WE CAN TAKE CARE OF YOU with everything necessary for the sustenance and comforts of life.

Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack

# 6.60 INCHES RAIN FELL

With twelve hours of April yet the month promises to be a record fighting of the German army. The which two Texans lost their lives, mended an appropriation of one an iron cross painted on its fun- the front. breaker for April rain.

This amount of water came in broken doses, being distributed my Drivite my Market my throughout the month and general Flanders, and this added to the

days sunshine the farmers were ing the greatest wave of enthuspushing planting again, but more iasm since the outbreak of the than a half inch rain again Thurs- great war. day night stopped farm work, and while the farmers are kept out of the fields the weeds are making WIPING OUT FOOT general, from a half to one inch double time.

The Thursday night's rain was being reported from various points. The fall at Ballinger amounted to seven-tenths.

### NOTICE TO HOG GROWERS

We are planning to ship a car of hogs at an early date. All can furnish for the car. Our former shipments have been successful, and we wish to keep up the good work. Notify the undersigned or leave word at the Business League office.

J. H. TAYLOR

# CELEBRATES **GERMANY'S VICTORIES**

BERLIN, May 5.—With flags Up to Friday morning of the three sections of the army are the ship to the state department. 30th the total rain fall for the making splendid progress, and the The report shows that the mittee. month amounted to 6.60 inches. inhabitants are celebrating the steamer was torpedoed without

The British are retreating in fact no section of the country has failed to get its share of moisture.

With the heaviest showers of the month falling last week, from 18th to 25th, and after several days supplies the formals.

# AND MOUTH DISEASE

WASHINGTON, May 5.-Tho ease epidemic practically wiped out in the United States, the Agriculture Department is not relaxthose who wish to ship in this car its victims sometimes spread ining vigilance. Like typhoid fever, will please notify us not later than fection after they themselves are uation serious. May 15th. State how many you eured and it will be some time yet before the quarantine will be lifted entirely.

# WARNING

reports received here that the has sent a report of the sinking of million dollars for rural schools.

the crew had no time to prepare for saving their lives.

the Gulflight. The captain of Ice cream and cake was served. the steamer died as a result of Little Edna Mae, the daughter of the shock when the steamer was the home, helped to entertain with torpedoed.

Washington ,May 3.—President venirs. Wilson arrived here today. He Master Wardlow McCamey and was informed of the sinking of his dog Rover, arrived Monday a claim said to have been made by BALLINGER

The captain of the Gulflight, ac for practice. cording to the same advices, died o fheart failure as a result of the overboard and were drowned.

ed into Crow Sound and beached. firm.

LAWRENCE HARRIS

# WOULD GIVE ONE MILLION TO SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The AUSTIN, May 1.—Quite a senloose in torrents at any moment, thusiasm as a result of successful sunk by German torredoes, in guson in a special message recom-

### being warned by the Germans and SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

day school class of W. E. Branch, NEW YORK, May 3.—Eugene with the officers and teachers of Chapaneta, of Port Arthur, Texas the South Ballinger Sunday and Charles C. Shor, of Chicago, school, were given a most delight- came in Tuesday morning to visit were among the Americans killed ful entertainment at the home of his brother J. S. Clark and family American steamer Gulflight, says Thirty-five were present. The not met before in several years. message from Gulf Refining Co. home was beautifully decorated Shor was wireless operator on with roses and spring flowers.

appropriate readings. Exquisite blush roses were given as sou-

the Gulflight while en route to night from Post City, to spend the a Runnels County man that Runbelieving the foot and mouth dis-Washington, but declined to com summer with his grandparents, nels County is the banner of Tex-Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow.

> silent and declines to make state- ing the Eagle Branch- school, basis of the claim. ment. U. S. officials consider sit- spent Saturday and Sunday with But Runnel's little neighbor on Ballinger, to B. F. Jones of Brown her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis the south, Concho County, has county. The lots were owned by Hinde.

were taken off by a patrol boat left from this point Tuesday morn 20 last, gives Runnels county to cotton merchants of Fort Worth and landed. The vessel was tow- for the east in the interest of his that date 58,154 bales ginned. This was in Coleman Monday for the

# **BOUNTY ON RABBITS EFFECTIVE JUNE 15**

a citizen of San Angelo. His house- making an appropriation of \$100,hold goods are now being packed 000 for paying bounty on jack and made ready for shipment and rabbit scalps goes into effect on he will move at once to the Tom June 15th and the slaughter will

MOVING TO ANGELO

The young attorney goes with Judge Kleberg has received a his family to San Angelo to make number of inquiries as to the date his home. He will be associated and we publish this information with the law firm of Wright & for the benefit of those who want Harris, one of the most prominent to realize a little money on rumored some time ago that such ty of the pests.

a move would be made, but not It is estimated that the approit definitely known that Ballinger within less than three months. would lose one of her young attorneys and a native citizen.

his school days, and taking up the and in the disbursement of the profession of that of his father, funds set aside for that purpose. and attending law school, he was admitted to the Ballinger bar and LAST BALE OF THE SEASON has been practicing law for the past three years. He was a mem-San Angelo some time ago.

ily are moving away from Ballin- of the new crop. ger, even though he will remain a neighbor, but wish for them all the success that the new home can country, was among the business

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cordell re- & Russell ranch near Leaday. turned home Tuesday from Cameron where Mrs. Cordell had J. E. Benson left Tuesday for a been under treatment of her old short business trip to Brownfamily physician for several wood. Mr. Benson moved from weeks past and we are glad to our county to Winchell but while report her much improved in here on a visit has decided to

Judge L. B. Harris will become The act of the last legislature start in a hurry.

aw firms in West Texas. It was scalps and help to rid the coun-

until Wednesday of this week was priation will become exhausted and pushes the extermination of Lawrence Harris was born in the rabbit early will be the coun-Ballinger. He has resided here ty to reap the greatest benefit all his life, and after completing both in getting rid of the rabbits

A bale of seed cotton came in ber of the firm of Harris & Harris, Saturday afternoon and was takhis father Judge C. O. Harris be- en to the gin, and May 1st, 1915, ing the senior member of the firm, is the day the last bale of 1914up to the time his father moved to 1915 was ginned and in about 60 days the new crop of 1915 will The young man has many arrive in the city, which gives but friends in Ballinger who will re- a short while between the last gret to learn that he and his fam- picking of the old crop and pick

> Max Russell, of the Grape creek visitors in Ballinger Monday. Mr. Russell is manager of the Callan

make this home again.

# 11 FISHING **TRAWLERS**

LONDON, May 5.—Eleven nels slipped into the midst of the | China is rapidly preparing for The bill was referred to the com fleet and torpedoed the trawlers war. It is believed that Japan's without warning.

have started warfare on the hours. Mobilization of troops and trawlers as a retaliation against war moves indicate that China On Saturday evening the Sun-England for England's efforts to will become involved within the starve the Germans by blockade. next few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Clark,

# CONCHO COUNTY CLAIMS THE BANNER

as in raising cotton taking the The German embassy here is Miss Leska Hinde who is teach-number of bales per capita as the lets 1, 2, 2, 4 and 5 in Block 10,

London, May 2.—The American The South Ballinger Sunday The population, according to the move to Ballinger and he expects oil tank steamer Gulflight, which school continues to grow under United States 1910 census for Con to build a home on these lots some sailed from Port Arthur, Texas, the leadership of our worthy cho County was 6,654. The num-Defending the slaughter of April 10, for Rouen, France, was superintendent Prof. Mullins. ber of bales ginned in Concho coun more than 140,000 animals during the war on the disease, the depart (Continued on Last Page.)

April 10, for Rouen, France, was superintendent Prot. Mulli ns. ber of bales ginned in Concine count torpedoed at noon on Saturday Hours of meeting 3:30 p. m. every ty up to March 20, 1915 was 20, off the Scilly islands, according Sunday. W. E. Branch has or 299. This gives an average per to a dispatch received today by gan el a South Ballinger choir, capit for Concho County of 3.05 to visit her sister Mrs. C. H. Wiltenday and family. gives Runnels in 1910 a population of 20,858, and the same census bu-Otis Lilly of Amarillo, after a reau, Department of Agriculture, Coleman for War Ammunition shock. Two of the crew jumped pleasant visit to his parents, Mr. Washington, D. C. that gave Conand Mrs. W. K. Lilly of Norton, cho 20,299 baies ginned to March resenting Tom B. Owens & Co.,

> in Sunday morning to look after The sale price was 3c a pound. ousiness affairs in Ballinger.

PETROGRAD, May 5.-Rusto come, and the clouds hanging flying and bands playing this city heavy and threatening to turn is being swept by a wave of ensunk last night by a big German lians and elsewhere, according to submarine. The submarine, with reliable reports received here from

> ultimatum issued late vesterday It is believed that the Germans gives China only forty-eight

### SUBJECT FOR DEBATES.

when the Germans torpedoed the Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Branch. American steamer Gulflight, says Thirty-five were present. The not met before in several years.

His brother J. S. Clark and family a few days. The brothers have Holy Spirit in Conversion.'' Second day, "Sprinklin and Pour-Third day "Emersion." Fourth day, "Faith Only." Fifth day, "Baptism for the Remission of Sins." Sixth day, 'Infant Baptism."

Hatchel, Texas. Begins 6th day of May at 10 o'clock.

### BALLINGER

J. W. Powell reports the sale of Miller Addition to the city of Runnels beaten on the same basis. C. G. Allison. Mr. Jones will

gives a per capita for Runnels purpose of taking up one thous-County of 2.39 bales. Thus little and bales of linters, recently sold Concho is ahead -Paint Rock Her by the Coleman Cotton Seed Oil Co., to the Fort Worth firm.

This cotton will be used in the Henry Weaver of Miles, came manufacture of war ammunition. Coleman Voice.

> Our success we owe largely to friends that have interested themselves in help ing us grow. A kind word from them to others accomplishes more than all we can say about ourselves. Which we appreciate, and hold ourselves in readiness

to reciprocate.

Business entrusted to us by you or your friends will receive careful attention; in accordance with the reputation we have already established.

...THE... NATIONAL BANK FIRST OF BALLINGER

## NOW IS THE TIME-

to start that bank account. Why put the matter off and miss the many advantages an account with this



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"The Home Bank of Service"



LEFT FOR FIREMAN'S CONVENTION

The following representatives of Dear Sledge:—Enclosed will the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Co., find one dollar check in payment left Monday afternoon for Waco of my subscription for the Bannerto attend the state firemen's con- Ledger for the next year May the vention, which convened in that Lord bless you all and Runnels tria, 'I will help you.' city Monday: Misses Mary Phil-county and always keep it with lips, sponsor; Gladys Collins, good seasons in the ground and 'I will help you.' maid of honor: J. P. Martindale, good crops, and keep whiskey out chief, Gene Gressett, Luke and Rus of it. Mangum, Will, Travis and Arteak Give my love to all the boys. I France. 'You don't get ready, or

### How's This?

Drennon.

Reward for any case of Catarrh Call Mrs. T. C. Edmondson, or that cannot be gred by Hall's telephone No. 2796.

F. W. CHENEY & CO. Toledo, O. Waco, Texas, 5-1-15 We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 ears, and believe nim perfectly

Il's Family Pills for Take constipation.

section, P. Michaelis of Hatchel, ter, C. E. Wimberly, J. W. Tippett and T. D. Bishop of the Winters country and Dr. T. L. Todd, J. P., The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Huffaker and G. W. Ray of MayBecause of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary
Outnine and does not cause nervousness nor erick country, were in the city Monday

"DAD" NORRIS

WRITES LETTER

Stuart, Dick Ward, LeRoy Nichol-mourn with you all in the loss of son, H. C. Fletcher, Roy Gilliam, Jimmie Morgan for I loved the "Germany to fight them, page 1988. Clint Penn, H. M. Leach and Lee boy like a son. He was always so Belgium. nice to me and was one of my good friends.

We offer One Hundred Dollars when they come to the convention. Germany, to help them.

N. F. NORRIS.

Whooping Cough.

honorable in all business trans- whooping cough she coughed so from the health-giving Piney actions and financially able to car hard at one time that she had hem Forests brought back by Dr. Bell's tion is a remedy that any ailing ribly alarmed about her condition. Pine-Tar Honey. Antiseptic and woman can safely take because it healing. Buy a bottle today. All is prepared with pure glycerine National Bank of Commerce, Seeing Chamberlain's Cough Rem-Toledo, O. edy so highly recommended, I got Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken in-ternally, acting directly upon the cough at once. Before she had blood and mucous surfaces of the finished two bottles of this remsystem. Testimonials sent free edy she was entirely well," writes Puckett of Wilmeth were among cription today either in liquid or Price 75 nts per bottle. Sold by Mrs. S. F. Grimes, Crooksville, the first Monday visitors in the tablet form, at any dealer in medi Ohio. Obtainable everywhere.

The following citizens from Crews, were in the city first Mon-Joshua Brewer of the Vale day, J. W. Rainwater, G. W. Bris-

inging in head. Remember the full name and obtainable everywhere.

# 15c Road Tax Will Supply \$25,000 for Road Work \$2

convenes on May 10th petitions special levy.

With the regular road tax a from every precinct in the county will be presented to the court ask ing that body to order a county election for the purpose of giving the tax payers an opportunity to paid for each commissioners presay whether the court shall levy a paid for each commissioners pre-

an effort to build good roads in the Ballinger precinct. the Ballinger precinct both by a

tax, and it is believed that the bill will be paid. it, or whenever the tax payers county a good one.

When the commissioners court call for the abolishment of the

special road tax of fifteen cents on the hundred dollars for the entire there will be something like \$10;-This move is the culmination of 000 to be used in building roads in

The anti-bond tax payers claim bond issue and a special tax levy. that this will be the most economi-The bond issue plan was defeated, cal way to build roads in this and the law governing such mat-county. It will not place any ters provides that a special road debt upon the county, and will tax can not be voted in the pre- cut out the interest that would cinet, hence the election for the have to be paid had bonds been issued, and when the roads have It only requires a majority vote been put in first-class condition to authorize the levy of the special the tax can be abolished and the

voters of the county will give the With an income of \$25,000 per majority by a large vote. The tax annum a quarter million dollars is to be levied for no particular would be invested in roads within number of years, and the court can ten years. This should make abolish the levy any time they see every mile of public road in this

### WHY THE WAR STARTED.

Shanghai, May 3.—A summary of events leading up to the war that is somewhat more correct in grammer is published in L'echo ed by a young Chinaman. Trans- of the women months before. lated literally, it reads:

"Now there is great battle in Europe. This began because the killed him.

write Serbia. "Germany write letter to Aus-

'Russia write letter to Serbia.

"France did not want to fight, but they got ready their soldiers.

"Germany write letter to

Belgium say, 'I am a Country I am NOT a road." And Belgium Tell the fire boys to call me up write letter to England about 'So England help Belgium."

The Pine Forest

head of its mucous aliments. It is down causes permanent prostra-"When my daughter had this spirit of Newness and Vigor tion. Druggists, 25c.

> Burrows and F. L. Bredemeyer of alcohol. city today.

> > Lame Back.

rheumatism of the muscles of the Printed along with the directions. back. Hard working people are

### YOUNG SOCIETY MATRON LAYS DOWN RULES

In discussing the approaching social season, a young matron its facts than in its rhetoric and says that the success of every event, whether in home, church or De Chine, a French journal edit- Club, depends upon the foresight

The brilliancy, charm and success of a party is dependent upon the the physical condition of the hostess. She cannot be entertain-Prince of Austria went to Serbia ing, witty or clever, if she is with his wife. One man of Serbia loaded down with all the complaints a woman is heir to; and 'Austria was angry, and so very few are free from the functional troubles which bring them dizziness, backache, sick headache sleepness asd intense nervousness.

Thousands upon thousands of mothers, wives and daughters in every section of this great country, who have regained health, vigor, and cheerful disposition ofter months of misery and even despair are the ones who truly appreciate the marvelous restorative "Germany to fight them, pass power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Every woman who has reason to believe that backache, headache unnatural pains, low spirits, sleep less nights, irregularities or a catarrhal condition is caused by a derangement of the womanly Ah! The Invigorating Whiff of functions, owes it to herself and dear ones to speedily overcome the How it clears the throat and trouble before a general break-

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescripfrom roots and herbs, containing tonic properties of the most pro-B. A. Lott, of Miles, E. M. nounced characetr and withous

cines, if you want to better your physical condition surely and speedily. Every ingredient in Dr. Lame back is usually due to Pierce's Favorite Prescription is

Every ailing woman should most likely to suffer from it. Re- write today for confidential advice lief may be had by massaging the to a specialist who has had years back with Chamberlain's Liniment of experience in treating diseases two or three times a day. Try it. peculiar to women. His advice is given without charge and writing places you under no obligation whatever. Simply address Dr. Pierce, Invalid's Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and write: "Dear Doctor: Please send me, without charge, futher informantion." / 136 page book on "Woman and Her Diseases" sent fre ."—Adv.

### MAYOR COMMENTS ON SANITARY WORK

The City Marshall left for Missouri Thursday evening to attend the burial of a brother, and is expected back early part of this week. The mayor states many persons have made great strides towards cleaning up their premises, some having cleaned up and hauled off, others cleaned up and piled and boxed the trash in the alleys and some are at this time cutting weeds and pushing forward with this good work. The city has not sent out wagon as promised, as the weather has not been favorable. The marshal being absent many persons have finished their cleaning up. The marshal and wagons will get there soon and by the middle of this week we can look around and see what an advanced stride we have made toward sanitation and beautifying our homes.

