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GETTING READY TO HANDLE ANOTHER BIG COTTON CROP

The building for the new gin to be located near the compress is rapidly going up and will soon be ready for the machinery.

The gin will be under the management of Edwin Day. It will be a modern plant and constructed with the view of giving the best service possible.

The compress work is progressing nicely. A large crew of men are on the job building the wharfs and installing the big press and other equipment. The press will be an altogether different plant from the one destroyed by fire last fall. The wharves will be the most substantial in Texas, and constructed of fire proof material. The big press will also be one of the best in the state. Everything will be in shape for the coming cotton season, and no doubt many thousands of bales of cotton will be concentrated here.

Sam Brookshire of the Benoit country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

HOLT ENDS LIFE BY 30 FOOT JUMP

MINEOLA, L. I., July 7.—The authorities announced today that Frank Holt, who was confined in the Mineola jail for attempting to assassinate J. P. Morgan, and who attempted to end his life by cutting an artery in his wrist yesterday, came to his death last night by plunging from the top of a tier of cells to the hard floor, a distance of thirty feet.

This conclusion was reached after an autopsy was performed by Dr. Cleghorn, the jail physician.

Holt was placed under watch after he attempted to kill himself and it was thought every means for inflicting self injury had been removed from his cell. Jeremiah O'Ryan, the keeper who was detailed to watch Holt, stated that he was only fifteen feet from the cell when he heard a loud report. It was dark and he could see nothing, but rushing to Holt's cell he found the man's body in a pool of blood.

The excitement following the noise brought Warden Hulse and other jail authorities to the spot. District Attorney Lewis J. Smith together with Dr. Cleghorn and several constables immediately began an investigation. Dr. Cleghorn denied a report that Holt had suicided by chewing a percussion dynamite cap. He repeated that death was caused by a fracture at the top of the skull. An explosion which would have blown off his head would have followed an attempt by Holt to chew a percussion cap, the doctor stated.

A thorough search of the dead man's cell, failed to reveal, according to the jail officials, any weapon or implement of any kind which Holt could have used to kill himself.

Coroner Walter R. Jones, after viewing the body said:

"Undoubtedly a suicide, and undoubtedly the man jumped. I cannot give an official version until an autopsy is performed by the jail physician, Dr. Cleghorn."

The body was taken to a morgue in Hemstead, where Dr. Cleghorn was prepared to perform an autopsy immediately.

WIFE BEGS TO ATTEND FUNERAL

DALLAS, July 7.—His family here today wired directions for the body of Frank Holt, Morgan's assailant, to be carried to Ithaca for interment, and the remains will be buried at that place tomorrow.

Mrs. Holt when informed of the death of her husband wanted to attend the funeral, and the Sensabaugh family had to work hard to restrain her from going to New York. Reports from the Sensabaugh home today says that the woman is bearing up well under the awful shock, and while she has been restrained from attending the funeral she expects to visit the grave soon.

HOLT AND MUENTER NO DOUBT SAME MAN

MINEOLA, L. I., July 7.—Massachusetts state police officer identified F. Holt, as being Erich Muentner. Prof. Gould, of Chicago University, stated today that he recognized Holt as Muentner, when Holt was teaching in Cornell University.

NEW YORK, July 3.—J. P. Morgan, the multimillionaire, and king of finance, was shot and seriously wounded this morning by a man giving his name as F. Holt.

Holt forced his way past Morgan's butler and fired two shots at close range. One shot took effect in Morgan's groin inflicting a painful and serious wound. The other shot went wild. Holt carried two guns on his person and two sticks of dynamite were found in his vest.

When the first two shots were fired Morgan grappled with his assailant and before another shot could be fired Holt was overpowered and placed under arrest and hurriedly carried to the police station.

Holt made a statement after arriving at the police station and said that he was doing a service for humanity and it was for humanity's sake that he wanted to kill Morgan, as Morgan was responsible for the war. The man claims to be a former Cornell University professor, and an express tag found on his baggage showed that the baggage had been shipped from Ithaca, N. Y., where Cornell University is located to Dallas, Texas. The name Schwatzmier was also on the tag, but had been scratched out.

The British ambassador was the guest of Morgan at the time of the shooting and witnessed the tragedy. Physicians have seen Holt and says that his mind is unbalanced.

Omnious silence concerning Morgan's condition prevails this afternoon, and the result of the inquiries have not been given out by the attending physicians, but the first statement issued this morning following the shooting said the wounds would not prove fatal, and Morgan called up his office telling them there was nothing to be worried about.

HOLT FORMERLY LIVED IN DALLAS

DALLAS, July 3.—The Dallas directory does not show a man by the name of F. Holt or Schwatzmier, as shown on the express tag of the assailant of J. P. Morgan, but prominent Methodists here say that a man by the name of Holt was formerly connected with the Cornell University.

It was learned here this afternoon that a man by the name of F. Holt was engaged to teach French in the Southern Methodist University, and was a former citizen of this city. He married the daughter of Presiding Elder Sensabaugh of the Dallas district. It has not been learned whether the man held for shooting Morgan is the Holt formerly of Dallas.

REV. SENSABAUGH KNOWN HERE

Presiding Elder O. F. Sensabaugh formerly lived at Brownwood, and had charge of this district. He was a frequent visitor to Ballinger, coming here to hold quarterly conference and to look after his church here. His daughter visited here, and has acquaintances here, who hope that the Holt held for the shooting of Morgan is not her husband.

CHICAGO, July 5.—Mrs. Bertha C. Muentner, of this city, has identified the picture of Holt, and claims that the man's name is not Holt, but Erich Muentner, her brother, who disappeared from Harvard University nine years ago.

Muentner disappeared from Harvard following the mysterious death of his wife, and his whereabouts since that time have remained a mystery.

MINEOLA, N. Y., July 5.—When informed that it had been claimed that his real name was Muentner and that he was the sister of Mrs. Bertha C. Muentner, of Chicago, and that the Chicago woman had identified his picture, Holt (Continued on Last Page.)

Demonstrator Calls for Agricultural Exhibits

GERMANS PLAN BIG CLEAN UP

PARIS, July 7.—It is reported here that the Germans are planning a big clean-up battle in the Galician and Alsatian campaign and will follow the victories by peace overtures.

BERLIN, July 6.—The Russian line near Krasnik has been broken by the Austro-German army, and the Germans now threaten Warsaw, with little hopes of the Russians checking the onslaught of the enemy.

English flyers attempted to raid the German North Sea coast but the aviators were driven back by German birdmen in a most spectacular aerial battle.

LONDON, July 5.—The captain and eight members of the crew of the Anglo California were killed as a German submarine shelled the vessel.

FRENCH ADMIT LOSS AT ANTTE
PARIS, July 5.—The French admit defeat at Antte, and the capture by the Germans of the Antte yards and French trenches.

PETROGRAD, July 5.—The biggest battle since the fall of Lemberg is raging between Lemberg and the Vistula river. The Russians are making a strong stand against the onslaught of the Austro-German forces and the death toll will be alarming.

G. W. Houston of the Tennyson country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and reports crops fine in his section. He says he is planting corn between the rows where he gathers roasting ears, the old rows being 7 feet apart will make two crops of corn. The June corn will mature after the early corn is harvested off the land.

E. B. Killingsworth of the New Home neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Geo. P. McLelland has issued a note to the farmers, and requests that we publish same and remind the farmers that the success of the Runnels County Fair this fall depends on the farmers furnishing the exhibits.

Mr. McLelland says, "Now is the time to begin getting your exhibit ready for the fall fair. San Angelo has invited us to place an exhibit with them this fall, and Runnels county farmers can most assuredly produce the goods. Remember that it will take exhibits to make the Runnels county fair a success, and its to the interest of every farmer that we have a successful fair. There is no better way to advertise the county and enhance the value of your land than by bringing new farmers into the county, than by showing the word what you are making. Ballinger is going to have a flower show that will be an eye opener to everybody. Let's get busy and be prepared with the best exhibit ever made in this county."

Mr. McLelland has introduced several new crops in this county that have proven successful. He has been on the job regular since taking up demonstration work in this county. He has been instrumental in bringing about the great change for the good in this county by getting the people to grow something besides cotton—diversification, and he wants to show the world what a great county Runnels county is. The county now has an opportunity to make an exhibit that will be worth while, and we should not neglect the opportunity.

The Young Men's Business League has ample room to take care of exhibits for those who do not care to be troubled with them. Bring your exhibit in and it will be properly tagged and your name recorded and you will receive full credit and receive all the prize money that should come your way for the exhibit.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wiley of Coleman county, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon from Winters, where they had been to attend the funeral of their nephew.

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Calomel is mercury or quick-silver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guar-

antee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

NEGRO RESCUES BOY FROM COLORADO RIVER

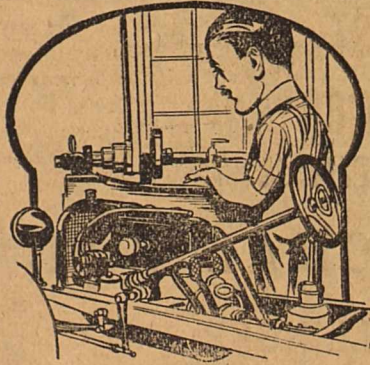
Quite a number of people rushed to the Colorado river bridge just as the Daily Ledger was going to press Thursday afternoon, in response to a report that a boy had been drowned in the river. Many more were ready to go when it was announced that the boy had been rescued.

Three boys, the story of the near tragedy says, were in the river at the crossing below the bridge when one of the boys, a little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Knox, waded into water over his head and was struggling for his life when a negro who happened to be passing near by heard the calls of the other boys for help and rushing to the bank of the river plunged in and saved the life of the boy.

In a few minutes the boy's life would have been gone as he was sinking for the last time when the negro grabbed him and carried him to the bank of the river.

Located between two large streams of water, with water in many places twenty feet deep, it is remarkable that we do not have more accidents of this kind. It was recently suggested that a diving outfit should be procured and a life saving club organized. The suggestion was a good one, and we would like to see it carried out.

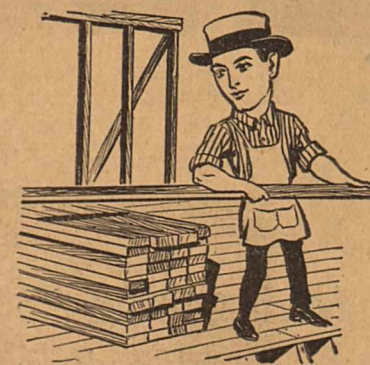
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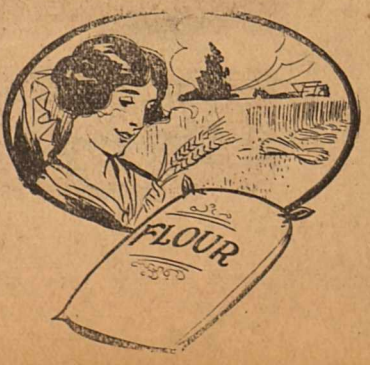
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Dr. Tom Lockett Writes Earthquake Experience

Mrs. H. H. Lockett, who is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, is in receipt of a letter from her son, Dr. Tom Lockett, of El Centro, California. The letter tells something of the awful experience Dr. Lockett and his family passed through in the recent earth quake that occurred in the El Centro valley. We are permitted, through the kindness of Mrs. Lockett, to publish the letter, and it follows.

My Dear Mamma:

I have just about got enough control of my nerve to be able to write a little, so will let you know what a terrible experience we have gone through, and thankful to say, without any serious bodily injury to ourselves. In fact there are very few people suffering any serious injury.

I will attempt to describe the affair as we experienced it: We had just come in from an auto ride and were eating supper about 8 o'clock on the second floor of our brick building. We felt a small tremor but paid little attention to it, as they are rather frequent, two or three times yearly. About three or four minutes later a noise like the onrush of a fast train was heard, and simultaneously the house began to shake. We immediately started to run towards the stairs which was about twenty feet away. Before we reached them the building was bucking so hard that we all fell to the floor, and could not possibly raise to our feet, every second it seemed as if the side walls were going out completely, so violent was the shaking.

The motion was wave like in one direction, with a side to side or opposite vibration of different intensity. We rolled around the floor until it subsided sufficiently to descend the stairway. All the the firewall and front of the building went out with the first

shock, and about a ton fell on my auto which was at the front curb. We went across the street to a vacant lot and watched the people running in every direction as if something was trying to overtake them and destroy them.

We soon went to the hospital to assist any one who might be injured and there we experienced, after a half hour, one shock after another, but of course everyone had been removed from the hospital. The streets were moving in wave like motions, for the world just like a heavy sea. Every minute I expected it to burst open. I was not so scared after getting on earth, and finding that we had all escaped uninjured.

A few broken legs, cut heads and the like covered all the accidents here. Mexicali and Calixico had the same shock with several deaths. The other towns in the valley were not so badly damaged. In El Centro the whole business district and a great many dwellings were almost ruined. The city certainly presents a forlorn aspect today, and it takes a very brave heart to remain here and withstand such calamity but when one has everything invested here there is no other recourse, so here we stay.

I am enclosing some pictures of the destruction. The frame buildings were not so badly damaged, but there is not a brick house here that is not seriously injured, even to complete destruction. I never want to go through another such experience, and trust that this is the last one during my life time at least. My auto is almost irreparable, my house is damaged about \$1000. Our new hotel that cost \$300,000 is badly damaged and is closed for the present as it is unsafe. It had been open only since May 10.

Your affectionate son,
TOM.

MORE PUBLICITY FOR RUNNELS COUNTY

Miss Powell, a special correspondent for the *Farming Business*, a magazine published in Chicago, is seeking information for an article on hog growing in this county. A brief article from Runnels county recently published in the Chicago magazine attracted much attention and the editor of the magazine has called on Miss Powell to write a more comprehensive article on Runnels county's development in diversification and she is compiling data for that story.

Such publicity is given the widest circulation and goes into territory far away from Ballinger. It aids others who are interested in diversification, and in this way the farmers of this county are not only benefiting themselves by their work, but indirectly they are sowing seed that will be harvested in other counties and other states.

Demonstrator McLelland and J. H. Taylor, secretary of the Hog Growers and Marketing Association, are supplying Miss Powell with the desired information about Runnels county.

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Dan Moser, Jr., returned home Saturday night from an extended visit to California. Mrs. Moser will spend a while longer with relatives before returning home.

Porter Murray came in Saturday afternoon from New Mexico to join his wife on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood, and they have decided to make this their home again.

Chickens, eggs, and produce wanted at Central Hotel. Top prices paid.

The Ballinger W. O. W. degree team and a few others went out to the Oxen Woodmen lodge Saturday afternoon to initiate a few new members.

B. A. Mathieson of Olin, and Preston Dunn, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

John Simmons of the Fuzzy creek country has finished threshing his oats, and had 45 acres that turned out 55 3-4 bushels to the acre, volunteer oats.

FORT WORTH WOMAN TELLS ABOUT HEALTH

Mrs. Reed, Long a Sufferer From Stomach Ills, Can Eat and Now Sleeps Like a Baby.

Mrs. William Reed of 1617 Enderly place, Fort Worth, Texas, suffered from stomach derangements for years. She could not eat with satisfaction. Her sleep was broken and life was misery.

She took Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. The wonderful results startled her and her friends. She wrote: "I have lots of people come to me to find out where to get your remedy, as I was in such a terrible condition, and it helped me so much. I can eat most anything my appetite craves and I sleep like a baby."

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STATE TREASURER

HERE SUNDAY
J. M. Edwards came down from Winters Saturday afternoon and remained over in Ballinger until Sunday while en route to Austin. Mr. Edwards had been at Winters for the past ten days or two weeks looking after his grain crop. He reports a fine turnout and is well pleased with the returns from his Runnels county farm this year. Mr. Edwards did not talk politics while here, and spent the time greeting his friends.

Is Sickness A Sin?

If not, it's wicked to neglect illness and means of relief. It's wicked to endure liver ills, headache, indigestion, constipation, when one does of Po-Do-Lax gives relief. Po-Do-Lax is Podophyllin (May Apple), without the gripe. It arouses the liver, increases the flow of bile—Nature's antiseptic in the bowels. Your constipation and other ills disappear overnight because Po-Do-Lax has helped Nature to remove the cause. Get a bottle from your druggist today. Get rid of your constipation overnight.

W. M. Holland the insurance man, returned to Ballinger Saturday afternoon from a business trip West in the interest of his company.

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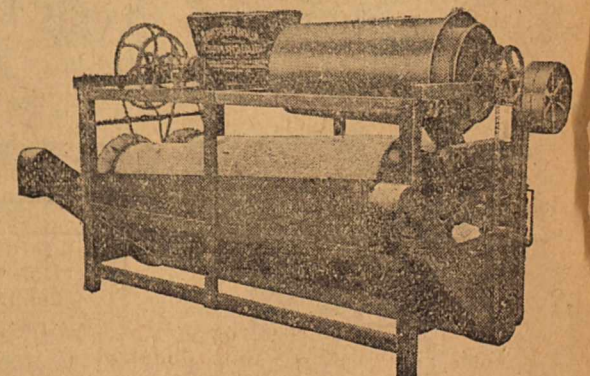
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Mr. Farmer We want you to look at our **ADRIANCE BINDER** before you buy, for we have one of the best made. Also have a complete line of IMPLEMENTS. Call and see us before you buy.

