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MRS. WOODEN IS INJURED IN RUNAWAY

While out driving on the Valley creek road Sunday afternoon, about 5 o'clock, Mrs. I. O. Wooden was the victim of a serious accident. Mrs. Wooden, with her daughter, Miss Marion, was in Mrs. Owen Dorsey's single buggy, with Mrs. Dorsey driving. Becoming frightened at some sheep near the road, their horse suddenly turned at a sharp angle and ran in the opposite direction, throwing Mrs. Dorsey and Miss Marion Wooden from the vehicle, but leaving Mrs. Wooden in the seat.

Mrs. Dorsey, after being catapulted from the buggy, retaining her hold on the reins, and attempted to bring the horse to a stop. Unsuccessful in her efforts to control the frightened horse, Mrs. Dorsey had the reins jerked from her hands, when Mrs. Wooden was pitched from the buggy out to the side of the road.

Mrs. Wooden remained unconscious until late this morning, after being taken to the sanitarium. The wounds while serious, will not prove fatal, it is stated. The other two ladies were considerably bruised, but no bones were broken, and have about recovered from the effects of the accident.

E. S. McWilliams, one of the prominent stock-farmers of the Norton country, was looking after business in the city Saturday.

Carranza Warning Meddlers

Insane Woman Pitiful Condition

Paul Crews and Jim Flynt brought a young woman by the name of Katie Snyder from Winters to Ballinger Tuesday morning and placed her under restraint to await action of the commissioners' in passing on her sanity and securing for her a place in the insane asylum.

The young woman is, violently insane and screamed unmercifully when being carried from the auto to jail. The woman appears to be about twenty-six years old and in her maniac condition present a most pitiful case.

The county judge called the commissioners together at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon to pass on the case of the insane woman. Her husband was the first witness to appear before the commission. The physician and one or two who talked with the woman after she was brought to Ballinger also testified before the commission and as we go to press the case is still in the hands of the commission.

It developed in the trial of the case

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(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—General Carranza's note to Secretary Lansing was received today and advises the United States not to meddle in Mexico's affairs. Carranza also issued a warning to the Pan-American delegates, advising them to keep their country out of Mexican doings.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Consul Silman wires the department today that Carranza issued an order against anti-American demonstration and that Vera Cruz is now quiet.

While the New Hampshire and the Louisiana are unquestionably headed towards Vera Cruz, the navy department says that announcement of the ships movement will not be made until the big fighters reach their destination.

BROWNSVILLE, Aug. 11.—The Mexican situation continually grows more serious, Mexicans at Matamoros say Brownsville will be attacked if Americans occupy Vera Cruz. Brownsville citizens are organizing armed posses to protect city against raiders. Two more Mexican raiders were killed this morning, and several wounded. Another battalion has been ordered from Laredo and is on the way to this city now.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 9.—The Mexican situation in South Texas and along the border becomes more serious daily, and the situation today is more tense than at any time since the outbreak.

Three United States soldiers and from fifteen to twenty Mexicans were wounded and several Mexicans killed in a battle at the Norris ranch, is the substance of a late report just received here. Two American citizens, not soldiers, were also wounded in the battle.

Four infantry companies are being rushed from Laredo to the scene of trouble, and every effort will be made to drive the Mexican raiders from Texas.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Aug. 9.—According to meagre reports here the fighting at Norias, which continues late last night, is being waged between thirty Mexican outlaws and fourteen ranch men in the Norias ranch.

Six Mexicans already have been killed, according to unconfirmed reports and three of the Americans wounded.

It is said the bandits early today raided the Norias ranch and drove away fifty head of horses and took a quantity of provisions and several rifles. Late yesterday afternoon the Mexicans returned to the ranch and a pitched battle was begun, the fourteen Americans barricading themselves in the ranch house. They telephoned to Brownsville and Kingsville for help shortly after which the Mexicans cut the wires so that no further word has come from them.

A special train was started from Sarita, carrying fifteen volunteers to aid the ranchers. Sarita is forty miles north of Norias.

A special train with rangers, sheriffs and United States troops also was sent from Brownsville.

Until these trains reach some station where there is wire service, little can be learned of the battle.

BROWNSVILLE, Aug. 10.—One American was injured and several Mexicans killed and several injured in another battle between American citizens and Mexicans near here this morning.

Mexican bandits continue to raid and steal throughout this section, and life and property of ranchmen are constantly in danger. The band of Mexicans attack ranchmen without fear, and for more than a week battles between Texans and Mexicans have occurred daily.

Brownsville, Aug. 9.—Three gangs of Mexican outlaws of twenty men each composed a band which last night attacked and came near exterminating eight United States soldiers and seven civilians at Norias, Willacy county, sixty-eight miles north of here. Reinforcements of seventeen Texas rangers saved the men.

Three American soldiers and two civilians who were part of fifteen men that stood off a band of sixty for fully an hour, were wounded, none dangerously. Five outlaws are known to be dead and more are believed dead. In

the railroad section house from which the Mexican band fought, one woman was killed. Several other Mexican women were in the house.

Fighting started at 6:30 o'clock and continued until 8:10, when the outlaws retired from the scene in a southerly direction, leaving the dead where they lay along the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico railroad. A detachment of thirty-five troopers under Lieutenant Partridge and a force of rangers are following the band, and news of more engagements is expected.

NO PLOVER SEASON FOR FIVE YEARS

The season is near at hand when plovers in large numbers visit this county and offer fine sport as well as a very delicious food for the hunters. But the federal government says nothing doing for a period of five years.

The state law does not protect this bird, but the federal government is very active this season in enforcing all game laws and has sent out warnings to the game sections. Deputy game wardens are plentiful, and have been "spotted" all over the country, and those who go gunning can not profit by looking twice before they shoot.

QUITS WIFE; WILL BE ARRESTED FOR RAPE

Sheriff Perkins holds the warrant for the arrest of Enoch Johnston, charged with complaint by W. J. G. Walker, for rape. Johnston has not been arrested, but his whereabouts are known and arrest will be made within the next few hours.

Johnston, age twenty years, and Miss Pearl Walker, age fourteen, were married last Thursday. Johnston quit his wife Saturday, and a complaint was filed by the father of the girl Tuesday morning.

The offense with which Johnston is charged is alleged to have been committed some time last June.

LEASED RUNNELS COUNTY LAND

L. L. Farr, of San Angelo and Ira Yates of Rankin, were before the commissioners' court now in session and leased the 428 acres of land belonging to Runnels county on the Pecos.

KICKED BY MULE.

Wm. Garden, of Laredo, who had been working in the Winters country, had the misfortune Monday to get kicked by a mule while loading maize and was unconscious for several hours and is still in a very critical condition though he came in to Ballinger Tuesday and left for his home.

Gets Cash on Delinquent Taxes

Judge R. S. Griggs, talking to a Ledger man Tuesday morning, said he had about collected all possible taxes for the Ballinger Independent School District. Out of \$1100.00 worth of assessed delinquent property, \$450.00 has been collected through suit and otherwise. This seems a small percent of the whole, but Judge Griggs said that many of the land owners were unknown and his office was unable to trace them now. Judge Griggs also said that much of the remaining delinquent property was eaten up with taxes, and that to divide the money received from a forced sale of such real estate between state, county and school district would be less than the tax on each.

The attorney for the schools stated that the board would only wait till property values increased in Ballinger, when the unknown owners would then have to pay all back taxes to get a clear title to their holdings. The taxpayers represented as having paid on delinquent property is estimated as about seventy-five holders out of nearly one hundred delinquent real property tax payers.

LEFT FOR BROWNSWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ellis and children left Monday morning in their auto for Brownwood, where they will make their home during the winter, where Mr. Ellis will buy cotton. They have a large circle of friends in Ballinger who regret to see them leave Ballinger and all wish them success in their new home.

INCREASE FREIGHT RATE SUSPENDED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The Interstate Commerce Commission rendered a decision in the Western rate case today. The decision affects Texas and Oklahoma in that it suspends increase freight rates on grain and grain products and freight rates on other produce that are big revenue producers for the railroads.

BROWNWOOD GETS FIRST BALE

Brownwood received the first bale of 1915 cotton this week, the bale selling on the streets Monday for ten cents per pound. A cash premium was presented to the grower.

FIFTIETH MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McWhirter celebrated their 50th marriage anniversary at their home in Ballinger Monday. Besides the children of the couple, a few of their intimate friends enjoyed the day and a splendid dinner with the happy old couple.

BUYS BUNCH OF HORSES.

Street and Middleton, the horse and mule buyers, shipped in to their barn Tuesday afternoon 38 head of mares and horses and it is one of the smoothest bunches of stock brought to Ballinger recently. They bought them out beyond San Angelo.

Joe Sommers and H. B. Halfmann of the Rowena-Olfen country, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday. Mr. Halfmann attended the farmers' meeting at College Station recently and also visited at Galveston and Houston while away from home and reports a very pleasant trip.

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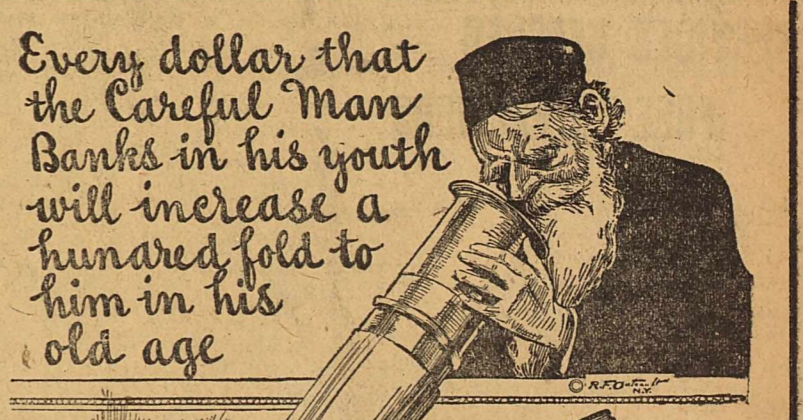
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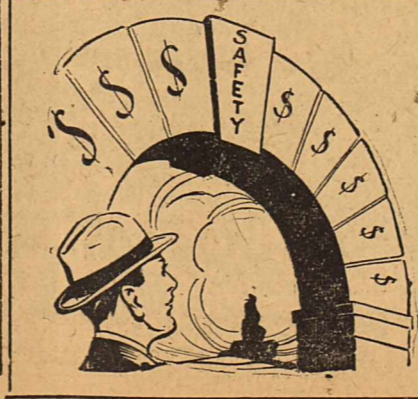
Every dollar that the Careful Man Banks in his youth will increase a hundred fold to him in his old age

Here's a fact: The money you spend now is many times that money, because it is cheating yourself out of the profit that money would earn for you some day. In other words, you are throwing away the "foundation" on which you could build a fortune. You are casting away the seed which would become a tree if planted. Plant some money in our bank.

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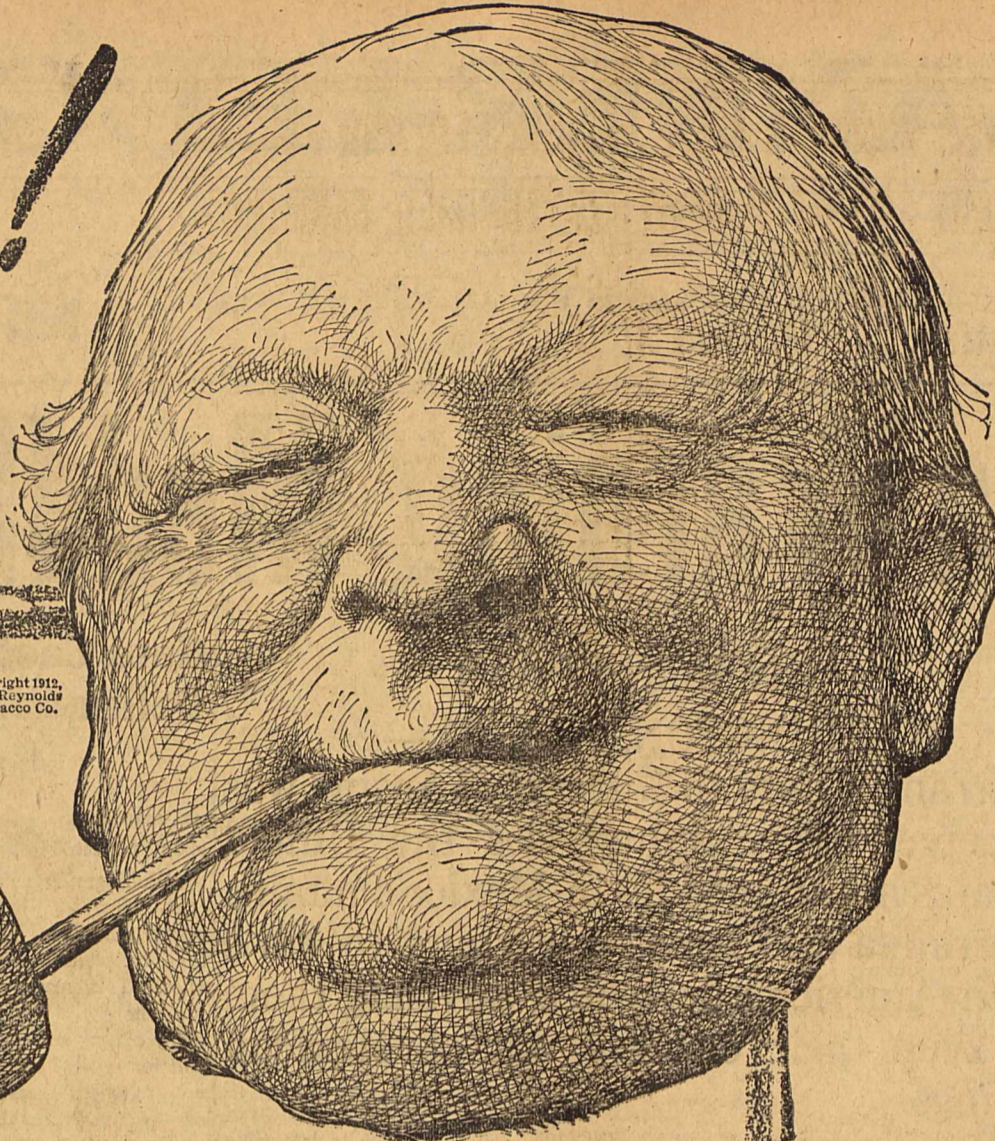
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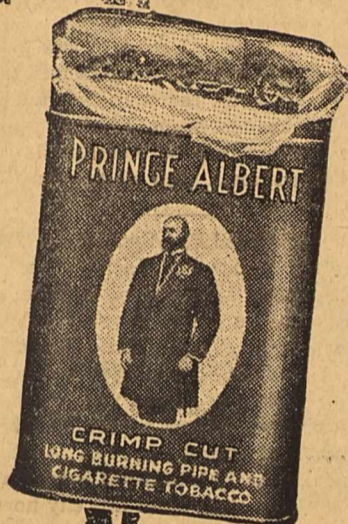
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Dr. Carrick's Tribute To His Mother

Dr. M. M. Carrick, who made himself famous in the clean town campaign waged in this state, recently lost his mother. Dr. Carrick visited Ballinger a number of times and made many friends here. His friends will read with interest his tribute to his mother following her death:

"To My Friends: "As we earth pilgrims journey along the Road of Life, how few of us are ever prepared to meet the great experience called Death. To us life is such a strange, wonderful, glorious thing that we forget it has been vouchsafed us but for a brief time, and that at the other end of the bridge spanning the shores of Eternity crouches the grim and gloomy Atropos with her deadly shears, ever ready to sever the thread that binds us to our earth life.

"Death is always a tragedy. No matter whether it comes to us in the Spring time of Life when there are faint twitterings of fledglings in the tree tops; or in the Summertime when when the voice of the lark soars triumphantly across the meadows; or in the Wintertime when the world is covered with its mantle of white and bird notes are hushed—it is always the same, a tragedy unspeakable—a Via Dolorosa which all who breathe and tread this earth today must some time travel.

"Nevertheless we are startled when we hear the rustle of unseen wings, and we realize that some loved one is to be carried from us forever. Our hearts grow faint, our eyes dim, and we kneel alone in the chapel of our soul. If the beloved one is a mother, only the Candle of Faith burning on the altar of God can have us from our great sorrow. In that hour we should remember the words of the Master: "There is no death!"

"A great man once said that if angels ever condensed to walk upon this earth, it was when clad in the form of a good mother. Mother! The sweetest name on earth. What a volume could be written on this symbol alone—what a history of forbearance and kindness and love. But the words must needs be as beautiful as rainbows to picture the strange haunting melodies—those lullabies of mother love.

"My mother! To her whose heart was aflame with the joy of motherhood and its divine significance; who longed, as did that star-eyed mother of Judea to see her children grow and wax strong in spirit, filled with wisdom and the grace of God—I bless her memory. No other voice satisfies, none ever can take its place. The call of the skylark, the clear treble of the violin, the mellow magic of the cello, the pellucid ripple of the harp, the concord of sweet sound issuing from pipe or reed or string, a prima donna, or choral in a cathedral—not one of these can ever drown the memory of that caressing voice which crooned lullabies to her babe. It is the soundless music of the soul. My Mother!

"Unhappy that man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable."

"All that I am, or hope, or ever hope to be, I owe to her, for she gave me an inheritance beyond rubies. My first words were learned at her knees. She was a fount of wisdom, a well of comfort, a tower of inspiration, and the essence of gentleness. No matter how dark the way, her serene spirit always lighted the path.

"She is not dead, she is just away! With a farewell smile and a wave of the hand, She has wandered into the Better Land,

And left us thinking how very fair It all must be since she is there."

"For all the loving expressions of sympathy, and the kindly offices of friends, for all the tender words and gentle hand-clasps in this sad hour, I have not language to express. The Candle of Faith is burning in my heart for you all.

"Manton M. Carrick."

A Good Household Salve.

Ordinary ailments and injuries are not of themselves serious, but infection or low vitality may make them dangerous. Don't neglect a cut, sore, bruise or hurt because it's small. Blood poison has resulted from a pin-prick or scratch. For all such ailments Bucklen's Arnica Salve is excellent. It protects and heals the hurt; is antiseptic, kills infection and prevents dangerous complications. Good for all skin blemishes, pimples, salt rheum, eczema. Get an original 2-ounce 25c box from your druggist.

MAIZE BRINGING FIFTY CENTS

The local maize consumers are stocking up on new maize, the new crop just ripening and ready for the harvest hands. The crop is a good one this year. The maize is well matured and free from any damage. With favorable weather for harvesting the crop will bring much money to the county. The wholesale market has opened and no maize has been shipped, but the local market offers fifty cents per hundred.

Gus Prusser, of the Winters country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

Quickly Relieves Without Distress

The congestion of waste and refuse from the stomach, fermenting in the bowels, generates poisonous gases that occasion distress and invite serious illness. Health and comfort demand that this congestion be speedily relieved and the foul mass expelled.

