

CARLOAD MOON BROS. BUGGIES, PHEATONS AND SURRIES just placed on exhibition at our store

Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack

ANGELO MAN FOUND DEAD IN CONCHO

By United Press
SAN ANGELO, Nov. 19.—The police here this afternoon believe that W. A. Guthrie, president of San Angelo Gas and Oil Company, suicided, and are working on that theory. It was first held that he was murdered.

Special to The Daily Ledger
SAN ANGELO, Nov. 19.—With the lower limbs tied together and a hand tied to one of his feet, the body of W. A. Guthrie, a leading citizen of this city, was found in the South Concho river late yesterday afternoon by workmen of the city waterworks, near which the tragedy of death occurred.

The cause of the death has not been discovered, although every effort is being utilized by the police to determine the mystery.

Mr. Guthrie was manager of the light plant of this city and President of the San Angelo Gas and Oil Company, the concern which is drilling for oil four miles from the city. He was well known in this section of the state, having resided here for a number of years. He was formerly president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The funeral will be conducted Friday here where he will be buried.

A widow and one child are left to mourn the tragic death.

9 HUNDRED OF CAVALRY BUTCHERED

MUNICH, Nov. 19.—Austria has its sunken road just as Waterloo had hers.

Vienna's bloodiest cavalry butchered itself in a deep ditch while charging over an unknown ground in Galicia October 4.

Nine hundred cavalymen, the bloodiest of the empire, were mashed to lifeless pulps in a bloody mess with the horses which they rode over the unfamiliar territory.

J. H. Hadley of the Dry Ridge neighborhood returned home Monday at noon from a short business trip to Leon and Limestone counties.

FOLLOW THE CROWD

To The Great Sale of

GINSBURG BROTHERS

Winters, Texas

Teach your dollars to have more Cents.

PARTY MAKES THREE SPEECHES TODAY

Visiting three places in the county today in the interest of curtailing the cotton production next year, Joseph Tweedy of San Angelo, George P. McLelland and

Ed Boler of the Young Men's Business League left early today to make speeches at Norton, Wingate and Winters.

The first stop was made at Norton at 10 o'clock this morning, where they were given a reception by the farmers of that community in the school house. From Norton the trio went to Wingate where at 2 this afternoon speeches were made in the interest of a short

cotton crop next year, diversification and the benefits of the cotton warehouse system. The last stop will be made at Winters, at 4:30 this afternoon. From that place they will return to Ballinger.

Mr. Tweedy addressed the audiences at the three places on the necessity of curtailing the 1915 cotton crop in order that the prices for the raw staple might be

U. S. Consul at Smyrnia May Be In Danger

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—With communication interrupted Secretary of the Navy Daniels is today trying every possible means to get in touch with the United States cruiser, Tennessee, Ambassador Morgenthau to Turkey, or the Turkish government. He is considerably worried,

along with state department officials over the safety of the United States consul at Smyrnia.

Secretary Daniels today expressed the opinion that the Tennessee is still off Chios.

The situation, that of the Turkish batteries firing on a launch from the Tennessee, will remain unchanged until the cruiser is heard from.

CONFERENCE MAKES APPOINTMENTS

The Methodist Conference for the Central Texas District returned most of the Methodist preachers to the charges formerly held by them in the Brownwood district. Following is the list of appointments for the entire Brownwood District:

J. H. Stuart, presiding elder; Ballinger, W. H. Doss; Bangs, W. B. Vaughn; Blanket, W. T. Jones; Bronte, T. L. Sorrells; Brownwood, K. P. Barton; Coleman, M. K. Little; Coleman Mission, M. J. Glenn; Novice, T. D. Ellis; Indian Creek, J. G. Thomas; Norton, P. H. Gates; Robert Lee, J. C. Mayhew; Santa Anna, J. A. Ruffner; Talpa, H. C. Bowman; Winchell, A. D. Cosgrove; Wingate, W. A. Niel; Winters, T. E. Bowman; Rockwood, A. E. Turner; district commissioner of education, K. P. Barton.

Rev. E. V. Cox, formerly pastor of the Ballinger church, and who has been at Temple for the past

year, Mr. McLelland, county farm demonstrator for Runnels, explained the value of diversification of crops. Secretary Boler of the Young Men's Business League emphasized the importance and benefits of the cotton warehouse system and the co-operation of the farmers and merchants. Mr. Tweedy is organizer for the Southern Cotton Association.

Pete Laxon left for points west Tuesday at noon on a short business trip.

E. Baumer, the Miles grocery merchant and Clarence West of Miles were looking after business in Ballinger Tuesday.

two years, was returned to Temple for another year.

Rev. E. P. Williams, also formerly pastor of the Ballinger Methodist church, was appointed presiding elder of the Cisco district, and will be located at Cisco.

Rev. J. M. Neal was transferred from Winters to Alvarado.

W. C. Hillbourne, who was pastor of the local Methodist church about ten or twelve years ago, is now pastor of the DeLeon church.

J. W. Pattison, former pastor of the Methodist church at Winters, and who has been at Hillsboro for the past year, was returned to Hillsboro.

INDIGESTION ENDED STOMACH FEELS FINE

"Pape's Diapepsin" fixes sour, gassy, upset stomachs in five minutes.

Sour, gassy, upset stomach, indigestion, heartburn, dyspepsia; when the food you eat ferments into gases and stubborn lumps; your head aches and you feel sick and miserable, that's when you realize the magic in Pape's Diapepsin. It makes all stomach misery vanish in five minutes.

If your stomach is in a continuous revolt—if you can't get it regulated, please, for your sake, try Pape's Diapepsin. There will not be any distress—eat without fear. It's because Pape's Diapepsin "really does" regulate weak, out-of-order stomachs that gives it its millions of sales annually.

Get a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. It is the quickest, surest, stomach relief and cure known. It acts almost like magic—it is a scientific, harmless and pleasant stomach preparation which truly belongs in every home.

Cash Only

Cheap Cotton Cash Sale

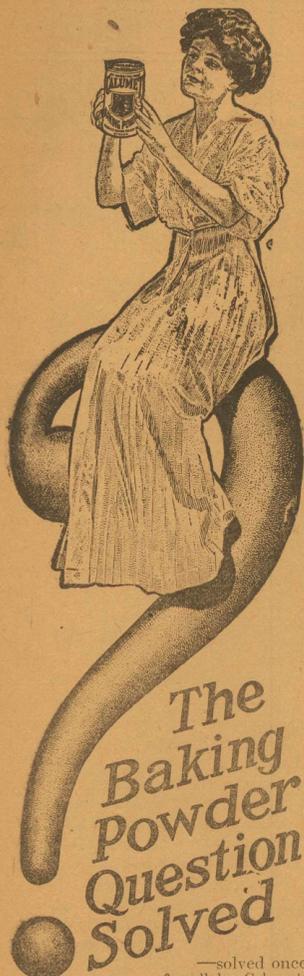
Cash Only

At A. J. Zappe's Store--Beginning Sat., Nov. 21st 1914

Cheap Cotton Prices force us to put on this Sale. We need the money and you need the goods. All we ask, come and look at the goods and prices. This is your opportunity to save money on your fall and winter purchases. Below we give you a few of our cash sale prices.

All Calico	Sale price	4 1-2c	\$15.00 Ladies Coat Suits,	Sale price	\$10.49	\$20.00 Men's Gray Serge Suits,	Sale price	\$14.00
7 1-2c Unbleached Domestic	" "	5c	10.00 " " " "	" "	6.98	25.00 " " " "	" " "	17.50
10c " " " "	" "	9c	All Ladies, Misses and Children's Cloaks			17.50 " " " "	" " "	12.50
7 1-2 Gingham	" "	5c	going at Sale prices.			12.50 " " " "	" " "	9.50
10c Gingham	" "	8 1-3	75c Ladies bleached fleeced Union Suits			10.00 " " " "	" " "	7.50
12 1-2 Gingham	" "	10c	Sale Price		59c	6.50 Youth's	" " "	2.50
10c Outings	" "	9c	65c Misses E. Z. Ribbed, fleeced Union Suits			9.00 Boy's	" " "	7.49
\$2.00 Gray Double Blankets	" "	\$1.79	Sale price		50c	7.50 " " " "	" " "	5.98
3.00 White " " " "	" "	2.29	Infant Caps, Sale Price		14c	4.50 " " " "	" " "	3.98
3.50 Assorted color " " " "	" "	2.79	One Lots Comforts, Sale price		\$1.39	3.75 " " " "	" " "	3.25
4.50 " " " "	" "	3.59	" " " "		1.19			
5.50 " " " "	" "	4.49	Trunk and Grips at Sale Prices.					
6.00 " " " "	" "	4.79	Assortment of Ladies and Misses Sweaters going					
6.50 Lap Robes	" "	5.79	at Sale prices.					
6.00 " " " "	" "	5.39						

FREE 1 Set Cups and Saucers with the 3 first \$10.00 Purchases made on Saturday
SALE AT A. J. ZAPPE'S STORE, BALLINGER, TEXAS



The Baking Powder Question Solved

solved once for all by Calumet. For daily use in millions of kitchens has proved that Calumet is highest not only in quality but in leavening power as well—unfailing in results—pure to the extreme—and wonderfully economical in use. Ask your grocer. And try Calumet next bake day.

Received Highest Awards



FINE TURKEYS.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Miles Missionary Baptist Church sent Rev. Elliott, two coops of fine turkeys which he expressed Monday to Buckner's Orphan Home at Dallas and the First Church of this city will supplement the shipment with their offering of turkeys. They propose to supply the orphans with turkey for their Thanksgiving dinner this year. Rev. Elliott says any one he has not seen and cares to assist will please see him on or before the 20th of the month.

The Wonderful Magic Washing Stick

The Magic Washing Stick, the greatest helper woman ever had with her washing and I have been singing its praise to my neighbor, writes Mrs. Mollie Martin, Route 3, Apache, Okla. It is truly a wonderful article, saving all the washboard labor on washday. Three Magic Washing Sticks for 25c. Enough for fifteen big washings. Makes clothes white as snow. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Doose, returned home Sunday afternoon from Fort Worth and Dallas, where Mr. Doose had been on business the past several days. He says the conditions are much better in Runnels County than any point he saw while on his trip.

WILL BUY 1000 BALES

John A. Weeks, manager of the Walker Drug Co., of Ballinger Saturday morning made the announcement that his company would purchase 1000 bales of cotton on the basis of 8 cents per pound, to be traded out in an unlimited length of time.

Mr. Weeks believes that there are many people in Runnels county who have made an exceedingly large crop with many bales of surplus cotton on hand, who will be more than willing to take advantage of the opportunity to sell in trade. It was pointed out by the manager of the store this morning that in carrying the cotton for the time being, there would be worked upon the concern a heavy burden. However, at the same time, it was stated in order that the distressed conditions in the cotton market may be relieved to a certain extent in Runnels County, the offer was made with the interest of the citizens of the county at heart.

Notice of Trustees Sale.

Notice is hereby given that on the first Tuesday in December, 1914, the same being the 1st day of December, 1914, the undersigned trustee in the deed of trust hereinafter mentioned, will in accordance with said deed of trust sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, all those certain lots and tracts of land lying and being situated in the County of Howard and State of Texas, known and described as all of lots Nos. six (6), seven (7), in block six (6) of the town of Big Springs in said county and state, as shown by the map of the record in the county clerk's office of said county, reference to which is here made for further description. Said sale will be made between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. pursuant to certain deed of trust of date February 23rd, 1911, made to secure eight notes of that date, each in the sum of one hundred dollars made by R. E. Seegin and payable to the order of Emma Seegin; respectively, each three months after date, each bearing interest from date at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and providing for 10 per cent attorneys fees if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or if collected by suit; the first four of said notes having been paid, but four remaining unpaid, which deed of trust is recorded in Vol. 10, pages 306 to 308 of the real estate Mortgage Records of said Howard County, Texas, reference to which record is here made for further description, in which the undersigned is made trustee. Said sale will be made at the date and in Runnels County at the door of the court house thereof.

Witnessed my hand as such trustee, this the 9th day of November, A. D. 1914.

J. W. POWELL, Trustee in said deed of trust. 9-1d w 13-20-27

L. L. Bankston of the Bethel neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Saturday afternoon en route to Winters on a short business trip.

Regulate the bowels when they fail to move properly. Herbine is an admirable bowel regulator. It helps the liver and stomach and restores a fine feeling of strength and buoyancy. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

A nine pound boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Harbor in San Angelo on Nov. 12th. Mr. and Mrs. Harbor formerly lived in Ballinger. Mr. Harbor having charge of the Davis dry goods store on Eighth St., and they have many friends here who rejoice with them. This is their first child.

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.

MEXICAN RUNS AT LARGE HERE; FRIGHTENS GIRLS

A Mexican, believed to be demented, is running at large in Ballinger terrorizing women and children. Two cases where the Mexican has frightened girls have been brought to the attention of the officers of the city who are this afternoon keeping a close watch on the infatuated man, to prevent any harm being done by him.

Sunday-afternoon the Mexican followed two young ladies of the city and loitered about the residences of others late in the evening. He was noticed on the streets this morning, and followed by officers. The Mexican was enticing a small girl, who appeared to be about eight years of age, from the business section of the city to the southern suburbs in the neighborhood of the Abilene and Southern railway tracks, when he was pursued by officers to the scene. The man became frightened and left the girl.

The small child who appeared to be intelligent declared that the Mexican promised her if she would accompany him, he would purchase a candy comb which she was carrying in her hand.

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 condition of the mucous lining of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by condition of the mucous lining of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by condition of the mucous lining of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by condition of the mucous lining of the ear.

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. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

TEXAS APPLE CROP STATISTICS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The 1914 apple crop of Texas is estimated at 483,000 bushels, according to a report of the Federal Department of Agriculture issued recently. The yield in 1913 was 300,000 bushels and 500,000 bushels in 1912. The condition of the crop at the present time is 65 per cent of normal and the average condition during the past year period has been 57 per cent of normal.