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A Word to Cotton Growers

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I have installed a cotton 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 full and will stand droughts 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

CROP CONDITIONS IN RUNNELS COUNTY

For quite a number of years we have tried to keep our county in the public eye. I have farmed here on the 100th meridian eleven years and the longer I stay the better I like the greater undeveloped West. I want to do my full part in developing our section and inducing a desirable citizenship to come up the state and help us.

I have never induced a man to come here from a malarial district that I did not believe deep in my heart that I had befriended him and his posterity.

Criticisms are some times pretty fierce, but it is a part of my mission while I sojourn here on earth to do all the good I can regardless of criticisms and I am perfectly honest in believing that our section has as many advantages and as few disadvantages as any part of the country.

One thought we should keep in mind in a semi-arid country and that is that we can more easily and profitably adapt ourselves to local conditions that we can twist environments in shape to suit our peculiar notions or mode of farming.

Certain crops are suitable for certain soils and it is a part of wisdom to abandon at once such crops as are not adapted to our soil and climate.

It is very foolish to try to raise Indian corn here at this altitude without irrigation, however rich and well adapted the soil may be to its growth. And what's the use when milo maize or feterita will produce twice as much grain per acre with half the cultivation? But I started out to tell of crop conditions this year.

We have produced the bumper crop of small grain, wheat and oats, and are selling at satisfactory prices. I used to be a cotton crank. I don't mind being called a crank because it takes a crank to turn things. Well, I was a cotton crank, and I made money out of cotton. I produced last year one hundred and thirty four bales of cotton on 195 acres of land without irrigation.

Some of this cotton had only three trips to the row—one for bedding—one for planting—and one for cultivation.

One block of 48 acres made 26 bales with three trips never had a hoe in it.

But away with all cotton. This year not having time to sow a grain crop, I traded for one from a progressive farmer who sowed early in the fall before the excessive rains began.

There was 34 acres in oats and 46 acres in wheat. The oats made 69 bushels per acre, or to be exact, 2355 bushels. The wheat made 1153 bushels or a fraction less than 30 bushels per acre. After the expense of 75 cents per acre for cutting and binding and after paying for shocking, twine, hauling, threshing, sacks, and all incidental expense, including one third out for the use of the land, this 80 acres netted \$766.26. To be entirely fair I should say that this account does not include seed that was planted and the drilling of them in. They were drilled in an unbroken cotton stalk land and I believe that the nice bright straw will be worth as much as the seeding to say nothing of the grazing.

At any rate the net proceeds over and above every expense would foot up at least \$800.00, on the 80 acres with every lick of work hired done.

And now I'm a grain crank, so you see I am a double crank and things must turn. With a soaking rain the last half of June the outlook for cotton, milo maize and feterita is indeed flattering. As a matter of fact conditions were never better. With Jersey cows, silos, cream, chickens and eggs and the cash system, an era of great prosperity is dawning.

Runnels has on her glad rags—Wheat bread, drumsticks, livers and gizzards. Living with a laugh and smile, no croakers save the frogs. Every body a booster but fools and they are silent.

Brother, fate put you here—push and shout, ring it out. The only pauper in Runnels county is a deaf, dumb and blind idiot. Farming in Runnels county has truly been revolutionized. Everything on the modern farm is running smoothly and the running is both pleasant and profitable.

Bully fine times—frog-joy, joy rides, jelly cakes and Johnny cakes go away trouble.

Farming in Runnels is a "toppy" and "classy" business. Let

GET RID OF HUMORS AND AVOID SICKNESS

Humors in the blood cause internal derangements that affect the whole system, as well as pimples, boils and other eruptions, and are responsible for the readiness with which many people contract disease.

For forty years Hood's Sarsaparilla has been more successful than any other medicine in expelling humors and removing their inward and outward effects. Get Hood's. No other medicine acts like it.

the editors kindly lead the cheering!

UNCLE JOHNNIE

NEW NIGHT WATCH ON JOB

M. H. Bibb went on as night watchman last night succeeding Mr. Leuch who has been on duty for the past three or four months. Mr. Bibb stated that he was on duty when the robberies were committed last night, but the burglars got by him. He passed down the alley back of Peark's store a number of times during the night, but saw nothing that would indicate that the store was being robbed, or had been robbed.

Mr. Bibb goes on early at night and remains on duty until about day light. His duty is to keep a close watch over the business district to protect property from both fires and thieves.

THREATEN TO CLOSE HOTELS IF BARS BANNED

REGINA, Sask., July 7.—This province of Canada, admittedly one of the most prosperous provinces in the nation, may be without a hotel, as a possibility that looms up today. This is the result of an order issued by an association of all hotel keepers. There are 405 licensed hotels in the province. All recently went dry. Hotel men claim that they cannot operate their hotels without a bar, without losing money. Their claim is that 75 per cent of the hotels run without a bar lose money. Moreover 75 per cent of the hotels with a bar have depended upon a bar to make up the deficit in the hotel business.

Following a government order the hotel men met and decided that the increased price of food-stuffs would be assigned as the cause for leaving the province hotel-less for a while.

WANT CLOSER ASSOCIATION OF BANKERS AND FARMERS

CHICAGO, July 7.—Bankers and men interested in agricultural achievements from 39 states went into conference at the Hotel La Salle this morning to discuss ways and means to bring about a closer co-operation and relationship between bankers and farmers. The conference is fostered by the Agricultural Commission of the American Banker's Association, which has been pushing forward the "banker-farmer" movement for some time.

Representatives of state banking associations, state agricultural associations, educators in agricultural advancement, editors of publications devoted to farming interests, individual bankers, and representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, are attending the conference. The Chicago Clearing House Association is acting host to the visitors.

Jeanes Produce Co., were compelled to seek larger quarters to take care of their rapidly growing business and they are anxious for all their old customers as well as new ones to call on them at the Ostertag Building, 9-w2t.

PUBLIC LECTURE SUNDAY.

Mrs. Nettie Hudson, one of the ministers now conducting revival services in the tabernacle on the corner of Ninth street and Park Avenue near the freight depot, will deliver a lecture on Rescue and Orphanage Work next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

For more than twelve years Mrs. Hudson has been personally engaged in this line of work, much of which time has been spent inside the institution. She will give many thrilling personal experiences and exhibit numerous photographs of children and unfortunate girls she has helped also of the buildings and ground of the institution.

Don't fail to hear her. Everybody is cordially invited to be present. Admission free.

Wm. Forbus of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

SHIP LOADED WITH WAR MUNITION SET ON FIRE BY EXPLOSION OF BOMB

NEW YORK, July 8.—Wireless messages received here from the Minnehaha, a large Atlantic transport liner, says the ship is afire and is racing for Halifax. First message received stated that the ship was afire in one hold. Second message stated fire had spread and later placed under control.

The report says the fire was caused by an explosion, and this leads the authorities to believe that Holt's dynamite trunk was aboard the Minnehaha.

Mexican Raiders Threaten to Rob Texas Banks

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, July 8.—Local banks here have been threatened by Mexican raiders. The United States cavalry were fired upon from ambush by the raiders.

Carranza Wins Battle. Laredo, July 8.—Reports received here bring the news of a Carranza victory at Hicamola.

Forty Dead in Tornado That Hits in Ohio Town

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 8.—Tornadoes swept portions of Ohio, Missouri, and Kentucky last night. Police reports indicate that 40 are dead in this city. Fifteen have been identified. Kentucky reports four dead and seven dead in Missouri.

Geo. M. Burrows, of Madisonville, came in Wednesday night to visit his daughter and to prospect in this section.

Aylesburg, Eng.—Mrs. E. Bate man, 80, has eighteen grandsons and two sons serving with the British army.

W. L. James of San Angelo, a former citizen of this city, was

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

II.—L. E. Johnson On Two-Cent Passenger Rates



The farmers of this nation are vitally interested in railroad rates and equity between passenger and freight rates is especially important to the man who follows the plow for the farmer travels very little but he is a heavy contributor to the freight revenues. Some of the states have a two cent passenger rate and whatever loss is incurred is recovered through freight revenue. The justice of such a procedure was recently passed upon by the Supreme Court of West Virginia and the decision is so far-reaching that we have asked L. E. Johnson, president of the Norfolk and Western Railway whose road contested the case to briefly review the suit. Mr. Johnson said in part: "Some ten years ago, passenger fares were fixed by the legislatures of a large number of states at two cents a mile. As a basis for such economic legislation, no examination was made of the cost of doing the business so regulated, nor was any attention given to the fact whether such a rate would yield to the railway companies an adequate or any net return upon the capital invested in conducting this class of business. "Such a law was passed in West Virginia in 1907. The Norfolk and Western Railway Company put the rate into effect and maintained it for two years. Its accounting during these two years showed that two cents a mile per passenger barely paid the out-of-pocket cost and nothing was left to pay any return on capital invested. It sought relief from the courts. Expert accountants for

both the State and the Railway Company testified that the claims of the railroad were sustained by the facts. Two cents did not pay the cost of carrying a passenger a mile. The State, however, contended that the railroad was earning enough surplus on its state freight business to give a fair return upon the capital used in its passenger as well as its freight business. For the purposes of the case, the railroad did not deny this, but held to its contention that the State could not segregate its passenger business for rate fixing without allowing a rate that would be sufficient to pay the cost of doing business and enough to give some return upon the capital invested in doing the business regulated. This was the issue presented to the Supreme Court. Its decision responds to the judgment of the fair-minded sentiment of the country. The Supreme Court says that, even though a railroad earns a surplus on a particular commodity by charging reasonable rates, that affords no reason for compelling it to haul another's person or property for less than cost. The surplus from a reasonable rate properly belongs to the railway company. If the surplus is earned from an unreasonable rate then that rate should be reduced. The State may not even up by requiring the railroad to carry other traffic for nothing or for less than cost. The decision is a wholesome one and demonstrates that the ordinary rules of fair dealing apply to railway companies. The fact that one makes a surplus on his wheat crop would never be urged as a reason for compelling him to sell his cotton at less than cost. It would not satisfy the man who wanted bread to be told that its high price enabled the cotton manufacturer to get his raw product for less than cost. In this case the court reaffirmed the homely maxim that each tub must stand upon its own bottom."

MARKET QUOTATION OF VARIOUS PRODUCTS

Produce and other farm stuff was listed by Ballinger buyers at following prices today; prices for cash basis; prices on merchandise exchanged being slightly higher on certain commodities: Hens, per pound 8c Fryers, per pound 12c Roosters, each 15c Guinea, each 15c Butter, fresh, per pound 20c Butter, packing stock, lb 12c Eggs, per dozen 10c and 14c Butterfat, (sour) per pound, 20c Butterfat, (sweet) per pound 30c Oats, bulk, No. 2 35c Oats, sacked, per bushel 37c Wheat, bulk, No. 2 95c Corn, bulk, white, bushel 90c Johnson Grass, per ton \$7 to \$8 Cotton seed, per ton \$19.50 Milo maize, heads per ton, \$15.00 Milo maize, threshed, cwt. 90c Red top cane seed, per cwt., 90c Hides (dry) 16c to 20c Hides (green) 10c to 11c

GREAT GRAIN CROP IN ROWENA SECTION

Reports from the Rowena section bring the news that farmers of that part of the county are gathering the greatest grain crop in the history of the county. All those who made an estimate on the yield before the crop was threshed are getting a better yield than they expected. This is unusual, as the crop generally falls below what the farmer anticipated in his eagerness to make a good crop. Among the big yields reported is the crop of Joe Cervenka. Mr. Cervenka threshed a little better than 15,000 bushels of oats and 3800 bushels of wheat. We failed to get the average yield per acre, but it stands for reason that he is well satisfied with his crop.

LOCAL CONTRACTORS GETS ANGELO JOB

The San Angelo Cotton Oil Mill is having an additional stone warehouse built at the northeast of the city, work having been commenced Tuesday morning. The new warehouse is to be 40 by 60 feet in dimensions. The walls are to be of stone and the roof will be fire-proof. Contract for the stone work was let to Contractor J. A. Kelly of Ballinger. Stonemasons D. B. Evans, T. R. McFarland and A. F. McFarland of Ballinger, are here to do the work under Contractor Kelly's supervision. No contract will be let for the woodwork, but this will be done under the supervision of Contractor Hugh Meyers of San Angelo. The improvements at the mill will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,500. The new warehouse will be a one-story structure.

SAYS RUNNELS BEST FOR DIVERSIFICATION

R. C. Botts, of Gonzales, is here looking after farming interests, and is busy threshing grain on his place West of Ballinger. Mr. Botts is a brother-in-law of L. P. Wood, and visits Ballinger every year. He is feeling good over the returns received from his farm here this year, and is a booster for Runnels county. Mr. Botts says that he finds the soil of this county particularly adapted to diversified farming, and in that respect we have advantages over central Texas, South Texas and North Texas. He stated that he found conditions of crops in this county better than any place he had seen, good old Gonzales not excepted.

The demand for farms in Runnels county shows the source of our wealth. A man with a farm and enough energy in his make-up to spend a few hours a day making his farm bring forth fruit is as independent as the small boy on the Fourth of July. He can make a living and help feed the fellow who don't know today where tomorrow's bread is coming from. Farmers are increasing and so is the demand for farms.

Woman's Health Requires Care

Women are so constituted as to be peculiarly susceptible to constipation, and their general health depends in large measure on careful regulation and correction of this tendency. Their delicate organisms rebel at the violence of cathartic and purgative remedies, which, while they may afford temporary relief, shock the system and seriously disturb the functional organs. A mild laxative is far preferable and, if properly compounded, much more effective. The combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is ideal for women's use. A free trial bottle can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. R. Caldwell, 452 Washington St., Monticello, Ills.

OLFIN CROP CONDITIONS FLATTERING

Banner-Ledger, Ballinger, Texas. Dear Sirs: Enclosed you will find \$1.00 for which please renew my subscription for another year; and at the same time will send in a few lines about crops around Olfin.

The farmers are all busy cultivating their cotton crop. If you want to interview a farmer these days you must do it in the field. You will find him there from 7 o'clock in the morning till about 8 o'clock at night and he is making every minute of that time count.

Frequent rains at this section and surrounding sections during the month of April kept the farmers out of the fields for some little time. While the rains fell the crops made rapid growth, but so did the weeds and that explains why the farmers are now working over time. The general opinion expressed on every hand is that Runnels county has the biggest crop in prospect that it has ever known. Cotton is fruiting heavily and the weather is just right for its successful maturity. In about 10 days will see the picking season, opened and the gins must have everything ready for a big run. Corn is about ripe and the yield will be about from 25 to 30 bushels to the acre. Corn fields in Runnels county will compare with any in the state.

Kaffir corn, milo maize and orghum are simple immense and the yield will be phenomenal. Small grain in this vicinity is exceedingly nice as oats averaged from 60 to 75 per acre and wheat about 23 to 28 bushels per acre. SUBSCRIBER.

Not Well Enough Known

We cannot accomplish much in the treatment of dyspepsia, however much we may temporarily relieve its symptoms, so long as the blood remains impure. It is a fact not well enough known by people generally that when the stomach, liver and other digestive organs are supplied with impure blood, the digestive process is impaired, so as to cause faintness and loss of appetite and sometimes a deranged state of the intestines, and in general all the symptoms of dyspepsia.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is of great service in dyspepsia, because it purifies the blood, making it the healthy stimulus the digestive organs must have for the proper performance of their duties. Hood's Sarsaparilla, especially if taken in a little hot water, has "a magic touch" in dyspepsia. Get it today.

E. T. Branan, one of the Crews merchants, had business in Ballinger a few hours Monday.

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

FATHERS' AND MOTHERS' BANK

THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS

THE BANNER-LEDGER PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY

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Uncle Sam now has an opportunity to make Huerta salute the flag.

It is unfortunate for some people when July Fourth comes on Sunday. They try to celebrate for two days.

J. P.'s assailant may be named Holt, and he may be named Muenster, but J. P.'s name came near being mud.

Oat stories are too common to be published. The record is smashed every day, and threshing has just started.

The old soldiers are anxious to hold their three days reunion in Ballinger. The citizens have the proposition under consideration.

With the largest wheat crop in the history of Rannels county people should not want for bread. Yet some farmers will not save enough for bread and will buy flour made from higher priced wheat. It's bad business.

It is estimated that there are a half-million chickens in Rannels county today, valued at \$150,000. Including the egg reproduction, they will more than double in value within the next six months. Do you know of anything that will beat it?

Ballinger's anniversary celebration was a complete success. Perhaps it would not be considered uncomplimentary to admit that Ballinger looks as old as she is, the same being intended to convey the impression that the years of her life have been well spent.—Temple Telegram.

The block of land Northwest of the school campus of the Central school is an eyesore to the town.

Attorney General Looney is in the race for re-election again. He is serving his second term and has been active in prosecuting big interests. He says that he wants to dispose of certain suits now pending before he retires. Of course he will have an opponent, but it will take a fast runner to beat him, even if it is for a third term.

An Iowa editor was asked "Do hogs pay?" He replied "a good many do not; they take the paper several years and then send it back marked refused or moved."