The well-founded objection most people have to the violence of cathartic and purgative agents is overcome by using the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that is sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. A dose at night brings relief next morning, without discomfort or inconvenience. A free trial bottle can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 452 Washington St., Monticello, Ills.

GRAIN GROWERS FURNISH FIGURES

Coleman county boosters are having a good lead to say about ten farmers in that county who produced 110,000 bushels of grain. Of course that is a good showing for Coleman county and the Coleman boosters should use such thunder to a good advantage.

Over here in Runnels county ten thousand bushel crops are so common it had not occurred to us that such news a good showing point but since the Coleman claim has been called to our attention we take pleasure in quoting a few figures that are handy, and if it were not so busy looking after more important matters we would go out and get figures that would make a good showing. But here's one that will give our Coleman county friends an idea of how we're getting on in Runnels:

- S. L. Alexander, 28,500 bushels oats, 7,000 bushels wheat.
 - Paul Crews, 25,000 bushels oats.
 - W. H. Rogers, 9,000 bushels oats, 4,200 bushels wheat.
 - Martin Frick, 15,000 bushels oats, 2,000 bushels wheat.
 - Owen Ingram, 15,000 bushels oats.
 - Sam Davis, 13,000 bushels oats.
- Total yield for six farmers, 118,700 bushels.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2928 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

IS BETTER PLEASSED WITH RUNNELS COUNTY

W. D. Virden returned last Saturday from a visit to the southern part of the state, spending three weeks at Corpus Christi and Robstown. Mr. Virden lives near Winters, and after spending a few hours in Ballinger he went to his home better satisfied than when he left for the South Texas country. Mr. Virden says crops are good in some of the country he visited, but he did not see anything that looked as good to him as Runnels county. It's the same old story.

NEW GIRL BROUGHT BY STORK.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cameron are parents to a nine pound baby girl, born Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Young of the Crews country were among the shoppers in Ballinger Saturday.

J. T. Hardigree of the Crews country, was among the visitors here Saturday.

Ballinger W. O. W. Camp
No. 157
Meets every Friday night. Remember the date and attend if possible. Visitors cordially invited
J. F. Lusk, Clerk.

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TO THE FARMERS AND STOCKMEN:

I desire to inform you that I have my office located in Y. M. B. L. at Ballinger, and I expect to be in my office every Saturday where I will be glad to have you meet me and other good farmers of the county for mutual benefit.

I am employed to serve you in this county, by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Extension Dept. of the A. and M. College, in conducting demonstration work in the county with the farmers and stockmen—both land owners and tenant farmers.

Our mission is to help make better farms, better farmers, by better farming, progress, prosperity, plenty.

Below I have listed a number of important things on which I can render you assistance if wanted. If I cannot give you the exact information desired, I can get it for you from the specialists of the A. and M. College, and no cost for services.

Information on growing all of the staple crops grown in this county. Any forage or hay crops such as alfalfa, clovers, vetches, pasture peas, peanuts, soy beans, etc.

- Pasture grass, hog pastures, meadow etc.
- Crop rotation.
- Soil building.
- Terracing to prevent washing of farm lands.
- Fertilizers, barnyard, commercial or mixed fertilizers.
- Orchards, treatment for insects, truck and small fruits.
- Gardens and lawns.
- Pure bred live stock, horses, cows, beef cattle and hogs.
- Dairying, milk and care of same.
- Handling cream, butter making, etc.
- Feeding cattle and other live stock balanced rations.
- Poultry management.
- More eggs and better eggs. Marketing infertile eggs.
- Silos and dipping vats.
- Silage crops.
- Drainage of farm lands.
- Live stock diseases, hog cholera, black leg, anthrax, etc.
- Farm building, dwellings, barns, dairy barns.
- Boy's Agricultural Club work.
- Marketing of farm crops. Buying and selling to an advantage through organization of farmers' clubs.
- I am here to serve you, impossible to visit you all, so come and see me at my office if you desire any help.
- Yours most truly,
GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent.

Despondency Due to Indigestion.

"About three months ago when I was suffering from indigestion which caused headache and dizzy spells and made me feel tired and despondent, I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. Geo. Hon. Maceodon, N. Y. "This medicine proved to be the very thing I needed, as one day's treatment relieved me greatly. I used two bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and they rid me of this trouble." Obtainable everywhere.

BROWN RAISES BALLINGER APPLES.

T. P. Brown, living on the cemetery road in South Ballinger, was in town Monday with some fine Ballinger grown apples, grown on his farm. Mr. Brown has twenty-one trees of Ben Davis and another brand, and has been picking some good apples as ever raised anywhere. In addition this orchardist has in bearing some fine pears, most of which are the Bartlett variety, and has been bringing in many peaches and watermelons.

NAZARENES REPORT 70 CONVERSIONS

Rev. Bost, pastor of the local Nazarene church, returned with his family from Star, Monday, where he closed on Sunday night one of the most successful revivals ever held in any rural district in this county.

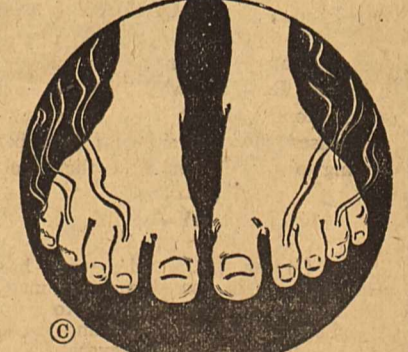
Star is four miles northeast of Crews. Rev. Bost conducted a two weeks revival for the people of that section, and at the close of the meeting he organized a Nazarene church with 70 charter members.

During the revival there were 70 conversions. These were distributed among the other churches, and the entire community profited greatly by the revival.

Rev. Bost stated that he would be at home for a few days, and would preach for the local congregation Wednesday night.

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



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will dumfound 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 toes with bandages; used thick, corn-pulling cotton-rings; corn-pulling salves; corn-tensing 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 bunion. Never fails. "GETS-IT" is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn cure by Walker Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce and City Drug Store.

DEMONSTRATION WORK IS BEFORE THE COURT

J. L. Quicksall, District Agent Farm Demonstration Work, will be in Ballinger, some time this week, probably today, to confer with the commissioners' court of Runnels County; asking them to continue Geo. P. McLelland in his present capacity.

The commissioners, who will be in session all this week, will be urged to continue the farm demonstration work in this county, that has been a great aid to improved agricultural business for this section.

Facts and figures will be submitted, showing the great work done by McLelland, how he has been a movement for diversification, infertile egg stands, tick eradication, and other prosperity moves.

At this time there seems to be no doubt but that the office of farm demonstrator will be carried on another year.

ELECTED TO TEACH MUSIC AT SANTA ANNA.

Miss Maurice Truly has been elected as a member of the faculty of the Santa Anna school, according to the Santa Anna News, and will have charge of violin instruction in the public schools of that city. Miss Maurice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Truly, of Ballinger. Mrs. Len Phillips, a sister of Mrs. J. D. Norwood will teach piano in the Santa Anna public school.

NEW MEAT MARKET.

L. L. Stroble has opened a meat market in the Chastain building on Hutchings avenue and has an ad in the Daily Ledger asking a part of your patronage. Mr. Stroble is an experienced market man.

FINGER CUT OFF.

Master Olin, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Linccum had the misfortune Tuesday morning to get the fore finger on his right hand cut off while playing with a washing machine. He suffered considerably until it was dressed by a physician.

W. E. Blair is spending several months at Winters, where he has a fruit and produce business. He has not moved to Winters for keeps, and expects to be back on the job in South Ballinger growing fruit and other good things to eat by Christmas.

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It's a silo that should be on every small farm in Runnels County. Call at our yard and let us show you. Get our book on Silo Questions.
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UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK! CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

Just once. Try "Dodson's Liver Tone" when Bilious, Constipated, Headachy—Don't lose a day's Work.

Liven up your sluggish liver. Feel fine and cheerful; make your work a pleasure; be vigorous and full of ambition. But take no nasty, dangerous calomel because it makes you sick and you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver 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.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmful Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my per-

sonal money-back guarantee that guarantees 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; headache and dizziness gone; stomach will be sweet and bowels regular.

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.

BALLINGER VISITORS IN MILLS.

J. T. Allen and family and Kenneth Applewhite and wife passed through the city Monday in automobiles, en route to Lampasas for a visit to relatives and a few days camping at the springs.

Luther Adams and wife returned to their home in Ballinger Tuesday, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Taff, and other relatives in this county.—Goldthwaite Eagle.

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

PAINT ROCK DELEGATES TO BALLINGER.

There will be the annual Association of the Concho-Colorado Baptists soon at Ballinger. The Baptist church here Sunday elected the following delegates and alternates. Delegates: H. W. Fullerton, S. C. Curtsinger, and Mrs. J. M. Patton. Alternates: J. M. Davis, J. P. Willbanks and Miss Hattie Wooley. J. B. Waide was elected Board member for this church.—Concho Herald.

THE FARMER'S FRIEND
We have two Wooden Silos for sale, at cost. Call quick at Hardin & Bate-man's Lumber Yard, Ballinger. 6-2w

RUNNELS CO., PECAN NURSERY

Do you realize that an orchard of paper shell pecans properly started and cared for on your home ground will usually begin bearing nuts at three years from putting out? And in ten years time you may reasonably expect them to be paying 10 percent interest on a valuation of one thousand dollars per acre? Can you beat it as an investment? Set out at least a few this fall. We have them for sale.

S. B. HOWARD

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"Blue Back Abstracts" and Conveyancing.

BUY YOU 'Peerless' Binder Twine "The Best By Test" As good as the best, as cheap as the] cheapest. We Solicit Your Orders Hall Hardware Company

...The... Farmers Union Warehouse Company Wishes to thank the Farmers and Business Men of Country for their kind and liberal patronage and hope we may continue to receive the same. J. P. BOOTH, Mgr.

GIVES RUNNELS CO. MUCH ADVERTISEMENT

"Harvesting and Marketing Milo Maize" was the caption of a special farm article in the Farm and Ranch, of issue August 7th. The story was written by John Ballew of the Mazeland community, of this county, and the article makes a plea for a better marketing system for grain crops as well as cotton. Mr. Ballew is known by many rural readers over Texas as "Uncle Johnnie" and has contributed many boosts in way of publicity for Ballinger and Runnels County.

Ballinger has been receiving, and will receive more of such exploiting, and it is worth much in way of bringing prospective citizens to locate.

CAR OF FINE MELONS.

The reporter inspected a car load of fine water melons Saturday, that weighed from 30 to 60 pounds each and was shipped out that day from the Ideal Irrigation Farm of South Ballinger to a Temple party, and that city will soon be feasting on the real luscious and renowned South Ballinger melons.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas: County of Runnels. By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on the 10th day of July A. D. 1915, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of R. L. Harwell et al versus T. L. Huggins et al, No. 1676, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in Sept., A. D. 1915, it being the 7th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property to-wit:

Being situated in Runnels County, viz: Being all of Block No. 2 of the town of Wingate in Runnels County, Texas, as shown by plat of said town on file in deed records of said Runnels County, Texas, in volume 21, page 937.

levied on the 4th day of August, 1915, as the property of T. L. Huggins, to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$118.35 with interest, from March 12th, 1915, at the rate of 8 percent per annum and costs of suit, in favor of R. L. Harwell and to satisfy a further judgement in favor of T. L. Carpenter, for \$72.72, obtained as a second lien holder with interest at 8 percent per annum from March 12th, 1915, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 4th day of August, A. D. 1915.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas: County of Runnels. By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Jones County, on the Fourth day of February, 1915, by the Justice of Peace thereof, in the case of Brown & Orr versus J. M. Scoggins, No. 1186, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on Tuesday the Seventh day of September, A. D. 1915, at the court house door in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain tract, lot or parcel of land, lying and being situated in Runnels County, Texas, and being a part of a certain 6 1/2 acre tract, of land sold to W. H. Tuttle by W. M. Smiley and wife, said larger tract being out of the D. Floyd Survey No. 518, Abstract No. 193, located by virtue of Certificate No. 8091, and patented by the State of Texas to Dolphin Floyd, November 9, 1854, by Letters patent No. 000, Volume 6 and more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point the intersection of Main Street in the City of Winters, Texas, with Roberts Street, said point being the intersection of the W. line of Main Street with the North line of Roberts Street; Thence West to a point in the West line of Roberts Street, directly opposite and South of a certain well located in the boundary line of this property and another lot adjoining owned by L. H. Stuges; Thence North passing through the center point of said well 210 feet; Thence East to the West line of Main Street; Thence South 210 feet to the place of beginning.

Levied on as the property of J. M. Scoggins, to satisfy a judgement amounting to Eighty-nine and Fifty-five one hundredths dollars (\$89.55), in favor of Brown & Orr, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of August 1915.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas. By J. A. DEMOUILLE, Deputy.

DELIGHTED WITH COUNTY.

R. L. McKnight, of Temple, who had been looking after farm interests in the north part of our county the past few days spent a day in Ballinger and returned home Saturday. Mr. McKnight was delighted with the results of his investments in Runnels County and the fine crops and splendid climate up here and says he will bring his family up soon with the view of locating here if his family is as well pleased as he is himself.

For a Sprained Ankle.

If you will get a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and observe the directions given therewith faithfully, you will recover in much less time than is usually required. Obtainable everywhere.

RAISES GOOD HOGS ON MAIZE.

T. A. Schultz says he has no trouble in raising all the hogs that he wants and has no trouble in getting them big and fat on maize. He had some last year that easily tipped the beam at above three hundred pounds under a year old. This tale is a little late being told, but we believe now is the time to call attention to the fact that maize is a good food for fattening hogs.—Concho Herald.

PURE SEED AND DIVERSIFIED FARMING

TO THE FARMERS OF RUNNELS COUNTY:

Gentlemen:—Please join with me while I urge you to plant your fields and select the seed of maize, feterita, corn, or anything else that is ready, before you begin to harvest your crop then you have a chance to get the type head shape, etc., that you prefer. Put the seed in a nice cool place free from rat depredations, you can then feel sure that you have the best on your farm to plant. And when you go to select cotton seed for planting purposes you should be very careful to watch the stalk that is well rounded up, closely fruited, tie a string on the stalks that have the white blooms first for the earlier the cotton the better for the semi-arid climate; the red bloom cotton if you will notice, and very few men know, this will be a day later than the white. Use only the big boll type five lock and select your stalk with reference to size of boll and five locks and if Mebane not less than nine seed to the lock is considered pure. Please be as careful about your planting seed as you are about your livestock. I remember the time when good live stock for breeding purposes wasn't thought of scarcely. Another thing let me say to you, please do not plant the whole earth in small grain next year, for if you do we will commit a criminal assault on our better judgment.

Listen to what I say, if you will do as you have done this year, get in the middle of the road and stay there, plant some oats, wheat, maize, feterita, kafir, corn, millet, vetch, rape, rye, barley etc. you shall never want. And to this as a double safe guard and chickens, turkeys, guineas, ducks, geese, plenty of hogs to make your meat and a very few to sell, for you can very easily over do the thing in the hog business. A poor hog looks very distasteful and his voice grabs harshly on our ears when the crib is empty and corn \$1.00 per bushel. I did not say add cotton for I know you would do a plenty in that line.

Let Runnels County lead and others follow.

Very truly yours,
GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

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

JEANES COMPANY MAKES RECORD SHIPPING.

E. A. Jeanes & Co., of this city, shipped out an average of \$100,000 worth of poultry, for the past week. Shipments consigned to Galveston and Dallas meet a ready demand for Ballinger poultry and fruit. These shipments made for the week by Jeanes, go by Wells Fargo & Co., and the heaviest day recorded so far was yesterday, when \$160,000 worth of chickens was shipped to Galveston commission men.

The Clerk Guaranteed It.

"A customer came into my store the other day and said to one of my clerks, 'have you anything that will cure diarrhoea?' and my clerk went and got him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and said to him, 'if this does not cure you I will not charge you a cent for it.' So he took it home and came back in a day or two and said he was cured," writes J. H. Berry & Co., Salt Creek, Va. Obtainable everywhere.

PINK EYE MAKES CATTLE BLIND.

There is considerable complaint of "Pink Eye" among cattle. Pink eye is a disease that affects the eye and makes cattle blind. The trouble does not prove fatal unless the blindness prevents the cattle from getting to water and causes them to suffer. After a few days the trouble disappears and the eyesight is restored.

To Drive Out Malaria And Build Up The System

Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the Iron builds up the system. 50 cents

CANNING FRUIT FOR EXHIBITS.

C. A. Dooze & Co., are replacing their fine line of agricultural exhibits with new products. The jars are being refilled with new fruit and other products and a display will take the place of the old one. The crop this year makes the work of preparing an attractive display easy.



Eddie Collins
Drinks
Coca-Cola
—considers it the premier, all-round wholesome thirst-quencher for athletes. This comes well from one of whom Comiskey said, after paying \$50,000 for him—"I secured him for the White Sox fans because I believe he will prove that he is the greatest exponent of quick thinking and the brainiest player in the game."
Demand the genuine and avoid disappointment
THE COCA-COLA CO.
ATLANTA, GA.

BALLINGER APPLES FOR FAIR EXHIBIT

In arranging and securing exhibits for the Runnels County Fair, Noel Penn of the Business League, has something that will make people sit up and take notice. A sample of five or six apples, grown on the C. S. Miller irrigated farm, are on exhibit at the commercial club rooms that are as good looking as any apples ever brought here. The variety of the apples are not known, but they are said to be of fine flavor, and good for preserving and eating as pulled.

LEFT FOR INDIANAPOLIS.

Rev. W. Bion Adkins left on Saturday afternoon train for Indianapolis, Ind., and other cities North, on an evangelistic campaign. He will spend three weeks in one city, this being the fourth meeting he has conducted at this place. He will have associated with him W. E. Houghten, who is working under the auspices of American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Houghten is the best singer and organizer in the State. Rev. Adkins has had ten years experience in evangelistic work, three years of that time being spent on the Pacific coast.

He is seriously thinking of entering the evangelistic field again. Rev. Adkins has served the Ninth Street Baptist Church in Ballinger for several years and is a consecrated Christian gentleman and has the prayers of a host of friends in Ballinger for his success, wherever he may labor.

Will Mountz, of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in the city Saturday.

R. P. Taylor of Norton, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

MORE THAN 600 CARS OATS SHIPPED

Up to Thursday at noon of this week, Winters had shipped more than 600 cars of grain. To be exact, 578 cars of oats had been shipped and 64 cars of wheat. That is not all; the shipping continues at the rate of an average of ten cars per day, with the promise of no let up before close to the end of August.

Winters is located in the best farming section of Runnels County. That part of the county is thickly settled with industrious farmers, and they have profited by the good grain yield.

At the prevailing price the above number of cars of grain brought not less than \$300,000 to the farmers of the Winters country. The heavy bank deposits are easily accounted for when one realizes that much other produce, such as eggs, chickens, butter and cream, leave this county in large quantities.

An Easy, Pleasant Laxative.