The apple crop of Continental United States is estimated at 230,249,000 bushels for 1914, while the yield last year was 145,400,000 bushels. The average price being paid to farmers for apples at the present time is 62 cents per bushel.

Remarkable Cure of Croup.

"Last winter when my little boy had croup I got him a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I honestly believe it saved his life," writes Mrs. J. B. Cook, Indiana, Pa. "It cut the phlegm and relieved his coughing spells. I am most grateful for what this remedy has done for him." For sale by all dealers.

Prof. Emmett W. Cockrell left Saturday afternoon for the Waltham neighborhood, where he opened his fall term of school Monday.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *W. A. Stearns*

Henry Conner, one of the pioneer and highly esteemed citizens of the highly business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure.
The worst cases, no matter how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00

Miss Gladys Collins returned home Saturday afternoon from San Angelo where she has been the past few weeks.

THIRD WEEK COUNTY COURT

The commissioners court adjourned Saturday afternoon to allow the county court to complete its work for the present term, and the criminal docket of the county court was called at one o'clock Monday.

The criminal docket was disposed of in short order, the cases being carried over where pleas of guilty, and dismissals where not made. A number of civil cases will be passed on and the work of the county court will be completed for the present term.

The last week's session of the commissioner's court was devoted to road matters and general routine work, there being no special business coming before that body. The court approved a number of bonds for newly elected county officials, and will meet on Nov. 23rd to approve the bonds of the newly elected officers who did not qualify last week, and to attend to unfinished business.

Rub a sore throat with BALLARD'S Snow Liniment. One or two applications will cure it completely. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

C. R. STEPHENS BUYS NEW MODEL OVERLAND

C. R. Stephens has just purchased the Higginsbotham-Currie-Williams Co., a new model Overland touring car. The new Overland has some features and is self-starter and electric light equipment, and is said to be one of the prettiest cars sold in this section. The new car will be seen on the streets at an early date.

Mr. Stephens said his Ford some time ago.

RECEIVED HIS PRIZES

Max Zechang, who raises fine hogs and Jersey cattle, was in the city Thursday from his place east of Ballinger and had his pockets full of blue and red ribbons and checks received as prizes on his thoroughbred Berkshire and Poland China hogs, exhibited at the San Angelo fair last week.

Try This For Your Cough.

Thousands of people keep coughing because unable to get the right remedy. Coughs are caused by inflammation of Throat and Bronchial Tubes. What you need is to soothe this inflammation. Take Dr. King's New Discovery, it penetrates the delicate mucous lining, raises the Phlegm and quickly relieves the congested membranes. Get a 50c. bottle from your druggist. "Dr. King's New Discovery quickly and completely stopped my cough" writes J. R. Watts, Floydale, Texas. Money back if not satisfied, but it nearly always heals.

Edwin, the grown son of Mr. and Mrs. Gib Eckart, was brought in Sunday night and operated upon for appendicitis at the Halley & Love Sanitarium and is reported quite dangerously ill but some better Monday at noon.

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.

Judge Chas. Ragan of Austin, who had been looking after property interests in our section the past few days, returned home Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Clara Ransom returned home Sunday from Dallas where she had been at the bedside of her step-mother, who has been seriously ill for some time.

GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lankford for Saddles, Harness, etc. Complete line of Saddlery goods, and accessories. Shoe work and general repairing our specialty.
E. J. CATHEY, Mgr. 12-1mon d&w.

Mrs. Scott Mack left Monday at noon to visit her parents at San Angelo.

G. G. Odom left Monday at noon for his Coke County ranch, after a few days' visit in Ballinger.

Mrs. T. C. Jester left Monday afternoon for Abilene to attend the state Baptist convention. Rev. Jester and quite a number of Ballinger citizens will leave Tuesday morning to attend the convention.

Guarantee
A Saving of 1/3 in Fuel With Soft Coal, Slack or Lignite.
YOU GET YOUR MONEY BACK

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., Not Inc.
(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.
Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Company

WINTERS COTTON FIGURES FREAK EGG WORTHY OF NOTE

That the Enterprise estimate of 15,000 bales as Winters' ginning record for the season will be met, is now almost certain, the figures this week showing that practically two-thirds of that amount of cotton has found its way to our gins. The yard receipts are still running low compared to the ginning but the yard figures will continue to mount higher long after the gins have finished the season's work.

Ginning up to noon today shows the following figures:

Kornegay's gin	4,530
Slaten's gin	3,556
Oil Mill gin	1,843
Total	9,929

Yard receipts are as follows:
Farmers Union Yard 5,850
Winters Cotton Yard 4,050

Total 9,900
—Winters Enterprise

Don't Delay Treating Your Cough.

A slight cough often becomes serious. Lungs get congested, Bronchial Tubes fill with mucus. Your vitality is reduced. You need Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It soothes your irritated air passages, loosens mucus and makes your system resist Colds. Give the baby and Children Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It's guaranteed to help them. Only 25c, at your Druggist.

H. Clemens of New Braunfels who had been looking after his farm interests near Hatchel the past week, came in Saturday at noon to spend a day or two in Ballinger.

Important.

Bear in mind that Chamberlain's Tablets not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Dumm and baby left Saturday afternoon to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Holiday of Hateneel over Sunday.

Mrs. C. R. Sheffy brought an egg to the Ledger office Saturday morning that she claimed to be the freakish of all freak eggs discovered during her many years growing poultry. Mrs. Sheffy stated that she had gathered up thousands of eggs in her life, but this one beat them all, and it attracted considerable attention.

This freak in the egg line had the appearance of an unusually large soft-shell egg but upon investigation the soft shell was found to contain an average size well developed hardshell egg; and the large soft shell was formed around the well developed egg. Runnels County is noted for freak eggs, but this is the first freak egg worthy of note.

Best Cough Medicine for Children

"Three years ago when I was living in Pittsburgh one of my children had a hard cold and coughed dreadfully. Upon the advice of a druggist I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it benefited him at once. I find it the best cough medicine for children because it is pleasant to take. They do not object to taking it," writes Mrs. Lafayette Tuck, Homer City, Pa. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. Sold by all dealers.

J. H. Wilke left Saturday afternoon for Waco, Temple and other points in that section on a short business trip.

6 Percent Money 6 Percent Money 6 Percent

Loans may be obtained for any purpose on acceptable Real Estate security; liberal privileges, correspondence solicited.
A. C. AGENCY COMPANY.
758 Gas, Electric Bldg., Denver Colorado.
446 Pierce Bldg., St. Louis.

E. L. Resbury had cotton business at Winters between trains Monday.

Enterprise Mattress Factory
I have just opened a mattress factory in the rock building next door to Secrest Hotel, east of court house. New mattresses made to order and old mattresses renovated. When you need a new mattress or have an old mattress that needs working over, see me, I can save you money.
Phone 492 L. C. CLYBURN, Prop.

Ready for To-morrow?
Horses digest their feed less thoroughly than other farm animals. In order to insure thorough digestion of all the food eaten, and to make your horses ready for next day's work, add to their evening feed a teaspoonful of—
Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE
It will lessen your feed bills.
It will increase your profits.
I am using Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE with my horses regularly and find it a saving proposition on feed. It also makes them healthy, thriving and clean.
Ira Johnston,
R. F. D. No. 1,
O'Neill, Nebr.
25c, 50c and \$1. per can.
At your dealer's. P. B. 1

BABB DRY GOODS COMPANY

TRADE EXTENSION SALE WILL OPEN

Saturday, Morning November 21

Get ready to attend this great sale event when thousands and thousands of dollars worth of bright new dry goods, shoes, hats, ladies' and children's suits, coats and shirts, blankets, comforts, winter underwear for men, women and children; boys' and men's suits, overcoats and pants.

The whole store will be on sale. Everybody in this part of Runnels and adjoining Counties should take advantage of this great money saving opportunity
GET READY EARLY SATURDAY MORNING, MAKE YOUR WAY DIRECT TO

Babb's Trade Extension Sale

Look For The Big Sign

Babb Dry Goods Company

Winters, Texas

Mode Hardin, of the Wingate country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

For Sale.

Seed wheat, oats and barley go to Missouri Milling Co., Ballinger.

Rev. Thomas, of Norton, who had been attending the M. E. conference at Hillsboro the past week passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home. He will serve again for two years the Norton church.

Greatest Business Known at Ballinger Post Office

The Ballinger post office officials announced today that never before in the history of the local office had postal receipts received such substantial gains as at the present time. The October receipts at the local office surpassed the expectations of Postmaster J. J. Erwin and Assistant Postmaster Don A. Swett, exceeding the September business by a substantial sum. At the present time, it is believed that the November business has already surpassed that done during the month October, up to the 15th of the month, with indications that the month of November will be the greatest of all. The October business was over

\$250 greater than that done during the month of September, \$1,057.45 having been taken in from stamp sales during last month.

Assistant Postmaster Swett declared Tuesday morning that in all departments the business was on the increase, indicating that the greatest Christmas in the history of the town will be done here this year in the local office. Both the parcel post and the money order business, particularly the latter, is showing up remarkably good. It is believed that the great influx of new residents to the county is causing many money orders to leave for other parts of the state.

that this nation, with its present military force, cannot possibly assemble rapidly enough a sufficient strength, equipped for field operations, to cope with an enemy debarking on our shores. Distribution of forces on a wide front was advised, because of the wide choice of landing places open to the enemy.

For the first line mobile force of half a million soldiers, Wotherspoon would have thoroughly trained men, equipped with provisions and supplies for six

months. These would be reinforced by a second line of 300,000, drawn from the organized militia and similarly provisions.

Troops now distributed in foreign possessions, or to be distributed under the present organization plans, are totally inadequate for the needs of those outlying districts. Wotherspoon held. Effective defense of the Philippines is "manifestly impossible" under the present force, he said.

Life Is Constant War
For Existence.

Nations Prepare for War in Time of Peace.

Individuals should safeguard against NEED in time of
LARGE HARVESTS.

Save the fruits of your labor, by storing your
unsaleable products under shelter.

Deposit Your Surplus Cash in the Bank
Which is Your Best Friend in Times of Need.

Ballinger State Bank & Trust
Company

"We take care of our customers"

EVERY-NOW-AND-THEN

We remind you that the time to do it is NOW! We want to jog up the frail memory that remembers but present things! You said some time ago you were going to start your account here. You put it off. Several times you made the same resolution. You put it off. You can never accomplish what you do not begin. Do it NOW!

Delay has wrecked more lives and caused more human misery than all the Wars the world has ever known.

THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS
STATE BANK

"FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK"

The Bank That HELPS YOU Do Things.

YOU'RE BILIOUS AND
COSTIVE!---CASDARETS

Tonight! Clean your bowels and
end Headaches, Colds,
Sour Stomach.

Get a 10-cent box now. Furred tongue, Bad Colds, Indigestion, Sallow Skin, and Miserable Headaches come from a torpid liver and clogged bowels, which cause your stomach to become filled with undigested food, which sours and ferments like garbage in a swill barrel. That's the first step in untold misery—indigestion, foul gases, bad breath, yellow skin, mental fears, everything that is horrible and nauseating. A Cascareset tonight will give your constipated bowels a thorough cleansing and straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you feeling good for months. Millions of men and women take a Cascareset now and then to keep their stomach, liver and bowels regulated, and never know a miserable moment. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a good, gentle cleansing, too.

WOTHERSPOON SAYS
U.S. NEEDS SOLDIERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The United States needs more soldiers. Gen. Wotherspoon, who retired as United States army chief of staff this week, made this assertion in positive terms in his annual report made public today.

Not only is this country unprepared to resist invasion, by a first-class power, he declared, but it is likewise in no position to defend the Philippines, the Panama Canal, Alaska, or Hawaii from hostile attack. Moreover, he contended, the probable value of our coast defenses is questionable.

To relieve these alarming conditions, Wotherspoon counseled that the country's standing army be raised from 100,000 men to 205,000, and that in addition there be a mobile army of 500,000 men of the first line and 300,000 of the second line. That the United States would do well to draw from Germany's military training system was his broad hint.

In clear-cut language, this recognized military expert declared

THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF

The First National Bank

are keeping abreast of the times without deviating from sound Banking principles, are constantly adding to the value of the service they render to their customers.

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The agitation for better roads
will gain good headway before the
bad weather for the coming win-
ter passes.

The young Coleman county
man who found a quart and a half
of whiskey in another man's grip
and drank it all before breakfast
died before supper, of course.

A Coleman boy contributed one
hundred packages of nuts to the
Christmas ship that was sent to
Europe. There is nothing on
earth that can keep that boy from
having a merry Christmas.

Texans are complying with
President Wilson's request in re-
maining neutral in European war,
but Texans are free to express
their opinion in discussing the
Mexican muddle.

A briar forming a perfect head
of the devil has been found in
South Ballinger. We have al-
ways claimed that South Ballinger
sand would grow anything.
Mr. Bethel, the insurance man,
will show the latest crop from
the sandy land.

It is claimed that Texas can
raise tomatoes sufficient to supply
the entire United States, but in-
stead of taking advantage of the
opportunity to do so Texans con-
sume millions of cans of tomatoes
shipped from other states every
year.

In stepping from a place that
is paying him \$5000 per year to
one that will pay him \$12000 per
year, President of the State Uni-
versity shows that there is a de-
mand for men. The population of
the world is increasing in num-
bers, but what the world needs is
men.

If the report that the foot and
mouth disease is being scattered
by the use of hypodermics in the
hands of foreigners proves true
and the culprits are captured, it
will be a good place to increase
the use of cotton by using cotton
ropes for a necktie to string them
with.

"The Germans have lost one
hundred thousand men within the
past four days in the fighting at
Flanders," say telegraphic re-
ports from London. That's five
times as many people as there
are in Russell County. How
long will God stay His hand and
permit this wholesale human
slaughter house to continue?

