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ELMS WAIVES HEARING; BOND SET AT \$10,000

A few minutes after four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, attorneys in the case announced that there would be no examining trial in the Elms murder case. Elms waived preliminary hearing and counsel in the case agreed upon bond in the sum of \$10,000. A number of prominent citizens of the Wilmeth country were waiting to sign the bond and as soon as approved Elms will be released. It was stated that a bond several times larger than the amount fixed would have been promptly made.

After conferring with witnesses throughout the day, the attorneys in the Jesse Elms case announced at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon that they were not ready to go into an examining trial. It was rumored that a bond would be agreed to and preliminary hearing waived, but this could not be confirmed.

It had been announced that court would begin hearing testimony in the examining trial at one-thirty o'clock Tuesday afternoon and long before that hour the court room was crowded, and the crowd increased until all available seating space was occupied and many people standing and hanging on the railings both on the lower floor and in the gallery. It was the largest crowd that has gathered in the court room here since the famous George Brown trial.

The crowd waited patiently throughout the afternoon, and fortunately a gentle breeze blowing from the northeast kept the sweltering heat out. Many women were present and patiently waited for the court to begin to grind.

What evidence has been found in the case is not known and will not probably be known until the case is tried. The waiving of a preliminary hearing will keep this testimony from the public. Sam Hall, Chas. Bowen, Will Medart, Sam Hall, Sr., and Miss Pearl Helms, of Bell county arrived here at noon Tuesday to attend the trial. Miss Helms taught in the Wilmeth school last term and boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Elms and had been employed to teach in the school again and had arranged with Mr. and Mrs. Elms to board with them again. She is a witness in the case.

Most of those making up the crowd from the country are from the Wingate and Winters country. Many people are here from Winters and many Ballinger people secured seats in the court room early and stuck to them throughout the afternoon.

The court room was crowded with people from the Wingate-Winters country by nine o'clock Tuesday morning, the hour announced for the examining trial of Jesse Elms. It was ten o'clock when Justice Trimmer announced that the attorneys had requested that they be given more time to talk with witnesses, and by agreement the court adjourned until one-thirty Tuesday afternoon.

Despite the rains in the north and northwest part of the county, people from that section began arriving here early, and by noon several hundred citizens were gathered here to attend the trial. Many of these are merely spectators, while many are witnesses, and will figure in the case either for the state or defense before the case is disposed of.

The case is attracting more attention than any charge ever filed for murder in this county. The neighbors of Elms and citizens of the Wingate and Winters community where he has been prominent in church and business life for the past ten years, speak in a whisper in discussing the case.

Those who are closest to the man are free to admit that they do not believe that he is guilty of murdering his wife, at the same time they admit that there is ground for strong suspicion. Those who are pushing the prosecution say, "all we want is a square deal. We do not want to prosecute an innocent man, but want justice."

It is admitted that Elms will have no trouble in making bond, if the court should allow bond. A close friend of the man says, "we can make a bond for him as long as a railroad." It will probably require a couple of days at least to hear the preliminary evidence in the case, and it will not be known what the result will be until all the evidence to be introduced at this time is before the court.

During the early part of Tuesday, and after the people began to arrive here to attend the trial, many rumors were afloat, many of which were without foundation. Before the officer arrived here with Elms Monday night the report was circulated that he had made a complete confession. This was of course false.

Sheriff Smith arrived here at midnight Monday night with Elms. He was also accompanied by Elgin Davidson, Jim Woods, John Ballew and Albert Polk, all close friends of the prisoner. Elms was placed in jail where he remained until nine o'clock Tuesday morning when he was brought to the court house and until near-

ly noon was closeted with his attorneys, and plans for holding the examining trial were arranged.

The Ledger published last Saturday an account of the burning to death of Mrs. J. T. Elms, which was supposed to have occurred at midnight Friday when the Elms home near Wilmeth was destroyed by fire. The account of the tragedy is fresh in the minds of the readers of this paper. As told by Elm, his wife was caught in the burning building and lost her life, he leaving the house thinking that Mrs. Elms had gone out ahead of him while he was telephoning to neighbors. Mr. Elms told those who soon arrived on the scene that the house was nearly burned down when they awoke. According to those who arrived on the scene in a few minutes after Elms had telephoned them, Elms had to be restrained to keep him from plunging into the burning house to rescue his wife, and neighbors held him to keep him from going in the fire. The remains were shipped to Killeen Saturday afternoon, Rev. Gates, who went down to conduct the funeral and a number of neighbors, accompanied Mr. Elms.

Sunday afternoon Sheriff Perkins received a phone message from Sheriff Hugh Smith of Bell county, saying that Elms was under arrest and to come and get him. Mr. Perkins arranged with the Bell county officer to bring Elms back to Ballinger, and Sheriff Smith was due here with Elms at noon Monday, but for some cause missed his train and phoned Mr. Perkins that he would come on the next train, arriving at Ballinger Monday night.

D. L. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hudson, neighbors of Elms, and who accompanied Mr. Elms and the remains of Mrs. Elms to Killeen Saturday afternoon, returned to Ballinger Monday at noon. John Ballew and another neighbor or two, who also went to Killeen with the funeral party, remained at Belton with Elms and will return to Ballinger when the officer brings Elms here.

John and Doek Hall, brothers of Mrs. Elms and J. R. Smith a Killeen man, arrived at noon Monday to assist in making an investigation and to be present at the examining trial. District Attorney Early arrived here in his auto Monday afternoon and quite a number of witnesses have been summoned here from the Wilmeth country, and it is expected that an examining trial will be held Tuesday.

Mrs. Elms was formerly a Miss Hall, a member of one of the most prominent and well known families of Bell county. She was married to Mr. Elms about twelve years ago, and they later moved to Runnels county.

Shortly after the arrival of the remains and the funeral party at Killeen Sunday morning, the relatives of the dead woman became suspicious, and they made it known to Mr. Elms that they desired an investigation, and it is alleged that an autopsy revealed a fracture of the skull, though the examining physicians declined to say positively whether the fracture was due to a blow on the head or was caused from heat, and the body was held for further examination.

It became known shortly after the arrival of the remains at Killeen that there had been trouble between Elms and his wife, and the family of Mrs. Elms was aware of this, and took immediate steps to have a thorough investigation of the tragedy made. As soon as the physicians announced that the woman's skull had been fractured, or as soon as the physicians made their report of what the examination revealed, Elms was placed under arrest and carried to Belton and placed in jail. Those who accompanied him to Killeen followed him to Belton and remained in that city to help the man out of trouble if possible.

Two brothers of Mrs. Elms and Attorney DeWitt Bower, of Bell county, left Temple shortly after Elms had been placed in jail and are in the Wilmeth neighborhood

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GOV. HOBBY APPOINTS NEW REGENT

AUSTIN, Aug. 28.—Acting Gov. Hobby sent to the senate today the name of Colonel George W. Breckenridge, of San Antonio, as a member of the board of regents to succeed Regent Mathis, who recently resigned.

AUSTIN, Aug. 28.—The house is working on the university appropriation bill under call with a bare quorum present. Men favoring hedging on the appropriation are in the majority and the appropriations promise to be greatly reduced from the original bill which was vetoed by Gov. Ferguson.

AUSTIN, Aug. 29.—Senator Strickland introduced a resolution in the senate today requesting the house to file impeachment charges against Chairman Wilbur P. Allen of the University board of regents, provided Allen did not comply with the request of the senate and resign within three days. The resolution declared to the committee the state of affairs that existed in the matter and a certified copy was sent to Chairman Allen.

BAKER GIVES NEW ON DRAFTED MEN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—President Wilson addressed a letter to Secretary of War Baker today greatly modifying the draft rules for making up the army under the selective draft. Mr. Wilson declared that the first draft made on the citizens for this army should be made up of men who are not "heads of families." To make the change it will be necessary for the exemption boards to certify single men first and men who are not heads of families. However, the local boards have no authority to take any action in making changes until instructions are issued through the provost marshal's department.

