needle, thread, thimble and scissors. Standard prices.

Four Hundred Blankets and Quilts at special prices. Just in time to head off the real winter weather comes this offering of 400 blankets and quilts at special prices. Come and see this great assortment at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.55 and up.

## Chic Fall Millinery

Just the sort of refined smart styles you like at just the prices you want to pay. Isn't that a pleasant combination? Then there is the advantage of having expert milliners assist you in selection. Not merely do they aim to fill all your wishes, but to give additional suggestions such as their years of experience has proved practical.



### Trimmed Bonnets

Whether it's a nobby little street hat or a rich dressy bonnet you wish, you'll find it in this attractive showing of newly trimmed millinery. Prices vary, according to elaborateness from

\$1.00 to \$15.00

### UNTRIMMED SHAPES

If you prefer to have your hat trimmed especially for you, you'll find us ready with a large line of untrimmed shapes and ribbon and flower trimmings. Shapes \$5.00 to \$7.50.

# Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

BALLINGER.

LAMPASAS.

TEAGUE.

## PERSONALS

W. H. Wilde of the Olfin country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Schiller of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Rev. G. W. Newman returned home from a short business trip West Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Green, the real estate and insurance man and C. T. Spangler the hardware man of Winters had business in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Mrs. Aug Spill Sr., and her son, Ben Spill and family of Winters, who had been visiting in Ballinger the past day or two, returned home Tuesday afternoon.

H. S. Phillips, of Abilene, general superintendent of the A. & S. Ry., was looking after the company's business interest in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Alex Krueger, of San Antonio, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Homann. Mr. Krueger is Mrs. Homann's brother.

A. W. Gannaway of the Wingate country, was in Ballinger Tuesday to meet his sister, Mrs. Middleton of San Antonio, who came in to be at the bedside of her father John Gannaway of Wingate who is seriously ill and not expected to live.

W. F. Smithson, the Wingate blacksmith, was among the business visitors in Ballinger and while here handed the Ledger man a dollar to keep the paper coming.

W. B. Campbell, who represents the Waco Cement Stone Works, and had been looking over the field here with the view of establishing an office in our city, left for the East Tuesday morning. Mr. Campbell is well pleased with the business outlook for our section.

A. J. Edwards the representative of the Sherman Nursery in our section, came in from the West Tuesday morning to look after his company's interests in Ballinger a week or two.

T. A. Applewhite of Goldthwaite, who had been visiting his brother Jack Applewhite and wife, the past few days, returned home Monday afternoon.

W. W. Ralwater of Crews, and Louis Jamison of Talpa, and Gus

Prusser of the Winters country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday looking after business affairs and to attend the circus.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Kubla and baby, of Rowena, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

G. W. Mathews, who is buying cotton at San Angelo and Bronte, spent a day or two with home folks and went west Tuesday at noon.

W. O. Schultz, the Eden stockman, passed thru Ballinger Friday en route to Fort Worth to attend the Fat Stock Show and to visit friends a few days.

Mrs. J. L. Schooler and baby of Brownwood, who had been visiting her father-in-law Mr. Schooler, and family, near Ballinger left for their home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. T. M. Osteen left Tuesday afternoon for Temple to visit her sister Mrs. Tom Pickett and family a week or so.

Clarence Wilson of the Pony creek country, was in the city Tuesday and took out a bunch of cotton pickers to their farm down the river.

### HERE AT HOME.

**Ballinger Citizens Gladly Testify and Confidently Recommend Doan's Kidney Pills.**

It is testimony like the following that has placed Doan's Kidney Pills so far above competitors. When people right here at home raise their voice in praise there is no room left for doubt. Read the public statement of a Ballinger citizen:

S. V. Parrish, Ballinger, Texas, says: "A sharp pain took me suddenly in my back and I was obliged to lay off from work. My kidneys were also troubling me and I was completely used up until Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention. I got a box and they worked like magic in my case. After two days' use, I began to feel well enough to go back to work and I have not had any symptoms of kidney complaint since."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Parrish had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

## MAVERICK GIN SCENE FOR BIG "FREE-FOR-ALL"

A fight in which a half dozen or more parties took part, and which might have proven more serious, took place at the Maverick gin about four o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The difficulty that is responsible for some sore heads and other sores, grew out of family trouble between two prominent families in the Maverick country, and which has been a matter in court for the past several months.

