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WILL MAKE ADDITIONAL ADDRESSES

NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 12.—President Wilson has decided to make a number of speeches in behalf of his candidacy for re-election before the November runoff, it was stated today. These speeches will be made in addition to those already scheduled.

The National Democratic Committee will arrange the dates and places for the extra speeches, Mr. Wilson only stipulating that the engagements be confined as far as possible, in the Eastern states. Wilson will only accept invitations to address non-political organizations, believing that the President should not campaign for re-election.

SAYS RAIN WILL HELP HIS COTTON.

John Englert was here from the Miles-Rowena country Tuesday, coming down on the early train, attending to some business and returning home on the afternoon train. Mr. Englert was in Ballinger while the nice rain was falling and visited the Ledger office. He stated that his cotton was late due to a hail that knocked it back in the spring, and that he figured that the rain would benefit his crop. "I will get about thirty-five bales, regardless of the rain," stated Mr. Englert. Mr. Englert moved the subscription figures on his Banner-Ledger label up to 1918, and stated that he could not get along very well without the paper, and if we saw fit to raise the price of subscription he would gladly pay it, for he realized that the price of paper had doubled. So far we have not increased the subscription price, and are trying to take care of the increased cost by increasing prices slightly in advertising and job printing, and we will not raise the subscription price unless it becomes a necessity to pay for the blank paper.

PLANNING PROFITS IN COTTON OIL BUSINESS

HOUSTON, Sept. 12.—The committee of fifteen men appointed at the Dallas meeting of cotton seed crushers, is in session here today at the Rice Hotel, and endeavoring to evolve a plan for putting the cotton oil business upon a profitable basis in Texas.

Col. Jo W. Allison of Dallas, chairman of the committee, is presiding.

E. A. and B. H. Jeanes left Wednesday for Brownwood to look after business a few days.

BOYS LOST IN STORM FIND FATHER

(Bartlett Tribune)
W. M. Cehand, who lives a few miles southwest of Bartlett, in a very happy father today. During the Galveston storm, like many others, he lost all of his earthly possessions, including his family—wife and two little sons, aged 3 and 5 years. After that awful disaster Mr. Cehand found sufficient evidence to convince him of the death of his companion, but nothing to show the destruction of his children, and of course, this caused him to keep as diligent search as possible for them, when a few months ago he met a friend on the train, who was also a victim of the storm, each thinking the other had perished in the flood. After discussing the affair at length, the friend told Mr. Cehand that he during his travels in California a few months prior, had met a young man in Sacramento named Cehand, and from the resemblance he believed him to be his son. Mr. Cehand immediately communicated with the postmaster at Sacramento, to ascertain if there was a party there named Cehand, and he was very much gratified to receive an answer in the affirmative giving the name of James Cehand, who frequently received his mail at that place. The inquiring father wrote the young man, in care of the postmaster, telling him of the awful storm and of sad fate that befell him and his family, of the death of the mother and the supposed death of the two little sons, Rudolph and James, aged 3 and 5 years, respectively.

It was but a very short time until an answer came to the father from the son, giving him a short but thrilling narrative of the lives of two young men who were swept away when mere children by the Galveston storm, but were rescued by strangers and placed in a convent, where they remained until old enough to go out in the world and battle for themselves, as orphans, under the impression that their father and mother had been taken away. He concluded his letter by stating that his brother, Rudolph, was also there, and they were anxious to meet their father.

As a sequel, on last Sunday morning's train James and Rudolph Cehand, aged 19 and 21 years, arrived in Bartlett, and were met by their father, after sixteen long years of separation and intense anxiety.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Spencer and two children, returned home Monday afternoon from a day or two visit to relatives at Eldorado and made the trip in their auto.

J. C. McKaen and Miss Pauline McKaen left Saturday afternoon for Lometa after a visit in our section.

County's Wealth as Told by Tax Assessor's Rolls

Tax values can not be considered as the true values until the full rendition law is enforced, and even then there will be loop holes that will make it impossible to tell in dollars and cents what we are worth. However, the tax assessors rolls are used in every county in exhibiting our wealth.

Tax Assessor Boyd is putting the finishing touch to the tax rolls of Runnels county within a few days will turn the rolls over to the commissioners' court for their approval, and from there they will go to Tax Collector Pagett's office and the tax collector will be ready to relieve the people of their tax obligations.

The rolls make a good showing this year, showing a considerable increase over last year. Especially does the production item loom up and shows that the people of this county are beginning to realize the importance of moving their smoke house from Iowa to Runnels county.

Following figures make interesting reading:

Land assessed, number of acres, 653,058	\$ 5,097,810.00
Town lots	1,769,110.00
Horses and mules, number 9,749	62,400.00
Cattle, number 15,332	305,640.00
Jacks and Jennets, number 45	4,500.00
Sheep, number 14,420	36,840.00
Hogs, number 6,425	15,870.00
Dogs, number 36	700.00
Buggies, wagons, autos, etc., number 3,895	300,760.00
Goods and merchandise	511,620.00
Manufacturing, tools, implements and machinery	287,540.00
Materials and manufactured articles	4,000.00
Steam engines and boilers	48,300.00
Amount of credits of banks	200.00
Amount of money other than banks	115,450.00
Money had on deposits	53,760.00
Amount of credits other than banks	187,940.00
Amount of bonds and stock	21,800.00
Amount of shares and capital stock	22,500.00
Value of property of company or corporation	60,000.00
Miscellaneous property	85,390.00
State and National Banks	230,100.00
Railroads, number miles 62.44	373,620.00
Value of rolling stock	114,640.00
Intangible assets	541,230.00
Telegraph and telephone lines	54,650.00
	\$10,306,370.00

Taxes		Poll Taxes	
State taxes	\$46,153.04	Number assessed	3311
County taxes	59,482.76	State polls	\$4,966.00
Dist. school tax	20,739.20	County polls	\$27.50
Total taxes	\$126,375.00		

SERVES NOTICE ON TRAIN MEN

Notices were sent out and posted in conspicuous places at the terminals of the Santa Fe yesterday, in which E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, served formal notice on all trainmen that this road would not comply with the eight hour law, unless the court of the last resort passed on the new law and approved it and ordered his road to comply with it. According to the notice trainmen will continue working ten hours to the day as heretofore, with straight time for all time worked over the ten hours, or quit just as they wish. Mr. Ripley says the eight hour law creates an advance of from 20 to 25 per cent in wages, and he issued the notice that all trainmen may know under what rules they are working.

Mr. Ripley's statement follows:

"Congress hastily acting under a threat of four leaders of labor organizations enacted a so-called eight-hour law, which is nothing more nor less than an advance of 20 to 25 per cent in the wages of the best paid men in railway service. It is only fair to the public and to our employes to say that the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company does not intend to comply with the law until ordered to do so by the court of the last resort."

COKE COUNTY'S LONELY NEGRO.

Robert Lee, Sept. 13.—Bill Coleman, a Baptist colored parson, and the lone negro of Coke county, who was arrested for bootlegging, by City Marshal Parish of Bronte, and placed in the Robert Lee jail two weeks ago is daily visited by Coke county boys and girls—some of whom have never seen a negro, as negroes reside here—except the parson who is detained here to interview the county court. He has the distinction of being the only negro ever lodged in the Robert Lee jail.

MOST ORDERLY SHOW DAY HERE

Notwithstanding that a general downpour of rain visited this section Tuesday, beginning about nine o'clock, just as the people began to arrive in the city to attend the show, the circus program was carried out without the least bit of disturbance. On account of the rain the parade was delayed a couple of hours, but this proved all the better as the school children were released in time to see the parade, and that is all that many of the children had the privilege of witnessing.

It was an orderly day in Ballinger. There was no drunkenness or disturbance of any character that justified an arrest, and the day passed off without an arrest being made. The show people proved themselves the most clever set of entertainers ever to visit this city. The "skin games" and nimble fingered followers that generally accompany shows, were not to be found with the Howe's Great London Shows, and the entertainment offered under the big canvas was satisfactory to practically all of those who expressed themselves after seeing the performance.

The show management was well pleased with the patronage given them here. The day looked gloomy for the show folks, and the receipts for the day could have been purchased at a small figure but a let-up of rain about noon caused the attendance to be very satisfactory to the show folks. It was the first visit for this circus to this city, and many people were a little suspicious about what they were to receive for their money, but were pleased with what they did get.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holloway and daughter, Miss Leslie motored over to Norton and spent Sunday and were accompanied home by Raymond Holloway who came home to enter school.

W. H. Cane and W. A. Guin of the Hatchel country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

WILL BRING INJURED MAN TO BALLINGER

T. J. Layton went to San Angelo Monday to be with his son Malcomb Layton, who was seriously injured in a collision with an automobile while he was en route to Ballinger last Thursday night to visit his father here. Young Layton, it seems, was working in San Angelo, and decided to run down to Ballinger on his motorcycle. An auto from Winters, which was en route to San Angelo, collided with the motorcycle about five miles from San Angelo, and Layton sustained a broken right leg, a scalp wound and bruises about the face and body and was in an unconscious condition until a late hour Friday morning when he revived sufficiently to tell who he was and where his people lived.

In giving an account of the accident the San Angelo Standard says:

The scene of the accident, five miles east of the city on the Miles-San Angelo road, was visited on Friday by Sheriff Hawley C. Allen and Fred Williams of the motorcycle department of the San Angelo Hardware Co. The automobile tire tracks plainly showed that the car turned from the beaten path in which it was traveling to the left of the highway. This brought it into direct line with Layton, who was riding "blind" that is, without the required light on his machine. The Winters motorists were in a hurry to reach town and did not see the motorcycle until he was a few feet away. All efforts to avoid the smash were taken to no avail. The front end of the motorcycle, including the tank, frame, front forks, wheel and tire, were craved in.

Layton is at St. John's Sanitarium in San Angelo, and the latest reports from the sanitarium says that he will recover. He will be brought to his father's home in West End as soon as he can be moved.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baker and baby, left in their auto Monday afternoon for Hamlin, where Mr. Baker will look after cotton business and Mrs. Baker will visit relatives.

BALLINGER BOY PUBLICITY AGENT

Infantile Paralysis Victims.
New York, Sept. 12.—A survey completed last night by department of health statisticians shows that the infantile paralysis epidemic has found more victims between 2 and 3 years old than at any other age. Children less than 1 year old were next in number.

W. D. Meadows, commissioner of the Winters precinct and J. D. Smith of the Wingate country, came in Monday to be at their places in the regular monthly term of commissioners court.

REPUBLICANS APPARENTLY WIN MAINE

AUGUSTA, Maine, Sept. 12.—Increased returns from the Maine elections today show a victory for the Republican candidates in that state. Notwithstanding that the early returns came from smaller towns and rural districts and gave a Republican advantage, the larger cities have failed to cut-down this majority to any considerable extent, and the Democrats have apparently lost heavily in nearly all offices.

Governor Oakley C. Curtis, a Democrat, was candidate for re-election against Carl E. Milliken, a Roosevelt Republican, and has apparently lost the state by 3,000 votes to date.

Tom Green County After Farm Demonstrator.

San Angelo, Tex., Sept. 12.—Tom Green County commissioners will be asked to make an appropriation for an agricultural agent for this county. If the terms will not be granted by the commissioners, efforts will be made to obtain a necessary amount by subscription. It is planned to have the agent here by October 1.

L. E. H. Barnett, of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and renewed with the Banner-Ledger. Mr. Barnett says he can't afford to do without the old reliable weekly.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baker and baby, left in their auto Monday afternoon for Hamlin, where Mr. Baker will look after cotton business and Mrs. Baker will visit relatives.

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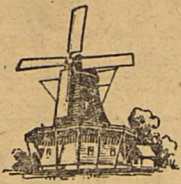
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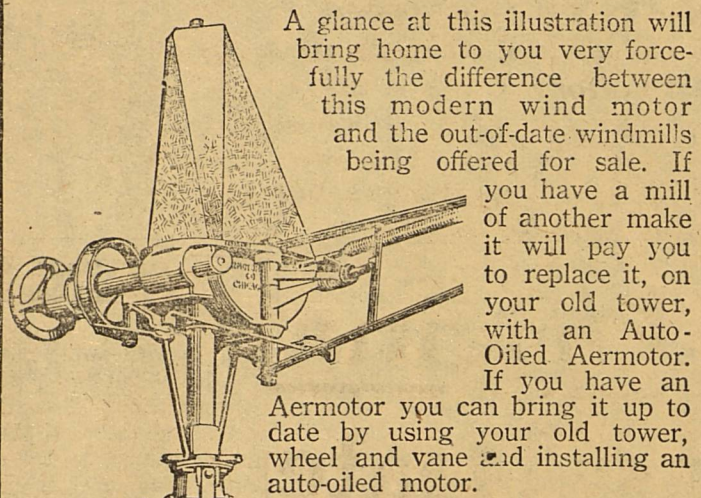


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A glance at this illustration will bring home to you very forcefully the difference between this modern wind motor and the out-of-date windmill's being offered for sale. If you have a mill of another make it will pay you to replace it, on your old tower, with an Auto-Oiled Aermotor. If you have an Aermotor you can bring it up to date by using your old tower, wheel and vane and installing an auto-oiled motor.

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CONTESTING EFFORT TO MOVE SCHOOL

The first case of the kind ever to come up for trial in this county was heard before County Superintendent Bird Friday afternoon, and was attracting considerable attention.

The case grew out of the effort of the school board in district No. 38, known as the Brookshire district, to move the school from its present location to one which the board claimed would be more centrally located, and which would accommodate more people, so claimed by the board, and is styled Emmett Brookshire et al vs. J. S. Duffy et al, the defendants in the case constituting the school board.

When the school board passed an order moving the school building, Mr. Brookshire, and other plaintiffs in the case, objected to the building being moved and secured a writ of injunction restraining the board from moving the building.

Under the law governing such school matters the case is appealed from the local board to the county superintendent and from the county superintendent to the county board, and if either side is not satisfied with the verdict here rendered they can appeal the case to the state superintendent, and from the state superintendent to the state board, which is the court of last resort in such cases.

Jennings & Bigler, of Miles and C. P. Shepherd, of Ballinger, are representing the school board in the case, and Doss & Baugh are representing the plaintiffs Emmett Brookshire et al.

BROOKSHIRE SCHOOL CAN NOT BE MOVED

In the case tried before County Superintendent Bird last Friday and Saturday to determine whether the Brookshire school should be moved from its present location to a location selected by the board, the superintendent ruled that the school must remain where it is now located, and annulled the order recently issued by the local school board of the Brookshire district for the moving of the school.

This is the first suit of the kind ever tried out in this county. The school board decided to move the school to what they claimed was a more central location. Certain patrons of the school objected to the moving of the school and employed Judges Doss & Baugh to fight the case for them, in which they protested against the moving of the building.

The school board's attorneys, Judge Jennings & Bigler, gave notice of appeal to the next highest court, which is the county board, and the case can be carried to the state board, which is the court of last resort in such matters.

Swellings of the flesh caused by inflammation, cold, fractures of the bone, toothache, neuralgia, or rheumatism can be relieved by applying Ballard's Snow Liment. It should be well rubbed in over the part affected. Its great healing and penetrating power eases the pain, reduces the swelling and restores natural conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

COURT COMPLETES TERM AT PAINT ROCK

Judge Jno. W. Goodwin passed through Ballinger Friday en route to his home at Brownwood, from Paint Rock, where he had been holding the September term of district court.

Court convened at Paint Rock Monday afternoon, holding three days and one-half and disposing of three criminal cases and a number of civil cases. The grand jury returned four felonies and four misdemeanor bills, and two of the felonies were disposed of at the present term, two Mexicans, one charged with horse theft and one with burglary, pleading guilty and receiving a sentence of two years each.

A man charged with manslaughter, and who was tried at the last term of court, the cases resulting in mistrial, was at the term just adjourned and acquitted.

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MUST ENTER SCHOOL BY JANUARY 8TH

The school board fixed January 8th as the last day upon which children can remain out of school under the compulsory education law. The law requires all children must enter by the above date.

The board urges that all children enter school at the beginning of the term, and remain for the full term, but the parents who do not enter their children by Jan. 8th will be prosecuted as the law directs.

The board perfected arrangements for the opening of school at nine o'clock Monday morning, and the children and teachers will assemble as directed by the assignment announced in this paper several days ago.

SEARCHING THE COUNTRY

The manufacturers of Ross' "Dead Quick" Spray are searching the country for an insect it will not kill. Write them if you find one. If insects are in your home, on your plants, shrubbery, vegetables, among your poultry, this spray will destroy them. Sold in Ballinger by the Walker Drug Co.