One or two Dr. King's New Life Pills with a tumbler of water at night. No bad, nauseating taste; no belching gas. Go right to bed. Wake up in the morning, enjoy a free, easy bowel movement, and feel fine all day. Dr. King's New Life Pills are sold by all druggists, 36 in an original package, for 25c. Get a bottle today—enjoy this easy, pleasant laxative.

Mrs. W. A. Pringle of Florida and her mother Mrs. M. E. Long came in from Sweetwater Saturday afternoon to visit their brother and son respectively and family.

T. J. Bryant, of the Millar neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and placed an ad in the Ledger offering a bargain in Ballinger property.

You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which are gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

You can't make a mistake in taking

GARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

Has Helped Thousands.

THE BANNER-LEDGER
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The Banner-Ledger and the Rannels County Ledger were consolidated January 28, 1913.

The authorities at Temple have announced that the grand jury will investigate the negro lynching. Just another case where some of the state's money will be wasted.

One year of war has made the people familiar with the map of Europe, and every school boy can now pronounce names that were jawbreakers to the natives.

Nine out of ten insane sent to the asylum from this county are non-residents. They wait too long and go crazy before they can get here.

The United States is having a hard time making the Mexicans believe that we are their friends and only want to help them. Our Uncle Sam's persuasive power is about exhausted.

With many nations consuming more than they are producing it is not just a happened so that the United States has produced the largest feed crop in its history. There is a cause: America is working for the betterment of mankind.

There should be no hyphenated names in America. A man who was born in this country is an American and those who come here and have complied with the naturalization laws are Americans. There is no such thing as a French-American or German-American and the hyphen should be eliminated. Its obnoxious.

The man who is the best posted on the war only guesses when he talks. Some guess the war will close soon and others guess that it will last from one to three years. Our guess is that things are going to get mighty interesting to the entire world before we have that long looked for world peace that W. J. has been praying for.

It is claimed that one shipment of gold amounting to \$100,000,000.00 is on its way from Halifax to New York, and the money is for J. P. Morgan & Co. to pay for supplies for Great Britain and her allies. Some of this money will be distributed in Texas for horses.

in the war. An American in Europe told me that American charity in the case of the Belgians and in hospital work might cause the war to last six months longer than it would otherwise. His argument was that if Europe had to bear all of her own misfortunes, she would be in a greater hurry to stop the war.—Leslie's Weekly.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT'S SAKE

Uncle Sam is playing a four-cornered game at present and just suppose he should get unsatisfactory answers from England, Germany, Haiti and Mexico, what would happen?—Bonham Favorite. So far Uncle Sam has kept sweet with the world, and is doing some good missionary work. No doubt our president realize that to beat with one country will make it difficult to stay on good terms with others, and he is staying on the job of watching and waiting.

The crop of July brides exceeded that for the month of June in McLennan county, 100 marriage licenses having been issued here for the month, just closed. And for our part, we can not see that the July brides were not just as sweet as those of the month before.—Waco News.

We never could understand why a June bride should be rated higher than a bride of any other month. A bride is a bride, and our May bride is worth more than any June bride that was ever lead to the altar.

The Anson Siftings, a paper started at Anson four weeks ago, has suspended publication according to an announcement made by the Siftings in the Western Enterprise of Anson. It is the old story of no demand for two papers in a town the size of Anson. The Enterprise has weathered the storms of the west for over 30 years and the people prefer to give it their patronage. The Siftings will be moved, to Sagerton, where there is no newspaper published at this time and where the people feel the need of a paper.—Abilene Reporter. We have been told that competition is the life of trade. The rule will not hold good in the case of two newspapers in a small town. Such competition is the death of one of the newspapers in short order, and the survival of the fittest with great loss to the merchants while the competition exists.

Woodrow Wilson, the president, is a Virginian. William G. McAdoo, the secretary of the treasury, is a Georgian. Thomas Watt Gregory, attorney general, is a Mississippian. Albert Sidney Burton, postmaster general, is a Texan. Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, is a North Carolinian. David Franklin Houston, secretary of agriculture, is also a North Carolinian. W. P.

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We are sure the great majority of our readers will approve of this system. It will put an end to "duns" and prevent us from sending the paper to you when you don't want it and will not pay for it.

We appreciate every subscriber on our mailing list, and wish to thank all those who have been so prompt to renew since adopting this system on July 1st. We expect to keep the paper up to where we can feel proud of every issue that leaves our office, and will strive at all times to give you value received for your dollar.

BALLINGER PRINTING CO.

MEXICAN BATTLES NEAR BALLINGERITE

Capt. N. F. Bonsall, who is making his home at Nogales, Arizona, sends the Daily Ledger several copies of the Nogales Daily Herald. The Herald is printed in both the English and the Spanish language, as Nogales straddles the border, part of the city being located in Arizona and part in Mexico. The man that has the idea that the Mexican war is a joke will have his opinion battered if he reads the papers coming from the border town. The account of war activities are thrilling as reported by the Herald. Big scare heads in the paper says "Nogales prepares for assault." The story says that the entire Carranza army in the north is

F. & R. SAYS PLANT RAPE DURING AUGUST

The following from the Farm and Ranch, bears on the admonition given by local farm demonstration agent Geo. P. McLelland, concerning planting of rape, this month:

Dwarf Essex rape is often sown in August. If the weather is cool and moisture is available, sowing in August is better than later sowing. Farmers further north sow early. It is necessary for them to sow early so the plants will have time to get established before cold weather checks growth. But in the Southwest where the month of August is hot and dry, sowing may be deferred till later, if desired.

Rape makes most excellent hog pasture. It affords considerable grazing on good land and hogs relish it. It is not as good as some other crops for cattle and sheep. It sometimes blooms.

Rape may be sown broadcast if the land is rich and in excellent condition. It will yield more grazing when sown in this way, provided the land is strong and the season favorable. But on thin land it does best planted in rows and given a few cultivations.

Hogs may be turned onto rape in six weeks after sowing, provided the season is favorable. It not grazed too close a second crop may be had where it is sown early and the season is favorable for the plants.

WANTS LIVE STOCK EXHIBIT FOR FAIR

Methinks I can hear the rumbling of a big fair, coming closer and closer each day, and I fear that the stockmen are not getting ready for it.

This is the year to show what compounding will do. For instance, let's put good livestock and good feed together and see the good results. Let me urge the stockmen to get busy and talk fair and talk, talk, talk.

If you want a good fair it is up to you to help make it a good one. Groom up your horses, mules, mares, colts, cows, calves, hogs, etc., save your agricultural exhibits now and you will be sure to have them. Everybody get busy and we will show people how we do it.

GEO. P. McLELLAND.

Will Gallia, a real estate man and F. E. Ernst a prominent cattle raiser of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

RAY-PENN CO. FILES SUIT FOR \$39,288.90 ON COTTON LOST IN COMPRESS FIRE

Through their attorneys, Stone & Wade, of Fort Worth the Ray-Penn Co. of Ballinger, have filed suit against the Insurance Co., of North America for \$39,288.00. This suit is one of the largest filed in the district court of Rannels county for many years, and it will probably come up for trial at the October term of court.

This suit is the outgrowth of the failure of the Insurance Co., of North America to pay loss caused by fire when the compress at Ballinger was destroyed. The Ray-Penn Co. were the heaviest losers in the compress fire. This is the only claim that has not been paid in settling for the compress fire, out of a

total loss of nearly \$300,000. At the time of the compress fire Ray-Penn Co. had on hand a large lot of cotton they had concentrated here. They carried a policy that was written by the North America company through the Dallas Agency, Wright & Butler. The failure of the company to pay the loss is based on some technicality, the insurance company claiming that the Ray-Penn Co. did not comply with their contract in reporting the number of bales of cotton on hand previous to the time of the fire. In addition to the principle sum of \$39,288.00 Ray-Penn Co. will ask for interest from due time of policy and cost of suit.

County Gains More Than Million Dollars in Value

Tax Assessor Mike C. Boyd has completed his work in making the tax rolls for the present year. The rolls make an interesting showing in a gain of more than a million dollars in taxable values and more than 200 increase in polls assessed.

The rolls of 1914 show 2075 polls assessed against 2884 for the present year, a gain of 208, to be exact. The following figures make up the rolls of this year:

Resident roll ----- \$6,113,030.00
Non-resident roll ----- 1,947,630.00

Unrendered roll ----- 544,220.00
Railroads ----- 1,071,770.00
Banks ----- 339,940.00
Assessor's Supplementary ----- 14,480.00

Total, ----- \$10,031,070.00 This is more than a million dollars greater valuation than fixed by the board of equalization of this county last year. While the showing makes an increase the Ballinger Independent District suffer a loss of nearly \$70,000, the gain being made up by a big increase in livestock and values in the rural districts.

Mrs. Mollie Evans, of Jewett, Texas, came in Saturday to visit her nephew E. Graves and sister of the Hatchel country a few weeks.

Mr. Bill Pritchett of Comanche, who had been visiting Miss Fannie D. Moore the past few days, left for his home Saturday afternoon.

Louie Strube, of the Olin country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. J. Wilkerson, of the New Home neighborhood, and S. D. Williams of

Hatchel were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Tom Fowler came in from Fort Worth Tuesday night to visit his father Dr. W. W. Fowler and family and Ballinger friends.

Alex Henson and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ora Henson left Wednesday morning to visit her mother at Talpa.

Prof. Leslie Fowler had business near Talpa between trains Wednesday.

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

Three car loads of watermelons left Ballinger Wednesday for different points, one car going to New Mexico. The melons are bringing a good price for the cars at Ballinger. Aside from the revenue brought to the man who raised the melons the shipping is affording employment for men in handling the marketing of the big crop. All kinds of prosperity is coming our way. Let her come.

HOW LONG WILL THE WAR LAST?

The war will last another year. None of the countries engaged will be starved out. All the countries will have plenty of ammunition.

All the countries have money. When I arrived in Berlin I had the means of seven nations, and all were more or less below par, excepting British bank notes. The warring countries have the backing of all their peoples and the peoples are generally rich. The German and French peasants are noted for their savings accounts. All the warring countries are buying bonds and accepting the credit.

Germany will not run out of metal and will have plenty to eat. Germany lacked only 15 per cent of producing her own food products the year before the war. Now she is practicing every economy and is saving enough out of her resources to feed 1,000,000 prisoners of war and many thousands of civilian prisoners. Germany is not alone in her economies. In Paris women are the conductors on the subway cars. They are found doing men's work everywhere. In Germany and Austria the women are cultivating the fields. It is a mistake to say that the war is being cultivated. I saw many neglected. In southern France, where the big wheat fields are, nature is doing her best, and the outlook is bright for a full crop.

This war will last until all countries are tired of it. It ought to last until somebody is whipped. To compromise at the present time would mean nothing. Then the men who have died will have died in vain.

The principal reason why the war will go on is found in the fact that none of the countries can afford to quit. Belgium will want to fight until she is sure of being released. France will want to fight until the Germans are driven out of France. Each country will have a separate reason for continuing the battle. Great Britain cannot afford to be defeated. Defeat might mean the end of the British empire.

A visitor to Europe would almost think that America had a partnership

Harding of the Federal reserve board, is an Alabamian. John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency and a member of the federal reserve board, is a Virginian. Many other strong Southern men are in the most responsible positions in connection with the work of the administration at Washington, and yet a few Southern politicians, often guilty of "pernicious activity" in bad causes rather than in good ones, and a few Southern papers, are undertaking to berate the administration as though President Wilson and those around him knew nothing about the South's needs or the best way of securing every advantage that can possibly be had for the South's cotton crop.—Manufacturer Record.

We're not guilty. We have endorsed everything the president is charged with, even to "caning" William J. But now as it is nearly cotton picking time, we do think he should do something to make the cotton buyers pay fifteen cents for cotton. We need the money.

Philadelphia is the Quaker City. Two hundred and fifty Germans and Austrians called a street meeting. They held it on the outskirts of Little Italy. The expected happened. It required 250 police reserves to prevent an Italian massacre of the Germans and Austrians. Of course the city of Brotherly Love is shocked. These sons of European lands should keep the peace or else return to the old world and become active participants in the carnival of hell that has been staged by the war lords of Europe and their lieutenants. The place for a warrior is on the firing line.—Fort Worth Record.

Fifth is charged with being responsible for practically every ill that man is heir to, and the charge is no doubt a just one, but we know that disease stalks in some of the best sanitary regulated homes in the land. It is indeed a wise man who knows a germ when he meets it in the road and will step aside and give the right-of-way.

G. F. Crim of the Valley Creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and handed us the price to keep the Banner-Ledger coming.

Rev. J. P. Burt of Paduca, who had been the guest of his friend, Rev. M. C. Golden, left Wednesday at noon for his home.

Monroe Voglesang of the Hatchel country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and took a year's supply of the Daily Ledger.

well equipped and is ready to attack Nogales. The paper says that all indications point to a determined assault on the city within the next few days, and the Carranzista general, P. Elias Calles has issued an ultimatum to General Maytorena which says: "Surrender by four o'clock Friday afternoon with your entire force or I will enter the city."

The U. S. troops are active along the border, according to reports published in the Herald, and United States soldiers have stopped Maytorena goods from coming into the United States.

DR. HALLEY BUYS MITCHEL SIX

Dr. W. B. Halley is driving a new car, and it is the most attractive high-priced car on the driveway today. Dr. Halley and his friends were at the A. & S. depot when the late train arrived Saturday to receive the car. They had received notice that the car was coming by fast freight—making passenger time from Abilene to Ballinger over the A. & S., and the doctor was eager to receive the car delivered at Ballinger.

The new car is a Mitchell, six-cylinder, five-passenger and is equipped with all the extras in the way of starting devices, lighting, etc. It was purchased through the Ballinger Auto Co., W. A. Nance, proprietor, and Mr. Nance received a check for \$1310 which is the price of the car delivered at Ballinger.

Dr. Halley is driving it today, with the assistance of a machinist. The doctor started out alone in the car Monday morning, but it developed that he did not know how to stop the car, and he had to go around and around until a man from the garage went to his rescue. However, he has learned which button to push now, and has no trouble making the new car do just as he wants it to.

Mrs. Audy Gustavus and Miss Billie Gustavus returned home Tuesday night from San Francisco where they attended the exposition and also visited Yellow Stone Park, Denver and other noted points on the Pacific coast while with a party of friends.

Armet West, a prominent stock man of Brownwood, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to San Angelo on a business trip from Abilene and points in that section.

THIS DIDN'T HAPPEN IN WHITE MAN'S CITY

One negro postmaster, appointed by Postmaster General Burleson, to a second class office in Oklahoma, has come up smiling "with the goods" and taken possession of the office without opposition from the democratic "pie" seekers.

The fortunate "colored gentleman" bears the euphonic cognomen of Caesar Simmons, and he has been duly inducted into the postoffice at Boley, Okla., without the usual hue and cry from the hungry horde against "nigger" officials.

The fact that Boley, with over 2,000 people, hasn't a white inhabitant within its boundaries, accounts for the surprising acquiescence of the Democracy in the appointment. Then Caesar Simmons was formerly from Texas and lived in Postmaster General Burleson's home town, and was personally known to him. Furthermore, Caesar has the distinction of being one of the few colored men of the South, that has always voted the Democratic ticket.—Gingfisher, (Okla.) Press.

Howard Whitt, father and mother, came in Wednesday at noon from their old home in Bell county, and went out to Mr. Whitt's home on Valley Creek in the afternoon.

T. J. McCaughin and M. A. Bass, of Nonton were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

E. M. Kizer, for more than ten years a citizen of Winters, moved to Rule this week, where Mr. Kizer will be connected with the Rule Cotton Oil Co. Winters has lost a good citizen, but we predict that the loss is only temporary.

W. H. Neely, of Granger, spent several days with his brother, J. S. Neely in the Baldwin community, last week, and left for his home last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Neely had been attending court at Snyder, and came by to see his brother and get a glimpse of the great and glorious crops that are growing in this county. He says things looked mighty good here to him.

YOUNG MAN DROWNS IN CONCHO NEAR PAINT ROCK

Walter Evans, age seventeen, was drowned in the Concho river near Paint Rock about six o'clock Thursday afternoon. The young man was in bathing with other boys when he lost his life.

According to information received in Ballinger shortly after the drowning of the young man, Evans was just learning to swim, and was not able to take care of himself in deep water. The bathers had provided a swing over the big hole of water where the young man was in bathing and swimming over water twelve feet deep Evans gropped from the swing in to the water, and soon went to the bottom lifeless.

Those who were with him attempted to rescue him and the alarm was given for help. Parties came from Paint Rock only a few hundred yards away, and in less than thirty minutes rescued the body but all efforts to resuscitate failed and the young man was carried to his widow's home at Eden a corpse.

The young man resided with his mother at Eden, where the family were conducting a hotel. The father of the boy died two months ago. At the time of the sad tragedy Evans was visiting friends in Paint Rock and was enjoying bathing with a number of other boys.

Treasure Pays \$31.65 Quarter's Rabbit Bounty

W. L. Brown, county treasurer, gave out the statement of number of rabbit scalps received at his office to date, Tuesday afternoon, all of which have been paid for at the rate of 5 cents each, as 630 ears.

These figures are for the past quarter year, and shows the county has paid an aggregate of \$31.65 for destruction of the "bunny" tribe. Other sums will be paid out of the county treasurer's office up to Saturday evening, when the new quarter begins. It is known that many more scalps will come in before that time.

No coyote scalp bounties have been paid, and probably none will be recorded this quarter. Many rabbits have been killed that no bounty has been asked on, while numerous drives have helped, there are still many rabbits in the county yet.

Charlie Pruitt and Mr. Barron, the Wingate merchant, and F. M. Woods, of the Mud Creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

MORTUARY

MRS. JESS MONTGOMERY

Mrs. Jesse Montgomery died at the Savoy Hotel, Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock at the age of 30 years. She was suffering with consumption when she and her husband came to Ballinger a few weeks ago. She was a cousin of W. J. Cunningham of West End.

The remains were shipped Tuesday afternoon to their home in East Texas. The remains were accompanied by her husband and her mother, who were at her bedside at the time of her death.

WM. TONES

W. M. Tones and old man 63-year of age died on Tenth Street last Saturday night and was buried in the City cemetery Sunday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Doss.

MISS LUCILE CAMPBELL

Miss Lucile, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Campbell died at their home on Sixteenth street Monday night from typhoid fever. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. R. Rives at the residence and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Ballinger cemetery at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. T. C. Jester returned home Wednesday at noon from the Baptist Encampment at Lampasas.



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Ready Roofing

Make your roof leak-proof to stay. Lay Genasco and you'll have a roof that makes you free from care and saves your repair-money. Genasco lasts because the natural oils of Trinidad Lake Asphalt give it resisting, lasting life. It doesn't dry out and crack like ordinary roofing. Come and let us explain its economy.