Europe may be responsible for
some of the disturbances in the
commercial world, but the trouble
in Mexico has eased. Presi-
dent Wilson more trouble than
anything he has had to deal with
since he became president. He
has handled the job well, and his
watchful waiting has saved the
lives of hundreds of heroes and
millions in dollars. But the end is
not yet.

A dispatch says that Mexican
bandits south of El Paso recently
killed three Americans. An Amer-
ican that will go to Mexico, or
who is there now and remains
there, places his life in the hands
of the Mexican bandits, and the
United States should not spend
one drop of American soldier
blood in protecting him. He has
had ample warning.

The negroes imported to this
county to help pick the cotton are
returning to their homes in other
parts of the state as fast as they
are released. In most cases they
have served the purpose for which
they were brought here well, and
given their employers no trouble.
The farmers of this county would

have suffered heavy loss if these
people had not been brought here,
and the price of cotton picking
would have been pushed to al-
most prohibitive rates.

With high grade syrup from
Johnson grass roots, and big fat
delicious biscuits from feterita
flour, why worry about the low
price of cotton. Jack rabbits are
still plentiful and mesquite beans
a sure crop. Surely we are living
in a land of plenty.

Visitors to a city form their
opinions more from the way the
people act than from the way the
old town looks. It pays to be
courteous and greet strangers
with a smile. There are many visi-
tors in Ballinger this week. None
of them are here for the purpose
of casting their lot permanently
with us, but when they go their
way they may come in contact
with people who are headed our
way.

Living in one town a lifetime
would not be so bad, provided the
old residents would forget mean
things a fellow did when he was
young.—Bonham Favorite.

That's a good text for a whole
sermon. It would not make much
difference whether they forgot
the mean things a fellow did when
he was young or not, if they
would quit telling the new comer
about it. And, when a man leaves
his enemies takes a delight in send-
ing the news ahead.

The cotton exchange will open
Monday with trading unrestricted,
which means you can bet all that
you want to on which way the
market is going to jump. And we
will have an opportunity to see
whether the exchange is respon-
sible for low price cotton.

Judge Ellis, of Crockett, Texas,
was a visitor to Ballinger this
week. He reported that business
in his county was good in his line,
there being eighteen murder cases
on the docket with eight new ones
just added and the grand jury
still grinding when he left
home. If you are dissatisfied
with your moral environment in
Russell county we recommend
Houston county to you.

A committee of negroes called
on President Wilson to register a
protest over the race segregation
in the various departments at
Washington being inaugurated by
McAdoo, Burleson and some of the
other democratic boys. The chair-
man of the committee used lan-
guage that caused Mr. Wilson to
decline to discuss the matter with
them. A statement handed out
by the heads of each department
claims that no difference has been
shown between the white and
black employees further than the
mere separation act, and we cer-
tainly endorse that. In other
words we do not believe that a
white girl should be made to
work at the same desk with a ne-
gro man.

A WARNING TO MANY

Some Interesting Facts About
Kidney Troubles.

Few people realize to what ex-
tent their health depends upon the
condition of their kidneys. The
physician in nearly all cases
of serious illness, makes a che-
mical analysis of the patient's
urine. He knows that unless the
kidneys are doing their work
properly, the other organs cannot
readily be brought back to health
and strength.

When the kidneys are neglected
or abused in any way, serious
results are sure to follow. Accord-
ing to health statistics, Bright's
disease which is really an advanced
form of kidney trouble, caused
nearly ten thousand deaths in
1913, in the state of New York
alone. Therefore, it behooves us
to pay more attention to the
health of these most important
organs.

An ideal herbal compound that
has had remarkable success as a
kidney remedy is Dr. Kilmer's
Swamp-Root, the great Kidney,
Liver and Bladder Remedy.

The mild and healing influence
of this preparation, in most cases,
is soon realized, according to
sworn statements and verified
testimony of those who have used
the remedy.

If you feel that your kidneys re-
quire attention, and wish a sample
bottle, write to Dr. Kilmer &
Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Mention
this paper, enclose ten cents and
they will gladly forward it to you
by Parcel Post.

Swamp-Root is sold by every
druggist in bottles of two sizes—
50c, and \$1.00.

**EARLY ALARM CREATES
MUCH EXCITEMENT**

Considerable excitement was
created in the down town district
early Wednesday morning when
the fire alarm sounded and it was
announced that the Central Hotel
was on fire. The fire company
responded to the alarm and
stretched a string of hose and
was ready for business before
they learned that the alarm was
caused by someone who noticed
steam escaping from the roof of
the building and thought it was
smoke.

During the summer the Cen-
tral Hotel was equipped with
steam heat, and several little ex-
haust pipes were run up through
the roof of the building, and
steam escaping from them resem-
bled smoke very much from a dis-
tance and looked as though the
roof was on fire.

A large crowd rushed to the
building and the company was
ready to enter the building with
the fire fighting outfit when the
real facts in the case stopped
them.

**THICK, GLOSSY HAIR
FREE FROM DANDRUFF**

Girls! Beautify your hair! Make
it soft, fluffy and
luxuriant

Try as you will, after an applica-
tion of Danderine, you cannot
find a single trace of dandruff or
falling hair and your scalp will
not itch, but what will please you
most, will be after a few weeks'
use, when you see new hair, fine
and downy at first—yes—but
really new hair—growing all over
the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately
doubles the beauty of your hair.
No difference how dull, faded,
brittle and scraggy, just moisten
a cloth with Danderine and care-
fully draw it through your hair,
taking one small strand at a time.
The effect is immediate and amaz-
ing—your hair will be light fluffy
and wavy, and have an appear-
ance of abundance; an incom-
parable lustre, softness and luxu-
riance, the beauty and shimmer
of true hair health.

Get a 25 cent bottle of Knowl-
ton's Danderine from any drug
store or toilet counter, and prove
that your hair is as pretty and
soft as any—that it has been ne-
glected or injured by careless treat-
ment—that's all.

RISSEY FIRM PROSPERING.

The firm of R. A. Rissey & Co.,
wishing to keep up with the times,
has purchased an auto delivery
car with which to get the pack-
ages to its customers immediately.
The horse and wagon were pretty
good, but the auto gets there
quicker.

The firm is in line for congratu-
lations for this evidence of
resilience.—Bonham Favorite.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Massey,
who had been visiting at their old
home in Ireland the past year
passed through Ballinger Wednes-
day at noon en route to their
ranch in Concho county. Mrs.
Humphrey accompanied them
home to visit in our section.

Mrs. Scott Mack returned home
Tuesday afternoon from a visit
to her parents, Capt. and Mrs.
Robert Bailey and family at San
Angelo.

Frank Eckart, of the Olfin coun-
ty, passing through Ballinger
Tuesday en route to Richland
Springs, to attend the funeral of
his nephew, Edwin Eckart.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woods, of
the New Home community are re-
joicing over the arrival of a 10
pound baby girl, born at their
home Tuesday night, Nov. 17th.

Mrs. Frank Duncan and two
children, of San Angelo, who had
been visiting her mother during a
severe illness, returned home
Wednesday at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. King, of
Temple, came in Tuesday and
will visit his nephew, Dr. F. M.
Hale and family while attending
the Nazarene assembly in our
city.

R. D. Hearn, of Knoxville,
Tenn., came in Monday night and
will make Texas his future home
and hopes to locate in Russell
County.

No Extra Cost

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder is not
a contributor to the increased cost of living.

Its price has not advanced, although
there has been a great increase in the cost
of cream of tartar, from which it is made.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder makes
the finest and most wholesome food and is
most economical in practical use.

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BAKING POWDER**

Made from Pure, Grape Cream of Tartar
NO ALUM

**THREE ANGELO BOYS
DIE IN CAMP**

A sad tale is brought to San An-
gelo of the details of the deaths
of three young men who started
out from San Angelo to battle a
dreaded disease in the last stages.
The Standard recently announced
the death of Edward Reuss near
Telegraph on the Llano river and
of his burial at the home of his
parents at Cuero.

What promised to be a benefi-
cial camping trip ended in three
graves with a tale of heroism that
accounted in part for the hasty
deaths of two of the victims.

Last May Tom Tibbs and J. A.
Carruth assembled a first class
complete camping outfit in San
Angelo, bade their friends adieu
and with two faithful trained col-
lies started for a place near Tele-
graph. Equipped with an excellent
cook and the best that the market
and fat purse could afford, they
enjoyed life until, due to a heavy
rain, young Tibbs grew suddenly
ill and died. In preparing his
body for shipment to East Tex-
s young Carruth overexerted him-
self and later came to San Angelo
in August to get his throat treat-
ed, when W. D. Holcomb intro-
duced him to young Reuss who
was then clerking at the City
Drug Store. The two young men
joined fortunes and returned to
the camp. Here Reuss took
charge of Tibbs' collic, whose
mourning and wailing over the
loss of his master had gotten on
the nerves of Carruth. In a week
however Carruth, breathed his last
and Reuss undertook the heavy
mountain trip of forty miles to
Menard in order to ship the re-
mains to parents in Austin. It
proved too much for him the third
member of the party survived his
partner but two weeks, when he
went the same way.—San Angelo
Standard.

A tight feeling in the chest ac-
companied by a short dry cough,
indicates an inflamed condition
in the lungs. To relieve it buy the
dollar size Ballard's Horhound
Syrup; you get with each bottle a
free Herrick's Red Pepper Porous
Plaster for the chest. The syrup
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the same man. I can cheerfully
commend this remedy to all stom-
ach sufferers."

**WILL OBSERVE
THANKSGIVING WITH
UNION SERVICE**

At a recent meeting of the pas-
tors of the local churches it was
decided that the usual union
Thanksgiving services be held on
Thanksgiving Day.

The services will be held at ten
o'clock at the Christian church,
and Rev. T. C. Jester will preach
the sermon. All the choirs of the
town will unite in arranging the
musical program.

In spite of the war in the East
and the disturbed market condi-
tion our country is unusually pros-
perous this year, and our people
have much to be thankful for. It
is the desire of the various pastors
of the town that due appreciation
be shown by a large attendance
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**HEAVY HAIL STORM
HITS COKE COUNTY**

Late Saturday afternoon, or
rather early in the evening, a de-
structive hail storm visited a sec-
tion of country southeast of the
Juniper school house, south of the
river. On several farms, the hail
played havoc with the cotton
crops, causing the loss of many
bales and damaging the staple left
in the bolls.

John Bed Hudman, on the J. J.
Grimes farm, estimates his loss at
20 bales and that the cotton re-
maining on the stalk is badly
damaged. "Uncle" Jim Grimes
visited the farm Tuesday and says
that the work of the hail was
fierce.

On the "Doe" Larkin farm the
hail was furious and his loss is
estimated at 20 bales and much
damage to the staple remaining in
the field. On the Sam Neff farm
there were heavy losses to cotton,
and Bert Cornelius reports that
part of his cotton crop was knock-
ed out and beaten into the ground.
He is saved the labor and ex-
pense of picking in part of his
crop.

The hail cloud moved to the
southeast and there was damage
to other crops further on, but we
haven't names or details.

The hail drifted a foot or more
deep in places and plenty could
be seen the next day.—Bronte En-
terprise.

Rev. Broome of Brownwood,
came in Wednesday at noon and
will visit Ballinger friends over
night en route to Abilene to at-
tend the Baptist convention.

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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 per cent. 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

LITTLE ACCOMPLISHED FARMERS SHOULD IN COTTON MEETING PLANT MORE COTTON

Hon. Joseph Tweedy, of San Angelo, addressed about twenty-five farmers and business men at the court house in Ballinger last Saturday afternoon. While the number present was not encouraging to those who are trying to work out some plan to relieve the cotton situation, each one listened with interest to what Mr. Tweedy had to say.

Mr. Tweedy did not offer any new plan for handling the proposition, but briefly reviewed what had been said and what had been done at other places and stated that he was sent here to help organize the county and get the farmers and business men to agree to co-operate with the Southern Cotton Association in bringing about a plan to reduce the cotton acreage for 1915, and give the world to understand that the production of cotton would be cut down and the surplus of the present crop be held until the price justified selling.

Demonstrator McLelland followed Mr. Tweedy in a brief talk and advocated diversification as the solution of the whole trouble. Mr. McLelland hit the key note in his short talk when he stated that the farmer could never hope to control the price of cotton as long as he continued to raise nothing but cotton, and through the crop growing season came to town with his wagon empty and return home with it loaded. Mr. McLelland said the only solution was for the farmer to get busy and live at home and cut out the credit business. Mr. McLelland told of a farmer in this county who raised eight bales of cotton last year, sold nine and had ten bales left. He put that up as a problem for the farmers to work out, and he stated that if others would farm that way the farmers would be fixing the price of cotton instead of letting the speculator say what cotton shall bring.

Secretary Boler of the Y. M. B. L. had 2000 circulars printed and circulated advertising the meeting, and in addition he secured an auto and rode up and down the streets and used a megaphone in announcing the speaking, but farmers were too busy and seemed to have decided to let the proposition take care of itself, and failed to turn out to the meeting.

It Really Does Relieve Rheumatism.

Everybody who is afflicted with Rheumatism in any form should by all means keep a bottle of Sloan's Liniment on hand. The minute you feel pain or soreness in a joint or muscle, bathe it with Sloan's Liniment. Do not rub. Sloan's penetrates almost immediately right to the seat of pain, relieving the hot, tender, swollen feeling and making the part easy and comfortable. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any druggist and have it in the house—against colic, sore and swollen joints, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.

J. F. Khun, of Rowena, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

Despondency Due to Indigestion.

It is not at all surprising at persons who have indigestion become discouraged and despondent. Here are a few words of hope and cheer for them by Mrs. Blanche Bowers, Indiana, Pa. "For years my digestion was so poor that I could only eat the lightest foods. I tried everything that I heard of to get relief, but not until about a year ago when I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and got a bottle of them, did I find the right treatment. I soon began to improve, and since taking a few bottles of them my digestion is fine." For sale by all dealers.