FRENCH ARE MAKING A FIRM STAND

PARIS, Aug. 27.—Germans continued counter attacks of a more violent character was reported from different points today. The French report that the attacks failed. The Germans attempted to make the French relinquish ground recently gained around Verdun. The French held their own in the face of the desperate attacks.

WITH FRENCH ARMIES, Aug. 28.—Germany has lost more than fifty thousand men in the Flanders battle alone, since July first. This is an estimate based on figures given out by army officials. Other sectors have lost equally as heavy, and the death list when totaled will be appalling to the enemy, and the world powers.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Trieste is being evacuated. The civil population is deserting the town at the order of Austrian commanders, according to Zurich correspondent Corriera Ditalia, whose dispatches were cabled to the Italian embassy here.

Mrs. W. J. Dougherty and baby returned to San Angelo, Wednesday after a visit to Mrs. Frank Chapman.

FERGUSON IS REFUNDING MONEY TO TREASURER

AUSTIN, Texas, Aug. 24.—The house by a vote of eighty-four ayes and fifty nays adopted first section of articles of impeachment charging Governor Ferguson with having used \$5,600 of the Canyon City normal fund and has not paid it back.

The second article passed by eighty-two to fifty-three fifty and third by seventy-two to fifty other articles probably will be adopted consecutively by about same vote.

AUSTIN, Texas, Aug. 24.—At three-thirty this afternoon Chairman W. W. Bledsoe, of committee appointed to draft articles of impeachment, submitted the committees' report to the house. The report contains nineteen articles which includes six more charges than Fuller filed before the house against Mr. Ferguson. The report closes in part as follows:

"In view of the promises to the house of representatives of the State of Texas, does charge James E. Ferguson in the manner and by the means aforesaid, and that he did hereby render himself unworthy and is no longer fit to exercise the duties incumbent upon the governor of the State of Texas.

The house took up the work of adopting the committee's report and it will be sent to the senate late this afternoon, and the senate will begin immediately to discuss the charges and hear further evidence bearing upon the charges.

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 27.—Gov. Ferguson deposited in the state treasury today \$2,403.55, which one of the articles of impeachment alleges he used unlawfully for the purchase of groceries and supplies for the executive mansion. Mr. Ferguson also placed in the treasury \$3,116.04 which is another one of the impeachment articles alleges that he had diverted from the adjutant general's fund illegally. In refunding the money charged up to Mr. Ferguson in the indictments Mr. Ferguson's friends holds that he has made good his promise to the legislature made during the first investigation, in which he said that if the court ruled that he illegally expended the money he would refund it.

The fight to impeach Gov. Ferguson came to a focus much quicker than was expected. This was due to the elimination of debate on the floor of the house. The vote of 82 to 51 for impeachment came as a surprise to the public as well as to the members of the house as the vote on the Bryan ruling was considered a test vote, and it was predicted that some had voted to sustain the ruling who would vote against impeachment.

After argument by attorneys for the prosecution and defense closed, the proponents of impeachment called for quick action, and fought further delay in balloting. Points of order were raised and efforts to postpone the vote lost, and each test showed would contain four new articles.

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Owing to Bevo's popularity, some beverages are now being offered in a way to make the appearance of the package look as much like the Bevo bottle as possible. The intention is obvious. But you don't taste the shape of a bottle—it's the flavor of the contents of the bottle that you must depend upon for enjoyment.

Then beware of impersonators—don't be satisfied to try to identify Bevo by the shape of the bottle alone—

Look!!

There are these certain identification marks that are your protection against imitations. Not just imitations of the product, remember—but those more insinuating imitations which try to deceive you by putting an old failure into a bottle similar to a new success. So look for these unmistakable marks of the genuine Bevo—demand that the bottle be opened in front of you, then—

Look for the Seal
See that it is unbroken covering the Crown Top
Look at the Crown Top and see that it bears the Fox
Be sure the Bottle bears this label

Listen!

Bevo is a pure drink. This means more than that it contains pure ingredients—it means that though you might often well be afraid of possible germs in milk or water, Bevo, being a pasteurized product in sterilized bottles, is absolutely free from bacteria.

Bevo is a nutritive beverage—the fine cereals from which it is made give it this quality.

Bevo is a delightful and refreshing soft drink—unlike any you have ever tasted—indeed a Triumph in Soft Drinks.

You can't get these good qualities in anything but Bevo—demand the genuine.

You will find Bevo at inns, cafeterias, restaurants, groceries, department and drug stores, soda fountains, dining cars, steamships, canteens, soldiers' homes, navy, and other places where refreshing beverages are sold. Your grocer will supply you by the case. Bevo is sold in bottles only—and is bottled exclusively by



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Texas State Letter

Washington, Aug. 25.—Loving mothers, sweethearts and kind friends must not load drafted men with a lot of clothes and comforts when they start to camp September 5th, Provost Marshal General Crowder has ruled.

The 206,100 boys entraining for cantonments will be allowed to take very little. Trunks are absolutely taboo. Suit cases and hand bags will be frowned upon.

The War Department prefers that each man bring only necessary toilet articles and one change of linen and underclothing, done up in a neat, small bundle.

This is because strict attention will be given the military appearance of the boys from the moment they report at headquarters of their local board.

The department wishes it understood, however, that it is necessary that the boys bring the articles mentioned as it is that they bring nothing more.

Members of each man's local board will inspect his kit just before he entrains, rejecting everything that has no place therein and returning the surplus articles to his relatives.

"These men," said the draft official here today, "are not going on a vacation trip. They are going to study the business of war. They will be supplied with all necessary clothing and equipment when they get to camp.

According to the regulations all any man can take is a tooth brush, a piece of soap, collapsible drinking cup, a towel, a few handkerchiefs, an extra shirt and collar, a suit of underwear, and a pair of socks.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 25.—Wanted, men to go to France—with the 117th Supply Train Division of the Texas National Guards.

The Division is expecting orders to entrain for France at any time via Camp Mills. Men from 18 to 21 years, inclusive, and from 31 to 45 years, inclusive, who have some knowledge of automobiles, either as drivers or mechanics, and who want to see immediate service in France are wanted.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 25.—Bills have been introduced in both houses providing for the licensing and regulation of emigrant agents, placing same under the supervision of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and providing that they shall not charge more than \$2.00 for each person they place in employment beyond the borders of the state. Each such agent shall pay \$250 for license and make a bond of \$500. They must have three affidavits of good moral character. Where a person fails to receive employment, no charge shall be made.

Snyder, Tex., Aug. 25.—An association of Scurry county farmers has been formed here to cooperate in purchasing seed wheat. The local banks have offered to finance the undertaking and plans are under way for planting an unusually large acreage of wheat.

YES! LIFT A CORN WITHOUT PAIN!

Cincinnati authority tells how to dry up a corn or callus so it lifts off with fingers.

You corn-pestered men and women need suffer no longer. Wear the shoes that nearly killed you before, says this Cincinnati authority, because a few drops of freezone applied directly on a tender aching corn or callus, stops soreness at once and soon the corn or hardened callus loosens so it can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.

A small bottle of freezone cost very little at any drug store, but will positively take off every hard or soft corn or callus. This should be tried, as it is inexpensive and is said not to irritate the surrounding skin.

If your druggist hasn't any freezone tell him to get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house. It is fine stuff and acts like a charm every time.

Thos. C. Hall returned to Temple Thursday afternoon after spending several days here looking after his farm interest. Mr. Hall owns considerable land northeast of the city, known as the Schave land, and the farmers on the land have been very fortunate this year in receiving showers that is making a pretty good crop for them.

CALOMEL WHEN BILIOUS? NO! STOP! ACTS LIKE DYNAMITE ON LIVER

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

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

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

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it doesn't straighten you right up, and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is a real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick. I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

3000 People Gather On Court House Lawn to Hear Speakers Discuss Our "Home Task"

A crowd variously estimated at from 2500 to 4000 assembled on the court house lawn in Ballinger Sunday night and occupied seats in autos parked around the square. The large crowd began to gather before sundown, many people coming here from the country, Winters being well represented.