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EIGHT AUTO ROUTES IN TEXAS; RUNNELS GETS 4

That fine old Southern gentleman, Postmaster General Burleson, has ordered that 102 autos be placed in the rural mail service August 2 and eight of the machines will be used in Texas. Mr. Burleson never forgets the State that has honored him with office ever since before de waa.—Schulenburg Sticker.

If the Sticker knows what it is talking about, and we presume that it is correct, we are wondering why our postmaster general favored Runnels county, if the auto way is really better. Out of eight auto routes established in Texas on August 2nd, Runnels county got four of them. The carriers are well pleased with the change, notwithstanding that the roads are not what they should be. With good roads, the rural mail routes of this county will be extended and there will be a more progressive rural citizenship in this county.

Postmaster General Burleson is devoting special attention to the study of the needs of his rural friends. In an interview with Lowell Mellett, United Press Correspondent, Mr. Burleson turned a deaf ear to the question of politics and would not talk anything but changes underway in the department of rural mail. Following is the interview:

"What do you want to talk about?" asked the Postmaster General. "Politics."

"Nothing doing," said the Postmaster General, cordially. "Why not?"

"I absolutely can't, won't and shan't talk politics," said Mr. Burleson. "Try something else."

"All right, but why do they call you the politician of the cabinet?"

"I suppose that is because you writing people have to coin catch phrases to describe, catalogue, classify, and in some degree dramatize public men in the public eye. That's or my opinion. You folks did it and ought to know why."

"Speaking of politics..."

"We aren't speaking of politics," said the Postmaster General.

"What means this holler in the rural districts about restrictions of the rural free delivery?"

The Postmaster General had been at least half-interested in the papers on his desk, but now he swung sharply around in his chair. He removed his nose glasses—probably to save them from the heat of the sudden blaze in his eyes.

"There has been no restriction! Who says there has been? A revision is under way which gives service to many hundred thousands who are entitled to it, but heretofore have been denied it. This is being done without increasing the cost of the postal service and without taking away service from anyone who now has it. It is accomplished with money saved by eliminating waste effort, extravagance, special favors and privileges."

"Just for example: Parts of hundreds of rural routes have been traveled daily by two or more rural carriers. There are cases in which as many as six or seven carriers, each getting from \$1000 to \$1200 a year, have been going over the same eight or ten miles of road. Politics! This vicious duplication of service was built up through a series of years by political influence. By cutting out these duplications we get a balance available for service in territory that has long deserved it."

"Between April 1 and July 10 the re-adjustment of the rural service and in-

auguration of motor vehicles service left \$821,754 for establishing new routes. With part of this money 735 new routes have been put in operation, serving 85,748 additional families or 428,740 additional persons."

PAINT

Every gallon costs a painter's day's work.

Poor paint, more gallons; good paint, less gallons.

Every extra gallon adds to your job its price and the painter's day's work: not far from \$5 a gallon.

There are a dozen good paints, and hundreds of poor ones. Detoe is one of the dozen. The chances are: there isn't another in this town.

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BALLINGER LUMBER CO. sells it.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS.

Mrs. Tom Eubank of near Winters is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Eubank.

Misses Ada Brown and Lola Watson are spending the week at Eagle Branch, visiting friends.

Mrs. Jones of Killeen is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. M. Hood.

Mrs. Polk of Belton returned home Sunday after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Rushing.

Miss Robbie Brown is spending the week in Brownwood with her sister.

Mr. H. M. Linecum and family are moving to Miles this week.

We are glad to report Mrs. Ed Eubank resting nicely, after an operation at the Halley & Love Sanitarium.

Mrs. E. Dillingham and children, accompanied by her sister Miss Ione Wardlaw have returned home from a pleasant visit with their brothers on their ranch near Sonora.

"ELBERTA PEACH."

H. F. Tolliver of the Valley Creek country, passed through Ballinger Monday afternoon en route home from Coleman and says the rains in that section have been rather light and crops not doing as well as in Runnels county.

Theo Krc and Uncle Johnnie Fox of the Pony creek county were transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday and reports a fine rain in their section Monday afternoon and all crops in splendid condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baca of the Rowena country, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home from Abilene and other points in that section.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Murphy, of the Norton country, were the guests of his sister, Mrs. O. L. Parish and family Monday.

WEATHER PROPHET ON THE JOB AGAIN

Tom P. Cole, a former citizen of Ballinger, and now a hatter at San Angelo, has issued another weather prognostication, and he makes it look good for this country. Cole has developed quite a rep as a weather prophet. He is the man that predicted eleven rains for last February and we got every one of them. He has guessed right on a number of other occasions, and the public reads his forecast with a great deal of interest. Cole has several signs which he goes by and which he claims seldom fail. This prophet predicted the showers of this week and he says it will rain again on the 15th and 25th of this month. He says September will be a cool month and rain will not be needed. We'll have sufficient moisture for small grain in November, and December will be a pretty month, coats being worn for style only on Christmas day, according to the prognosticator.

Mr. Cole also predicts a big pecan crop in 1916, basing his claim for this upon the fact that it did not rain on certain dates in June of this year. The big pecan crop will make a demand for more hands to help gather the crop, and in speaking of the labor question, Mr. Cole deplored the fact that the increasing supply of machinery, and especially gasoline power, was knocking on labor, and said:

"The gasoline engine has put the hay men out of business, and the livery stables are being turned into garages. Look at the local situation. What used to be one of the town's biggest stables is now a garage and the remaining stable has almost as many cars as horses."

"Two years ago, you could buy three bales of hay for \$1 and at every third post there was an automobile. Last year, hay was 18 cents a bale and there was a car at every other hitching post. This year hay is 15c a bale and there is an automobile at every post. The stables that are not foresighted enough to change into garages go 'slap' broke."

AMBITIOUS SONS AND DAUGHTERS.

Let those who know advise you as to the kind of an education you should have. Men at the head of the Affairs of our State and Nation.

Following are extracts from letters from some of America's greatest men on the value of a business education. Hon. Champ Clark, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., says:

"Since I have been elected Speaker I have had it more thoroughly impressed on me than ever before that a thorough business college training is of exceeding importance." O. M. Dickinson, former Secretary of War, Washington, D. C., "Contentment with my taking my general education, I took a course in a business college and found it of value to me, not only generally, but in practice of law." R. B. Glenn, ex-Governor of North Carolina: "I cheerfully recommend to every one a practical business education for their children." Oswald West, ex-Governor of Oregon, "The modern business school plays a large part in fitting young men and women for the entrance into the business world." T. C. Pickett, Representative from Iowa, "The value—even the necessity of a practical education to young people today is so obvious that no argument should be required in support of it." E. E. Noel, ex-Governor of Mississippi, "I take pleasure in testifying to the importance of a practical business education, and to the knowledge." C. N. Haskell, ex-Governor of Oklahoma, "I consider practical business education of the greatest importance." John W. Kern, United States Senator, "Everybody ought by this time to understand that business men and business women need business education on the same principle that a doctor must have a medical education." Joseph M. Carey, Governor of Wyoming, "Too much can not be said in behalf of a good commercial education. I do not believe that such an education can be too highly commended."

Shouldn't the above evidence settle the question with you as to what kind of an education is needed? Write for catalogue of America's largest commercial school, the one giving the most extensive course of study, the one placing its graduates in positions; the one that has more than 2000 enrollments annually from over half the states of the Union, the school with a National reputation, the Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas. DO IT NOW.

Name _____ Address _____ Course interested in _____

Mrs. H. M. Linecum of Miles, came in Monday afternoon to visit her mother, Mrs. John Dunn, and other relatives a few days.

Miss Annie Embry of McGregor, who had been visiting her uncle, W. W. Embry, and family, of South Ballinger, the past few weeks, returned home Monday afternoon.

DO YOU SUFFER FROM BACKACHE?

When your kidneys are weak and torpid they do not properly perform their functions; your back aches and you do not feel like doing much of anything. You are likely to be despondent and to borrow trouble, just as if you hadn't enough already. Don't be a victim any longer.

The old reliable medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, gives strength and tone to the kidneys and builds up the whole system. Get it today.

APPOINTED DELEGATES TO IRRIGATION MEET

Representative R. S. Griggs, acting up on the authority invested in him by the International Irrigation Congress, has appointed five delegates from this county to the Twenty-second Annual Congress which meets Sept. 13 and holds until the 20th. The Congress will hold its session at four places, beginning at Stockton on Sept. 13 and 14, then Fresno 15, 16, Sacramento 17-18 and San Francisco Sept. 20th.

Judge Griggs appointed Chas. M. Stanley of Miles; Chas. S. Miller, John Dean, R. W. Bruce and Gus Noyes of Ballinger.

Special attention is to be given to the humanitarian side of Land Settlement. We shall emphasize the subjects: "Colonization and Land Settlement"; "Irrigation Methods and Results"; "Financial Factors Affecting Irrigation Development."

Among other subjects, special attention will be given to: "Reclamation Policies"; "Irrigation Districts"; "Problems of Irrigation Engineering"; "Irrigation Laws and Legislation"; "Rural Credits and Marketing" and "Water, Soils, Crops, Farm Bureau Work."

One day in each city will be devoted to an excursion, through the Irrigated Districts, free to delegates.

Don't eat stale meal when you can get our meal made from car new corn just received. The merchants sell it, Missouri Milling Co. 11-6tdr

VALLEY VIEW RELIGIOUS NEWS

The meeting of the Valley View church was held near Ballinger. We had a gracious meeting. Heaven came down our souls to greet, and Glory commended the mercy seat.

There were nine conversions, six were baptized Sunday. Fourteen joined the church.

The meeting closed Sunday night, though this writer regretted very much to see the meeting close, and learned that somewhere still unsaved, but pray that God will save them yet.

This writer met some mighty good people that he will never forget. The church has just one deacon at present, Bro. C. D. Doyle. Bro. E. D. Norman is clerk, Bros. M. H. Norman and J. W. Jeffery were licensed to preach. Rev. J. N. Key and Rev. H. O. Miller conducted this meeting.

The church called Bro. Key as pastor for the coming year. Bro. Key is a good man, a good preacher, and I trust that the Lord will bless his coming. Twenty-seven dollars was the sum raised during the above meeting for ministerial service.

Among those attending the meeting were: Bro. G. H. Crimm and wife of Norton, Miss Zue Mann and others of Norton, Miss Ollie Dunn and Miss Mason of Ballinger.

We have a well organized Sunday school at this place with Bro. B. Oliver superintendent; E. D. Norman, assistant superintendent and Miss Grace Taylor as secretary.

CORRESPONDENT.

You can have corn bread like your mother used to make if you call on your grocer for Missouri Milling Co. fresh meal. 11-6tdr

G. A. Schulmann, one of the prominent Rowena merchants, had business a few hours in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

A. J. Loika of the Pony creek country, was in Ballinger Tuesday to meet his wife who returned here at noon from an extended visit to South Texas.

C. I. Dabney of Wallis, Texas, is the guest this week of his son-in-law Mr. Tomlinson and family of South Ballinger.

Miss Nettie Harvell living on Sixth street, who has been ill with typhoid fever, for some weeks, is recovering.

Dr. F. M. Hale reports that the Watson boy, who had been sick of typhoid fever, is much better.

E. B. Walker and daughter, Miss Rena and David Holiday of the Hatchel country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Miss Maggie Parratt of Valera, who had been the guest of Mrs. Gene Richardson and family, left for home Monday afternoon.

Negro Woman Makes Thief Out of 9-Year-Old Girl

Sheriff Perkins placed in the lockup Tuesday morning a negro woman and her two daughter, ages about 9 and 15 years, who it has developed since their arrest, are about the slickest thieves and shop lifters the officers have had to deal with in a long time.

The negroes were apprehended shortly after leaving the Higdon-Melton, Jackson Co., store, certain goods in the store coming up missing after the negroes left that place. Mr. Perkins was called in and put on the job. He found the missing goods in the possession of the nine year old negro girl. When the negro girl was caught with the goods her mother appeared very much humiliated and threatened all kinds of punishment when she got the girl home. She offered to pay for the goods the girl had stolen, and seemed to think this would be satisfactory as the girl was so young.

Mr. Perkins did not accept the kleptomaniac theory as being original with the girl, and he carried the woman and the two girls to jail until he could investigate a little. Locating the abiding place of the negroes, Sheriff Perkins, County Attorney Shepherd, and two or three clerks from the dry goods stores visited the negro's home in the western part of the city where they found stolen goods to the value of more than one hundred dollars. The goods were identified and returned to the various stores from which they were stolen.

Among the valuables found in the house was a bracelet watch for which Mr. Perkins had received a notice from San Saba to help locate. Also other jewelry was found in the house, and it is believed that this is stolen property. The bracelet and watch was found rolled up in a rag and secreted over the door. A ring valued at about \$75 was left at a local dry goods store by the negro woman recently as security for dry goods and clothing. It is also believed that this is stolen property.

When Sheriff Perkins started to the jail with the negroes, the nine year old girl ran off and attempted to get away. It is the opinion of the officers that they have captured a professional thief in the person of the mother of the two girls, and that she is laying the work on the little girl to escape punishment, realizing that the girl is too young to be held accountable for the crime by the law. The goods recovered consisted of silk skirts and dresses, and other clothing which could have been of no value to the little girl. Sufficient goods were stolen to make the offense a felony, and it is probable the negro woman will be sent over the road, if it can be proven that she is the thief and not her little daughter as she attempts to make the officers believe.

The family of negroes came to Ballinger only a short time ago from San Saba, and it was previous to their arrival here that Sheriff Perkins received a notice to watch out for the bracelet and watch. It is presumed that this was stolen at San Saba. It is also thought the ring was stolen at San Saba or some town where the negroes worked their business.

The San Saba officers have been notified of the recovery of the bracelet and the arrest of the negroes and it is probable the negroes will be returned to that county for trial. The husband and father of the family, we understand, has been working at the compress since coming to Ballinger.

The family of negro thieves arrested in Ballinger Tuesday are wanted at San Saba and the sheriff of that county will come for them. After locking up the negro woman and her two girls, aged 9 and 15, Sheriff Perkins located the husband and father and also placed him in jail and the entire family will be turned over to the San Saba officers, where it is probable felony charges will be filed against the man and the woman for stealing to the value of more than \$50.

After searching the home of the negroes Tuesday and finding certain articles of jewelry, Mr. Perkins phoned to San Saba and the goods were identified. The \$75 ring traded to a local dry goods house for goods was identified as stolen property. Also, the wrist watch, and other property.

It is not known which one of the negroes are guilty of stealing these goods, but they are all implicated and it is the opinion of the officers that the man and woman will both be held for felony charges.

It was a clever piece of work when Mr. Perkins began from the clue given him by the salesman where the theft of clothing was made Tuesday, and making a search of the house uncovered the work of the thieves and placed them in jail. The negro family were using the little nine year old girl to lay the work on when caught with the goods, knowing that she could not be prosecuted. The mother appeared humiliated very much when her girl was caught with the goods down town, after just making a haul in a dry goods store, but when the valuable jewelry and dry

goods and clothing to the value of about \$200 was found in the house there was a different story to tell.

Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Anton Mika, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 14th day of July, A. D., 1915 file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 5 cubic feet of water per second of time, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant located on the Adam Eisenberg Survey No. 410 and on the south bank of the Colorado River about seven miles in a westerly direction from the City of Ballinger.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are described as follows, to-wit: 150 acres out of the North end of the Johann Meinecke Survey No. 411, abstract No. 308, beginning at a point about 1800 varas North 30 East of Southwest corner Johann Meinecke Survey No. 411; Thence East about 1000 varas; Thence North 30 East about 500 varas; Thence North 10 West about 1200 varas; Thence South 30 West about 2000 varas to the place of beginning, containing 150 acre, and situated in Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on said application of the said Anton Mika will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 16th day of August, A. D., 1915, beginning at 10:00 o'clock, a. m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 14th day of July, A. D., 1915.

J. C. NAGLE,

E. B. GORE

JOHN WILSON Board.

Attest: (Seal) W. T. POTTER Secretary. 22-4tw

BUYS GARAGE.

H. C. Fletcher, who had been the manager of the Henderson Garage in Ballinger has just closed the deal in which he buys the garage and the business will be conducted at the same location but will be known as the Buick Sales Company. He is putting in new stock and shipping out some of the old stock, and is remodeling the office and sales room and will also add a storage battery charging plant. Mr. Fletcher has been very successful as manager of the garage and we predict a continuance of his successful business.

YOUR BRAIN MUST HAVE PURE BLOOD.

No more important physiological discovery has ever been made than that the brain requires a due supply of pure blood. It is estimated that this organ resents from the heart—a great deal more than any other organ of the body. If the vitality of the blood is impaired, the blood then affords the brain an imperfect stimulus and there is mental and physical languor, sluggishness or inactivity.

Pure blood is blood that is free from humors, it is healthy blood, and the term pure blood as it is generally used means blood that is not only right in quality but also in quantity. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes pure, rich, red blood. This is one of the great truths about this great medicine.

H. Seipp the one horse-farmer of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and reports his section in fine shape.

Gus Hargrove and Henry Barr, of Millersville, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Monday afternoon.

W. H. Brown and Randle Davis of Winters, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. W. O. Shultz of Enden, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to Fort Worth to visit relatives.



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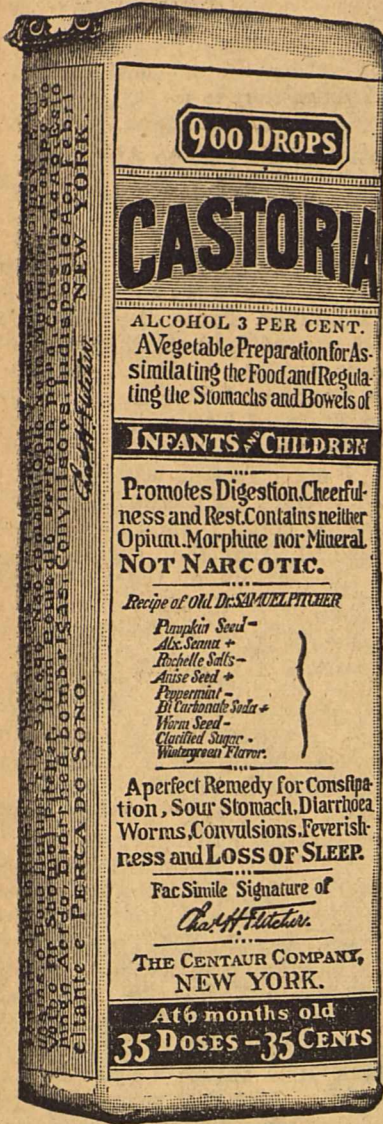
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PREMIUM LIST WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON

At an early date the proper authorities will meet and arrange a premium list for the Second Annual Fall Fair to be held at Ballinger early in October.

The first fair was a great success, notwithstanding that it was gotten up in short order, and the premium list was not an elaborate one. Exhibits are already coming in for the coming fair, and the prospects are very flattering for a great fair.

Other features will be added this year, and the fair conducted on a much larger scale than last year. The premium list will be made more attractive. The country is in better condition and exhibits are much better in every line.