CROP CONDITION LOW; PRICES HIGH

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—According to the U. S. department of agriculture's crop report today the composite condition of all crops on Sept. 1st was five and four-tenths per cent below an average for the last ten years.

The September first report of this year was also eleven and nine-tenths per cent below that of last year.

The level of prices for crops on Sept. 1st was twenty-one and nine-tenths per cent higher than last year, and 18 and six-tenths higher than a ten years' average.

Banner, Moon, and Ozark buggies, steel wheel, farm trucks, etc., at bargain prices by Sales Agency and Commission Co., at Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co. New shipment just received. 1-4tw.

COMPROMISE IN RAILROAD DAMAGE SUIT.

The suit recently filed against the Santa Fe by the heirs of J. E. Wild, who was killed on a crossing two miles from this city when Mr. Wild's car was struck by a passenger train, and J. W. Chestnutt, who was seriously injured at the same time, has been settled out of court.

In the compromise the wife of deceased received \$5000 and Mr. Chestnutt received \$1250. The accident occurred last spring while the two men were en route from a business visit to San Angelo, the nine-thirty passenger train striking the car while it was stalled on the crossing in the sand west of this city.

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PROF. WELLS ENGAGES IN NEWSPAPER BUSINESS

Prof. J. C. Wells, who was a candidate for county superintendent, was here from Miles Wednesday and informed us that he had just purchased the Miles Messenger from Tom Cooper, and would continue to make his home in this county. Mr. Wells was in the act of moving away from the county when he struck a trade with Mr. Cooper and became owner of the Miles paper.

Diarrhoea Remedy

This is a medicine that every family should be provided with. Colic and diarrhoea often come on suddenly and it is of the greatest importance that they be treated promptly. Consider the suffering that must be endured until a physician arrives or medicine can be obtained. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has a reputation second to none for the quick relief which it affords. Obtainable everywhere.

YOUNG DRY GOODS SALES-MAN CHANGES LOCATION

Levi Sarkey, who has been with the D. Reeder dry goods store for several years, has severed his connections with that firm and accepted a position with Melton Dry Goods Co., entering upon his duties for the new employes Monday.

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

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

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

GRAIN COMPANY GIVES BALLINGER NEW FIRM

West Texas Grain Co., is the style of a new firm organized for the purpose of doing a general wholesale grain business in this city. The firm is composed of J. K. Hutton and J. C. Latham, and they are making arrangements now for a location which will be announced later.

All kinds of grain will be handled in any quantities from one earload to fifty earloads, the new firm having ample financial backing for handling grain on a large scale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sims left Friday afternoon for Coleman to visit relatives, a few days.

MARRIED HERE LAST SUNDAY.

Miss Sallie Carroll of Miles and Mr. J. H. Robertson of Brownwood, were married at the Central Hotel at Ballinger last Sunday at 10 a. m., Rev. Montgomery officiating. The bride was the sister of Mrs. J. B. Watkins and has hosts of friends here. The groom has been in the post office at Brownwood for fifteen years. We bespeak for them a long and happy life together.—Miles Messenger.

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PROF. SECREST MARRIED AT SANTA ANNA

It was the privilege of the editor to attend a quiet home wedding at Santa Anna Wednesday night, the contracting parties being Miss Katherine Thomas of Santa Anna and Prof. H. G. Secrest of Talpa. The wedding took place at the home of Mr. Jones, Rev. Armstrong, pastor of the First Christian Church of Brownwood, officiating. The guests consisted of a few near relatives of the bride and groom, together with Messrs. E. D. Bowen, and Marshall Lett of Hatchel, and yerscribe.

The groom is superintendent of the schools at Talpa and is a young man of sterling qualities, who is rapidly rising in his chosen profession, while the bride is an attractive and accomplished lady that easily wins popularity where-

ever she goes. The groom has a place already prepared and furnished for his bride at Talpa and they are at home there to their many friends.—Miles Messenger.

The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak

Old people who are feeble, and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking regularly Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

Miss Doris Latham, was the guest of her brother and family a day or two the past week, while en route to Dublin from San Angelo.

Capt. Robert Bailey of Fort Worth, spent Sunday in Ballinger the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Scott Mack and family and left Monday for San Angelo on a short business trip.



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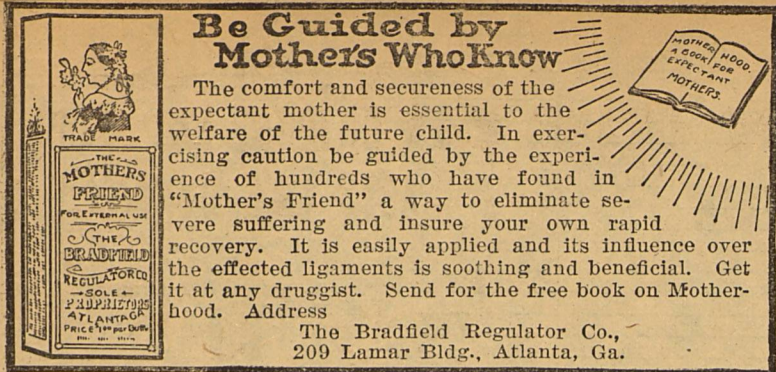
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SALE OF DANISH ISLANDS

Copenhagen, via London, Sept. 12.—Premier Zahle today submitted in the langsting a bill having as its object the settlement of the question of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States by a plebiscite after a parliamentary committee has investigated the matter. The first reading of the bill is expected Friday.

The government expects that if the bill is passed that the committee will have finished its report Oct. 4, and the plebiscite can be held Oct. 20. If the bill is adopted, the question of the sale of the islands will be a separate question from the general elections which the members of all the political parties expect will be held later.

Today the attitude of the opposition with regard to the bill seemed rather favorable but nothing definite can be said as to their ultimate attitude.

Bad Colds from little Sneezes Grow.

Many colds that hang on all winter start with a sneeze, a sniffle, a sore throat, a tight chest. You know the symptoms of colds, and you know prompt treatment will break them up. Dr. King's New Discovery, with its soothing antiseptic balsams, has been breaking up colds and healing coughs of young and old for 47 years. Dr. King's New Discovery loosens the phlegm, clears the head, soothes the irritated membrane, and makes breathing easier. At your druggist, 50c.

Ivan Hamilton, the Winters confectioner, was visiting his parents and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. Norton, who had been spending several months in the coast country, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Bateman Monday while en route to Winters.

Shannon McWilliams, one of the prominent stockmen of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

MAN AND WIFE BROUGHT TOGETHER IN JAIL CELL

Ft. Worth, Sept. 13.—A family reunion under peculiar circumstances has occurred here. A man was arrested and placed in jail on a charge of theft. A woman was jailed for drunkenness. Next morning the two prisoners caught sight of each other and discovered that they were husband and wife, long separated.

While the jail attendants watched, the couple embraced affectionately.

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E. H. Voelkel, N. K. Freeman, J. H. Neas and Aug. Zetner, of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

SHERIFF PERKINS GETS PRISONER AT ABILENE

Willard Jones, a young man about 24 years old, is in the Ballinger jail, and has expressed a desire to plead guilty to forging a check for a neat little sum, and of obtaining a good part of the money on same, before he made his escape.

Sheriff Perkins went to Abilene Wednesday, where Jones was being held for him and brought the man to Ballinger. Jones had just plead guilty to stealing an auto at Abilene and given a five year suspended sentence. Before being released under the suspended sentence rule, Sheriff Perkins was notified of the court's action and advised to come for the prisoner at once, if he wanted him.

It was a fortunate catch for Mr. Perkins when Jones was arrested for stealing an auto at Abilene, and it was just a happen so that Mr. Perkins learned that Jones was in the Abilene jail. When the forgery was first committed here Mr. Perkins had circulars, giving a description of the man, sent out to brother officers over the state. For some reason the Abilene sheriff did not get one of the circulars, and while passing thru Ballinger on a return trip from San Angelo where he went to get a prisoner, he incidentally told Mr. Perkins about the auto theft and furnished Mr. Perkins with a description of the man, when Mr. Perkins very promptly claimed the prisoner.

According to the story told by Jones, he went to San Angelo from Ballinger, after passing the check for \$87.50 with the name of Chester Bouldin signed to same. From San Angelo he went to Sweetwater and from there to Abilene where he stole the auto and went to Oklahoma. It was while trying to sell the auto for an unreasonably low price in Oklahoma that the man was arrested and returned to Abilene.

Jones claims his home in West Virginia. He says he has a wife, and child, in that state. He joined the army and was on duty at Laredo, where he deserted and drifted through the country to Talpa, where he secured employment on a ranch, and becoming familiar more or less with the business dealings of Bouldin, for whom he worked, he forged Mr. Bouldin's name to the check, it is alleged, and succeeded in getting part of the money on same after depositing the check in the bank.

On account of pleading guilty, and at the mercy of the court, the man was given a suspended sentence at Abilene for the auto theft, but under the law governing suspended sentences, he can not claim the mercy of the court here, and conviction here will revoke the suspended sentence and he will be punished with additional sentence, if convicted as charged. Jones forged the check here last May, it is alleged.

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\$13,000 FIRES IN TEXAS LAST YEAR

AUSTIN, Sept. 13.—Gov. Ferguson announced today that he had designated October Ninth as Fire Prevention Day for Texas. Statistics compiled by the state fire marshal shows that thirteen thousand fires, entailing a loss of sixteen million dollars, occurred in Texas last year. Of this number it is claimed that seventy-nine per cent of the fires were preventable, and should not have occurred.

LADDIE LAIRD TO FLY AT MIDLAND FAIR

The management of the Midland Fair and Inter State Stock Show, through the Lincoln Beachey Co., Inc. of Chicago, has contracted for Laddie Laird, one of the best aviators in the world. Laird will loop the loop, fly up-

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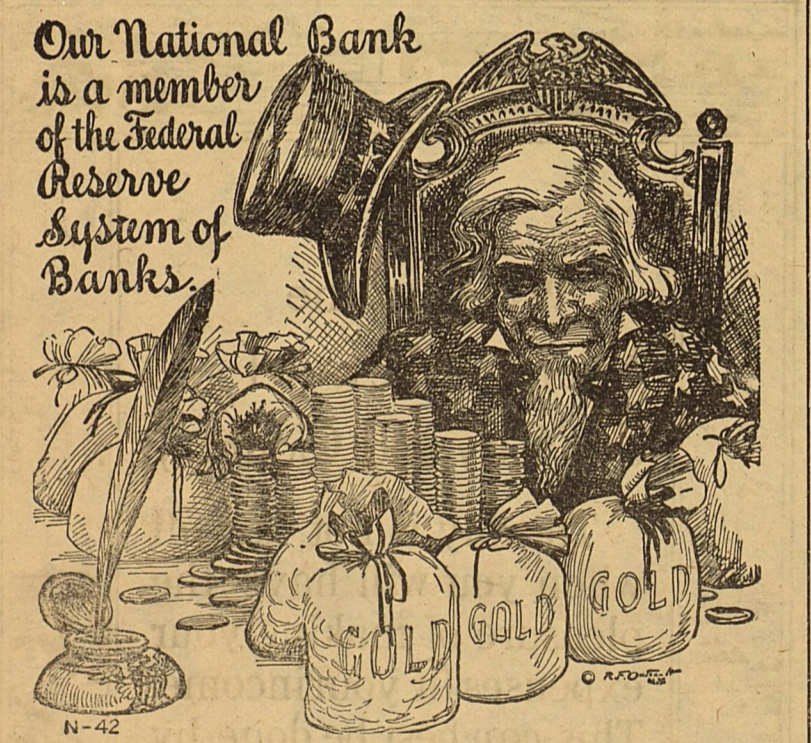
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side-down and give other fancy features. On the Fourth of July, Laddie Laird was substituted for DeLoyd Thompson, who had suffered an injury and could not fly at the State Convention of Elks at Butte, Montana, where the air is dry and light, but this did not prevent Laird giving one of the most remarkable exhibitions of flying ever witnessed. Every feature ever given by any other aviator was given on the program at Butte and Laird was showered with congratulations by the delighted Elks and other spectators when he descended from the air. Laird comes to Midland direct from the State Fair in Colorado. There are only five aviators in America who loop the loop and do similar dangerous work, so Midland is fortunate in securing for the fair, this remarkable exhibition. During this engagement, Laird will give a night exhibition, putting on his regular work, attached to his place will be huge magnesium lights, so that he will loop the loop in a veritable circle of fire. John A. Weeks returned home Tuesday from Atlantic City, where he attended the American Pharmaceutical Association and also spent a while at New York, Washington, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and other points in that section.

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THE SECRET OF THE SUBMARINE

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Novelized from the Motion Picture Play of the Same Name by the American Film Manufacturing Company.

SYNOPSIS.

Dr. Jarvis Hope is detailed by the United States naval board to investigate the act of examining the mechanism of the submarine to a state of perfection. On the trial trip of the inventor's boat, a Japanese helper is surprised to find there are others interested in it. An attempt to burglarize Doctor Burke's laboratory fails, but later his daughter Cleo finds him murdered in his bedroom. Hope sells her father's books to get money; later she finds a note from which she learns that they contain the secret formula. Olga Ivanoff and Gerald Morton, two spies in search of the formula, attempt to capture Cleo when she comes for the books to Stephanski, the anarchist. Hope rushes to her aid; Morton shoots at him but the bullet hits a bomb in the cellar, which explodes. Hope and Cleo escape and attend a ball at Mrs. Delmar's, whose nephew has two of the missing books. Mahlin, a spy, attempts to steal the books; in the excitement that follows the books disappear. Mahlin escapes. Hope and Cleo take a boat for an island out in the bay. The conspirators follow in other boats. Mahlin and the Jap turn out the island light. Morton's boat with the countess strikes a stray mine in the bay. After a violent storm Hope and Cleo arrive on a strange island and discover that the man they hunt is there. But Mahlin and the Japanese also reach the island and put up a fight for the books. They escape from Hope but return and dynamite the shack. The conspirators fail to harm Hope and Cleo. They manage to reach Sandbaro, where Doctor Owen has one of the books. Each of the others approach the doctor, but he refuses to hear them. He arranges to meet Hope at the hotel with the book. Morton poses as Hope and but for an earthquake would have possessed the volume. Cleo is captured by Morton and taken in his friend's aeroplane to a lonely cabin in the mountains. She finds there the book for which they search. Fortunately she gets a note to Hope, who, with Hook, starts to the rescue. As he crosses the chasm in the swinging basket Mahlin steals up and chops at the cable with an ax.

TENTH INSTALLMENT

Again Mahlin's ax rose and fell; again it bit through a strand of wire; again the tight-stretched cable sang and quivered. Hope, half way across the chasm now, and literally dangling between earth and sky, realized his peril. Yet he was helpless. So gradual was the incline of the cable that his progress was comparatively slow. He knew that before he could reach the opposite cliff Mahlin would have done his work and he would go plunging downward to meet his end on the rocks below. A thousand thoughts flashed through his mind. Cleo, marooned on the ledge and dying of starvation. . . . the secret of the submarine lost to America forever. He shut his eyes and his lips moved in prayer. In another moment it would all be over. For a third time the ax swung upward. . . . and then a shot rang out! A bullet splattered against a rock within a foot of Mahlin. He whirled about and as he did so a second bullet tore through his coat. Running across the mesa, a huge navy revolver in his hand, came Hook, firing as he ran. Even as Mahlin looked another bullet sang by his head, whereupon he dropped his ax and ran.

An instant later Hope reached the opposite bank. Swinging himself onto the ledge, he ran to where Cleo was lying in a heap. His danger and the perils through which she had passed had been too much for her; she had fainted. Lifting her limp and slender form, he bore her into the cabin and laid her tenderly upon the bunk. "Cleo! Darling!" he whispered brokenly. "Speak to me. It's Jarvis." Slowly consciousness returned. Her bosom rose and fell. A tinge of color



"Is It Really You, Jarvis, or Am I Dreaming?" invaded the alabaster of her cheeks. Her eyelids fluttered. She gave a moan which ended in a frenzied wail of "Jarvis! Jarvis!" Then her eyes opened and she looked up into the face of the man she loved. "Is it really you, Jarvis," she murmured, "or am I dreaming? I saw you swinging on that dreadful cable. . . ."

I saw a man start to cut it with an ax. . . . and then everything went black. . . . I thought you had been killed. "Hook saved me," he answered, "just as you fainted, darling." "Thank God!" she whispered. "If anything had happened, Jarvis, I should have thrown myself over the cliff after you. Without you life would not be worth living."

Now he was on his knees beside the bunk. "Do you care for me as much as that, dear heart?" he asked wonderingly. "I care for you more than all the world," she answered simply. "You are all the world to me," he whispered tenderly, as he drew her close. "I have loved you since the first time I saw you, that afternoon in your father's garden."