Mrs. M. J. Stacy, of Stacy, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Doose and family the past week, returned home Monday morning.

For Sale.

Seed wheat, oats and barley go to Missouri Milling Co., Ballinger. 28-dwtf

R. J. Queen of the Crews country, and J. D. Smith of the Wingate country, were in Ballinger Saturday to close up a deal in real estate with W. J. Norman of the Wingate country.

Albert McCurry, a Choctaw County, Oklahoma, farmer advises his neighbors to plant more cotton. He acknowledges that he made a mistake in advising them to cut out cotton and raise more to live off of at home, and complains because the farmers failed to listen to him, and he now wishes to give them some advice they will take. He says:

"Plant cotton; every available acre you can. Buy guano, put it on liberally, because you can buy it on credit. Besides, you can save so much time that would be consumed handling. You need to plant but little corn, as you can buy corn with cotton money. Your stock will eat hay—hay which has ridden off the railroads with wire around it—better than they will home-raised hay. The smoke of the coal and the wire gives it a peculiar flavor that farm mules and horses like. In fact, the weather here is too hot, to make hay; buy it with cotton money.

Don't try to raise hogs. Buy salt meat. It gives you a chance to go to town oftener and the home-raised meat gets rancid. Then, again, if you have a few hogs they will need attention and will often be in the way about your making a trip every week.

Don't try to keep a cow. Cows are very expensive. In fact, your daughter loses better in the corner reading a 10c novel than she would look in the cowpen.

If you have a garden be sure to raise beets, radishes, cucumbers and red peppers, and nothing else. You see, the above will need no meat to season them, and you can buy onions and cabbage with cotton money. Raise cotton.

Do not bother about fruit trees. You can buy apples and nuts at the stores, and by so doing you patronize the railroads and the young man with his hair parted in the middle. Don't make any singletrees or hoe handles; buy them. The merchant keeps them for sale. Let your timber grow.

Don't live in a log house or ride in an open-top buggy or wear common clothes. They are not fashionable. Keep up with the fashions, no matter what it costs; you can raise cotton and settle the bill when you want to.

When you want birds, start a 10c boy out with a \$10 dog and a \$20 gun, and he will in ten hours bring you in 50c worth of birds at an expense of 75c per shell.

Let your ashes go to waste. You can buy soap at 5c a bar, and your wife would rather rock the baby and gad about than make soap. Let the sweet gum stay on the trees and buy chewing gum for the children. It helps to digest that salt meat.

Chickens are a nuisance. Your wife would be afraid the old sitting hen would bite her; so buy your eggs with cotton money. Don't let your wife or daughter go to the wash tub. You can hire the washing done and it might hurt your wife's back to use the scrub board. In fact, a Cotton King should live in all ease. You raise cotton and let the other fellow raise corn, even if you fail to pay out."

Guarantee the Magic Washing Stick

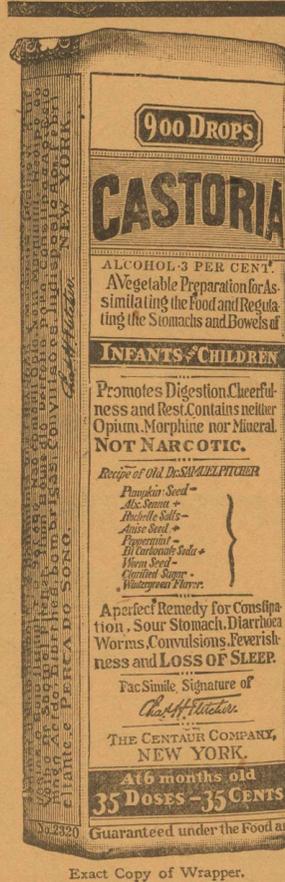
The Magic Washing Stick is guaranteed to save all washboard labor on washday, and to make clothes white as snow. Contains no acid, alkali lye or poison of any character and can be used with perfect safety on the most delicate fabric. Lifts the burden of work from the women-folks. Price 25c per box containing three Magic Washing Sticks, enough for fifteen big snowy washings. Ask grocer or druggist. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

NEW BANKER AT WINTERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Q. McAdams are entertaining a son who made his arrival to brighten that household Sunday last. The young fellow promises to take his father's place in the bank in the usual time and in the mean while the elder Mr. McAdams will conduct the affairs there so that the junior gentleman will be permitted to take his place in one of the best banking institutions in Texas.—Winters Enterprise.

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.



CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

of

Chas. H. Fletcher

In Use

For Over

Thirty Years

CASTORIA

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

WILL INTEREST BALLINGER TO FORM SOCIETY

With the object in view of interesting the citizens of Runnels county in forming a society whose purpose would be to do the part of Runnels County in fitting a room in the Alamo Heroes' Monument, proposed to be erected at San Antonio, Miss Ollie Lee is today interviewing many ladies of the city. It is planned to form a Runnels County Council, the organization to be perfected by Miss Lee and a number of Ballinger ladies, who are interested in the movement.

The Alamo Heroes' Monument will be erected, as the name implies in honor of the heroes who fought in the Battle of the Alamo. It will be the tallest building in the world. It will contain three hundred rooms, one for each county of the state of Texas, with a number of addition rooms for emergencies. Each county is supposed, through its council, to properly furnish the room assigned to it, doing all interior work, etc. At the extreme top of the building will be located a wireless station for government service, and here too will be a wonderful revolving searchlight, the most powerful ever constructed, with over one million candle-power.

For the building of this world's greatest monument to the honor of the Texas heroes of the Alamo, it will require \$2,000,000. Under the plan devised by the board of directors of the association and a number of prominent citizens of Texas, it is planned to tax no single being exorbitantly. Fifty cents for each person in the state, will erect the gigantic structure, according to those familiar with the details of the plans.

The monument will be 802 feet in height, made of marble, granite and steel, will contain the resources of the numerous counties of the state, donated by the citizens of Texas as an expression for their love of those who sacrificed their lives in the historic structure still standing at San Antonio—the Alamo.

A number of Ballinger women have been already interested in the movement and are today going over the plans as outlined by Miss Lee.

Irregular bowel movements lead to chronic constipation and a constipated habit fills the system with impurities. Herbine is a great bowel regulator. It purifies the system, vitalizes the blood and puts the digestive organs in fine vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. John Justice moved into Ballinger Saturday from the Ward farm down the river and will make home in the city again.

FREIGHT WRECK CAUSES PASSENGER TRAIN TO DETOUR

Because of a freight wreck near Benoit in which a dozen or more box cars were derailed and traffic blocked for twelve hours, eastbound Santa Fe No. 78, Saturday afternoon was detoured over the Abilene and Southern to Tuscola, thence over the Santa Fe cutoff to Coleman, where it made connections with the Santa Fe branch line of the west.

In the freight wreck near Benoit no one was injured. The train was loaded with cotton and was traveling eastward at the time of the derailment.

The eastbound Santa Fe passenger was following an hour or more behind.

Traffic was resumed over the Santa Fe lines shortly before day-break Sunday morning, westbound passenger No. 75 crossing the scene of the derailment about seven o'clock.

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.

Dr. Fuller of Bradshaw, was in Ballinger Saturday afternoon to accompany Mr. Middleton who was brought down for treatment at the Halley & Love Sanitarium.

Dr. G. L. Lewis

EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT. GLASSES FITTED.

Office Over Findlater Hardware Co. San Angelo, Texas

AGENTS WANTED

AN OPPORTUNITY TO AID YOUR INCOME

We want a good representative in every neighborhood to represent our big value, quick selling specialties. Write us for particulars.

SPECIALTY SUPPLY CO.
 Box 252 Valley Mills, Texas

Skaggs' \$5,000 Give Away Sale

Opens Saturday, Nov., 21, 9 A. M.

Forty thousand dollars worth of stock of choice merchandise to select from. Everything goes; nothing is reserved. Don't Forget to Call for Your Premium and Pony Contest Tickets.

REMEMBER the first ten Ladies to enter the Store when the big doors swing open Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. We will give to each a big Silver Dollar.

The first five men to enter the Store when the doors swing wide open will get a nice Dress Shirt each, Free. Saturday, November 21st, at 9 o'clock A. M.

The House for the Goods

SKAGGS DRY GOODS COMPANY

Winters, Texas

Order For Election.

The State of Texas,
County of Runnels.
Whereas, on the 11th day of November 1914, a petition was presented to the Commissioners' Court of said county, for an election in Justice Precinct No. 3, of Runnels County, Texas, to determine whether or not hogs shall be permitted to run at large within the limits of said Justice Precinct said petition being signed by L. H. Suggs and 19 other freeholders residing within said Justice Precinct No. 3, which said petition was granted by said court and an election ordered to be held on Saturday, the 26th of December, 1914.
Now, therefore, I, M. Kleberg, Jr., in my capacity as County Judge of Runnels County, Texas, in accordance with said order of the Commissioners' court above mentioned do hereby order that an election be held on Saturday the 26th day of December 1914.

at the places hereinafter named within said Justice Precinct No. 3, to determine whether or not hogs shall be permitted to run at large within said Justice Precinct No. 3, said Justice Precinct No. 3 having metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:
Beginning at the northwest corner of said Runnels County; thence east with the north boundary line of said County to where the same crosses the east boundary line of the H. & T. C. Ry., Co. survey No. 109; thence south to the southwest corner of the Carter Anderson survey No. 523; thence west to the southwest corner of the Burnett County School Land Survey No. 271; thence in a westerly direction on a line passing over the northwest corner of the Geo. S. Adams survey No. 806 to the west boundary line of Runnels County; thence north with said west boundary line to the place of beginning.
Said election shall be held at

the following places with the persons designated acting as presiding officers, respectively: Pump-hrey voting precinct No. 9, at school house, C. F. Awalt, presiding officer; Wingate voting precinct No. 10, at school house, C. P. Prewitt, presiding officer; Wilmeth voting precinct No. 12, at school house, Will Puckett, presiding officer; Cochran voting precinct No. 13, at school house, W. W. Poe, presiding officer; North Norton, voting precinct No. 14, at school house, D. W. Turner, presiding officer; Marie voting precinct No. 15, at school house, J. Black, presiding officer; the above named officers shall appoint two clerks to assist in holding said election, and shall hold same in conformity with the laws governing general elections as nearly as possible, and make due returns thereof according to law.
Dated this 16th day of November A. D. 1914.
M. KLEBERG, Jr.
County Judge of Runnels County, Texas. 1tw

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Runnels County, Texas, will receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker of the county aforesaid that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of said county.
Said institutions or persons desiring to bid, shall deliver to the County Judge, on or before February 8th, 1915, at ten o'clock a. m., a sealed proposal, stating the rate of interest that it or he offers to pay on the funds of the county for the term between the date of such bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for the sum of \$250.00.
Dated this 16th day of November, 1914.
M. KLEBERG, Jr.
County Judge of Runnels County, Texas. 20-27-4

Fritz Hanz, and L. Teplieck of Rowena, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and Mr. Teplieck ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address while in the city.

A CHILD'S LAXATIVE IS "SYRUP OF FIGS"

The love to take it and it doesn't harm the tender little stomach, liver and bowels.

When your child suffers from a cold don't wait, give the little stomach, liver and bowels a gentle cleansing at once. When cross peevish, listless, pale, doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally, if breath is bad, stomach sour, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs" and in a few hours all the clogged-up, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

If your child coughs, snuffles, and has caught cold or is feverish or has a sore throat give a good dose of "California Syrup of Figs" to evacuate the bowels no difference what other treatment is given.

Sick children needn't be coaxed to take this harmless "fruit laxative." Millions of mothers keep it handy because they know its action on the stomach, liver and bowels is prompt and sure. They also know a little given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

CARD OF THANKS

Hatchel, Texas, November 18.
We wish to thank the good people through the columns of the best paper in one of the best counties of Texas, for the support and co-operation given in the box supper held at Hatchel on last Friday night. It was a great success in every particular and the good ladies of the community deserve much credit for what they did. We realized \$60.85 which we will use to the best advantage. The boxes sold brought \$45 and

the cakes for the prettiest girl and the ugliest man brought \$15.85. Miss Sallie Burrow received the cake for the prettiest girl and Hon. Greely Seerest, of Ballinger, received the cake for being the ugliest man present.
M. F. LETT, C. C.
E. D. BOWMAN, Clerk

Let me show you my cutter. Let me try it on your farm. Satisfaction guaranteed or no sale. Will cost less than a one row cutter and do three times the work and better. Home invention, home made. Place your order today, so your machine will be ready for you when you need it.
L. S. EVANS, R-14 Ballinger, Texas. 20-4tw

SANITARY MEAT MARKET.

We have our place of business in a perfect sanitary condition and in compliance with the pure food laws of the State, have just built a perfectly sanitary slaughter house, complete in every respect, and will keep it in splendid shape at all times.

We will buy your stock and hides from you at top prices, and will always supply you with the best the market affords. We will appreciate your patronage.

CITY MEAT MARKET,
Phone 185.
Stanley Cameron, Prop.

Charlie Furgason left Wednesday for Gorman, Texas, to look after his lightning rod business.

What Will I Do With Them Cotton Stalks?

Tell your troubles to L. S. Evans of Ballinger and place your order with him for a machine that will strip your stalks of limbs and burs, cut the stalks in small bits, three rows at a time. A machine that will crush your clods, smooth the land and mark-off three rows at the time. A machine that will drill, harrow 20 to 30 acres of crop per day until it is 8 or 10 inches high. Will it cut green or wet stalks, no sir, nor no other stalk cutter that we ever saw.
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Orland King and his sister Miss King of Concho, were in the city Wednesday to accompany their friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lowery here to take the train for their home at Goldthwaite. Mr. and Mrs. Lowery were spending their honeymoon in this section.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS

We have a few thousand of the famous Red Bird and Everbearing Strawberry Plants for sale cheap. The best all purpose berry known.

LANGDON & ROBINSON
Benoit, Texas.