Promptly at eight o'clock County Judge Parish called the audience to order and singers were invited to the speakers stand. The services began with the singing of "How Firm A Foundation," and "Onward Christian Soldier." Rev. J. W. Bost offered the prayer, and Rev. J. H. King read the 27th Psalm.

"Our Home Task," was the general subject announced for discussion by the various speakers on this occasion, and Judge Parish introduced Scott H. Mack who opened the discussion and introduced Dr. J. D. Sandefer, of Abilene, who was the principal speaker of evening.

Dr. Sandefer spoke for about forty-five minutes, and called to the minds of his hearers the task that confronted them and named numerous ways in which this task could be performed. Dr. Sandefer emphasized the great fact that the American people must stand united, and there was a task for every one to perform. He pointed out that the American nation had become involved in the war after the president had tried to prevent it and did not declare war until it became necessary to save this country from the rule and ruin of Prussianism and the oppressive hand of the kaiser. The speaker told of German cruelty to helpless Belgian women and children, and the danger of the complete overthrow of France and England and after the falling of the American nation in the step were not taken to check the Prussians in their fight for autocratic supremacy.

In dealing with home task problems, Dr. Sandefer said that he would not appeal to the women to "fire the cooks," go in the kitchen and save the crumbs that were falling from their table when the men of the land were smoking ten cent cigars and indulging in the filthy habit and causing a great economic waste by using tobacco, heavy blow and said that millions of dollars were going to waste through the tobacco route that could be used to feed the hungry people.

Dr. Sandefer also, in a passing way, discussed the waste of the nation through the liquor habit, and stated that it took a world war to wake the American nation and cause this nation to begin hedging on this waste. The speaker discouraged the practice of boys under twenty-one years of age entering the war, and advo-

cated education first for he said that an educated man made the best soldier. He charged the war and all sin up to ignorance and plead for educated men and women.

Farm Demonstrator Eaton followed, appealing to the people to cooperate in carrying on the work as outlined by the federal government for greater production and conservation of food. He said the county must plant a large grain crop or a famine would result.

On account of the lateness of the hour short addresses by Rev. Currie and Judge Doss were omitted, and Dr. W. T. Allen, who was billed for an address was not present, and this address was omitted. The announcement was made that Dr. Allen was ill. Rev. Melton pronounced the benediction.

The service was a very successful one, and others will be held from time to time as the war progresses and the demand grows for closer co-operation and greater activity in performing the task at home.

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HOW TO SEND MAIL TO SOLDIERS ABROAD

Washington, D. C. — Persons sending letters or cablegrams to American soldiers in France are cautioned in a war department announcement to include in the address only the name of soldier, his company, regiment or other unit, and the words "American Expeditionary Force."

The location of the unit should not be mentioned, even if it be known.

The envelope should bear the name and address of the sender. Mail addressed in care of the adjutant general of the army, Washington, will be forwarded only when the writer does not know that the addressee has actually embarked.

Similar rules prevail for communications from members of the expeditionary force to friends or relatives in the United States. Troop locations or movements

must not be mentioned. Money may be transmitted through postal orders, but arrangements have not yet been completed for parcel post service to the expeditionary force.

Private telegrams to the soldiers should be addressed "Amexforce, London," with addressee's name and unit appearing as the first words to the text.

To comply with the European censorship regulations, all messages must be written in plain language (English or French or in international code, and must be intelligible to the censors. The use of two codes or two languages or of combinations of code and plain language in the same message is forbidden. Telegrams without text or with but one plain language text word are not admitted. Every telegram message must be signed. The surname alone may be used but such a signature as "John," "Mary," or "mother" will not be passed. The war department expects to detail an officer especially to care for army mail matters.

Editor's note—Better cut this out and keep it for future reference.

RUSH ACCEPTED IN SIGNAL CORPS.

Claud Rush and E. L. Norton returned Saturday from San Antonio where they had been to enlist in the Signal reserve corps. Rush was accepted, but will not be called to the camp for several weeks. Norton was not accepted because of the fact that no more men were needed for this line if work.

While at Fort Sam Houston, they were with the Ballinger boys of that company for four days. They report that all were well pleased and getting along fine, with lots to eat.

Mrs. C. R. Goldman and baby came in from Dallas Monday and are the guests of Mrs. Goldman's mother, Mrs. Beckwith and sister, Miss Isabell. Mrs. Goldman was formerly Miss Wilma Beckwith and taught in the Ballinger schools.

EVERY MONTH							THIS YEAR
SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	
					1	2	Save
					9	10	Save
					15	16	Save
					22	23	Save
					29	30	Save

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The governor of lives is **Habit.**

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cleanses the blood of all impurities, renewing the vitality that comes with a restored appetite. It is absolutely without an equal as a tonic and system builder.

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AMENDMENT LOST IN THIS COUNTY

A very light vote was polled in this county on the proposed amendment to the constitution. Out of eighteen boxes heard from, only 543 votes were cast, of which 249 were for the amendment, and 294 against it. The other six boxes have not been heard from, but it is thought that these boxes will not materially change the result. Following is the vote by boxes:

Box—	For	Agst
Ballinger No. 1	46	14
Ballinger No. 24	30	35
South Norton	1	25
Norton Norton	4	31
Maverick	14	9
Rowena	15	12
Cochran	23	29
Offen	29	16
Pony	12	7
Miles	71	16
Antelope	7	16
Hatchel	3	8
Wilmeth	18	30
Winters	17	17
Pumphrey	1	18
Tokeen	6	4
Harmony School House	8	4
Baldwin	3	—
Total	249	294

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 23.—Although returns were still incomplete today, it was evident that the amendment to the state constitution authorizing the organization of conservation and reclamation districts for conservation and development of natural resources, the storing, preservation and distribution of storm and flood waters carried in Tuesday's election by a vote of three to one. The vote was light, but reports indicate the amendment was favored in practically all sections.

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER. Has been used for all ailments that are caused by a disordered stomach and inactive liver, such as sick headache, constipation, sour stomach, nervous indigestion, fermentation of food, palpitation of the heart caused by gases in the stomach. August Flower is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. 25 and 75 cent bottles. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Opens Ballinger Wagon Yard. I have opened the Ballinger Wagon Yard, renovated and put the yard in good shape for campers. Will appreciate the patronage of my former patrons, and give all convenience and good service. P. S. BOSWELL. 24-2tpd.

A FRENCH SOLDIERS PHILOSOPHY OF WAR

You have two alternatives; either you are mobilized or you are not. If not, you have nothing to worry about.

If you are mobilized, either you are in camp or at the front. If you are in camp, you have nothing to worry about.

If you are at the front, you have two alternatives; either you are in reserve or you are on the fighting line. If you are in reserve, you have nothing to worry about.

If you are in the fighting line, you have two alternatives; either you scarp or you don't. If you don't you have nothing to worry about.

If you scarp you have two alternatives; either you get hurt or you don't. If you don't, you have nothing to worry about.

If you get hurt, you have two alternatives; either you get slightly hurt or your get badly hurt. If slightly, you have nothing to worry about.

If badly hurt, you have two alternatives; either you recover or you don't. If you recover, you have nothing to worry about.

If you don't recover and have followed my advice clear through, you have done with worry forever.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

NOT IN THE SLACKER LIST.

In the list of names of those who failed to appear for examination, published in this paper last week, the name of Alvin Webb appeared. Alvin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Webb, and the father reported to The Ledger Friday that Alvin had been in the regular army for some time, having volunteered shortly after registering. The local board had not been notified of the young man's whereabouts and there was nothing for them to do but report him among those as having failed to appear. The government will be notified of his whereabouts, and if he is still in the army his name will be dropped from the list of registrants.

Beautify Your Home. I am booking orders now for fruit trees, shade trees, and all kinds of shrubbery. You can get a quick start by buying hearty stock from the standard lines, and I sell no other kind. Phone or write me at Winters and I will call on you. JOHN HALL. d&w-It

NEWS FROM BOYS IN COMPANY H

Out of seventeen boys dropped from muster of the Company H, when the final examination was made by federal army officers this week, one Ballinger boy lost his place. Aubrey (Speck) Smickle failed to get by, being too light for such heavy work. The other twenty-odd boys from here passed the examination and are now in for keeps.