If Ferguson wants to immortalize himself with the people of Texas he should grant extradition in the Huerta case and turn the old man over to Villa. We confess that it would be a cruel thing to do, but we should remember the fate of Madero.

The crop report issued recently by the United States government places the cotton crop at eighty per cent. That's a mighty good report and the speculators should take advantage of it to hammer the price to the bottom. It's a good way to reduce the acreage.

The mail order houses received a heavy knock in Ballinger on picnic day when a half dozen ladies appeared on the ground wearing the same pattern hat, and it developed that they were all ordered from a certain mail order house. You know women do not like to be dressed in uniform style and especially when it comes to wearing the same kind of a hat that some other woman has. These ladies will be afraid to order their hat from a picture catalog again, because their neighbor might get the same kind of a hat.

JUDGE WAGSTAFF FAVORS AMENDMENT.

On July 24th the people of Texas will have the opportunity of going to the polls and settling a question that has hindered and hampered the educational interest of Texas for many years. They can settle this question by voting for what is known as the Sackett resolution, or Joint Resolution No. 34, providing for the complete separation of the State University from the A. & M. College, with a just and proper division of lands owned by the two institutions and the controlling of same by separate boards. To adopt this resolution will put the schools on a firmer basis, a higher educational plane and stop politics from playing such a prominent part in the prorating of the school fund.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE

Texans paid three million dollars into the treasury of the federal government during the half year ending June 30. This sum represented the income taxes and internal revenue taxes from the sale of drugs and cosmetics.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Well, we didn't miss the money. Texas always come up with its end of the load in helping Uncle Sam run his business.

Mary Stephens, a Gipsy, was fined \$5 and costs in county court Thursday afternoon for theft of \$20 from L. S. Compton, a south side grocer, and two other Gipsy women were released on condition that they leave San Angelo, Friday morning. Sheriff Allen and City Marshall Bates arrested the women.—San Angelo Standard.

This same bunch of Gipsies worked Ballinger for a few hours and when driven out after being compelled to pay a fine of \$12 in city court. They were arrested for vagrancy and the charges filed against them brought a plea of guilty, and an attempt was made to hold them for robbing a man of \$2, but as the man permitted the Gipsy to tell his fortune and then handed her his purse, the court did not push the case.—Ballinger Ledger.

Probably the same bunch of artists who worked the disappearing money trick on one of Temple's bright young business men. Why they should be permitted to continue their campaign right through the state is one of the mysteries that must remain unsolved.—Temple Telegram.

The fine imposed from time to time seems to act only as a license and the artists continue to prosper and after working a town, paying the fine they journey on to repeat the game. And then some times they no doubt get by with their work without the law taking a hand.

It is said the wheat crop of

marked to us 'tother day: "The average Mexican doesn't know what he's fighting for." Neither does the average Englishman, Frenchman, German, Italian, Austrian or Russian—and the wise youth perhaps still less.—The West News.

From war reports we get the idea that they are fighting to kill. If the fighter knew what he wanted to kill for we believe that the killing might be stopped.

When a man is a man he is useful to other men. Otherwise he is just a carcass.—Brenham Banner.

What's a carcass good for?

It is true, as Farm and Ranch says, that the man who raises live stock is seldom refused credit at the stores and the banks. But, as a rule, such men have balances at the bank and pay cash at the stores, thus getting the benefit of cash trading. Livestock raising reduces the element of risk and places farming on a business basis. The cropper must take chances with the season, insects, speculators, and poor markets; but the stock farmer can hold till prices suit him.—Carthage Register.

Hell Will Welcome Him.

That there is an urgent need for a Humane Society in Brownwood is demonstrated every day. This morning there was a case in point: A horse stumbled while trotting down the street. Thousands of horses have stumbled in a similar manner, and without premeditation. Incensed by the action of the horse, the driver plied a heavy whip with might and main, punishing the animal for the misstep which resulted in no harm to horse, harness, vehicle or driver.—Brownwood Bulletin.

If there is any such place as hell, and we believe there is, the devil will no doubt take a delight in providing an apartment equipped with special means of punishment for just such men as the cruel excuse of a man referred to by the Bulletin. In fact if there is any worse place than hell, he should be carried to it, and save hell of the disgrace by his presence. If there is any law to protect dumb brutes it should

Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher... What is CASTORIA Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

THRESHER AT WORK NEAR TOWN The thresher shipped here from Temple was unloaded Tuesday morning and set up for business on the W. T. Routh place East of Ballinger Tuesday afternoon. The crop of wheat and oats of L. H. Hamilton was the first work of the new thresher, and from there the thresher will be moved to R. H. Schooler's crop on the John-

The Danger Is Great. Mr. Farmer, it is dangerous to store your grain without protecting it with Fire Insurance. We can Cover Your Barn and Its Contents With the Best Policy Written. PROTECT YOUR COTTON CROP WITH HAIL INSURANCE. It's too late to replant, and you are taking a big risk every time a cloud comes up. Let us carry the risk in our OLD LINE COMPANIES. BALLINGER INSURANCE AGENCY

The board cannot purchase it and convert it into a playground, but the owner of the property will no doubt give his permission for the ground to be cleaned off and used indefinitely as a playground for the school children.

If the Germans continue to destroy the British fleet it will only be a short time until the German fleet can sneak out and sail the high seas. In its present condition the Germans can not use their fleet in chasing down and capturing British merchantmen. Hence the deadly submarine warfare goes merrily on.

Remember that Runne's county will have a fair this fall and the exhibits will be shipped to the Dallas Fair. Now is the time to prepare to walk off with the first prizes. Select the best products and preserve them for exhibit. Make up your exhibits during the harvest season and be ready for the big show. The crops in every line should make the task an easy one.

It was a sane Fourth in Ballinger.

The first automobile was exhibited twenty-three years ago yesterday.

It's a safe bet that German torpedoes will work again this week.

Holt was a smart man, highly educated, speaking a half dozen or more languages. He went crazy thinking about the war. Its dangerous, don't do it.

Gov. Ferguson speaks the very essence of Southern chivalry when he says he is willing for women to have the ballot if they want it. That's letting the women have their way.

Ballinger bank statements just issued do not indicate hard times, and to cap the climax wealth is being produced on Rannels county farms at a rate that will keep the bank deposits growing.

money realized from the lands. For this reason the Ledger is in favor of this amendment.

Many prominent men in Texas are urging the adoption of this amendment. And all those who have the best interest of our educational institutions at heart should favor it. Judge J. M. Wagstaff, a member of the legislature, and a man who devotes his best time and talent to public interest, has just issued a letter setting forth his reason for supporting the amendment. Here's the letter:

Arlene, Texas, June 22nd, 1915. Executive Committee for Higher Education,

Bryan, Texas. Gentlemen: In reference to the Sackett resolution divorcing the A. and M. and the University will say that it is my deliberate judgment after having served two terms in the Legislature that this resolution ought to be carried. If it carries it will in all probability stop the agitation that has heretofore been made that has certainly crippled the interest of both the A. and M. and the University. I think by all means it should be carried. I have found no one who is opposed to the resolution after it has been considered, and believe it will carry by a large majority, and I am sure that it should.

Yours truly, J. M. WAGSTAFF.

If the European war continues much longer Uncle Sam will have a pretty heavy mortgage on Europe. War makes waste and it is the greed for gold that keeps American manufacturing plants running on full time. It seems that trade has come our way with out the asking while other nations are fighting to protect their commercial interest.

HAVE YOU BEEN SICK?

Then you realize the utter weakness that robs ambition, destroys appetite, and makes work a burden.

To restore that strength and stamina that is so essential, nothing has ever equalled or compared with Scott's Emulsion, because its strength-sustaining nourishment invigorates the blood to distribute energy throughout the body while its tonic value sharpens the appetite and restores health in a natural, permanent way. If you are run down, tired, nervous, overworked or lack strength, get Scott's Emulsion to-day. It is free from alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

Russia is fine and that the Petrograd government has arranged to pay \$1,000,000 worth of twine in the United States for the harvest. If the Russians do not look more to their guns General Mackensen and his army of Goths may do the threshing.—Coleman Voice.

If Germany continues to capture Russian soldiers the imperial government will need some of the wheat in its business, and we dare say that Russia will not sell Germany wheat at any price.

The country is now undergoing its annual period of crop uncertainty, caused by drought, boll weevils, and other pests.—Bryan Eagle.

The country you are talking about is perhaps Brazos county. There is no uncertainty in Rannels county. Nothing but an unusual calamity could keep this county from harvesting the largest crop in its history. In fact the big part of the harvest is going on now, and the other crop is rapidly maturing. Poultry, peas and peanuts with a little cotton to mix in will be added to the big grain crop. There is no crop uncertainty here this year.

The Bangs Enterprise claims the penant for oats. Ralph Counts raised one hundred and twenty-six bushels per acre. We believe that this record will stand.—Temple Telegram.

Yes, that record will stand. We were just fixing to report a yield of 94 bushels per acre on 27 acres, but some one may hundred and twenty-six bushel acres did that fellow have?

Attorney General Looney has ruled that a coyote is a wolf. The court of civil appeals at Fort Worth has handed down a decision that an automobile is a carriage. The next decision will be that a snucker is a fish.—Georgetown Commercial.

And then we will ask the attorney general to tell us why Bryan resigned.

A wise youth, who recently approached near Mexico as San Antonio, re-

be enforced.

One of our exchanges wants to know: "What has become of the old-fashioned grandmother whose skirt was a for longer in the rear than it was in front?" Huh! Who cares a dadgum what's become of her? What interests us is what's to become of the new-fashioned grandmother whose skirt is a foot shorter in front and rear than it ought to be, and whose interest in female suffrage, etc., doesn't give her time to get acquainted with her own grandchildren?—West Times.

Don't get excited. When a woman reaches the grandmother age she has had experience enough to open her eyes and the most of them make good grandmothers. Devote more of your time to taking the crooks out of the cigarette sucking boy who makes grey hairs multiply so fast, on grandmother's head.

J. Pierpont Morgan was assaulted in his home by a man who is interested in the outcome of the war. The question that present itself to the thoughtful person is: Who is safe from such attacks from self-appointed advisers of affairs? Outbreaks of his kind are becoming just a little too frequent.—Temple Telegram.

The insanity plea and the unwritten law has put many a good man in his grave. Holt was no doubt a little "doffy," when he carried out his line of devilment, but if he had not been crazy it would have been an easy matter for him to become crazy after being plated face to face with the severest punishment. The courts are just a little too slack in dealing with crazy men and with men who shoot behind the unwritten law.

"Pay cash" is a motto that every young man should consider when starting out in life. It is an admitted fact that a man who

operates on a cash basis always has a littel money and doesn't have to turn his pay check over to someone else—unless it is his wife—at the end of the week. And besides, it is so much easier to spend more when you are running accounts. A man doesn't realize how he is dashing headlong into the hole until he tries to crawl out.—Copperas Cove New Era.

That's what makes a country

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Patron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that nothing seemed to do me any good.

where diversified farming is followed so prosperous. The farmers learn how to keep out of debt and have money in the bank to check on when they buy a bill of goods. Its the credit system that has kept the Southern man with his nose to the grindstone for all these many years. The people are waking up and there is a great day of prosperity and happiness for the man who works and makes his money before he spends it.

son place, and will work on up Elm creek threshing for Tom Eagan, J. E. Fowler, W. T. Routh, B. F. Kemp and others. No thresher could be secured for working this territory for some time, and the farmers were glad when the Bell county thresher arrived here. Much grain remains to be threshed and there will be work for all the thresher that are now running for several weeks.

Mrs. Joe Wilmeth and three sons left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo where they will be joined by Mr. Wilmeth and go out to the Davis Mountains, to spend the summer.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women" in plain wrapper. J-40

The BLACK BOX

By E. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM

Author of "The Moving Finger," "The Prince of Sinners," "Anna, the Adventuress," etc.

Novelized from the motion picture drama of the same name produced by the Universal Film Manufacturing Company. Illustrated with photographs from the motion picture production.

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SYNOPSIS.

Sanford Quest, master criminologist of the world, finds that in bringing to Justice Macdougall, the murderer of Lord Ashleigh's daughter, he has but just begun a life-and-death struggle with a mysterious master criminal. In a hidden but in Professor Ashleigh's garden he has been an anthropoid ape skeleton and a living inhuman creature, half monkey, half man, destroyed by fire. In his rooms have appeared from nowhere black boxes containing diamonds that had been torn from the owner's throat by a pair of armless, threatening hands and sarcastic, threatening notes signed by the inscrutable hands. Laura and Lenora, his assistants, suspect Craig, the professor's valet, Quest's valet, and a Miss Quigg. Quest traps Craig, but he escapes to England on a tramp steamer. The black boxes continue to appear in uncanny fashion. Notified of Craig's recapture by Scotland Yard men Quest and the professor go to Hamblin house, Lord Ashleigh's home in England, only to find that Craig has again escaped.

NINTH INSTALLMENT

CHAPTER XX.

LOST IN LONDON.

Quest, notwithstanding the unusual nature of his surroundings, slept that night as only a tired and healthy man can. He was awakened the next morning by the quiet movements of a manservant who had brought back his clothes carefully brushed and pressed. "Breakfast is served at nine o'clock, sir. It is now half-past eight."

"I'll be right there."

The man withdrew and Quest made a brisk toilet. The nameless fears of the previous night had altogether disappeared. At the last moment he stretched out his hand to take a handkerchief from his satchel. A sudden exclamation broke from his lips. He stood for a moment as though turned to stone. Before him, on the top of the little pile of white cambric, was a small black box! With a movement of the fingers which was almost mechanical, he removed the lid and drew out the customary little scrap of paper. He smoothed it out before him on the dressing case and read the message:

"You will fall here as you have fallen before. Better go back. There is more danger for you in this country than you dream of."

His teeth came fiercely together and his hands were clenched. His thoughts had gone like a flash to Lenora. Was it possible that harm was intended for her? He put the idea away from him almost as soon as conceived. The thing was unimaginable. Craig was here, must be here, in the close vicinity of the house.

The atmosphere of the pleasant breakfast room to which in due course he descended, was cheerful enough. Lady Ashleigh had already taken her place at the head of the table.

She touched an electric bell under her foot and a moment or two later the butler appeared.

"Go up and see how long your master will be?" Lady Ashleigh directed.

"Very good, your ladyship."

The man was backing through the doorway in his usual dignified manner when he was suddenly pushed on one side. The valet who had waited upon Quest, and who was Lord Ashleigh's own servant, rushed into the room. He almost shouted to Lady Ashleigh: "Your ladyship—the master! Something has happened! He won't move! He—he—"

They all trooped out of the room and up the stairs, the professor leading the way. They pushed open the door of Lord Ashleigh's bedroom, in the far corner of the large room was the four-poster, and underneath the clothes a silent figure. The professor turned down the sheets. Then he held out his hand. His face, too, was blanched.

"Julia, don't come," he begged.

"I must know," she almost shrieked. "I must know!"

"George is dead," the professor said slowly.

There was a moment's awful silence, broken by a piercing scream from Lady Ashleigh. She sank down upon the sofa, and the professor leaned over her. Quest turned to the little group of frightened servants who were gathered round the doorway.

"Telephone for a doctor," he ordered; "also to the local police station."

"He, too, approached the bed and reverently lifted the covering. Lord Ashleigh was lying there, his body a little doubled up, his arms wide outstretched. On his throat were two black marks.

They had led Lady Ashleigh from the room. The professor and Quest stood face to face. The former's expression, however, had lost all his amiable serenity. His face was white and pinched.

"Quest! Quest!" he almost sobbed. "My brother!—George, whom I loved like nobody else on earth! Is he really dead?"

"Absolutely!"

The professor gripped the oak pillar of the bedstead. He seemed on the verge of collapse.

"The mark of the Hands is upon his throat," Quest pointed out.

"The Hands! Oh, my God!" the professor groaned.

"We must not eat or drink or sleep," Quest declared, fiercely, "until we have brought this matter to an end. Craig must be found. This is the supreme horror of all."

The butler made an apologetic appearance. He spoke in a hushed whisper.

"You are wanted downstairs, gentlemen. Middleton, the head keeper, is there."

As though inspired with a common idea, both Quest and the professor hurried out of the room and down the broad stairs. Their inspiration was a true one. The gamekeeper welcomed them with a smile or triumph. By his side, the picture of abject misery, his clothes torn and muddy, was Craig!

"I've imagined this little job, sir," Middleton announced, with a smile of slow triumph.

"How did you get him?" Quest demanded.

"Little idea of my own," the gamekeeper continued. "I guessed pretty well what he'd be up to. He'd tumbled to it that the usual way off the moor was pretty well guarded, and he'd doubled back through the thin line of woods close to the house. I dug one of my poachers' pits, sir, and covered it over with a lot of loose stuff. That got him all right. When I went to look this morning I saw where he'd fallen through, and there he was, walking round and round at the bottom like a caged animal. Your servants have telephoned for the police, Mr. Ashleigh."

Quest suddenly whispered to the professor. Then he turned to the keeper. "Bring him upstairs, Middleton, for a moment," he directed. "Follow us, please."

They passed into the bedroom. Quest signed to the keeper to bring Craig to the side of the four-poster. Then he drew down the sheet.

"Is that your work?" he asked, sternly.