THE ONE SURE WAY

to have money is to save it. The one sure way to save it busy depositing it in a responsible bank. You will then be exempt from the annoyance of having it burn holes in your pockets, and aside from the fact that your money will be safe from theft, the habit of saving tends to the establishment of thrift, economy, discipline and a general understanding of business principles essential to your success.

TO THOSE WISHING

to establish relations with a safe, strong bank, we heartily extend our services.

The Winters State Bank
Winters, Texas.
Capital \$50,000.00 Guaranty Fund Bank



Roadster \$479.00
Touring Cars \$529.00
F. O. B. Ballinger

When the Ford needs repairing, Bring it to the Ford home, and talk to our expert Ford mechanics

Harwell Motor Co. Ballinger Texas

WINTERS, TEXAS

COME HERE

NOTICE: November 21st to December 5th Thirteen Days

JUST A WORD EXPLAINING THINGS

This is a sale for a purpose, when the public gets the benefit. Owing to the backward condition of the money market and the lateness of the winter season, this sale is made a positive necessity to meet all obligations. Necessity knows no law. The goods must be sold; price is given no consideration. Get here and get your share. Not a make believe or a subterfuge, but a sale in all its meaning. Thousands upon thousands of bargains, slashes, slaughtered, wrecked and smashed prices. A sale the like of which has never been seen before. Come the first day; come any day; tell the news far and wide; thousands of dollars to be sold each day. Get in line

W. M. SMILEY
Winters, Texas

PUBLIC SALE

DOORS OPEN SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 21, at 9:00 o'clock
GET HERE--- DON'T WAIT, DON'T DELAY! Now is Your Opportunity to Get in Line

Public Announcement

at prices never before attempted. Prices Wrecked, Smashed and Slaughtered—prices that defy the slightest imitation of comparison! 13 days of unusual opportunity. 13 days of hope realized. The finest fabrics and very richest raiment at a trifling cost. A Giant Sale of Bargains. 13 days of price havoc that will create a buying fever among all the people. The strongest and best values ever seen are before you. You will not overlook this opportunity to save. Real wisdom of investment finds its greatest expression in careful rigid investigation. Come see, witness with your own eye and be convinced. Enthusiasm will reign supreme. Thousands will gather here. The tocsin of war has been sounded the edict has gone reserved. All goes. The beckoning hand of economy waves its signal and points you straight to this store. The stock must positively be sold our necessity knows no law, the people reap the benefits. Men's Goods, Women's Goods, Boy's and Girls wearing apparel.

Prices cut to pieces. Dry Goods, Everything goes, positively everything. Get here see the throngs, every day. Everybody for miles will be here.

A Word of Notice

back every assertion with the goods and the prices. If you have never attended one of our big sales you cannot comprehend or realize the benefits. New express arrivals are being placed in readiness. We are preparing as never before for the greatest sale ever seen. A sale long to be remembered. The hour is close at hand.

Store Closed Friday, November 20th to Marke Down and Arrange Stock

W. M. SMILEY, Winters, Texas

ATTENTION PEOPLE

Think what this great 13 day sale means to you. Think it over and get here quick, pay no attention to hearsay, care not for idle talk, don't listen to the lonesome wail of competition, see the goods with your own eyes. W. M. Smiley says the goods must go and they will go. Look at the prices then see the goods. 13 days, no more no less.

COTTON AT 10c A POUND

NOTICE---If you were to sell your cotton and buy goods in this sale at these startling prices your cotton would bring you around 10c a pound a panic for 13 days---entire stock included. Get here--don't hesitate. A vast fashion parade of highest grade styles.

13 . . . Days . . . 13

Be Sure To Find The Store. See The Thousands of Bargains on Sale

LOOK! LOOK! LOOK!

Here are the days, Saturday, Nov. 21st, 9 a. m. Monday, Nov. 23rd, Tuesday, Nov. 24th, Wednesday, Nov. 25th, Thursday, Nov. 26th, Friday, Nov. 27th, Saturday, Nov. 28th, Monday, 30th, Tuesday, Dec. 1st, Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, Thursday, Dec. 3rd, Friday, Dec. 4th; the last day comes on Saturday, Dec. 5th. A whirlwind sensational sale bargains. Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

Free! Free! Free!

We want a big crowd in front of this store when the doors open at 9 a. m. Saturday, November 21. We want as many people as possible to see the vast array of bargains. We want you to be able to say that it is the cheapest selling you ever saw. The first 20 ladies will be given a nice dress. Men come next. First 15 men, 3 pairs of socks each. Free gifts all through the sale. Souvenirs for the children. A smashing sale long to be remembered. See every bargain.

W. M. SMILEY

Winters, Texas.
89000 Bargains on Display.

Constipation a Penalty of Age

Nothing is so essential to health in advancing age as keeping the bowels open. It makes one feel younger and fresher and forestalls colds, gripes, fevers, and other dependant ills.

Cathartics and purgatives are violent and drastic in action and should be avoided. A mild, effective laxative, tonic, recommended by physicians and thousands who have used it, is the combination of simple herbs with pepsin sold by druggists everywhere under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. The price of fifty cents and one dollar a bottle. For a free trial bottle write to Dr. Caldwell's, 451 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

MILLION AND HALF MONEY AT DALLAS RESERVE BANK

DALLAS, Nov. 16.—A million and a half of the seven million dollar capital has been received on the first day of the regional reserve bank here. The outlook is bright, according to officers of the new institution.

THROW OUT THE LINE

Give Them Help and Many Ballinger People Will Be Happier.

"Throw Out the Life Line"—Weak kidneys need help. They're often overworked—they don't get the poison filtered out of the blood.

Will you help them? Doan's Kidney Pills have brought benefit to thousands of kidney sufferers.

Ballinger testimony proves their worth. J. A. Maxwell, farmer, 100 Twelfth St., Ballinger, Texas, says: "My back had been paining me for some time and as Doan's Kidney Pills were endorsed by people I knew, I decided to try them. I was greatly benefited after taking the first box and continued use removed the trouble. I am now in good health."

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

GOES TO BAPTIST CONVENTION

A special carload of delegates from Brownwood were transferred Monday from the Santa Fe over to the A. & S. Ry., en route to Abilene to attend the state Baptist convention which convenes in that city Wednesday.

For Sale.

My place on 5th street, small cash payment, balance like rent. G. R. LAY, Waco, Texas. 28-4tw 4td sat

G. A. Williams, the Miles lumber dealer, had business in Ballinger Monday between trains.

RESERVE BANKS OPENED MONDAY

Here are the Federal Reserve Banks with their capital based on six per cent of the total capital stock and surplus of the member banks:

No. 1. Boston	\$ 9,924,543
No. 2. New York	20,627,606
No. 3. Philadelphia	12,500,738
No. 4. Cleveland	12,100,384
No. 5. Richmond	6,542,713
No. 6. Atlanta	4,702,558
No. 7. Chicago	12,967,701
No. 8. St. Louis	6,367,006
No. 9. Minneapolis	4,702,558
No. 10. Kansas City	5,600,977
No. 11. Dallas	5,653,924
No. 12. San Francisco	8,115,494

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The biggest bank the world has ever seen, the Federal Reserve Bank, capital stock \$20,000,000,000 designed to prevent panics and give elasticity to our currency, opened its doors for business today. In twelve cities, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, and San Francisco, the regional banks formally began their work. In every city and most every town of the country, banks formally became members of the Federal Reserve Bank system.

The inauguration of the Federal Reserve Bank today marks a complete revolution in Uncle Sam's currency system. Its builders claim it will keep too much money from flowing into Wall Street to the detriment of the rest of the country, enable one section of the country to better aid the business of another section in time of need, strengthen credit in times of stress and thus, by keeping the money supply evenly distributed and more easily available, cure the country of the panic disease which has been recurring about every 20 years for the past century.

The way it is going to affect the average person is something like this: If John Smith in Kansas has a wheat crop that he wishes to move and if Kansas is short of money then the Federal Reserve Board will aid the Kansas City regional bank in getting money at any or all of the other eleven regional banks. It may be that Atlanta hasn't the money to spare or that New York may be financing foreign shipments, or that Boston needs her money for the mills, but San Francisco may have plenty of cash to spare. If so, then San Francisco money will be used to move the wheat crop in Kansas, the entire system of credit being so co-ordinated and linked as to have banks act as a unit in helping each other, so that there should never be a stringency of currency as has happened many times in the past but that the entire resources of the whole country should be ready on demand to help any needy section.

The new banking and currency act, approved by the President on December 23, 1913, replaces the system known as the national banking system, inaugurated towards the end of the Civil War.

Under the old system, the national bank note currency was based upon government bonds deposited in the Treasury and the currency thus issued has been classed by economists as bonds secured currency. This plan was evolved, not only to nationalize and to unify the currency—which had therefore consisted of notes

PANICS NO MORE.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—With the opening of the twelve regional banks today, financial panics will never again be experienced in the position taken by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and the members of the Federal Reserve Board. It is declared that the regional banks composing the greatest bank ever established, make panics almost impossible.

issued by state banks—but as well to create a market for United States bonds, and in this way to sustain their value. It was successful entirely in the latter purpose, but it outwore its usefulness as a banking system because of its entire lack of elasticity.

Every national bank is a member of the Federal Reserve Bank system and many state banks took advantage of the opportunity to become members. The largest district, the Chicago district, has 952 member banks and the smallest district, Atlanta, has 372 member banks. Each member bank has obtained its membership by subscribing to the Federal Reserve Bank of its district in the amount equal to six per cent of its paid up capital stock and surplus. The Federal Reserve bank does not do business with the public in the sense that banks usually do; it may better be described as a "bank of banks." It is a depository for a certain proportion of the reserve of all the member banks, and in addition may also be a depository for government funds.

One of its most important functions is as a bank of issue and redemption of currency for it may secure from the treasury department notes known as the Federal Reserve notes, which it is authorized to issue against commercial paper with a minimum gold reserve of forty per cent. Besides this, Federal Reserve banks are granted certain powers in the matter of operations in the open market, such as the purchase of commercial paper, foreign exchange, and in a general way, are expected to perform functions as clearing houses between their member banks. For instance, San Francisco owes Atlanta a million dollars on some commercial paper; Atlanta owes Boston a similar amount, and Boston owes San Francisco a million. By having the board act as a clearing house, these indebtednesses and interrelationships can be simplified, just as the clearing house in New York simplifies the drawing of checks between New York banks.

Each Federal Reserve bank has nine directors, three of whom represent commercial, agricultural or other industrial pursuit (these six being chosen by the member banks) and three government directors chosen by the Federal Reserve Board. The whole system is under the supervision of a central board in Washington—the Federal Reserve Board—consisting of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Comptroller of the Currency Williams, acting ex-officio, and five other members appointed by the President and approved by the senate, namely Charles S. Hamlin, governor; Frederick A. Deland, vice governor; Paul M. Warburg, W. P. Harding and A. C. Miller.

With the opening of the Federal Reserve Banking system today, it is estimated that nearly \$600,000,

000 of reserve funds, no longer required under the new law, was released. The amount released by the districts was: Boston, \$53,000,000; New York, \$83,000,000; Philadelphia, \$70,000,000; Cleveland \$59,000,000; Richmond \$21,000,000; Atlanta, \$14,000,000; Chicago, \$88,000,000; St. Louis, \$18,000,000; Minneapolis, \$43,000,000; Kansas City, \$57,000,000; Dallas, \$24,000,000; San Francisco, \$50,000,000.

WOMEN VOLUNTEERS.

In stress and trouble the women of a nation are always to be counted upon. In Serbia the women went to the front with muskets in their hands; they were as strong and brave as the men on the firing line. In this country few of our women escape the weakening troubles peculiar to their sex.

For every disease or ailment of a womanly character, no matter how recent or how long standing, the one sure, reliable remedy of proved merit is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

It is prepared from nature's roots and herbs and does not contain a particle of alcohol or any narcotic. It's not a secret prescription for its ingredients are printed on the wrapper.

Women are earnestly advised to take it for irregular or painful periods, headache, dizziness, displacement, catarrhal condition, hot flashes, sallow complexion and nervousness.

For girls about to enter womanhood, women about to become mothers, and for the changing days of middle age Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription should always be on hand.

Write Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for free 136 page book on woman's diseases. Every woman should have one.

No Charge for this Grand Home Medical Book.

Every home should have one. Every man and woman who isn't afraid to read a book so plainly written that anyone can understand it should write today for a revised copy of The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser to Dr. Pierce, Invalids Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

This is a large cloth bound book of 1008 pages; 8 inches long; 1 3/4 inches thick; brimful of knowledge not found in ordinary books, sent postpaid to any reader who will send this clipping with 20 cents.

BROWN SELL TRUITT FARM

T. E. Brown and his son John sold this week to Mr. McCreery, of Lometa, their two-hundred acre farm near Trutt at \$25 per acre. The elder Mr. Brown came up from San Saba county and is arranging some necessary business transactions in connection with the deal.

This closes out all of T. E. Brown's Runnels county holdings but he assures us that we shall continue to see him in Winters occasionally as he will naturally visit us often.—Winters Enterprise.

The Magic Washing Stick

I am perfectly delighted with the Magic Washing Stick. It makes the clothes so pretty and white and it saves time and labor. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. I can recommend it highly as a labor saver as you don't have to rub the clothes at all" writes Mrs. M. A. Graham, Dustin, Okla. Guaranteed to contain no lye, acid, alkali or any injurious ingredient. A truly wonderful article. Three Magic Washing Sticks for 25c. Sold by grocers and druggists or sent by mail. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

FINE POINTER PUP

H. L. Mobley was the glad recipient of a fine six-month-old Pointer pup Friday as a Christmas present from his brother, R. E. Mobley of Entwah, Ala. The pup is a beauty, well marked, and the uncle of the pup was the field trial winner of Alabama last Spring and sold for \$700 and none of the old dogs brothers or sisters sold for less than \$200.