Attractions and entertainment features will be added and the attendance will no doubt be heavy. The farmers have convinced the Business League that they want a fair and are ready to co-operate. The money contributed by Ballinger to help arrange and hold the fair will be money well invested.

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

PIONEER CITIZEN LEAVING COUNTY.

Uncle Sam Farmer and Mrs. Farmer contemplate leaving Miles about August 15th, he having traded for an irrigated farm near Mitchell, Neb. Uncle Sam, as he is familiarly called by his many friends in Miles and this section of West Texas, will be missed very much. He came to Miles among the first settlers and has resided here 24 years. We dislike to lose Uncle Sam, but our loss will be Mitchell's gain.—Miles Messenger.

HIGH SCHOOL TO HAVE SMOKE STACK

The contract was let this week for a new brick smoke stack for the High School. The flue will measure 22 inches square inside, and the smoke carrier will be virtually a part of the building, being fastened with steel bands for reinforcement. The old flue had rusted and fell down some few weeks ago, and it was thought best to make the new one more permanent.



GINNERS PREPARING FOR BIG RUN.

The ginner throughout this section of the county are preparing for a heavy run the coming season, notwithstanding that the acreage in this county is perhaps thirty percent short of last year. The crop throughout the county is very satisfactory to the farmers.

The ginner will operate their plants under the new law for the first time. The law requires that the ginner take from each bale of cotton three samples. These samples must be sealed in a package, one retained and two given to the owner of the cotton. A certificate on the package gives the name of the owner, the weight of the bale, etc.

Tired, aching Muscles Relieved.

Hard work, over-exertion, mean stiff, sore muscles. Sloan's Liniment lightly applied, a little quite, and your soreness disappears like magic. "Nothing ever helped like your Sloan's Liniment. I can never thank you enough," writes one grateful user. Stops suffering, aches and pains. An excellent counter-irritant, better and cleaner than mustard. All druggists, 25c. Get a bottle today. Penetrates without rubbing.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

It has come to us several times lately, that people in South Ballinger were turning their stock out at night, and that quite a good deal of damage was being done thereby.

Now this part of Runnels county is under the stock law and any one who Turns Out His Stock or Knowingly Permits Them to Run at Large is subject to a fine and unless this practice is discontinued there will have to be some thing done.

No man should be subjected to annoyance of another's stock as that is one of the benefits of the stock law.

We trust this warning is sufficient and the practice will be discontinued.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff
 Runnels County, Texas.
 C. P. Shepherd, County attorney.

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

FATHERS' AND MOTHERS' BANK

THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS

PHONE CONNECTION WITH NORTH COUNTY

WINTERS, Tex., Aug. 6.—A party of business men from Ballinger met with the independent telephone people at Winters this afternoon to formulate plans to put in an independent exchange at the county seat. The plan was gone over in detail and it is almost certain that the exchange will be put in. The Ballinger merchants have long realized that they have lost thousands of dollars each month because they were cut off from telephonic communication with the people up here. Winters has free connection with the following places: Wingate, Hylton, Shep, Bradshaw, Norton, Moro, Wilmett, Pumphrey, Crews, Truitt, Novice, Talpa and Hatchel.

The following is the committee to act on the proposition and they will be heard from in a few days: J. A. Suggs and W. G. Allen from Wingate; Hoyt Suggs from Hylton; E. R. Dorsett of Norton; L. Overman of Wilmett; J. M. Hinkle of Crews; T. L. Huggins from Winters and Ed Walker of Ballinger.

A Cough Remedy That Relieves.

It's prepared from the healing Pine Balsam, Tar and Honey— all mixed in pleasant, soothing Cough Syrup called Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Thousands have benefited by its use—no need of your enduring that annoying Cough or risking a dangerous cold. Go to your dealer, ask for a 25c original bottle Dr. Bell's Pine Tar-Honey, start using at once and get rid of your Cough and Cold.

SELLS MITCHELL AUTO.

Ike Hoening, who represents the Mitchell auto in our section sold a car Friday to R. L. Sides the Hatchel merchant and also sold a car to Oscar Harber and left for Abilene Saturday to bring back the car for Mr. Harber.



CONCHO ELECTS TEACHERS.

The Concho public school has closed contracts with Prof. Grimes of Christoval as principal and Mrs. J. J. Millwee of Paint Rock as assistant. The school took time as well as some pains to secure what they thought would be the best for the school. There will be a seven months' term, the school beginning the first Monday in November. The school district has voted bonds and they have been approved to the amount of \$4,000. This money will be used by the board in erecting and equipping a good servicable school building. It is starting out to build a good high-class country high school and they will succeed. All honor to Concho.—Concho Herald.

Recommends Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

"I never hesitate to recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes Sol Williams, merchant, Jesse, Tenn. "I sell more of it than of any other preparations of like character. I have used it myself and found it gave me more relief than anything else I have ever tried for the same purpose." Obtainable everywhere.

NEW GRAIN DISCOVERED BY FARMER.

C. M. Doyle, of the Wingate country nine and one-half miles from Ballinger, was exhibiting in Ballinger Saturday, samples of "may-feter." This new grain is a cross of feterita and maize, and is larger than maize and said to be better quality grain. Mr. Doyle has 10 acres of feterita, and in some way maize was mixed with the field, producing may-feter.

Mr. Doyle will show some samples of this grain at the Runnels County Fair.

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.

FILLING SILOS.

H. Giesecke has just completed two big silos on farms under his control on the Colorado River south of Ballinger, and has a bunch of men at work now filling two big silos on the J. H. Routh place east of the city. Mr. Giesecke realized a nice profit on the feed crop raised on his farms last year by marketing it in ensilage. There was a good demand for the ensilage and feeders brought cattle here for the benefit of the ensilage feed.

GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lankford for Saddles, Harness, etc Complete line of Saddlery goods, and accessories. Shoe work and general repairing our specialty.

E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.
 12-1 Iron d&w.

W. R. Gary of Wise county, who is visiting his friend J. D. Reynolds of Maverick was in Ballinger Monday and is figuring on locating in this county another year.

HENDERSON SELLS AUTO BUSINESS

S. L. Henderson, with headquarters at San Angelo, and a house at Ballinger, has sold his garage and auto agency to Will R. Ede, of San Angelo for a consideration of \$15,000. The deal was made last week.

Mr. Henderson has leased a thirteen section ranch from his father J. E. Henderson, the ranch being located in Schleicher county, and he will engage in the cattle business.

The Henderson house in Ballinger will continue under the present management. This firm is agent for the Buick auto for a number of counties in this section of the state. In addition to the auto agency they have a machine shop and do a general garage business.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly
 The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS chill Tonic, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

MISINFORMATION VS. IGNORANCE.

H. P. Connor, of Benoit, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday. He is buying wheat for a Temple firm and paid \$1.10 per bushel for wheat last week, the highest price we have heard being paid this season.—Ballinger Ledger.

The esteemed Ledger is to be commended for boosting the home markets, but in this case the Ledger has been misinformed. Brownwood dealers have been paying \$1.12 per bushel for wheat for several days—more than a week, in fact—and the price of \$1.10 was paid here many days ago. The dealers of Brownwood always pay as high prices as the markets justify, and can always pay slightly higher prices than Ballinger dealers because of the difference in freight rates to the marketing centers.—Brownwood Bulletin.

You are correct, our reporter was misinformed. The top price paid for wheat in Ballinger this season was \$1.15. The esteemed Bulletin is to be commended for boosting the home market, but in this case the Bulletin is laboring in ignorance, and must advance better argument in upholding its market or the people will get suspicious. The wheat freight rate from Ballinger is 15c on the hundred pounds in car lots. It is the same from Brownwood. We will compare freight rates and market quotations with the Bayou city any day in the week. But, what's the use, the Bayou buyers are not even our competitors.

Dr. R. A. Dickinson and family returned home Saturday from an extended overland trip in their auto from Andrews, Midland and other points in the west. The doctor reports grass good and everybody in fine spirits over the general prospects.

R. L. Williams of the Token country was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

MAIL CARRIERS CAST LOTS FOR ROUTES

(Miles Messenger.)
 The four rural mail carriers out of Miles have been reduced to two, each carrying mail for two routes instead of one. Routes one and two have been combined with Hollis Nutt carrier and routes three and four with Roy Voss carrier. Both hold till after the examination and their successors appointed. Randolph Young and Grover Middleton cast lots with the other two carriers above mentioned—and lost, but they are not much grieved about it as they get a much needed vacation. However, both will stand the examination at Ballinger on the 14th inst., and perchance may be the lucky boys who will hereafter deliver mail to our rural friends. You can't always tell when you are dealing with Uncle Sam what is going to happen.

GOOD CROPS MAKES GOOD TALKING POINT.

(Temple Telegram)
 Declaring that prospects in Central West and Western Texas are the best in years, J. P. Flynt, former sheriff of Runnels county, yesterday stated that at no time within the past ten years have the people of any section felt more jubilant over crop and business conditions than at present. So confident are the people of the counties west of Bell that prosperity is theirs for the next twelve months, merchants of all the small towns in these two fastly developing sections of the state are laying in large supplies of merchandise for fall and winter trade, so large that all previous records are broken and traveling men are started by the immense proportions of the orders given them.

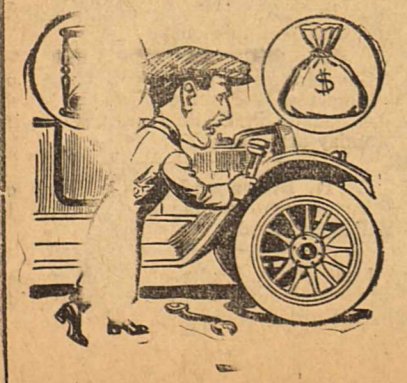
"This is not the case," said Mr. Flynt, "in only one or two counties of Central West Texas, but is that way with all the counties west. Merchants of Central West Texas are putting in extra large supplies which will be purchased by the prosperous residents of the section during the cotton picking season, while those of the great territory west of San Angelo are planting a most prosperous time for the next several months. The range is the best ever in the cattle raising section and the cattlemen are in smiles."

Mr. Flynt reported that many farmers of the Central West Texas grain region are still handling their grain crop, some of them not yet having finished harvesting.

A recent three inch rain was assigned, the reason for the general feeling of prosperity among the people of his section. Cotton has taken on new life and indications are that another bumper crop of the fleecy staple will be harvested.

Mr. Flynt left yesterday afternoon for Ballinger, his home.

E. U. Chiles and two little children of the Winters county, passed through Ballinger Saturday afternoon en route to Temple where he will place the children with their grand parents while he makes home in Runnels County.



SAVE TIME, TROUBLE AND MONEY

by sending your car here when ever repairs are needed. Don't tinker with it yourself. You are likely to do more harm than good. Besides, you have neither the facilities or the experience. We have both.

Leach Auto Works

Your Tin And Pipe Work

Should be done by workmen who know their business, and will make you a close price. Because of a demand for a high grade of work at a reasonable charge we opened our shop. We specialize on the following items:

Tanks, Water Troughs, Gutters, Galvanized Flues, Iron Chicken Houses.

We build or make anything of Sheet Metal or Pipe Work Shop located in Wooden building next door to Fire Station. Your patronage will be appreciated, and is solicited. Call and see us.

Dunn and Glenn

Telephone No. 22 Ballinger, Texas

NOTICE

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

H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

DELICATE APPETITES

need a variety to tempt them. This Store has, for many years, always lead in this respect. Fresh vegetables, good butter, fruit and the very highest class of Groceries are always to be found in our store. Many stores are short on the very thing you want, but we can always fill the bill.

A Trial Will Convince You

THE MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

708 Hutchings Avenue Ballinger Texas.
 PHONE 66

Hall Hardware Co.

Hardware, Implements and Vehicles

Standard Implements, Windmills Studebaker and Schuttler Wagons

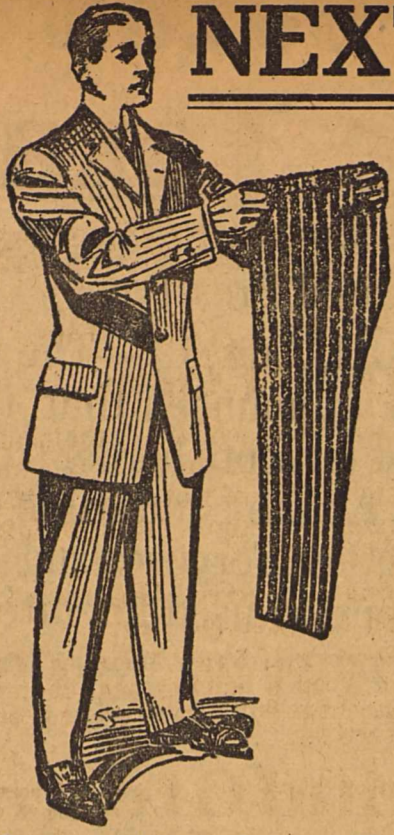
Hall Hardware Co.

A Word to Cotton Growers

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

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 ful 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



NEXT Saturday

Our Famous

\$3.50

Pants Sale will be on at the SCOTCH WOOLEN MILLS. Genuine \$5, \$6, and \$7 pants

Two thousand yards of trousers will be tailored into pants at the rate of \$1.75 a leg, seats free. Don't

forget to get a pair, even if you have to come down without yours in order to remember it. It's the greatest lot of trousers that has ever been brought to this town, trousers that any man, in any position in life would be pleased to wear, and they are dirt cheap.

CLEANING, PRESSING, REPAIRING

SCOTCH WOOLEN MILLS

Next Door to Ideal Barber Shop

Paul C. Sulak, Mgr.

Ballinger, Texas

LABOR TO HAVE SAY IN BRITISH AFFAIRS

BY WILBUR S. FORREST. (United Press Staff Correspondent) LONDON, Aug. 1. (By Mail)—"British labor is today working hand in hand with the government to save the nation. That, for the moment, is the status of British labor. But—after it is all over British labor will have something to say to the British government."

This was today the unqualified statement to the United Press of Ramsey MacDonald, member of Parliament and leader of the British socialists.

The "something" that British labor will have to say to the government after the war, according to MacDonald, is that "war is unnecessary and the elements that make war possible must be wiped out."

"But in the meantime" continued MacDonald, "British labor has come to the stage of realization that the government must be helped out of its difficulty and inevitably British labor must forget the past and look to the future by helping the government fight for its existence."

British tradesunion members and leaders are now in khaki by thousands and tens of thousands and putting in hard licks in war munition factories and other government work, declared MacDonald.

"Do you mean that labor henceforth will overlook all its industrial grievances and postpone these grievances and strikes until after the war?" was asked. "For the present labor is forced to give in. It is inevitable at this time," answered MacDonald.

Labor leaders do not object to Walter Long's national registry bill requiring all persons in England between the ages of 15 and 65 to declare their fitness for war work, but they look upon it as something that may lead to a form of conscription, according to MacDonald. He added:

"This bill embraces the provision of compulsory registration and lays down certain penalties. I hardly think it will result in conscription but in the hands of a clever minister it can be brought around and twisted to assume practically the same form. British labor cannot object to this because its hands are tied by the penalties exacted, but the workmen of this country will violently object to absolute bald military conscription because it is unnecessary. The government has been informed of the workmen's intention, and that is to stay in the fight and help save the country. When the country is saved the workmen will say what he has to say."

British labor, MacDonald concluded, would hardly attempt any national tie-up even in the event of impending military conscription but would oppose such an issue in every other possible way.

A. F. Bentley, one of the prominent citizens of Temple, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home from Abilene, Winters and other points on the A. & S. where he had been on business for several days.

Miss Flanagan and little brother Harrison of Brownwood, who had been visiting their uncle J. S. Flanagan and family of Valley creek, left Wednesday morning for their home.

E. H. Voelkel, one of the successful stockmen of the Rowena country had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK FURNISH MONEY

The Farmers and Merchants Bank—Father's and Mother's Bank, "the bank that helps you do things," is practicing what it preaches. This bank has made it possible for the school board to proceed with their work of remodeling the Central school building, and thereby are doing a good turn for the people.

The F. and M. Bank has made it possible for the improvements to be made in the school building by advancing the cash to pay the contractors. The bonds have not been sold, and if the board had been compelled to wait for the sale of the bonds before making the improvements the school children would have been housed for another term in the old fire trap building.

This is an example of what the F. and M. Bank means by adopting for its slogan "the bank that helps you do things." This bank stands ready at all times to go its full length and use its every opportunity to work for the up-building of Ballinger and Ballinger institutions. This is a fair sample. adv. 12-1td&w.

COMES HERE FOR SCHOOL

L. E. Bartlett, a young man from Clarksville, Texas, will attend the Ballinger High School for the coming term. He came to Ballinger this week and desiring to work his way through school, he placed a little ad in the Daily Ledger advertising for a home where he could earn his board by working around the place. Mrs. R. A. Nicholson replied to the ad and Mr. Bartlett very promptly secured a place, and will make his home with Mrs. Nicholson. The young man is a brother of Brady Bartlett, who formerly attended the Ballinger schools and made good here. Such young men are strangers to failure and they generally make good in this world.

NEW BAND MEMBER LOCATES HERE

B. K. Franklin of Weatherford, is here seeking employment, and if he succeeds in finding a position he will locate here. Mr. Franklin is a professional musician and will play in the Ballinger band if he locates. He is an experienced groceryman.

NEW BAPTIST PASTOR COMING

Rev. J. W. Milton and family are en route to Ballinger, and will arrive today or tomorrow. Rev. Milton is the new pastor of the Ninth Street Baptist Church. His household goods arrived today.

F. Bredemeyer and F. Armbricht of the Winters country and R. C. Henniger of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route west.

Rev. J. D. Sellman of Coke county came in Tuesday afternoon to look after property interest and to visit Ballinger friends a few days.

W. F. McSham of the Pony creek country was in the city Wednesday morning to accompany his daughter, Mrs. Silvery and baby, who were returning to their home at Brownwood.

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OIL MILL BEGINS SEASON'S RUN

SAN ANGELO, Tex. Aug. 12.—The San Angelo Cotton Oil Co., R. A. Hall manager, began its season's run Tuesday, placing thirty-five men in employment in San Angelo. The mill has about 1,000 tons of seed on hand which will assure operations for about a month. When that time has expired, seed from the 1915 cotton crop will be coming in large quantities. The mill is being run both day and night and this schedule will be maintained through the season, which generally lasts for five or six months. Improvements costing approximately \$5,000 have just been added. A new seed house, with a capacity of 800 tons, and an addition to the hull house, which will hold about 300 tons, have been built.

Oil, meal and lint are the products of the local mill. San Angelo and the surrounding country consumes the hull and meal, while the lint and oil is exported. Jep F. Little, bookkeeper for the company, asserts that prospects for the season are good.

The Angelo mill is a branch mill of the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., and the hands will be carried to Ballinger as soon as the supply of seed at that place have been crushed.