Craig, up till then, had spoken no word. He had shambled to the bedside, a broken, yet, in a sense, a stolid figure. The sight of the dead man, however, seemed to galvanize him into sudden and awful vitality. He threw up his arms. His eyes were horrible as they glared at those small black marks. His lips moved backward and forward, helplessly at first. Then at last he spoke.

"Strangled!" he cried. "One more!"

"That is your work," the criminologist said, firmly.

Craig collapsed. He would have fallen bodily to the ground if Middleton's grip had not kept him up. Quest bent over him. It was clear that he had fainted. They led him from the room.

"We'd better lock him up until the police arrive," Quest suggested. "I suppose there is a safe place somewhere?"

The professor awoke from his stupor.

"Let me show you," he begged. "I know the way. We've a subterranean hiding place which no criminal on this earth could escape from."

They led him down to the back part of the house into a dry cellar which had the appearance of a prison cell.

"This place has been used before now, in the old days, for malefactors," the professor remarked. "He'll be safe there. Craig," he added, his voice trembling, "Craig—I can't speak to you. How could you!"

There was no answer. Craig's face was buried in his hands. They left him there and turned the key.

CHAPTER XXI.

Quest stood, frowning upon the pavement, gazing at the obviously empty house. He looked once more at the slip of paper which Lenora had given him. There was no possibility of any mistake:

Mrs. Willet,
157 Elmsmere Road,
Hampstead.

This was 157 and the house was empty. After a moment's hesitation he rang the bell at the adjoining door. A woman, who had been watching him from the front room, answered the summons at once.

"Can you tell me," he inquired, "what has become of the lady who used to live at 157—Mrs. Willet?"

"She's moved," was the uncompromising reply.

"Do you know where to?" Quest asked, eagerly.

"West Kensington—No. 17 Princess Court road. There was a young lady here yesterday afternoon inquiring for her."

Quest raised his hat. It was a relief, at any rate, to have news of Lenora.

"I am very much obliged to you, madam."

"You're welcome!" was the terse reply.

Quest gave a new address to the taxi driver and was scarcely able to restrain his impatience during the long drive. They pulled up at last before a somewhat dingy-looking house. He rang the bell, which was answered by a trim-looking little maidservant.

"Is Mrs. Willet in?" he inquired.

The maidservant stood on one side to let him pass. Almost at the same moment the door of the front room opened and a pleasant-looking elderly lady appeared.

"I am Mrs. Willet," she announced.

"I am Mr. Quest," the criminologist told her quickly. "You may have heard your niece, Lenora, speak of me."

"Then perhaps you can tell me what has become of her?" Mrs. Willet asked.

"Isn't she here?"

Mrs. Willet shook her head.

"I had a telegram from her from Plymouth to say that she was coming, but I've seen nothing of her as yet."

"You've changed your address, you know," Quest reminded her, after a moment's reflection.

"I wrote and told her," Mrs. Willet began. "After all, though," she went on thoughtfully, "I am not sure whether she could have had the letter. But if she went up to Hampstead, anyone would tell her where I had moved to. There's no secret about me."

"Lenora did go up to 157 Elmsmere road yesterday," Quest told her. "They gave her your address here, as they have just given it to me."

"Then what's become of the child?" Mrs. Willet demanded.

Quest, whose brain was working quickly, scribbled upon one of his cards the address of the hotel where he had taken rooms and passed it over.

"Why Lenora didn't come on to you here I can't imagine," he said. "However, I'll go back to the hotel where she was to spend the night after she arrived. She may have gone back there. That's my address, Mrs. Willet. If you hear anything I wish you'd let me know. Lenora's quite a particular friend of mine and I am a little anxious."

Quest had already opened the front door for himself and passed out. He sprang into the taxi, which he had kept waiting.

"Clifford's hotel in Payne street," he told the man.

He lit a cigar and smoked furiously all the way, throwing it on to the pavement as he hurried into the quiet private hotel which a fellow passenger on the steamer had recommended as being suitable for Lenora's one night alone in town.

"Can you tell me if Miss Lenora Macdougall is staying here?" he asked at the office.

The woman shook her head.

"Miss Macdougall stayed here the night before last," she said, "and her luggage is waiting for orders. She left here yesterday afternoon to go to her aunt's, and promised to send for her things later on during the day. There they stand, all ready for her."

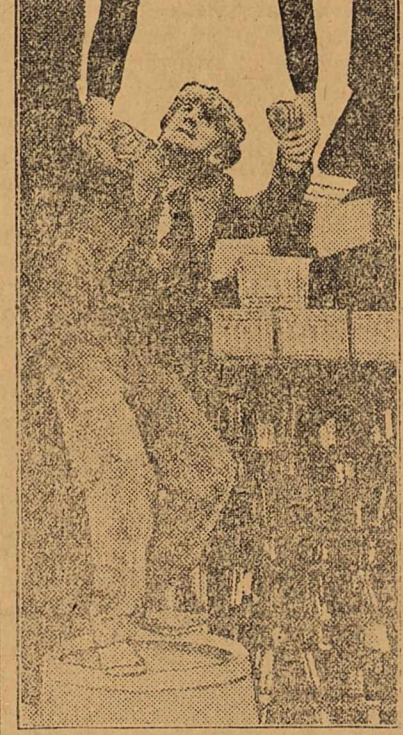
"What time did she go?"

"Directly after an early lunch. It must have been about two o'clock."

Quest hurried away. So after all there was some foundation for this queer sense of depression which had been hovering about him for the last few days!

"Scotland Yard," he told the taxi driver.

He thrust another cigar between his teeth, but forgot to light it. He was



Craig Escapes From the Cellar.

amazed at his own sensations, conscious of fears and emotions of which he would never have believed himself capable. He gave in his card, and after a few moments' delay he was shown into the presence of one of the chiefs of the detective department, who greeted him warmly.

"My name is Hardaway," the latter announced.

"My assistant, a young lady, Miss Lenora Macdougall, has disappeared! She and I and Professor Ashleigh left the steamer at Plymouth and traveled up in the boat train. It was stopped at Hamblin road for the professor and myself, and Miss Macdougall came on to London. She was staying at Clifford's hotel in Payne street for the night, and then going on to the aunt. Well, I've found that aunt. She was expecting the girl, but the girl never appeared."

"Where did this aunt live?" Hardaway inquired.

"No. 17, Princess Court road, West Kensington," Quest replied. "She had just moved there from Elmsmere road Hampstead. I went first to Hampstead. Lenora had been there and learned her aunt's correct address in West Kensington. I followed on to West Kensington and found that the aunt was still awaiting her."



"I'll Give a Ten-Pound Note to Anyone Who Gets Me Out to the Barton Before She Sails."

A new interest seemed suddenly to have crept into Hardaway's manner.

"Let me see," he said, "if she left Clifford's hotel about two, she would have been at Hampstead about half-past two. She would waste a few minutes in making inquiries, then she probably left Hampstead for West Kensington, say, at a quarter to three. Give me at once a description of the young lady," he demanded.

Quest drew a photograph from his pocket and passed it silently over.

"Mr. Quest," he said, "it is just possible that your visit here has been an exceedingly opportune one."

"Come along with me," he continued. "We'll talk as we go."

They entered a taxi and drove off westwards.

"Mr. Quest," he went on, "for two months we have been on the track of a man and a woman whom we strongly suspect of having deceived half a dozen perfectly respectable young women, and shipped them out to South America."

"The white slave traffic!" Quest gasped.

"Something of the sort," Hardaway admitted. "Well, we've been closing the net around this interesting couple, and last night I had information brought to me upon which we are acting this afternoon. We've had them watched and it seems that they were sitting in a tea place about three o'clock yesterday afternoon when a young woman entered who was obviously a stranger to London. You see, the time fits in exactly, if your assistant decided to stop on her way to Kensington and get some tea. She asked the woman at the desk the best means of getting to West Kensington without taking a taxicab. Her description tallies exactly with the photograph you have shown me. The woman whom my men were watching addressed her and offered to show her the way. They left the place together. My men followed them. The house has been watched ever since and we are raiding it this afternoon. You and I will just be in time."

He stopped the cab and they got out. A man who seemed to be strolling aimlessly along reading a newspaper suddenly joined them.

"Well, Dixon?" his chief exclaimed. The man glanced around.

"I've got three men round at the back, Mr. Hardaway," he said. "It's impossible for anyone to leave the place."

Hardaway paused to consider a moment.

"Look here," Quest suggested, "they know all of you, of course, and they'll never let you in until they're forced to. I'm a stranger. Let me go. I'll get in all right."

"All right," he assented. "We shall follow you up pretty closely, though."

Quest stepped back into the taxi and gave the driver a direction. When he emerged in front of the handsome gray stone house he seemed to have become completely transformed. There was a fatuous smile upon his lips. He crossed the pavement with difficulty, stumbling up the steps, and held on to the knocker with one hand while he consulted a slip of paper. He had scarcely rung the bell before a slightly-parted curtain in the front room fell together and a moment later the door was opened by a man in the livery of a butler, but with the face and physique of a prize-fighter.

"Lady of the house," Quest demanded. "Want to see the lady of the house?"

Almost immediately he was conscious of a woman standing in the hall before him.

"You had better come in," she invited. "Please do not stand in the doorway."

Quest, however, who had heard the footsteps of the others behind him, loitered there for a moment.

"You're the lady whose name is on this piece of paper?" he demanded.

"This place is all right, eh?"

"I really do not know what you mean," the woman replied coldly; "but if you will come inside I will talk with you in the drawing room."

Quest, as though stumbling against the front door, had it now wide open, and in a moment the hall seemed full.

The woman shrieked. The butler suddenly sprang upon the last man to enter and sent him spinning down the steps. Almost at that instant there was a scream from upstairs. Quest took a running jump and went up the stairs four at a time. The butler, who had so far defied arrest, suddenly snatched the revolver from Hardaway's hand and fired blindly in front of him, missing Quest only by an inch or two.

"Don't be a fool, Karl!" the woman called out. "The game's up. Take it quietly."

Once more the shriek rang through the house. Quest rushed to the door of the room from whence it came, tried the handle, and found it locked. He ran back a little way and charged it. From inside he could hear a turmoil of voices. White with rage and passion, he pushed and kicked madly. There was a shot from inside, a bullet came through the door within an inch of his head, then the crash of broken crockery and a man's groan. With a final effort Quest dashed the door in and staggered into the room. Lenora was standing in the far corner, the front of her dress torn and blood upon her lips. She held a revolver in her hand, and was covering a man whose head and hands were bleeding. Around him were the debris of a broken jug.

"Mr. Quest!" she screamed. "Don't go near him—I've got him covered. I'm all right."

Quest drew a long breath. The man who stood glaring at him was well dressed and still young. He was unarmed, however, and Quest secured him in a moment.

"The girl's mad!" he said sullenly. "No one wanted to do her any harm."

Hardaway and his men came trooping up the stairs. Quest relinquished his prisoner and went over to Lenora.

"I've been so frightened," she sobbed. "They got me in here—they told me that this was the street in which my aunt lived—and they wouldn't let me go. The woman was horrible. And this afternoon this man came. The brute!"

Quest turned to Hardaway.

"I'll take the young lady away," he said. "You know where to find us."

Lenora had almost recovered when they reached the hotel. Walking up and down they found the professor.

"My friend!" he exclaimed—"Mr. Quest! It is the devil incarnate against whom we fight!"

"What do you mean?" Quest demanded.

The professor wrung his hands.

"I put him in our James II prison," he declared. "Why should I think of the secret passage? No one has used it for a hundred years. He found it, learned the trick—"

"You mean," Quest cried—

"He has escaped!" the professor broke in. "Craig has escaped again! They are searching for him high and low, but he has gone!"

Quest's arm tightened for a moment in Lenora's. It was curious how he seemed to have lost at that moment all sense of proportion. Lenora was safe . . . the relief of that one thought overshadowed everything else in the world.

"The fellow can't get far," he muttered.

"Who knows?" the professor replied, dolefully.

They had been standing together in a little recess of the hall. Suddenly Lenora, whose face was turned toward the entrance doors, gave a little cry. She took a quick step forward.

"Laura!" she exclaimed, wonderingly. "Why, it's Laura!"

They all turned around. A young woman had just entered the hotel, followed by a porter carrying some luggage. Her arm was in a sling and there was a bandage around her forehead. She walked, too, with the help of a stick. She recognized them at once and waved it gayly.

"Hullo, you people!" she cried. "Scam run you to earth, eh?"

They were for a moment dumfounded. Lenora was the first to find words. "But when did you start, Laura?" she asked. "I thought you were too ill to move for weeks."

The girl smiled contemptuously.

"I left three days after you, on the Kaiser Frederic," she replied. "There was some trouble at Plymouth, and

we came into Southampton early this morning, and here I am. Say, before we go any further, tell me about Craig."

"We've had him," Quest confessed, "and lost him again. He escaped last night."

"Where from?" Laura asked.

"Hamblin house."

"Say, is that anywhere near the south coast?" the girl demanded excitedly.

"It's not far away," Quest replied, quickly. "Why?"

"I'll tell you why," Laura explained. "I was as sure of it as anyone could be. Craig passed me in Southampton water this morning, being rowed out to a steamer. Not only that, but he recognized me. I saw him draw back and hide his face, but somehow I couldn't believe that it was really he. I was just coming down the gangway and I nearly fell into the sea, I was so surprised."

Quest was already turning over the pages of the timetable.

"What was the steamer?" he demanded.

"I found out," Laura told him. "I tell you, I was so sure of it being Craig that I made no end of inquiries. It was the Barton, bound for India, first stop Port Said."

"When does she sail?" Quest asked.

"Tonight—somewhere about seven," Laura replied.

Quest glanced at the clock and threw down the timetable. He turned toward the door. They all followed him.

"I'm for Southampton," he announced. "I'm going to try to get on board that steamer before she sails. Lenora, you'd better go upstairs and lie down. They'll give you a room here. Don't you stir out till I come back. Professor, what about you?"

"I shall accompany you," the professor declared.

"And nothing," Lenora declared, firmly, as she caught at Quest's arm, "would keep me away."

"I'll telephone to Scotland Yard, in case they care to send a man down," Quest decided.

They caught a train to Southampton, where they were joined by a man from Scotland Yard. The little party drove as quickly as possible to the docks.

"Where does the Barton start from?" Quest asked the piermaster.

The man pointed out a little way down the water.

"She's not in dock, sir," he said. "She's lying out yonder. You'll barely catch her, I'm afraid," he added, glancing at the clock.

They hurried to the edge of the quay.

"Look here," Quest cried, raising his voice. "I'll give a ten-pound note to anyone who gets me out to the Barton before she sails."

The little party were almost thrown into a tug, and in a few minutes they were skimming across the smooth water. Just as they reached the steamer, however, she began to move.

"Run up alongside," Quest ordered. The captain came down from the bridge where he had been conferring with the pilot.

"Keep away from the side there," he shouted. "Who are you?"

"We are in search of a desperate criminal whom we believe to be on



Quest Secures Him in a Moment.

board your steamer," Quest explained. "Please take us on board."

The captain shook his head.

"Are you from Scotland Yard?" he asked. "Have you got your warrant?"

"We are from America," Quest answered, "but we've got a Scotland Yard man with us and a warrant, tight enough."

The captain shook his head.

"I am over an hour late," he said, "and it's costing me fifty pounds a minute. If I take you on board, you'll have to come right along with me, unless you find the fellow before we've left your tub behind."

Quest turned around.

"Will you risk it?" he asked.

"Yes!" they all replied.

"We're coming, captain," Quest decided.

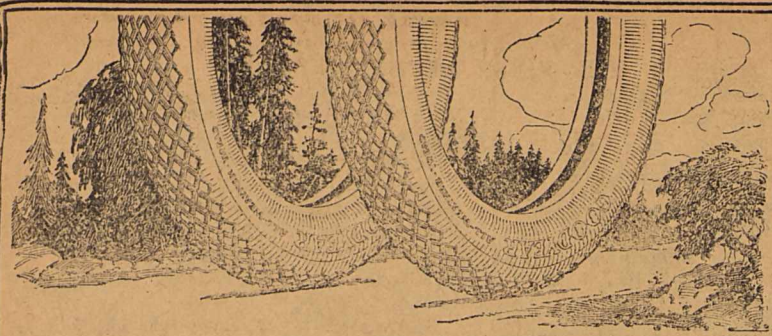
A rope ladder was let down. The steamer began to slow down. The captain spoke once more to the pilot and came down from the bridge.

"I'm forced to go full speed ahead or cross the bar," he told Quest. "I'm sorry, but the tide's just on the turn." They looked at one another a little blankly.

The professor, however, beamed upon them all.

"I have always understood," he said, "that Port Said is a most interesting place."

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FARMER KEEPS COWS AS SIDELINE; GETS \$100 MONTH

As an example of what a man can do with a few cows and hogs is shown in some figures given the Ledger by J. H. Taylor, this week. Mr. Taylor stated that he did not exhibit the figures for the purpose of bragging on what he had done, but for the purpose and with the hopes that it would inspire other farmers to profit by his experience.

Mr. Taylor lives just east of Ballinger, and he is a farmer. The money realized from his cows and hogs comes in as revenue from his sidelines. By making a high grade butter and packing it in cartons bearing his name and trade mark, Mr. Taylor has worked up a trade that he cannot supply. He receives 35 cents per pound for his butter, and he stated that he could sell a great deal more than his cows are now producing. He has standing engagements for all he can make and when he leaves home he knows that he has a market for his butter, and it is all sold before he makes it.