"It was love at sight for me, too, Jarvis." "Will you marry me, Cleo?" "Yes," she breathed, so softly that he could barely hear her, and her arms stole round his neck. Their lips met and for a long moment there was no sound. Held tightly in Hope's arms, her head pillowed upon his shoulder, Cleo related her adventures. She told of being seized while strolling in the outskirts of Santa Eulalia and dragged into a car and chloroformed; of finding herself in the cabin on the ledge with Morton, and of his attempt to force her into marrying him.

"The cad!" exploded Hope, clenching his fists. "The dirty cur! I wish I could get my hands on him! One of these days I'll make him pay for his treatment of you, my darling." "I knew that you would come for me, of course," Cleo continued, "but I was afraid that you might come too late. I had made up my mind that if he returned and attempted to so much as lay a finger on me that I would kill myself. . . . Oh, Jarvis, Jarvis!" she cried, shuddering, "you came just in time, my dear."

"You must never think of it again, dear heart," he said soothingly. "The danger is over now and you're safe in my arms." "They say that every cloud has a silver lining—that out of evil good shall come," said Cleo, turned suddenly from grave to gay. "So, if that awful man hadn't kidnaped me and brought me here, I should never have discovered this!" and she triumphantly held up the book that she had found in the cupboard.

Hope fairly snatched it from her hand. "You don't mean to say," he almost shouted in his excitement, "that you've actually found the formula—here, in this deserted cabin?" "I haven't found the formula itself," she answered, "but I've found where the formula is," and she showed him the inscription in her father's handwriting on the inside of the back cover.

"Philosophy," he read slowly. "Page sixty-one; every seventh word. It can mean only one thing, of course. It means that if we will read every seventh word on page sixty-one of some work of philosophy we will have the formula of your father's invention. But the question is, which philosophy? There must be hundreds of works on the subject. Can you remember, Cleo, if there was a work on philosophy among your father's books?"

"I think there was," she said after a moment's reflection. "Yes, I am certain of it. Daddy would sometimes read aloud from it on the evenings. But I haven't the least idea what its title was or who wrote it." "Then I'm afraid that we still have a long search ahead of us. There are still books for us to trace; the philosophy may be the last one that we find."

"I've more good news for you," said Cleo. "I noticed that this work on metallurgy is in two volumes, and as I felt sure that Mr. Patten must have bought them both, I searched the cabin and discovered the other volume lying under the bunk. There is nothing in it, though; I've gone through it carefully. I had plenty of time for reading here," she added, laughing. "You poor child," said Hope, kissing her upturned lips, "it makes me shudder to think of the perils through which you have passed."

"It has been worth all the perils, dear!" Cleo answered softly, "because they have given me you. Now that we have each other I don't care if we never find the secret of the submarine."

Again there fell a silence in the cabin. "I'm afraid we must be going, sweetheart," said Hope at last, "or Hook will think that something has happened to us. We've kept the poor old fellow waiting over there for nearly an hour. And he saved my life, too." "It only makes us square then, lieutenant," boomed a familiar voice at the cabin door. "I ain't forgot how

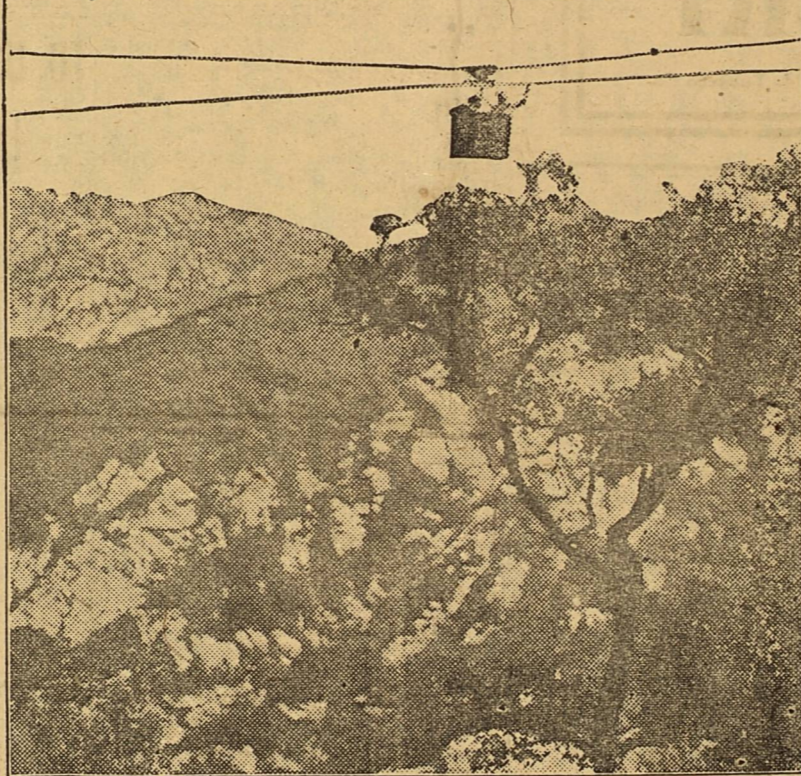
you saved me from that shark down in Pago-Pago bay." "Good gracious, Hook!" exclaimed Hope in surprise, "how did you get across the chasm?" "Wall, I got sorter tired a waiting' fer you two young folks to finish your reunion, so I took a look around and what should I find, hidden away, nice as you please, in the bushes, but the basket? So I hauls back the block, hooks on the basket, and sails across as easy as though I wuz on one o' them there roller-coasters."

"You saved my life, Hook," said Hope, holding out his hand, which the old seaman grasped in his horny palm. "I shan't forget it. You came just in the nick of time." "Praps it wuz just as well that I come along when I did," Hook admitted. "Two more strokes of that ax and you'd been a goner, lieutenant. And it wuz forfornit thing that before we left the hotel I slipped my six-shooter in my pocket. I wuz out o' breath from climbin' the mountain and my aim wuz a leetle unsteady, but I made the feller vamoose just the same."

"Who was he?" asked Hope. "It wuz Satsuma's side-partner, Mahlin." "Mahlin, eh?" repeated Hope. "I thought it might be Morton. The next time I meet either of those gentlemen," he added grimly, "there's going to be a reckoning."

"Waal, Miss Cleo," said Hook, turning to the girl, "it certainly does my heart good to find you safe and sound. We wuz pretty much worried about you fer a time." "You're a perfect dear, Hook," she said, putting her hands affectionately on the old salt's burly shoulders. "You saved my life when you carried me out of Stephanski's cellar just before the bombs exploded, and now you have saved Mr. Hope's life. If it were not for you neither of us would be here—and that is why I am going to tell you a very great secret. Mr. Hope and I are engaged."

"Whoop! Whoop-ee!" he shouted, grasping their hands. "I wish you both, you, lieutenant, and you, Miss Cleo, all the health and happiness and good luck in the world. I'm good-fer-



Made the Passage Across the Chasm in the Basket.

nothin', no-account old sailor, but when your paw did, Miss Cleo, I sez to myself, sez I, 'Doctor Burke took care o' you when you wuz down and out, Hook Barnacle, and now he's gone it's up to you to look after his daughter.' I ain't made a very good garden, Miss Cleo, but I done the best I knew how."

Standing on tiptoe, so that her lips were level with Hope's ear, Cleo whispered something to him. Then, with flaming face, she fled from the cabin. "She says, Hook," said Hope, "that if we ever have a boy his middle name shall be Barnacle."

The book which contained the key to the code being too bulky to be carried easily, Hope contented himself with cutting off that portion of the book which contained the annotation. "I ought to leave some word for this fellow Patten," he remarked. "It's hardly fair to cut up his book and not let him know who did it." So he scrawled in pencil on the inside of the front cover: "Mr. Patten—I have taken the liberty of cutting out a message which I found in this book. If you will communicate with me at the Shattsbury hotel, Santa Eulalia, I shall be glad to reimburse you."

"JARVIS HOPE." "Now," he remarked, "we must be starting. We have three or four hours of hard walking ahead of us and we must be out of the mountains before it gets dark."

Though Mahlin's ax-strokes had materially weakened the cable, it was still strong enough to support one person at a time, Cleo, Hook, and Hope making the passage across the chasm in the basket in turn. Then, turning their backs on the spot where they had found so much peril and so much of happiness, they set out on the long and arduous trip down the mountains.

About the time that the three were leaving the cabin on the ledge, Morton and Olga were preparing to visit the mountains in the aeroplane. And Olga was by no means a welcome passenger. "I think that I'll fly up to the mesa this afternoon and have a talk with the Burke girl," Morton had carelessly

remarked. "She's been in the cabin three days now and I fancy that by this time she won't be quite so stubborn." "And I think that I will go with you," Olga had rejoined. "I can get more out of the girl than you can." "Nonsense," said Morton. "You don't want to go along. It's no trip for a woman. It's a nasty place to land up there on the mesa. There's no use in taking unnecessary risks."

"I'll take any risks that you will," said Olga decisively. "I have already said that I am going with you." "And I say that you're not," said Morton angrily. The last thing in the world that he desired was to have Olga present during his interview with Cleo, for he knew that were the Russian woman to suspect his scheme of forcing Cleo to marry him she was quite capable of making things very unpleasant indeed. And his fears were fully justified by her next remark.

"You will either take me with you," she told him, "or I shall inform the police of some of your recent activities. I fancy that were it known that you are the kidnaper of the Burke girl for whom everyone is searching you would be lucky to escape with your life. They're a hot-headed people, these Californians, and they don't take kindly to having their women stolen. . . . Come, come, my friend. You can't put it over on me, as you Americans say. You're much too anxious to see the girl alone. You will find it a dangerous business to try any double-dealing with me."

"Come along, then," he snarled, making the best of the situation, for he was perfectly aware that, were he to persist in his refusal, Olga would make good her threat.

Morton had been telling the literal truth when he asserted that the flight to the mesa was a hazardous one, for the stiff north wind that had sprung up added materially to the dangers of flying over a mountainous region. Twice they were nearly capsized by the treacherous air currents which unexpectedly swept up at them from the canyons, and it was only Morton's skill as an aviator that saved them. The wind increased in velocity as they

or they approached the cabin. Morton flung open the door. "She's escaped, the little devil!" he snarled. "I feared as much when I saw the basket. She had help from outside, of course."

"What's this?" exclaimed Olga, spying on the table the two books. "Merciful heaven!" she cried, pointing to Patten's name on the flyleaf of one of them. "They're the very books we have been looking for! How did they get here?"

"I've no more idea than you have," said Morton, utterly stupefied. "I didn't see a sign of any books when I brought the girl here. Of all the hellish coincidences! To think that I should have stumbled on the cabin of the very man we have been trying to find and not have known it!"

"You may well call it a hellish coincidence," she snapped, holding up the volume from which Hope had cut the key to the code. "This tells the story. The naval officer that you are always sneering at has been too smart for you. He has not only found his way here and rescued the girl, but he has evidently discovered the secret of the submarine. You idiot! You block-head! You fool!" she screamed, flaring into a sudden passion. "You had the secret almost in your hands and you have let it get away from us! Was there ever such incredible imbecility?"

But Morton was too stunned by the disaster to reply to her taunts. The imposing edifice that his imagination had erected had suddenly collapsed. Cleo's escape ended his scheme of forcibly marrying her and thus obtaining possession of the fortune which she had inherited from Calvin Montgomery. And, as though this were not enough, the secret of the submarine, on finding which he had staked everything, had slipped through his very fingers and was now, he was convinced, in the hands of his rival, the man whom he hated more than any other—Jarvis Hope. The lavish expenditures he had made in prosecuting the search had almost exhausted his means. Gerald Morton was a desperate and a dangerous man.

"Well," demanded Olga, when her anger had somewhat subsided, "what are we going to do about it? There is nothing to be gained by sulking like disappointed children." "We are going to follow them," said Morton grimly. "I'm going to get that formula if I have to kill them both."

"That," said Olga approvingly, "is the way to talk. Let us be going." Their mutual jealousies and suspicions forgotten in the loss of the formula, they recrossed the chasm and climbed into the aeroplane. A moment later and, with a roar from its propellers, it rolled forward across the mesa and soared into the air. During their brief stay in the cabin, however, the wind, already dangerously high, had risen to a gale, and as their craft, leaving the comparatively sheltered mesa, climbed skyward, it was buffeted as a ship is buffeted by the waves. But it was impossible to return to the mesa now, and to attempt to descend elsewhere was but to invite disaster. The driving force of its powerful engines notwithstanding, the aeroplane was as helpless as a skiff in a storm. Yet so masterly was Morton's driving, so perfect his co-ordination of hand and brain, that it seemed as though his skill would triumph over the elements and that he would succeed in reaching the plain in safety. But suddenly a wind-squall leaped out at them from a canyon over which they were passing; the frail machine reeled and quivered before the blow, and, despite Morton's desperate efforts, turned sideways, capsized and plunged like a wounded bird into the gulf below.

An hour or so later a party of cow-punchers, returning to their ranch after rounding up a bunch of strays in the hills, saw on the rocky slope of the canyon a tangled mass of canvas, wood, and steel. Galloping up, they perceived, half buried beneath the wreckage of the aeroplane, the bodies of Olga and Morton.

"They're still breathing, boys," pronounced one of the punchers when he and his companions had succeeded in extricating the inanimate forms. "They're in pretty bad shape. The girl's ribs are all stove in and I'm afraid the fellow's cracked his skull. Bill, you chase down to the ranch and bring up the spring wagon. Better put in a mattress and plenty of blankets, and bring along some whisky. Send one of the boys off to town for the doctor—and tell him to get a move on, too. These people are hurt mighty bad."

So that when Morton and Olga regained consciousness, days later, they found themselves in a ranch-house in a mountain valley, with cowboys nursing them back to health.

Cleo, Hope, and Hook, slowly making their way down the mountainside, little suspected that, following them like bloodhounds, were Mahlin and Satsuma. When the three in front paused they paused also, taking the utmost pains to keep themselves concealed; when Cleo and her companions went forward, Mahlin and the Japanese did the same. Their progress was slow, however, for the country they were traversing was extremely rough, seamed with gorges and broken by unexpected outcroppings of rock. Part way down the mountain trail that they were following entered a winding gorge, so narrow that they were compelled to walk in single file. As they emerged from it, with Cleo somewhat in the lead, Mahlin and Satsuma, who had made a detour so as to intercept them, sprang from a rock behind which they were crouching. So unexpected was the attack that Hope and Hook were taken completely by surprise. Satsuma, felling Hook with a single

blow of his billy, turned to assist Mahlin, who was engaged in a desperate struggle with Hope. "Run, Cleo! Run!" shouted the latter. "Get help!" Hardly were the words out of his mouth, however, than the Japanese, watching his opportunity, dealt him a terrific blow on the back of the head, and, with a smothered groan, the young officer sank to the ground. All this Cleo saw, but not until Mahlin started toward her did she realize that



"I Made the Fellow Vamoose, Just the Same!"

she was powerless to aid her friends and that her own life was in imminent peril. Then, with Mahlin barely a score of yards behind, she turned and ran like a frightened deer. Satsuma stopped only long enough to rifle Hope's pockets, taking from them his pocketbook, his papers, and the piece of the book-cover containing the key to the code. Straight down the mountain slope the chase led, over rocks, in and out of gullies, through underbrush and streams. Sometimes Cleo was out of sight of her pursuers, sometimes they were only a few yards behind. But she was young and strong and terror lent her wings, and she would have made her escape had her flight not been abruptly halted by a deep gulch which formed a fissure in the earth at right angles to the course she was pursuing. On the edge of it she stopped, trembling. Though the opposite bank of the gulch, which was comparatively narrow, was not too steep to scale, the side on which she stood fell away so precipitously that it was impossible for her to clamber down it, and, as it was a half a hundred feet to the bottom, to drop was equally out of the question. Like a hunted animal she glanced about her. Her retreat was cut off by Mahlin and Satsuma, who were rapidly approaching. She must act quickly if she was to escape their clutches. All at once she spied a great tree, a veritable monarch of the forest, which was growing from the bank on which she stood at such an angle that it partially overhung the gulch. Hanging from the tree was a wild grapevine of extraordinary length and thickness—the largest, in fact, that she had ever seen. It was as thick as an inch rope. Why, then, would it not serve as a rope on which she could swing to safety? Pulling on the hanging vine, she found that it was firmly anchored and that it was apparently strong enough to bear her weight. It was a hazardous plan, she knew; the chances were all in favor of the vine breaking and of her being dashed upon the rocks below. But such a fate was better, far better, she felt, than to be at the mercy of the human fiends who were closing in on her. Jerking the vine free of the trunk, she grasped it firmly with both hands, as when a child, she had grasped the swing-rope in the school playground. Stepping well back so as to get the impetus of a run, she sped forward and, just as she felt the touch of Mahlin's outstretched hand, her feet spurned the earth and she swung out into space like a human pendulum.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Bird of Mystery.