London—Expert's statistics from London's Eastend show that since the war sixty percent of all births are girls compared to statistics in Vienna which show the opposite extreme.

Mrs. Will Lathem of Brownwood came in Wednesday at noon to visit her sister, Mrs. Mike C. Boyd and family a few days.

T. Jones Webb, one of the prominent pioneer men of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

J. H. Mosley and sister, Miss Novia of the Winters-Pumphrey country, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon en route to Killeen, where Mr. Mosley will be united in marriage Wednesday afternoon to Miss Ruth Mitchell of that city.

Mrs. Sparks, nee Miss Lee Stocks, after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in the city, left Tuesday afternoon for Temple where she holds a position in the sanitarium of that city.

Mrs. M. C. Sheffy visited at Miles between trains Tuesday to look after business affairs a few hours.

Dick Trail and Curtis Norman, of Paint Rock, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday and we were glad to note Dick fully recovered from the accident of a few weeks ago.

Ralph Erwin and W. R. Bogle, of the First National Bank enjoyed a fishing trip below Pony creek on the Colorado Tuesday afternoon and night.

E. M. Eubanks, the cotton buyer returned home Tuesday from South Texas, where he had been on cotton business the past few weeks.

John Eskridge is busy on the Edwin Day gin and says he can't keep up with the local news and ordered the Daily Ledger to keep him posted.

A. & M. MAN GETTING FARM ECONOMIC DATA

Geo. P. McLelland, a Ledger man, and Wilton Potet with the Extension Department of the A. and M. College, made a country drive Wednesday afternoon in the A. and M. man's car. The party visited the Olin and Rowena country, and talked to several farmers along the route. Mr. Potet is collecting data for his college, of a general farming nature, trying to learn the exact status of the tenant, the small land owner and the large land owner.

The extension board wants to know, and is finding out by personal interview just how many tenant farms are buying land at present crop rental bases; just how many big land owners are eliminating the renters on their farms by planting all grain; and what percent of farmers in Texas are changing to bank credit as opposed to buying from the retail merchant on credit.

Passing through some of the best grain and cotton crops in Runnels county, a stop was made in the Olin community at the farm of C. Hoelscher. Mr. Hoelscher has 480 acres of land, 120 in pasture and the remainder in cultivation. He had lots of feed left over from last year, big barn full and many sheds, to overflowing with crops from two years. A tall column of bale straw is covered from the weather outside of his barn, and Mr. Hoelscher is busy cutting a big crop of maize. This German farmer has five or six negroes working for him, and will keep them until after the cotton season at least. A renter is also farming part of the Hoelscher place. The chief concern on this farm right now is a ready market for this enormous grain crop. Other farmers in this vicinity are looking equally prosperous, and cotton will make a bale or a bale and a half to the acre if present conditions continue.

The company reached Rowena about five in the evening, and were greeted with happy smiling countenances. Very few loafers were seen on the streets of Rowena, and everybody seemed to have something to do. Mr. E. S. Kubela, of the Rowena Review chatted with the Ballinger men a few minutes, letting fall the information that he was running a paper, and farming at the same time, (with his wife's aid). Mr. M. M. Lasse of the Rowena State Bank offered Mr. Potet some information concerning the activities of agricultural interests around Rowena, and conceded that a few farmers were changing from store to bank credits. General opinion of the Rowena boosters was that farmers in that section were not eliminating their renters in favor of grain crops.

Leaving Rowena to the left the party traversed another part of the county, wherein the crops look fine. While road conditions are not as good as could be, still West Texas roads are never as bad as they are painted. Fetetera, maize, kafir, cotton, sorghum, corn, and all could hardly be improved on between Ballinger and Rowena.

H. Kasberg near Rowena is building a new country home. The house could do credit to any farmer, of a neat but also style, and modern improvements. New barns, granaries, silos, feed bins, machinery sheds, and houses are beginning to spring up like mushrooms.

Mr. Potet and Mr. McLelland left this (Thursday) morning for Winters and surrounding country, and will Ford back to Ballinger tonight. The A. and M. agent says he is not trying to teach the farmer anything, he is merely compiling data from the average rural resident. He will leave Friday for Brownwood, spending two days there, and thence on to South Central Texas, where yields are said to be much poorer than in Runnels.

Bring us your chickens and eggs; we pay top prices. CASH GROCERY CO. 11w.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wood of Granger, who had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wood and Ballinger friends, left Wednesday afternoon for their home.

London—A big London newspaper carrying on a "cigarettes for soldiers" campaign announced that without cigarettes the British Tommies could not beat the Germans.

London—The British navy has advertised for 50,000 new recruits none of whom will serve on the water, but will enter the navy's land and air services.

Mrs. A. H. Wigle returned home Tuesday from a pleasant visit to friends at Dallas.

Rev. C. J. Doerr, of Miles, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Antony Williams had business at Rowena between trains Wednesday.

Amsterdam—Apparatus for a big wireless station at Constantinople was shipped from Germany to Turkey thru Roumania as a "circum" this not violating Roumania's neutrality.

Dr. R. A. Dickinson left Tuesday afternoon for Dallas on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Phillips and two children of Deming, N. M., came in Tuesday to visit relatives in the county a week or two. Mr. Phillips was among the pioneer stockmen of this section, having lived in the county in 1887.

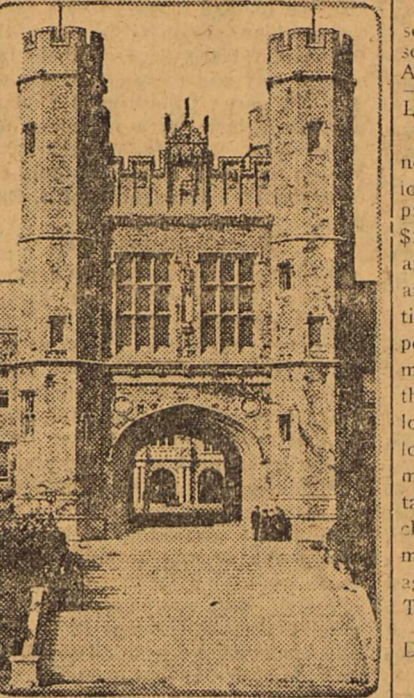
J. G. Goetz and George Ontken of the Winters country, came in Wednesday and Mr. Ontken left for Illinois in response to a message stating that his father was seriously ill.

HOW WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BEGAN

Chartered and Organized in the Fifties on Birthdays of "Father of Country."

BECAME "UNIVERSITY" IN 1857

Far-sighted Founders Gave School Great Name, Into Which to Grow, and It Proved Equal to Its Opportunity.



WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY TOWERS.

"From what did Washington University derive its name?" is a question asked with increasing frequency since the great institution of learning at St. Louis commenced to attract world-wide attention.

Although most of the inquiries originate in other cities than St. Louis, many St. Louisans have inaccurate information on the matter.

The inquirer on the street in St. Louis is likely to be informed that the name Washington naturally settled itself upon the university as a result of its location, when a small school, on Washington avenue. That is the explanation received by the writer shortly after his arrival in St. Louis. But that does not explain truthfully.

True Story of Source of Name.
The real explanation may be found in an historical sketch which the university has issued and which in part follows:

On the 22nd of February, 1853, at the instance of Wayman Crow, Esq., member of the State Senate, the Legislature of Missouri granted a charter to an educational institution to be located in St. Louis, and to bear the name of Eliot Seminary, in honor of the Rev. William Eliot, of St. Louis. The charter, a most liberal one, was to be perpetual, and no limitations were imposed, excepting those which forbade any sectarian or partisan instruction.

The first meeting of the corporation named in the charter was held on the 22nd of February, 1853, in deference to the wishes of Dr. Eliot, the name of the institution was changed. Since the charter had been granted on the 22nd of February, the birthday of Washington, and since the meeting of the corporation for organization had also occurred on this same anniversary, the name of the institution was changed from Eliot Seminary to Washington Institute, which in 1854 was changed to Washington University. It seemed to the founders that the name was significant of the character of the institution which they sought to found.

The first educational work done under the charter of 1853 was the opening of a day school for boys, in a building on Sixth street, during the winter of 1854-55. This school was called the O'Fallon Polytechnic Institute, in honor of Colonel John O'Fallon, for years one of the University Directors.

Real Beginning of University.
This evening school, and a day school which had been in operation for some time before this period, were carried together until, in September, 1856, a building on Seventeenth street was completed and occupied by the day school. The evening school was sustained for several years by the University, until by special arrangement the entire care of the school was assumed by the Public School Board. This school on Seventeenth street, the forerunner of the present Smith Academy, now a secondary school of the University, was the real beginning of Washington University.

The formal inauguration of the University took place on the 23rd of April, 1857. Later in the year a building was erected for the chemical laboratory. In the next year the organization of the College was completed. The first College degrees were granted in 1862.

The east wing of the main building, of which the academic building formed the south wing, was erected in 1858 and used for College classes. The west wing was added in 1871 and devoted to the Polytechnic School.

In the meantime the University had been growing, adding new departments, and receiving additional endowments. The Law School was organized in 1867; the Polytechnic School, now known as the Schools of Engineering and Architecture, in 1870; the School of Fine Arts in 1873; the School of Botany in 1885. The St. Louis Medical College, founded in 1842, was admitted as a department of the University in 1891, and the Missouri Dental College in 1892. In 1899 the Missouri Medical College, founded in 1840, was united with the St. Louis Medical College to form the Medical School of Washington University.

Judge Chas. Rogan, of Austin, who had been looking after his farms up the river, near Tennyson the past few days, passed through Ballinger Tuesday afternoon en route home. The judge says the crops in that section is as fine as heart could wish.

Miss Jesse Hunt of Santa Anna, came in Wednesday at noon to visit her sister, Mrs. E. E. Woodson and family a few weeks.

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FOR SALE—Jersey Bull, apply J. K. HUTTON, Ballinger. 12-3d-1w

SECOND HAND CARS—For sale or trade. Ford five passenger, Mitchell seven passenger, Overland five passenger. Make us an offer. Paint Rock Auto Co., Paint Rock, Texas. 12-3d-1w

LAND FOR SALE—In Garza County, Near Post City. Easy terms. Lands now being offered to actual settlers in lots of from 80 to 420 acres, and improvements to suit the purchaser up to \$1700 in value, on easy terms. The amount cash down is \$200 per acre and \$1.75 per acre per year thereafter till paid for with interest at 4 per cent per annum. The price of the improvements added to the purchase price of the land. All conveniences such as lots, barns, a well and water piped over lots and in the house. Deferred payments are made "on or before" a certain date. I will pay all transportation charges of those who go from here with me and buy land there. W. M. Lloyd, agent for Runnels county. Post City Texas. 13-2tpwd

DAIRY CATTLE—I will be on the market at the Street barn with two carloads of dairy cattle about the 25th of August. Geo. B. Hollamon, Seguin, Texas. 13-2tw

FOR SALE—Gentle driving horse, phaeton and harness at a bargain. Apply to C. P. Shepherd. tfdw

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—If sold at once my home on Tenth Street, Mrs. M. M. Caperton, 705 Tenth St., Ballinger, Texas. 11-3tditw

FOR SALE—Newall-Saunders disc plow, John Deere planter and cultivator, good shape, will trade for young jersey cow and calf. J. W. T. BISHOP, Ballinger. 30-3tw-pd

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Six-room residence on 10th street near M. E. Church, good as new. Bargain if sold quick. Apply to T. J. Bryant, Ballinger. 9-2tditw

LOST. LOST—White Collie bitch pup with black ears. Left my home Saturday, reasonable reward for dog or information. Lon Muncy. 5-2tditw

FOR RENT. FOR RENT—The R. W. Bruce home on Broadway. See R. W. Bruce or telephone 3721. 10-1tditw

WANTED. FOR TRADE—My good bicycle for horse feed, either oats or maize. See me or leave word with my papa at the Ledger office. Albert Sledge. 13-3tw-dh.

All the merchants are handling new meal made from a car of corn just received by the Missouri Milling Co. Call for it. 11-6tditw

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Scott of Paris, were the guests of Mrs. Lee Maddox today, while en route from their ranch in Concho county to another ranch near Putnam. Mr. Scott is a prominent banker of Paris.

Lee Maddox, who is managing the Silver Cliff ranch in Tom Green county, was here a few hours Wednesday coming in to look after business and spend a few hours with home folks.

Misses Stella and Edna McDaniel, former teachers in Ballinger schools, in a letter to friends, write that they will pass through Ballinger Thursday on the noon train en route to Christoval.

R. A. McLary of the Spring Hill neighborhood, left Tuesday afternoon for McKinney, his old home, to visit relatives and to look after business affairs.

Top price for all your eggs and chickens, cash or trade. Cash Grocery Co. 11w.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, of Brownwood, who had been visiting relatives in San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Scott in Ballinger the past few days, left for their home Tuesday.

Mr. Rhodes of Norton and his friend F. L. Rector of McCauley, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

I. L. Baker, manager of the F. F. Fore business in Ballinger, left Tuesday afternoon for Fort Worth on a short business trip.

Baptism of Fire Greeted Mr. Harry Mestayer's Entrance In Motion Picture Plays

By KATHLYN WILLIAMS.

I am very glad to write about my adventures and experiences while out in the California Desert, working in the production of the new Selig picture—"The Carpet From Bagdad."

Of course, I am accustomed to all sorts of strange and unusual conditions which I find necessary in the production of any big picture, but I do want to say that my experience in the California Desert was one of the wildest and weirdest I ever endured.

You, who have read the novel of Harold MacGrath, will recall that the principal scenes in "The Carpet From Bagdad" are laid in the great Arabian Desert, and some of the principal characters are Arabs; so Mr. Colin Campbell, in making his arrangements for appropriate properties, bought a lot of real and most interesting Arabian trappings, including those wonderfully striped tents, bales and bales of beautiful rugs, camel harness, those peculiar Arab guns so beautifully inlaid with mother-of-pearl and studded with jewels, great water jars, etc. The garments made in Arabia especially for those who were to participate in "The Carpet From Bagdad" were supplied in ample quantities, so that we could look the part and be presented to the world as the genuine article.

From the big Selig Jungle-Zoo out at Eastlake, in Los Angeles, Mr. Campbell made a requisition for about twenty camels. You can just imagine a man writing a requisition on a slip of paper just as though it were for twenty papers of pins, or twenty articles of any kind. These camels,

instructions were given that no trunk or clothing, except that suitable for the pictures, were to be taken along. No one was permitted to carry any excess baggage. In fact, all members of the company except those of us who took the part of Europeans, were instructed to take along nothing except the Arabian garments in order that they might learn to wear them in a natural way and more effectively portray the part. Of course, I kept my part throughout, as a European girl, while Miss Eugenie Besserer, who played the part of my mother, also took the part throughout of a European.

Arabian Nights Tale.

It looked like a tale out of the Arabian Nights when our caravan started across the desert. The piercing rays of the sun fell upon us without mercy as the day was hot, but we all enveloped our heads and faces in the voluminous folds of Arab cloths, so that the sitting sand dust did not bother us as much as we expected.

Following behind the strictly oriental caravan came the up-to-date American parade, consisting of huge wagons, many of which bore enormous tanks containing thousands of gallons of water. This was a special provision made at the instructions of Mr. Selig, and for which we were all grateful before another day had passed. These enormous wagons were hauled by a number of pairs of horses—sixteen or twenty—I do not remember which. They were equipped with broad tires so that the wheels did not sink deeply into the sand. They were especially constructed for use on the desert. Behind the big tank wagons came other wagons loaded with tents, provisions, cooking utensils and the entire camp outfit.

Through the thoughtfulness of Mr. Selig our provisions were not limited to necessities. There were countless additions to the ordinary larder, and there was one huge wagon loaded with ice. When we camped for the night,



our tents were pitched on a small oasis where there was a spring of brackish water.

Some pictures were taken at our first camp to be used in the production, but everybody was glad to keep inside the tents and bask in the cooling breeze created by electric fans which were run by small motors attached to storage batteries. I suppose if some old Arab sheik could have stumbled in on us with the expectation of finding a real desert camp, he would have been shocked and horrified to find how comfortable and pleasant a desert camp can be made with the use of modern appliances and conveniences.

The next morning I was invited to ride one of the camels. I proceeded to do this, and it was not my first experience, but a short session was amply sufficient. I was very glad to get back into our big, roomy automobile and give somebody else the privilege of riding the ungainly brute that plunged and shook, so that it was no insecure to remain on his back.

Life in the desert does not amount to much. Occasionally one of the men would dash off to one side of a road and shoot the head off a rattlesnake. At various points along the silent trail were the bleaching bones of oxen, horses, burros and other animals. They explained to me that the bones of human beings who had died on the trail had been given burial. That was the reason we did not see any human skeletons; but we were told that many persons had met their death along the gruesome desert path.

It was in the afternoon of the second day that the guides leading the caravan dashed back along the line of camels, automobiles and wagons and announced that a sand-storm was approaching, and that we should get everything in readiness for it. Then

NEGRO KILLED IN ANGELO TOWN

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Aug. 12.—In a brawl which occurred at Willie Cooper's house in the West End yesterday afternoon at about four o'clock, one negro, Will Lewis, was shot and killed, another, Hutt Johnson was shot in the right arm and a negro, Virginia Johnson, was stabbed in the breast and over the right eye.

The following account of the affair was given by Henry West, colored, popular known as "Chunk," who was an eye witness:

"The trouble started when a quarrel broke out between Socks (Lewis) and Hutt over a matter of several days' standing. Socks pulled out his knife and made for Hutt. Before he could reach Hutt, Virginia Johnson rushed up to him and holding a pistol against his breast fired, fired once.

"When she shot him, Socks took the pistol away from her and stabbed her in the breast and over the right eye with his knife. He turned the gun on the rest of us then, and shot Hutt thru the arm as he was crawling under the bed. I crawled under the bed too when the fire works started.

"After Socks had emptied the pistol, he ran out of the house. He got about twenty feet when he fell dead."

The dead negro, Lewis, is said to have been a desperate character. He came to this city from Abilene, where he is reported to have been involved in a similar brawl. West declares that for some time he has worn a silver plate on his forehead where he was shot with a .45 revolver in an affair at Beaumont.

According to the testimony of several witnesses there was a white man in the house when the trouble started. He left, however, it is said, before the shooting took place.

Although none of the witnesses would admit as much, it is believed by the officers that the trouble originated in a gambling scrape.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels.

By virtue of a certain pluries execution issued out of the Honorable District court of the 61st District, Harris county, on the 10th day of August, 1915, by O. M. Duclos Clerk of said court against A. B. Pickett and Man (W. J.) Carrier for the sum of eighteen hundred, ninety-three and 46-100 (\$1893.46) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 56,442 in said court, styled Chas. L. Michael, A. B. Pickett, et al, and placed in my hands for service, I, J. D. Perkins as sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 12th day of August, 1915, levy on certain real estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All of lots Nos. one (1), two (2), and the one-third (1-3) of lot No. three (3) adjoining said lot No. two (2), in block No. fifteen (15) of the original town of Ballinger, as same appears upon the map of the plan of said town now on file and of record in the office of the county clerk of Runnels County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said A. B. Pickett and on Tuesday, the 7th day of September, 1915, at the court house door of Runnels County, in the city of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell said property at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. B. Pickett by virtue of said levy and said pluries execution.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Banner-Ledger a newspaper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 12th day of August, 1915.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff Runnels County, Texas. 13-20-27.