In making mention of the work being done by the company the San Angelo Standard says:

"Quite a few of the members of the company are reported on the 'sick list' today. Their indisposition is due to their being inoculated against typhoid germs and vaccinated for prevention of small-pox.

"To make a soldier absolutely proof against the germs of typhoid fever three inoculations are necessary. The first one was given Monday. Federal officers are to return here every Monday until the work is completed, and the boys made immune against this disease.

"Captain Walter Foreman today said that the boys are rapidly whipping into shape. Officers from the training camp at Lean Springs have been out looking the local boys over, and they declare they have never seen men make better progress. The officers of the company now firmly believe that Company H will go into the training camp at Fort Worth in better condition than any other company in the camp.

"Canteen equipment for the soldiers has arrived. It is believed here that uniforms and guns will not be given the boys until they reach the training camp, and at present this appears to be some time in the future. It is almost certain that the company will be here until September 1, though it is admitted they may receive orders to entrain for the camp at any hour."

MOTHER! DON'T TAKE CHANGES IF CHILD'S TONGUE IS COATED

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, clean little liver and bowels

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour.

Look at the tongue. Mother! If coated or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailments, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrup. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

MOBILIZATION HOLIDAY.

(San Antonio Express.) Uncle Sam is reported to be desirous that Wednesday, Sept. 5th, the day set apart for the mobilization of the men now being accepted for military service, shall be made a public holiday in every city and town from which the start shall be made to the training camp.

Provost Marshal General Crowder is quoted as saying that Federal Government is extremely desirous that the men who are going away shall be honored in their various communities as soldiers were never honored before, and that they be given a glorious send-off.

Every loyal community and every loyal citizen should reel the same way about it. Some of the never return; some of the others will come back loaded with hon-

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ors and all will win the credit of service, whatever their fate in the hazards of war. They will go away with our heartiest sympathy and best wishes and with our highest admiration and they will be our constant thought and concern while they are protecting the honor and glory of their country, in the trenches, in the air or on the sea.

It is fitting that there should be something more than a cold and matter of fact recognition of the mobilization where the training camps are located and something more than a formal good-bye when the men are leaving home, whether for direct service abroad or for preliminary service only a short distance from home. In either case, whether it is welcome and good-bye or parting that is sweet sorrow, there should be some show of affection and enthusiasm.

On the momentous day that sees the mobilization of the men being accepted for military service, the Stars and Stripes should be everywhere in evidence, whether owned by the municipality, firms or corporations; every brass band should be pressed into service to furnish music for the occasion and the boys in khaki would then have a picture impressed on memory that time would not efface. It is not all sufficient that we deeply feel the admiration which noble service inspires; there should be some outward manifestation of it, is the government's idea, according to General Crowder.

It will be easy enough to work out a plan, if we take hold of it, for it is not to be doubted that the idea will appeal to all loyal citizens.

MEN CHARGED WITH SLACKING MAKE BOND.

Frank Teague of Wingate, and M. H. Wilkerson of Rowena, two men arrested in this county and carried to San Angelo and turned over to the federal officers and held on charges of failing to register, were allowed bond in the sum of \$1000 each and J. W. Wilkerson, father of one of the men, and A. B. Vandye of San Angelo signed the bonds.

George Francis Smith who was arrested at Winters and carried to San Angelo also charged with failing to register, and who claimed he was not 21 years old, willingly filled out a registration card showing that he was of age. Smith has asked for an examining trial and he will be given a hearing Saturday.

Chronic Constipation.

It is by no means an easy matter to secure this disease, but it can be done in most instances by taking Chamberlain's Tablets and complying with the plan printed directions that accompany each package.

GOOD NEWS FROM REV. R. S. GRIGGS.

His many friends in Ballinger, will be glad to know that R. S. Griggs, formerly county attorney, county judge of Runnels county and representative in the legislature from this district, is getting along nicely in preparing himself for the ministry. Mr. Griggs gave up the practice of law here some time ago went to Fort Worth where he attended school, studying for his new work. A letter from him to a Ballinger friend was received today and dated at Abilene, where he is spending a

month as pastor of the First Baptist church of that city during the absence of the regular pastor, Dr. Jenkins. The First Baptist church has a membership of 1200 and is a \$65,000 church.

GOES TO NAVY.


Lawrence Boynton of Maverick passed through Ballinger Thursday on his way to Dallas where he will be examined for the navy. He enlisted at San Angelo as third class seaman.

Mrs. O. R. Griswold returned Saturday from San Angelo, where she had been demonstrating foods made from mesquite beans.

Miss Ono Hartman left Saturday for Brownwood, to visit for a few days.

Miss Thelma Kelley of Santa Anna and Miss Allilu Warren of Cleburne are visiting Miss Juliett B. Miller here for awhile.

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THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2326 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

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TEXAS SLOW TO REALIZE WAR TO DEATH HAS COME.

"Texas people are mighty slow in realizing that the country is warring for its life," said Judge Alvin C. Owsley of Denton Wednesday. Judge Owsley, a member of the Texas Council of defense, was in Houston en route home from the Galveston convention of the defense board.

"You hear people say this is an unpopular war," Judge Owsley continued. "That is not true. It is merely propoganda by an interested few. The truth simply is that Texas—and other states of the Union, for that matter—has lived at peace for so long that her people are steeped in a dream of fancied security. They are slow to believe ill of anyone. It is hard to make these bluff, honest and peaceable people realize that the emperor of Germany has long had his envious eyes on this rich country, and that Prussian autocracy burned to chastise America for incidents in the past every student of history knows too well.

"The awakening is slow, but it is coming, and when it fully arrives it will be like the silent but resistless river. We are in this war because we had to be. Human patience could stand no more. Germany deliberately affronted us, and Germany will pay the price for her arrogance. Sooner or later we would have warred against her single-handed, and I, for one, am grateful that we enter the conflict with powerful, determined and confident allies backing us."—Houston Chronicle.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE.

Abilene is pleased to have the announcement that the Hamby pike has been completed. In a few months Shackelford county will connect her good roads with Taylor county road and "life will be one sweet song" traveling from Abilene to Albany and on to Fort Worth. Let the good work continue—Abilene Reporter.

The county that fails to connect up with the rest of the world by building good roads will find itself in the backwoods. The American people are riding on rubber today, and they are going to ride where the best roads lead them, and a county with bad roads will be known the nation over and travelers will go around it regardless of the distance necessary to do so.

Uncle Sam is going to bring the Kaiser to his knee if it takes ten years and ten million men to do it. The fact is, "Its just got to be did"—Coleman Leader.

May not take ten years and it may not take ten million men, but it is going to require a longer time and a greater number of men to do the job up right than the average man will admit. The Kaiser is fighting for his life, or at least the German soldiers are fighting for the Kaiser and it is going to be a fight to a finish.

The Austin impeachment proceeding is enough to cause every loyal Texan to lift his face in shame. Until the state gets upon a high plane and elects men who will do right for the sake of right and not make personal gain the guiding ideal, we may expect just such state of affairs.—Sweetwater Reporter.

In the first place the people should not allow any man to spend \$30,000 to be elected to a \$4000 office. That's crooked work to begin with and a man who gets into office by such tactics can expect to be caught trying to get even. The people are to blame.

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HE DID NOT KNOW THE WAR WAS ON

He didn't know that the United States was involved in war with Germany. Therefore he didn't register for military service on June 5.

This was the statement that Tom Whitt, Coke county sheepherder is said to have made to officers, after his arrest near Robert Lee Wednesday afternoon upon information to the effect that he had failed to register. Sheriff L. J. Coward took the man into custody and Thursday brought him to San Angelo, where a formal complaint was filed before United States Commissioner Jesse Couch in the federal district court.

Whitt was granted bond in the sum of \$500, which he readily made. His guarantors were W. G. Jameson of Saneo and W. R. Walker of Silver. He was accompanied to San Angelo by his wife and seemed willing to appear in court when told of the seriousness of the charge against him.