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

H. Giesecke Ballinger,

# 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

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 PHONE 66 Ballinger Texas.

# Hardware Co.

# Hardware, Implements and **Vehicles**

Standard Implements, Windmills Studebaker and Schuttler Wagons

Hall Hardware Co.

We want you to look at our ADRIANCE BINDER be-

fore you buy, for we have one of the best made. Als have a complete line of IMPLEMENTS. Call and see us before you buy.

F. F. MOORE & CO.

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

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

For further particulars call on, phone or write

Ballinger, Texas.

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Gull your Seed and increase the Yield from 15 to 25 per cent

A Word to Cotton Growers

I have installed a cottou seed culler for the benefit of the farmers who wish to cull out the faultier seed and plant nothing but pure-well developed seed. Well developed seed will produce more than a faultier seed. By planting the best seed the plants are more vigorous and fruit ful and will stand drouths and produce more. This machine will be in operation at the Ballinger Wagon Yard on Eighth Street. Drop in and see me about it' and take advantage of the benefit offered you for culling your seed. The price amounts to little.

T. S. LANKFORD

### FEEL BILIOUS? CALOMEL SICKENS! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

I guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" will give you the best Liver and Bowel cleansing you ever had.

you sick. Don't lose a day's work and make you feel fine and vig-lf you feel lazy, sluggish, bilious orous by morning I want you to Robstown on Monday night, April or constipated, listen to me!

silver which causes necrosis of destroying the sale of calomel bethe bones. Calomel, when it cause it is real liver medicine; comes into contact with sour bile entirely vegetable, therefor it crashes into it, breaking it up. cannot salivate or make you sick. coated tongue, if breath is bad, or stomach sour just try a spoon-making you feel miserable. I "Mis ful of harmless Dodson's Liver guarantee that a bottle of Dod-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M.

any drug store and get a 50 cent months. Give it to the children, home of her parents, last onday bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and night after a three weeks illness Take a spoonful tonight and if it they like its pleasant taste.

Stop using calomel! It makes | doesn't straighten you right up go back to the store and get your 26th. Calomel is mercury or quick- money. Dodson's Liver Tone is

This is when you feel that awful I guarantee that one spoonful nausea and cramping. If you are of Dodson's Liver Tone will put 'all knocked out," if your liver your sluggish liver to work and is torpid and bowels constipated, clean your bowels of that sour or if you have headache, dizziness bile and constipated waste which

son's Liver Tone will keep your Whitaker, living six miles south-Here's my guarantee-Go to entire family feeling fine for east of Robstown, died at the

## Batteries of All Medical Men Aimed at Fly



"SWAT the fly!" elegant or scien tific terms, is the latest slogan of the medica profession

The edict has gone forth, and one of the most widespread cru

sades that have ever been preached has ease carrying pests. Plans for con ment ducting the same have been extensive ly discussed at medical meetings in insect are responsible for its transmitmerous magazine articles testify.

Dr. Henry Smith Williams' article to be found on the body of a single fly "The Messengers of Death" in a recent periodical a hint of the attitude of ernment expert entomologist, who re science toward insect pests was given as follows:

"Science has issued an edict which board, and don't overlook the rat. found to be in league with death-te

against them is the only way to rid man. a man of the dangerous enemies which need only to be let alone to crowd him off the earth; \* \* \* the Swatters Will Make messengers of death upon which an exterminating war should be waged against which should be directed al the batteries of science. They won't let you alone. Get after them! And

The "batteries of science" are direct ed at the fly. No doubt about that A peep into the medical journals is most convincing. Attending a medical meet ing dispels all doubt regarding the se riousness of the purpose behind the

### <del>ૄ</del>ઌ૽ૹૹઌઌૹૹઌઌઌઌઌઌઌઌઌઌઌૹૹઌઌઌઌઌઌઌઌ The Time to Swat the Fly Is Now



During a face heap in or

dwelling becomes a hatchery for myriads of young flies not only to be condemned as a nuisance, but exterminated utterly. possible, when we consider that they may and often do car-ry into the household the disease germs of infantile paralysis and typhoid fever and no food in the house is safe from their attack. 

## Flies Are Wholesale Carriers of Infectious Diseases



common housefly

involuntary carrier of disease germ through accidental contamination of its

this and other civilized countries fre ting typhoid germs. It frequently is quently, and the work of "educating burdened with various germs of other the public" is well under way, as nudiseases as well, and, according to Dr. Williams and other eminent authori-In an editorial note accompanying ties, millions of bacteria are sometimes It was Dr. L. O. Howard, the govchristened the housefly the typhoid fly. He has done humanity great service in calling public attention to the chief for the good of humanity, should be as danger with which it menaces us unalterable as the laws of the Medes There are nearly 500,000 cases of tyand Persians. It is 'Kill every creep phoid fever yearly in the United ing, flying thing that asks you for States and nearly 50,000 deaths. Forty-nine thousand infants die annually Various insects and rodents have beer of enteritis, or summer complaint. In both diseases most of the germs are be, in fact, the only means whereby distributed by flies. It is impossible some of the world's most virulent dis to estimate how greatly the fly figeases are carried from victim to new ures in the ravages of tuberculosis. diphtheria and cholera. Flies are now "Persistent, never let up warfare known to be the most deadly enemy of

# Flyless Homes

TAT HILE the fly is being starved outdoors efforts should be made, through effective screening, to prevent it from gaining entrance to homes. Every household should be equipped with swatters, and if these devices are employed vigorously there will be fivless homes.

### Flies Spread Disease

HERE is plenty of proof that ty-phoid is due directly to the fly. The fly carries the contagion not alone from the victim directly, but also from the apparently healthy person who may be what is technically known as a "carrier" to the next victim in the block above.

Tuberculosis can be carried nearly as directly by the fly as by personal con-

The iniquitous insect spreads spinal meningitis, pneumonia-in fact, every known disease.

Swat the Fly

## FORMER BALLINGERITE DIED IN SOUTH TEXAS

News was received at Ballinger | The floral efferings were many

years ago.

The Robstown Reporter gives this trying hour." the following account of the sad

of appendicitis and other troubles. Miss Ferol was thought to be improving when suddenly Sun day night a turn for the worse came and she died about eight p. m. onday, surrounded by her lovd ones, father, mother, brothers

Miss Ferol Whitaker came to Robstown country almost two sweet manner and loving ways, VER 6,000,000 won all who knew her to be her germs have friends, and the vacancy made in been found the home and in society of which on the body of one she was a general favorite, can never be filled. Had she lived, begun against the fly and similar dis feet or body or wing or buccal equip school work fer this year, and already she had made prepara-The filth frequenting habits of the tions for taking up the work of ed for such a life. About the first of resolutions for her life and what she wanted to accomplish during the present year, and up

church while in her younger days and was a faithful member.

The funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon, a short service taking place at the Robstown cemetery, where interment was

this week of the death of Miss and profuse and Ferol was liter-Ferol Whitaker, the daughter of ally buried under the flowers she Mr. and Mrs. Mat Whitaker. The loved so well. Although the death ily and all of her friends, yet The young lady is well known all know she was ready to go, and in Ballinger. For several years as the aster had other work for her parents resided east of Bal- her to do. He called her to linger and she attended the Bal- come higher, and she only anslinger schools. The family mov- wered the call. To the dear ones ed to Nueces county about three left behind the sympathy of a host of friends are extended in

# "Miss Ferol, the 21 year old ANNIVERSARY HONORS KING OF ENGLAND

military stations.

is 48 years of age, succeeded his the noon train. father May 6, 1910, and was crowned in Westminister Abbey, she too would have been among June 22, 1911. He married Queen those persons that completed the Mary in 1893, and has five sons and one daughter.

M.C.Cobb and little daughter of teaching, as she felt herself called San Angelo, who had been visiting and looking after business affairs of the year she made out a list in Ballinger, returned home Wednesday at noon.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head to the time of her death she had kept them as nearly as possible.

She united with the Baptist

Because of its tonic and larative effect, LAXA-TIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor inging in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 25c.

Who Stole the Ashleigh

Diamonds?

Macdougal the

Butler is suspected;

Leonora the

maid is ac-

cused; there

is a mysteri-

ous murder.

Who

When

Where

A suspect is seen with a Black Box. What is in it?

California-mystery, intrigue, murder. Ghostly hands from

the unknown snatch a costly necklace from-where?

ably-hidden mystery which you can solve by reading

From London to East Africa, to New York City, to

Who is the man ape? Ah! there's the secret—a deep,

No Aches or Pains

Peruna Did It for Me. "I find Peruna an excellent spring and

summer medicine and am glad to call the attention of my friends to it. I know by experience that Peruna is a good medicine, and always recommend it whenever I have an opportunity. I can truthfully say that I have no traces of my old complaint, and have neither ache nor pain, and enjoy life. cannot express my appreciation for the good Peruna has done me."

PERUNA THE SPRING AND SUMMER MEDICINE.

"I used to get cramps in my stomach I had sick headaches. My stomach nearly killed me. My family physician only gave me temporary relief. I got out of patience and had given up all hopes of recovery. I then wrote to Dr. Hartman and he advised me to take Peruna. I got a bottle of Peruna and

commenced using it. Soon got better and am now entirely cured and feel like a new woman. Peruna is my comfort. I will never be without it." Mrs. like a new woman. Peruna is my comfort. I will nev Thomas M. Morgan, R. F. D. 2, Wadsworth, Ohio.

Mr. Edward Cervenka and Miss Otelia Greengrass were married LONDON, May 6.—The third Wednesday night at the Catholic anniversary of the accession of church at Rowena, and left from King George was celebrated today this point Thursday afternoon for by the firing of artillery salutes San Antonio and other points in in St. James Park, London, at that part of the state on their Windsor and at the big naval and bridal tour. The happy young couple are prominent in the social King George and Queen Mary cercles of Rowena and have a host attended a private memorial ser- of friends who join The Ledger vice for the late King Edward, in Congratulations and best wishwhich was held at the royal chapel es for them over life's matrimonyears ago with her parents, from at Frogmore, and the King after-lial sea. They were accompanied Ballinger, Texas, and by her wards placed a wreath on his this far on their trip by Misses father's grave, an act which was Celia Greengrass and Rosa Cerimitated by the other members of venka and Messrs. Cervenka and the royal family. The King who Ben Glass who returned home on

## Don't Regard the Fly Lightly; His Touch Is Death }

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potential mur-

ful as a poisoner as Lucrezia Borgia taken up country life yet, and was, and he's there today. Even while you read these lines he may be at work. Glance up from the page to where your baby crawls in the sun-ports that rats—not mice, entered her bedroom every night, and she having fly mon his chubby cheek a buzzing fly upon his chubby cheek or hovering above his ruddy parted lips? Destroy it and lose not a mo-

has been sung in jingles by minor poets who might have been better employed, acclaimed as a comedian for the amusement of infants, used as a nounce a rat party? enicle for the paragrapher's shafts of wit, even eulogized by pseudo-scien-tists as a benefactor of the human race without which we were doomed to extinction. And all during the years he has been industriously at work killing us right and left.

## <del>\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*</del> Starve the Fly

has his being" in filth. hope of

tion. Remove Do away with the stable ref

Remove the garbage pile.

Starve the Fly \*\*\*\*\*\*

# CERVENKA-GREEGRASS. - RAT PARTIES LATEST FASHIONABLE THING

Rat parties, after the fashionof quilting bee,s are coming into favor as a helpful mode of amuse ment in the central west, and rat stories are as common as tracks around the smokehouse.

One Coleman housewife had eighty plump incubator chicks that had weathered the incubating period and were in fine living order. The good lady went to church and, forgetting to close the door of the brooder, returned to find seventy of the chicks killed by rats.

A death loss of fifty to seventyfive per cent, due to the ravages of rats, is not uncommon. Another person reports a rat incident, which is perhaps exaggerated, to the fact that he encountered an army of rats emigrating and that the horse he was riding became frightened and ran away. One stock-farmer reports an invalid steer killed by rats. And there are other and various rat have stories in circulation and then boring some.—Coleman Voice.

Rats are taking liberties in Balderer in your linger that the boldest thief would not dare attempt. They have not yourself, your children, your entire family, in fact, and the visitors who come to an assassin nearly as succession that the rate have not the fact that the rate have not ment in the doing, says Dr. Herbert D.
Pease in Good Housekeeping.
During countless ages the fly has been tolerated, smiled at, brushed away gently or slapped at violently, according to the temper of his victum. He has been sum in jingles by mine:

# FIRST WEEK COUNTY

After trying two cases on the eriminal docket county court adjourned at noon for the week. Next week will be commissioners' court week, and the civil docket and criminal docket will be called again Monday, May 17th.

The two cases tried were State of Texas vs. Will Pace, charged with carrying pistol. Jury fixed fine at \$100 and cost of court.

State of Texas vs. Dr. K. B. Rector, charged with i llegally practicing medicine. Jury acquitted.

Rev. W. Bion Adkins left Wednesday afternoon for Dallas and points in East Texas.

# The Black Box

The remarkable motion picture serial about to appear in

# HIS NEWSPAPER

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Beginning in this paper next week. See this story produced in motion pictures at the Queen Theatre.

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Electric Bitters will do it every time. Increase your appetite, regulate Liver and Bowels, restore your strength and improve your complexion.

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vim and energy, bring back the spring of youth, make you feel fine. You'll enjoy

Go to your druggist and get a small bottle of Electric Bitters and start the treatment right now.

Eliza Pool of Depew, Okla., writes: 'Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of After a long weary winter we need a sickness and suffering and has done me a tonic and blood purifier to rid our system of accumulated waste and impurities. of accumulated waste and impurities.

Nature needs help to throw off that land find out, as I did, just how it is.''

As it has helped thousands of others, it

PHILADELPHIA.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day of May 1915, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 5th day of May 1915.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts, personal or Collateral	\$213, 226.42
Loans, real estate	
Overdrafts	
Real Estate (banking house)	39,000.00
Other Real Estate Furniture and Fixtures	15,286.52
Furniture and Fixtures	7,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net 43,847.71	
Due from other Banks and Bankers, sub-	45,898.32
	40,000.02
Cash Items         1,751.38           Currency         14,449.00	
Currency 14,449.00	19,811.35
Specie	MARKET STATE OF THE STATE OF TH
Interest in depositors guaranty fund	3,607.64
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	341.24
Other Resources as follows Guaranty Assessment Fund	• (
TOTAL	\$347,278.65
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	100.000.00
Surplus Fund	6,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	14,033.27
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check,	7,712.88
Individual Deposits, subject to check	219,300.95
Time Certificates of Deposit	217.75
Demand Certificates of Deposit	
Cashier's Checks	13.80
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	
Certificates of Deposits, issued for money borrowed	
TOTAL	\$347,278.65

State of Texas, County of Runnels, We, H. Giesecke as president, and E.D. Walker as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. H. Giesecke, President. E. D. Walker Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 5th day of May A. D., 1915. Witness my hand and notorial seal on the date last aforesaid. H. M. Josey, Notary Public, Runnels County.

Correct Attest: J. L. Chastain, J. F. Currie, G. G. Odom, Directors

### RECAPITULATION

Tobolii 11 O Milliano	
RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$213,226.42
Overdrafts ( )	61,286.52
Other real estate  Bills of Exchange Interest in Guaranty Fund Cash and Exchange	3,6 <b>0</b> 7.54 3,448.40 65,709.67
	\$347,278.65
LIABILITIES:	
Gapital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	20,022.27
Total Deposits	227 245.38

Dr. J. W. Blasdell left Tuesday afternoon for Fort Worth to attend the meeting of the State Medical Association

W. A. Summers of the Talpa dressed in khaki not unlike the country, was supplying in Ballin- regular soldier's uniform who arger Wednesday and reports the rive here are called "Lady Kitsmall grain crop fine in his section cheners. and the sheep in the best shape he ever saw them at this time of the year, on account of early grass, and the fine fall pastures.

Mrs. G. A. Beaumont and babe of San Saba, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Tom Ward, front tells how a British infantrythe past several weeks, returned man put on a pair of socks sent home Tuesday afternoon.

J. O. Butler of Dallas, who had agony but could not stop. That been in our city to install the up- night he drew a stiff piece of town office of the Western Union, wadded writing paper from the Telegraph Co., left Tuesday after- sock inscribed in a bold feminine noon for his home.

# Same Old Price

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### Laughs While He Tells Story of Check Swindle

man arrested near Ballinger for enough to let somebody know passing bad checks at San Angelo, in commenting on his trouble said:

pose, because I depended on another man's word but I do not suppose I shall live long enough for Texas to get through with me," declared the prisoner, on sick with Kidney trouble and suf-whose weakened frame tubercu-fered terribly for three months. I all. But I will notify the Arizona remedy. officials at once of my arrest, for they have the first claim on me. I was out on my henor and must be returned to them before I could be State of Maine, Kennebec County, sent up in Texas. After I complete five years in Arizona I shall but before that time I guess they pretty little flowers.