Here are some figures Mr. Taylor submits, and he vouches for their accuracy, as he has been keeping close tab on the line of his work just for his own information: Since January the first he has been milking from five to thirteen cows. He has milked 3,000 gallons of milk, most of which he fed to his hogs, converting the milk into pork for which he received a good price. Mr. Taylor has moulded 916 pounds of butter. He consumed

180 pounds of butter at home, and sold 736 pounds. He sold \$24.16 worth of cream. He has sold \$120 worth of milk fed hogs and has 26 head of hogs left which he values at \$150.

The above figures cover a period of six months, from January first to July first. The report shows that Mr. Taylor has realized a gross income of about \$100 per month from his little bunch of milk cows. With the splendid range the feed bill has been a small item and leaves a big balance for Mr. Taylor to pay him for his work.

There are thousands of men working for a great deal less and living on short rations adopting the hand-to-mouth methods to make ends meet, and then they don't meet. There is no question but what dairying, poultry growing and hog raising will lift any farmer out of the quagmire of debt and place him on easy street with the comforts of life for his family, and he will not have to mortgage his wife and children by binding them into slavery to help make a big cotton crop to pay for the necessities of life bought on long time prices.

Others in this county are doing equally as well as Mr. Taylor and just such tactics as these farmers are following is what has placed Runnels county in the eyes of all Texas and other states as the banner county for diversified farming.

It pays and pays big.

LACK OF PHONE CONNECTION COSTS BALLINGER HEAVY

Commissioner J. D. Smith was here from the Wingate country first of the week, and spent a couple of days here on business. Mr. Smith reported the heaviest grain crop in his section that the country had ever produced, and said that other crops were looming up good.

While here Mr. Smith registered a complaint that should be investigated. He said that Ballinger was losing trade on account of phone trouble that existed between an independent company at Wingate and the West Texas Telephone Co. For some reason the two phone companies are not friendly and the West Texas Company will not give the Wingate company connection into Ballinger, and, according to Mr. Smith, 400 farmers in the North-western part of the county and throughout the Wingate country can not phone to Ballinger for love or money. Most of the farmers in that section have phones in their homes and can talk anywhere in Texas except to Ballinger. Mr. Smith stated that they had no trouble getting connection into Winters, Sweetwater, Abilene, San Angelo, or anywhere else for that matter, except Ballinger.

This is a question that the business men and citizens of Ballinger should investigate to the very bottom. The party or parties who are responsible for this state of affairs should be located regardless of cost, and the trouble settled. There is no question but what Ballinger is getting a black eye, and that too, without cause. The idea seems to prevail through out the territory affected by this trouble that Ballinger is "standing in" with the West Texas Telephone Co., and that it is a scheme to freeze out the independent company. This is creating a prejudice against Ballinger that will be hard to overcome. The idea is a false one, as Ballinger through the Business League and through other channels attempted to settle this trouble, and are still on the job. There are conflicting reports and statements as to who is responsible for this state of affairs, and Ballinger business men are ready and anxious to sift it to the very depth and to aid in every way possible in giving the people in the Wingate country phone connection with Ballinger.

After talking with a number of prominent business men, and members of the Young Men's Business League, we believe that we can assure the Wingate people that the trouble will be settled and settled right.

LIGHTNING KILLS MEXICAN HERDER

SAN ANGELO, July 7.—Anselo Dias, a Mexican sheep herder employed to tend the flocks on the Treadwell ranch, was struck by lightning Saturday morning and instantly killed. He was out tending the flocks when a keen flash of lightning struck him, breaking his bones and tearing the top of his skull in ragged edge fashion in twain almost. His sombrero was rent also in the same manner. His body was broken and shaken terribly. He was not missed, and no knowledge of the accident was had by his employer until Monday morning a number of the flock were seen to have strayed away from the main drove and the cause followed up with the finding of the body, in a badly decomposed condition, as a result.

THE GRAIN CROP SOME SIZE

The Santa Fe officials are very proud of the prospects for a large shipment of grain that is just now about to be started. The southern division of the Santa Fe alone, to say nothing of the other roads in Texas, expect to ship nine hundred thousand cars of grain. The southern division of the Santa Fe consists of the main line from Bellville yards to Cleburn, a distance of 200 miles; five hundred and twenty-two miles west of Temple, known as the branch lines of Temple to San Angelo, Sweetwater, Eden, and Paint Rock. It was just last week when the little city of Miles loaded twenty-one cars of grain in twenty-four hours, and most of these cars were consigned to the eastern coast towns, a long haul, which means an outlay of money for the roads.

The grain in many cases in the western part of the state is yielding from ninety to one hundred bushels to the acre. The wheat is the heaviest in that part of the state, which means much money for those who have planted very heavy in wheat.

Recently a relief man was sent to Ballinger to relieve an agent; after billing out seven cars after the sun had gone down he retires at a very late hour with the hope that he may be able to get a little rest; his room was just across the street from the public scales which kept him awake all night listening to the throngs and throngs of wagons which came in to be weighed all night long.

The west is entitled to a good grain crop some time and we are proud to announce that they are getting it; we just hope that they will wait until the prices get higher before they sell.—Temple Mirror.

BURGLARS GET MONEY AND OTHER LOOT TUESDAY NIGHT

Burglars worked Ballinger early Tuesday night. The cash drawer at the Santa Fe passenger station was robbed of ten dollars in change, and W. H. Roark's tailor shop was robbed of a suit of clothes and a watch.

It is not known what time the tailor shop burglary was committed as it was not discovered until business hours Wednesday morning, but the passenger station was robbed during the early part of the night. The ticket agent left the ticket office about nine o'clock, leaving ten dollars in the cash drawer for change for the man who meets the midnight train. The night man went to the ticket office about ten o'clock, and found the window open and the cash missing.

The burglars entered the tailor shop through the back door, it being an easy matter to work the opening. The door was found open and the goods missing when the place was opened for business Wednesday morning.

When Billie Hardin, who meets the night train went to the passenger station for some other purpose about ten o'clock he found the window open and the cash drawer pulled out and the money gone. He reported the burglary to the officers and also to other employees of the Santa Fe.

The last man to leave the station Tuesday night is certain that he closed the window, and as it is locked securely from the inside, it is the opinion of the officers that the burglar entered the building through the door and left the building by coming out the window. The window when fastened on the inside can not be opened from the outside without breaking the glass.

Three tramps visited Ballinger Tuesday and were noticed hanging around the water tank Tuesday afternoon. They have not been located, and while there is no evidence that they committed the robberies they would no doubt be held for an investigation if located.

These are the first burglary

cases for several months, and it was thought by placing a night watchman on duty that the burglars would be frightened away from Ballinger, and the watchman was on duty Tuesday night, but the robbers were too slick for him, and while he was in one part of the business district, they were in the other.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mrs. W. E. Blair left Sunday for Navasota, Texas, to spend the summer with her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Galoway of Temple, stopped over to visit their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow, on their way home from San Angelo.

Mrs. H. A. Wooten and children, of San Angelo, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Eubank, left Monday accompanied by her father, Mr. J. A. Hubbard and son, to spend a few days near Winters, visiting their sister and daughter, Mrs. T. L. Eubank.

Mr. Will Holland has returned home from Ft. Stockton, where he had been on business the past few days.

Misses Leska and Kathleen Hinde gave a most delightful Fourth of July entertainment Saturday night, in honor of their cousins, Misses Bessie May Rhodes of San Saba, and Lucille Murray of Winters. The home was beautifully decorated with the national colors, red, white, and blue. Delicious refreshments were served.

ELBERTA PEACH

L. B. Stubbs, Ed Schawe, H. C. Gardner, E. E. Woodson, and Sim Cotele, left Wednesday morning in Mr. Stubbs' auto for Menard, where they go to attend the Goat Roping Contest, and enjoy the day with friends.

J. B. Johnson of Bodias, who had been visiting in Ballinger the past week or two, left for his home Monday afternoon.

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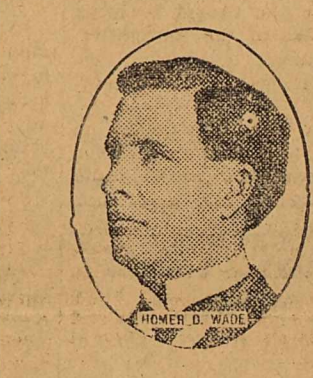
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Demand the genuine by full name—
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THE COCA-COLA CO.
ATLANTA, GA.

Whenever you see an Arrow, think of Coca-Cola

Prominent Visitor Says Ballinger Beats 'Em All



HOMER D. WADE

"Your beautiful parks certainly get my eye," said Homer D. Wade, one of the liveliest boosters for better towns, better roads, and an untiring worker for the development of Texas, while here Wednesday.

Mr. Wade was here in the interest of a deep-water port at Freeport, Texas, and was calling on the heavy shippers of the city. R. P. Kirk called Mr. Wade off business long enough to drive him over the city. The prominent visitor opened his eyes with surprise as he was driven down the clean beautiful streets with beautiful lawns and flower gardens and shade trees on every side. Mr. Wade stated that Ballinger was the most substantially built, the best kept, and cleanest town in Texas to its size, and he was speaking for

more than eighty counties that he has visited during the last few months.

Mr. Wade is a great booster for parks. The only criticism he had to offer was in speaking of the "weed forest" north of the Santa Fe station. He said that the city could not invest a few dollars more profitably than in converting this ugly spot into a park. It would not cost much to "re-plant" out shade trees on his ground and little by little the ugly place would soon be converted into a beauty spot.

Mr. Wade left for Brownwood Wednesday afternoon, after spending the day here on business and meeting old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lackey, of Brownwood, who had been visiting her father L. Daugherty, and family, returned home Tuesday afternoon.

The W. O. W. degree team of the Ballinger lodge went over to Rowena, where they assisted at the initiation of 12 candidates, Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Perse Griffin returned home first of the week from Ebony, Texas, where they had been visiting for several months. Mr. Griffin is much improved in health and is back on his job at the Ballinger Barber Shop.

The New 1916 OVERLAND

A car peculiarly adapted to our road conditions is now about ready to be placed on our local sales field.

Will have a new demonstrator within the next few days and a car load booked direct from factory which will reach Ballinger in a very short time.

Practically the same car as the 1915 model 80 with refinements added and \$325 taken out of the sale price.

For the most exacting buyer this is a car with quality and price that you cannot afford to overlook.

Don't rely upon reports and statements unofficial but investigate for yourself.

LEACH AUTO WORKS

AGENT RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

Of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 23rd day of June 1915, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 2nd day of July 1915.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts, personal or Collateral	\$224,848.51
Loans, real estate	
Overdrafts	
Real Estate (banking house)	39,000.00
Other Real Estate	15,286.52
Furniture and Fixtures	7,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	42,197.04
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	1,933.59
Cash Items	2,979.12
Currency	12,381.00
Specie	3,602.89
Interest in depositors guaranty fund	18,963.01
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	3,107.16
Other Resources as follows Guaranty Assessment Fund	312.98
TOTAL	\$352,649.11

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	100,000.00
Surplus Fund	6,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	15,571.48
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	25,656.16
Individual Deposits, subject to check	179,039.36
Time Certificates of Deposit	117.75
Demand Certificates of Deposit	
Cashier's Checks	14.55
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	25,000.00
Other liabilities as follows: Bills of Exchange	850.81
TOTAL	\$352,649.11

State of Texas, County of Runnels, We, H. Giesecke as president, and J. L. Chastain as Asst. 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.
J. L. Chastain, Asst. Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 2nd day of July A. D., 1915.
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.
C. P. Shepherd, Notary Public, Runnels County.
Correct Attest: J. F. Currie, H. Giesecke, G. G. Odom, Directors

RECAPITULATION

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$224,848.51
Overdrafts ()	
Real Estate B. H. Furniture and Fixtures	61,286.52
Other real estate	
Interest in Guaranty Fund	3,420.14
Cash and Exchange	63,093.64
	\$352,649.11

LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	21,571.48
Bills of Exchange	850.81
Bills Payable	25,000.00
Total Deposits	205,226.82
	\$352,649.11

MRS. J. E. WARREN DEAD.

Mrs. Warren, wife of J. E. Warren, died at their home on the W. C. Jones place, eight miles southeast of Ballinger, Thursday evening at 7 o'clock and was buried Friday afternoon in the City cemetery. Rev. G. W. Newman conducted the funeral services.

Mrs. Warren was 35 years of age and had been suffering from consumption for several months past. She leaves a husband and five children and other relatives to mourn her death.

The Ledger joins many friends in condolence and sympathy for the sad relatives in the hour of trouble.

A Medicine Chest for 25c.

In this chest you have an excellent remedy for Toothache, Bruises, Sprains, Stiff Neck, Backache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism and for most emergencies. One 25c bottle of Sloan's Liniment does it all—this because these ailments are symptoms, not diseases, and are caused by congestion and inflammation. If you doubt, ask those who use Sloan's Liniment, or better still, buy a 25c bottle and prove it. All Druggists.

TO WOOL GROWERS ASSN. OF RUNNELS COUNTY

Gentlemen I have taken the liberty of sending your name to the Department at Washington, and your names are now on the mailing list. You will receive bulletins No. 576 and 206, on sheep and wool. In reply to my request, this is what follows:

"I beg to state that under June 24th an order was filed with the superintendent of documents, directing that the publications be forwarded to the addresses furnished by you, and that their names be added to the mailing list of this department to which the monthly list of publication is regularly sent."

Sheep men can learn something as well as anyone else. I trust that each of you will receive valuable information from this source.

GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

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

Runnels County Pecan Nursery

Have you a home in town? Put out a few choice pecan trees. Giving you a beautiful shade as well as a supply of valuable nuts. Do you own a farm? You should be able to find a number of places where the pecans would thrive. The head of a draw, a low place on your land. Any spot which receives a good wetting from an ordinary rain will answer. A few dollars invested in choice pecans now will in a few years yield an abundant return on your outlay. Orders booked now for fall delivery.

S. B. HOWARD

Silo Bargain

Two 200 ton Crown Silos, must be sold at bargain prices quick.

Ballinger Lumber Company

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

ENTERPRISE MAN CONGRATULATES US

Ed P. Eason, editor of the Winters Enterprise, which by the way grows to be a better paper with each issue, attended Ballinger's big celebration, and returning home gave the following account of the big barbecue in his paper:

Ballinger citizens have a right to brag on themselves for the successful manner in which they managed their twenty-ninth anniversary and the thousands of people who were entertained on this memorable occasion will bear witness of the fact that the entertainment was all that one could expect and they were expecting a great deal.

The entertainment committee, backed up by practically every citizen of that enterprising city, had a big job on their hands but, be it said to the credit of everyone concerned, that every item of the day's work was carried forward to a successful termination.

The dinner was sufficient to feed many more people than were assembled there and when one viewed the crowds there assembled and learned that, after all had eaten to their entire satisfaction and that the committee still called for more to eat what was left, it is realized the dinner was a successful item of itself.

The entertainment of the visitors by speeches, recitations, music and other items passed very pleasantly and profitably much of the time.

The flight of the airship, which item alone brought many visitors to the scene, was all that could have been desired. Promptly on the hour advertised the big aeroplane rose in the air and circled the entire city, coming to the earth again with no mishap and demonstrating to the hundreds who had never witnessed such an event the wonderful achievements of the air man.

A ball game between Ballinger and Abilene teams whiled away part of the afternoon with a good clean game of the national sport, calculated to please all who appreciate such sport.

Taken all together Ballinger has handled one more successful event in the celebration of her twenty-ninth anniversary and those of us who were so fortunate as to be their guests for the time can only find words of praise for the hospitable manner in which we were entertained and the orderly manner in which every item on the program was carried to a successful termination.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts direct on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

HERE'S EXAMPLE OF DIVERSIFICATION NEAR CITY

The Day ranch situated near Leaday, between Ballinger and Coleman, has two hundred acres planted to "pinto" beans. This acreage of the speckled variety of beans will yield, it is said by Demonstrator Mcelland, 1,000 pounds to the acre, or 200,000 pounds total for the crop.

These beans if sold at the present market price will bring the owners a neat \$12,000, as the market is now quoted at 6 cents. Mr. Mcelland gives this as an example of diversification, and thinks this should help some in the way of a short cotton crop, low prices, etc.

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

HE WANTED TO SEE THE AIRSHIP SAIL

(Winters Enterprise)

Our friend and office associate, C. L. Green, is taking lots of time explaining what he considers an unfortunate misunderstanding. Now Green had read in the Enterprise that Ballinger was to pull off an airship ascension on the occasion of their anniversary celebration. He timed himself to arrive at Ballinger just in time for the event. When he drove down in his big Case car to the place where he was informed the airship was, he could see nothing that looked like a ship to him, but, on the contrary, he saw, as he described it, a kind of cold drinks stand, with awnings to keep out the sun. There was also a machine that he took for a big milk-shaker and there was a bunch of men trying to hold the thing against the wind. However as Green drove up the thing rose from the ground and flew off. The fellows who had been holding the thing let go, all but one faithful fool, who forgot to turn loose until it was too late. However this fellow was fortunate in being able to "climb astraddle" of the thing and hold on. When the big machine came to earth again Green approached this fellow and congratulated him on being able to "ride 'er till she lit." Then friend Green hunted up Bob Kirk and asked him when he was going to have the airship go up. Bob told him they had been disappointed in their airman as he had failed to show up and Green came home disappointed at not seeing anything that looked like an airship to him.