Whitt, it appears, has been herding sheep and goats in the hills of Coke county for several years, seldom going into Robert Lee, Bronte or other towns. With war preparations being made throughout the union, it seems almost impossible that a man, however secluded, would not learn of such an event. Officers, however, are inclined to believe that this is possible and that Whitt's claim may hold water.—San Angelo Standard.

A WILLING WITNESS

Is This Ballinger Resident.

What stronger proof of the merit of Doan's Kidney Pills can Ballinger readers demand than the statement of a well-known local resident? The evidence that follows should convince the most skeptical doubter.

G. W. Newman, preacher, 906 Sealey Ave., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order. I suffered from dull, throbbing pains across my loins. I often had such sharp catches in my back I could hardly straighten. The kidney secretions passed irregularly and annoyed me greatly. Doan's Kidney Pills, which I procured from J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store, put my back in good shape and rid me of kidney complaint."

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FIRE STARTS IN BANK BASEMENT.

Smoke was discovered coming from the basement of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank about six o'clock Monday afternoon, and the fire company was called to put out a fire that had started from some cause in a pile of kindling in the basement. Aside from a little excitement and a smoked up floor no damage was done.

SPRING HILL NEWS.

Health in our community is pretty good.

Some are picking cotton. There will not be much cotton to pick.

Quite a number of our Spring Hill people attended the First Baptist services, Sunday morning.

Mr. Wheelis and family are visiting relatives in Parker County.

Miss Knight, of Temple, visited Miss Winnie Flowers the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer, of Coleman, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Clifton.

David Davis, one of the soldier boys, spent Sunday at home.

Don't forget our Sunday School every Sunday evening at 4 o'clock. Make every effort you can to come and help in it.

MAY.

WILL SPEND TWO WEEKS IN COLORADO

Mrs. R. G. Erwin returned from Belton Monday, where she had been for the past several weeks by the bedside of her father, who died last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Erwin will leave tomorrow for a two week's vacation in Colorado.

JUDGE KYSER NOW ENDORSES TANLAC

Well Known Public Man of Austin Says, "It Put Me In Better Shape than I've Been for Years."

One of the distinguishing features of the introduction and phenomenal popularity of Tanlac in Texas and throughout the South, is the large number of prominent men who have come forward and given the medicine their unqualified endorsements because of the benefits they have derived from its use.

Judge G. W. Kyser, 1204 West Ninth Street, Austin, Texas, in a recent interview, made the following statement:

"Tanlac is rapidly making me over into a new man and I will always speak a good word for it when I have the opportunity."

Judge Kyser served in the Civil War with the 32nd Texas Cavalry under Colonel Woods and the Confederate veteran needs no introduction to the Southern born man or woman. The judge occupied the bench in Caldwell county for twenty years and resigned this office to accept the appointment as commissioner of pensions under Governor Colquitt. After eighteen months in this high office, he was compelled, on account of failing health, to retire from active life. He is not only one of Austin's most highly respected citizens, but is prominently known throughout the state.

"I have suffered from constipation for years," continued Judge Kyser. "I had rheumatic pains all over my body, was restless and couldn't sleep at all well. I was stupid and tired, my mind seemed to be sluggish, and at times I couldn't think. I had no energy and suffered frequently from headaches. And, on top of my other troubles, about a month ago a few days before I began taking Tanlac, I took a severe cold which left me with a pain in my chest and a dreadful cough—I couldn't rest at night for coughing—and to be frank about it, I was just about played out."

"But I'm feeling like a different man now, thanks to Tanlac. I saw it advertised and began taking it and two bottles have put me in better shape than I have been in months, and that is a fact, it's the best medicine I ever took. I eat hearty and sleep well, my rheumatic pains and cough are all gone and I feel more active and energetic than I have in a long time. In fact, I am feeling fine now and nothing has helped me but Tanlac. I recommend it to my friends as the best medicine I have ever found to build up a weak, run-down system and to restore lost health and vigor."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Weeks Drug Store; in Winters by Owens Drug Store; in Miles by Jno. W. Crawford; in Rowena by Shiller's Pharmacy, and in Wingo by R. E. Finley & Co.

MRS. WILL VOSS DIED AT MILES.

News was received in Ballinger Tuesday morning of the death of Mrs. Will Voss, which occurred at Miles Monday night. Mrs. Voss was Miss Pansy Norman, daughter of J. W. Norman, of Paint Rock, before she married Mr. Voss. She was a sister of Mrs. J. B. Wade, formerly of this city, now of Fort Worth. Mrs. Voss frequently visited Ballinger and had many friends here who will regret to hear of her death. The funeral will take place at Paint Rock.

CRAIG ROGERS CALLED FOR SERVICE IN NAVY.

Craig Rogers left Wednesday for Dallas, to report for duty in the navy. He will be sent from there to one of the training stations, probably to Norfolk, Va.

Craig enlisted in the navy about two months ago, and was rated as a third class fireman, but he hopes to get his rating changed to second-class fireman. He has had some experience as a fireman, and for about six week has been employed as fireman at the city water works station.

Jim Parnell, at one time a Ballinger painter, is here from Fort Worth.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mrs. Adcock of Abilene, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. James, returned home Thursday. Ben Middleton entertained his South Ballinger Sunday School class Saturday night with a watermelon feast on the river.

We had quite a number of visitors to attend our Sunday school Sunday evening, among the number was Rev. Morgan, of the First Baptist church, who made a short talk, which was appreciated by all.

Miss Hester Sutton, of Bell county, is visiting her cousin, Miss Maydell Rushing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Booth, of near Crews, visited Mrs. Booth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson, Saturday and Sunday.

Luther Watson spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks. This will be his last visit home as he is expecting to be called to Fort Worth from San Angelo within the next few days.

Misses Edell Baxter and Katherine Hinde visited in South Ballinger Sunday.

Citation.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Jno. F. Lund, deceased, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive 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 Thirty-Fifth Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October, A. D. 1917, the same being the 8th day of October, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 16th day of August, A. D. 1917, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1874 wherein Chas. Chapman is plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Jno. F. Lund, deceased, are defendants; and said petition alleging that the plaintiff is a resident Rannels County, Texas, and that the names and residences of the defendants are unknown to plaintiff. That the plaintiff is the lawful owner and holder in fee simple, and now in possession of the following described lands, to-wit: in Rannels County, Texas, 134 acres, a part of the Lawrence Martin Survey, No. 516, abstract No. 372, described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of the Thomas Williamson survey, 499, and being an interior of the Lawrence Martin survey No. 516, thence north with the W. B. line of said Williamson survey, 740 yds, to stn. mound, the northeast corner of this tract; thence west 1026 yds. to stone mound, the northwest corner of this tract; thence south 740 yds. to stone mound, the southwest corner of this tract; thence east 1026 to place of beginning; that said survey was formerly owned by Jno. F. Lund, deceased, but that the said Jno. F. Lund died prior to the second day of Feb. 1886, leaving surviving him his widow, Emeline Lund, Mrs. L. J. Eivit, Ida Davis, wife of T. A. Davis, daughter, Octavia Lund, daughter, and G. G. Lund, a son, and two other heirs who are made defendants in this suit, and whose names and residences are unknown to plaintiff.

That on said second day of February A. D. 1886, the said Emeline Lund, surviving wife, and the said four heirs conveyed all their interest and title in and to said Lawrence Martin Survey to Jas. H. Parramore and Hugh Lewis, of Rannels county, Texas, said conveyance now recorded in Vol. 7, page 364, of the deed records of Rannels county, Texas, which said deed was filed for record on the 7th day of March 1886; that the Plaintiff owns and holds the title to said premises above described by and thru the said Jas. H. Parramore and Hugh Lewis and their grantees.