"You see, I told these men not to send these checks in to be cash- Authorized to administer oaths, ed for several days until I knew there was money there to cover them. The man who promised to back me in the hotel business fell down and left me in bad. I got a letter Sunday from him saying the money would be there and it was not my fault that it did not Prove What Swamp-Root Will come. I had the lease on the property and part of the foundations dug. I returned the money Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a I borrowed from the Wilson Paint sample size bottle. It will con-

Bank No. 14.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF

THE FINANCIAL CONDITION PARIS-British war nurses

Resources. Loans and Discounts, per-LONDON—Describing the ar- Loans, real estate sonal or collateral tillery action at Hill No. 60, a Overdrafts wounded "Tommy" in a London Revenue stamps hospital said it was a "red hot Real Estate (banking house Other Real Estate LONDON-A story from the Furniture and Fixtures 4,523.50 heel about one and one-half inches Banking House Furniture Due from Approved Reserve by a benevolent sympathizer and Agents, net 23,273.61 marched all day. He suffered Due from other banks

and bankers, subject to check, net 2,241.99 25,515.60 Cash Items 1,295.96 hand; "God bless the wearer of Currency 4,060.00 3,225.75 8,581.71 Specie Interest in Depositors WARSAW-Russian peas ant women are acting as volunteer Other Resources as 2,713.67 guards along the railway lines follows: Assessment

Liabilities

Due to Banks and Bankers

Capital Stock paid in

Undivided profits, net

subject to check, net

Individual Deposits, sub-

Time Certificates of De-

STATE OF TEXAS,

our knowledge and belief.

SAM BAKER,

Directors.

G. M. Vaughn.

C. S. Miller.

C. A. Orbeck,

County of Runnels.

Correct—Attest:

60 000 00

9,500.00

2,708.31

20,017.16

7,496.37

324.64 Guaranty Fund \$193,755.06 Total,

Surplus Fund

ject to check

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

\$347,278,65

WAR ODDITIES.

(By United Press.)

sort of hell.

these socks.'

and at prison camps.

List of letters advertised May 1, 1915:

Brown, W. T.; Flowers, Preson; Gober, J. D; Houders, Mrs. Ella; Scott, Mrs. Ethel; Smith, A. L; Stanley, C. L.; Thompson, J. S; Worthington, Mrs. Julia; Woodruff, M. II; Yates, Frank; Franco, Fernando.

When calling for the above let ters please say "Advertised" and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead-letter-office.

JAMES J. ERWIN, P. M.

Judge W. H. Gross of Mineral dent, and C. A. Orbeck as ass't. Wells, who had been looking after cashier of said bank, each of us, do his ranch interests up the river solemnly swear that the above the past week or two, left for his statement is true to the best of home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Doose Jr. will occupy their new home, the B. B. Stone place on 7th Street, me this 5th day of May, A. D. Thursday, and start to housekeeping right by ordering the Daily Ledger to be sent to their home each day.

Have You? Got your Free chance on the Saddle, Bridle, and Spurs at H. L. Wendorf's, the Busy Shop?

After being placed in jail at |ble. She found out about the Ari-San Angelo, E. M. Holden, the zona scrape because I was foolish where she lived."

### "Well, it is all up with me I sup KIDNEY TROUBLE CAUSES INTENSE SUFFERING

whose weakened frame tuberculosis has made inroads. "Thirty-five and young enough?" he asked, and then he burst into a hearty laugh. "I am fifty-one and was paroled on honor on account of tuberculosis just as I had completed two months of my five years in the Arizona pen, where I was sent up for passing unfunded checks." And then he laughed again. "They were all looking for a man weighing about 150 pounds and thirty-five years old and that is how I fooled them all. But I will notify the Arizona officials at excess of the arrest factors.

Yours very truly HATTIE A. QÜİMBY,

probably be brought back here named Hattie A. Quimb who sub Personally appeared the above will be walking behind me with scirbed above statement and made stance and in fact.

ANNA M. DRUMMOND,

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Do For You.

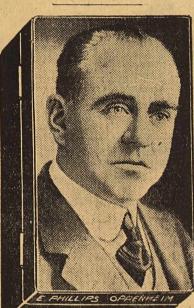
Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Company and gave the bank an vince anyone. You will also reorder for \$57.50 of their \$60, for I ceive a booklet of valuable inforhad about \$160 with me. So I was only a little over \$20 to the bad. mation, telling about the kidney and bladder. When writing, be "But I will fix it so that my sure and mention the Ballinger wife does not learn of this trou- Weekly Banner-Ledger. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bot tles for sale at all drug stores.

> Rattlesnake Bite Fatal to Youth at Santa Anna.

Of the Ballinger State Bank & Santa Anna, Tex., May 4.—The Trust Co., at Ballinger, State of little eight-year-old son of Walter Texas, at the close of bus- Vandeford, a prominent farmer ness on the 1st day of May, 1915, living about four miles northeast published in the Ballinger Daily of Santa Anna, died Sunday as Ledger, a newspaper printed and the result of a rattle snake bite published at Ballinger, State of received while on his way home Texas on the 5th day of May, 1915. from school.

The child was bitten while about a mile from home and, as-\$111,838.07 sisted by his brother, ran home... 14,497.00 This tended to more readily dis-, 196.54 tribute the virus so that, though 58.00 two physicians were called, death took place in a short while.

very large reptile.



tion one of the most widely sible. \$193,755.06 read novelists of the day. 6. Do not want loafers or idlers He is the author of "The Malefactor," "The Prince of Sinners," than I find them out.

"A Millionaire of Yesterday," and 7. Will give preference to the We, Chas. S. Miller, as presi-Grex of Monte Carlo" which was Saturday Evening Post, and he is Chas. S. Miller, President. C. A. ORBECK Ast. Cashier Sworn and subscribed to before tunate in securing his latest story

# THE

Notary Public Runnels County, the only story from his pen ever produced in motion pictures.

You Will Never Regret Reading It First Installment Soop ward will go.

3533 Report of the Condition of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

of Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business May 1st,

1915.	
RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts (notes held in	
bank)\$351,857.54	
Overdrafts, secured	89.69
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circula-	
tion (par value)\$100,000.00	
U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal	
saving (par value)	
Total U. S. bonds	\$101,500.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not	
including stocks) owned unpledged \$ 20,200,00	
Total bonds, securities, etc	\$ 20,200.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve	
bank \$13,600	
Less amount unpaid \$ 9,050 \$ 4,550.00	\$ 4,550.00
Banking house, \$20,000.00; furniture and	
fixtures, \$5,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Other real estate owned	\$ 28,273.93
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	\$ 5,550.00
Due from approved reserve agents in	4 0,000
New York, Chicago, and St. Louis\$ 38,443.67	的方法是1000mm
Due from approved reserve agents in	
other reserve cities	\$ 87,486.62
Due from banks and bankers (other than	\$ 01,100.02
included in 8 or 9	\$ 4,314.55
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Cheeks on banks in the same city or town	d 9 475 05
as reporting bank	\$ 2,475.05
Outside checks and other cash items\$ 2,015.28	. A 9 907 9C
Fractional currency, nickels, and cents \$ 292.58	\$ 2,307.86
Notes of other national banks	\$ 9,470.00 \$ 22,222.45
Total coin and certificates	\$ 22,222.45
Legal-tender notes	\$ 250.00
Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer	
(not more than 5 per cent on circula-	
tion)\$ 5,000.00	
Due from U. S. Treasurer	\$ 5,000.00
	+050 515 00
Total, LIABILITIES,	\$670,547.69
LIABILITIES.	4000 000 00
Capital stock paid in	\$200,000.00
Surplus fund	\$ 25,500.00
Undivided profits\$ 31,344.08	CANAL STATE
\$ 31,344.08	
Less current expenses, interest and taxes	+ 20,000,10
paid	\$ 23,883.19
Circulating notes	
Less amount on hand and in Treasury for	++00 000 00
redemption or in transit	\$100,000.00
Due to banks and bankers (other than	
included in 5 or 6)	\$ 8,870.71
Demand deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check \$285,968.09	
Certificate of deposit due in less than	
30 days\$ 3,740.17	
Certified checks \$ 13,162.34	
Cashier's checks outstanding\$ 82.37	
Postal savings deposits \$ 445.04	
Deposits requiring notice of less than	
30 days	\$303,398.01
Certificates of deposit due on or after 30	4000,000.02
days\$ 8,895.78	
State, county, or other municipal deposits	
secured by items 4d of "resources"	\$ 8,895.78
secured by items and of resources	Ψ 0,030.10
Total,	\$670 547 60
State of Texas, county of Runnels, ss.: I R. G. E	rwin cashier
of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the	e above state
ment is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	above state-
R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.	V
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day	of May 1015
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of	owy Public

Correct—Attest: J. McGREGOR. J. Y. PEARCE, Directors.

Liabilities. Resources The snake was not found but Loans and Discounts. \$330,608.05 Captial Stock . . . . 5,506.33 the fangs perforated the boy's U.S. Bonds .......... 101,500.00 Surplus and Profits ... 49,383.19 Circulation ..... 100,000.00 apart indicating that it was a and Fixtures ..... 25,000.00 Deposits ...... 321,164.50 Rael Estate ..... 28,273.93 Stocks andBonds .... 20,200.00 \$670,547.69 Stock Federal Reserve Bank ..... 21,339.18 Acceptances, cotton... Cash and Exchange ...139,076.53

\$670,547.69

### RULES GOVERNING STREET WORK IN WARD NO. 2

nor a team for more than eight er. hours a day. But this means eight hours of good hard work.

3. I will not spend a dollar of the city's money without getting a dollars worth of work.

4. Reserve the right to "fire" of any hour of the day that I may our wife and mother. We thank see fit to do so.

scores of other novels quite as well streets and alleys where the citiknown. He is the author of "Mr. zens living thereon co-operate living the streets and alleys where the citiknown consisting in the control of the citiknown control of ple need call upon me for street kins of our city. work, until I have helped those who help themselves.

ing men and shall choose these a few weeks. fro mthe number offering. No

more need apply.

of H. Giesecke's residence along west side of Eighth street, south 1. I do not intend to hire any to river, and along north line of Harris street from its intersection 2. I cannot work any man, with Eighth street west to the riv

Ward No 2 begins at the corner

J. WHIT PATTERSON, Notary Public.

C. H. WILLINGHAM, Alderman Ward No. 2.

Card of Thanks.

We are most grateful to all those who were so kind to us any man or any team at the end duirng the illness and death of every one who administered to us 5. Prefer to give work to men in anyway. If at any time we can PPENHEIM is without ques- with families in my ward if pos- serve you we will be ready to respond.

J. T. Carter, Sr., J. T. Carter, Jr. W. C. Wheelis and Wife, Mrs. Ella Duncan. 1twpd

Miss Kathleen Jones and her recently published serially in the Saturday Evening Post, and he is often referred to as "The Prince of keeping their premises clean and visit at Miles a day or two. Miss Story Tellers." We have been for attractive. No other sort of peo- Perkins is a niece of Sheriff Per-

B. E. Huggins of Winters, pas-8. I want one good strong fast sed through Ballinger Tuesday en BLACK BOX | 8. I want one good strong, last sed through Ballinger Tuesday en team, driver and four good work- route to Comanche to visit friends

Walter Seipp of the Maverick 9. There is going to be some-country, was transacting business thing doing in ward No. 2, so far in Ballinger Wednesday, and says as the cash set apart for same they have had plenty of rain but no damage done so far.

### C. P. Shepherd

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> M. KLEBERG JR. Attorney-at-Law. Office at Courthouse.

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## MARKETING SYSTEM CAUSES BIG LOSS

When it is estimated that the annual production of poultry and eggs in the U.S. is in excess of \$600,000,000—equal to the value of the hay or wheat crop, and when it is estimated that there is a total loss of nearly 8 per cent of the eggs marketed, the importance of his subject is evident.

This great loss is due largely to improper handling between the farm and the market. Most farmers look upon eggs as a by-product and the returns as so much clear gain. The hens for a living, eggs are gathered when convenient and kept almost anywhere. With such carelessness and a combination of mongrel stock, dirty nests, stolen nests of broody hens, unconfined males, late maturing pullets, and other undesirable conditions, is it any wonder that the products in eludes such a high percentage of small, cracked, dirty, stale, heated and even rotten eggs?

Occasionally the accumulation of all these kinds of eggs are taken to the country store and exchanged for merchandise. The mer chant usually buy these eggs case count, paying the same price for all kinds and sizes, provided they are eggs with an unbroken shell. Small production results in small or infrequent shipments.

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Selecting pure breeds that lay White Leghorns, Wyandottes, Ply-Orpington, etc.

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ng season.

Selling for eash on a basis of act in the matter. size and quality "loss off" instead

of "case count.

what we are loosing? Figure for doubt pass in short order. yourself, Runnels has shipped about 20 ears of eggs since Jan- How Mrs. Harrod Got Rid of Her uary the first. \$1200.00 per car that means \$24,000.00 for Runnels can you afford such recklessness? If so you are dandies.

Very truly yours,

GEO. P. McLELLAND,

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### TOM PADGETT LOCATES AT COLEMAN

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Mr. and Mrs. Padgitt will modernize the house for their own occupation and will become permananent residents of Coleman, which fact is to the delight of their many oleman friends.-Coleman Voice.

Mr. Padgitt is owner of the fam ous Day ranch near Leaday. He figured on locating at Ballinger, and we regret to know that he did not do so. Coleman was selected on account of being much nearer to his ranch.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, makes the rich red blood that is needed for perfect digestion, and builds up the whole system. Be sure to get Hood's, for no other medicine can take its place.

# NORMAL BILL MAY BE

driggs to the writer says:

tute our month's work."

It will be remembered that the shelter, with dry clean, vermin bill passed by the regular session of the legislature, providing for Confining males except in breed the creation of three state normal schools within the next three Collecting eggs frequently, es- years, became inoperative on ac- indigestion and liver trouble. A pecially in hot or muddy weather. count of the supreme court defew weeks ago I had an attack Storing eggs in a dry cool place. clining to appoint a locating com that was so severe that I was not Using small and dirty eggs at mittee. The bill provided that the able to go to the case for two days. home. Marketing frequently with supreme court appoint such a com Failing to get any relief from any protection at all times from heat. mittee, but the court refused to other treatment, I took three of

Combining shipments as a mat-schools are to be established are lina News, Chaplin, S. C. Obtainanxious to see the special session able everywhere. The suggestion properly carried remove the trouble by providing out by the farmers of Runnels 2 committee to select the sites for BEES OBSERVE county will mean \$3.00 per case or the school, and if Gov. Ferguson \$1200.00 per car, can't you see submits the matter it will no

# Stomach Trouble.

suffered with stomach trouble for years and tried everything ing bees at their work: ing bees at their work:

I was much interested in watch ing the bees. It seemed much got was temporary until last spring I saw Chamberlain's Tabgot was temporary until last spring I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and procurde a a bottle of them at our drug store. I got immediate relief from that If you want quick and real relief dreadful heaviness after eating impress me. Watching them for Hickman. from Rheumatism, do what so from pain in the stomach," writes closely I learned that they were the killing is supposed to have time, and has been working on the stomach of Role and the stomach of Ro

### UNION SCHOOL PICNIC.

Prof Emmett Cockrell, who teathe seat o ftrouble and draws the few hours in the city Saturday and ches the Walthall school, spent a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25c day, May 7th and he requests us of any druggist and have it in the house—against Colds, Sore and Swollen Joints, Lumbago, Sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.

day, May 7th and he requests us to announce a union school picnic on that day and date to be held near Pony store on the G. W. Wilson place and the Walthall and Pony schools will be represented. A cordial invitation to friends and patrons to attend.

property situated at the corner of what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form.

ANIMALS TRAINED
BY KINDN al avenue.

The contract of sale was made Iron builds up the system. 50 cents

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McWilliams proved and transfer of deed made, of the Valley creek country, pass The property has a frontage on ed through Ballinger Monday en Commercial avenue of 125 feet route home from Mineral Wells and extends 165 feet on Third where they had been for the benstreet. The consideration was \$2,- efit of her health the past few

# **FARMERS & MERCHANTS** STATE BANK

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THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS

# TRAFFIC ORDINANCE BADLY NEEDED NOW

J. Y. Pearce has seconded The ledger's suggestion that steps be taken at once to prevent what is sure to happen if some organized move is not made against wreckess driving of autos on the prinipal business streets of Ballinger.

Mr. Pearce stated that three ives had to be sacrificed at San Angelo before that city got busy and passed traffic ordinances, and appointed officers to see that they were rigidly enforced. An ounce of preventitive is worth a pound of cure, is an old rule that should be applied in this case.

It is only a matter of educating the people, and this could be accomplished in a short while. When the people who drive autos and all kinds of vehicles learn that they must drive on the right hand side of the street and are given a few lessons on how to turn the corners and then a few fines imposed if they do not comply with the rules SUBMITTED AGAIN they do not comply with the rules the danger will be greatly lessen-

Its a move that every auto own-A letter from Representative er should be interested in, and Mr. Pearce suggest that the auto I think we will get the appro-owners get together and take steps priations bill out of the way with- to bring about the elimination of in the next ten days, after which the danger to lives. It will be too I hope to see the Congressional late after some good man, woman Re-districting bill and the normal or child has been crushed to death Many of these losses can be pre bill submitted. I believe these two by wreckless driving close cutting measures, together with the re- of the corners when making turns. vision of our general road laws, a It would be much better to immore and larger eggs, such as the bill to provide for a state board of pose a few fines and teach the lesequalization, and the considera- sons of careful and orderly drivmouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, tion of the Gibson bill will constiling than it would to break up some happy home by an accident.

### Best Thing for a Bilious Attack

"On account of my confinement in the printing office I have for years been a chronic sufferer from The people residing within the next day I felt like a new man, Chamberlain's Tablets and the districts where the proposed writes H. C. Bailey, Editor Caro-

UNION HOURS

In the May Woman's Companobservations after carefully watch trial to be held next Thursday.

the bees than to be working and Ballinger Monday, coming over to sweating with the tree planting attend county court. He stated The bees were hard at work cer- that he did not think there would tainly, but their example did not be any trouble in securing bond not so hardworked after all; for resulted from trouble between Blumintritt farm south of Balat best they kept only an eight Griffith and the Hickman family, linger. hour day, like the labor unions.'