Your Cough Can Be Stopped

Using care to avoid draughts, exposure, sudden changes, and taking a treatment of Dr. King's New Discovery, will positively relieve, and in time will surely rid you of your cough. The first dose soothes the irritation, checks your cough, which stops in a short time. Dr. King's New Discovery has been used successfully for 45 years and is guaranteed to cure you. Money back if it fails. Get a bottle from your druggist; it costs only a little and will help you so much.

TO HOG FARMERS OF RUNNELS COUNTY

I wish to announce to you that we have an invasion of hog cholera in this county, and let me urge you to be careful where you get your hogs from, especially for breeding purposes. We have not got the virulent type, but the chronic. It does its work slowly but surely. In eighty per cent of the cases I have vaccinated, 140 head, I have only lost one. I haven't had a single new case in those infected districts where we treated them, so far as has come to my knowledge.

And I wish to thank these farmers for their faithful co-operation in helping to stamp out this deadly disease before it gets a universal grip upon the hog industry in this county. So far as I can learn we have cholera in 17 different herds in the different parts of the county. So let me urge you again to be careful where you get your hogs. If you have trouble with your hogs, let me know and I will assist you. My services are free.

GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent.

Diarrhoea Quickly Cured.

"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted for over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Obtainable everywhere.

HATCHEL ANNUAL W. O. W. PICNIC

Will be held in F. Voelker's pasture on Friday, July 23. Every body is cordially invited to attend and those that can will please bring baskets and let's enjoy the day together. Don't get the idea that this picnic is for Woodmen only. It is for everybody and we want all to come. There will be plenty to eat, and amusement for both young and old. At night there will be a big ball given at the Woodmen Hall in Hatchel. We have ample room to accommodate all who may come.

E. D. BOWEN, Clerk,
Hatchel W. O. W. Lodge.

Mrs. Ed S. McCarver and baby, of Texas City, who had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends the past several weeks, left for home Saturday afternoon.

Report of the Condition of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, of Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business June 23, 1915.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts (notes held in bank)	\$369,558.89
Total loans	\$369,558.89
Overdrafts, unsecured	\$26.21
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	\$100,000.00
U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal saving (par value)	\$ 1,500.00
Total U. S. bonds	\$101,500.00
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged	\$ 200.00
Total bonds, securities, etc	\$ 200.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve bank	\$13,600
Less amount unpaid	\$ 6,800
All other stocks, including premium on same	\$ 6,800.00
Banking house, \$20,000.00; furniture and fixtures, \$5,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Other real estate owned	\$ 28,773.93
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	\$ 5,550.00
Due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	\$ 41,287.88
Due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	\$ 55,812.53
Due from banks and bankers (other than included in 8 or 9	\$ 8,312.69
Checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	\$ 730.00
Outside checks and other cash items	\$ 1,712.76
Fractional currency, nickles, and cents	\$ 290.49
Notes of other national banks	\$ 7,500.00
Total coin and certificates	\$ 23,440.65
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation)	\$ 5,000.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer	\$ 5,000.00
Total	\$681,496.09

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$200,000.00
Surplus fund	\$ 25,500.00
Undivided profits	\$ 36,327.75
	\$ 61,827.75
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	\$ 10,015.50
Circulating notes	\$100,000.00
Less amount on hand and in Treasury for redemption or in transit	\$ 2,400.00
Due to banks and bankers (other than included in 5 or 6	\$ 7,444.30
Demand deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check	\$310,744.75
Certificate of deposit due in less than 30 days	\$ 900.17
Cashier's checks outstanding	\$ 997.80
Postal savings deposits	\$ 461.04
Deposits requiring notice of less than thirty days	\$313,103.76
Certificates of deposit due on or after 30 days	\$ 11,535.78
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by items 4d of "resources"	\$11,535.78
Total	\$681,496.09

State of Texas, county of Runnels, ss: I R. G. Erwin, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of July, 1915.
J. WHIT PATTERSON, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
J. Y. PEARCE,
J. McGREGOR,
D. M. BAKER,
Directors.

Resources.	Liabilities.
Loans and discounts	\$369,585.10
U. S. bonds	101,500.00
Banking house furniture and fixtures	25,000.00
Real estate	28,773.93
Stock and bonds	200.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	6,800.00
Cash and Exchange	149,637.00
	\$681,496.09
Capital Stock	\$200,000.00
Surplus and profits	51,812.25
Circulation	97,600.00
Deposits	332,083.84
	\$681,496.09

DANCING MASTER DEAD

News has been received in Ballinger of the death of Prof. Z. A. Hall, a well known San Antonio dancing master. Prof. Hall visited Ballinger a number of times in the interest of dancing, and is remembered here by those who were in the dancing circles in years gone by. The report says that Prof. Hall was stricken with paralysis at Flatonia, Texas, on June 10th and died on June 18th. He was carried to Kyle when he was first stricken and his body was buried at that place, where he has relatives.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS for 50 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

SNAKE BITE BOY RECOVERING

J. H. Taylor was in the city Monday from his farm East of Ballinger. He was accompanied by his little son, who was here to have the doctor dress his leg. It will be remembered that the boy was bitten by a rattle snake about two weeks ago, and for a time was in a critical condition. Aside from an ugly wound where the reptile struck the boy on the leg, he is getting along nicely.

E. B. Warmack and J. W. Dark of the Oak creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

SATURDAY RUNAWAY DOES SLIGHT DAMAGE

A team of horses belonging to Lawrence Boynton, hitched to a hack in front of Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co., ran down Eighth Street and Hutchins Saturday. The team did not violate the traffic ordinance, but kept on the right side of the street all the way to the oil mill. At the intersection of Eighth and Hutchins they ran into a buggy doing it slight damage.

"Penitentiary" wagons, and low wagons, made in Huntsville, fully guaranteed. JNO. PECH-ACEK. 24-w4t

TAKING HIS VACATION
W. W. Chastain, manager of the grocery department of the Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack store, is off for a ten day's vacation. Mr. Chastain rigged up for a few days fishing and outing Monday morning, and will probably visit at Menardville during the ten days allotted to him.

TRESPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trespass on my ranch on the Concho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing, hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSEY,
Concho county, Tex.

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Get roofing that lasts. What's the use of spending money for repairs and frequent re-roofing?

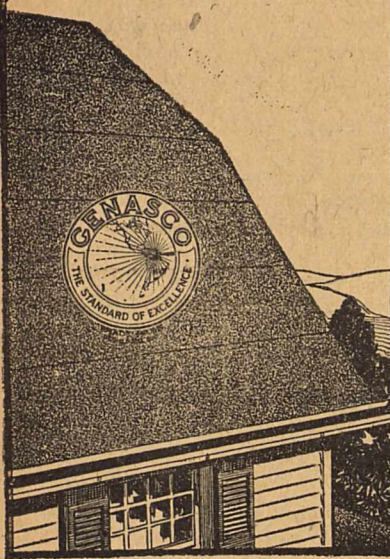
Genasco is proof against rain, snow, sun, wind, heat, cold, sparks, alkalis, acids—everything that harms ordinary roofs.

The natural oils of Trinidad Lake asphalt give it resistance, and make it last.

Now is the time to let us have your order.

The Hall Hardware Company

Ballinger, Texas



NEW BOOKS ADDED TO THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Some new novels, new juveniles and additional classics have been received at the Carnegie Library. The policy of adding a few new books from time to time will be followed, and as soon as "rent" books have been paid out, they will be taken down and put on the "free" list. Money received from this source will be used to buy more books.

It has been noted that the juvenile and books for younger people have been taken out more this summer than the regular novels. While the demand has been good this summer for light reading, not as many books have been let as during the winter.

Sales Agency and Commission Co.
at Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co. Carload buyers direct from factory, jobbers and retail dealers at small profits, of vehicles, such as buggies, surreys, hacks wagons etc. Save money by seeing us before buying. wtf

NIGHTWATCHMAN LEUCH RESIGNS

Nightwatchman Leuch, who has been keeping watch over the city while you sleep for the past three or four months, tendered his resignation and is no longer watchman. Mr. Leuch stated that there was too much work for such little pay, and the lonesome job became monotonous.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

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

D. L. Brevard of the New Home neighborhood, and J. D. Moreland of the Millar neighborhood, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

R. W. Smith of Brownwood who had been looking after his farm interests on Valley creek near Norton, the past few days left for his home Monday afternoon.

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

Arthur Hartman left Tuesday morning for the Wingate country, to assist in some house moving work for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hale of Talpa, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

WACO CHURCHES INSTALL POOL TABLES

WACO, July 6.—After one year's trial of closed pool rooms, Waco, the first large city in Texas to abolish the pool hall, is in a better condition morally, than ever before, prominent ministers today told the United Press.

With a population of 50,000, and surrounded by the most populous country in the state, the pool rooms were ousted a year ago.

"When the pool rooms closed the shark and cue crook was driven from the city," one churchman declared. "The youth who loved the game for the sport went to the Y. M. C. A. and the church basement. The larger churches have installed pool tables under morally proper supervision."

Beauty More Than Skin Deep
A beautiful woman always has good digestion. If your digestion is faulty, Chamberlain's Tablets will do you good. Obtainable everywhere.

YOUNG MAN HURT IN BUGGY ACCIDENT

George Wachter, of the Ballinger Dry Goods Co., is confined to his room as the result of an accident Sunday afternoon. Mr. Wachter was out driving when the horse he was driving became unruly turning the buggy over. A sprained ankle and a smashed-up buggy and a badly frightened horse resulted.

BOY AT PLAY SLIPS KNEE-CAP

The little seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff, who live near Ballinger, was painfully injured while playing Sunday afternoon. It was one of those peculiar accidents that happen some times in the most easy way. The boy was running and playing when he fell down. The fall knocked the kneecap out of place and it was necessary to bring the boy to a doctor to get the kneecap adjusted to its proper place.

"THE FRUIT OF HIS FOLLY" AT NORTON SCHOOL HOUSE

The Woman's Missionary Society of Norton will give the play, "The Fruit of his Folly" at the school house at that place, in the very near future. A large attendance is expected and desired, and the proceeds will go to the society. wlt

HOMANN ASSIGNED THIS DISTRICT

Bank Commissioner Patterson has announced the assignment for state bank examiners for the term. Mr. Homann has been assigned the Ballinger district, and it will be the duty of Mr. Homann to examine all the state banks in this district. Mr. Homann will continue to make Ballinger his home, and his work is so arranged that he can be at home often.

Try "GETS-IT," It's Magic for Corns!

New, Simple, Common-Sense Way. You will never know how really easy it is to get rid of a corn, until you have tried "GETS-IT." Nothing like it has ever been produced. It takes less time to apply it than it does to read this. It



Kai-yil Corn-pain in Every Nerve! Use "GETS-IT," It "Gets" Every Corn Surely, Quickly!

will demur you, especially if you have tried everything else for corns. Two drops applied in a few seconds—that's all. The corn shrivels, then comes right off, painlessly, without fussing or trouble. If you have ever made a fat bundle out of your toe with bandages; used thick, corn-pressing cotton-rings; corn-pulling salves; corn-teasing plasters—well, you'll appreciate the difference when you use "GETS-IT." Your corn agony will vanish. Cutting and gouging with knives, razors, files and scissors, and the danger of blood-poison are done away with. Try "GETS-IT" tonight for any corn, callus, wart or onion. Never fails.

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

CONSTABLE FACING TRIAL KILLS SELF

DUBLIN, Tex., July 5.—Constable Newton T. Wilson, who was to have faced trial for perjury in the district court at Stephenville today, was found dead in his room shortly after 2 a. m. this morning. He had fired a bullet through his heart with a .45 caliber Colt's.

Wilson told Deputy Sheriff Peacock Saturday that he had a notion to "take a forty-five and end it all, as he was innocent and it was worse than death to have his friends think he was guilty of a charge of this character."

Wilson left notes to the county and district clerks of Comanche county, directing the disposal of his due him.

Wilson was 41 years old. He is survived by his wife, nine children, his parents, two sisters and one brother.

PAINT ROCK JUDGE ILL

Judge Howze's friends were considerably alarmed Friday over the rumor that he had a slight stroke of paralysis. He got so he could not speak and was carried home in an auto and the doctor summoned. It proved to be an abscess in the throat, which the painful and annoying, was nothing so serious as the first rumor made it.—Paint Rock Herald.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

W. T. PADGETT IN ACCIDENT

Tax Collector Padgett was the victim of a slight accident Sunday. Mr. Padgett was unharnessing a horse at his home, when the hold back strap hung in the buggy shaft and the horse becoming frightened, ran the buggy against Mr. Padgett. Nothing serious resulted and Mr. Padgett was able to be down town Tuesday.

VISITING IN BROWNWOOD

Miss Lela Latham returned last night from Ballinger where she has been visiting with her cousin Miss Venita Boyd.

Tom Watkins, who is employed by the Walker-Smith Company at Abilene, came in last night, and for the next few days will be the guest of his parents.

Mrs. Mike C. Boyd came in from her home in Ballinger last night and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Will Latham, for a few days. Mrs. Boyd accompanied her mother, Mrs. D. W. Son, who has been ill for the past few weeks.—Brownwood Bulletin.

CITY WORKING FOR LOWER KEY RATE

The City Council met in regular session Tuesday with all alderman, mayor and secretary present.

The State Fire Inspector was in Ballinger last week and left some suggestions for the reduction of the state fire key rate and the council passed upon the same and will at once put into operation two of his important suggestions that will reduce the rate 12 cents and other suggestions will be acted upon as soon as the finances of the city will permit the same.

The quarterly report of the City Fire Marshall Martindale was read and accepted and in the report no fires had occurred in the city since his last report in April.

An order was passed to put in a free water trough at the Southwest corner of the court house yard to be used by the farmers and public generally that come to the city.

The Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co. was designated as the depository for the city's daily balances, their rate of interest being the best received.

Mrs. McHorse and little son of Coleman, and Miss Zenith Vanhoose and Mrs. John Hensley, of Santa Anna, who had been visiting Ballinger friends the past week, returned home Tuesday morning.

Prof. Hill of Hill's Business College, and J. N. LeMoud, of the Insurance and Trust Co., of Waco, had business in Ballinger Sunday and returned home Monday afternoon.

July

Harvest Clean-Up Sale

Sweet Morsels for Cash Buyers. 20 Days
\$30,000.00 stock clean seasonable merchandise. Will expect to sell one-half in next 20 days at about one-half value. We mean it and want the room before stock taking time.

\$1,000.00 Worth of Samples Just Opened

Hosery from 5c to \$2.00 per pair. Ladies' and Men's underwear, shirts, overalls handkerchiefs and towels all in this sale will be at one-half value to clean-up. Don't miss this. This is a complete house line.

Clothing

Men's clothing, all new stock. Not an old suit in the lot:

- Regular \$10 suits - \$ 5.00
 - Regular \$15 suits - \$ 7.50
 - Regular \$20 suits - \$10.00
 - Regular \$25 suits - \$12.50
 - Genuine Palm Beach \$ 5.00
 - Mohair suits for - - \$ 5.00
- All sizes up to 52.

Boy's Suits

Boys suits from \$1.00 to \$12.00 only 1-2 price. Fine lot seasonable, sizes from 2 to 18 years.

Shoes

Big assortment Men's shoes: Walk-over, Florshems, Bates and several standard lines in high and low cuts. Values up to \$5.50, clean up price \$2-50

Clean Up on Shirts

Stacks of all colors and white. Wilson and Arrow, all spring styles, sizes 14 to 18, values up to \$1.50, choice of lot - - - 75c
All 50c and 75c shirts at 40 or two for - - - 75c
Big lot boys blouses from 15c to 40c, worth double.

Underwear

- Balbrigan, each - 20c
- Porous knit - - 25c
- Values double—save 1-2

PANTS.

- All our men's pants up to \$6.00 clean-up per pair - - - \$2.50
- \$2.00 values - - - \$1.00
- Palm Beach pants - - - \$2.00
- Wash pants, \$1.00 value - - - .65c
- Wash pants - - - .75c
- 1000 boy's pants One-Half price.

Clean-Up on the Following 1-2 Price

- Full line kimonos 50c to \$5.00 values 1-2 Price
- House Dresses, values up to \$2.00 65c
- Assortment spring dresses 1-3 Values
- Wool skirts 1-2 Price
- Fast color lawns, worth 8c now 3 1-2c
- 25c dress goods 12c
- 50c dress goods 25c
- \$1 to \$2 values 1-2 Price
- Best table oil cloth 10c
- 50c table linen, 58 inches wide 25c
- Fine line of laces and embroidery go at 1-2 Value

Ladies' Shoes and Slippers

- \$3.50 ladies slippers, all new \$2.00
- \$2.50 to \$3.00 ladies' slippers \$1.50
- Childrens slippers \$2.00 values \$1.25
- 300 pair ladies' slippers small sizes, patent leather gun metal, tans etc., sold at from \$2 to \$4 choice lot 50c

HATS.