That it is apparant from the records of this County that the outstanding interests of the Defendants in this suit have never been divested out of said Defendants, and said outstanding interests now constitute a cloud on the title of this Plaintiff to said land. That the Plaintiff and those under

whom he claims, have had and been under title and color of title from and under the State of Texas, in peaceable, complete and adverse possession of said lands and tenements above described for a period of more than three years, next preceding the commencement of this suit. That he and those whose estate he holds have held and had said lands and premises, claiming the same under deeds duly registered in peaceable, complete and adverse possession, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, and paying all taxes thereon for a period of more than five years next preceding the commencement of this suit; that Plaintiff and those under whom he claims title have had and held the same in peaceable, complete and adverse possession of said lands and tenements, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, for a period of more than ten years next preceding the commencement of this suit.

WHEREOF, Plaintiff prays that the Defendants be cited to appear and answer said petition; that upon hearing of this cause he have judgment of this court vesting the title to said lands in Plaintiff, and divesting it out of the unknown heirs of Jno. F. Lund, deceased, and removing said cloud from his title, and for general relief.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas, this, the 16th day of August, A. D. 1917.

MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk. District Court Rannels County. By LOUISE WILLIAMS, Deputy.

Elms Waives Hearing; Bond Set at \$10,000

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making an investigation. Many citizens of the Wilmeth country came to Ballinger Monday as soon as the news of the arrest of Elms had reached that neighborhood, and a number of them announced that they would remain here until Tuesday to attend the examining trial.

Jesse Elms is one of the most prominent men of the northwest part of the county. He came here ten years ago and purchased a farm, paying one dollar down and making notes for the remainder of the purchase price. As a farmer he succeeded and paid for his farm. Some time ago he engaged in the grocery business at Winters, was prospering and was never known to have been in trouble before.

When interrogated by a Ledger reporter today a number of citizens from the community where the tragedy occurred, and close friends of the Elms, declined to discuss the case, further than to indicate that they could not believe that Elms had murdered his wife. Yet it was admitted by several that there had been domestic trouble between Elms and his wife some time ago.

The arrest of Elms has created considerable excitement here and throughout the northwest part of the county where the man is so well known. Little groups of men congregated on the streets throughout the day and discussed

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the case in an attempt to learn upon what grounds the complaint against Elms had been filed, and what evidence the authorities had secured against him.

Jesse Elms was released from the custody of the sheriff late Tuesday afternoon and accompanied friends to Winters. Those who came here expecting to hear the testimony given in the examining trial returned home with only rumors to satisfy their curiosity. The state interrogated all of its witnesses behind closed doors and the evidence secured has not been made public.

District Attorney Early who came here from Brownwood to conduct the prosecution, returned to Brownwood Wednesday morning. Quite a number of relatives and friends of the deceased who came here from Bell county, also returned to their home.

Judge A. K. Doss, of Ballinger, and Judge Dewitt Mowmer, of Temple, have been retained by the defendant, and it is expected that the prosecution will employ private counsel to assist the district attorney.

Elms is out on a \$10,000 bond to await the action of the grand jury. District court convenes here on October 8th, and the case will bring many witnesses to this city.

When it was announced Tuesday afternoon that counsel had agreed upon a bond in the sum of \$10,000, the friends of Elms volunteered to sign the bond and thirty-three sureties, as follows, signed the instrument:

- Tad Richards. Joe Heck. John F. Hudson. W. T. Lacy. J. D. Smith. J. L. Miller. J. W. Wood. S. L. Eason. H. F. Busher. W. B. Cobb. W. W. Mitchell. H. G. McKown. T. P. Brown. L. S. Bird. W. H. Rodgers. O C Parish. S B Pinkerton. S. Y. Little. D. L. Tucker. J. M. Blessing. Arthur Ballwe. F. M. Powers. W. L. Mitchell. J. A. Mitchell. Elgin Davidson. J. D. Parks. W. S. Mitchell. J. A. Patterson. J. B. Mitchell. R. A. Cramer. J. P. Flynt.

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HOMER TAYLOR DIES FROM ELECTRIC SHOCK

The remains of Homer Taylor were tenderly laid to rest in the City Cemetery Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock, Rev. J. H. King, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, conducting the funeral services. Rev. Geo. W. Fender, formerly pastor of the Eighth Street church and a life time friend of the family, came in from Brownwood Wednesday at noon, and assisted in the funeral services.

Homer died at the local sanitarium at six o'clock Tuesday evening, as the result of an electric shock received about two o'clock of the same day, when he climbed an electric power pole and in some way came in contact with the high power transmission wires. The accident occurred about four miles east of Ballinger, and near where the unfortunate boy was conducting a fruit and melon stand, an account of which appeared in this paper Tuesday afternoon.

While the boy became conscious after being removed from the pole, it was known that his injuries were serious and there was little hopes for his recovery. He remained conscious up to within a short time of his death.

Homer was in his sixteenth year. He had reached that age in life where he was much help to his father, and was industrious and took an interest in his work. When he left home Tuesday morning to go to his melon stand he carried his school books and was preparing for an examination at the opening of the public schools next Monday. He manifested considerable interest in electricity, and while no doubt he recognized the danger of coming in contact with the high power wires, he climbed the pole not knowing that death was lurking so near and had no intention of coming in contact with the current.

He was a member of the Eighth Street church, and a regular attendant at Sunday school, and other services of the church. The members of his Sunday school class acted as pall bearers, and the beautiful flowers spread around the casket and later covering the grave attested to the high esteem in which he was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor recently gave up their oldest son, Ewing, who on last Saturday bid farewell to loved ones and left for somewhere in France, having been commissioned lieutenant in the United States army. Homer was at the train to see his brother, Ewing off. The giving up of two sons in one week makes the sorrow fall doubly heavy on the parents, and the one brother, Jones, and three sisters, Misses Gladys, Lucybell and Winnie Dorris, Ewing left here last Saturday, and should have arrived at New York Wednesday, on the day that his brother was buried. It was decided best not to wire him of the death of his brother, but to wait and write him the full account of the accident after he arrives in France, as it would be impossible for him to return here to attend the funeral.

The many friends of the heart broken parents extend to them the kindest sympathy. Homer Taylor, the fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor, is in the Halley & Love Sanitarium in a serious condition as the result of coming in contact with the high power transmission line running from San Angelo to Ballinger. Just how the accident occurred, or what caused the boy to climb the pole and get the shock from the high power current, will not be known until the boy recovers sufficient to give an account of it.

There was no eye witness to the accident, and just how long the boy had been suspended 35 feet in the air, resting in an unconscious condition on the cross arms of the electric power pole is not known. He was found by a touring party headed by J. N. Donahos, of Plainview, who came along about two o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

It seems that Homer was conducting a watermelon and fruit stand at the four mile crossing on the Santa Fe west of Ballinger, and near his father's farm. He had pulled off his shoes, or at least the shoes were found at the foot of the pole, and climbed to the top of the pole. When first found by the touring party he was unconscious and failed to respond when called to. The touring party realized the situation at an instant and the chauff-



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BLANKS FOR STATE AID
I have received the application blanks for state aid. Those trustees who desire to make application for state aid should call at the office of the county Superintendent E. H. Hagan for the purpose of making such application.

LAST MEN CERTIFIED TO BY LOCAL BOARD

The exemption board made a partial report on the last one hundred men examined. Out of the fifty men examined Tuesday and the fifty men examined Monday, the following disposition of the examinations have been recorded:

Certified to Aug. 22, 1917.

- 212—Feal Boatwright, Miles.
- 1357—Walter Edward Seipp, Maverick.
- 1257—Theodora Ralph Robinson, Miles.
- 1077—James Freeman Owen, Ballinger.
- 886—James Caswell Latham, Ballinger.
- 357—Lee Russell Drennan, Ballinger.
- 331—Garfield Cerile, Winters.
- 1108—Fred L. Patterson, Rowena.
- 715—William Clyde Harding, Winters route 2.
- 562—Walter Blane Guin, Wingate.
- 1407—Raymond Story, Miles.
- 505—James Glenn, Marie.
- 871—Harry Wyatt Lynn, Ballinger.
- 1520—Walter Edward Walker, Hatchel.
- 1156—Avin Irith Parker, Wingate.
- 1593—Humphrey Watson, Ballinger.
- 681—U. S. Havenhill, Winters.
- 1034—Sam McAulay, Maverick.
- 14 509 Billie Glover, Rowena.