### A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kid ney and bladder troubles, dis solves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and druggist, will be sent by mail on Walker Drug Co. receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and sel dom fails to perfect a cure. Texas J. Tom Padgitt has purchased of William Broad, the residence Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC. You know Louis, Mo Sold by druggists. testimonials with eich bottle. Dr

# BY KINDNESS ONLY

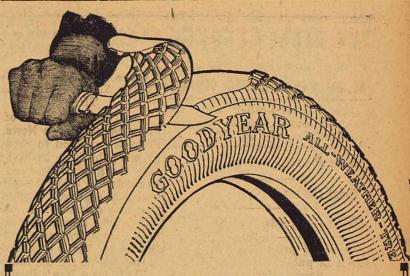
In the current issue of Farm and ireside appears the following adrice as to the training of animals: "You never can train a colt, a calf, or any animal, wild or tame, unless you gain its entire confidence and affection. To do this you must never deceive it, and even for fun, and always protect it and show that you love it.

'The way to a man's heart is through his stomach,' and the road to the affection of an animal is by way of its taste.

"An apple, a bite of tender grass, or some tasty bit will soon make friends with it, and kind words and petting will make it a loving and obedient friend.

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Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lank. ford 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.



# Suppose We Pared These Tires

Suppose this All-Weather tread -now double-thick-was pared to the thinness of the usual antiskid. Would it endure like this one? Or so resist puncture?

Suppose we used—as some do —one less fabric ply. Or made the whole tire lighter. Suppose we omitted our exclusive features:

Our No-Rim-Cut feature-Our "On-Air" cure-Our rubber rivets-Our 126-piano-wire base.

All rivals do omit them. All of them are costly. Our "On-Air" cure alone costs us \$450,000 yearly to save needless blowouts. But could Goodyear Fortified Tires retain top place if we did not give those extras?

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Instead of that, we all the time add costly better-

A. L. Bean,

Fortified Tires

ments. We spend on experts \$100,000 yearly to seek out new improvements.

Our All-Weather tread - always double - thick - is made still thicker in some sizes.

Our Inner Tubes have been thickened 14 per cent on the

Our fabric has been strength-

Yet on February 1st we made our third big price reduction in two years, bringing the total to 45 per cent. Now you are getting in Goodyear Fortified Tires the best value ever known in tire making.

It is due to yourself that you this year join

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No-Rim-Cut Tires-"On-Air" Cured With All-Weather Treads or Smooth

tented tire users. It is by far the largest army in Tiredom. Any dealer will sup-

this army of con-

### Goodyear Service Stations---Tires in Stock S. L. Henderson Leach Auto Works

Nearby Towns

Winters.

# HICKMAN EXAMINING TRIAL SET THURSDAY

Bob Hickman who shot and

Griffith having killed Will Hickman a couple of months ago.

The examining trial will be held at Robert Lee.

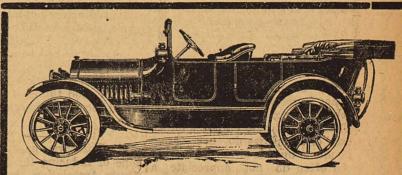
# NEGRO CAUGHT HERE WANTED IN S. TEXAS

Sheriff Perkins received a telekilled T. A. Griffith at Bronte gram Sunday to arrest a negro, farm life, records the following observations after carefully watch last week, is being held in jail at Robert Lee pending examining trial to be held next Thursday.

San Jacinto officers were notified of the arrest, and wired the local sheriff to hold the negro that they would come for him at once.

### CLAUDE STONE LOCATED

FOR KEEPS Claude Stone has accepted a pos ition with the Higdon-Melton-Barbed wire, ragged wounds, Jackson Co., store again, and encollar and harness galls heal up tered upon his duties last Saturquickly when Ballard's Snow Lini- day. Claude is no stranger in bladder in both men and women ment is applied. It is both heal- this store, having served the best Regulates bladder troubles in ing and antiseptic. Price 25c, 50c part of the last three or four years children. If not sold by your and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the in the employ of the firm. He says he is in for keeps now.



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### E BANNER-LEDGER

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The Banner-Leader and the Rennels County Ledger were con solidated January 28, 1913.

Swat the fly.

Swat the rat.

Swat the weeds.

tured in public improvements.

fellow's.

will go on the job.

thing to talk about for thirty days, while the people work.

The legislature will find some-

all counts for prosperity.

through sieges of sorrow; it has benefit of those who must spit, we wood, or gathering pecans, etc been thus every since the fall of call attention to the fact that it

get the poultry growers to un- is heir too, the spitting habit wtf derstand that there are different leads. Aside from being a filthy grades of eggs. Its just as cheap habit it is one that is responsible to produce the best grade.

protector of the negro, but this town does not want the reputation of being the home of Judge Lynch.

Some people can't stand prosperity. When they get a few dollars ahead they quit work until want overtakes them. Its the busy man that makes the world a suitable place to spend a few years.

"Abilene needs a filtration plant," says the Abilene Reporter. Getting ready to put up a fight for the normal that will be located in Ballinger. Water is a mighty good thing to have, and pure filtered water is the best. Ballinger has that kind and in an inexhaustible supply.

Since it only requires a majority vote to carry in the coming bond issue election and as it will not increase the tax rate, it is probable that there will not be a vote cast against the measure. voting agginst the issue?

County court convened Monday at one o'clock, but as usual there was little to do. If court records are an index to a county's morality Runnels County can compare favorably with the best of them, and take first place when population is considered. The citizens stand for law and order as well as for health and happiness.

Prospects were never more prom ising for a great crop, than at present. But the farmer holds the situation in his hands. The father of the universe has done his part towards furnishing the moisture and it is now up to the farmer to conserve it and get the most from his advantages by putting a little elbow grease and scientific farming methods into action. He's got to fight the weeds too.

We often hear the remark "that it seems that the best citizens in a community die first.' That's a mistake, and is another case of where we do not throw bouquets until it is too late. We too often do not appreciate a frend until after he has gone.

.. DON'T BE A PESSIMIST..

A pessimist is a queer fellow. He couldn't be much else, because he is a pessimist.

He borrows your horse and then kicks at his gait.

of the quality.

kick.

the collection plate. sees nothing but gloom ahead.

He gloar over his own virtues is exceeded by the cash going out. and rails at the frailties of his -Cleburne Enterprise. neighbors.

He was born with a grouch, stock in such a campaign for fear lives the life of a grouch, dies the that they will be accused of workdeath of a grouch and turns hell ing with a selfish motive. What of into a realm of grouch.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE

THE BEST.

Clean up your own premises gue of Ballinger has issued althe merchants succeed in life, the and don't worry about the other handsome folder which shows others only making a hand-tosome Ballinger and Runnels mouth living, and the idea that County scenes quite well calculat- they are robbing the public on May be the rain god will now ed to attract favorable attention. what they sell is a false one. If take a vacation and the farmer Edward Spill, secretary, has the you haven't got sense enough to thanks of State Press for a copy keep the local merchant from of the art work, and S. P. in-robbing you how are you going to Some people handle time like dorses the pictures as true to life. keep the mail order man from they do their money; they spend In many respects Ballinger is a "skinning" you; have you more most admirable little city, and its confidence in the man you never

THE FILTHY SPITTERS. The recent anti-spitting ordinance passed by the Brownwood Runnels County seems to be the City Council provokes the followgreenest spot on the map, and it ing instructive comment from the Temple Telegram:

> is not unlawful to spit into the gutter.'

The egg dealers are trying to Of all the filthy habits that man

out after their own interests they will wake up and find themselves in the middle of a bad fix. The same is true of every line. It is THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY CIVIC AND SOCIAL LIFE IS unfortunate for the citizenship of a community when that citizenship Joe Taylor is editor of State can't see any good in any move Press on the Dallas News. State started by the merchants. The lo-Press is supposed to read all the cal merchants keep up the town, papers published in Texas and and sustain a market for the note the good things and fill his things that are produced. When two columns every day with the goods are ordered from the mail best that's going. Taylor is sup-order houses the local market sufposed to comment on the good fers as a selling place just as things that attracts his attention, much as a buying place, and it and a folder recently sent out by most vitally effects every one in-Signs of prosperity are pic-the Young Men's Business League terested in the community and is responsible for the following: | that means every one living in the The Young Men's Business Lea- community. Only five per cent of civic and social life is of the best. saw, and never will see than you have in your neighbor you see every day?

### TRESSPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trasspass on my ranch on the Con-"Brownwood will prohibit spit- cho in wise contrary to law, in the Every community must pass ting on the sikewalks. For the way of fishing, hunting, cutting You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs. GODFREY MASSEY,

Concho county, Tox

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

If you are bilious, languid, constipated. suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

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A few doses will open and purify the boweis, tone up the stomach, stimulate the kidneys and liver and impart a feeling of strength and vigor. It transforms a tired, nervous, halfsick man or woman into one of bright, ruddy good health, energy and cheerfulness.

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# HOW MANY MILES OF **ROADS HAVE WE GOT?**

mileage of public roads in the required by traffic.

proximately .80 miles, which, in THE YOUNG MAN'S view of the fact that much of the country is sparsely settled, seems unduly high. An explanation, however, is to be found in the day than ever before for the

OPPORTUNITY.

There is a greater demand to-

fact that in many states the law young man who thoroungly underprovides that each section line stands the cotton business. Such WASHINGTON, May 5.—The shall be a public road. Thus, for as: Classing, stapling, averaging, Inited States Department of Ag- example, there are in the State of buying, selling, shipping, exporticulture is now gathering infor- lowa alone more that 104,000 ing, keeping of Munger's Gin Rec mation which, when complete, miles of legal highways, manifest-ords, merchant's cotton record, should not only give the total ly a much larger mileabe than is warehouse record, cotton office stock books and other blanks nec-United States and their cost, but When the information in regard essary to the business. Bonded should serve as a basis for estim- to the existing roads which the warehouses alone require hunating the relative value of the dif- Department is now seeking is dreds of young men, last year the ferent kinds of highways. Some complete, it is the intention to managers were compelled to use produce the best grade.

for the spread of deadly disease. In many cities laws have Ballinger is not posing as a fired to regulate the nuisance.

for the spread of deadly disease of inquiry blanks have continue the inquiry year after tives of the largest cotton continuence. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c. the State Highway Commissions, durability and economy of the cerns as well as the merchants. and warehouse managers have highly indorsed our course of instrution. They say we are meeting a long felt want. We have two expert cotton men in charge of this department, they thoroughly understand it from practieal experience in every detail of the business. They are also expert instructors. The cost of the above course complete is \$20.00 for tuition and \$2.00 for books and material. Tim for completng is from four to six weeks owng to the ability of the student. No student will be permitted to receive a certificate from this department until he is thoroughly malified. Students may enroll at any time as there is such a demand for work of this kind we have sufficient number of students enrolled to keep a class going continually. For further particulars fill in the following blank, tear out and mail today, to Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

ning to come back to the Depart- data thus collected should be use- Are you interested in the cotton 

> Henry Martin of the Leaday country, passed through Ballinger Rock on a business trip.

# Mr. Farmer Did the Hail Hit Your

Small Grain Crop. If So Who Was The

We can write you hail insurance on your OATS or WHEAT or any kind of small grain. We represent some of the strongest companies of the United States.

See Us For Your Crop Insurance -

## BALLINGER INSURANCE AGENCY

T. J. GARDNER, Manager

Office With Bennett **Abstract Company** 

What object would a man have in Every man should look before he ALVARADO MAN RESTORED spits, and if he can't find a cus-BY WONDERFUL REMEDY pidor use his pocket, and not impose his filthiness upon others.

> trimental to community co-operation. Foot and mouth disease is not always confined to animals. It gues to disturb the harmony of the community. The best way to prethe neighbors by their "talk" is to ignore them and refuse to listen to dle gossip about one's neighbors. We remember an instance when a bushel of corn was assessed against any one in the neighbor- wrote: hood who repeated the gossip of a certain idle mischief-maker. As a result, gossip in that neighbor- er it a Godsend to suffering huhood stopped.—Farm & Ranch.

In other words, if we would quit repeating the evil things we time, such as colic attacks, bloathear about the other fellow, and ing after eating, sick spells, inditell the good things we hear, hell gestion, constipation and inacwould become a foreign country at

The Enterprise has not given up hope of inducing the Retail Merchants Association, the Cleburne Commercial Club, or some other or ganization to take up the matter of as much and whatever you like. organizing for the purpose of educating the people against patronizing mail order houses. These great business concerns are sapping the ough organization, their large buy He profits from the prosperity ing power, and their systematic ad of his town and then gives it a vertising. Something will have to be done to check the steady stream In the height of prosperity he ent position. No town or individ- tion. ual can long prosper if the income

> Some merchants decline to take it? If the merchants don't look

Neighborhood gossip is very de- Gets Appetite and Comfort Back After Taking First Dose.

from derangements of the digesvent such persons from disturbing active and he was in pain after eating.

"I have taken your treatment proved roads. for stomach trouble and considmanity. I have been suffering from stomach troubles for a long tive liver and gall stones. Now I do not feel like the same man. I can cheerfully commend this remedy to all stomach sufferers.'

Mayr's Wonderful Remedy gives permanent results for stomach liver and intestinal ailments. Eat No more distress after eating, pres sure of gas in the stomach and of your druggist now and try it on an absolute guarantee—if not

CHICHESTER'S PILLS Dragels, according to the peninsula acter of much of the peninsula plants prays Pills for 25 and of Sigily and Sardinia SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

and some of these are now begin- various kinds of highways. The Address ment. Each set consists of four ful to road engineers all over the

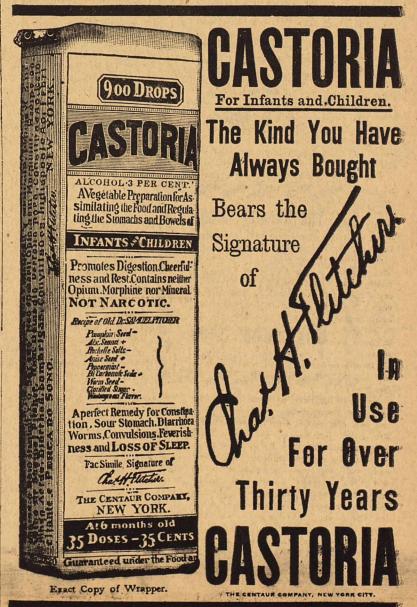
Of these the first asks for in- county agents and others interformation on the mileage of dif- ested in improvement of agriculferent classes of roads in the ture will do their best to facilicounty to which it is sent. The tate the collection of the desired Wednesday en route to Paint mileage does not include, of information. T. A. Hensley of Alvarado, course, streets in cities and towns. is regrettable that there are those Texas, suffered for a long time The roads are divided into 10 classes as follows: brick paved, tive tract. He had colic attacks concrete, macadam with the adand indigestion. His liver was in-dition of some substance such as asphalt, oil, or tar, plain macadam, gravel, shell, other hard sur-He took Mayr's Wonderful faced roads, sand and clay mix-Remedy. From the very first ture properly graded and drained, dose it brought swift results. He ordinary earth roads properly constructed, and, finally, unim-

> The second card asks for information in regard to the tax rate for the roads and the amount of work and money expended on

> The third blank is concerned with the names of local road officials, and the fourth with facts in regard to the bond issues and the indebtedness of the counties for their road systems.

As there are approximately 3,000 counties in the United States, in many of which the mileage has never even been estimated, it is hardly probable that this around the heart. Get one bottle of your druggist now and two it. The Department, however, will be able to detect any excessively in-He begs a cigar and complains in the United States by their thortory does not very excessively. Except in desert or undeveloped Price Maddox of Hatchel, pas- country, less than half a mile of sed through Ballinger Wednesday public road to every square mile He listens to a five dollar ser- of cash leaving the smaller towns en route home from Maryneal of territory is rare, while in the mon and then drops a nickel on for the great cities, if the smaller where he had been with a bunch of most thickly populated rural sectowns hope to even hold their pres- cattle to put on pasture in that sec- tions the maximum is no more than 2 1-2 or 3 miles. Thus, in France, there is an average for the entire country of 1.76 to a square mile. In Italy, however, this has fallen to .86, possibly on account of the mountainous char-

> and of Sicily and Sardinia. In America the average is ap-



# The Exploits of Elaine

A Detective Novel and a Motion Picture Drama

By ARTHUR B. REEVE The Well-Known Novelist and the Creator of the "Craig Kennedy" Stories

governable, almost insane fury

seemed to possess the man as he

stood over the prostrate footman,

Michael obeyed, thoroughly cowed

"Take me to the cellar, now," he

Michael led the way from the room

without a protest, the master criminal

Down into the cellar, by a back

way, they went, Clutching Hand still

wearing his muzzle and Michael say-

him and seized him by the collar.

Suddenly Clutching Hand turned on

"Now, go upstairs, you," he mut-

tered, shaking him until his teeth

fairly chattered, "and if you watch me

He thrust Michael away, and the

footman, overcome by fear, hurried

He put his hand on his face where

the Clutching Hand had struck him.