NOTICE.

L. E. Bair & T. M. Osteen, at the Cash Grocery on old opera house corner will pay you top price for all your chickens and eggs. itw

FIRST BALE COTTON ONE WEEK EARLY

The first bale of 1915 cotton ginned in this county will arrive in Ballinger this (Thursday) afternoon. The bale was grown by Joseph Hoch, of the Regina country, and ginned by Ben Wilde at Rowena.

Mr. Wilde was in Ballinger at noon Thursday and stated that his gin was preparing to tie out the new bale and it would be brought to Ballinger as soon as made ready for the market. The cotton will probably be sold on the Ballinger market to the highest bidder and, as has been the custom in the past, the producer will be presented with a cash premium.

This bale of cotton comes one week ahead of last year's crop, the first bale having been received last year on August 19th. This does not necessarily indicate that the crop is earlier than last year, but has made better progress in maturing under the most favorable conditions. The crop at this time is still making, the plant being in fine shape and fruiting in a way that indicates a heavy yield.

Give us a chance to figure with you on that next bill of groceries and feed stuff. Cash Grocery Co. itw

Clay Wylie of San Angelo, visited friends at Ballinger between trains Thursday.

B. F. Davis, general superintendent of the building at the compress came in from Dallas Wednesday to look after the work and says everything will be in shape for compressing by September 1st.

Mexicans Threaten to Invade Texas

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The war department today announced that Gov. Ferguson's request for more border troops will be granted. At the same time the department wired Gov. Ferguson suggesting that state troops be used for interior protection and to put down raiders in the Brownsville section.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Aug. 11.—Major General Frederick Funston, commanding the southern department, has received through special investigators, a detailed report on the uprising of Mexicans in the Rio Grande valleys which information has been forwarded to Washington. This report proves conclusively that the organizations are enlisting Mexicans after the "plan of San Diego," which calls for the death of every American male over the age of sixteen in the states bordering on the Rio Grande and New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, and California. This would be followed by the seizure of these states and the establishment of a republic for Mexicans, negroes, Japanese and Chinese. The seizure of the Rio Grande valley country, once a part of Mexico was to be the first step.

The portion of Texas which the restorers of Mexico, embraces 21,514 square miles and according to the census of 1910, includes 146,538 inhabitants. Of this number more than 60 percent are Mexicans, mostly of the poorer class. A great per cent of these people do not know how to read and write, neither do they understand the meaning of the constitution of the United States, while they know nothing of Texas history.

There are more than 3,000 Mexicans pledged to the organization and recruits are being added. For the past two years dissatisfied Texas-Mexicans and refugees from across the border have been spreading the principles of the plan. Lodges have been established in every Mexican community where the colony numbers more than a handful. In some quarters it is thought they are Magonistas, a secret society which excites its members to deeds of violence.

WHITE HOUSE DEALING WITH MEXICAN QUESTION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—President Wilson, Secretary of State Lansing, Secretary of War Garrison and Secretary of Navy Daniels are in conference today. It is known that the Mexican situation is being discussed and the situation is considered serious. Carranza's agency here this morning issued a most scathing arraignment of the Latin, White House and financial interest represented here. It is claimed

that Carranza has a letter from the president of Argentina saying that Argentine representatives is in conference with United States and A. B. C. nations on the understanding that there would be no intervention in Mexico.

The Atlantic fleet has been ordered south and will sail on August 20th. It has been announced that this has no bearing on the war situation and that the fleet is only going south for maneuvers.

Mexican Troops at Matamoros; U. S. Troops at Brownsville

BROWNSVILLE, Aug. 12.—The arrival of Mexican troop trains at Matamoros, just across the river from this city, is considered with much concern by Brownsville citizens. The bringing of Mexican troops so near the Texas border may be significant.

News has been received here that 5000 United States troops are coming here to defend the border against the invasion of Mexican soldiers. Three Laredo infantry companies arrived today, and are being put on duty.

The section of country north of here which has been under raid by Mexican bandits during the last week is still in a state of terror, but battle between citizens and raiders have been reported within the last twenty-four hours.

DEMANDING BETTER PHONE CONNECTING DEGRE BUGGY THIEF CAUGHT IN BALLINGER

What will it mean to the business interests of Ballinger to have Independent telephone connection with the north end of the county?

If the various business interests of Ballinger are alive to their own best interests, by their encouraging a proposition of this kind, in all probability, some arrangement can be made where by a telephone service can be secured with the north end of the county.

This same service is had into Winters from the north end of the county, being some 700 phone connections, the majority of whom all formerly done their business at Ballinger and by reason of their inability to reach Ballinger and its business interests through the present arrangement, it means a loss of thousands of dollars in Ballinger to business men monthly. This condition, as we understand, is not brought about by the business interests of Ballinger; in other words Ballinger business men are not responsible therefor. Then why should the business interests of Ballinger suffer for something for which they are not responsible? Meaning a loss of dollars and cents to them.

This situation can and should be remedied by the business men of Ballinger. The question is will they do it?

It is our information that the committees named at Winters in their meeting there last Thursday, convened here yesterday, and a meeting of the owners, who have the 700 subscribers here-before mentioned attached to their exchanges, will convene here next Monday at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of discussing the proposition and putting it squarely up to the business men of Ballinger. X X X.

Mrs. J. H. Osborn of Taylor, who had been visiting her father Wm. Dooze and family and Ballinger friends the past week or two, left for her home Wednesday afternoon.

Sheriff Perkins arrested a negro by the name of John Singletary, Thursday morning, and is holding him in jail to await the arrival of San Angelo officer, when the negro will be turned over to the authorities of that county to answer to a charge in that city against him for stealing a buggy.

The negro stole a buggy in San Angelo and sold it. He made his way to Ballinger. Sheriff Perkins Thursday morning to keep a look out for the negro as it was thought he was coming this way. In less than one hour after receiving the phone message Mr. Perkins had the negro in the lockup.

All NEW GOODS at the Cash Grocery store, old opera house corner where your patronage will be appreciated. L. E. Bair and T. M. Osteen, Managers. itw

B. M. Northing, of Siminole, Okla., has just arrived in Ballinger with his household goods and expects to become a citizen of this city at once.

Miss Durham of Sterling City, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Francis, left for her home Tuesday at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith and Miss Adell Horn, of Brownwood, who had been spending the past several weeks on their farm on Valley creek, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route home. Mr. Smith has harvested 4500 bushels of oats and 1650 bushels of wheat this season, but has only sold 600 bushels of oats, the amount his grainery would not hold.

A. L. Smith of the Wingate country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to continue to his address.

The BLACK BOX

by E. Phillips Oppenheim

Novelized from the Photo Play of the Same Name. Produced by the Universal Film Manufacturing Company.

SYNOPSIS.

Sanford Quest, master criminologist of the world, finds that in bringing to justice MacDougal, 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 hut in Professor Ashleigh's garden he has seen an ape skeleton and a living creature, half monkey, half man, destroyed by fire. In his rooms have appeared black boxes containing notes, signed by a pair of armless hands. Laura and Lenora, his assistants, suspect Craig, the professor's servant, of a double murder. The black boxes continue to appear in uncanny fashion. Craig, trapped, escapes to England. Quest, Lenora and the professor follow him. Lord Ashleigh is murdered by the hands of Craig, captured, escapes to Port Said. Quest and his party follow, and beyond into the desert. They are captured by Mongars, escape with Craig as their captive, and turn him over to Inspector French in San Francisco. He escapes in a train wreck, outtraces his pursuers, and starts back to New York.

FOURTEENTH INSTALLMENT

A BOLT FROM THE BLUE.

CHAPTER XXXI.

There was a peculiar, almost foreboding silence about the camp that morning when Laura returned from her early ride. The only living person to be seen was the Chinaman, sitting on a stool in front of the wagon with a dish of potatoes between his knees. "Say, where's everyone?" Laura sang out, after she had looked into Lenora's tent and found it empty.

The Chinaman looked up at her malevolently. "All gone," he announced. "Cowboys gone workee. Missee gone hurry up find Mr. Quest."

Laura hesitated, puzzled. Just then the professor came cantering in with a bundle of grass in his hand. He glanced down at the Chinaman.

"Good morning, Miss Laura!" he said. "You don't seem to be getting on with our friend here," he added in an undertone.

"Pshaw!" she answered. "Who cares what a chink thinks! The fellow's an idiot. I'm worried, professor. Lenora's gone out after Mr. Quest and the inspector. She wasn't fit to ride a horse. I can't make out why she's attempted it."

The professor unslinging some field-glasses from his shoulder and gazed steadily southward.

"It is just possible," he said, softly, "that she may have received a warning of that."

He pointed with his forefinger. Laura peered forward. There was something which seemed to be just a faint cloud upon the horizon. The professor handed her his glasses.

"Why, it's a fire!" she cried. The professor nodded.

"Just a prairie fire," he replied—"very dangerous, though, these dry seasons. The flames move so quickly that if you happen to be in a certain position you might easily be cut off."

Laura turned her horse round. "Come on, professor!" she exclaimed. "That's what it is. Lenora's gone to try and warn the others."

They rode to the very edge of the tract of country which was temporarily enveloped in smoke and flame. Here they pulled in their horses and the professor looked thoughtfully through his field glasses.

Laura gave a little cry and pointed with her riding whip. About twenty yards farther on, by the side of the road, was a small white object. She cantered on, swung herself from her horse and picked it up.

"Lenora's handkerchief!" she cried. The professor waved his arm westward.

"Here come Quest and the inspector. They are making a circuit to avoid the fire. The cowboy with them must have shown them the way. We'd better hurry up and find out if they've seen anything of Miss Lenora."

They galloped across the rough country towards the little party, who were now clearly in sight.

Quest did not wait for another word. He jumped a rough bush of scrub on the right-hand side, galloped over the ground, which was already hot with the coming fire, and followed along down the road which Lenora had passed. When he came to the first bend, he could hear the roar of flames in the trees. A volume of smoke almost blinded him; his horse became wholly unmanageable. He slipped from the saddle and ran on, staggering from right to left like a drunken man.

About forty yards along the road, Lenora was lying in the dust. A volume of smoke rushed over her. The tree under which she had collapsed was already afire. A twig fell from it as Quest staggered up, and her skirt began to smoulder. He tore off his coat, wrapped it around her, beat out the fire which was already blazing at her feet and snatched her into his arms. She opened her eyes for a moment.

"Where are we?" she whispered. "The fire!"

"That's all right," Quest shouted. "We'll be out of it in a moment. Hold tight to my neck."

"Say, that was a close shave," he faltered, as he laid Lenora upon the ground. "Another five minutes—well, we won't talk about it. Let's lift her on to your horse, Laura, and get back to the camp."

"Good-by, dear," he said. "I want you to take this paper and keep it carefully. You will be cared for always, but I must go."

"But where must you go?" she asked, bewildered.

"I have an appointment at Professor Ashleigh's," he told her. "I cannot tell you anything more than that. Good-by."

He kissed her for a moment passionately. Then suddenly he tore himself away. She heard him run lightly down the stairs. Some instinct led her to the back window. She saw him emerge from the house and pass down the yard. Then she went to the front. The man in the blue serge was talking to the landlady below. She sank into a chair, puzzled and unhappy. Then she heard heavy footsteps. The door opened. The man in the blue serge suit entered, followed by the protesting landlady.

"There's no sense in coming here to worry the young lady," Mrs. Malony declared, irritably. "As for Mr. Craig, I told you that he'd gone out."

"Gone out, eh?" the man repeated, speaking in a thick, disagreeable tone. "Why, I watched him in here ten minutes ago. Now then, young lady, you'll go."

"That fellow French has got grit," Quest declared. "He sticks to it all the time. He'll win out with Laura in the end, you mark my words."

"We've wired for them to meet Craig," Quest said, after a short silence. "I only hope they don't let him slip through their fingers. I haven't much faith in his promise to turn up at the professors'. Let's see what Laura and French have to say."

"Can't see any sense in staying on here any longer," was French's immediate decision, "so long as you two invalids feel that you can stick the journey. Besides, we're using up these fellows' hospitality."

They busied themselves for the next hour or two, making preparations. After their evening meal the two men walked with Lenora and Laura to their tent.

"I think you girls had better go to bed," Quest suggested. "Try and get a long night's sleep."

"That's all very well," French remarked, "but it's only eight o'clock. What about a stroll, Miss Laura, just up to the ridge?"

Laura hesitated for a moment and glanced towards Lenora.

"Please go," the latter begged. "I really don't feel like going to sleep just yet."

"I'll look after Lenora," Quest promised. "You have your walk. There's the professor sitting outside his tent. Wouldn't you like to take him with you?"

Laura glanced indignantly at him as they strolled out, and Lenora laughed softly.

"How dared you suggest such a thing!" she murmured to Quest. "Do look at them. The inspector wants her to take his watch and she can't quite make up her mind about it. Why, Laura's getting positively frivolous!"

When the inspector returned Quest handed him a telegram:

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French swore softly for a moment. Then he dropped into a chair.

"This," he declared, "is our unlucky evening."

CHAPTER XXXII.

The professor laid down his book and gazed with an amiable smile towards Quest and Lenora.

"I fear," he remarked, dolefully, "that my little treatise on the fauna of the northern Orinoco scarcely appeals to you, Mr. Quest."

Quest, whose arm was in a sling, but who was otherwise none the worse for his recent adventure, pointed out of the tent.

"Don't you believe it, professor," he begged. "I've been listening to every word. But say, Lenora, just look at Laura and French!"

They all three peered anxiously out of the opening of the tent. Laura and the inspector were very slowly approaching the cook wagon. Laura was carrying a large bunch of wild flowers, one of which she was in the act of fastening in French's button-hole.

"If only I could do something for him!" she murmured.

"He's in some kind of trouble, I think," Mrs. Malony observed. "He is not what you might call a communicative person, but it's easy to see that he is far from being happy in himself. You'll ring when you're ready, Miss Mary?"

The door was suddenly opened and Craig entered.

"Look across the road," he begged. "Tell me if there is a man in a blue serge suit and a bowler hat, smoking a cigar, looking across here."

Mrs. Malony and the girl both obeyed. The girl was the first to speak.

"Yes," she answered. "He is looking straight at these windows."

Craig groaned and sank down upon a chair.

"Leave us, if you please, Mrs. Malony," he ordered. "I'll ring when I'm ready."

The landlady left the room silently. The girl came over to her uncle and threw her arm around his neck.

He patted her head, felt in his pockets and drew out a little paper bag, from which he shook a bunch of violets.

"How kind you are to me!" she exclaimed. "You think of everything!"

He sighed.

"If I had had you for a little longer, Mary," he said, "perhaps I should have been a better man. Go to the window, please, and tell me if that man is still there."

She crossed the room with light footsteps. Presently she returned.

"He is just crossing the street," she announced. "I think that he seems to be coming here."

Craig took the girl for a minute into his arms.

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"This," he declared, "is our unlucky evening."



"He Fought Too Hard," Quest Said Gravely. "He Is Dead!"

"I shall not," the girl objected. "My uncle told me, if anything happened to him, that I was to remain here."

"And remain here she shall, as long as she likes," Mrs. Malony insisted. "I've given my promise, too, to look after her, and Mr. Craig knows that I am an honest woman."

"You may be that," the man replied, "but it's just as well for you both to understand this. I'm from the police and what I say goes. No harm will come to the girl, Mrs. Malony, and she shall come back here, but for the present she is going to accompany me to headquarters. If you make any trouble, I only have to blow my whistle and I can fill your house with policemen."

"I'll go," the girl whispered.

In silence she put on her hat and coat, in silence she drove with him to the police station, where she was shown at once into the inspector's office. The man who had brought her whispered for a moment or two with his chief and handed him the paper. Inspector French read it and whistled softly. He took up the telephone by his side.

"Say, you've something of a find here," he remarked to the plain-clothes man. "Put me through to Mr. Quest, please," he added, speaking into the receiver.

The two men whispered together. The girl stole from her place and turned over rapidly the pages of a directory which was on the round table before her. She found the "A's" quickly. Her eye fell upon the name of Ashleigh. She repeated the address to herself and glanced around. The two men were still whispering. For the moment she was forgotten. She stole on tiptoe across the room, ran down the stone steps and hastened into the street.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

The professor, who was comfortably seated in Quest's favorite easy chair, glanced at his watch and shook his head.

"I am afraid, my friend," he said, "that Craig's nerve has failed him. A voluntary surrender was perhaps too much to hope for."

Quest smoked for a moment in silence.

His servant entered bearing a note.

"This was left a few minutes ago, sir," he announced, "by a messenger boy. There was no answer required."

The man retired. Quest unfolded the sheet of paper. His expression suddenly changed.

"Listen!" he exclaimed.

To Sanford Quest:
Gather your people in Professor Ashleigh's library at ten o'clock to-night. I will be there and tell you my whole story. JOHN CRAIG.

The professor sat for a moment speechless.

"Then he meant it, after all!" he exclaimed at last.

"Seems like it," Quest admitted. "I'll just telephone to French."

The professor rose to his feet, knocked the ash from his cigar, struggled into his coat and took up his hat. Then he waited until Quest had completed his conversation. The latter's face had grown grave and puzzled. It was obvious that he was receiving information of some importance. He put down the instrument at last with a curt word of farewell.

The professor moved towards the door.

"If only this may prove to be the end!" he sighed.

met them in the hall. He, too, seemed to have lost to some extent his customary equanimity.

"Come this way, my friends," he invited. "If Craig keeps his word, he will be here now within a few minutes. This way."

They followed him into the library. Chairs were arranged around the table in the middle of the room and they all sat down. The professor took out his watch. It was five minutes to ten.

"In a few minutes," he continued solemnly, "this weight is to be lifted from the minds of all of us. I have come to the conclusion that on this occasion Craig will keep his word. I am not sure, mind, but I believe that he is in the house at this present moment. I have heard movements in the room which belonged to him. I have not interfered. I have been content to wait."

"He has at least not tried escape," Quest remarked. "French here brought news of him. He has been living with his niece very quietly, but without any particular attempt at concealment or any signs of wishing to leave the city."

"I had that girl brought to my office," French remarked, "barely an hour ago, but she slipped away while we were talking. Say, what's that?"

They all rose quickly to their feet. In a momentary lull of the storm they could hear distinctly a girl's shrill calling from outside, followed by the clamor of angry voices.

"Gee! I bet that's the girl," French exclaimed. "She'd been looking up the professor's address in a directory."