Certified to Aug. 23, 1917.

- 47 1264 Roland Jay Shaw, Tennyson.
- 1139—W. S. Proctor, Winters.
- 1160—Jesse Scott Poe, Winters.
- 1143—Chas. Newt Proctor, Winters.
- 585—William Smith Griffin, Winters.
- 1464—Leland Tuttle, Ballinger.
- 1415—Charlie Green Taylor, Winters.
- 1343—Edward J. Spill, Houston.
- 1439—Frank Maynor Turner, Norton.
- 441—Chas. Washington Evans, Ballinger.
- 1173—Chester Arthur Peyton, Miles.
- 595—John Henry Gannaway, Wingate.
- 800—John E. Kaspar, Rowena.
- 714—Nugent Carleton Hinds, Winters.
- 1341—Abner Boyd Stovall, Crews.
- 555—Robert Marvin Grimes, Maverick.
- 877—Ira Claud Little, Maverick.
- 935—William Harris Mullin, Winters.
- 1472—William Homer Tyre, Winters.
- 1521—Archie Neolian Wiley, Ballinger.

Exempted Aug. 23, 1917.

- 86—Frank Bennett Block, Ballinger.
- 1024—Carl Wesley McAden, Ballinger.
- 1192—John W. Roberts, Talpa.
- 878—Alto Franland Lee, Maverick.
- 23—Chas. Herad Arnold, Ballinger.
- 1411—Ira Sherman Story, Miles.
- 978—Leopold Matejek, Rowena.
- 1121—Joseph Lutzie Pechack, Ballinger route E.
- 1272—R. S. Sakolowski, Rowena.

COME HERE TO SIGN BOND.

Rev. J. L. Speer, John Ballew, Luther Owen and Howard Williams, came down from Winters Wednesday to sign the Jesse Elms bond. The bond had been approved and filed and the men were enite the privilege of going on their friend's bond.

Stomach and Liver Troubles.

No end of misery and actual suffering is caused by disorders of the stomach and liver, and may be avoided by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. Give them a trial. They only cost a quarter.

For Weak Women

In use for over 40 years! Thousands of voluntary letters from women, telling of the good Cardui has done them. This is a part of the value of Cardui. It proves that Cardui is a good medicine for women.

There are no harmful or habit-forming drugs in Cardui. It is composed only of mild, medicinal ingredients, with no bad after-effects.

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The Woman's Tonic

You can rely on Cardui. Surely it will do for you what it has done for so many thousands of other women! It should help. "I was taken sick, seemed to be . . ." writes Mrs. Mary E. Veste, of Madison Heights, Va. "I got down so weak, could hardly walk . . . just staggered around. . . I read of Cardui, and after taking one bottle, or before taking quite all, I felt much better. I took 3 or 4 bottles at that time, and was able to do my work. I take it in the spring when run-down. I had no appetite, and I commenced eating. It is the best tonic I ever saw." Try Cardui.

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fer made a record run to the city and reported the trouble. The chauffeur of the touring party left the party here and picking up Dr. A. C. Watson and M. F. Treadwell, manager of the local light plant, hurried back to where the boy was found. In the meantime the current was cut out at Ballinger and at Rowena, and a number of others had gathered around the pole where the boy was suspended in the air.

By the time help reached the scene the boy had regained consciousness sufficient to respond to calls, and he was told to lay perfectly quiet until the line men could come and help him down. The linemen soon arrived on the scene, and the boy was taken down and hurriedly brought to the sanitarium. Just how serious the shock is, could not be learned at the time of going to press, but it was announced when the party reached the sanitarium that the young fellow was in a very serious condition.

That the boy was not killed instantly is a wonder. 23,000 volts of electricity is supposed to be carried by the high power line, and it is the opinion of the electricians that Homer slightly struck one of the wires and it knocked him back on the cross beams, and it happened that he fell on a balance and being paralyzed remained on the narrow beams until help reached him. He was thirty-five feet from the ground and a fall would have brought certain death.

Homer has many friends among the boys as well as among the older people who will regret to hear of his misfortune and wish for his recovery.

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. 30c.

SEPTEMBER TO BE RALLY MONTH AT 8th ST. CHURCH

Rev. J. H. King, pastor of the 8th Street Presbyterian church, announced Sunday that the month of September would be observed as "Rally Month" by his church. An effort will be made to build up the attendance at Sunday School and at the other services of the church. Members who have not been regular in their attendance will be urged upon to be present at the church and Sunday School services, and to bring with them visitors.

FIRE DOES \$13,000 DAMAGE AT WINTERS THIS MORNING

The building known as the Kornegy building and occupied by the J. U. Johnson Grocery store and A. F. Adams tailor shop, was destroyed by fire and other property burned at Winters early Wednesday morning. The fire broke out about four o'clock, supposedly from a gasoline burner in the tailor shop, and the flames were under good headway when the volunteer fire company reached the scene.

Shortly after the fire broke out, and when the entire business section of the city seemed to be threatened with destruction, a call came to Ballinger for help. While the city officials of Ballinger were planning to send the fire truck to the aid of our neighbors, another report came that the fire was under control.

It was clever work in the Winters fire fighters in confining the fire to the one building, after such headway had been gained before the fire was discovered.

Buildings and stocks of goods adjoining the building were saved, but badly damaged by smoke and water.

The L. Dougherty tin shop is just back of the building burned, and was damaged.

The Garrick grocery store adjoining the Johnson grocery store, and the stock of goods was badly damaged.

The Smiley building on the corner just across the street from the fire, occupied by a pool hall, the electric light office and a confectionery, was badly damaged, plate glass being burned out.

The Moore cafe, adjoining the Smiley building was also damaged. The cafe had just changed hands the day before the fire, E. C. Moor selling out to Claud Puckett.

E. Buchwald's picture show and music store was damaged, and other stocks of goods and adjoining buildings slightly damaged.

The loss is estimated at \$13,000, partially insured.

BIG INDUSTRY FROM MESQUITE BEANS

Austin, Tex., Aug. 28.—The manufacture of syrup from mesquite beans promises to equal in the course of time the peanut and cotton seed industry in Texas, according to Commissioner of Agriculture Fred W. Davis. He has just received a sample of syrup made from the mesquite bean, manufactured by R. C. Ledford of San Angelo, which indicates the possibilities of this new industry.

Writing in connection with syrup manufactured from the mesquite bean, Mr. Ledford says: "The idea is to use glucose or sugar in the manufacture of syrup and the residue to be ground into meal for feed for stock. The beans can be gathered by the children, giving employment also to thousands of poor Mexicans."

Commissioner Davis declares he will push this new industry in Texas.

GONE TO ATTEND MOTHER'S FUNERAL

R. L. Harwell and wife left Ballinger first of this week for Oklahoma, where they go to attend the funeral of Mr. Harwell's mother. They went as far as Fort Worth in their car and will catch the train at that place.

We regret to note that Mrs. E. V. Bateman has been quite ill for several days and is still confined to her bed.

New Confectionery Store

We have opened up the best line of ice cream and cold drinks and candies next door to Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack. The cleanest and prettiest place in town. We want every one to come and see the best confectionery in Ballinger.

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Your Lips Will Smack For More!

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The Happy "HOPPY" DRINK

Answers every beverage problem. Picnics, parties, gatherings of any kind always find PABLO a very welcome guest. Keep PABLO on ice in the home always ready for a satisfying drink. Served ice cold wherever drinks are sold. Try PABLO today—and pass the good word along.

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RETURNS FROM COOL COLORADO.

C. A. Doose is at home from a trip through Oklahoma, Kansas and a three weeks stay in Colorado. Mr. Doose spent most of the time set aside for his vacation in Colorado Springs and other cities in the Rocky Mountains. He reports having met Henry Wilke and his wife in Colorado and says that they were getting along nicely. Mr. Wilke has a responsible position with a prominent firm at Lamar, Colorado.

"I found parts of Oklahoma and Kansas just as dry as this country," said Mr. Doose, "as I was going to Colorado, but on my return trip the country through which I traveled had received good rains and the crops condition were greatly revived and there will be considerable fall feed crops made in the country that was dry during the spring and early summer."