One of the most curious and interesting of the unsolved problems relating to bird migration is connected with the chimney swift, more often called the chimney "swallow," a very common and well-known bird of the eastern United States. After the breeding season the flocks drift slowly south and concentrate in vast numbers on the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico. Then they disappear as completely as if they hibernated under the water or in the mud, according to the old belief regarding birds in general. The last week in March they appear again on the Gulf coast. Their hiding place during the intervening five months is still the swift's secret.

Distraction.

"My dentist tells me funny stories, but sometimes I fail to see the point." "Maybe there isn't any point." "Oh, yes there is, but at those particular times my thoughts are centered on the point of his drill."



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YOU may live to be 110 and never feel old enough to vote, but it's certain-sure you'll not know the joy and contentment of a friendly old jimmy pipe or a hand rolled cigarette unless you get on talking-terms with Prince Albert tobacco!

P. A. comes to you with a *real reason* for all the goodness and satisfaction it offers. It is made by a patented process that removes *bite and parch!* You can smoke it long and hard without a come-back! Prince Albert has always been sold without coupons or premiums. We prefer to give quality!

Prince Albert affords the keenest pipe and cigarette enjoyment! And that flavor and fragrance and coolness is as good as that sounds. P. A. just answers the universal demand for tobacco without bite, parch or kick-back!

Introduction to Prince Albert isn't any harder than to walk into the nearest place that sells tobacco and ask for "a supply of P. A." You pay out a little change, to be sure, but it's the cheer-fullest investment you ever made!

Prince Albert is sold everywhere in tippy red bags, 5c; tidy red tins, 10c; handsome pound and half-pound tin humidors—and that clever crystal-glass pound humidor with sponge-moistener top that keeps the tobacco in such splendid condition.

PRINCE the national **ALBERT** joy smoke

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PRINTERS MUST HAVE BETTER PRICES OR QUIT

In defense of the increased cost of printing G. Frederick Kalhoff, in an address before the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World at Philadelphia, said:

"Printers, as a whole do not now charge and in fact, never have charged anywhere near the prices which, in proportion, are charged by other manufacturing industries. This is due, in a measure, to the fact that every job, is in a class by itself. It is like nothing else, and consequently it is almost an impossibility to standardize prices.

"The printing business as a manufacturing proposition because of the infinite detail surrounding almost every separate job, requires the closest attention and an unusual degree of business ability to conduct successfully year in and year out. In common with other lines of endeavor it has its fluctuations, but from the standpoint of the financier printing has never been looked up on as offering a promising field for financial exploitation. This in itself gives ample evidence that this line of manufacture, as a mercantile proposition is one of close margin of profit with little opportunity for more than normal earnings.

"Therefore buyers of printing should realize this fact in a larger measure than they apparently do at the present time. Bearing that fact in mind, let your mind be open to your printer when he, after months of sweating with the constantly increasing cost of production, endeavors to explain to you why he is compelled to charge you more than he did last year for that repeat order.

"To the credit of the printing craft, with allowances for the shortcomings of a few individual members, which in common with those in other industries are the exceptions which prove the rule, it may be truly said that printers are, as a whole, industrious and painstaking, endeavoring and a large measure succeeding in the conduct and operation of a nerve racking, time killing line of manufacture with dignity, honesty and efficiency."

If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only clears out the worms, but it restores health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

WILL TEACH POOR HOW TO SAVE

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 12.—When the American Bankers Association meets in this city two weeks hence, President Frank A. Vanderlip of the National City Bank of New York and other financial geniuses will discuss plans to teach Americans of moderate means to save their money.

A special committee of the association has been investigating this matter for more than a year and their report is said to contain some surprises for Mr. Average Citizen concerning his pennies, quarters, dimes and dollars.

The American people of the rank and file, for all their aspirations to live well, have grown quite frugal, thought not stingy it is said. Still there could be a great deal more money saved by the individual that would not take away from him any of the necessities and modest luxuries he now enjoys, it is claimed.

The business sessions will occupy the bankers September 28th and 29th.

When you have an aching, stretchy, feeling and you are dull tired and discouraged it is a sign of approaching malaria or chills. You should act quickly to ward off an attack. Herbine offers you the help you need. It destroys the malarial germ, drives out all impurities and makes you feel bright, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

C. N. Craft of Miles, came in Monday morning to be present at the regular monthly term of the commissioners' court.

The Soda Fountain
An American Institution

Did you ever stop to realize that the soda fountain is as much an American institution as the sausage is a German institution, "French Bread" is an institution in France and the Plum pudding an English institution? And the funny part of it all is that though one seldom sees a soda fountain in Europe (and then only for the sake of attracting American tourist trade) just as soon as a foreigner gets to this country he too seems to learn to love the soda fountain.

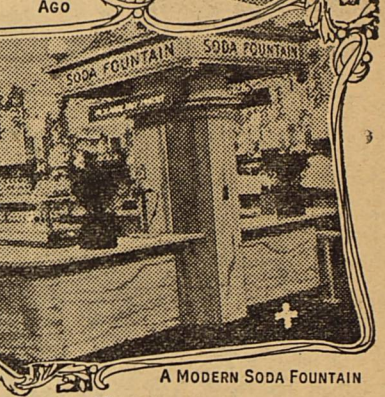
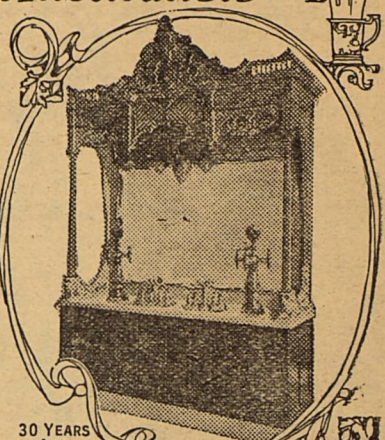
But, if you are old enough to look back a few years you will remember that only comparatively recently has the soda fountain been either so popular or so beautiful and hygienic.

You may remember what these old soda fountains looked like—what poor provision they made to supply even their scanty trade.

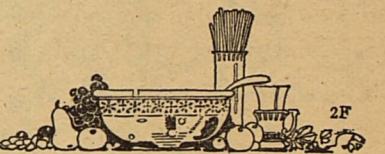
What has wrought this great change—what has made the soda fountain a national institution—a comfort and necessity in the daily lives of men and women—not only during the hot summer time but the whole year 'round.

The answer lies in that delicious beverage Coca-Cola. Soon after its introduction at the fountains people began to ask more and more for this distinctive drink. Along with its demand came the demand for more places that would serve it. Soda fountains sprang up everywhere, improving in beauty, neatness and attractive service. It is a fact that the soda fountain and all its allied industries have come to play in the economic life of the nation today is due largely to the stimulus given to it by Coca-Cola.

In the same way has the call for bottled beverages grown. In 1899 Coca-Cola in bottles was first put on the market and the same quick recognition and appreciation was accorded to it in this form as



A MODERN SODA FOUNTAIN



RECEIVER SAYS TEAGUE BANK NOTES WORTHLESS

WACO, Tex., Sept. 12.—The habeas corpus hearing in the case of T. R. Watson, the Teague banker, charged with the murder of Bank Commissioner John S. Patterson took a sensational turn late yesterday and this morning when Receiver Moore testified for the state. Moore said he had discovered "overplus notes in the Teague bank amounting to thirty-two thousand dollars, which was not shown on the books of the bank."

Mr. Moore said people were constantly denying having signed their names to certain notes held by the bank as collateral, and that he was unable to tell

what notes were good. When he took charge, Moore stated, he found no currency on hand except \$800.69, and that the amount of currency claimed by the bank's financial statement and shown on the books, was \$827,700.80.

WACO, Texas, Sept. 11.—The hearing in the T. R. Watson habeas corpus case was resumed before Judge Harper this morning before Bank Examiner McKinnon was on the stand again a good part of the forenoon, and testified further as to what transpired between the Watsons and Bank Commissioner Patterson during the time that Patterson was ex-

amining the books and taking steps to close the Farmers and Merchants State Bank at Teague, and prior to the time of the shooting that resulted in the death of Patterson.

McKinnon testified that Watson begged Patterson to allow him a three days respite and give him further chance to obtain money with which to place bank back in good condition. It was after Patterson told Watson that it was his duty to close the bank and denied longer time for the Watsons to replace losses that Watson pulled his gun and shot Patterson without giving any warning.

GREEK PREMIER RESIGNS SEAT

ATHENS, Sept. 12.—Premier Seamis today tendered his resignation as head of the Greek cabinet.

King Constantine is urging that the Premier reconsider his resignation, and is trying to prevent a crisis in Hellenic affairs. Early entrance of Greece into the European war is expected soon.

How to Give Good Advice.
 The best way to give good advice is to set a good example. When others see how quickly you get over your cold by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy they are likely to follow your example. This remedy has been in use for many years and enjoys an excellent reputation. Obtainable everywhere.

25 DEAD; BRIDGE COLLAPSE

MONTREAL, Canada, Sept. 11.—Twenty-five workmen were killed outright when the central span of the Quebec railroad bridge collapsed this morning. The span, weighing more than five thousand tons, which was being hoisted on the British side of the river fell fifteen feet into the river, and the men were crushed and drowned before they could be rescued.

A part of the same structure collapsed in 1907, killing seventy-five people. Jesse Norman and sister, Miss D. Norman and Miss Ruth Roach, of Paint Rock, came in Saturday and left in the afternoon for Austin, Fort Worth and Denton, where they will attend school.

TO USE WATERWAYS IN TIME OF STRIKE

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13.—The plan for a system of inland waterways to insure the transportation of freight and passengers in the Eastern part of the United States in case of a general strike will be considered by the annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Convention that opened here today.

An inland waterways system connecting all navigable rivers, lakes and canals, delegates pointed out, would serve the dual purpose of rendezvous for the navy in time of war and of a means of transportation during labor troubles.

About a thousand delegates from Atlantic coast towns and cities are here. The convention will last four days, during which, it is expected, addresses will be delivered by United States Senators and Congressmen of the Rivers and Harbors committees, and the Commerce committee.

Navy Secretary Daniels is to speak before the convention on Sept. 16th at the League Island Navy Yard.

Tomorrow the delegates will move their convention to Trenton and the following day to Chester, Wilmington and Delaware City to examine canals.

At Delaware City, Thursday President Wilson is expected to address the delegates after an inspection tour of the Chesapeake and Delaware canal, "the Kiel of

America," as the delegates call it.

EVERY STREET IN BALLINGER

Has Its Share of the Proof That Kidney Sufferers Seek

Backache? Kidneys weak? Distressed with urinary ills? Want a reliable kidney remedy?

Don't have to look far. Use what Ballinger people recommend. Every street in Ballinger has its cases.

Here's one Ballinger man's experience.

Let Mr. Claypool tell it. —D. C. Claypool, contractor, 500 13th St., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order and I had soreness and dull pains across the small of my back. I used Doan's Kidney Pills which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they soon strengthened my back."

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

Mrs. Marburger, of Austin, who had been visiting Ballinger friends the past few days, left for home Saturday afternoon.

Mack Watkins of the Valley creek country near Norton, Jno. Henry Lewis and Wood McKisack, of the Crews country, and Wm. Hughes of Concho county, were transacting business and attending the circus in Ballinger Tuesday.

Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

"It certainly has no equal for a gripe, bad colds, liver and stomach trouble. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had the measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she has had no more trouble. I shall never be without

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

in my home." For constipation, indigestion, headache, dizziness, malaria, chills and fever, biliousness, and all similar ailments, Thedford's Black-Draught has proved itself a safe, reliable, gentle and valuable remedy.

If you suffer from any of these complaints, try Black-Draught. It is a medicine of known merit. Seventy-five years of splendid success proves its value. Good for young and old. For sale everywhere. Price 25 cents.

At preserving time just watch the woman who makes the most delicious preserves you have ever tasted. Note how carefully she seals her jars and glasses; for that is one of the main reasons why her preserves are always a success.

TEXWAX is helping thousands of women make delicious, appetizing preserves. It is a pure, odorless, tasteless wax, the best seal for all kinds of jars, bottles and glasses. Your preserves will retain all the natural flavors of the fresh fruits with TEXWAX. Get TEXWAX in one-pound packages from the TEXACO dealer near you. He has other TEXACO PRODUCTS for home use.

THE TEXAS COMPANY
 Houston, Texas
 Distributing Points Everywhere



Why Not A Visit To This Store and see the new things for Fall 1916

New Fall and Winter Coats

Your new coat must have grace, beauty, quality and style—individuality—the fabric must be of the better quality—the tailoring perfect and the linings certain of long service.

For these reasons you will find our present showings of absorbing interest to you. Our lines are chosen with the requirements of the well gowned woman in mind.

Every popular wool and pile fabric is represented and approved styles of fall and winter are shown in a pleasing array, specializing in values at \$5.00 to \$45.00.



A Choice Showing of Fall Millinery

Arrange a visit to the millinery department tomorrow all displays are complete for fall. Rich black large velvet sailors with rare touches of fall trimming and pretty combinations and turbans in a variation of odd shapes briefly describes what you will see here tomorrow at popular prices.

Never have we shown such a variety. Never have the prices been so low despite the advance in all materials.

Wonderful range of street hats at

\$2.50, \$3.00,
\$4.00, \$5.00 and up.

Misses' and Children's Hats

The new styles are here for the little tots. Yes, and the prices are in reach of all. Lend us your presence and we will prove to you that we can save you money.

The New Suits

In the display of woman's fall suits, we have aimed to assemble models characteristically different from the usual in style, fabric and tailoring. Style distinction is demanded by particular women. Have we succeeded in this respect? A question we would like you to answer soon.

Suits of serge, gaberdine, whip cord, broadcloth, velours, as well as the novelty weaves. Every wanted style and shade. Prices range

\$12.50, \$15.00
\$18.50, \$20.00, \$25.00 and up.

Early Showing of Furs

We are ready with the new furs, in all the latest styles, in muffs and neck pieces, Priced at \$2.50 to \$25.00.

New Corsets In a Variety of Styles

Your requirements are certain to be met in these early fall displays of front and back lace styles. Such a wide variety of models is shown this fall that is possible for every woman to get a perfect fitting corset adopted to her particular and individual needs

American Lady Corsets

Every wanted style at \$1 to \$3.50

La Carmille Corsets

The La Carmille front lace is sold only by us at \$2.50 to \$5.00.

New Dress Skirts

Models that typify the season's approved style tendencies, and are developed from fabrics of the better quality for Fall. You'll see a skirt to your liking here at a very moderate price.

\$3.50 to \$12.50

New Fall Waists

bid for attention. Smart fall models are shown in Georgette crepes and crepe de chine, lawns and voiles, enhanced by pleasing effects in the new cape and semi roll collars.

See the new styles at \$1 to \$6.50.

Melton Dry Goods Co

INCORPORATED
EVERYBODY'S STORE

\$50,000 stock of Dry Goods and everything to wear to select from at practically last years prices. Make us prove it

OIL FLOWING FROM SANTA ANNA WELL

(Brownwood Bulletin)

What is declared by oil experts to be the best oil well in Coleman county was brought in late Monday afternoon in the Santa Anna field by the Coletex Petroleum Co. E. C. Marrs, an oil man interested in the drilling of the well, declared over the telephone to E. E. Kirkpatrick of Brownwood this afternoon that the well would have a natural

flow of between 300 and 400 barrels per day.

Oil was found in paying quantities at a depth of 1,450 feet in a thick bed of sand. Drilling was suspended today until casing can be lowered fifty feet to keep the sand from caving in. Oil last night, it is claimed, flowed to the surface of the ground and at one time spouted to the top of the derrick.

Santa Anna took on new life today as a result of the announcement that the Coletex well will surpass by far the Turner well, the first to be drilled in the Santa Anna fields.

The Coletex well is located one and three-fourths miles southeast of the Turner well.

Ralph Hart, who with his father, is interested in the Central Texas Gas Company, was in Brownwood today. He announced that his company will sink a well in the vicinity of the Coletex well at once. About 2,500 acres are being held by Brownwood parties, it is understood.

Oil was found in the Turner well at a depth of 1,536 feet but as has a capacity of only about fifteen barrels per day.

Mr. Hart declared to Brownwood parties this afternoon that he saw the Coletex well last night and that it looks better to him than any well he has seen since he left Oklahoma.

Constipation the Father of Many Ills.