They all hurried out into the hall. The plainclothes man whom they had left on guard was standing there with his hand upon Craig's collar. The girl, sobbing bitterly, was clinging to his arm. Craig was making desperate efforts to escape. Directly he saw the little party issue from the library, however, the strength seemed to pass from his limbs. He remained in the clutches of his captor, limp and helpless.

"I caught the girl trying to make her way into the house," the latter explained. "She called out and this man came running downstairs, right into my arms."

"It is quite all right," the professor said, in a dignified tone. "You may release them both. Craig was on his way to keep an appointment here at ten o'clock. Quest, will you and the inspector bring him in? Let us resume our places at the table."

The little procession made its way down the hall. The girl was still clinging to her uncle.

"What are they going to do to you, these people?" she sobbed. "They shan't hurt you. They shan't!"

Lenora passed her arm around the girl.

"Of course not, dear," she said, soothingly. "Your uncle has come of his own free will to answer a few questions, only I think it would be better if you would let me—"

Lenora never finished her sentence. They had reached the entrance now to the library. The professor was standing in the doorway with extended hand, motioning them to take their places at the table. Then, with no form of warning, the room seemed suddenly filled with a blaze of blue light. It came at first in a thin flash from the window to the table, became immediately multiplied a thousand times, played round the table in sparks, which suddenly expanded to sheets of leaping, curling flame. The roar of thunder shook the very foundations of the house—and then silence.

For several seconds not one of them seemed to have the power of speech. An amazing thing had happened. The oak table in the middle of the room was a charred fragment, the chairs were every one blackened remnants.

"A thunderbolt!" French gasped at last.

Quest was the first to cross the room. From the table to the outside window was one charred, black line which had burnt its way through the carpet. He threw open the window. The wire whose course he had followed ended here with a little lump of queer substance. He broke it off from the end of the wire, which was absolutely brittle and natureless, and brought it into the room.

"What is it?" Lenora faltered.

"Say, what have you got there?" French echoed.

Quest examined the strange-looking lump of metal steadily. The most curious thing about it seemed to be that it was absolutely sound and showed no signs of damage. He turned to the professor.

"I think you are the only one who will be able to appreciate this, professor," he remarked. "Look! It is a fragment of opotan—a distinct and wonderful specimen of opotan."

Everyone looked puzzled.

"But what," Lenora inquired, "is opotan?"

"It is a new metal," Quest explained, gravely, "towards which scientists have been directing a great deal of attention lately. It has the power of collecting all the electricity from the air around us. There are a dozen people, at the present moment, conducting experiments with it for the purpose of cheapening electric lights. If we had been in the room ten seconds sooner—"

He paused significantly. Then he swung round on his heel. Craig, a now pitiful object, his hands nervously twitching, his face ghastly, was cowering in the background.

"Your last little effort, Craig?" he demanded, sternly.

Craig made no reply. The professor, who had disappeared for a moment, came back to them.

"There is a smaller room across the hall," he said, "which will do for our purpose."

Craig suddenly turned and faced them.

"I have changed my mind," he said. "I have nothing to tell you. Do what you will with me. Take me to the Tombs, deal with me any way you choose, but I have nothing to say."

Quest pointed a threatening finger at him.

"Your last voluntary word, perhaps," he said, "but science is still your master, Craig. Science has brought many criminals to their doom. It shall take its turn with you. Bring him along, French, to my study. There is a way of dealing with him."

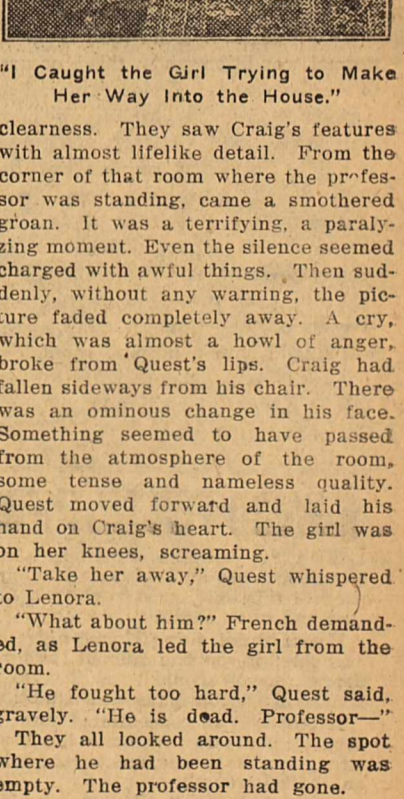
Quest felt his forehead and found it damp. There were dark rims under his eyes. Before him was Craig, with a little band around his forehead and the mirror where they could all see it. The professor stood a little in the background. Laura and French were side by side, gazing with distended eyes at the blank mirror, and Lenora was doing her best to soothe the terrified girl. Twice Quest's teeth came together and once he almost reeled.

"It's the fight of his life," he muttered at last, "but I've got him."

Almost as he spoke they could see Craig's resistance begin to weaken. The tenseness of his form relaxed. Quest's will was triumphing. Slowly in the mirror they saw a little picture creeping from the outline into definite form, a picture of the professor's library. Craig himself was there with mortar and trowel, and a black box in his hand.

"It's coming!" Lenora moaned.

Quest stood perfectly tense. The picture suddenly flashed into brilliant



"I Caught the Girl Trying to Make Her Way Into the House."

clearness. They saw Craig's features with almost lifelike detail. From the corner of that room where the professor was standing, came a smothered groan. It was a terrifying, a paralyzing moment. Even the silence seemed charged with awful things. Then suddenly, without any warning, the picture faded completely away. A cry which was almost a howl of anger, broke from Quest's lips. Craig had fallen sideways from his chair. There was an ominous change in his face. Something seemed to have passed from the atmosphere of the room, some tense and nameless quality. Quest moved forward and laid his hand on Craig's heart. The girl was on her knees, screaming.

"Take her away," Quest whispered to Lenora.

"What about him?" French demanded, as Lenora led the girl from the room.

"He fought too hard," Quest said, gravely. "He is dead. Professor—"

They all looked around. The spot where he had been standing was empty. The professor had gone.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

We Must Make Room For Our Immense Stock of Fall and Winter Shoes

Which are arriving daily. In order to do so, we are making the following extremely low prices on summer footwear.

- \$4.50 and \$4.00 women's low shoes - - - - \$2.95
- \$3.50 women's shoes - - - - - \$2.45
- \$3.00 women's shoes - - - - - \$2.15
- \$2.50 women's shoes - - - - - \$1.75
- \$6.50 men's low shoes - - - - - \$5.15
- \$5.00 men's low shoes - - - - - \$3.65
- \$4.50 men's low shoes - - - - - \$3.40
- \$3.50 men's low shoes - - - - - \$2.65
- One table women's low shoes, sizes 1 to 4 at - 25c
- One table men's low shoes, sizes 4 to 6 - - \$1.50
- All women's white shoes - - - - - 50c
- All children's white shoes - - - - - 50c

You will have two more months and all next summer to wear low shoes.

Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

"QUALITY FIRST"

Insane Woman Pitiful Condition

(Continued from First Page.)

that Mrs. Schneider is the daughter of H. W. McDonald, residing on Sixth street, in this city. She and her husband have been living in Brown county and came to this county about one week ago. She has two children, and the family has been traveling through the country in a wagon.

The commission selected to pass on the sanity of Mrs. Katie Schneider, the lady brought here from Winters Monday, did not complete its work Tuesday afternoon and met again Wednesday morning. The father of the woman appeared before the commission and furnished evidence that was conclusive that the woman was insane.

The unfortunate woman was brought from the jail and carried before the commission, and her condition presented one of the most pitiful cases the commission ever passed on in this county. She screamed unmercifully and there is no doubt but what she is insane, and in her present condition can not live long.

The commission pronounced her insane and she will be carried to the asylum just as soon as possible, probably this afternoon, as application has been made by wire for a place in the institution.

At times Mrs. Schneider is in her normal condition and this occurred when she was being placed in jail and for a few minutes she criticised the state for locking a white woman up in a jail where dirty negroes had been kept. This is a deplorable condition of this county and practically all the counties in the state. To confine a delicate woman in jail with negro outlaws is enough to bring about insanity for the woman of the strongest mind. Every jail should have a hospital room.

John Kennon is visiting his parents at Cameron this week.

A WORD FOR MOTHERS

It is a grave mistake for mothers to neglect their aches and pains and suffer in silence—this only leads to chronic sickness and often shortens life. If your work is tiring; if your nerves are excited; if you feel languid, weary or depressed, you should know that Scott's Emulsion overcomes just such conditions. It possesses in concentrated form the very elements to invigorate the blood, strengthen the tissues, nourish the nerves and build strength. Scott's is strengthening thousands of mothers—and will help you. No alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

THINKS LABOR WILL BE PLENTIFUL HERE

With the cotton picking season rapidly approaching, and maize harvesting soon to be the order of the day, the question of cotton pickers, price, etc., is bobbing up. During the last few weeks the report sent out over the state of the good crop conditions in this county has already started people in this direction, and the labor problem will not be as serious as it was last season. In fact same express the opinion that there are a sufficient number of hands in the country now to gather the cotton crop. The crop is not a short one, but the acreage is less. With favorable cotton weather for the remainder of the season the yield will equal last year's crop. No price has been fixed for picking in this section. The price of cotton and the weather will have a great deal to do with the picking scale.

TRESSPASS 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.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised, Aug. 7, 1915:
Baker, Miss Fredie, Barrett, Mr. Miss Ora Baker; D. C. Briggs; Miss Katie Bell Crump, (2); Miss Malindia Dayenport; Chester Duff; Kate Gras; Jack Harwood; Horras Jackson; Miss Mary Joyce; Seguire McFarland; Willard Meek; Mrs. Lorean Myles; Bob Mitchell; J. L. Nutt; Will Nunley; Bessie Mae Rhodes; Earnest Williams. When calling for the above letters please say advertised, and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead-letter-office. JAMES J. ERWIN, P. M.

The Wilson Brothers, Max, J. C. and Clarence of the Pony creek county were in the city Tuesday loading out a car load of their famous Colorado bottom water melons to South Texas. Their water melon crop like all others on their farm is splendid this year.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO 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.

MARKETING PRODUCE IN AUTOMOBILES

(San Angelo Standard)
San Angelo is having the quickest produce service it has ever known, and incidentally is consuming more watermelons this summer than during many seasons past. A record delivery of fine Tom Green county melons was made Monday morning. Sidney Bowman came in from his farm east of San Angelo near Miles Monday morning with an automobile loaded with cantaloupes. He sold his last allotment to King's Grocery on West Beauregard avenue at 9 o'clock, at which hour Jas. J. Bell, buyer for the firm, ordered twenty-five melons, Monday delivery.

Mr. Bowman's Maxwell car is equipped with a special body and he carries almost as many melons as a wagon. His farm is twenty miles away, just west of the Runnels-Tom Green county line. He motored home, pulled the melons from the vine and was back in San Angelo, having driven forty miles by 12 o'clock.

Three produce men residing in Ballinger make regular trips to San Angelo each morning by daylight with produce of all kinds. They gather their produce in the wee sma' hours and reach this city by the time the grocery stores begin to open up at 6. They sell solely to the merchants and do no peddling. They have to; business is too good for that.

CARRICK DECLINES HEALTH POSITION

Washington, Aug. 10.—Dr. Manton M. Carrick, the American physician, who was appointed health commissioner of the Republic of Mexico and who was passed upon favorably by the three fighting factions of that country, came to Washington for a conference with representatives of the Mexican Government and declined the position. He has been in Washington two days, making an examination of health conditions here, it became known today. He left this afternoon for New York.

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

Claud W. Chapman, one of the prosperous young farmers of Concho county, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

STATE HEALTH OFFICER URGES CO-OPERATION

In a letter to Dr. E. R. Walker, State Health Officer, W. B. Collins urges the people to co-operate in combating all contagious diseases. The state health officer says that Pellagra is becoming a menace to the people of the state and this disease is one that requires the attention of every thoughtful physician. The letter addressed to Dr. Walker follows:
"Dr. E. R. Walker, Ballinger, Texas.

"Dear Doctor:—Your letter of July 30th to hand and contents carefully noted. My delay in reply has been unavoidable, as I have been out of the city and just came to your letter this morning since my return. I am glad to note that you manifest so much interest in public health matters in your city and the state generally. If it is not asking too much of you, I would get you to call on your fellow physicians and impress on them the necessity of reporting to this department and to the city authorities all contagious and infectious diseases, at least all those mentioned in the Sanitary Code. I would also appreciate it if you could get up a local campaign of vaccination in your city against typhoid fever. This you know would be a great benefit to your citizenship and a great saving in human life. I am urging municipalities and state institutions of every class and kind to at least prevent smallpox by vaccination and typhoid fever.

"Incidentally discuss in your society meetings the Pellagra situation. This disease is indeed becoming a menace to the people of the state at large and should require the attention of every thoughtful and interested physician. I am enclosing you copy of a newspaper article by Dr. Cross, secretary-treasurer of the Navarro County Medical Society. By reading this article you will note the rapid spread of the disease in Navarro County. I find that it is quite common everywhere. I hope you will be able to secure the co-operative effort on the part of the profession in your city and those in authority to execute the law. In my judgment there is nothing that should be nearer to our hearts today when the conservation of human life. This can only be done by a combined effort of city, county and state officials on the one side, and the medical profession, teachers, ministers and people in general on the other. Insist on keeping up the work of sanitation, body hygiene, and physiological living. These subjects should be kept in the forefront and continually hammered into the minds of the people until they are caused to act along intelligent lines to protect themselves against the great number of diseases which are so easily preventable.

"Wishing you much success in your health efforts and commending you for your interest in public health affairs, I am with kindest personal regards.

"Very sincerely yours,
W. B. COLLINS,
State Health Officer.

TEXANS RESCUED BY WONDERFUL REMEDY

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

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

The first dose of this remedy proves what it will do. T. B. GOODPASTURE, 802 Sabine St., Houston, Texas, wrote: "I took your treatment last spring. I don't think I will have to take any more—it completely cured me."

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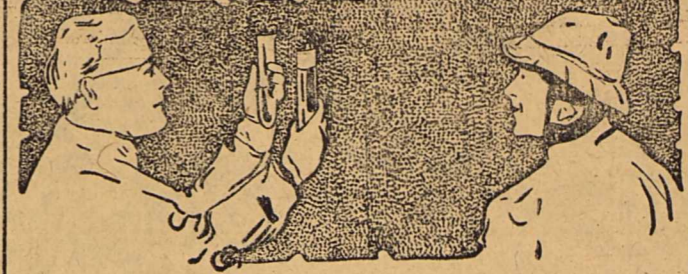
ALDERMAN ELLIS RESIGNS.

W. L. Ellis, alderman, handed in to Mayor Powell, his resignation as city alderman Tuesday. Mr. Ellis is moving to Brownwood with his family where he will buy cotton. The mayor will order an election probably next week to elect an alderman to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Ellis' resignation.

TO-MY FRIEND AND PATRONS.

I will have my millinery department at The Hub the coming season. Please remember the location. Mrs. W. A. Breedlove. 10-5tdwtf

F. Bloominritt of the Miles county, had business in Ballinger a few hours Monday afternoon.



Scout and Sentinel

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The "Scout," equally at home in boots and oil skins inspecting the cables in a dripping coal mine, in overalls in an engine room testing a cylinder oil, or in a steel mill, watches TEXACO LUBRICANTS at work and keeps in touch with mechanical developments in all kinds of industries.

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MAN ARRESTED HERE HAS MANY NICKLES

William Hutcherson was arrested at Ballinger Thursday afternoon by Sheriff Perkins of Runnels County and turned over to Sheriff Hawley Allen of Tom Green county at Miles Thursday afternoon, who returned to San Angelo with Hutcherson in a car and placed him in the county jail on a charge of theft from the proprietor of Luther's Restaurant, where he had been employed as night clerk up until Wednesday night.

When Hutcherson was paid off he made a purchase at the Depot Saloon where he is alleged to have paid for it in 5-cent pieces. When arrested at Ballinger Hutcherson is alleged to have had eighty-five nickles in his possession.

The proprietor of the restaurant says the slot machine in the place was paid open and looted of between \$20 and \$30 during the last night Hutcherson worked there.

Hutcherson was taken off a car containing horses belonging to Pete Culwell which was billed out of San Angelo Thursday morning. He was going to Ft. Worth with the shipment of equines.—San Angelo Standard.

MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO THEFT.

Will Hutchinson, the man who the officers arrested at Ballinger last week, and returned to San Angelo officers, charged with robbing a slot machine in the Angelo town, plead guilty in the justice court at Angelo and was fined \$4 and cost, the total of which amounted to \$32.45. Not having the wherewith to square himself the man was sent to jail.

Missouri Milling Co., just received car new corn from Bay City. Ask your merchants for meal just made from this corn. 11-6ditw

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED FOR PAST SEVEN DAYS.

D. G. Daniel and Miss Ora Nix, August 3rd.
Enoch Johnson and Miss Pearl Walker, August 5th.
F. F. Jamieson and Miss Mattie Harp, August 5th.
J. T. Monroe and Miss Lottie King, August 7th.
Dan Jenkins and Miss Lottie Self, August 10th.
H. R. Lewis and Miss Maude McPeters, August 10th.

HERE TO TEACH DANCING.

Prof. W. R. Redford and wife, of Ft. Worth, who appeared at the White City in the latest society dances, will attempt to organize a class here and teach society, ballroom and fancy dances. Prof. Redford's card shows him to be an A. N. A. M. of D. of New York City. A dance has been announced for Thursday evening at the Club Rooms at which time Prof. Redford and wife will demonstrate the latest dances.

MAN ARRESTED FOR WHIPPING HIS WIFE

SAN ANGELO, Aug. 11.—L. A. Robertson was arrested at a local hotel about 10:30 o'clock Monday night by Sheriff Allen and placed in the county jail on a charge of having committed an aggravated assault upon his wife, Mrs. Sallie Robertson, who came to San Angelo recently to join her husband when she learned that he was being held in connection with the drowning of Mrs. Della Cohen, alias Lola Gonzales, in Ben Fielin lake sometime during Tuesday, July 19, ult.

Robertson was arrested Thursday evening, July 22, by City Marshal Carroll Bates and was held until after a post-mortem examination of the body of the woman was held by Justice Branch and County Health Officer Dr. Smith, when he was released, the body showing no marks of violence.

A complaint was made out this (Tuesday) morning and signed by Deputy Sheriff DeSpain charging Robertson with having committed an assault upon his wife early Monday evening.

When Mrs. Robertson came to San Angelo from Brownwood to join her husband she was accompanied by their 18-months old baby boy.

A BIT OF ADVICE.

First—Don't Delay. Second—Don't Experiment.

If you suffer from backache; headaches or dizzy spells; if you rest poorly and are languid in the morning; if the kidney secretions are irregular and unnatural in appearance, do not delay. In such cases the kidneys often need help. Doan's Kidney Pills are especially prepared for kidney trouble—they are recommended by thousands. Can residents desire more convincing proof than the statement of a citizen of this locality?

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