Then he waited, muttering to himself

As he thought it over, anger took the

place of fear. He slowly turned in

Meanwhile, Clutching Hand was

standing by the electric meter. He

examined it carefully, feeling where

the wires entered and left it, and

starting to trace them out. At last

he came to a point where it seemed

suitable to make a connection for

Quickly he took some wire from his

bag and connected it with the electric

light wires. Next, he led these wires,

concealed, of course, along the cellar

floor, in the direction of the furnace.

air heaters and he paused before it

as though seeking something. Then

he bent down beside it and uncovered

bringing it out quickly. The tank was

He thrust his hand gingerly into it,

Next from his capacious bag he

took two metal poles, or electrodes,

and fastened them carefully to the

ends of the wires, placing them at op-

posite ends of the tank in the water.

For several moments he watched.

The water inside the tank seemed the

same as before, only on each elec-

trode there appeared bubbles, on one

bubbles of oxygen, on the other of

hydrogen. The water was decompos-

ing under the current by electrolysis.

work to see that he had left no loose

Another moment he surveyed his

The next morning Rusty, who had

since the trouble had begun, awakened

his mistress by licking her hand as it

hung limply over the side of her

She awakened with a start and put

"Poor old fellow," she murmured,

Rusty moved away again, wagging

his tail listlessly. The collie, too, felt

mattair? You are so pale!" exclaimed

the maid, Marie, as she entered the

"I don't feel well, Marie," she re-

mademoiselle." answered

plied, trying with her slender white

hand to brush the cobwebs from her

Languidly Elaine took the letters

Finally she selected one and slow-

"You are sick this morning. To-

Quickly she called to Marie, "Go

And Marie almost flew down the

Kennedy, in his stained laboratory

Without a word he answered the

call, and I could see a look of per-

turbation cross his face. I knew it

was from Elaine, but could tell noth-

ing about the nature of the message

the apron and threw on his hat and

coat. I followed him as he dashed

tered, as he hurried across the campus

A few minutes later, when we ar

rived at the Dodge mansion, we found

Aunt Josephine and Marie doing all

they could under the circumstances.

of the university to a taxicab stand.

This is terrible-terrible," he mut-

An instant later he almost tore off

apron, was at work before his table,

while I was watching him with inter-

est, when the telephone rang.

out of the laboratory.

-get Aunt Josephine-right away!

called Kennedy's number.

brain. "I-I wish you'd tell Aunt Jo-

room a moment later with the morn-

ing's mail on a salver.

"Why, Miss Elaine-what ees ze

Then he quietly let himself

a little tank.

ends.

half dazedly.

ward."

Craig Kennedy."

horror stricken.

nearly full of water.

The furnace was one of the old hot

some purpose he had in mind.

unstairs. Still trembling and fearful.

Michael paused in the hallway.

the direction of the cellar.

"Get up!" he ordered.

following him closely.

again-I'll kill you!"

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cursing.

demanded.

### SYNOPSIS.

The New York police are mystified by a series of murders and other crimes. The principal clue to the criminal is the warning letter which is sent the victims, signed with a "clutching hand." The latest victim of the mysterious assassin is Taylor Dodge, the insurance president. His daughter, Elaine; employs Craig-Kennedy, the famous scientific detective, to try to unravel the mystery. What Kennedy accomplishes is told by his friend James, a newspaper man. By an ingenious ruse Clutching Hand smuggles into Elaine's home a flask of liquid air which she supposes to be a package of valuable papers. It blows open the safe in which it is placed, but Kennedy arrives in time to prevent the robbery. The detective narrowly misses death in his apartment where Clutching Hand has placed a shot gun so that it is fired by the electrical connection formed when Kennedy places his hands on a framed photograph of Elaine.

### FIFTH EPISODE

The Poisoned Room.

Elaine and Craig were much together during the next few days. Somehow or other, it seemed that the chase of the Clutching Hand involved long conferences in the Dodge library, and even, in fact, extended to excursions into the notoriously crime-infested neighborhood of Riverside drive, with Its fashionable procession of automobiles and go-carts—as far north, indeed, as that desperate haunt known as Grant's tomb.

But to return to the more serious side of the affair.

Kennedy and Elaine had scarcely come out of the house and descended the steps, one afternoon, when a sinister face appeared in a basement areaway near by.

It was the Clutching Hand.

He wore a telephone inspector's hat and coat and carried a bag slung by a strap over his shoulder. For once he had left off his mask, but, in place of it, his face was covered by a scraggy black beard. The disguise was effec-

He saw Kennedy and Miss Dodge and slunk unobtrusively against a railing, with his head turned away. Laughing and chatting, they passed. Then he turned in the other direc-

tion and, going up the steps of the

Dodge house rang the bell. "Telephone inspector," he said in a loud tone as Michael, in Jennings'

place for the afternoon, opened the He accompanied the words with the

sign, and Michael admitted him. As it happened, Aunt Josephine was upstairs in Elaine's room. She was

fixing flowers in a vase on the dressing table of her idolized niece. Meanwhile, Rusty, the collie, lay, half blink- out of the house. ing, on the floor. "Who is this?" she asked as Mi-

chael led the bogus telephone inspector into the room.

"A man from the telephone company," he answered deferentially.

Aunt Josephine, unsophisticated, allowed them to enter without a further her hand to her head. She felt ill. question.

Quickly, like a good workman, Clutching Hand went to the telephone instrument and by dint of keeping his finger on the hook and his back to ill. Aunt Josephine succeeded in conveying the illusion that he was examining

No sooner was the door shut than the Clutching Hand hastily opened his bag and from it drew a small powderspraying outfit, such as I have seen used for spraying bug powder. He then took out a sort of muzzle with an elastic band on it and slipped it sephine to telephone Doctor Hayover his head so that the muzzle protected his nose and mouth.

He seemed to work a sort of pumping attachment and from the nozzle of the spraying instrument blew out a one by one off the salver. cloud of powder which he directed at the wall.

ly tore it open. It had no superscrip-Meanwhile, Michael, in the hallway, tion, but it at once arrested her aton guard to see that no one bothered tention and transfixed her with terthe Clutching Hand at his work, was rer. overcome by curiosity to see what his master was doing. He opened the door a little bit and gazed stealthily morrow you will be worse. The next through the crack into the room.

Clutching Hand was now spraying the rug close to the dressing table of Elaine and was standing near the mirror. He stooped down to examine the rug. Then, as he raised his head, he happened to look into the mirror. In it he could see the full reflection of Michael behind him, gazing into the

"The scoundrel!" muttered Clutching Hand, with repressed fury at the

discovery. He rose quickly and shut off the spraying instrument, stuffing it into the bag. He took a step or two toward the door. Michael drew back, fearfully, pretending now to be on guard.

Clutching Hand opened the door and, still wearing the muzzle, beckoned to Michael. Michael could scarcely control his fears. But he obeyed, entering Elaine's room after the Clutching Hand, who locked the

'Were you watching me?" demanded the master criminal, with rage.

Michael, trembling all over, shook his head. For a moment Clutching Hand looked him over disdainfully at the clumsy lie.

Then he brutally struck Michael in the face, knocking him down. An un-

Doctor Hayward had arrived and had just finished taking the patient's pulse and temperature as our cab pulled up.

Elaine was quite ill indeed. "Oh! I'm so glad to see you," she breathed with an air of relief as Ken-

nedy advanced. "Why-what is the matter?" asked

Craig anxiously. Doctor Hayward shook his head dubiously but Kennedy did not notice him, for, as he approached Elaine, she drew from the covers where she had concealed it a letter and handed it to Craig took it and read:

You are sick this morning. Tomorrow you will be worse. The next

day you will die unless you discharge Craig Kennedy."

At the signature of the Clutching Hand he frowned, then, noticing Doctor Hayward, turned to him and repeated his question, "What is the mat-

Doctor Hayward continued shaking his head. "I cannot diagnose her symptoms," he shrugged.

There seemed to be a faint odor, almost as if of garlic, in the room. It was unmistakable and Craig looked about him curiously, but said nothing.

As he sniffed, he moved impatiently and his foot touched Rusty, under the bed. Rusty whined and moved back lazily. Craig bent over and looked

"What's the matter with Rusty?" he asked. "Is he sick, too?"

"Wny, yes," answered Elaine, following Craig with her deep eyes. Craig reached down and gently pulled the collie out into the room. Rusty crouched down close to the floor. His nose was hot and dry and

feverish. He was plainly ill. "How long has Rusty been in the room?" asked Craig.

"All night," answered Elaine. wouldn't think of being without him

now. "May I take Rusty along with me?"

Craig asked finally. Elaine hesitated. "Surely," she said at length, "only be gentle with him." "Of course," he said simply.

thought that I might be able to discover the trouble from studying him." We stayed only a few minutes longer, for Kennedy seemed to realize the necessity of doing something immediately, and even Doctor Hayward

was fighting in the dark.

Back in the laboratory, Kennedy set to work immediately, brushing everything else aside. He began by draw-

"Well," added Craig, "you see, Michael has become infuriated by the treatment he received from the Clutching Hand. I believe he cuffed him in the face yesterday. Anyway, he says he has determined to get even and betray him."

I did not like the looks of the thing, and said so. "Craig," I objected vehemently, "don't go to meet him. It is a trap."

Kennedy had evidently considered my objection already.

"It may be a trap," he replied slowly, "but Elaine is dying and we've got to see this thing through."

As he spoke, he took an automatic from a drawer of a cabinet and thrust it into his pocket. Then he went to another drawer and took out several sections of thin tubing, which seemed to be made to fasten together as a fishing pole is fastened, but were now separate, as if ready for traveling. Then he went out. I followed, still

arguing. "If you go, I go," I capitulated.

"That's all there is to it." Following the directions that Michael had given over the telephone, Craig led me into one of the toughest parts of the lower West side.

"Here's the place," he announced, stopping across the street from a dingy Raines law hotel.

"Pretty tough," I objected. "Are you

"Quite," replied Kennedy, consulting his notebook again,

Reluctantly I followed and we entered the place.

"I want a room," asked Craig as we were accosted by the proprietor, comfortably clad in a loud checked suit and striped shirt sleeves. "I had one here once before-forty-nine, l think."

"Fifty-" I began to correct. Kennedy trod hard on my toes.

"Yes, forty-nine," he repeated. The proprietor called a stout negro porter, waiter and bell-hop all com-

bined in one, who led us upstairs. "Forty-nine, sah," he pointed out, as Kennedy dropped a dime into his ready palm.

The negro left us, and as Craig started to enter, I objected. "But, Craig, it was fifty-nine, not forty-nine.

This is the wrong room." "I know it," he replied. "I had it written in the book. But I want fortynine-now. Just follow me, Walter." Nervously I followed him into the

room. "Don't you understand?" he went on. "Room forty-nine is probably just



Craig Reached Down and Gently Pulled the Collie Into the Room.

ing off a little of Rusty's blood in a | the same as fifty-nine, except perhaps tube, very carefully.

"Here, Walter," he said, pointing to the little incision he had made, "will you take care of him?"

another. As he did so I sniffed. There was

day you will die unless you discharge an unmistakable odor of garlic in the It was signed with the mystic trademark of the fearsome Clutching "Arseniuretted hydrogen," he an-Elaine drew back into the pillows,

arsenic." "Arsenic!" I repeated, in horror. I had scarcely recovered from the surprise of Kennedy's startling revehall. Elaine seized the telephone and

tests.

evidently that the message might be from or about Elaine. But from the look on his face and from his manner, I could gather that, although it was not from Elaine herself, it was about something that in-

Kennedy seized the receiver, thinking

terested him greatly. "Good!" I heard him say finally. "I me. shall keep the appointment—absolutely.

"What was it?" I asked, eagerly.

"It was Elaine's footman, Michael," he replied, thoughtfully. "As I suspected, he says that he is a confederate of the Clutching Hand, and if we will protect him he will tell us the trouble with Elaine." I considered a moment. "How's

that?" I queried.

the pictures and furniture, only it is on the floor below."

He gazed about keenly. Then he took a few steps to the window and Quickly Craig made one test after threw it open. As he stood there he took the parts of the rods he had been carrying and fitted them together until he had a pole some eight or ten air which made me think of what I feet long. At one end was a curious had already noticed in Elaine's room. arrangement that seemed to contain lenses and a mirror. At the other swered, still engaged in verifying his end was an eye-piece, as nearly as I 'This is the Marsh test for could make out.

"What is that?" I asked as he completed his work. "That? That is an instrument

something on the order of a miniature lation when the telephone rang again. | periscope," Craig replied, still at I watched him, fascinated at his re-

sourcefulness. He stealthily thrust the mirror end of the periscope out of the window and up toward the corresponding window upstairs. Then he gazed eagerly through the eye-piece. "Walter-look!" he exclaimed to

I did. There, sure enough, was Michael, pacing up and down the room. As I looked at him nervously walking to and fro, I could not help admitting that things looked safe enough

measured steps of the footman. Craig

and all right to me. Kennedy folded the periscope up and we left our room, mounting the remaining flight of stairs. In fifty-nine we could hear the

knocked. The footsteps ceased. Then the door opened slowly and I could see a cold blue automatic.

"It's all right, Michael," reassured Craig calmly. "All right, Walter," he added to me. The gun dropped back into the foot-

man's pocket. We entered and Michael again locked the door. Not a word had been spoken by him so far. Next Michael moved to the center of the room and, as I realized later. brought himself in direct line with the open window. He seemed to be overcome with fear at his betrayal and

stood there breathing heavily. "Professor Kennedy" he began, "I have been so mistreated that I have made up my mind to tell you all I know about this Clutching-'

Suddenly he drew a sharp breath and both his hands clutched at his own breast. He did not stagger and fall in the ordinary manner, but seemed to bend at the knees and waist and literally crumple down on

We ran to him. Craig turned him over gently on his back and examined him. He called. No answer. Michael was almost pulseless.

Quickly Craig tore off his collar and bared his breast, for the man seemed to be struggling for breath. As he did so he drew from Michael's throat a small, sharp-pointed dart.

"What's that?" I ejaculated, horror stricken.

"A poisoned blowgun dart, such as is used by the South American Indians on the upper Orinoco," he said

He examined it carefully "What is the poison?" I asked. "Curari," he replied simply. "It acts on the respiratory muscles, paralyzing

them and causing asphyxiation." The dart seemed to have been made of a quill with a very sharp point, hollow, and containing the deadly poison in the sharpened end.

"Look out!" I cautioned, as he handled it.

"Oh, that's all right," he answered casually. "If I don't scratch myself, I am safe enough. I could swallow the stuff and it wouldn't hurt me—unless I had an abrasion of the lips or some internal cut."

Kennedy continued to examine the dart until suddenly I heard a low exclamation of surprise from him. Inside the hollow quill was a thin sheet of tissue paper, tightly rolled. He drew it out and read:

"To know me is Death." "Kennedy-Take Warning." Underneath was the inevitable Clutching Hand sign.

We jumped to our feet. Kennedy rushed to the window and slammed it shut, while I seized the key from Michael's pocket, opened the door and

called for help. A moment before, on the roof of a building across the street, one might have seen a bent, skulking figure His face was copper colored and on his head was a thick thatch of matted hair. He looked like a South American Indian, in a very dilapidated

suit of cast-off American clothes. He had slipped out through a doorway leading to a flight of steps from the roof to the hallway of the tenement, and, like one of his native venomous serpents, worked his way down the stairs again.

My outcry brought a veritable battalion of aid. The hotel proprietor, the negro waiter and several others dashed upstairs, followed shortly by a portly policeman.

Craig took the policeman into his confidence, showing him the dart and explaining about the poison. The officer stared blankly.

"I must get away, too," hurried on Craig. "Officer, I will leave you to take charge here. You can depend on me for the inquest."

The officer nodded. "Come on, Walter," whispered Craig, eager to get away, then adding the one word, "Elaine!"

I followed hastily not slow to un-

derstand his fear for her. Nor were Craig's fears groundless. In spite of all that could be done for her, Elaine was still in bed, much

weaker now than before. More than that, the Clutching Hand had not neglected the opportunity, either.

Suddenly, just before our return, a stone had come hurtling through the window, without warning of any kind, and had landed on Elaine's bed.

Below, as we learned some time afterwards, a car had drawn up hastily and the evil-faced crook whom the Clutching Hand had used to rid himself of the informer, "Limpy Red," had leaped out and hastily hurled the stone through the window, as quickly leaping back into the car and whisking away.

Around the stone was wrapped a piece of paper on which was the ominous warning, signed as usual by the Hand:

"Michael is dead. "Tomorrow, you.

"Then Kennedy.

"Stop before it is too late." Elaine had sunk back into her pillows, paler than ever from this sec-

It was just then that Kennedy and I arrived and were admitted. "Oh, Mr. Kennedy," cried Elaine,

handing him the note. Craig took it and read. "Miss Dodge," he said, as he held the note out to me, "you are suffering from arsenic poisoning-but I don't know yet how it is being administered."

He gazed about keenly. Meanwhile, I had taken the crumpled note from him and was reading it. Somehow, I had leaned against the wall. As I turned, Craig happened to glance at

"For heaven's sake, Watter," I heard

him exclaim. "What have you been up against?

He fairly leaped at me and I felt him examining my shoulder where I had been leaning on the wall. Something on the paper had come off and left a mark on my shoulder. Craig looked puzzled from me at the wall.

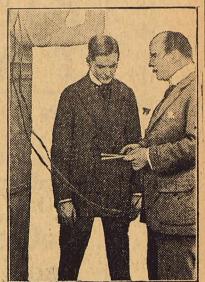
"Arsenic!" he cried. He whipped out a pocket lens and looked at the paper. "This heavy, fuzzy paper is fairly loaded with it,

powdered," he reported. Kennedy paced the room. Suddenly, pausing by the register, an idea

seemed to strike him. 'Walter," he whispered, "come down cellar with me."