Of the numerous ills that affect humanity a large share start with constipation. Keep your bowels regular and they may be avoided. When a laxative is needed take Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. Obtainable everywhere.

Miss Benigna Brown, of Madisonville, who had been visiting her cousin, Mrs. R. F. Green and family the past few months, left for her home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. A. Hopson, of Sherman who had been here to attend the funeral of her brother, Luther Scott, left for her home Monday.

LOSES LEG WHILE RIDING SHOW TRAIN

(San Angelo Standard)

Walter Roberts is an local sanitarium Tuesday minus his left leg below the knee as the result of having fallen under a moving circus train in the Santa Fe yards at 12:15 o'clock Tuesday morning in the vicinity of Oakes street.

A few minutes prior to the accident Roberts, Jesse M. Paul and Turner Thompson, carpenters, were sitting on a truck near the baggage room at the passenger station. When a circus train began moving out Roberts remarked to his friends, "Guess I better go home before some one knocks my head off," whereupon he left Paul and Thompson and caught the train.

When, about two-thirds of the way between Chadbourne and Oakes street Roberts lost his footing and his left leg went beneath the wheels. The attention of Thompson and Paul was attracted and they were the first to reach Roberts who was lying alongside the north side of the track in a dazed condition.

Police Chief Snow was soon on the scene and he summoned a physician who gave Roberts emergency treatment and subsequently sent him to a sanitarium in an ambulance. Chief Snow is convinced it was purely an accident. Roberts lives with his father, C. M. Roberts, 1803 North Magdalen street, and it is supposed he got on the circus train with the intention of riding it to the Magdalen street crossing.

Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic, Does Not Grip nor Disturb the Stomach.
In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

J. P. Boyd, who bought cotton in Ballinger last season, came in from the east Monday, where he had been spending the summer and will buy cotton here this season.

DOCKETS LOADED WITH TAX SUITS

Out of about 800 delinquent tax cases turned over to him County Attorney Shepherd has just filed about four hundred suits in the district court of Runnels county, and Sheriff Perkins has been a mighty busy man during the last few days serving citations on the defendants—owners of the property.

After the delinquent rolls had been made out and the attorney instructed to file suits for the collection of all taxes delinquent, Tax Collector Padgett sent out notices and the property owners were given an opportunity to pay up and save the court costs. Something like fifty per cent of the delinquents responded to the notices and paid up, while under the law the county attorney is required to file suit on the others before the first of January, and filing was necessary at the present time in order to get service on the cases in time for the October term of district court.

In filing suits, the attorney held out all churches and lodges against which taxes had been assessed and addressed another letter to the proper officers of same and has given them another chance to save the court costs.

Since filing the suits quite a number have called at the tax collector's office and paid their taxes, while many of the 400 suits filed will have to go through the usual court procedure and where judgement is taken against the property same will be sold for taxes.

There are some debts a man can "stand off" indefinitely, and some that are never paid, but a tax dept must be paid, or the state will get the property rendered for taxes. The county attorney and sheriff are finally made collectors of such debts, and of course in performing the duty placed upon them by the law they make enemies out of the fellow who wants the state to carry the debt a few years longer.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. A. Schawe and daughter, Miss Louise, returned home Tuesday from Seal Harbor, Maine, where Miss Louise had been attending a noted school of that city the past several months. They also visited at Boston, Chicago and other points while away and report a pleasant trip.

Herbine is the medicine that cures biliousness, malaria and constipation. The first dose makes you feel better, a few additional doses cures completely. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Charlie Giesecke left Monday afternoon for Marble Falls to visit

relatives and friends en route to San Antonio. He was accompanied by his nephew Arthur Giesecke who will visit in the latter city before entering the A. & M. College.

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

Miss Lola Hunt, of Hamilton, who had been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Laxon and family, and other Ballinger relatives, left for home Monday.

R. P. Taylor, Dr. W. W. Mitchell and J. R. Wisenbaker, of Norton, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

President Ripley states Santa Fe's position on eight-hour wage law and asks an important question.

The Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Co.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 8, 1916.

TO SANTA FE EMPLOYEES AND THE PUBLIC:

This is the position of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company regarding the controversy with its train-service employees over their demand for increased compensation:

Congress, hastily acting under a threat of four leaders of labor organizations, enacted a so-called eight hour law which is nothing more nor less than an advance of twenty to twenty five per cent in the wages of the best paid men in railway service.

It is only fair to our employees and the public to say that the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company does not intend to comply with the law except as and when ordered to do so by the court of last resort.

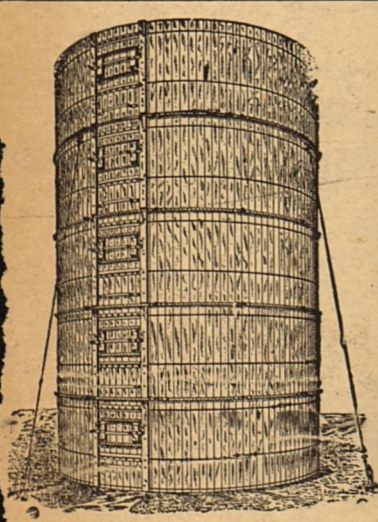
The merits of the case have been fully explained in the last few months and need no further mention.

Should the courts finally decide that the increase must be paid, there will be an immediate demand from the remaining classes of labor, resulting in entire inability to pay without heavy increases in rates to be paid by the public—especially the farming class.

Is The Public Prepared to Meet the Demand?

This notice is for the information of all concerned.

E. P. RIPLEY, President



The Small Farmer's Friend

The farmer who buys a Tulsa Silo has the advantage over his neighbor in saving his feed and converting it into cash at a time when there is a demand for ensilage. We make in sizes from 50 to 150 tons. Get our figures.

Ballinger Lumber Co.

Citation By Publication

The State of Texas.
To the Sheriff or any constable of Runnels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon the heirs of John King, deceased, and the heirs of Julie Van, deceased, whose names are unknown by making publication of this citation once in each week for eight consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th judicial district; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the second Monday in October A. D. 1916, the same being the 9th day of October, A. D., 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the fourth day of August A. D. 1916, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 1800, wherein Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. and R. E. King are plaintiffs and Henry King, W. P. King, J. A. King, Elmer King, Mrs. Ethel Bell (nee King) and husband, W. W. Bell, Rodie Murphy (nee King) and husband, Frank Murphy, unknown heirs of John King, deceased and unknown heirs of Julie Van, deceased, both by her first husband, Jim Gannaway and her second husband, John Van, are defendants, the nature of plaintiffs' demands being as follows:

That plaintiffs and defendants are the joint owners in fee simple of the following described land and premises situated in the County of Runnels in the State of Texas, to-wit:

Being 724 acres of land more or less situated in Runnels County, Texas, same being a part of the League and Labor in the name of John Early, abstract No. 130, survey No. 449, certificate No. 331, and patented to John Early on November 21st, 1855 by patent No. 280, volume 12, which said 724 acres are described by metes and bounds as follows to-wit:

Beginning at a stone mound 1130 varas South 60 West from the Southeast corner of said John Early survey No. 149, on east bank of Fish creek. Thence south 60 west with the south boundary line of said Early survey 2104 varas to stone mound for southwest corner of this tract. Thence north 30 west 1900 varas stone mound for northwest corner of this tract. Thence north 60 east 1975 varas crossing Fish creek to stake in west boundary line of tract sold by J. H. Robertson to J. S. Roaten. Thence down the channel of Fish creek with its meanderings to the southwest corner of tract sold to F. M. Durham in channel of Fish creek. Thence south 60 west 29 varas a stone mound for corner. Thence south 57 east 348 varas, crossing Fish creek to stone mound for corner. Thence south 4 west 370 varas, to the place of beginning, containing 724 acres more or less.

That the plaintiff R. E. King is the owner of an equal undivided one-eighth part of said land and premises; that the plaintiff The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. is the owner of one equal undivided three-thirty-sixth part or 61 4/9 acres of said land and premises.

That the defendant, Henry King is the owner of one equal undivided fifteen-thirty-sixth part of said land and premises; that the defendant W. P. King is the owner of one equal undivided six-thirty-sixth part of said land and premises; that J. A. King is the owner of one equal undivided three-thirty-sixth part of said land and premises; that the defendant, Elmer King, is the owner of one equal undivided one-eighth part of said land and premises; that the defendant, Mrs. Ethel Bell (nee King) is the owner of one equal undivided one-eighth part of said land and premises; that the defendant Rodie Murphy (nee King) is the owner of one equal undivided one-thirty-sixth part of said land and premises; that the unknown heirs of John King, deceased, are the owners of one equal undivided one-thirty-sixth part of said land and premises.

That the plaintiff R. E. King further the sole owners of said land and premises so far as known to the plaintiffs and the estimated value thereof is (\$14,000.00) fourteen thousand dollars.

That the plaintiff R. E. King further represents that the defendants, Henry King, and J. A. King and W. P. King have been using and occupying said premises and collecting and receiving rents therefrom, that said named defendants have failed and refused to deliver and account to said plaintiff for rents and still refuse and fail so to do. Wherefore said plaintiff prays this court to compel said defendants, to make an accounting of said rents and use of said premises and profits derived therefrom.

Wherefore plaintiff pray that defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that they have judgment for partition and division of said land and premises that commissioners be appointed and a writ of partition issue and for possession of that portion that by judgment of the court may be ascertained and declared to be the property of plaintiffs in severalty, and the plaintiff R. E. King, prays for and asks that the defendants, H. King, J. A. King and W. P. King make accounting prayed for herein, and for such other and further relief, special and general, in law and in equity, that they may be justly entitled to, etc.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 9th day of August A. D. 1916.

(Seal) MARY PHILLIPS,
Clerk, District Court, Runnels County, Texas.

By W. H. WEEKS, Deputy.
11-18-25-1-7-14-21-28

Citation by Publication

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greetings:
You are hereby commanded to summon Unknown Heirs of Geo. E. Sanders, deceased, J. H. Quinn, and unknown heirs of J. H. Quinn, deceased, E. E. McClain and un-

known heirs of E. E. McClain, deceased, J. H. Babington, by making publication of this Citation once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October A. D. 1916, the same being the 9th day of October A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 2nd day of August A. D. 1916, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1797, wherein J. H. Ingram is plaintiff and unknown heirs of Geo. E. Sanders, deceased, J. H. Quinn and the unknown heirs of J. H. Quinn, deceased, E. E. McClain and unknown heirs of E. E. McClain, deceased, J. H. Babington and First National Bank of Coleman, Texas, are defendants; the nature of plaintiffs' demands being as follows: That on or about the 22nd day of April A. D. 1910, and since that date, he was and is lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises, situated in City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit: being lots Nos. 1 and 2 in block No. 1, Sunny Side Addition to Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, as same appears on map of plan of said addition as on file in county clerk's office of Runnels County, Texas.

II.
That on or about the 5th day of May A. D., 1916, defendants unlawfully claimed said above described property, premises and improvements, and still claim same and refuse to release their claim over same.

III.
Wherefore plaintiff prays judgment of the court that defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that plaintiff have judgment for title and possession of above described land and premises, and that he be quieted in his title and possession of said land, and for such further relief special and general, in law and equity, that he may be justly entitled to, etc.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 2nd day of August, A. D., 1916.

MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk,
District Court, Runnels County,
Texas. 4-11-17-25-1-8-15-22-29

CITATION

STATE OF TEXAS:
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon Sam Honig, Mose Honig, Annie Berkovitz and husband, Matthew Berkovitz, Fannie Weisz and husband, Emanuel Weisz, Sarah Herskovitz and husband, Salomon Herskovitz, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October A. D. 1916, the same being the 9th day of October A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 15th day of July A. D., 1916, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court, No. 1700, wherein H. Giesecke, Independent Executor of the Estate of Wm. Honig, deceased, is Plaintiff, and Chas. E. Speck, Isaac Honig, Sam Honig, Mose Honig, Annie Berkovitz, and husband, Matthew Berkovitz, Fannie Weisz, and husband, Emanuel Weisz, Sarah Herskovitz, and husband, Salomon Herskovitz, are Defendants; the nature of plaintiffs' demand being as follows:

STATE OF TEXAS:
The County of Runnels,
In the District Court, October Term, 1916.

To the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, Texas:
(1)
H. Giesecke, as Independent Executor of the Estate of Wm. Honig, deceased, and acting herein in that capacity, who resides in Runnels County, Texas, hereinafter styled Plaintiff, complaining of Chas. E. Speck, who resides in Schleicher County, Texas, and of Isaac Honig, who resides in Runnels County, Texas, and of Sam Honig, Mose Honig, Annie Berkovitz, and her husband, Matthew Berkovitz, Fannie Weisz, and her husband, Emanuel Weisz, Sarah Herskovitz and her husband, Salomon Herskovitz, who are non-residents of the State of Texas, all of whom are hereinafter styled Defendants, represents:

(2)
That heretofore, to-wit, on the 11th day of March, 1914, Wm. Honig departed this life in Runnels County, Texas, testate, having left his last Will and Testament which was duly probated in the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the 4th day of May, 1914, the same being a regular

term of said Court, the original of said last Will and Testament, duly probated as aforesaid, is now on file in the County Clerk's Office of Runnels County, Texas, a certified copy of which is filed in this cause for the purpose of having certain clauses and provisions therein, as hereinafter shown, construed by this Court.

(3)
Plaintiff alleges that by the terms and provisions of said Will, he was appointed therein by the said Testator as Independent Executor, without bond and without any action of the County Court, probating said Will, further than the probating of the same and of filing an Inventory and Appraisement and list of claims in said estate as provided by law in such case. That after the death of the said Wm. Honig, as aforesaid, he made application in due form in the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, for the probate of said Will which was probated therein as aforesaid, and that by order of said Court he was duly appointed and qualified as such Independent Executor of said estate and has been acting as such ever since the said appointment in the discharge of his duties as such Independent Executor, and is now acting in that capacity.

(4)
Plaintiff alleges that immediately upon his qualifications as such Independent Executor of said estate, that he forthwith prepared and filed in said County Court of Runnels County, Texas, the inventory and appraisement of said estate in manner and form as required by law in such case, and in which inventory there appears, as a part of the property of said estate, certain nine sections or surveys of land, of 640 acres each, situated in Schleicher County, Texas, the said nine sections or surveys of land being described as follows, to-wit: Survey No. 34, Abstract No. 1752, Certificate No. 1525; Survey No. 35, Abstract No. 958, Certificate No. 1526; Survey No. 38, Abstract No. 955, Certificate No. 1527; Survey No. 39, Abstract No. 959, Certificate No. 1528; Survey No. 59, Abstract No. 1085, Certificate No. 1435; Survey No. 70, Abstract No. 1267, Certificate No. 1435; Survey No. 71, Abstract No. 1338, Certificate No. 1436; Survey No. 72, Abstract No. 957, Certificate No. 1436; Survey No. 73, Abstract No. 961, Certificate No. 1437; each of said surveys being in the name of G. H. and S. A. Ry. Co. That the above nine sections or surveys of land were and are the only surveys of land inventoried as a part of the estate of the said Wm. Honig, deceased, as aforesaid, and the said nine sections being all the surveys of land, of 640 acres each, owned by the said Wm. Honig at the date of his death, as aforesaid.

(5)
Plaintiff alleges that by the Fourth Clause or Provision of said last Will and Testament, probated as aforesaid, the first four surveys of land hereinbefore mentioned, namely, Surveys Nos. 34, 35, 38, and 39, were bequeathed and devised to the Defendant, Isaac Honig, that the remaining five sections, as above described, were by the Sixth Clause or Provision of said last Will and Testament, bequeathed and devised to the Plaintiff herein, in trust, however for the Defendants, Isaac Honig, Sam Honig, Annie Berkovitz, Sarah Herskovitz and Fannie Weisz, share and share alike, that is, one fifth interest to each of said last named Defendants, upon the following conditions, which are set out in said Clause Sixth, in the following language, to-wit:

"I hereby direct and empower said H. Giesecke, Trustee, to sell and convey and execute deed or deeds to said five sections of land or any part thereof, at any time within five years after the date of my death as to him may seem best, and to divide the proceeds of such sale or sales, that is the net proceeds, in equal portions or sums between my said three sisters and my said two brothers, that is, one fifth to each of them. Should said land not have been sold within the five years named, then in that event, he, said H. Giesecke shall at the expiration of said time, partition same, share and share alike, in equal portions, having regard to the value thereof, between my said three sisters and said two brothers, executing to each of them a deed for their respective shares. Until said land shall have been sold or partitioned as aforesaid, the said H. Giesecke, trustee, shall have the exclusive management and control of said land and shall each year divide the net rents and revenues arising therefrom, equally between my said three sisters and said two brothers. It is understood, however, that said lands are to be taken and accepted subject to the unpaid purchase money owing to the State of Texas thereon, that is each of my said sisters and two brothers shall pay to the State of Texas, the unpaid purchase money owing on said five sections of land in proportions of one fifth, by each of them respectively.