In damp chilly weather there is always a large demand for Ballard's Snow Liniment because many people who know by experience its great relieving power in rheumatic aches and pains, prepare to apply it at the first twinge. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Charlie Caster, who had been doing some rock work and cement work at Millersview, returned home Saturday afternoon.

M. C. SMITH.
Attorney-at-Law.
Office up-stairs in C. A. Doose Building.
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A PHYSICIAN'S DIAGNOSIS OF KIDNEY TROUBLE.

A Seemingly Common Disease which Becomes Fatal through Neglect and which May Be Readily Cured by Prompt Attention.

More than two-thirds of the annual death rate, physicians claim, is directly traceable to kidney disorders.

Interested by this remarkable assertion and desiring to acquire a better understanding of the origin of the disease, a prominent physician was recently interviewed as to the symptoms of such troubles.

"To what do you attribute the great destructiveness of kidney disease?" was asked.

"The hold which the disease gains in the body before the victim becomes aware of his true condition, and the rapidity with which it eats its way into the vital organs."

"Would not the proverbial 'ounce of prevention' check the progress of the disease?"

"There is no doubt of it. The trouble is that victims of this disease mistake the symptoms for some trifling ailment in the stomach or bowels; therefore they do nothing to arrest the course of the disease until it is well advanced."

"What is the origin of kidney trouble?"

"Almost invariably bad digestion, followed by torpid liver and a constipated habit."

"What are the symptoms?"

"Headache, dizzy spells, sluggish brain, restless nights, pale or sallow skin, bad breath, lack of appetite, heartburn, sour belching, backache or tenderness over the kidneys, nervous weakness, dark rings around the eyes, tired feeling, too much or too little urine, and sediment in urine."

ITS EFFECT ON THE HEART.

"In what way is the heart affected from kidney trouble?"

"In all cases the heart is disturbed, though in many instances the palpitation does not become alarming until the disease has advanced to a serious point. A severe heart throbbing and nervous trembling is noticeable, especially after a little bodily exercise; the victim frequently imagines he has heart disease."

HOW TO CURE IT.

"What is the proper course of treatment for kidney disease?"

"First, to get rid of uric acid and other poisons in the system. This can be done by stimulating the bladder and bowels so that they will act more freely. The suffering kidneys must be strengthened the liver and stomach toned up and the digestion improved."

Prickly Ash Bitters is a remedy that answers these requirements completely. It is not only a system tonic and regulator, but its healing and restorative influence will build up the weakened kidneys and urge them to a better performance of their duties. It gives strength and tone to the liver, stomach and heart and promotes harmony of action throughout the body.

M. W. Burr, village blacksmith and respected citizen of Starks, La., says: "I was troubled with kidney and liver disorder for 18 years. I was in continual misery until I began taking Prickly Ash Bitters which has entirely cured me, and I am now a strong, healthy and hearty man. I give it to my wife and four children and they are in the best of health, too. I feel that Prickly Ash Bitters is the best remedy on earth and that everybody should keep a bottle at home."

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label.
Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

MISS GORDEN IS MADE PRESIDENT

ATLANTA, Nov. 17. — Miss Anna Gordon, of Evanston, Ill., was today elected president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Forty years ago today, Nov. 17, 1874, the National Women's Christian Temperance Union was organized at Cleveland.

J. M. Nichols and W. J. Davis, of the Bethel neighborhood, were supplying in Ballinger Tuesday Mr. Nichols and family came in the first of the week from Santa Anna where they lived the past year and will again be at their old home in Runnels county in the Bethel section.

W. H. Henniger, of Houston, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon en route to his old home near Winters to visit his father H. W. Henniger and family.

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. 50c.

Pay Your Taxes and Save This

Judge R. S. Griggs has been employed by the county and has established quarters in the court house where he will be for the next few weeks compiling data and arranging to file about fifteen hundred tax suits. If you don't know what a tax suit is you will find out if the taxes on your property have not been paid for the past years.

The delinquent tax list has reached the point where the law-quent tax payers that he has not to take some action. Of course the members of that court regret to have to push such matters against their neighbors and friends, but they under oath and bond to do so, and the law requires them to get busy.

It is unfortunate for the delinquent tax payers that he has not arranged to take care of this obligation. It is a debt against the property that money only can remove. The title is clouded and the state will buy the property in when it is sold for taxes, and every move in court adds to the cost, and it will require the repayment of this cost before you can clear the property.

A SOLUTION FOR COTTON COMPLAINT

The farmers of this county have a friends standing ready to help them settle the cotton problem. This friend is not a member of the cotton exchange nor connected in any way with any cotton association or organization. This friend offers a plan that has been tested out and made good in every trial. Our Dumb Animals, in speaking of this friend, says:

"Of all the animal creation the best friend to man is the homely cow. As a food producer she is our mainstay and dependence. From the new-born babe to the aged invalid we are all more or less dependent on her for our very existence. Her produce commands the highest price in all the best markets in the world. Without her we would be deprived of many of the luxuries of life and not a few of its bare necessities. Without her the infant would cry in vain for sustenance while the nations of the earth, deprived of her life-sustaining products, would become impoverished and disappear."

In prosperity and in adversity the cow is ever man's best friend. She can be depended upon to do her share in lifting the mortgage from the old homestead. She piles the tables of the rich with rare and costly viands. She paves the way for many a poor farm boy to enter the high school and the agricultural college. She tides the farmer over the hard times and helps boost him into prosperity. When he has fallen into a rut and "a friend in need is a friend indeed" she can be relied upon to come to the rescue and with her produce set him on his feet again. Indeed, it may be truly said that of all the animals that contribute to the support of mankind none rewards us so promptly and so liberally for kindness and food as the homely cow.

RUB RHEUMATISM OR SORE, ACHING JOINTS

Rub Pain right out with Small trial bottle of old "St. Jacob's Oil."

Rheumatism is "pain only." Not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Stop drugging. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil" right into your sore stiff, aching joints and muscles and relief comes instantly. "St. Jacob's Oil" is a harmless rheumatism cure which never disappears and can not burn the skin.

Limber up! Quit complaining! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil" at any drug store, and in just a moment you'll be free from rheumatic pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Don't suffer! Relief awaits you. "St. Jacob's Oil" has cured millions of rheumatism sufferers in the last half century, and is just as good for sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, backache, sprains.

HERO MEDAL AND \$1000 FOR ANGELO MAN'S BRAVERY

As a reward for his bravery and courage in rescuing a little child from the ice grip of the waters of the Concho last February, Charles Hull of this city, aged 60, has been awarded a handsome bronze medal and \$1000 by the Carnegie Hero Commission at Philadelphia. Neither has arrived but Mr. Hull was notified only recently that they would be forthcoming presently.

It was bravery personified and an utter disregard of the cold waters that induced Mr. Hull to plunge in and save the Bunchman child. The latter was riding in a baby buggy when the near-tragedy happened. A little brother rolled the wheels too near the edge of a high embankment and plunged into the roaring stream.

Mr. Hull was on the opposite bank from where the child struck the water and estimating the speed of the current, he jumped in. For over seventy-five feet he swam and emerged with the baby alive.

Friends immediately expressed an opinion that Hull should be awarded a medal and he was.—San Angelo Standard.

BREAKS A GOLD IN JUST A FEW HOURS

"Pape's Cold Compound" ends gripe misery—Don't stay stuffed-up!

You can end gripe and break up a severe cold either in head, chest, body or limbs, by taking a dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until three doses are taken.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

BELGIANS, ALTHO POOR, MAY ENTER THE STATES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Immigration authorities, relax the rules to aid the penniless Belgians arriving in this country.

Several movements to find for them work in the south are under way.

Fore SORE or WEAK EYES, use Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water. Don't hurt. Feels good. 76-1-14 5m.

WILL INVESTIGATE AMERICAN LAND QUESTION AT DALLAS

MADISON, Nov. 17.—An investigation of the American land question and its relation to capital and the labor problem will be made by the Federal Commission of Industrial Relations in a public hearing to be held at Dallas in December of this year, announced Prof. Commons, a member of the board.

The meeting at Dallas will follow the Denver meeting which will hear testimony in the Colorado strike situation.

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Colds are caught in many ways. Illy ventilated rooms; rooms that have direct draughts; crowded rooms; damp houses; stuffy school rooms; offices illy heated.

A dose of Peruna at the right time, at the first symptom of cold, before the bones begin to ache, before the sore throat manifests itself, or the cough, or the discharge from the nose, just a dose or two of Peruna before these symptoms begin is generally sufficient. But after the cold is once established with the above symptoms prominent, a bottle of Peruna, or maybe two, will be necessary.

"For several years I have been troubled with colds at each change of season. I took Peruna and have not been troubled with the slightest cold this entire season." Mr. Harry Fisher, 1923 Mosher St., Baltimore, Md.

"I give the children Peruna if they have a cold, and it always relieves them." Mrs. I. D. Hayes, 1937 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, Md.

"When I feel a cold coming on I take a little Peruna, and it does me good." Mr. Charles S. Many, 12 Water St., Ossining, N. Y.

"No family should ever be without Peruna, for it is an unfailing cure for colds." Mrs. M. F. Jones, Burnside Springs, Ky.

NO SPECIAL SESSION ON ACREAGE REDUCTION BILL, SAYS GRIGGS

"I believe that the people of my district are opposed to another session of the legislature under the Colquitt administration," said Judge R. S. Griggs in discussing the letters sent out to the representatives of the state, "and I am opposed to it, and will so write Gov. Colquitt."

Gov. Colquitt is working for the passage of a state reserve bank for Texas and a bill reducing the cotton acreage for 1915 before he retires from the governor's office, and he has sent out letters to all the members of the legislature asking their views, and seeing if a sufficient number of them will commit themselves to his measure before he makes the call for the special session.

Judge Griggs stated that he voted against the bank bill before and would vote against it every time it came before the house. He is opposed to any measure that will in any way jeopardize the school fund of this state.

"I voted for the cotton acreage reduction bill at the last session of the legislature," said Judge Griggs, "but I did so against my own judgment, and so wrote to several parties in Ballinger. I consider the bill unsound, undemocratic and socialistic. On account of the eagerness on the part of every one to do something to boost the price of cotton I gained the impression that my people were in favor of the acreage reduction bill and so voted when the matter was up for action before, but I will not vote for it again. I consider it a matter that can not be handled by law."

"No I am not in favor of any more legislation at this time, and if forced to return to Austin I will not support the measures to be presented dealing with the bank and acreage reduction bill," said Judge Griggs when interviewed by a Ledger reporter.

Maude Reeder Lyons, the noted Child Impersonator, has been secured for Tuesday evening, Nov. 24th, at Carnegie Library. Proceeds for the benefit of the Public Schools. Don't fail to hear her. Prices 25c and 50 cents. 17-Htd Itw.

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.

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You are hereby warned not to trespass on my ranch on the Concho 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.

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MORE DETAILS OF KILLING AT STACY

The Brady Standard in giving an account of the killing of a Runnels County school teacher, at Stacy, a few days ago says:

Eli Brown, a young man about 20 years of age was killed at Stacy Saturday evening about 7 o'clock in a difficulty with Gary Atkinson.

News of the tragedy was received here in a telephone message to Deputy Sheriff John Martin at 7:30, and he and Sheriff J. C. Wall left at 9:00 o'clock in an automobile for the scene of the killing.

According to information gathered by officers, Atkinson was drinking heavily Saturday afternoon, when he went into the M. J. Stacy's store, where Brown and a number of other men were. He bantered Brown for a "crap" game and when the latter replied that he did not "shoot craps" began cursing him.

Brown is said to have left the store to avoid trouble, but the two men met later and the fight in which Brown was fatally stabbed occurred in the Stacy store.

A long cut in the left side, beginning near the spinal column and extending around to the left breast, a slash across the left cheek about four inches in length, and a deep stab in the left breast were inflicted by Atkinson, the latter wound, according to attending physicians, producing death. After being cut, Brown walked a distance of thirty steps and fell death.

Brown was a young man of exemplary habits, and had a host of friends in and around Stacy, where he had visited the family of his sister, O. B. Jarrett on numerous occasions. He went to Stacy almost a month ago for visit with his sister, and had intended leaving there Sunday for Ballinger, near which place he was to teach school the coming term. He was of a quiet and inoffensive disposition, and a man who had by his own individual effort gained an education and fitted himself for the profession of teaching.

Following the killing, Atkinson was taken in charge by citizens and held to await the coming of Sheriff Wall and Deputy Martin. The officers reached Stacy at midnight and spent three hours in gathering evidence in the case. They arrived here about 6:00 o'clock Sunday morning and lodged their prisoner in the county jail.

Stops Rheumatic Pain Right Now

It is astonishing how quickly Hunt's Lightning Oil relieves pain. Rub on and the hurting fades away almost instantly. That's why many people keep it in their home for one never knows when they will need this excellent liniment. For Neuralgia, headache and the like there is nothing better. Sold by all Druggists in 25c and 50c bottles.

Preston Dunn of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday and says he will move with his family to the Dean irrigated farm above Ballinger about the first of the year and will fix to raise hogs, watermelons and diversified farming generally another year.

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.—"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst."

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly



Rheumatism

Just put a few drops of Sloan's on the painful spot and the pain stops. It is really wonderful how quickly Sloan's acts. No need to rub it in—laid on lightly it penetrates to the bone and brings relief at once. Kills rheumatic pain instantly.

Mr. James E. Alexander, of North Harpswell, Me., writes: "Many strains in my back and hips brought on rheumatism in the sciatic nerve. I had it so bad one night when sitting in my chair, that I had to jump on my feet to get relief. I at once applied your Liniment to the affected part and in less than ten minutes it was perfectly easy. I think it is the best of all Liniments I have ever used."

SLOAN'S LINIMENT Kills Pain

At all dealers, 25c. Send four cents in stamps for a TRIAL BOTTLE

Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Inc. Dept. B. Philadelphia, Pa.