"Oh! Be careful!" cried Elaine, anxious for him.

"I will," he called back As he flashed his pocket bull's-eye about, his gaze fell on the electric meter. He paused before it. In



Kennedy Discovers the Secret of the Poisoned Room.

spite of the fact that it was broad daylight, it was running. His face

"They are using no current at present in the house," he ruminated, "yet the meter is running."

He continued to examine the meter. Then he began to follow the electric wires along. At last he discovered a place where they had been tampered with and tapped by other wires.

"The work of the Clutching Hand!" he muttered.

Eagerly he followed the wires to the furnace and around to the back. There they led right into a little water tank. Kennedy yanked them out. As he did so he pulled something with them.

"Two electrodes the villain placed there," he exclaimed, holding them up triumphantly for me to see.

"Y-yes," I replied, dubiously, "but what does it all mean?"

"Why, don't you see? Under the influence of the electric current the water was decomposed and gave off oxygen and hydrogen. The free hydrogen passed up the furnace pipe and combining with the arsenic in the wall paper formed the deadly arseniuretted hydrogen.'

He cast the whole improvised electrolysis apparatus on the floor and lashed un the cellar stens

"I've found it!" he cried, hurrying into Elaine's room. "It's in this room -a deadly gas-arseniuretted hydro-

He tore open the windows. "Have her moved," he shouted to Aunt Josephine "Then have a vacuum cleaner go over every inch of wall, carpet and upholstery." Standing beside her, he breathlessly explained his discovery. "That wall paper has been loaded down with

arsenic, probably paris green or

Schweinfurth green, which is acetoarsenite of copper. Every minute you are here you are breathing arseniuretted hydrogen. This Clutching Hand is a diabolical genius. Think of itpoisoned wall paper!" No one said a word. Kennedy reached down and took the two Clutching Hand messages Elaine had received. "I shall want to study these notes, more, too," he said, holding them up to the wall at the head

be able to get something from studying the ink, the paper, the hand writ-Suddenly both leaped back, with a

of the bed as he flashed his pocket

lens at them. "You see, Elaine, I may

Their faces had been several inches apart. Something had whizzed between them and literally impaled the two notes on the wall. Down the street, on the roof of a

carriage house, back of a neighbor's, might have been seen the uncouth figure of the shabby South American Indian crouching behind a chimney and gazing intently at the Dodge house.

As Craig had thrown open Elaine's window and turned to Elaine the figure had crouched closer to the chimney.

Then with an uncanny determination, he slowly raised the blowgun to his lips. I jumped forward, followed by Doc-

tor Hayward, Aunt Josephine and Marie. Kennedy had a peculiar look as he pulled out from the wall a blowgun dart similar in every way to that which had killed Michael. "Craig!" gasped Elaine, reaching up and laying her soft, white hand on his

arm in undisguised fear for him, "you -you must give up this chase for the Clutching Hand!" "Give up the chase for the Clutching Hand?" he repeated in surprise.

'Never! Not until either he or I is dead! There was both fear and admiration mingled in her look, as he reached

down and patted her dainty shoulder OTO HE CONTINUEDDA THE

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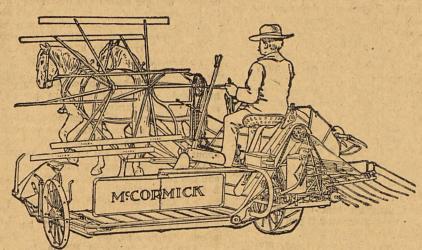
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read and adopted.

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pitalities of their little city to the officers for the ensuing year the full, free bowel movement and members begin boosting a trade in their faces, to make Ballinger Rebekahs repaired to the I. O. O. feel much better. Helps your ap- excursion, talk the matter over what it should be. Response by J. H. Price of Bal- F. Hall where San Angelo Re- petite and digestion. Try one to- with their employers and their linger and B. L. Birt of San An-bekahs conferred the degree. The night. gelo for the visiting Odd Fellows. work put on by this team was Welcome Rebekahs was deliver-beautiful in every detail. The WINTERS CHILD DIED HERE. trip, and make all arrangements ed by Mrs. J. S. Mills of Miles.

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Miss Gladys Crockett of Mullin, who had been visiting her uncles, J. J. and D. S. Crockett in our county, the past week or two, returned home Tuesday afternoon.

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the poisonous exudations which byterian Church the first of the acuse the boy or man did not week, but so far every service as announced has been held. The attendance on Wednesday night being well filled with people, Aside from the advantages to be practically all of whom, however, were Christian people.

A year's foot comfort guaranteed and impressive way, preached to times. There is no physical exthe way in which people must live every muscle in the body as well R. L. Bates of the Tokeen coun in order that sin might have dom- as the vital organs of man's make y, passed thru Ballinger Tues- inion over them. Rev. Rives holds up. lay afternoon en route home from the rapt attention of his hearers, San Angelo where he had been as and his sermons are inspiring to Ballinger could spend no better the man or woman who wants to live the better life.

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We believe that the parents of money for their children than a reasonable fee to support a swim-The song services grow in in- ming class. If a competent man To avoid expense of reshipping terest. Several new faces were in would arrange a place in the Coloto Dallas we offer a fine bargain the choir last night and Mr. Allen rado river near Ballinger and in a splendid used Upright Piano the director of the music again come before the parents and for a low price. Make terms to pleased the audience with a solo. solicit pupils for his class he suit buyer. Write quickly. Will Services were announced for the would no doubt receive support A. Watkin Company, Texas, entire week for ten o'clock in the sufficient to make such an under-

ing when there will be no service. boy can learn to swim in a few It is claimed that the average minutes, and with three or four Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Willsap, of lessons of twenty to thirty min-Hamily, have been in our city at utes each he can become a profici the sanitarium with their son who ent swimmer. The cost would be was recently operated upon, and small and might save the life of

The only boy that learns to swim today is the one that slips Mrs. Sam Frazier, of San An- away from home and goes in swim gelo, came in Wednesday after- ming without the knowledge of noon to join her husband and will his parents. Many boys are learn make Ballinger their future home. ing to swim, and are taking great Mr. Frazier is now with the Laxon hances without the aid of those who can swim, when if their

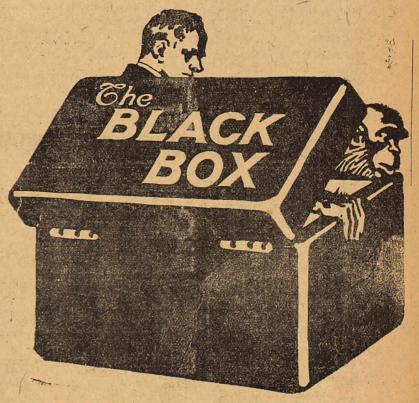
mothers knew where they were should go the parents must prothe mother would be thrown al- videfor him harmless amusement, most into frenzied spasms. To or he will provide for himself raise a boy up in the way he amusement that is not harmless.

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CHAPTER XXIX. Ruth to the Rescue.

honor of their engagement Sir Donald Faversham gently insisted that Ruth Gallon at-

tend a ball which was to be given by the British officers. Ruth pleaded to be allowed not to go, but Consul Reynolds and his wife added their urgings to the baronet's, and even the time honored excuse of "nothing to wear" was firmly refused.

Though she said nothing to any one else about her feelings, she really could not refrain from accusing herself of disloyalty to John Dorr.

He was out in the hills risking his life to regain her fortune. Could she dance and take pleasure with a cheer ful heart when she did not know whether he was living or dead?

However, she went and received the formal congratulations of a great many natty officers and the informal complaints of certain young Americans, who vowed that she was unpatriotic in choosing an English nusband, and danced with Sir Donald and his friends and smiled and bushed at the compli ments and frowned laughingly on the flirts and generally conducted herself as a happy bride to be should.

Faversham was delighted and told her so in many ways. And long after midnight, when Mrs. Reynolds was preparing to go home, he took Ruth our under the shadows of the garden trees and would have kissed her.

"Don't" she said simply. 'What is the matter, darling?" he asked tenderty.

She stared out into the darkness and be saw the pallor of her face.

"I am sure something has happened to John." Faversham frowned. It was too bad

that this man should always come be tween him and his betrothed. But his voice was very gentle as he answered "That is out of the question. Ach met is very faithful, and if anything had happened I should know of it.".

Ruth shook her head and insisted that she was sure. The baronet laugh ed at her, but she was not to be pu off.

"I know John is in trouble," she said determinedly. "If you won't help me I'll go myself!"

Sir Donald argued as strongly as he could and in vain.

"I'm perfectly sure that John Dor is in trouble," she repeated. "He's all alone up there among those awful na tives and"-'Achinet is with him," interposed

Faversham. -"and some one must go right away

and help him," Ruth went on. 'You poor girt!" marmured Mrs. Reynolds. "I know how you feel, but you must get some rest. We'll talk it

over later in the morning." She drew Ruth away toward ber room, with a backward glance of whimsical comfort for the baronet.

Faversham watched them go, stood doubtful for a moment, shook his head and departed.

The consul's wife found Ruth too jusisted that, as no one else would go she would set out herself, and to em phasize her assertion began to chauge from her ball gown into a riding habit. The consul came out in dressing

gown and slippers when Ruth, fully clad, emerged from her room, still resisting the importunity of his wife. He add a many common sense argu

ments, ber Ruth would not listen. 'I know that he is in trouble." she repeated.

But it he were, which is most un likely, you couldn't help him," Mr. Reynolds said bluntly. "In fact, you merely make matters worse."

When they found her obdurate they took silent counsel of one another, told her to wait a moment and vanished.

The instant they were gone Ruth slipped out of the house and boldly turned her face toward the hills now black against the unlit sky.

All day she traveled, strangely alone in a populous country. Many natives she met, but they merely looked cu-

riously at the white girl in western riding clothes, and as she avoided vil lages she escaped the notice of any one in authority

She knew that when her absence was certain both Mr. Reynolds and Sir Donald would come after her.

Night came, and she was still push ing on, though hungry and weary. In the darkness she perforce kept to open paths, and it was on one of these that a panting native found her.

Achmet!" she whispered when he raised his contorted face to hers.

In a few words he told her what had happened. She said curtly. "I know that. Where is he?"

Sir Donald's former servant looked at her and remembered the strangeness of things done by white women.

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Miss Lula Goode of Plainview. who is attending school at Simmons College at Abilene, was the guest of Miss Etta Hutton the past day or two, returned to Abilene Monday afternoon.

He led the way back toward the but, muttering now and again of the terrible things he had seen.

And while Ruth was thus defying all precedent and going to the aid of the you." man she loved Wilkerson had found himself again bemmed in, cut off in the darkness from escape to the city.

Though he and Dorr had driven the hillmen away from the but and quenched their eagerness of assault, they still hovered in the little gullies, and on every hand the fugitive found himself confronted by a heard but unseen en-

He stole back to the but and peered in. John was still bound in the chair, and Drake's body lay huddled on the floor.

He made his preparations quickly, piling some dried grass and fine rubbish against one corner of the hut. When the pile was once alight he dumped some powder on it and ran



"Achmet!" she whispered

swiftly away, hiding a few hundred yards back. The hut took fire slowly, but the

glare accomplished his purpose. It slowly drew the watchers toward it. Satisfied that no one would be spy ing on him now, but that all would have eyes only for the fire, he set

forth quickly, careless of the fact that John Dorr must be burning alive. In the darkness he passed Achmet

and Ruth. The blaze had almost entirely en veloped the but when Ruth finally staggered in and with a sob of joy cut John's bonds and half dragged him through the swirling smoke into the

When she had done this she prompt ly fainted.

The smoldering embers were send ing up blue spirals of smoke into the morning sky when Consul Reynolds and Sir Donald spurred their wearied horses up to where John and Achmet squatted with Ruth between them still but dimly conscious.

Dorr briefly explained his experiences and related how Ruth had suddenly appeared, just as he had given up hope.

Sir Donald, kneeling by Ruth's side. merely patted her hand.

The next morning Mrs. Reynolds laid down the law in set terms to the party assembled around the breakfast table. "You must get this young lady back to America," she said, "papers or no

papers!" John and Sir Donald nodded without

glancing at each other. Thus it was that a couple of days later old Tom Kane at the "Master Key" mine received a cablegram read

Wilkerson Darnell aboard steamship Pa cific; Frisco, 30th, with papers. We follower. Thus it was that the struggle be

tween Wilkerson and John Dorr was again transformed to the valley in which lay the "Master Key" mine. Wilkerson and Jean Darnell, with

the precious papers in their possession. slipped away hurriedly, taking the first steamer that sailed.

He had told her about Drake's death though unable to say how it had hap pened. Privately he had no regrets. The young man had served his pur

pose, and it was by no means doubtful that Mrs. Darnell would have seen to it that he had his reward, for she liked him as much as it was in her nature to care for any man, he thought "He was an awfully good sort," she said to Wilkerson one night as they leaned over the rail and watched the long swells from the bow speed fan

wise into the infinity of the sea. "Yes, the fellow had his good points," he admitted.

"I miss him," she said simply. Later she added thoughtfully, "I think he was in love with me."

Wilkerson laughed. Mrs. Darnell glanced at him with an expression strange on her handsome face. "Yes, I am sure he loved me."

"In vain," he returned lightly. "I don't know whether it might have been wholly in vain after all," she we make a trade. We give them as murmured. "Life has given me little love of that kind. It seems as if I had always been a woman who for if need be, and they in return for this mere seit protection could not let any hand us over the plans that Thomas one love me or let myself love him."

was the quiet response. gled too hard and fought too long for you to allow any one else to have

"And what does your love amount to, after all, Harry?" she asked. "Tell me plainly. Has it done either of us any good? Will it ever do us any good?

Wilkerson stared out at the dark sea. and his face grew slowly very cruel. "Good?" he repeated. "all that I know is that I love you more than anything else in the universe. You

love luxury and jewelry and gold and silk. Because I know what you love I am trying to get it for you, because I want you more than I want anything else. 1-1 think we are even.

"Even?" she said in a suddenly strained voice. "Yes, we are evenyou the felon and the murderer, I the receiver of stolen goods, stolen happiness, stolen life, stolen gold!"

When they finally reached San Fran

cisco Wilkerson found her oddly distrait. She did not know whether to go to the mine or to return to New York. One moment she was in a tigerish

rage; the next hour she was staring at the fog haunted hills with eyes that saw nothing. He stormed and argued to no pur-

pose. He recalled to her constantly the fact that he had the deeds, the master key itself, the plans of the location of the mother lode.

She either listened listlessly or drove him away with furious upbraidings. Yet in the end she accompanied him to Silent Valley.

It was a bitter moment for old Tom Kane when the stage drove up and Wilkerson and Mrs. Darnell got out in stead of John Dorr and Ruth.

He had hoped against hope, and now his dreams were in ashes, for Wilkerson instantly took charge, the men, as Tom put it to himself, followed the paymaster, and so far as outward appearance went the "Master Key" mine was firmly in Wilkerson's possession.

Mrs. Darnell here proved herself the shrewder mind. Though she was little seen, her influence was potent.

And more than anything else she worked on Wilkerson so that he did not use the plans and open up the rich vein.

"Wait," she told him. "Don't be impatient. Our whole power here is in the fact that we have the secret. Once that is public we'll likely lose everything.' "But we ought to be at work before

"Yes, and every court in the land will help him to regain this mine and its wealth. Don't you see? Compro mise!"

Dorr gets back," he would argue.

"Compromise!" he repeated dully. "Yes, you fool!" "But how?"

"Wait-wait till John and Ruth get back. They'll be glad enough to buy those plans. Harry."

When John Dorr and Ruth arrived on the following steamer Everett met them at the pier and told them the news as he had gathered it from faithful Tom Kane, whom Jean Darnell had insisted should resume his duties as cook, sagely observing to Wilkerson that it would be well for them to have a witness whose veracity Dorr would

not impugu. Settled in the hotel, Dorr briefly re cited the experiences of the past months and then bluntly asked, "What

are we to do?" Everett was ready with his answer.

The dull red flooded John's face, and he bit his lip. Had all his work gone for nothing?

Everett laid a friendly hand on his knee. "Now listen," he said gravely. "Here is Miss Ruth minus her key, practically ousted from possession of her property and, if we are not mistaken, unable to lay her hands on her most precious inheritance-the plans of the mother lode. They're in Wilkerson's possession."

"And he's digging the gold night and day!" John burst out.

With a swift glance to reassure Ruth who sat in mournful silence, Everett

"That is the shrewd part of Wilker son's play. He knows that the law will give Miss Ruth here back her mine and all that it contains. It would take time, but as sure as we are sitting here, and no one knows it better than he-justice would strip him of ev ery ill gotten cent and send him t prison with his accomplice. So what does be do? Hastily uncover the real prize? No. He conceals it still and merely works the original mine."

"But we can put him out of father's

mine, can't we?" demanded Ruth, "And when we do we shall still be no wiser as to the location of the real gold. All our trouble and expense will have gone for naught. Wilkerson will still hold the secret of the 'Master Key.'

"And how are we going to get i from him?" demanded Dorr, clinching his fist Everett smiled. "By buying it from him."

"He will ask millions!" The broker smiled again.