"The devise of the one fifth interest herein made to my brother Isaac Honig, in addition to the property herebefore set out in sections or paragraphs three and four of this will, bequeathed and devised to him, and is made and given to him by reason of his faithful, kind and affectionate service and care of me during my affliction and I deem it right and just that he should have the largest share and part of my estate."

That the language quoted above from said Clause Sixth of said Will, has direct reference to said five surveys, to-wit: Nos. 69, 70, 71, 72, and 73 hereinbefore described, there being no other surveys of land belonging to said estate of Wm. Honig, deceased, to which the aforesaid quoted language could apply, or to the said Testator intended the same to apply, and that said Testator intended said language in said Will, as above quoted, to apply to the said five sections last-mentioned, and to none other, they being the identical five surveys of land intended by the Testator, in said Clause Sixth in his said Will, to devise and bequeath to his said friend, H. Giesecke, Plaintiff herein, in trust for the purposes set out in said Clause Sixth in the language as hereinbefore quoted therefrom. That by the terms of said Will, appearing in said Clause Sixth thereof, and in the language as hereinbefore quoted therefrom, the said H. Giesecke, as such Trustee, Plaintiff herein, is expressly empowered and directed to

sell and convey, and execute deed or deeds to the aforesaid last mentioned five sections of land at any time within five years after the date of the death of the said Testator, and to apply the proceeds of such sale or sales, that is, the net proceeds, as directed in said Clause Sixth, and in the language hereinbefore quoted therefrom, and in the manner therein directed.

(6)
Plaintiff alleges that the five years has not elapsed since the death of said Testator, as is apparent from the foregoing allegations and that he having qualified as such Independent Executor of said estate, as aforesaid, and having accepted the trust as provided in said Clause Sixth of said Will, did thereafter, in the capacity, as such Trustee, and as Independent Executor, as aforesaid, to wit, on the 24th day of June, 1916, in virtue of the power so vested in him by the terms of said Will, and especially by the power conferred upon him in said Clause Sixth of said Will, and in pursuance thereof, and for the purpose of executing said trust, did on the date last aforesaid, in the capacity as aforesaid, enter into a contract with the said Defendant, Chas. E. Speck, of Schleicher County, Texas, for the sale of said five sections of land last above described, which contract was then and there in writing and executed by the Plaintiff herein, in the capacity as aforesaid, with the said Defendant, Chas. E. Speck, in duplicate, by the terms of which the Plaintiff contracted to sell the said last mentioned five sections of land to the said Defendant, Chas. E. Speck, for a valuable consideration as set forth in said written contract of sale, which was then and there and is an advantageous sale of said five sections of land and the full market price therefor. That the Defendant, Chas. E. Speck, being now in actual possession of said five sections of land last above described in virtue of said contract of sale, and the Plaintiff is desirous of consummating said contract of sale of said five sections of land, last described, to the said Chas. E. Speck, by making a proper and legal deed of conveyance thereto to the said Chas. E. Speck, and receive the consideration therefor as provided in said contract of sale, and, to that end, in view of the fact, a question has recently arisen as to the validity of the said trust as provided in said Clause Sixth of said Will, giving the right to the Plaintiff herein, as such Trustee, to sell and convey to the said Chas. E. Speck, the aforesaid last described five sections of land, and that, by reason thereof, it has become necessary for the interest of said estate, that a proper decree of this Court be obtained, judicially construing said Clause Sixth of said last Will and Testament of the said Wm. Honig, deceased, in order to determine whether or not the Plaintiff herein, in the capacity as aforesaid, has the power to make, execute and deliver a deed of conveyance in writing, conveying the fee simple title to said five sections of land last above described to the said Chas. E. Speck.

(7)
WHEREFORE, premises considered, Plaintiff prays that the Defendants, Isaac Honig and Chas. E. Speck be duly cited to answer herein, and that the other Defendants, non-residents of the State of Texas, as aforesaid, be duly cited herein by publication in manner and form as required by law in such case to answer herein, and that on final hearing hereof, Plaintiff have judgment of this court construing said Clause or Provision Sixth of said Will, and decreeing that the Plaintiff herein, acting in the capacity as aforesaid, is duly empowered and authorized by the terms of said Clause Sixth of said Will, to sell and convey said five sections of land last above described, and as herein prayed, and that all costs in this behalf expended, including a reasonable attorneys fee herein be taxed against all of the Defendants herein, and to be paid out of the Estate of the said Wm. Honig, deceased, and for general relief.

JNO. I. GUION, and
M. C. SMITH,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term hereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 19th day of July A. D., 1916.

(Seal) MARY PHILLIPS,
Clerk, District Court, Runnels County, Texas.

NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Charles A. Dailey, whose postoffice address is San Angelo, Texas, did on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1916, 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 impound, appropriate, and divert 7 1/3 cubic feet of water a second of time, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands herein-after described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted, from the storm and flood waters of Oak Creek, a tributary of the Colorado River; the proposed dam to be located on the J. F. Wrenn Survey, 627 varas North 15 1/2 East from the northeast corner of the James C. Moore Survey and on Oak Creek 19 miles North 47 West from the Town of Ballinger, in Runnels County, Texas. The dam to be constructed across said Oak Creek and to be of reinforced concrete 12 feet high and 45 feet long, thus creating a reservoir or lake 1 mile long having an average width of 35 feet and a depth of 6 feet in the bed of Oak Creek. And from said reservoir the water so impounded will be diverted by means of a pumping plant to the lands to be irrigated described as follows:

1st. Tract: beginning 190 varas South 30 East and 680 varas South 60 West from the northeast corner of said J. F. Wrenn's Survey No. 277, thence North 60 East 550 varas; thence South 9 East 648 varas to a slough; thence South 80 East 500 varas, along the South side of said slough to the East line of the said Wrenn Survey; thence South 30 East with the East line of said Wrenn Survey to Oak Creek;

thence up Oak Creek with its meanders to the Southeast corner of P. E. Lunsford's irrigated tract; thence North 400 varas to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres.

2nd. Tract: beginning on the South bank of Oak Creek 582 varas North 30 West and 200 varas South 60 West from the Southeast corner of Survey No. 465; thence South 300 varas; thence North 75 East 410 varas; thence East 203 varas; thence North 5 East 602 varas; thence South 30 East 90 varas; thence North 60 East 290 varas to the South bank of Oak Creek; thence up Oak Creek with its meanders to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres, all aggregating 200 acres and situated in Runnels County, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said Charles A. Dailey 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 9th day of October, A. D., 1916, beginning at 10 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 its office, in the City of Austin, Texas, this 29th day of August, A. D., 1916.

J. C. NAGLE,
JOHN WILSON,
Board,
W. T. PATTER,
Secretary.

CITATION

STATE OF TEXAS:
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mary Malone by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger on the 2nd Monday in October, A. D., 1916, the same being the 9th day of September, A. D., 1916, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. , wherein George T. Malone is Plaintiff and Mary Malone is Defendant the nature of Plaintiff's demand being as follows:

Plaintiff sues for a divorce from defendant; alleging that plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married on May 15th, 1910, and lived together until about July 22nd, 1915, when defendant finally left and has since been absent from plaintiff.

That plaintiff during their living together treated defendant with kindness and maintained and supported her as best he was able. But about one and a half years after their marriage the defendant was guilty of such misconduct, outrages and cruelties, as to render their living together insupportable. That the defendant soon after their marriage by her acts and conduct and words informed plaintiff that she did not love him. She so expressed herself in words; she showed by her conduct that she preferred the companionship and society of others persons to that of her husband. That she accompanied other unmarried men alone and under circumstances such as to bring upon herself and plaintiff disgrace and dishonor, remaining away and alone with them for hours at a time. Remarking to plaintiff's sister that she had a fellow in Dallas whom she soon expected to see and be with and that she would soon have a man in Dallas after she arrived there, or words to that effect. That she left her young baby about 14 months old, and deserted it, not even writing to plaintiff as to its health or wellbeing; said child now being in care of plaintiff's mother, and other acts, words and conduct alleged in plaintiff's petition, for which plaintiff prays for divorce and for custody and education and maintenance of said child, and for general relief; all of which is shown by said original petition.

That plaintiff has reason to believe and does believe that defendant is so conducting herself now in the City of Dallas as to bring disgrace upon herself. That she brought a suit for divorce against plaintiff upon false grounds, but was compelled to dismiss same for want of proof.

Plaintiff prays for divorce as aforesaid, that he have custody of said child and for general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 4th day of September

1916, A. D.
MARY PHILLIPS,
(Seal) Clerk, District Court,
Court, Runnels County, Texas.
8-4-tw.

Citation

The State of Texas.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. A. Castlen by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District court of Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, of Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October A. D., 1916, the same being the 9th day of October A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of September in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, Number 1811, wherein Eulah Castlen is plaintiff and J. A. Castlen is defendant, the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: That plaintiff is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and has resided in said Runnels county, continuously for more than six months next before the filing of this suit. That the residence of the defendant J. A. Castlen is unknown.

1. That plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married at Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, on the 12th day of March 1911, and lived and cohabited together as man and wife, part of the time until on or about February 28th, 1912, when the defendant finally left and abandoned the plaintiff with the expressed and evident intention of permanent abandonment, and has ever since been separated from and remained away from the plaintiff and has never returned.

2. Plaintiff avers that there is one child of the marriage of plaintiff and defendant, viz: Mary Runnels Castlen, now about three years old. That it is to the interest of said child, a girl, that she be and remain in the plaintiffs care and custody, free from any interference on the part of the defendant.

Premises all considered, plaintiff prays that defendant be cited in terms of law to answer this petition; that upon hearing hereof plaintiff have judgment dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant, and that plaintiff be divorced from defendant and for general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 5th day of September, A. D. 1916.

(Seal) MARY PHILLIPS,
Clerk, District Court, Runnels County, Texas. 8-15-22-29

In making mention of the Eastern Star crowd who went to Win gate Saturday afternoon to assist in some lodge degrees, from some cause we left out the name of Mrs. T. J. Gardner in copying the list as handed us by J. A. Reese.

Mrs. W. A. Glenn, of Marie, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route east to visit friends.

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Oct. 2nd to 7th**

Thousands of people throughout the United States are observing this date, when they pay up their accounts and start with a clean slate.

"How about yours?" Are they new—are they old—are they past due—with an effort in which every individual does his duty to the man he owes—will start thousands of dollars in this endless chain.

Don't Forget the Date
—October 2nd to the 7th—make your arrangements and be "prepared" to pay your debts.

Groceries

A Prize Captured—The findings of the Civic League committee: "Our grocery department is in a most sanitary condition"—up to the standard of what a grocery store should be. Why not buy the things you eat from a store of this kind—they cost no more, our service is up to the standard and is sure to please you.

Feed Stuffs

We have recently added a special room where all kinds of feed for live stock is kept, which is rat, mouse and vermin proof, and is properly fumigated regularly to keep these pests away. Get our feed prices, they are reasonable.

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A record of which this mill is very proud, and spare no pains or expense in holding their product up to the high standard they have attained—the best flour. Peacemaker, a sack \$2.00

Dress Goods

A showing of the new things that is "par-excellent" and we believe that you will not tell us that we are not too over enthusiastic when you see the many new fabrics that we have assembled. The new skirtings and dress materials are exceptionally pretty—the waist fabrics in silks are a notable feature that you should see. Priced upwards from 50c.

A Question to Decide---Where Will You Make Your
FALL PURCHASES?

Our Buyers have returned from the markets and stocks are beginning to be completed—quantities of new merchandise are filling every available space, its only a short time until preparation for fall, and time slips away—so fast—you know. You had better begin the planning to supply your needs before the real rush begins.

This Store is ready to serve you in the broad capacity for which it is widely noted. Never have there been such broad and brilliant assemblage of the new goods at this store than this season—never indeed, have we put forth such effort to bring together such a stock of dependable merchandise. Stocks are admirably well balanced to meet the needs of every body, whether they want low priced goods or the better things that cost more.

The Prices—They're right, and as low as good dependable merchandise can be sold—an honest value, an honest quality, and honest profit—makes our prices right.

The New Things In

Womens' and Childrens' Ready-to-Wear

This department with its first Fall season needs particular mention—the new styles of the leading garment makers for women and children are here in abundance. The styles that will appeal to the most discriminating patron and has the stamp and correct look that the individual wearer so much desires.

This department gives you a special invitation to come and see the new styles that it has assembled—the sales ladies will take pleasure in showing you whether you want to buy or simply look—you're welcome.

The New Suits—

Serges, poplins, gaberdines, in beautifully woven textiles, are the materials; trimmings are of furs, velours, braids, and fancy stitchings, and also buttons are used extensively. The coats are of varying lengths to suit the individual wearer, and there seems to be no iron-clad rule as to the precise length that will be worn, but the one that best becomes the special wearer. The colors are navy, brown, dark green, fancy mixtures, and black also. These beautiful new suits are now on display in our ready-to-wear section, priced at \$13.50, \$18.50, \$22.50, and \$25.00.

Wraps and Sport Coats—

Broad cloths, plushes, velvets, chinchilla, and fancy Scotch weaves, in a wide variance of colors, solids, stripes, plaids and checks, with the wide collars which when buttoned close gives a "chic" chin-chin style. Furs and velours are used extensively with the addition of fancy button and braids for the trimmings effects.

Sport coats for early Fall wear are here in an abundance of styles from which to choose, in stripes and plaids, and a wide variance of colors, just the style or quality that you want in a sport coat or long coat, priced at \$5.00, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$25.00.

The New Skirts—

The separate skirt, whether it's the plain staple style, or the more elaborate sport kinds—you can find one just to your liking—both in fit and color in our ready-to-wear section.

Plain serges, blue or black, made in extremely plain styles, with flared bottoms, and plain belted styles.

Sport skirts made of fancy woven material in styles that have snap to them, with flare bottoms, fancy indenture pockets, high waist line, belted effects, trimmed in same and contrasting materials with the addition of fancy buttons, priced at \$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50.

New Dresses—

The one-piece dress will be much in favor again this Fall, and in view of the fact we have exerted ourselves in bringing together the most attractive line that we have ever shown. A prominent feature will be the serge dress—a most serviceable material for purpose wear when combined with other material of satin and Georgette, makes a dress of exceptional beauty.

Children's Coats—

For real dressy wear the soft Taffetas and Georgettes are still in favor. These are being shown in a variety of colors and styles. There's a splendid showing of models at \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$18.00, and \$20.00.

There's no part of a child's school wardrobe that needs more attention than a warm cloak—a garment that will give service as well as warmth. Our stock of children's coats are particularly well balanced in qualities that combine style and service, solid and fancy mixtures, priced at \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.50, and \$8.50.

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The best cotton market in the county—your cotton will bring you its real value—as all the big cotton concerns are represented here, giving you advantage of strong competition with the highest prices.

Our Mr. Mack—is in the market for any quantity of cotton whether it is one bale or a complete list—don't fail to see him before you make your sale—it may be to your interest.

The Highest Market Price—for all kinds of country produce—in the market every day for your butter and eggs.

Hardware

Complete within itself, a place where you can supply your needs with dependable hardware, with an unbroken record of many years service coupled with entire satisfaction and hundreds of satisfied customers—bids for your business on the same grounds: the right prices, honest values, and the right kind of service.

Implements

The old reliable "Kentucky" Grain Drills that do the right kind of work and give satisfaction from the time they first go into the field.

"Bob Cat" Disks, double and triple styles, the universal and approved kinds, wherever used, does work that shows up right.

Oil Stoves

"Perfection" — hundreds of women in Runnels county are using this good stove and they are still giving satisfaction. The cheapest fuel on earth today is kerosene—the most satisfactory results, the least labor, the most economical. A four-burner of the tall chimney kind, with oven, complete, priced at \$14.00

Wash Goods

Tub fabrics in gingham, percales, poplins, reps, and other wash materials in an abundance of styles for the making of children's and women's dresses.

Ginghams—a specially close woven fabric in solid staple checks, and fancy weaves, a book fold of good width, for the making of children's school dresses, priced at 10c

Staples

The everyday necessities, a well selected stock, cambries, casings, domestics, cambries, shirtings, table linens, and towels, at prices that are no higher.

Domestic—a soft finish "Hoop," the Lonsdale make, the best all purpose domestic made, full 36 inches wide, the price 10c

Shoes

Smart styles, produced by Hamilton Brown, makers of high grade foot wear that gives universal satisfaction to the wearer—women's, misses', and children's. New styles in patent and plain kid boots, lace and button models, plain kid and cloth tops, welt and turned soles, concave, Louis, military and low heels, priced at \$2.00 and up.