HIGH SCHOOL TO PUBLISH JOURNAL

"The Whirlwind," a journal published by the students of the Ballinger high school, will make its bow to the reading public about Thanksgiving Day, according to an announcement made by its managing editor, Jo Eagan, this morning. The journal will be issued monthly and will contain all the happenings of the Ballinger schools, as well as being replete with short stories, contributed by the students of the several grades of the high school. "The Whirlwind" is now in the hands of the printers, the Ballinger Printing Co., and will be off the press within the next ten days, it is expected.

An Active Liver Means Health

If you want good health, a clear complexion and freedom from Dizziness, Constipation, Biliousness, Headache and Indigestion, take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They drive out fermenting and undigested foods, clear the Blood and cure Constipation. Only 25c at your druggist.

DIED

Edwin, the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gib Eckart, died at the sanitarium Monday night and his remains were shipped Tuesday afternoon for his home at Richland Springs for burial.

For Sale.

Seed wheat, oats and barley go to Missouri Milling Co., Ballinger.

believe I would have died if I hadn't taken it.

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale, sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write to: Chas. H. Hooper, Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-67

CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

Don't lose a day's work! If Constipated, Sluggish, Headachy, take a spoonful of "Dodson's Liver Tone."

Listen to me! Take no more sickening, salivating calomel when bilious or constipated. Don't lose a day's work!

Calomel is mercury or quick-silver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you are sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it

doesn't straighten you right up, and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is a real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

RUNNELS CO, CHICKS MAKE BIG WINNINGS

Runnels County poultry growers who went to the San Angelo fair with their poultry were well paid for the time and trouble, and did a good work in keeping Runnels County before the public as a poultry county.

Blue ribbons and checks for

premium money have been received by those who entered their chickens the premium list just published in the San Angelo papers show the winners from this section as follows:

Partridge Wyandottes — Oscar Pearson, first, second and fourth on hens; first second and third on cockrels; third on pullet; first and fourth on pens. Chester Cherry, third on hens; first cock; fourth pullet, second pens.

White Rocks—W. W. Wiygle, of Hatchel, first cock; first, sec-

and third cockerel; first, second, third and fourth pullet, first and second pens.

Partridge Rocks — J. Harold Tucker, first cock and first pullet. Best Pen American Class—W. W. Wiygle, of Hatchel, first on White Rocks, \$5.

The H. D. Leffel silver cup for the best male and female in American class was won by Mr. Wiygle on White Rocks. This was won last year by Oscar Pearson on Partridge Wyandottes.

The Crowther Hardware Co., prize on first, second and third pens in show were won by W. W. Wiygle, of Hatchel, first; H. M. Rose, Merkel, second; C. H. Rau, San Angelo, third.

Best bird in show, male or female, was won by Mr. Wiygle on White Rock pullet.

Best shaped female was won by Mr. Wiygle on White Rock pullet.

The above parties were the only ones exhibiting poultry from this county, and while there were a large number of entries from other counties the local exhibitors went around almost everything in their class.

We failed to earn what cash premiums won by Mr. Wiygle amounted to, but he received an armful of blue ribbons and we feel sure that his check will help to swell his bank account.

WANTED — One large or medium size young mule. Must be reasonable. J. J. POPE, Ballinger, phone 611. 29-2w

Lem Creswell of the Leaday country was among the Saturday evening visitors in the city.

TOR'S OFFICE

Wm. Gollia drove over from Rowena in his auto Wednesday morning and brought Miss Fannie Straeka with him and they returned in the afternoon as man and wife.

The marriage of this prominent young couple took place at one o'clock in the office of Dr. Leggett in the presence of Dr. Leggett and Mrs. Leggett, who were invited to witness the ceremony. Judge M. Kleberg tied the knot and the happy couple were returned to their home rejoicing.

Mr. Gollia is a prominent real estate man of Rowena, and his bride is one of the most prominent and popular young ladies in that community.

Louie Strube of the Olin country was among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

TOO MANY CHILDREN

are under-size, under-weight

with pinched faces and poor blood; they do not complain but appetite lags, they have no ambition and do not progress.

Such children need the rich medicinal nourishment in **Scott's Emulsion** above everything else; its pure cod liver oil contains nature's own blood-forming, flesh-building fats which quickly show in rosy cheeks, better appetite, firm flesh and sturdy frames.

If your children are languid, tired when rising, catch cold easily or find their studies difficult, give them **Scott's Emulsion**; it supplies the very food elements that their systems lack.

Scott's Emulsion contains no alcohol and is so good for growing children it's a pity to keep it from them.

14-47 Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

Hard Cough? Grippy?

Head Stuffed? Bad Cold?

No Matter How Bad You Feel, or How Hard Your Cold, You are sure of Quick and Grateful Relief by Taking Dr. King's New Discovery.

No use to keep on suffering and trying to wear out your Cold. It will wear you out instead. Start getting better by taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains just what you need to rid you of that Grippy Feverish Stuffed Feeling and to stop that constant and annoying Cough. The first dose starts relief and you keep getting better. Buy a 50c. bottle

of Dr. King's New Discovery. Start taking at once; you will be gratefully surprised in your improvement.

After using one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, John S. Dixon, Aydan, N. C., writes: "All soreness left my chest, breathing became easy and a serious Cough was cured." What it did for Mr. Dixon it will do for you.

H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., 639 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

All Business Suspended For Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, Nov. 26th, will be a day of rest and thanksgiving in Ballinger. According to an agreement entered into by the commercial interests of the town all business will be suspended for the day. The banks, the stores, the post office, the schools, the shops—in fact every line of business that can possibly make a haul of one day without much inconvenience to the general public will take a day off.

Some are anticipating now, and some may dissipate then, but the day will be given over to each individual to spend just as he or

she chooses. Aside from the union Thanksgiving services at the Christian Church at ten o'clock no other program has been announced for the day. Conditions were never more propitious for a day of great appreciation for the bounteous blessings that have been bestowed upon the people of this county during the last twelve months and the following business firms an individuals have signified their intentions of observing the day by keeping their places of business closed throughout the entire day of Nov. 26th:

Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co., Ostertag Furniture Co., J. H. Wilke, L. B. Stubbs, A. J. Zappe, The Hub, Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., F. and M. Bank, First National Bank, Ballinger State Bank, I. N. Roark, J. M. Radford, Will Roark, Ballinger Loan Co., D. Reeder, Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack Walker-Smith Co., Ballinger Lumber Co., Hardin & Bateman, Wm. Cameron Lumber Co., O'Kelly & Walton, H. L. Wendorf, W. B. Wood & Son, E. Shepperd & Co., Ballinger Saddlery & Mfg. Co., Hall Hardware Co., T. S. Lankford, E. O. Schawe, Ballinger Printing Co., Asa Cordill, J. E. Brewer, C. C. Gilliam, Ideal Barber Shop, Seroggin & Son, Security Title Co., J. W. Powell, City of Ballinger, Maggie Sharp, W. L. Ellis & Co., Ray-Penn Co., J. H. Wilburn, Young Men's Business League, G. P. McLeland, C. A. Dooze & Co., U. E. Hartman, Gulf Refining Co., Pierce Fordice Co., Globe Store, Wells Fargo & Co., Express (like Sunday), Magnolia Petroleum Co., Texas Oil Co., Nicholson & Baker, The Fair, W. A. Gustavus & Co., H. I. Armstrong.

C. C. Robison, of Benoit, was a pleasant caller at the Ledger office Tuesday. Mr. Robison has made himself famous by successfully growing strawberries at Benoit. He is planning to increase his strawberry acreage and supply the local market next year.

E. W. Gray, of the Pony creek and Carl Osborn of Norton were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

Only Sure Corn Cure Ever Known

"Gets-It" the New Way, 2 Drops Do It

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CHAPTER XVIII.

Stranded.

Mr. Thomas Barcus picked himself up from the bottom of the lifeboat, where he had been violently precipitated by the impact of grounding, blinked and wiped tears of pain from his eyes, solicitously tested his nose and seemed to derive little if any comfort from the discovery that it was not broken, opened his mouth . . . and remembered the presence of a lady.

"Poor Mr. Barcus!" she said gently. "I'm so sorry. Do forget I'm here—and say it out loud!"

Mr. Barcus dropped his hands and dropped his head at the same time. "It can't be did," he complained in embittered resignation; "the words have never been invented . . ."

In the bows Mr. Law (who had barely saved himself a headlong plunge overboard when the shoal took fast hold of the keel) felt tenderly of his excoriated shins, then, rising, compassed the sea, sky and shore with an anxious gaze.

In the offing there was nothing but the flat, limitless expanse of the night-bound tide, near at hand vaguely silvered with the moonlight, in the distances blending into shadows; never a light or shadowy, stealing sail in that quarter to indicate pursuit.

"Where are we?" he wondered aloud. "Ask me an easy one," Barcus replied; "somewhere on the south shore of the cape—unless somebody's been tampering with the lay of this land. That's a lighthouse over yonder."

Alan took soundings from the bows. "Barely two feet," he announced, withdrawing the oar from the water, "and eel-grass no end."

"Oh!" Barcus ejaculated with the accent of enlightenment; and leaving the motor, turned to the stern, over which he draped himself in highly undecorative fashion while groping under water for the propeller.

"That's the answer," he repeated; "there's a young bale of the said eel-grass wrapped round the wheel. Which, I suppose, means I've got to go overboard and clear it away."

Like Mr. Law, he wore neither shoes nor other garments that could be more damaged by salt water than they had been—but only shirt, trousers and a belt.

"If you've nothing better to do, my critical friend," he observed as he stooped to hack and tear at the mass of weed embarrassing the propeller, "you might step out and give us a trial shove. Don't strain yourself—just see if you can move her."

The boat budged not an inch—but Mr. Law's feet did, slipping on the treacherous mud bottom with the upshot of his downfall; with a mighty splash he disappeared momentarily beneath the surface—and left his temper behind him when he emerged.

As for Mr. Barcus, he suffered like loss within five minutes; when, with much pains and patience having freed the wheel, he climbed aboard and sought to restart the motor. After a few affecting coughs it relapsed into stubborn silence.

Studious examination at length brought out the fact that the gasoline tank was empty.

"Not so much as a smell left," Barcus reported.

"It's no use," he conceded at length. "We're here for keeps."

"Why not wade ashore?" Rose Trine suggested mildly from the place she had taken in the stern in order to lighten the bows. "It isn't far—and what's one more wading?"

"That's the only sensible remark that's been uttered by any party to this lunatic enterprise since you hove within earshot of me, Mr. Law," said Mr. Barcus. "Respectfully submitted."

"The verdict of the lower court stands approved," Alan responded gravely.

"But there's no sense in Miss Trine wading," Barcus suggested. "We're web-footed as it is, and she's too tired."

"Well, what then?"

"We can carry her, can't we?"

CHAPTER XIX.

"Gee!" he grunted frankly, when after a toilsome progress from the boat, Rose at length slipped from the seat formed by the clasped hands of the two men. "And it was me who suggested this!"

The girl responded with a quiet laugh of the most natural effect imaginable—until it ended in a sigh, and without the least warning she crumpled upon herself, and would have fallen heavily, in a dead faint, but for Alan's quickness.

"Good Lord!" Barcus exclaimed, as Alan gently lowered the inert body of the girl to the sands. "And to think I didn't understand she was so nearly all in—chaffing her like that! I'd like to kick myself!"

"Don't be impatient," Alan advised grimly; "I'm busy just at present, but . . . Meantime, you might fetch some water to revive her."

It was an order by no means easy to fill; Barcus had only his cupped hands for a vessel, and little water remained in them by the time he had dashed from the shallows back to the spot where Rose lay unconscious, while the few drops he did manage to sprinkle into her face availed nothing toward rousing her from the trance-like slumbers of exhaustion into which she passed from her fainting fit.

In the end Alan gave up the effort. "She's all right," he reported, releasing the wrist whose pulse he had been timing. "She fainted, right enough, but now she's just asleep—and needs it, God knows! It would be kinder to let her rest, at least until I see what sort of a reception that lighthouse is inclined to offer us."

"You'll go, then?" Barcus inquired. "I'd just as lief, myself . . ."

"No; let me," Alan insisted. "It's not far—not more than a quarter of a mile. And she'll be safe enough here, in your care, the little time I'm gone."

Barcus nodded. His face was drawn and gray in the moon-glare. "Thank God!" he breathed brokenly, "you're able, I'm not."

He sat down suddenly and rested his head on his knees. "Don't be longer than you can help," he muttered thickly.

He had come to the headland of the lighthouse itself before the ground began to shelve more gently to the beach; and was on the point of addressing himself to the dark and silent cottage of the lightkeeper when he paused, struck by sight of what till then had been hidden from him.

The promontory, he found, formed the eastern extremity of a wide-armed if shallow harbor where rode at moorings a considerable number of small craft—pleasure vessels assorted about equally with fishing boats. And barely an eighth of a mile on, long-legged wharves stood knee-deep in the water, like tentacles flung out from the sleepy little fishing village that dotted the rising ground—a community of perhaps two hundred dwellings.

Nor was this all—even as Alan hove in view of the village he heard a series of staccato snorts, the harsh tolling of a brazen bell, the rumble of a train pulling out from a station. And then he saw its jewel-string of lights flash athwart the landscape and vanish as its noise died away dimly.

Where one train ran another must. He need only now secure something to revive Rose, help her somehow up the beach, and in another hour or two, of a certainty, they would be speeding northwards, up the cape, toward Boston and the land of law and order.

Such thoughts as these, at least, made up the texture of his hopes; the outcome proved them somewhat too presumptuous. He jogged down a quiet village street and into the railroad station just as the agent was closing up for the night.

A surly citizen, this agent, ill-pleased to have his plans disordered by chance-fung strangers. He greeted Alan's breathless query with a grunt of ingrained churlishness.

"Nah," he averred, "they ain't no more trains till mornin'. Can't y' see I'm shuttin' up?"

"But surely there must be a telegraph station—"

"You bet your life they is—right here in this depot. An' I'm shuttin' 'em up, too."