"Consider Wilkerson's position for a moment. He is liable to arrest, tria and long imprisonment on a dozen charges. Within twenty-four hours we can have him behind the bars. But we wouldn't be helping ourselves much would we? Yet Wilkerson and Mrs Darnell don't want to go to jail. We

hold that club over them. They have the secret we must have and we can ruin their lives. Therefore surance that we will not prosecute them, that we will even enrich them Gallon made.'

CHAPTER XXX.

"I-I thought you loved me too!" UTH had listened intently, and now she seemed to draw herself a little out of the conversation, Her change of attitude did not go unobserved, and both

Everett and Dorr were puzzled. Everett saw that there was another mystery of which he knew nothing and instantly and in the most businesslike

manner turned to Ruth and said: "Now, all this subject to your ap-

proval, Miss Ruth. You know you are practically of age." She looked at Everett steadily and

said in a low tone, "I think Sir Donald Faversham should be consulted." 'But he has nothing"- John began.

He has everything to do with this plan," Ruth said steadily. "I know he's done a lot," Dorr stammered, feeling the ground give under

his feet, "but in this matter" "I think Miss Ruth is perfectly right," Everett said quickly, trying not to let the pity he felt for John show in his eyes. "Let us call him, by all

means.' Sir Donald had kept himself most discreetly in the background for many weeks. Only the constant oversight for her comfort showed Ruth that she was never out of his mind.

She could not even think of him without a throb of gratitude.

And now when all must be made plain and she must live up to her own promise she steeled herself for the or

Sir Donald listened to Everett's plan and approved it thoroughly.

"And now that we have decided what to do," he concluded, "I think we should immediately go to the mine and make the-ah-the deal. I by no means like this affair, and the sooner it is

over with the better." "Good," said Everett, much relieved. "And you and I, Sir Donald, being the third parties, had better handle this

deal. Do you agree to that, John?" "I'd like to just get my hands on that fellow once more," was the hoarse response. "There would be no further

need of this 'deal' as you call it.' "Yes and the fat would be in the fire." Everett replied.

Dorr finally agreed to maintain a strict neutrality and Ruth gratefully accepted the offer to conduct her afairs as Sir Donald and Everett should judge best.

That night they left for Silent Valley. Tom Kane received them joyfully

and informed Ruth that Mrs. Darnell had especially seen to it that the bun galow was ready for her.

He was full of other news, but both Sir Donald and Everett put him off and set about their business.

It was a strange conference that met that night in the office. On one side were Harry Wilkerson and Mrs. Dar nell, on the other Everett and Faversham, the latter looking so intensely bored that shrewd Mrs. Darnell in stantly made up her mind that she and Wilkerson would have to accept bitter terms.

Sir Donald was only too evidently waiting for formalities to be over before be said the few words necessary for him to say as Ruth's representa-

Wilkerson himself felt, too, that he was at last playing a game where all



"Yes, and the fat would be in the fire."

the cards were to be face up on the

board. When Everett had coldly and definitely set the situation before them Wilkerson sat motionless and in si lence for a moment

His shifty eyes did not meet the gaze of the three who looked to him for his yes or no. When he spoke it was with a dash of his old effrontery.

"I understand the proposal," he said, working his lean, brown tingers back and forth over a blue print on the desk. "We quit, give you the plans, and you give us"-he suddenly leaned over and darted a bright glance into Everett's eyes-"you give us what?"

Everett was prepared for the ques tion and answered it promptly. give you \$50,000 cash and won't prosecute von."

Wilkerson shook his head.

"You understand that half this mine was mine by rights when Tom Gallon took it for himself by shooting me and

leaving me to die on the desert. Fifty thousand? Pah!" "And immunity from prosecution." stated Sir Donald impassively. Wilkerson swung on him, thrusting his lean, furious face close to the Eng-

lishman's calm, unperturbed counte-"What have you to do with this?" he

snarled. Faversham did not shift his position

Gallon's promise to marry me." There was a sudden silence, broken only when Wilkerson's dry throat ut-

tered a triumphant croak. Mrs. Darnell looked at Faversham with her tawny eyes filled with dull embers of passion. Everett sat as if bill right off. Told his men that dynastunned.

"So John Dorr gets the kicks and son wildly. "I have cursed him, but what formation he has to deal with." all my curses couldn't have punished him worse. Why." he went on half hysterically, "the poor foot loves her!" Again silence.

This time Everett broke it, saying stiffly: "You understand our proposition. Do you accept it?"

Mrs. Darnell laid her hand on Wilkerson's arm, and he seemed to fall into a profound reverie.

They could see the lights and shadows flit over his saturnine visage, the sparkle of his eyes dying into a mere dreamy glow, the sudden tightening of his thin lips, the working of his hands.

Finally he roused himself as by an effort.

"I think I ought to have more," he said quietly. "There are signs of gold on one part of this property which has never been worked. It is nowhere near the place marked in the plans, as you will easily see. You understand that Tom Gallon and I were partners when he located that rich ore. Never mind. Bygones are bygones. But I want \$50,000 and that little claim. It may not amount to anything, but then again it may. Fifty thousand is soon spent. A mine is a mine."

The plans!" demanded Sir Donald. Wilkerson pulled out of his shirt bosom an oilskin folded around square paper. He laid this on the ta-

"There they are," he said, as though

driven to bay. Mrs. Darnell's movement of protest did not escape either Everett or Faversham. They looked at the little packet that had cost so much agony and bloodshed.

"It is a-a gentleman's agreement," said Sir Donald presently, taking out his check book. The money passed, and then Everett

it in his pocket. "The deeds and the master key," he said gently. Mrs. Darnell's face became splendid

picked up the oilskin packet and put

from about her throbbing throat and flung the key on the table. Sir Donald picked it up carefully and rose. At the same moment Everett pocketed the deeds and started for the

He and Faversham passed out into the starry night and vanished, leaving Wilkerson still at the desk fumbling the check. Suddenly he reached for pen and ink

and scrawled his name on the back. Then be silently handed it to Jean Darnell, biting her red lips and moving almost imperceptibly, like an animal about to spring. She took the bit of paper and tucked

her companion. He met her fiery gaze coldly "The mother lode is on that little bit got them to give us." he said calmly.

"The plans Everett has are false." And the look that she allowed him to see in her eyes was such as no other man had ever seen there. It was as if her tortured and lonely, proud soul had found its mute in some darkness made lurid by the flames of hell.

. . . . Sir Donald spoke a brief good night to Everett when they had left the office and turned toward the bungalow. leaving the other to go up to where the light burned in John Dorr's cabin and tell him of the events of the even-

He met Ruth at the door and quietly told her that all was well. She looked up at him with her great eyes filled with unshed tears and he bent over her

a little. Then he drew out the master key and put the ribbon over her head until the dull brass shone on her white

"You are once more the mistress of the master key," he said gently, "and of my heart." Something in her expression told him

he had said enough. With a cheerful word he went away. But the next day Sir Donald renewed his wooing in such a fashion that Ruth was sorely put to it to keep him from demanding such caresses as her engagement made him rightfully ask

The hardest part was that she perceived that John Dorr now knew that she was to marry Sir Donald. He did not know, nor ever would,

what that marriage was the price of. Everett, of course, had quietly introduced Sir Donald's assertion of his new relation to Ruth into his narrative of what had occurred in the office. John had taken the blow steadily

but he was not one to walk in the dark. He sought out Ruth and in a few words drew from her the truth. "Now we all know where we stand,"

John said bravely, smiling at her. "But I-I thought you loved me too," she murmured. "That doesn't alter the matter," he

said comfortingly. "Now I must get that followed the terrific uproar he to work. I've lots to do. Wilkerson has already started work around the spur, and I must begin driving into the place where your father found that rich vein. We may drift into it any day."

Naturally enough the two camps kept pretty much to themselves, but Tom Kane carried the gossip to John Dorr. evidently in an effort to distract his mind.

The old cook knew that John's heart was breaking, and between his love

nor change his tone. "I have Miss for each of them he was miniself third pressed to maintain a cheerful counte-

nauce "Wilkerson's impatient as ever," he told John one afternoon. "He can't wait on tunneling and such, but be's going to blow the whole face of his

mite was better than pick and shovel." "Well," said John, "that may prove you get the halfpence?" said Wilker- all right. At least he'll get a notion of

Later that same day Kane announced that Wilkerson was going to set off the biggest battery of shots ever tried in the valley.

As a consequence Faversham, Ruth, John, Everett and many others went across the gulch toward evening to watch the show:

Old Tom Kane waggled his gray bead doubtfully as he related how



They Saw Man After Man Come Down the Hill Till Only Wilkerson Was

much dynamite had been planted and how Wilkerson's men were actually too nervous to work any longer.

"He has to fix the fuses and fire the shots himself," he said. True enough, they saw man after

man come down the hill till only Wil-

Ruth noticed that he worked rapidly and with an occasional glance down toward Mrs. Darnell, who stood near in its futile rage. She tore the ribbon a big rock shading her eyes against the evening sun. At last the work was apparently

kerson was left.

At that signal there was a general rush for cover. Then the man straightened himself up as if master of the demons hidden at his feet, and waved his hand to the woman watching him from below;

done, and Wilkerson waved his arms,

then he stooped An instant later there was a terrific explosion, and a smoky gap appeared halfway up the hillside. At the foot of the slope lay the body

of Wilkerson, tossed there as one

might toss an old hat. The smoke on the hill eddied and swirled. it in her bosom. Then she turned on No one stirred. There were a dozen other unexploded shots in that hillside, any one of which would likely bring the toppling crest downward.

> With white faces they held their breath. Wilkerson's body twitched slightly, the only moving thing in that amphitheater. Then there was a wild scream, filled with terror, with passion, with flaming and awful desire, and Jean Darnel

ran over the rubble toward the smok ing hill, crying: "Harry! Harry!" A dozen men started to run to drag her back, and a hundred voices muttered warnings that held them in their

tracks.

Jean reached the body and flung berself on it; then she rose and stared, up at the great rocky crest. Did she hear the roar of voices calling to her to flee while there was time? Did she see the death that hung

above her. If she did she despised

In this final cataclysm her wild heart broke through the bonds of this selfish existence and flung her a full passioned sacrifice on the body of the man who had loved her and given her his all-honor and life!

In the quick silence they who watched heard a single, full throated cry: "Harry! Harry!" Then the mountain roared into the

air, and the avalanche of rock poured

over the two lovers in wave after wave till it had buried them forever. And as explosion after explosion rocked the earth and filled the evening sky with lurid debris Ruth struggled from Sir Donald's detaining grasp and fled into the arms of John Dorr, where

she clung, sobbing: "John! John!" Sir Donald looked at John Dorr's transfigured face and heard that cry. meant for lover's ears alone.

Very steadily he turned away and

stared up at the terrific cataclysm which had united both the darkling hearted and golden youth. He found the cook beside him, his gray locks streaming in the gusts of wind from the blasts. He pointed with his stick to a piece of rock that rolled to their feet, and in the dull stillness

said: "I really believe. Mr. Kane, that we have uncovered the gold we have looked for so long."

And Tom Kane reached down and picked up the nugget and stared at it. Then he turned to the white faced gentleman beside him. "'The Master Key!" the old man

muttered. "Yes," returned Sir Donald quietly, "it unlocks strange doors." THE END.

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### Picking Up the Loose Business.

Building up a business is largely a matter of picking up

Every business man has a certain amount of trade that is assured. He hopes to build up his business, however, by serving the occasional customer well, and adding thim to his permanent list.

The telephone furnishes one of the easiest and surest means of getting and holding the occasional customer.

The WEST TEXAS TELEPHONE subscribers in your vicinity represent an enormous buying power, and you should make it convenient for them to deal with you by having adequate telephone facilities in your place of business.

This is only one of the almost countless uses of the tel-

### West Texas Telephone Company "The System Reliable."

H. W. Day,

Local Manager

### M. D. Chastain Grain Company

Pay the highest Market Price for MAIZE, OATS and COTTON SEED

### 696969696969696969 Just What You've Been Looking For.

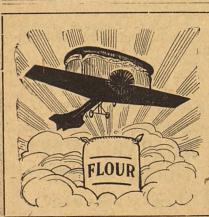
Farmers here is your chance to get bargaing in lumber. We have torn down old sheds recently purchased by us, and will sell all roofing and dimension stuff at bottom prices. If you want cheap lumber-Come quick.



### THE CATTLE FROM WHICH OUR BEEF COMES

are carefully and scientifically bred and fed. They don't have to range hundreds of miles for a living, so their flesh never gets hard, tough and flavorless. A taste of our beef is the test we ask. We know you'll like it, because no one could help doing so.

CITY MEAT MARKET



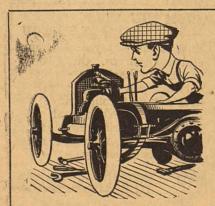
### NOT HEAVIER BUT LIGHTER THAN AIR

is bread made with our flour. You'll fly high in the realms of good baking if you include our flour in the materials used Eventually you will use it. So why not now? The sooner you do, the quicker the better baking will begin.

Missouri Milling Co.

HAIL INSURANCE on grain A Better Contract, Good Service, Prompt Settlement

E. SHEPPERD & CO. Ballinger Texas



### WE SAVE YOUR CAR FOR YOU

If you will bring your care to us from time to time, let us look it over and repair any little defects, it will increase the life of it many years. A repair made in time saves a big expense later. Our charges are moderate for the best service.

Leach Auto Works

## BINDER TWINE SHORT-AGE THREATENED

On account of the Mexican war, which is responsible for disturbing the supply/of raw material from the jute fields of South America, this country is threatened with a twine famine.

A local dealer stated that he hoped to get every ball of twine he had contracted for, but so far had only received one car and it has all been sold. A notice from the twine dealers some time ago stated that unless the material could be secured that a twine shortage was certain to follow. Uncle Sam sent war vessels to Vera Cruz and opened up the commerce of that port and started the material to moving, and it is hoped that this will relieve the situation. However, it is known that twine is moving slow and the harvest season is near at

It is estimated that it will require twelve car loads of binder twine to supply the demand for Ballinger alone. Up to date only three car loads have been received here. Twine dealers are on the alert and are making every effort to get the twine they have contracted for, and those who have placed orders with responsible firms will get their twine if the manufacturers make it. The territory where the twine was not contracted sometime ago will no doubt suffer.

The average car of Twine amounts to 40,000 pounds, or 8, 000 balls. The crop in the Ballinger country is the best ever, and it is estimated that it will require 96,000 balls to take care of the crop in this immediate section. The local dealers are doing their best to supply this, and we believe that while other markets may run short, the fact that the Ballinger dealers bought early and contracted with responsible wholesalers will be to a great advantage of the grain growers.

The crop has been made and the man who delays in harvesting preparations will no doubt suffer an inconvenience and a great loss.

### No Use to Try and Wear Out Your Cold It Will Wear You Out Instead.

Thousands keep on suffering oughs and Colds through negect and delay. Why make yourself an easy prey to serious ailments and epidemics as the result of a neglected Cold? Coughs and Colds sap your strength and vitality unless checked in the early stages. Dr. King's New Discovery is what you need-the first dose helps. Your head clears HARWELL MOTOR CO. up, you breathe freely and you feel so much better. Buy a bottle today and start taking at once.

### RECEIVED FINE STOCK.

G. G. Odom received this week from eastern points, 900 fine sheep and eight thoroughbred Hereford oulls and had them taken out to his Coke county ranch Friday. at an early date. The bulls were young stock and each one a beautiful, well marked

# CASTORIA

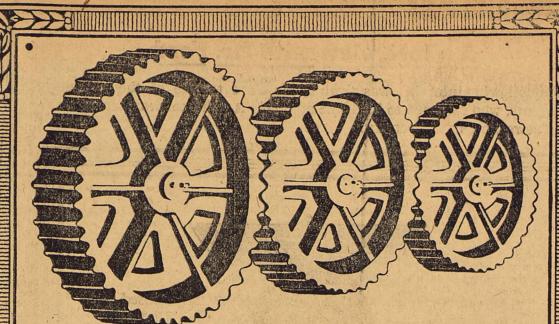
For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of Chart Hillthorn

and W. O. Schultz of Eden, and S. A. Hargroves of Millersview, and H. F. Alexander, the Truitt merchant, were among the business visitors in Ballinger first Monday.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomit ing. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic pains Winters were here first Monday and diarrhoea. McGee's Baby looking after business affairs: E. Elixir is a grand corrective remedy for the stomach and bowel Baird, D. R. Smith. disorders of babies. It is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Fritiz Voelkel of the Hatchel country, was in the city Monday having 65 bales of cotton graded and will put the same on the market later:

W. H. Seales of the Crews country, was in the city Monday to meet his wife who was en route home from a visit to relatives at Belton.



# Without Trouble— For the First Time in Ten Years

This is what a brick manufacturer in Illinois said when he had used one barrel of Texaco Crater Compound for the heavy gearing of his brick-making machinery.

Before this we have had to buy new gears every spring because the difficult work imposed upon them caused them to wear out very rapidly.

I do not know just how much longer these will last, but we won't need any new ones this year, and that saving will pay a good many oil bills.

### **TEXACO QUALITY**

was responsible. Working under these difficult conditions, as it operates under any circumstances, performing service second to none, saving more in the wear and tear upon this heavy gearing than many times its cost.

Texaco Quality and Service will work out your problem just as efficiently as in this case.

Call on our agent in your town. Give him your hardest problems. Texaco Red-Star-Green-T Products, made in Texas will solve them for you.