Men's Wear

The furnishings department is full of the new things, ties, shirts, collars, hosiery, belts, and underwear; a real furnishings store within itself, a place where you can find just what you want at the right price—let us show you, you won't be urged to buy.

Clothing

Well made garments for the young man who wants style—simpler styles for the older man—many conservative styles for the business man—garments that fit properly and have the right hang.

Men's Serges—smooth woven finish serges, that are "wool" silk sewed throughout, full mohair lined, navies and brown, conservative styles, priced at, 3 piece suit. . . \$16.50

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The gentle rain is cooperating with the city water superintendent in keeping irrigation at a minimum.

The citizens of Ballinger have no right to kick about bad roads, as long as Hutchings Ave., at both ends are the roughest places in the county.

It was "too dry" to fix bad roads two weeks ago. Now it is "too wet." We are longing for "favorable" weather for road building.

A reward is offered for a man who believes that Hughes will be the next president of the United States. The cold receptions given the republican candidate has no doubt convinced him that he has no chance.

Within less than a week this country has come from under one of the most severe summer drouths in its history, and changed its coat from one of a sun-burned brown to a growing green. Fall crops are in the making.

The cost of the blank paper for the average country paper today is two cents, and on a basis of fifty-two issues in the year, figures \$1.04. Nothing but an increased subscription rate will save the publishers from bankruptcy.

If every season was a favorable one, and good crops were produced in this county every year, what would the people do with the money? Of course we would

tion and the country is reaping the harvest. It is the little things on the farm and not the one crop idea of cotton that is enabling the farmers to buy autos.

The world may get gloomy to some, but the claim made by some that Tarrant county will vote out the saloons next week, is optimism that is calculated to even the whole lump. When Hell's Half Acre goes dry the whole area of hell is in danger, and the chances are good for the devil to lose his job.

The time is coming when this city will adopt the commission form of government. The postponing of that time is costing the city a great deal, and the people are losing the benefits to be derived from such administration of the city's affairs. The interest of city should not be made secondary, but under our present form there are few men who will neglect their private business to look after the public's interest.

The pessimist who is worrying about the country becoming depopulated on account of the race suicide evil, should visit the central school building and witness one teacher trying to preside over a room containing 73 school children, and there are other rooms in the school crowded almost as bad. It is not a question of the shortage of children to teach.

The jury who passed on the case of Mrs. Annie Faust, the woman who shot and killed a Baptist preacher at Sherman last winter, no doubt were controlled by sympathy for the living, and did not consider the old law of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." At any rate they have said the woman did not violate any law when she killed a man who had been talking about

Corns Loosen, Lift Right Off

Nothing But "GETS-IT" Will Do This to Corns and Calluses.

If you've ever had corns, you've tried lots of things to get rid of them—salves that eat your toe and leave the corn remaining, cotton rings that make your corns bulge out like pop-



You Can't Hide Corn Misery. Stop Fooling Around! Use "GETS-IT" Tonight and See the Corns Vanish.

eyes, scissors and knives that make corns bleed and sore, harnesses and bandages that fill up your shoe, press on the corn and make your foot feel like a paving block. What's the use? Why not do what millions are doing, take 3 seconds off and apply "GETS-IT." It dries, you put your stocking on right away, and wear your regular shoes. You can loosen from the toe, it lifts right off. It's painless. It's the common-sense way, the simplest, easiest, most effective way in the world. It's the nation's corn-cure. Never fails.

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Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce.

NEGRO MAKES SPEECH FOR PRESIDENT WILSON.

The following is an extract from a speech made to a bunch of Paris negroes by a local colored Democrat at the depot Saturday night. He was sitting on a truck beneath the stars and delivered himself in this fashion:

"The Lord said, Pharoah, turn my people loose, an' when he didn't do it the Lord tuk Pharoah down to the Red Sea an' chucked

has control is available to the so-called sportsman who began the killing of doves September 1. The dove is the best friend the Texas farmer has, yet an unwise legislature has made the open season for doves begin while this beneficent bird is still nesting. Doves should never be killed—and the farmer who is awake to his own interest will at once post his land and see to it that the city sport stays away from it. This is the only way the dove can be protected under the present law."

The admonition and the plea of the Post are commendable and timely. We have often wondered how a Texas legislature got its consent to authorize the slaughter of doves in any month of the year. When the Thirty-fifth legislature assembles an effort will be made to exempt the dove from the operation of the game law. Until that time we hope farmers will help in the work of protection by posting their lands, as the Post suggests.—Waco Tribune.

If the Post and Tribune had directed their remarks in the interest of the quail we too would say the plea was commendable and timely, but we can't see wherein doves are of any benefit to the farmer. Quail is a friend to the farmer, and if the farmers will protect his quail he will protect a bird that will make a good hand in the cotton patch during boll weevil season. Instead of exempting the dove from the operation of the law the Thirty-fifth legislature should place the ban on quail, at least for a period of years that will give this bird time to multiply. A good friend of the writer "read the riot act" to us for pleading for the protection of the quail, and said the gates to his farm were open to the boys to come and shoot birds any time when it did not conflict with the law. "I don't think the farmers should call on the boys

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JUST A REMINDER FOR PAY-UP WEEK WORK

Today is the day you should get ready with your pennants, posters, and window displays for National Pay-Up Week. Ballinger merchants who signed the list are getting up some very attractive bargains for this week, the first week in October, 2nd to 7th inclusive.

It is planned by the promoters to make this event one long to be remembered, and nothing in the way of push has been left undone to secure the success of the week. Let's all join hands.

Cole's Hot Blast Heaters make a big reduction in your coal bill—see their advertisement and guarantee. 14-1td-1tw

Card of Thanks

We take this method of thanking our neighbors and many friends for their kind assistance and words of sympathy during the illness and death of our dear son and brother. May the good Lord bless and protect you and your loved ones is our prayer.

W. T. SCOTT AND FAMILY. 15-1tw

V. Weinberg, of Kansas City, came in Tuesday and has accepted a position with W. H. Roark tailoring establishment.

THIEVES STEAL SEED COTTON

W. T. Routh found about three hundred pounds of seed cotton in the mesquite brush in his pasture on Elm Creek, first of the week. The matter was reported to the officers, but so far no one has been found who will claim the stolen cotton. The cotton was evidently taken from a wagon in the field, or where picking was in progress and placed in the brush, the party stealing same fearing he would be caught if he tried to dispose of the cotton.

Pine Tar Relieves a Cold

Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey contains all the soothing elements of the pine forest. It heals the irritated membrane, and by its antiseptic properties, loosens the phlegm, you breathe easier, and what promised to be a severe cold has been broken up. For that stuffed-up feeling, tight chest or sore throat take a dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey and prevent a wearing, hacking cough dragging through the winter. At your druggist, 25c.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Barlow and children came in Monday from Big Springs and will make Ballinger their future home. Mr. Barlow will be connected with F. F. Moore in the blacksmith shop and implement and wagon business.

Preparedness

If not, call The Ballinger Insurance Agency for full information as to how to prepare against these evils

Ballinger Insurance Agency

T. J. GARDNER, Manager

Office with Bennett Abstract Co. Telephone No. 317

Is the liveliest national issue of the day. The meaning of the word "PREPAREDNESS" is the state of being ready for any emergency which may arise. Are you prepared for the fire demon or cyclone?

continue to have poor folks among us, but there would be some who would find money a curse to them.

With the consumers increasing at a greater rate than the producers, the pathway of the farmer grows brighter. The man who makes what he must have to sustain life has the advantage over the fellow who must buy at prevailing prices. The man with a family living in town and receiving a small salary may get by, but he will wonder how he did it after he gets by.

There is little said about the short cotton crop in this county, and the matter is one over which the farmer is not worrying. There is a reason. It will be remembered that Geo. P. McLelland came here a few years ago and planted the seed of diversifica-

tion, as was brought out in the trial of the case.

According to the Brownwood Bulletin, auto sales in Brown county for the past year averaged nearly one car per day. Runnels County can show a sale of one and a half cars per day for year past. The auto is filling a place of usefulness in this county, and the majority of the cars are owned by the farmers. What was formerly a day's trip and a trip to be dreaded, in order to reach the market is now a pleasant spin of an hour or two, and it is due to the universal use of automobiles that distance has been eliminated and people becoming better acquainted. The auto is a necessity on the modern farm, and a great luxury to the man who can afford it.

FIXING THE PRICE OF COTTON.

The cotton market is down a cent and a half since the high level of September 1st, when middling cotton in Brownwood brought 15-12 cents. The decline is partly due to the immense volume of spot cotton selling. At the 15 cent price farmers have sold their holdings heavily. Now that the market is down to a 14 cent basis for middling it would, we think, be a good time for independent farmers to stop selling at least until the market strengthens again to 15 cents. The world needs a great deal more cotton than is in sight, counting both the crop that is gathered and that that is ungathered, and the world is no doubt going to pay a much larger price for it, than the present quotations, before the season is over.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The farmers can never expect to get a fair price for cotton until they set the price and sell only when the world is ready to pay their price. The manufacturer gets his price for the finished goods and the farmer can get his price for the raw material, when ever he quits mortgaging his crop before it is made.

him in. That Mr. Wilson say, 'Karanzky, sot my niggers free,' an' when he don't do it, that Mr. Wilson he say again, 'Karanzky, turn my niggers loose or I's comin' after 'em.' Still he don't do it and Mr. Wilson he say, Karanzky, turn my niggers loose—bring them right home yourself, or tha's going to be hell to pay.' An' next day fo' million white men with the big dogs on flat ca's started for Mexico. You know what happened? Afo' they got there old Karanzky done turned them niggers loose, give 'em Palm Beach suit of clothes and a bottle of 'mule' apiece an' put 'em on a Pullman car and sent 'em home. An' on the way they met Mistah Wilson an' he says, 'boys, I was just comin' to get you if it tuk every whit, man in the Newnited States to do it. No man can lock my niggers up er 'pose on em and not hear from me. Come on an git some of this watermelon.' Ever hear of any Republican doin' any thing like that? Naw, you didn't. That Mr. Wilson is sho nuff white folks. Republicans ain't got no use for a nigger 'cept on election day.'—Paris Mercury.

THE BUSY SHOP

is still busy repairing shoes in the hot summer weather. Come and bring your shoes and get prompt repairing. H. L. WENDORF, The Saddle and Harness Man. tf

A PLEA FOR THE DOVE.

These timely words are from the Houston Post of Sunday: "Every farmer in Texas should see to it that not an acre of land over which he

NOT ENOUGH CHILDREN

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

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

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

to come out and shoot their Jack Rabbits," said our friend, "and then outlaw them when the game season opens." Rabbits are a pest, and we challenge the friend to show us where the quail is a pest, or and enemy to any crop that grows.

Discussing the boll weevil problem further our friend says there is not a boll weevil on his place, does not allow them to come in his cotton patch, and states that two hundred head of turkeys are on the job protecting his cotton crop against the boll weevil. The man is using good judgment here, and is setting an example that others might profit by, but we trust he will see fit to let the quail in on the job; they'll be lots of help to the turkeys.

W. H. CHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND

Ladies! Ask your Druggist for W. H. Chester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Any of your Druggist. Ask for W. H. CHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 50 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.

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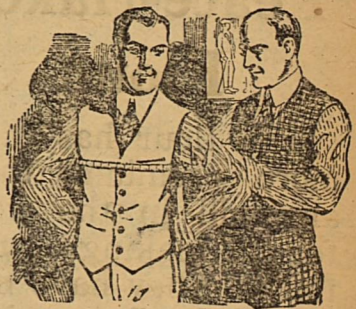
Lane Whitaker of El Paso county, who had been visiting his brother, W. T. Whitaker, left Wednesday at noon for Wichita Falls on a business trip.

Forget Your Aches

Stiff knees, aching limbs, lame back, make life a burden. If you suffer from rheumatism, gout, lumbago, neuralgia, get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment, the universal remedy for pain. Easy to apply; it penetrates without rubbing and soothes the tender flesh. Cleaner and more effective than mussy ointments or poultices. For strains or sprains, sore muscles or wrenched ligaments, resulting from strenuous exercise, Sloan's Liniment gives quick relief. Keep it on hand for emergencies. At your Druggist, 25c.

Dr. A. Levey, the well known optician, of San Antonio, is back again in Ballinger, and will remain a short time. Call W. B. Wood & Son Grocery store. 14-3td-1tw

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If so be sure and see the real \$25 suits we are making to measure, for

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Remember Our Men's Furnishing Department

We are showing the best and most complete line of shirts, neckwear, collars, hosiery, gloves, hats, caps and etc. Come in and see them.



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 Hutchins Avenue
 Ballinger, Texas

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Keeping Yourself Well

DRIVING OUT CATARRH

If people knew how the presence of catarrh is a constant menace, they would have none of it. It infests some part of the delicately adjusted body and makes it useless, thus throwing on the other organs more than their share of work. It affords a carefully prepared seed-bed for the germs of colds, grip, tuberculosis and pneumonia. It so disarranges Nature's delicate plans as to make possible asthma, hay fever and other respiratory disorders. It spreads until it becomes systemic, thus involving many organs and debilitating the entire system with serious results. Catarrh is easily neglected, and it rarely gets well of itself. It needs proper medicinal correction. For almost half a century many thousands have found help in Peruna, a valuable tonic with special efficacy in catarrhal conditions. The aim is to clean out waste matter to dispel the catarrhal inflammation, and tone up the whole system. Its users willingly testify that it has done all this and even more for catarrhal sufferers. What it has done is the best proof of what it will do. You may rely on Peruna.

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WILL BREAK MEXICO LAND MONOPOLY

NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 11.—A redistribution of land through a scheme of taxation which is designed to break up large land holdings in Mexico, is a suggestion that is now before the Mexican commission as a solution to Mexico's internal problems. The new scheme was outlined before the commission today.

The extensive plans for establishing a stable government in Mexico, for working out plans that would restore permanent peace on the border, now before the joint commission, was revealed today, showing that twelve different steps toward this end will be considered by the commission, as follows:

1. Protection of the border.
2. Establishment of American garrisons along a line of block houses from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific ocean, a distance of 1800 miles.
3. The organization of Mexico's standing army into various detachments, which will be assigned to the pursuit of Villa and other bandits. The Carranza envoys promise to isolate Villa, so that he will no longer be a menace to Americans.
4. The allotment of land to discharged soldiers and peons, so they will no longer have the incentive of brigandage for a living.
5. The enactment of laws enabling the people to acquire the lands they cultivate.
6. A system of government aid by which these ignorant Mexican farmers may learn to develop the full resources of the land.
7. Reformation of the Mexican way of levying taxes, which frequently amounts to confiscation.
8. The establishment of a land tax similar to that in the United States. The education of the peon and lower classes in the way of living and lines of industry which will make them want peace instead of war.
9. The establishment of the present fiat currency on a sound financial basis.
10. The husbanding and safeguarding of the national revenues according to an agreement which will guarantee the purchaser of Mexican bonds and make possible the floating of a large Mexican loan.
11. Immediate rehabilitation of the Mexican railroads, at an estimated cost of \$25,000,000.
12. A treaty between Mexico and the United States which will give Mexico this government's moral support in these reforms.

DAY GIN NOT OIL MILL GIN
 Patronize the Days Independent Gin. Positively not owned by any oil mill help us help ourselves by giving us a part of your ginning. Opposite the Compress. 7-1td 4tw

BUYS LEACH GARAGE
 Otto and Erwin Elder, Carrol Howard and Ray Halstead have closed the deal for the Leach Garage on Hutchings Ave., and the place will be known as the City Auto Works, under the new proprietors. Mr. Elder, who was for quite a while in the cold drink business says he has found out that the public have taken to gasoline instead of cold drinks, hence this change.

MAYR'S WONDERFUL REMEDY
for STOMACH trouble
ONE DOSE WILL CONVINCE
 Gall Stones, Cancer and Ulcers of the Stomach and Intestines, Auto-Intoxication, Yellow Jaundice, Appendicitis and other fatal ailments result from Stomach Trouble. Thousands of Stomach Sufferers owe their complete recovery to Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. Unlike any other for Stomach Ailments. For sale by Walker Drug Co and druggists everywhere.

Sam Harter of the Wilmeth country, I. C. Browder of the Miles country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

R. W. Smith of the Valley creek country, near Norton, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Lampasas on a business trip. He expects to put in about 350 acres in small grain this fall besides his feed and cotton crops. He believes in diversified farming.