- 500 men's hats, lot 1 up to \$2.00 sale \$1.00
- 750 mens hats, lot 2 up to - - - \$3.50
- Standard brands, Thoroughbred Beaver, no name Stetson, values up to \$3.00. \$1.50
- Boys hats ONE-HALF price.
- Straw and Panama hats at your price.

- Balance matting rugs 36x70, clean up 75c, values - - - .25c
- 20 dozen shopping bags, values up to \$1.00 clean-up - - - .45c
- Box 1500 yards Belding silk, value 30c. 5c
- Misses' hose, pink, blue and white, values 20c, clean up - - - .5c
- Staple ribbon, all silk up to 6 inches wide, worth 25c, clean-up - - - .10c
- Corsets, American Lady, and Warner, values up to \$3.50 clean-up - - - .65c
- All Arrow brand collars 10c each or \$1.00 dozen. Full line new TIES.

Sale Opens Saturday, July 10th 1915
Buy early as no duplicates can be had and no goods charged at Clean-up Sale prices. No approval or deliveries at these prices. 'PHONE 477.

D. REEDER

Ballinger, - - - - - Texas

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Call Telephone No. 27.

WANTED

WANTED—To trade clear residence property in Ballinger, well located for small farm free of debt—about 100 acres—one residence well suited for school purposes being near the high school building, no "hot air" deal considered. Will give some man a good trade. Land near Ballinger preferred. X. Y. Z. Ballinger, Texas. 30-dwtf

CHICKENS, eggs and produce wanted at Central Hotel. Top prices paid. wtf

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Toulouse Goose Eggs, \$1.00 per dozen. Mrs. J. T. Russell, phone rural 3804. wtf

COW FOR SALE—Fresh milk, Ring 321. wtf

FOR SALE—240 acres land to trade for good home in Ballinger. Give full description in first letter. Address A. B. C. care Ledger: Ballinger. 6-d11wt

FOR SALE—Peaches by the bushel or wagon load at E. Ballou's, South Ballinger. 8-20d4tw pd.

REV. TWYMAN AT POINT OF DEATH

Rev. H. G. Twyman, pastor of the Christian church, lingers at the point of death. Rev. Twyman has been very low for several days and those who are watching over him daily have thought every day for several days that death would claim him. All that can possibly be done by the physicians seems only to prolong life and does not give him relief. The young preacher's parents are here with him. Rev. Twyman came to Ballinger only a short time ago to take charge of the local work for the Christian church. He made many friends on the short acquaintance and had a bright future when ill health overcame him and he was stricken down.

STANLEY H. WATSON HERE TODAY

Stanley H. Watson, organizer for the Texas Home Industry Club, passed through Ballinger today en route to Winters, where he is to assist in organizing a Home Industry Club at that place. He will go to San Angelo and assist in the organizing of a club in that city Thursday night and will be present at the mass meeting to be held here Friday night. Mr. Watson stated that an enthusiastic meeting was held at Coleman Tuesday night and steps taken to organize a club at that place.

The Home Industry work in Texas is sweeping the state and great good is being accomplished for the betterment of the communities that join in the work.

R. C. Batts of South Texas, came in Monday night and is the guest of his nephew, R. P. Conn and family.

FARMER MAKES GAIN; GETS \$700 OUT CREAM

F. F. Ernst, of the Rowena country, was a pleasant caller at the Ledger office Wednesday of this week. Mr. Ernst was here attending to business, and he was feeling good over the splendid turnout realized from his grain crop.

Mr. Ernst said that he only had about thirty acres planted in cotton this year, and he expected to make his cotton patch smaller next year. His best money is coming from diversified farming, and what cotton he plants hereafter will be mighty little patch.

Out of a 12 acre wheat patch Mr. Ernst threshed 389 bushels of wheat of good quality. Out of a 25 acre oat field he harvested 1802 bushels of oats, a little better than 72 bushels of oats per acre and a little better than 32 bushels of wheat. Not a bad crop for a dry country where charges have been made that people almost starve to death.

Mr. Ernst is the man who has made himself independent by keeping a few Jersey cows and selling cream. He banked more than \$700 last year from the sale of cream alone, and sold hogs made from skimmed milk. He is still in the milking business and by an hour or two's work each day he is making more clear money than many men who work from ten to fourteen hours a day.

What Mr. Ernst is doing others can do and there is no danger of over-supplying the market any ways soon.

WILL OPEN NEW GROCERY STORE

It is reported that Tom Osteen will open a grocery store in the Opera House building about the first of August. Mr. Osteen has been with the Walker-Smith company for some time, and he will resign his position as traveling salesman with that firm to engage in business for himself.

He is an experienced grocery man, having previously been engaged in the business here and at other places.

Notice to Farmers Union Stockholders and Directors.

You hereby notified to be present at the company place of business on July 23, 1915.
W. T. STOVALL, Pres.
9-21w

Dr. J. P. Carrington, one of the prominent pioneer physicians of Shep, Texas, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Brenham to visit relatives a few weeks. The doctor says his section is in fine shape, in fact the crop prospects the best for several years past.

G. W. Houston and R. C. Harris of the Houghton-Robinson ranch country, and J. D. Moreland and son J. W., of the Millar neighborhood, were transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Judge Jno. I. Guion left Monday afternoon for Dallas to attend a meeting of the Board of Regents of the A. and M. College. The Judge was really not able to attend the meeting, but being president of the board, he had important papers that would be needed at the meeting.

Tad Richards, one of the Winters stockmen, was among the business throng in Ballinger Wednesday.

MAY BUILD DIRECT LINE TO WINGATE

The renewal of the phone trouble between Ballinger and the northwest part of the county may lead to the building of an independent line leading out from Ballinger direct to Wingate. This idea was advanced by C. A. Doose in discussing the situation Thursday morning. Mr. Doose stated that he was down for one hundred dollars to help put the line through if it was necessary to build the line.

Others have expressed the idea as outlined by Mr. Doose and the Wingate people have been notified that the question would be settled, and the people in that part of the county given connection with Ballinger. The Business League have determined to give the farmers phone connection with Ballinger regardless of who is at fault for the present trouble.

John D. Rockefeller is Seventy-Six Years Old Today

Cleveland, O., July 8.—"All days look alike to me," remarked John D. Rockefeller, the retired oil king and founder of the Standard Oil Co., when he was congratulated today on his seventy-sixth birthday.

No special preparations were made for celebrating the occasion the elder Rockefeller insisting on observing his anniversary in the simplest manner. Many friends called to pay their respects and wish him many more birthdays.

Northern France—While not bombarding the Germans, British artillery sections behind the lines held a horse show, the blue ribbon going to a noble dapple-grey steed who formerly pulled a plough in Yorkshire.

J. M. Greenhill, Mrs. T. E. Shelborn and Miss Sarah Bell Porterfield of the Pony creek country, left Thursday morning for Cross Plains to visit relatives a week or two.

W. L. Ellis, the cotton buyer, left in his auto Wednesday for Brownwood on a short business trip.

London—When a wounded soldier was operated on in a London hospital, surgeons extracted several coins from his thigh, shrapnel having carried pieces of the pocket and all the coins it contained into the flesh.

SAME OLD STORY; BALLINGER THE BEST

C. A. Orbeck, assistant cashier and secretary of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co., is at home from a little vacation. Mr. Orbeck says he traveled about twelve or fourteen hundred miles and saw lots of country and many crops, but he failed to find anything that compares with Runnels county and Runnels county crops, and as a town Ballinger suits him the best.

Mr. Orbeck visited his brother at Clifton, where he met another brother and the three spent several days together. He reports a pleasant visit and says that he found his brothers enjoying prosperity in their respective lines of business. He also visited Galveston while on his vacation.

BALLINGERITES IN SAN ANGELO.

(San Angelo Sun.)
Mrs. H. H. Halley of Ballinger is visiting in this city for a few days.

Rosecoe Wilmet of Ballinger is in the city on a short visit to friends.

W. B. Page, a real estate man of Ballinger, was in the city yesterday on a short business trip.

Mr. L. L. Baker, manager of the F. F. Moore & Co., of Ballinger was in the city yesterday on business.

Oscar Miller and W. C. Dickney of Lipan Flats, were here yesterday. They brought their oats to market.

O. L. Herley, of Ballinger, who has been in Edwards county on business passed through this city yesterday afternoon en route home. Mr. Hurley says that Edwards county looks fine and that he thinks he will locate there.

JURY DRAWN FOR COUNTY COURT

Sheriff Perkins is busy subpoenaing jurors for county court which convenes Monday, August 2nd. The list was drawn Thursday morning and jurors for the first and third week are being summoned, as follows:

First week: O. D. Dillingham, G. M. Allen, J. T. Billups, R. F. Green, J. T. Russell, L. S. Lawson, E. W. Jeanes, T. A. Knight, R. P. Scheider, T. T. Davis, A. W. Sledge, C. M. Davis, Sam Baker, M. H. Williams, Albert Spill, G. W. Reeder, A. F. Kemp, B. A. Lott, W. J. Wilkerson.

Third week: W. F. Whitaker, Joe Summers, Joe Bates, H. I. Dunkin, W. W. Chastain, C. J. Lynn, J. E. Brewer, J. S. Greenhill, T. J. McCaughin, Joe Wilmet, G. M. Milliken, J. A. Weeks, P. J. Barron, L. W. Compton, Oscar Pearson, J. W. Pipkin, Dave Ransberger, W. L. Bailey.

The second week of the August term of court will be devoted to commissioners court matters. Clerk Parish reports that the docket for the term is a light one, and especially the civil docket only one case being filed since the last term of court. The first week will be criminal week and only a few cases will come up for trial, most of the cases being disposed of by pleas of guilty or dismissals.

Mrs. Hunt of Miles, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. E. E. Woodson for a few days left Wednesday afternoon for Santa Anna to visit a week or two before returning home.

R. C. Botts, of Gonzales, who had been looking after farm interests and visiting his nephew R. P. Conn and his niece Mrs. L. E. Bair and family the past few days, left for his home Wednesday.

Prof. A. W. Cherry and wife, of Norton came in Wednesday and left in the afternoon for Zephyr to visit relatives.

W. M. Spruell, one of the prosperous farmers of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the year.

W. W. Rainwater of Crews, came in Wednesday to meet his wife and children, who returned on the night train from Johnson City where they had been visiting her parents.

ELIMINATE DISTRICT HELPS FALLEN WOMEN

CLEVELAND, July 8.—In the mind of Blanche Moulton, Queen of the Tenderloin, until Cleveland wiped out its segregated district a few weeks ago, there is a picture of a family hearth, and in her ears ring the voices of two children who will call her mother after long years when they knew her only as "aunt."

Blanche Moulton will return to normal life and marriage, for the man who would marry her has forgiven her past, she says.

In her expensively furnished sitting room of the house that once was the pride of the tenderloin, she stood the other day with a dust cloth in her hand and a plain gingham dress from the dust. And she told of the gay, false glamor of the underworld that surprised those who had known Blanche in the old days—just a week or so ago.

"The easiest way! Laugh! It is the hardest way! There is nothing in it—no real compensation when the books are balanced. It's just plain hell!"

That's the way Blanche pictured the life she has abandoned; after twenty-nine years in the tenderloin.

"It's having always with you the thought that you're an outcast. It's seeing the sneer on the faces of the men who come to the district—it's never knowing a good man. Every man who refused to come down here had the respect of the women, even though they didn't know who he was. The shop girl earning her stinky wages is better off than the woman of the tenderloin with silks and ten pairs of shoes. People think I'm rich. It's a dream—there is not even money in the easiest way."

MAY PROPOSE GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

GRAND FORKS, N. D., July 8.—The Democratic National platform in 1916 will provide for the establishing of a government owned warehouses for grain and produce is the efforts of the state committeemen in North Dakota are successful, according to a statement made today by L. O. Hellstrom, candidate for the governor-national committeeman. The provision in the platform if adopted will also provide for government grading and regulation of grain besides a feature making it possible for farmers to borrow money on eighty per cent of the crop stored in the warehouse and valued at an average value for the past twenty years.

Committeemen in this state will be elected next March.

20,000 IN BIG MEXICAN BATTLE

LAREDO, July 7.—A big battle is brewing around Monterey today, and will probably result in a great slaughter of men. It is likely twenty thousand men will be engaged in the battle between the Carranza and Villa forces.

NANCE GARAGE IS MAKING MORE ROOM

W. A. Nance is almost doubling the floor space of the Ballinger Auto Co. The old sheet iron building formerly occupied by Mr. Nance located on the corner of Broadway and Hutchings Ave., has been torn down and the material is being used in the construction of a large storage room and warehouse just across the alley from the Ballinger Auto Co. garage. Mr. Nance, the proprietor of the institution, stated that the new building would be used for storing cars while waiting for repairs to come from the factory, and to use as an assembling room in making repairs.

The additional building will be 30x80 feet and will enable the auto company to give better service in taking care of cars and in making hasty repairs. The work is well under way and the building will be complete by the end of the present week.

A. E. Trail left Wednesday for Paint Rock where he will join his brother Tom Trail and family and Dick Trail and together they will make an overland trip to San Antonio, Corpus Christi and other points in the state on a summer vacation.

Mrs. R. L. Harwell and Master R. L. Jr., returned home Wednesday at noon from an extended visit to relatives at Texarkana, and other points in that section.

Mrs. J. D. Coulter and little daughter left Tuesday at noon to visit relatives at San Angelo a few days.

Miss Alberta Hays of Blackwell, came in Saturday afternoon to visit her uncle, H. G. Hays, and family, of the Waltham neighborhood, a few weeks.

Miss Jennie Lynn York, of San Angelo, who had been the guest of Miss Purn Schooler the past few days, returned home Tuesday at noon.

Tom Moreland and sister, Miss Ollie, of the Millar neighborhood left Tuesday afternoon for Boonville, Texas, where they will visit friends several weeks.

Dr. W. Mitchell of Norton, and G. W. Caswell of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. Eddie Pape and children left Tuesday for Corinth, Miss., where they will visit relatives for a few weeks.

Mrs. J. A. Montgomery and Miss Duie McGill of San Angelo, were the guests of Mrs. J. G. Key, and other Ballinger friends a few days the past week.

MALARIAL DISEASES. How to Avoid Them and the Serious Consequences of Neglect.

"Fix me up something to knock the malaria, doctor," remarked a sallow-faced, sickly looking man, entering a prominent physician's office the other day.

The doctor stepped to his medicine case, took down a couple of bottles, mixed a preparation which he handed to the patient with the customary advice to 'shake well and follow directions,' and resumed his seat.

"Such cases are frequent," replied the doctor in answer to a question. "The warm days and damp, chilly nights are certain malaria breeders and are most serious in those who have neglected to keep their stomach, liver and bowels in good condition. Such persons are full of the impurities on which the malarial germ thrives, and it is from this class that typhoid fever, pneumonia, Bright's Disease, smallpox and yellow fever claim most of their victims whenever these diseases are prevalent.

The proper way to guard against the malarial germ and the serious diseases which follow it is to get into good condition by taking a reliable remedy that will keep the bowels clear and the liver healthy, and to continue with it at frequent intervals during the sickly season.

A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters three or four times a week will do all of this, besides stimulating the digestion, improving the appetite and keeping the bodily energy at the highest pitch.

Prickly Ash Bitters is known everywhere as a system tonic and bowel regulator. It not only removes all traces of malarial poison from the system, but ones up the vital organs, gives new strength and vigor, makes the body strong and the brain active.

"Prickly Ash Bitters is the best all-around medicine for the family I ever used. During the past ten years I have always kept it in my house. Whenever any of my family show signs of malaria, kidney trouble, indigestion or constipation a few doses is all that is needed to make them well and hearty again."—W. H. McWILLIAMS, Pickering, La.
Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

GYPSIES IN COURT AGAIN AT ABILENE

(Abilene Reporter.)

There is a band of typical gypsies that have been encamped in East Abilene, near the compress, for several days, and the Taylor county court house was the scene Tuesday of a mix-up royal.

One of the gypsies, it was alleged, bought a girl from her gypsy father for \$1,500 and paid down \$100 on the deal Monday night. In the mean time the father would not let the purchaser talk with the coy maiden, and the suitor employed a local attorney to straighten the matter out.

The girl and her father were brought into county court at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning by habeas corpus proceedings and the trouble began. There was interesting "doings" about the courtroom and corridors for a few moments following the opening scene.

A gypsy woman who did not want the purchaser of the girl to marry her, in a fit of jealousy fell on the floor of the courtroom. She was removed in a dead faint.

The girl for whom the money was alleged to have been paid was put on the stand and said she did not want to marry the suitor.

That should have ended the matter there, but it did not. Read on.

The woman who had fainted got in a marrying way herself and took out license to marry a gypsy other than the one for whom her heart had palpitated. Out of the chaos came this one bright spot of happiness. Selah.

They were stirring moments at the new courthouse, Jim.

Get Only \$1800 a year for Speaking Seven Languages.

Washington, July 18.—Persons able to speak Russian, Polish, German, French, Italian, modern Greek and Japanese languages and willing to receive \$1800 a year for it in service to the government as translators were being examined here today by the Civil Service Commission.