> The Texas Company General Offices, Houston, Texas



begin moving from their prespated. J. S. Mills was elected jail here to await trial and action ent quarters to the new location chairman and Tom P. Cooper sector of the county court.

a hardware store. The building Thaetre following the clean up section. now occupied by the Harwell meeting.—Miles Messenger. Motor Co., will be occupied as oon as the Fords are moved out, out a tenant has not been secured. A number of applications have been made for the building.

Clayton of the Benoit country room, repair and garage business demands more room.

> Go to Winters Saddle and Hariess Shop for anything in leather goods. Shoe work and general repairing. O. W. Jolly, Mgr. 10-

### FIRST MONDAY VISITORS.

The following gentlemen from F. Edwards, Tad Richards, I. L.

# NOT ENOUGH CHILDREN

ever receive the proper balance of food to sufficiently nourish both body and brain during the growing period when nature's demands are greater than in mature life. This is shown in so many pale faces, lean bodies, frequent colds, and lack of ambition.

A cage has been provided and the squirrels will be kept in the cage until they get used to their new home and then released to play in the trees.

C. A Weddle of the Pony

For all such children we say with unmistakable earnestness: They need Scott's Emulsion, and need it now. It possesses in concentrated form the very food elements to enrich their blood. It changes weakness to strength; it makes them sturdy and strong. No alcohol.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

# BUSINESS MENS CLUB

The Harwell Motor Co., have last Tuesday afternoon at which neighborhood. leased the building on the corner meeting quite a number of our Mr. Mason brought the Mexican retary. On account of the late-

Dizziness, vertigo, (blind staggers) sallow complexion, flatulence are symptoms of a torpid liver. No one can feel well while compelled to secure larger quar-W. S. Davis of the Winters country, Joe Hoffman and B. J. Clayton of the Benoit country room, repair and garage business 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

### LLANO SQUIRRELS FOR CITY PARK RECEIVED

A. Wilke ,landscape gardner for the county, received three squirrels this week, and they have been given a home in the park. Some people traveling the country in a wagon caught the squirrels on the Llano river. They had read of Ballinger's beautiful park, and that an effort was being made to place squir rels in the park and they brought

Don't Waste Time "Hollering." "GETS.IT."

World's Simplest Corn-Cure, Never Fails. rels in the park, and they brought the squirrels to Ballinger and turned them over to Mr. Wilke.

A cage has been provided and

C. A. Weddle, of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year. He Sold in Ballinger and recommended as also advertises his fine stallion in the Banner-Ledger while here.

### CRAZY MEXICAN LOCKED UP

Deputy Constable Mason was TO MOVE QUARTERS Temopary organization looking called to the Pony creek communa permanent organization of a ity Thursday to take in charge Business Men's Club for Miles, a Mexican who was making things was had at the Dixie Theatre on unpleasant for the citizens of that

of Ninth and Hutchings and will citizens were present and partici- to Ballinger and he was placed in

The building to be occupied by ness of the hour a motion prevail-this firm is what is known as the ed that the meeting adjourn till Duffy and Roy Lumas of the Jones-Walton building, and up to next Monday afternoon for a per- Tennyson country were looking a few months ago was occupied as manent organization, at the Dixie after school business for their

### Corn-Mad? Use "GETS-IT," It's Sure

Makes Corns Vanish Like Magie!



World's Simplest Corn-Cure, Never Fails.

why corn-millions have gone wild over
"GETS-IT"—nothing like it ever known.
Some folks, to this day, putter around
with bandages, sticky tape, thick plasters,
corn "pulling" salves, gouge corns out
with knives, snip them with scissors,
make them bleed and then howl because
they can't get rid of sore corns. Use
"GETS-IT." There's nothing to do but
apply 2 drops. The work is done, "GETSIT" does the rest. No pain, no fussing, no
changing shoes, no limping, it never
fails. Try it tonight for any corn, callus,
wart or bunion. Be sure that you get
"GETS-IT" and nothing else.

"GETS-IT" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E.
Lawrence & Co., Chicago.

Sold in Ballinger and recommended as

the world's best corn cure by Walker Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce and City Drug

### An Interview with Mr. Ford

The following interview was given by Mr. Ford to one of the aggressive Ford agents, who returned to his home and gave it to his territory in the following newspaper advsrtisement.



This is most Important Advertisement I Ever Caused to Be Published.—Read Every Word—and then Marvel!

On a personal visit to Mr. Henry Ford I broached the subject of a possible August 1st rebate.

[The Ford Company announced last year—as you well remember—that if their total sales reached 300,000 cars between August 1, 1914, and August 1, 1915, each purchaser during the period would receive back a refund of \$40.00 t.\$60.00.]

"Mr. Ford," I suggested, "Is there anything I can say to our people with regard to the Ford Motor Company's 300,000 car rebate plan?"

"We shall sell the 300,000," was the quiet reply-"and in II-months, a full month

"Then a refund is practically assured?"

"Yes-barring the tôtally unexpected. We are 50,000 to 75,000 cars behind orders today. Factory and branches are sending out 1800 daily."

I then said to Mr. Ford: If I could make definite refund statement we would increase our local sales 500 cars.

"You may say," was Mr. Ford's deliberate and significant repty to this-"You may say that we shall pay back to each purchaser of a Ford car between August 1, 1914, and August 1, 1915, barring the unforeseen, the sum of \$50. You may say that I anthorized you to make this statement!"

What can I add to the above? \$15'000.000 cash coming back to Fordowners! And to prospective Ford owners up to August 1, 1915, it actually means—Ford Touring Cars \$490—less than \$50 rebate! Ford Runabouts for

# Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

# Wiping Out Foot

(Continued from First Page.)

ment cites the case of Germany where the disease has been allow- Thursday evening announcing the 7th and continue until July 29th. that the slaughter of exposed death of Jno. R. Day which oc- Indications are that the enrollanimals could not be resorted to. curred at eight o'clock of the ment this year will be much larg-In 1911, for example, it was esti- same evening at San Angelo. mated that there were 3,366,369 While particulars of the death Normal and desire information head of cattle, 1,602,929 sheep, have not been told it is reported concerning the big normal and 2,555,271 hogs, and 53,674 goats that Mr. Day dropped dead. suffering from the disease in Germany, making the pestilence! the consequences of allowing the rest a number of years ago.

the first trace was discovered in ipment of these hogs inbecause practically all shipments sections.

Fog Coffee of the Leaday coun try was among the business vis- residing at San Angelo. He had Many Ballinger Citizens Have itors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Charlie Kaiser and D. A. Dumas of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Wood McKissiek, one of the JNO. R. DAY DIED Crews grocery merchants, and Sam Gray, the Crews hotel man were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

J. B. Pace of Truitt, were looking after business affairs in Bal- were brought to Ballinger Friday. testimony of a Ballinger citizen. linger between trains Tuesday.

### NORTON CITIZENS HERE.

The following citizens of the Norton country were in Ballinger Monday to look after school busi- ed the funeral. and other affairs: E. J. Handley, E. C. Good, R. B. Hambright, Jake Stubberfield, E. H. Harding, A. W. Hardin, Tobe Tittle, G. W. Caswell and Dr. W. W. Mitchel.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure. made to locate them. The worst cases, no matter of how long standing.

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The worst cases are the worst cases and the worst case are the worst case and the worst case are the worst Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves his home at Brady, Brownwood, N. Y.

# and Mouth Disease JNO. R. DAY DROPS DEAD AT ANGELO SUMMER NORMAL

The remains were prepared for requested to write Conductor T. a perpetual drain on the farmers. While the Ballinger H. Hart at Brownwood. 4-dwtf Planting seed as good live stock organization. He has chosen as Hamilton, of Winters, who had There are more than three times Friday afternoon and interred in as many of these animals in the City Cemetery where his United States as in Germany and mother and sister were laid to

disease to get such a foothold are the early settlers in Ballinger. He While the exact origin of the came here about twenty-five years recent epidemic is still unknown, the first trace was discovered in the business for two or three years the first trace was discovered in Michigan. Skimmed milk returned Western Mercantile Co., a genfrom a creamery in the southern eral merchandise company that grandson, the son of Mr. and

the Chicago stockyards resided at Brownwood and Brady visiting her daughter the past sevand otl shipments passing thru and for the past several years has eral weeks. The little grandson the stockyards carried the infect-been in the cotton business. He will visit his grandparents. ion as far west as Washington, has spent several cotton seasons in and as far east as Massachusetts. Ballinger since moving away from The South and Southwest escaped here, and has bought cotton in Monday night to attend the funpractically every town in Cen- eral of his mother, who died in were from, rather than to, these tral West Texas. He had a large Ballinger Monday afternoon. acquaintance and had many friends throughout this section.

At the time of his death he was no family, having never married, and his friends took charge of his R. D. Holmes, T. E. Davis, remains and arranged to bury him

mourn the loss of this man, but Others of my family have taken and even passengers. his friends did everything possi- Doan's Kidney Pills with beneble in laying away the remains. fit. The whereabouts of his relatives | Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't our roads, but this is sure to come are unknown, but efforts will be simply ask for a kidney remedy-

Deceased was 61 years old, and same that Mrs. Morris had. Fos-

Coleman, Ballinger and San Angelo, buying cotton in all the

AT BROWNWOOD

The Mid-Texas Summer Normal News was received at Ballinger will begin at Brownwood June er than the past two years. All a half stand as a whole.

### THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

part of the state to be fed to hogs resulted in the hogs being strick-Monday night from Lubbock. After leaving Ballinger Mr. Day where Mrs. Padgett had been

Tillie Carter of Pecos, came in

STRAIGHTFORWARD TESTI-MONY. Profited By It.

delay. Doan's Kidney Pills are es line railway for our section. SITTING IN CHAIR pecially prepared for kidney ail- Mr. Jones gathered some valu- merchant and Jno. A. King of the The remains of Jno. R. Day, a 000 people. Your neighbors rec- Winters to Crews, Norton, Wilpioneer citizen of Ballinger who ommend this remedy—have prov-meth, Wingate, Hylton and other died while sitting in a rocking ed its merit in many tests. Bal- points and gave assurance that he Thursday afternoon at six-thirty, courage in the straightforward tablishment of the service.

years, and accompanied to the ble and my back became very of us. City Cemetery where they were interred. Rev. W. H. Doss conduction weak. The kidney secretons were big auto trucks making daily

get Doan's Kidney Pills-the

## Young Married Man Elopes With Runnels County Girl

as farmer, whose elopement with was first arrested he was placed Miss Ora Lee Thomas from Miles, last Saturday, and who was arrest the county jail, but as a Browned in Fort Worth Sunday morn- wood officer was en route to get ing on a charge of bigamy, sawed him he thought it safe to allow jail Tuesday night and made his Clark was not locked up in the

Clark, age 22, married at Sul-phur Springs in March 1914, and The bars of the jail were cut in came to this country. Last Friday five places. The job was an exnight Clark went to the home of ceedingly neat one. Though there Miss Ora Lee Thomas, age 18, and were a dozen other prisoners in hey drove to Miles and boarded jail with Clark, none of them atthe Santa Fe train for Brown-tempted to follow him. wood Saturday morning, and were Where Clark got the steel saw married after reaching that city, is a mystery. It is practically cer-Clark and Miss Thomas were first tain, reported the officers, that he

inding that the couple had mar- the outside. ried and gone to Fort Worth the At last reports the man had not Fort Worth officers were notified been found.

B. C. Clark, a young West Tex- to arrest Clark. When the man his way out of the Fort Worth him to remain in the city jail. cell, but was allowed the priv-

did not have it concealed about Clark left his young wife behind him when arrested and placed in and was followed to Brownwood jail. He is believed to have had by the father of Miss Thomas. an accomplice to supply it from

# PLANT CULLED SEED ED. SPILL SAYS DEMONSTRATOR

To the Farmers of Runnels Co: I have had the germinating test made on cotton seed from the different portions of the county, and deeming it information for your careful consideration, I take this method of imparting the

Ballinger-200 Mesane

200 Rowden 117 14 Winters-

ful experiment at College Station him. something in cleaning or grading some time, and his work in that lars lost annually by weak de-generate seed, thereby causing the Telegram and the salary the

So let me urge you to plant down. portance of good seed our trou- to turn down. bles will largely be over so far as and the Tologram is fortunate in Tokeen country and Annie as much as good moisture.

Very truly yours,

FATHERS' AND MOTHERS' BANK

## JONES PROPOSES **AUTO LINES**

From Winters Enterprise.

Morgan Jones, who built and owns the Abilene & Southern rail-If you have backache, urinary last Saturday. While here Mr. Ballinger Tuesday and left on at Ballinger. His mother was troubles, days of dizziness, head- Jones expressed himself as con- the afternoon train for Florence, buried here in 1890 and a sister aches or nervousness, strike at the templating the establishment of where he goes to bring his mothwas buried here several years lat- seat of the trouble. These are auto truck lines running out of er back hom: to visit with him often the symptoms of weak kid- Winters to near-by inland towns, awhile. neys and there is grave danger in saying this was the coming short

ments-are endersed by over 30,- able data as to the distance from Crews country were among the

Naturally Winters and all the The remains were met at the Mrs. T. W. Morris, Eleventh St. country affected will watch with train by many friends and ac-Ballinger, says: "For years I was interest the movements of this big quaintances for nearly thirty subject to attacks of kidney trou builder, for it means much to all

sorts. Doan's Kidney Pills gave trips to the towns over the Win-Not a relative was present to relief after the first few doses. ters country, laden with freight

Naturally before this is realized some good work must be done on

A. W. Hardin of the Norton country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

The second secon

Edward Spill has tendered his resignation as secretary of the a consistent member of the Meth-Young Men's Business League, and at an early date will leave for Temple, where he has accepted a position with The Temple Tele-

Friday afternoon when Mr. Spill Wheelis of South Ballinger and returned from Temple where he Mrs. F. B. Duncan of San Angelo, 11 went in response to a telegram to mourn her demise. from E. K. Williams, owner of the

and this should be sufficient to Mr. Spill has been local corresconvince the farmer that there is pondent for the Telegram for mother and was held in high esseed. There is thousands of dol- line was so proficient that Mr. Wil bad stands, and it requires just the Telegram, and the salary the this hour of affliction. the same amount of labor to work position carries was a temptation that Mr. Spill could not turn

culled seed and secure the high Mr. Spill has made the League vitality that belongs only to the a splendid secretary, and he says Annie and Miss Waddel who visit summer school at Brownwood are strong germinating seed, the that it is with no little regret that same care should be taken in he severes his connection with that ed home Monday afternoon. Ivan raising. We all agree that the success in the livesstock business depends largely on the breeding and when we realize fully the immake good that he can not afford the turn down.

Hamilton, of Winters, who had been visiting at Sweetwater, accompanied the party this far en route home.

> crop failures are concerned and the Telegram is fortunate in Strong vitality in seed means just adding him to its staff. Ballin- of Denton, who taught at Benoit ger's loss will be Temple's gain, the past year, closed their school Lets keep Runnels County on and while his many friends here last week, returned to their reswill regret to see him go they will pective homes Monday after a join the Ledger in wishing for him short visit to Ballinger friends. GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent. success in his new field of labor, and will read the Telegram to keep up with the progress he mak-

> > W. E. Weibusch of Wingate, vas transacting buiness in Balinger Monday afternoon.

### THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS

Z. T. Griggs of Bradshaw, was road, was in Winters for a while looking after business affairs in

> T. J. McCaughn, the Norton first Monday visitors in the city.

J. S. Flannagan of the Valley W. H. Mullin of Winters, and chair at his room in San Angelo linger readers should take fresh was seriously considering the es- Creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

# Standard Remedy For Many Homes

Indigestion and constipation are two conditions closely related and the cause of much physicial suffering.

The tendency to indulge one's appetite is general, so that most people suffer at some time or another from rebellion of the overtaxed or gans of digestion and elimination. A simple, pleasantly effective remedy that will quickly relieve the congestion of poisonous waste and restore regularily, is the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin, sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. This is a mild, pleasant laxative-tonic and digestant, absolutely free from opiates or narcotic drugs and has been the standard household remedy in countless homes for many years. A free trial bottle can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 452 Washington St., Monticello,

### MORTUARY. \*\*\*\*\*

Julia Ann Carter.

Mrs. Julia Anna Carter died at four o'clock Monday afternoon age 70 years November 25th 1914. She came to Texas 1871, and lived in Ballinger 29 years. She was the funeral services. She leaves a husband, one son, Tillie Carter, of This announcement was made Pecos, two daughters, Mrs. W. C.

Winters—
200 Rowden 56 9 112 23 Temple Telegram asking him to stroke several weeks ago and on Sunday had the second attack Mrs. Carter had a paralytic which caused her death. She was a devoted wife and kind loving teem by a large circle of friends in this section and The Ledger

> Sam Hamilton of Sweetwater, accompanied Mrs. H. Winkler and two daughters Misses Edith and ed Ballinger friends and return-

Misses Emma Williams, of the

E. Schum, the big irrigation farmer on the Concho near Miles, was greeting friends and looking. after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

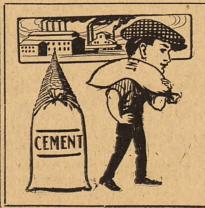
Jack Guy the Talpa hardware merchant, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

### WATER COOLER AND FILTER COMBINED

Regular price \$4.50 My price \$2.50.

Also new Mirrows 7x9 inches to 10x17 inches Prices 30c to 85c.

Jewell Cunningham Second Hand Store Across Street from Princess



FROM THE MILLS DIRECT TO YOU

That is the way you get your cement from us. Our profit, which is a small one, is the only one you have to pay; it does not go through three or four hands. We buy all our building material for cash; that is why we are able to save you so much money.

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