PURE RICH BLOOD PREVENTS DISEASE

Bad blood,—that is, blood that is impure or impoverished, thin and pale,—is responsible for more ailments than anything else. It affects every organ and function. In some cases it causes catarrh; in others, dyspepsia; in others, rheumatism; and in still others, weak, tired, languid feelings and worse troubles. It is responsible for run-down conditions, and is the most common cause of disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the greatest purifier and enricher of the blood the world has ever known. It has been wonderfully successful in removing scrofula and other humors, increasing the red-blood corpuscles, and building up the whole system. Get it today.

AUTOS BLOCKING UNCLE SAM'S BUSINESS.

Postmaster Erwin has registered mild complaint against parties who park cars in front of the post office on Eighth street. Mr. Erwin says if the people would be thoughtful enough to leave passage way from the street to the sidewalk there would be no objection to parking cars in front of the post office, but that the department will not allow the street to become blocked as has been the case for several days recently.

In the afternoon the tall building in which the post office is located offers a good shade for people to park cars in, and this causes people who work a block or two from the post office to drive to this particular location to park their car, and cars are frequently parked so thick here that it is impossible for people to get from the street to the post office without walking around to the next street, and Mr. Erwin says he trust the people will not make it necessary for him to take the matter up with the department.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes an oath that he is a senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1886.

A. W. GLEASON,
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Hall's Catarrh Cure it taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

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

Ira Turner, J. L. Hambricht of the Norton country, J. R. Harris, F. F. Schmidt, H. C. Henniger and C. G. Siebel, of the Hatchel country, Jeff Riggs and H. C. Moten and sons of the Wingate country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Dr. T. E. Mangum and family left Monday for Hamlin, Texas, where they will make their future home, and they take with them the best wishes of a host of friends in Ballinger for their future happiness and prosperity.

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.

Misses Gardner and Ella Baird left Monday at noon for Miles, where they will finish their business college course.

Miss Grace Pullan, of West, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. C. Seroggins and family, left Saturday afternoon for her home.

J. P. Hope, of Lubbock, who had been here to attend the funeral of his nephew, Luther Scott, who died last Saturday, left from this point Monday en route home.

Yellow complexion, pimples, and disfiguring blemishes on the face or body can be gotten rid of by doctoring the liver, which is torpid. Herbine is a powerful liver correctant. It purifies the system, stimulates the vital organs and puts the body in fine vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

SUCCESSFUL SESSION PROMISED PUPILS

With promising prospects for the most successful session of the public schools of this city in recent years, the pupils gathered for the opening exercises at nine o'clock Monday morning. The high school pupils met in the study hall of the high school building, where Rev. T. C. Jester, pastor of the First Baptist Church, read passages of scripture and made a short talk to the splendid assemblage of young men and women, and emphasized the importance of building into their lives these things that would stand for something in this world. Superintendent Fleming addressed the pupils, outlining the work and making the usual announcements.

In the high school there were a number of visitors for the opening session, the parents being present to encourage the children. In the central school and ward schools the primary grades were assigned without any delay and the children given a list of books necessary, where promotions had been made and where changes called for books, and the schools adjourned for the day.

In the high school, examinations were held in the afternoon to determine the grades of those who did not complete the full term last year, and examinations were also announced for Tuesday morning.

Almost one thousand pupils enter upon the new term's work with advantages never offered before by the local schools. A large study room and changes in the recitation rooms offers advantages that the school has long been needing. Under the supervision of Superintendent Fleming these needed improvements have been made in the high school building.

The new play ground which is now being made ready for the various outdoor games and athletics features will be worth a great deal to the school. This improvement has been brought about by the Civic League, under the leadership of Miss Zelma Miller.

A nine months school, with advantages that are second to none in the state, and with a faculty that equals any ever employed by the local board, the ensuing term promises to be a good one.

MORTUARY.

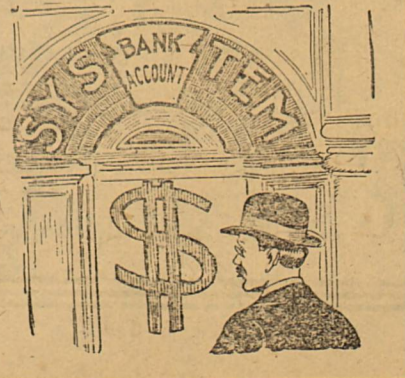
Luther Scott.
 Luther Scott, aged 33 years, died Saturday, Sept. 9th at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Scott on the Willingham farm, near the city and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the City Cemetery Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Dr. T. E. Mangum conducted the funeral services. He died from an abscess of the stomach. He was an exemplary young man of sterling worth and ability and leaves a host of friends who join The Ledger in condolence and sympathy for the sad relatives left to mourn his early demise.

Films developed free, prints 4 cents each at Briggs Photo Studio. 8-wtf

H. L. Chapman, of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday and was the guest of his brother Frank Chapman and family while in the city.

Judge George Garland of Paint Rock, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a business trip to Austin.

Rev. W. T. Allan, rector of the Episcopal church, left Saturday afternoon for Coleman to fill his regular Sunday appointment.



Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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

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 THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

CHAMPION COTTON PICKERS WINTERS GETS BAND FOR ANOTHER YEAR

R. L. Stokes of the Dry Ridge neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and gave us the cotton picking record of two young white men, ages 17 and 19, John and Ray Cash. The two young men picked 2400 pounds each for the week, and began at 9 o'clock Monday morning and quit Saturday at noon. One of the days, Friday, they picked 516 and 515 pounds on cotton that will make a bale to three acres. This is the champion record so far this season.

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.

Prof. Frank Norton, who with his family had been visiting at the R. H. Schooler home, left Monday for Bangs and will go on to Austin, where he will attend the State University and teach the coming year.

Prices greatly reduced on all classes of photographs at Briggs at Briggs Photo Studio. 8-wtf

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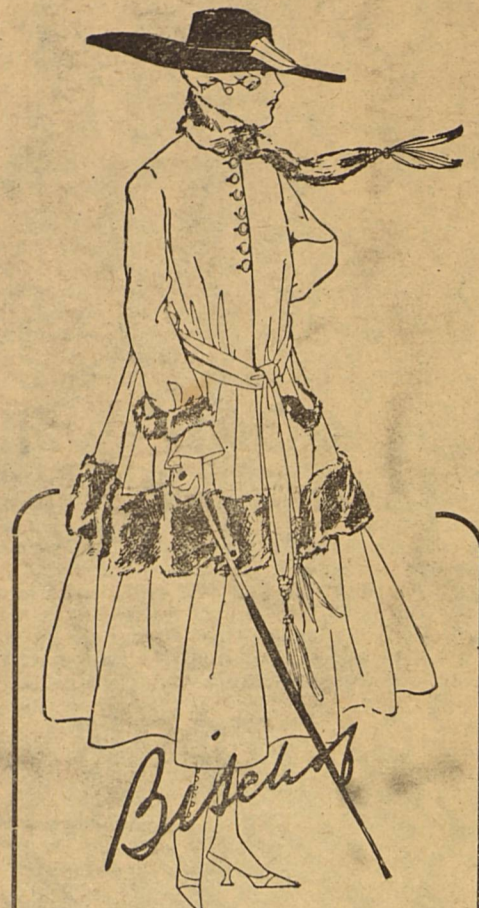
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Correct Styles

We Are Ready With All The New Fall Styles

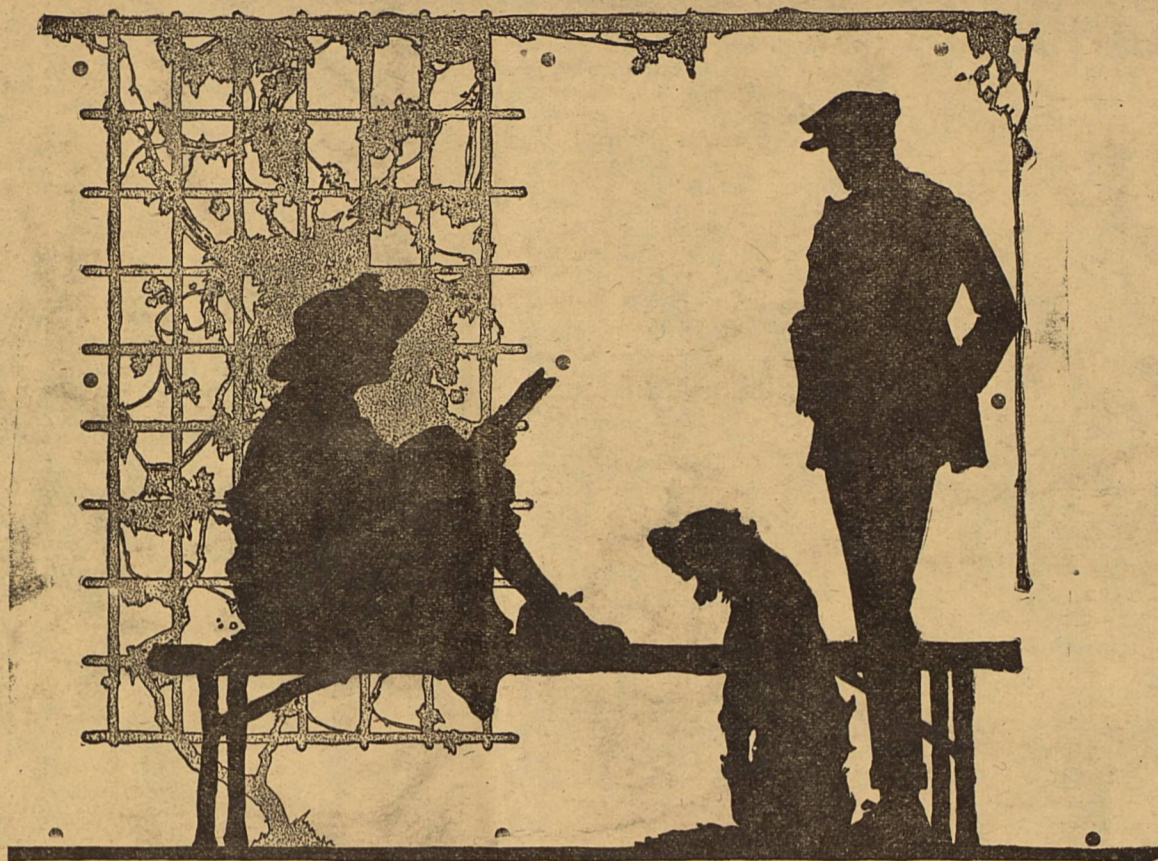


Exquisite Fall Suits

THE beauty of these charming suits can only be appreciated by a visit. Mere description can not convey their real charm and grace.

YOUR individual taste may be used here as we are showing a wonderful and varied assortment for your selection. Suits of velour, in plain and fancy colors, gaberdines, broad cloths and French serges, in long coats sport models, velvet and fur trimmed. Many excellent styles and models that will positively not be duplicated.

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Authorative Modes for Autumn

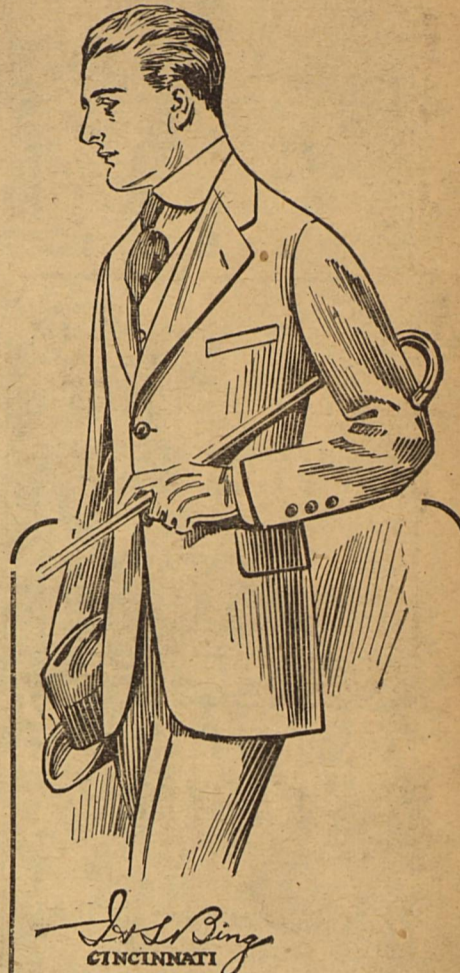
WE are portraying in our garment section Bischofs latest conceits, hinting at the many new modes which will find their best expressions here this Fall.

Every day sees something new in our garment department and if you would know the correct styles for autumn, you will visit this store often during the next few weeks.

These Appealing Styles are Priced Moderately

The prices on all of our beautiful suits, coats and dresses are exceptionally reasonable, the advance in all materials taken into consideration. You should see the wonderful styles shown here at \$15 to \$50.

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A Better Way to Buy Your Suit

IF you have been wearing made-to-measure clothes, you know what it is to wait two or three weeks for your suit. You know all about try-ons, being fussed over, fitted and re-fitted.

GET rid of this annoyance—come to our store and see one of the many models in new Fall clothes that will fit you perfectly.

HERE you will find Hart Schaffner & Marx suits in slims, longs, stouts, long stouts, medium stouts and regulars. Save from \$5 to \$10 on a suit, besides saving a lot of time and trouble.

The New Fall Silks and Dress Goods are Here.

No where will you find such a varied assortment of new Fall silks and dress goods as at Higginbotham's. It is indeed a real pleasure to do your shopping where everything is to be had in the same store.

Fall Crepes—All the new shades for dresses and undergarments, 36 and 40 inches wide, 50c to **\$1**

Georgette Crepes—An endless variety of these beautiful materials in all the leading shades, 40 inches wide - **\$1.50**

Satins—are very good this season to be worn on all occasions, 3 1/2 inch, \$1.00 to **\$1.25**

Wool Velour—A soft velvety fabric for coats and suits, priced up to, a yard - **\$3**

Many other silk and wool goods to select from. Pay this department a visit.

Boys Winter School Suits Moderately Priced.

We have paid especial attention to our Boys' Suit Department for this Fall. Here you may outfit the boy at a nominal cost.

The Best \$5 Boys' Suit in Town—We make this statement without fear of contradiction by exercising great care in our buying we are enabled to offer a good wool suit at \$5.00, some have two pairs of pants. All are made in Norfolk styles. It will pay you to pay us a visit. Other Boys suits \$2.50 to **\$12.50**

Complete line of boys furnishing caps, shirts, hats, ties and underwear.

Juvenile Suits. Many new juvenile suits in navy serge with white collars and cuffs. Russian blouse effects in plain and fancy colors. Sizes range from 3 to 8 years. Prices \$2 to \$5.

Charming Fall Hats

You are invited to pay our MILLINERY DEPARTMENT a visit and to see the many charming new models that we are showing. The worlds greatest designers have given vent to their greatest ideals and inspirations in the truly charming Fall models. In this range you will find Graceful Veiled Hats, Stunning Jockey Hats, Mother Goose Sailors, New Fall Turbans, Carmen or Spanish Sailors, and Dame Fashion's latest decree in the Cherry Red Hats, the real style hit of the season.



Artistic Blouses

Dress Blouses of Georgette Crepe in flesh, white and a charming pearl gray, new collars, new featured cape effect, hand embroidered, bead trimmings, fancy pearl buttons, a very attractive assortment, price **\$6 00.**

Many other waists and blouses of Georgette, laces, crepes chiffons, lunette crepes and a wonderful showing of crepe de chine in charming contrasting colors.

Fern Waists

The greatest value to be had in waists, New styles each week. The new styles at always the same price **ONE DOLLAR.**

A Great Sale of Shoes at One Dollar

Just now when shoes have advanced so very much this sale will be a great surprise. Hundred of these shoes were sold Dollar Day, many more hundred pairs remain to be sold. We are over stocked in shoes and we are going to close out every pair of odds and ends and broken lots in our store. You reap the harvest.

Women's Shoes

All Leathers, All Sizes, All Colors

Several hundred pairs of women's shoes in patent, gunmetal, velvet and cravenette, high, low and medium heels, broad and narrow widths large and small sizes, black, tan and fancy. Values up to \$4.00, choice **\$1.00**

Boy's and Girl's School Shoes

Here is the greatest opportunity you will have this year to buy School Shoes for boys and girls

A chance like this may never come again. The first to come will have the best selection. Bootees in tan and black. Lace and button shoes, all sizes and widths, values up to **\$3.00.** Your choice **\$1.00**

Children's Shoes

This table contains a wonderful assortment of children's shoes. For all ages and sizes many high boots of guaranteed Russian calf, tan and black kid are included. Heavy and light soles for school and dress wear. Come while the assortment is complete, values up to **\$3.00.** Your choice **\$1.00**