The fight took place in the press room of the gin, and as the report goes, there were three parties on each side of the rucus when a disinterested party took a hand and used a knife to some damage. After the fight was over and the room cleared a big forty-five six-shooter was found on the floor. The participants in the fight will not claim the gun and it is the mystery of the fight.

Complaints were filed against all the parties and the officers went out first of the week to investigate the matter. There were five pleas of guilty, and it is to be hoped that the trouble will be dropped.

## Cotton Corner Feared

DALLAS, Oct. 14.—Fearing a cotton corner, local bankers are holding up subscriptions to the Saint Louis underwriting pool, for the raising of a \$150,000,000 cotton fund.

## FARMERS WILL LOSE BY PLANTING COTTON

In advocating the total elimination of cotton production in 1915, the Southern Cotton Association is sending out a comparative statement showing what the present supply will bring as compared with what will be lost by raising a ten million bale crop.

The association stands pat on the claim that supply and prospective supply and demand always controls prices of all things. Following is an estimate compiled by the association:

### Cotton Statement.

Crop 1914, say 15,000,000 bales at 15 cents	\$1,125,000,000
No Cotton Crop in 1915.	
Estimate corn crop and other grain crops on cotton land 1915	400,000,000
Cotton crop 1916—16,000,000 bales at 12c	960,000,000
Five million tons cotton seed of 1914 crop at \$20.00	100,000,000
Five million tons cotton seed of 1916 crop at \$30.00	150,000,000
Total	\$2,735,000,000

### Compared With:

Cotton crop 1914—15,000,000 bales at 8 cents	\$600,000,000
Cotton crop 1915—10,000,000 bales at 6 cents	300,000,000
Cotton crop 1916—11,000,000 bales at 6 cents	330,000,000
Five million tons seed from 1914 crop at \$15.00	75,000,000
Four million tons cotton seed from 1915 crop at \$10.00	40,000,000
Four million tons cotton seed from 1916 crop at \$10.00	40,000,000
Total	\$1,385,000,000

Difference in favor of no cotton crop 1915 \$1,350,000,000 This statement clearly shows that the planters of the South can if they wish, make \$1,350,000,000 for themselves by abandonment of cotton production in 1915.

# Mob Hangs Negro

ANGLETON, Tex., Oct. 14.—A mob which overpowered the jailer, hanged Jim Durfee, a negro, today in this town.

Durfee was convicted of murdering Mrs. J. M. Seitz. Governor Colquitt had commuted the hanging to life imprisonment. The city is quiet.

## OUT OF EMPLOYMENT LOOKING THIS WAY

Banner-Ledger, Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sirs:—

Learning there was a scarcity of white help in your country to gather the cotton crop, wish to say either the writer or Dr. J. N. French of this city, can get up a good crowd to come out there and work in the fields, on account of short crops and shops laying off hands. For this service we will make no charge to either parties concerned.

The boys here need the work and lack the wherewith to get there on and would ask an advance to get there, and would be glad to hear from you or have you put this in the hands of some reliable party who would take an interest in same.

Yours very truly,  
CHAS. THOMAS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. DeMotive left Tuesday afternoon to visit friends at Thornton a few weeks.

## TEXANS RESCUED FROM KNIFE BY WONDERFUL STOMACH REMEDY

Find Swift Relief From Ailments of Year's Standing With First Dose of Treatment.

Many Texans needlessly suffer from stomach ailments and disorders of the digestive tract which appear to be particularly prevalent in the South. Many others have found a way to health by the use of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy.

The first dose of this remedy proves what it will do.

T. B. GOODPASTURE, 802 Sabine St., Houston, Texas, wrote: "I took your treatment last spring I don't think I will have to take any more—it completely cured me."

R. L. RANDELL, Laredo, Texas, wrote: "I have just finished my fifth bottle of your stomach treatment and passed several gall stones. Your preparation has

worked simply wonderfully during my course of treatment."

These people know, because they took and proved it. Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy shows you right away. Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy clears the digestive tract of mucoid accretions and removes poisonous matter. It gives quick relief to sufferers from ailments of the stomach, liver and bowels. Many say it has saved them from dangerous operations; many are sure it has saved their lives.

Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy clears the digestive tract of mucoid accretions and removes poisonous matter. It brings swift relief to sufferers from stomach, liver and bowel ailments. Many declare that it has saved their lives and many tell of having escaped dangerous operations by its use.