"Has the operator gone for the night?"

"He's going. I'm the operator. No business transacted after office hours. Call round at eight o'clock tomorrow mornin'. Now if you'll jest step out of that door, I'll say g'd-night to you."

"But I must send a telegram," Alan protested. "I tell you, I must. It's a matter of life and death."

"Sure, young feller. It always is—after business hours."

"Won't you open up again—"

"I tell you, no!"

In desperation Alan rammed a hand into his trousers pocket. "Will a dollar influence your better judgment?" he suggested shrewdly.

"Let's see your dollar," the other returned with no less craft—open incredulity informing his countenance.

And, surely enough, Alan brought forth an empty hand.

"Make a light," he said sharply. "My money's in a belt round my waist. Open your office. You'll get your dollar, all right."

"All right," he grumbled, reopening the door of the telegraph booth and making a second light inside. "There's blanks and a pencil. Write your message. It ain't often I do this—but I'll make an exception for you."

Alan delayed long enough only to make a few inquiries, drawing out the information that, for one who had not patience to wait the morning train northbound, the quickest way to any city of importance was by boat across Buzzard's bay to New Bedford.

Boats, it was implied, were plentiful, readily to be chartered.

A time-table supplied all other needful advice. Alan wrote his message swiftly.

Addressed to Digby, his man of business in New York, it required that gentleman to arrange for a motor-car to be held in waiting on the waterfront of New Bedford from 3:00 a. m. until called for in the name of Mr. Law, as well as for a special train at Providence, on similar provisions.

But now, though he was all unconscious of the fact, he went no more alone.

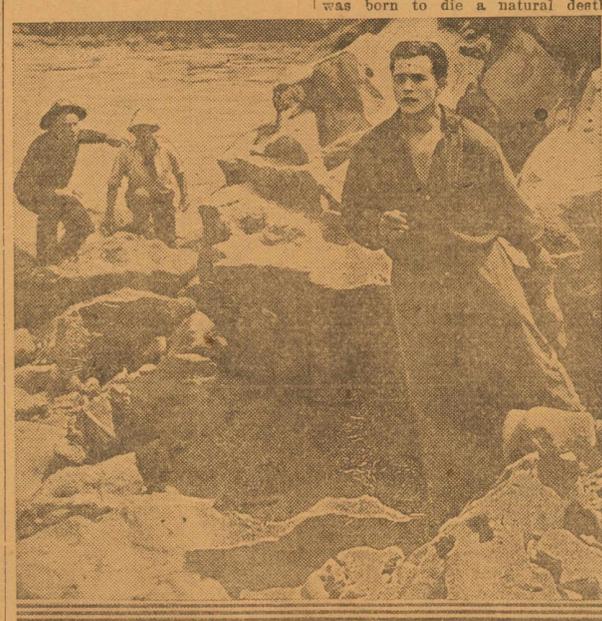
His shadow in the moonlight kept him company upon the sands; and above, on the edge of the bluffs, another shadow moved on parallel course and at a pace sedulously patterned after his.

He found his sweetheart and his friend much as he had left them, with this difference—that Mr. Barcus now lay flat on his back and snoring lustily.

He was wakened quickly enough, however, by Alan's news.

But when it was the turn of Rose—they faltered. She lay so still, betrayed her exhaustion so patently in every line of her unconscious posture, as well as in the sharp pallor of her face upturned to the moon, that it seemed scarcely less than downright inhumanity to disturb her.

None the less, it had to be done. Alan hardened his heart with the reminder of their urgent necessity and



Two Men Shadowed Him.

eventually brought her to with the aid of a few drops of brandy.

Between them, they helped her up the beach, past the point, and at length to the door of the hotel, where—reanimated by the mere promise of food—Rose disengaged their arms and entered without more assistance, while Barcus was deterred from treading her heels in his own famished eagerness, by the hand of Alan falling heavily upon his arm.

"Wait!" the latter admonished in a half-whisper. "Look there!"

Barcus followed the direction of his gesture—and was transfixed by the sight of a rocket spearing into the night-draped sky from a point invisible beyond the headland of the lighthouse.

The two consulted one another with startled and fearful eyes.

As with one voice they murmured one word: "Judith!" To this Alan added gravely: "Or some spy of hers!"

Then rousing, Alan released his friend, with a smart shove urging him across the threshold of the hotel.

"Go on," he insisted, "join Rose and get your supper. I'll be with you as soon as I can arrange for a boat. Tell her nothing more than that—I thought it unwise to wait until everybody was abed before looking round."

He turned to find his landlord approaching from the direction of the hotel barroom. And for the time it seemed that the wind of their luck must have veered to a favoring quarter; for the question was barely uttered before the landlord lifted a willing voice and hailed a fellow townsman idling nearby.

"Hey, Jake—come here!"

Introduced as Mr. Breed, Jake pleaded guilty to ownership of the fastest and stanchest power-cruiser in the adjacent waters, which he was avaciously keen to charter.

They observed haste religiously; within ten minutes they stood upon a float at the foot of a flight of wooden steps down the side of the town wharf, while the promised rowboat of Mr. Breed drew in, at most leisurely pace, to meet them.

Aboard and away from the wharf, the burden of Alan's solicitude seemed to grow lighter with every squeal of the greaseless oarlocks, with every dip and splash of the blades which, wielded by a crew of villainous countenance, brought them nearer the handsome motorboat which Mr. Breed designated as his own. It was not until Alan looked up suddenly to find Mr. Breed covering him with a revolver of most vicious character that he had the least apprehension of any danger nearer than the offing, where Judith's schooner might be lurking, waiting for its prey to come out and be devoured.

"I'll take that money-belt of yours, young feller," Mr. Breed announced, "and be quick about it—not forgetting what's in your trousers pocket!"

In the passion of his indignation Alan neglected entirely to play the game by the rules. The indifference he displayed toward the weapon was positively unprofessional—for he knocked it aside as if it had been nothing more dangerous than a straw. And in the same flutter of an eyelash he launched himself like a wildcat at the throat of Mr. Breed.

Before that one knew what was hap-

pening he had gone over the stern and had involuntarily disarmed himself as well.

The other two men made a sad business of attempting to overpower Mr. Barcus. In less than a minute they were both overboard.

"And just for this," Alan said before getting out of earshot—"I'm going to treat my party to a joy-ride in your pretty powerboat."

He concluded this speech abruptly as Barcus brought them up under the quarter of the power cruiser.

Within two minutes the motor was spinning contentedly, the mooring had been slipped, and the motorboat was heading out of the harbor.

Within five minutes she had left it well astern and was shooting rapidly westward, making nothing of the buffets of a very tolerable sea kicked up by the freshening southwesterly wind.

"My friend," observed Alan, "as our acquaintance ripens I am more and more impressed that neither of us was born to die a natural death.

But soon, disarmed, his case was desperate—and there were two already safe upon the dock and others madly scrambling up to reinforce them.

Wildly he cast about for some substitute weapon, he leaped toward a small pyramid of little but heavy kegs, and seizing one, swung it overhead and cast it full force into the midriff of his nearest enemy; so that this one doubled up convulsively, with a sickish grunt, and vanished in turn over the end of the wharf.

His fellow followed with less injury. But Alan had no time to wonder whether the man had tripped and thrown himself in his effort to escape a second hurtling keg, or had turned coward and fled. It was enough that he had returned, precipitately and heavily, to the schooner.

The keg, meeting with no resistance, pursued him even to the deck, where the force of its impact split its seams.

None of the combatants, however, Alan least of all, noticed that the powder that filtered out was black and coarse. Alan, indeed, had only the haziest notion that they were powder-kegs he used as ammunition. That they were heavy and hurt when they collided with human flesh and bone was all that interested him.

In the same breath he heard a friendly voice shout warning far up the dock, and knew that Barcus was coming to his aid.

A glance over-shoulder, too, discovered the cause of the warning; two men who had thus far escaped his attentions were maneuvering to fall upon him from behind. The bound required to evade them brought him face to face with Judith as she landed on the dock.

"Oh," she cried, "I hate you, I hate you—"

"So you've said, my dear, but—"

His final words were not audible even to himself. In his confidence (now that Barcus was taking care of the others) and his impatience with the woman, and in his perhaps unworthy wish to demonstrate conclusively how cheap he held her, Alan had tossed the pistol over the end of the wharf.

It was an old-fashioned weapon, and the force with which it struck the deck released the hammer.

Instantly the .44 cartridge blazed into the open head of a broken powder keg.

And with a roar like the trump of doom and a mighty gust of flame and smoke the decks of the schooner were riven and shattered; her masts tottered and fell . . .

CHAPTER XXI.

Anticlimax.

Alan came to himself supported by Barcus—his senses still reeling from the concussion of that thunderbolt which he had so unwittingly loosed—the cloud of sulphurous smoke and yet dissipated by the wind.

Judith lay at his feet, stunned; and round about other figures of men insensible, if not, for all he could say, dead.

And then Barcus was hustling him unceremoniously down the wharf.

"Come! Come!" he rallied Alan. "Pull yourself together and keep a stiff upper lip. Rose is waiting in the car, and if you don't want to be arrested you'll stir your stumps, my son! That explosion is going to bring the worthy burghers of New Bedford buzzing round our ears like a swarm of hornets!"

His prediction was justified even before it was made; already the nearby dwellings were vomiting half-clothed humanity; already a score of people were galloping down toward the head of the wharf; and in their number a policeman appeared as if by magic.

And while the man hesitated Alan grabbed him by the shoulder, threw him bodily from the car, dropped into his seat, cried a warning to Rose, and threw in the clutch. The machine responded without a jar; they were a hundred feet distant from the scene of the accident before Alan was fairly settled in his place.

As he grew more and more calm, he congratulated himself on having drawn an excellent car in the lottery of chance. It was light, but the motor ran famously, and if not capable of a racing pace it would serve his ends as speedily as was consistent with reasonable care for the life of the woman he loved.

Yet his congratulations were premature; they were not ten minutes out of the environs of the city when Rose left her seat and knelt behind him, to communicate the intelligence that they were already being pursued.

A heavy touring car, she said it was, driven by a man, a woman in the seat by his side—Judith the latter, the man an old employe of her father's by the name of Marrophat.

Marrophat!

Alan remembered that one.

He could only trust in his skill as a driver, and skill is the lesser factor in such a race.

They could overtake the fugitives practically when they would.

But for some weird, incomprehensible reason they chose to hang a certain distance in the rear, a distance that could readily be bridged by two minutes of furious driving.

Why?

In the succeeding quarter-hour the calmness of fatalism became Alan's. They were biding their time for some secret and fatal purpose. The blow was predestined to fall, but cruelly deferred.

For his own part, he drove like an exceptionally cunning madman.

And then, quite clearly, he recognized the time and the place and the formidable club.

character of the road that lay before him as the car sped like a dragon-fly down a slight grade.

From the bottom of the grade it swung away in a wide, graceful curve, bordered for some distance by railroad tracks on a slightly lower level.

He had guessed the fendish plan of the other driver only too truly.

As they approached at express speed the stretch where the road paralleled the tracks Alan sought to hug the left-hand side of the road, but in vain.

Roaring, with its muffler cut out, the pursuing car swept up and baffled him, bringing its right forward wheel up beside the left rear wheel of his car, then more slowly forag up until, with its weight, bulk and superior power, it forced him inch by inch to the right, toward the tracks, until his right-hand wheels left the road and ran on uneven turf, until the left-hand wheels as well lost grip on the road metal, until the car began to dip on the slope to the tracks.

He heard the far hoot-toot of a freight locomotive . . .

There followed a maniac moment, when the world was upside down, Alan's car slipped and skidded, swung sideways with frightful momentum toward the railroad tracks, caught its wheels against the ties, and . . .

The sun swung in the heavens like a ball on a string. There was a crash, a roar . . . There was nothing—oblivion . . .

The car had turned turtle, pinning Rose and Alan beneath it.

"Alan!" she gasped. "You are not killed?"

"No—not even much hurt, I fancy," he replied. "And you?"

"Not much—"

The deep-throated roar of the locomotive bellowing danger silenced him. He closed his eyes.

Then abruptly the weight was lifted from his chest. He saw a man dragging Rose from under the machine, and saw that the man was Marrophat. And almost immediately someone lifted his head and shoulders, caught him with two hands beneath his arm pits and drew him clear of the machine.

And the face of his rescuer was the face of Judith Trine.

The crash he had expected, of the car being crumpled up by the oncoming locomotive, did not follow.

As he scrambled to his feet, his first glance was up the track, and discovered the train slowing to a halt.

His next was one of wonder for the countenance of Judith Trine as she stood, at a little distance, regarding him; her look almost illegible, a curious compound of passions coloring it—relief, regret, hatred, love . . .

His third glance descried beyond her the figures of Marrophat carrying Rose in his arms, stumbling as he ran toward his car on the highroad.

He moved precipitately to pursue, but found his way barred by Judith.

"No!" she cried violently. "No, you shall not!"

Her hand sought the grip of a revolver that protruded from her pocket. With a short, hysterical gasp, he began to laugh.

"What!" he taunted her—"again?"

"Think what you like!" she cried in a frenzy. "You saved me once—now I spare you. We're quits. But next time—"

"O—rot!" he interjected. "You will never have the courage to pull that trigger when I'm helpless in your hands!"

The hot blood mantled her exquisite face like red fire. She caught her breath with a sob, then flung wildly at him:

"Well, if you must know—it's true. I can't bring myself to kill you. I would to God I could. But I can't. For all that, you shall die—I could not save you if I would! And this I promise you—you shall never see Rose again before you die!"

And while he stood gaping, she swung from him and ran, quickly covering the little distance between him and the car.

As she jumped into this and dropped down upon the seat beside her half-conscious sister, Marrophat swung the car away.

It vanished in a dust-cloud as a throng of railroad employes surrounded and assailed him with clamorous questions.

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The Face of Judith Was Distinctly Revealed.

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