E. H. Pfluger of the Rowena country, J. A. Watkins and J. W. Hambricht of the Norton country, Bill Coffee of the Leaday country and W. A. Wells of the Wingate country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

C. C. Culwell, a stockman of San Angelo was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

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NEGRO CLAIMS RIGHT TO BOSS; HEAD IS CRACKED

A difficulty between three white men and a negro at the local compress this morning resulted in the negro getting a bad head. All of the parties were on the work of rebuilding the compress, and it seems that the cause of the trouble came up over who held the highest authority on the job, the negro, or one of the men.

According to evidence brought out in a preliminary examination held at the city hall this afternoon E. J. Whitaker and the negro, Fred Hubert, were working at the concrete mixing machine, and the authority of Whitaker to

act as "boss" over the negro was questioned by the negro. In the melee that followed the negro was struck over the head with a monkey wrench and Whitaker received a blow from a rock, the rock striking Whitaker on the side of the head. Jeff Cotton and Chas. Dean went to Whitaker's assistance and the negro was brought to the hospital in an ambulance. He was pretty well tied up in "rags" when the doctors got through with him, but was able to appear in court.

After hearing the evidence in the city court charges of affray were filed against the participants in the fight.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GAIN 756

Superintendent Wooten has just completed the work of tabulating the scholastic census figures for the entire county and enrolling the children of this county.

Prof. Wooten phoned the Ledger this morning and says "there are 479 school children in Runnels county, which is 756 more than the county had last year."

An increase of twenty per cent is not a bad showing, and indicates that this country has made a wonderful increase in population during the last twelve months. There were only 3814 school children enrolled on the census enumerator's books last year.

It will be remembered that the increase in the scholastic census of the Ballinger Independent district, as shown by the report of the enumerator recently made public, is nearly 300. When compared with an increase of 756 for the entire county it will readily be seen that Ballinger holds the big end of the gain, or nearly one-half of the increase is in the Ballinger district.

HEARD IN BALLINGER

How Bad Backs Have Been Made Strong—Kidney Ills Corrected

All over Ballinger you hear it. Doan's Kidney Pills are keeping up the good work. Ballinger people are telling about it—telling of bad backs made sound again. You can believe the testimony of your own townspeople. They tell it for the benefit of you who are suffering. If your back aches, if you feel lame, sore and miserable, if the kidneys act too frequently, or passages are painful, scanty and off color, use Doan's Kidney Pills, the remedy that has helped so many of your friends and neighbors. Follow this Ballinger citizen's advice and give Doan's a chance to do the same for you.

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

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

NEW THRESHER IN THE FIELD
Parties arrived here from Bell county last week, and after looking over the field, returned to Temple and shipped their big grain thresher to this place and started it to work. The harvest season has about closed in Bell county, and much grain in Runnels county remains in the shock.

Mrs. Margan Hall, of Comanche, and Miss Amelia Scott, of Gustine, are here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weatherly of the Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack store.

Rev. D. L. Collie of Arlington, agent of the Superannuate Homes of the Central Texas conference, who preached at the Methodist church in Ballinger Sunday, left for home Monday. Rev. Collie said Ballinger was the prettiest little city he has seen in Texas and he has been all over the state.

SANTA FE HAULING MANY CATTLE NOW

Several solid train loads of cattle passed through Ballinger this week, being shipped from this section of the state to the various markets. Cattle are also being received here by the Santa Fe, and placed on the range and will be fattened this fall and returned to market. It is reported that feeding will be heavier here during the coming winter than ever before. This will be due to the heavy feed crop and the increase in silos and ensilage. When fed with meal and hulls ensilage is a great beef producer and all ensilage here finds a ready market during the feeding season.

The San Angelo cattle shipping has been active during the last week and the San Angelo Standard in reporting cattle movements says:

Over six hundred head of cattle have been shipped into and out of San Angelo the first of the week. G. R. Live of Angelo Heights had a carload of steers to Fort Worth over the Santa Fe Wednesday.

Chas. Williams brought in six loads of cows and calves from Fort Worth, which were dipped for the first time at the Orient stock pens. The stuff is to be taken above the line in Crockett county.

Tol Cawley had one car of steers to Fort Wednesday, while March & Cawley had two to the same point.

N. B. Fisk of Sterling county has purchased from R. O. Williams, representing Herbert Graves Commission Co., of Fort Worth, 201 head of steer yearlings at \$35 a round.

One hundred and seventy-five head of steer yearlings, purchased by Mr. Fisk from the Fort Worth firm some time ago, were dipped on Wednesday and are to be shipped to Sterling the latter part of the week.

BLACKSMITH COLEMAN CHANGES POSITION

Pat H. Coleman, who has been with the Moore blacksmith shop, has accepted a position with John Pechacek, and will have charge of the horse shoeing at the Pechacek blacksmith shop.

Mrs. Suggart of Miles, came in Saturday afternoon and was met by her friend Mrs. W. P. Jones, of the Valley creek country, where she will visit a few days.

Dr. Harpham of Brownwood, passed through Ballinger Saturday afternoon from Taylor county, where he had been on professional business the past few weeks.

Traveling Man's Experience

"In the summer of 1888 I had a very severe attack of cholera morbus. Two physicians worked over me from four a. m., to 6 p. m., without giving me any relief and then told me they did not expect me to live; that I had best telegraph for my family. Instead of doing so, I gave the hotel porter fifty cents and told him to buy me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and take no substitute. I took a double dose according to the directions and went to sleep after the second dose. At five o'clock the next morning I was called by my order and took a train for my next stopping point, a well man but feeling rather skaky from the severity of the attack," writes H. W. Ireland, Louisville, Ky. Obtainable everywhere.

Mrs. E. E. Woodson returned home Saturday afternoon from a visit to her sister at Miles.



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VICE-PRES. LIFE BEEN THREATENED

ST. LOUIS, July 5.—Thomas R. Marshall, vice-president of the United States, has been threatened with death in more than a dozen anonymous letters which he has received during the last six weeks. Vice-President Marshall made this statement to newspaper men here tonight.

Mr. Marshall said the threats came to him in Washington. He added that as he was more or less a fatalist he did not notify the secret service department.

Mr. Marshall said that he had no fear of death but that he naturally was startled when he learned of the explosion at the capitol. He did not believe there was any special significance in the fact that the bomb which was exploded in the reception room of the senate chamber had been placed within a few feet of the vice-president's desk and had damaged the doors leading to his room.

Mr. Marshall said: "I presume I received more than a dozen threatening letters while in Washington. Some of them were signed but most were anonymous. I threw all of them into the waste basket. I have not been in Washington since the explosion and I am glad I was not at my desk when the bomb went off, but I am not at all perturbed over the affair."

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Accumulated waste in your 30 feet of bowels causes absorption of poisons, tends to produce fevers upsets digestion. You belch gas, feel stuffy, irritable, almost cranky. It isn't you—it's your condition. Eliminate this poisonous waste by taking one or two of Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight. Enjoy a full, free bowel movement in the morning—you feel so grateful. Get an original bottle, containing 36 pills from your druggist today for 25c.

Lon Mapes of the Pony creek country, and Max Russell of the Leady country, Walter Seipp of the Maverick country, and A. J. Loika of the Pany creek country, were among the crowd in Ballinger first Monday.

CONTRACT LET FOR POWER EQUIPMENT

Contracts for furnishing electrical equipment for gins of the Western Gin Co., at Winters, Rowena, Paint Rock, Miles, and Ballinger were received during the past week by the Westbrook Co. of this city, when Lawrence Westbrook visited Ballinger. Complete electric light plants were contracted for, for the Paint Rock and Winters gins. Switch boards are to be installed at other places.

Mr. Westbrook reported that the Ballinger compress, which burned the first of the year, was now being rebuilt at a cost, supposed to be around \$150,000. The structure is now about one-half completed. It will be ready for the 1915-16 cotton season—San Angelo Standard.

See my new buggies before you buy. JNO. PECHACEK, 24-4w

Ed Boswell is again back on his job with W. B. Wood & Son, after a short vacation in Dallas and other points in that section.

C. A. Orbeck, assistant cashier of the Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co., left Saturday afternoon for Fort Worth to visit relatives and the fair sex a few weeks.

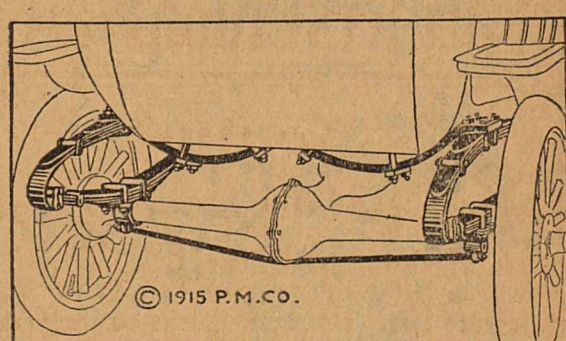
58 DEGREE WEATHER FOR JULY FOURTH

Sunday was the coldest Fourth of July on record, or as far back as the oldest citizen can remember, in this county. The temperature dropped to 58 on the night of the Fourth and the highest temperature any time during the day was 79. The night called for heavier cover than is used in this country in July, and the pleasant temperature lingered until late up in the day Monday.

Palm beach suits were out of season and the ladies discarded the July dresses and came out in coat suits. The cold drink stands did a slow business and the day was made ideal for outdoor frolic.

Mrs. J. L. Caudle and daughter of the Bethel neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Monday at noon en route home from Santa Anna where her son was hurt last week by a threshing machine, and we are glad to learn the young man was better when they left his bedside.

Mrs. J. H. Hadley and little daughter of the Dry Ridge neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from Oleta, where they had been at the bedside of her son, who had been quite ill but was much better when they left his home.



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Final Clearance In Our Ready-to-Wear Department

BEGINS FRIDAY. Every woman will be over joyed, delighted to greet the greatest of all clearing sales. This will be a harvest day for the reaping of the season's richest and biggest bargains. Every summer dress, including silk, lingerie and wash dress, suit, blouse, petticoat and skirt in the house has been drastically reduced. The time has come when we must say good bye to all early season purchases. You cannot afford to miss this wonderful opportunity. Every garment must be sold. Every garment has been re-ticketed. Look for the sale price. Come and profit.



All Summer Suits and Dresses Sacrificed

Ladies' Palm Beach Suits	Wool and Silk Suits	Evening Dresses	Wash Dresses	Lingerie Dresses
All ladies' palm beach suits that formerly sold at \$3.50; \$10.00 and \$12.50 worth more. Final Clearing price	All ladies' wool and silk suits that formerly sold up to \$18.50 Final Clearing sale	Half-Price \$7.50 Evening dresses...\$3.75 \$10.00 Evening dresses...\$5.00 \$12.50 Evening dresses...\$6.25 \$15.00 Evening dresses...\$7.50 \$18.50 Evening dresses...\$9.25 \$20.00 Evening dresses...\$10.00 \$25.00 Evening dresses...\$12.50	We have grouped together between 50 and 75 beautiful wash dresses, all this seasons styles and not one worth less \$7.50 and then on up to \$10.00 Final Clearing sale	\$3.50 Lingerie dresses...\$2.35 \$5.00 Lingerie dresses...\$3.75 \$7.50 Lingerie dresses...\$5.00 \$8.50 Lingerie dresses...\$5.83 \$10.00 Lingerie dresses...\$6.65 \$12.50 Lingerie dresses...\$8.35 \$15.00 Lingerie dresses...\$9.95 \$18.00 Lingerie dresses...\$12.35 \$20.00 Lingerie dresses...\$13.35 \$22.50 Lingerie dresses...\$14.95
\$4.95	\$7.95		\$2.95	

SPECIAL NOTICE! Prices in all sections have been cut to the quick. Every sale must be final. No good charged, exchanged, taken back or sent out on approval during this sale. Owing to the extreme low prices quoted we find this absolutely imperative.

All Skirts Reduced During this Sale

A golden opportunity to save 20 to 30 per cent on a new skirt during the Clearing Sale.

\$3.50 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$2.80
\$4.00 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$3.20
\$5.00 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$3.99
\$6.00 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$5.20
\$7.50 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$5.69
\$8.50 skirts, clearing sale prices	\$6.80

All Petticoats and Kimonos reduced during sale



Extraordinary Sale of Untrimmed and Trimmed Hats, for Women and Children

150 ladies' shapes that formally sold at \$2.50, \$3.50 and up to \$5.00, final clearing price, each **98c**

Trimmed Hats	Trimmed Hats
\$1.00 hats reduced to - 50c	\$5.00 hats reduced to - \$2.50
\$1.50 hats reduced to - 75c	\$6.00 hats reduced to - \$3.00
\$2.00 hats reduced to - \$1.00	\$6.50 hats reduced to - \$3.25
\$2.50 hats reduced to - \$1.25	\$7.50 hats reduced to - \$3.75
\$3.00 hats reduced to - \$1.50	Buy two at the same price of one
\$4.00 hats reduced to - \$2.00	

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Halt Ends Life By Thirty Foot Jump

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says the story was absurd. The police have placed Holt under a

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vigilant examination and will sweat him through. The man will be compelled to reveal his past history.

DOUBTS MUENTER STORY
DALLAS, July 5.—Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, father-in-law of F. Holt, was shown the story sent out by a Chicago woman claiming Holt to be Muentner, her brother, today. Rev. Sensabaugh says the woman's story seems absurd. However, he stated that he had only known Holt since 1906. The Muentner case and the death of Muentner's wife occurred in Harvard nine years ago. Rev. Sensabaugh stated that he never heard of Holt being in Harvard and since becoming acquainted with him he had never said anything that would connect him with the Muentner case.

MINEOLA, L. I., July 6.—Frank Holt, who shot J. P. Morgan last Saturday, attempted to commit suicide today. Using the tin band off of the end of a pencil flattened out into an improvised

knife blade, Holt slashed his wrist in an attempt to cut the arteries in his arm. Before Dr. Guy C. Cleghorn, the jail physician, could reach Holt much blood flowed from his wounds, but the physician soon checked the flow of blood and announced that Holt's condition was not serious.

Holt's attempt to end his life is considered by the officers to be a significant chain in connecting him with the claim that he is Erich Muentner.

HOLT FITS MUENTER DESCRIPTION

MINEOLA, July 6.—Jail physician, Dr. Cleghorn, examined Holt today and found scars on his body of same character as those described by police in giving description of Erich Muentner.

MRS. HOLT SUFFERS FROM COLLAPSE

DALLAS, July 6.—Mrs. Frank Holt, wife of the assailant of J. P. Morgan, who is at the home of her father, Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh of this city, is in bad shape, suffering a complete breakdown as the result of her husband's trouble. The news of the attempt made by her husband to end his life is being withheld from her.

Mrs. Holt's attorney gave out an interview this afternoon saying that Mrs. Holt had wired Holt that she would come to New York if she was needed. The attorney said that he could not throw any light on the Muentner case showing the whereabouts of Holt when Mrs. Muentner died. Members of the Sensabaugh family state they believe Holt went to Mexico about the time the Muentner case happened.

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PLANNED TO BLOW UP BIG U. S. VESSEL

WASHINGTON, July 7.—The State Department today received a letter which Frank Holt had sent to his wife saying that the steamer Philadelphia or Saxonia liner would be blown up on July seventh, (that's today) "God being willing." Holt stated in the letter that he had put dynamite aboard the Philadelphia, in his big trunk.

The navy was warned immediately upon receipt of the information contained in the letter, and a wireless sent to the Philadelphia. A wireless message was received at New York today from the Philadelphia, stating that Holt's big dynamite trunk spoken of in his letter was not aboard the ship. No word has been received from the Saxonia which Holt also stated would be blown up today. The ship has been warned.

NEWS RECEIVED IN DALLAS

HOME
DALLAS, July 7.—"Of course we are all terribly sorry, but there is so little I can say. I shall not tell my daughter until tomorrow. I do not care to discuss the matter further tonight."

This was the statement last night by Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, father-in-law of Frank Holt, when told that Holt had committed suicide in his cell in the county jail at Mineola, Long Island.

Mr. Sensabaugh stated that his family physician had told him that it would be unsafe to tell

Mrs. Holt of the suicide until tomorrow.

"I told her today of the Cambridge police theory that Holt was really Erich Muentner, who disappeared after the mysterious death of his wife, and my daughter is prostrated tonight as a result," added Mr. Sensabaugh.

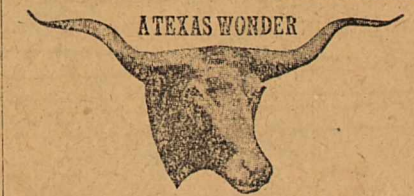
"But I had to tell her all. Tomorrow we will have to tell her of her husband's death."

Mr. Sensabaugh said no arrangements would be made until later for the burial of Holt and that there was nothing he could say except that he could not believe the theory that Holt and Muentner were the same man.

"If Holt really was a man who had dropped to life's bottom—and I cannot believe it—I take off my hat to him for the way he came back," he added. "No man could have been a more lovable husband and father and a better friend than he was while

I knew him. My daughter also refuses to believe Holt and Muentner the same man."

It developed today that Mrs. Holt was to have signed a contract this week for building a home here on a lot she already had purchased with her husband's money. They were to live near the Southern Methodist University, where Holt was to teach this year.



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