Mr. Doose says that the men

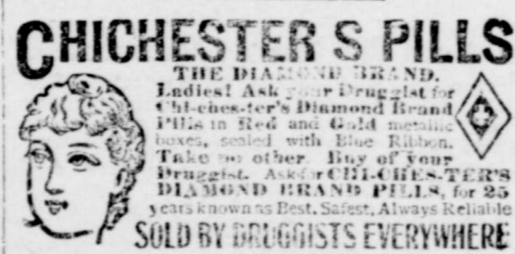
with money to loan have not lost confidence in this country on account of the drouth that prevails, but that he has more money to loan and on better contracts than ever before. While away on the trip Mr. Doose conferred with loan firms at Kansas City, loan companies that he has been representing here for number of years.

Mr. Doose talks enthusiastically about the possibilities of irrigation in this country. He visited the irrigated districts in Colorado where land is irrigated by gravitation from the melted snow waters flowing off the mountains, and he says that by building dams and conserving the flood waters in the creeks and river of Rannels county the farmers could produce more off of one acre than they are producing off twenty-five dry land farming acres on an average, taking the years as they come, wet and dry periods. Mr. Doose's statement along this line is verified by the farmers who are making big crops in this country

this year under irrigation. We need more dams and ditches.

BALLINGER BOY ON HIS WAY TO FRANCE

Lieut. Ewing Taylor left Ballinger Saturday afternoon for Hoboken, N. Y., and will sail from that place on Aug. 29th for some place in France, where it is expected that he will join Gen. Pershing's army. Ewing leaves behind a host of friends who wish him success in France and a safe return to Ballinger. He is a graduate of the Ballinger high school, is a christian gentleman, and possesses every character necessary for the making of a most successful army officer. He is the first Ballinger boy to go direct from here to France since the break with Germany and the United States was announced.



PROMOTED TO COLONEL IN U. S. ARMY.

Dr. E. R. Walker received a letter from his brother, Col. Kenzie Walker, Monday. Col. Walker stated that he had just received promotion to the rank of Colonel in the army and had been transferred from Washington to some point in Ohio. Col. Walker was stationed at Fort Sam Houston at one time, and visited his brother here. He has advanced rapidly and has friends here who will be glad to know of his promotion.

Soldier Boys to Carry Remembrance from Ballinger

The various committees are busy today working details for the rally to be held here on Monday evening, Aug. 3rd, in honor of the men who have been examined and certified for draft, and who will be called into service on Sept. 5, Sept. 19th and Oct. 3rd. An effort will be made to have all these present, and every man, woman and child in Rannels county are requested to be present and do honor to those who are going away from home to fight for their country.

The program committee, composed of D. E. Eaton, Scott H. Maek, R. G. Erwin and J. McGregor, will report to the general committee an outline for a program at a meeting of the committee to be held Saturday morning. The program will be announced as soon as ready. The program will not be a lengthy one as it has been pointed out that this should be an occasion in which the soldiers should not be given long talks, but entertained in a social way and the evening turned over to one of pleasure.

Short talks, music and the presentation of a token of appreciation from the Business League of Ballinger will be the features of the program. Invitations are being mailed out by the invitation committee asking all the men drafted come to Ballinger on this

occasion, and to bring with them their families and friends. Of course every one is invited, and it is a foregone fact that a large crowd will be here, but special invitations are being sent to the men who are to be made special guests of honor on this occasion.

The Business League of Ballinger will present to each man drafted on this occasion a valuable token of remembrance and appreciation. The gift to be presented will consist of something that every soldier will need, and will be something that the war department does not furnish to him. These will be presented shortly after the drafted men march from some point where they will assemble to the court house lawn.

For this occasion the business houses of Ballinger will close at six o'clock sharp, and the program will begin promptly at 7 o'clock. The decorating committee will call on others to assist them in decorating the park.

169 men from different sections of the county will be included in the first draft quota. It is the desire of the committee that every one of these men be present on this occasion. Every effort will be put forth to make them enjoy the evening, and go from here knowing that they are appreciated by the citizenship of Ballinger and Rannels county.

PROGRAM FOR SOLDIER BOYS

The committee was in session a couple of hours Saturday morning perfecting plans for entertaining the drafted men here on Monday evening, September 3rd. A program was announced and the various committees announced that the work was well in hand. E. D. Walker, Chairman of the committee, has arranged to be away from the city for a few days, and has appointed Scott H. Maek to act as chairman during his absence. Before leaving Mr. Walker announced that he had appointed R. T. Williams and R. G. Erwin as a finance committee to solicit for defraying the expenses of the entertainment and for paying for the souvenirs to be purchased for the soldier boys. It was announced at the close of the meeting Saturday morning that arrangements had been made to present a souvenir to all those who have volunteered from this county, as well as to the men who have been drafted. The souvenirs will be presented to the drafted men at the entertainment to be held in their honor on Monday night, Sept. 3rd, and the men who have volunteered and who are now stationed at some training camp will receive their remembrance by mail as soon as it can be mailed to them.

The purpose of the meeting Monday night is to be more of a social affair and a "send-off" the boys will remember, and for this reason the program has been limited, and will not consume more than one hour and a half. The people are urged to be present on the court house lawn at seven o'clock and the program will begin at this hour. The social meeting will take place following the program, which is as follows, with probably one or two changes:

(J. McGregor, Chairman)
Orchestra music at 6:30.
Invocation—Rev. H. B. Morgan.
Quartette.
Address—Judge A. K. Doss.
Solo—Miss Ethelyn Morgan.
Presentation Speech—Judge Jno I Guion.
Presentation of Souvenirs—By the young ladies.
Response—J. C. Latham.
Music by Orchestra.
Song by all—"America."
Social farewell for the soldiers.

Summer Complaint.

During the hot weather of the summer months some member of almost every family is likely to be troubled with an unnatural looseness of the bowels, and it is of the greatest importance that this be treated promptly, which can only be done when the medicine is kept at hand. Mrs. F. F. Scott, Scottsville, N. Y., states, "I first used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as much as five years ago. At that time I had a severe attack of summer complaint and was suffering intense pain. One dose relieved me. Other members of my family have since used it with like results."

Admire Babies?



Every normal woman's heart thrills with the thought of possessing a baby. What man can fully perceive the sympathetic understanding and the love that glows in a woman's eyes at the sight of her flesh and blood represented in the tiny infant.

Every woman in the joy of coming motherhood should prepare her system for the crisis and the unusual strain. Three generations have found the tried and reliable external application, "Mother's Friend" of the greatest help at such a time. By its daily use throughout the period, the skin of the abdomen is made soft and elastic, the expanding muscles relax naturally and with ease, when baby arrives, and the inflammation of breast glands is soothed.

By no chance neglect to obtain this great preparation which science has offered for so many years to expectant mothers. Write the Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. L, 200 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga., for their helpful and interesting book, "Motherhood and the Baby". It is free and is well worth writing for. No woman should fail to help nature in the severest strain ever put upon her. "Mother's Friend" is procurable from any druggist and is a real help to nature in her glorious work. "Mother's Friend" is absolutely and entirely safe.

FIRST CHILD BORN IN FT. CHADBOURN

(Sweetwater Reporter.)

Major General E. Swift spent a few hours here Saturday evening after returning from a visit to Fort Chadbourne. A reporter for this paper called on General Swift at his room at the Grogan and while he was averse to giving out anything in connection with his work as a United States army officer he talked freely of his experience in an early day in this section.

He claims the honor of being the first white child born in this section. His parents came to Ft. Chadbourne in the early 50's immediately after their marriage. They came from San Antonio and his father had charge of the military post for three years during which time he was born. He had not been at the old Fort since the family moved away, though he had often wanted to visit it again.

He said about a year ago he was talking to a man from California who told him something about the country and invited him to visit him at his home near the old military post and he decided as he was passing through he would stop off, hire a car and make the trip. He spent some time at the ruins of the old fort, visited the old grave yard at called upon some of the old settlers, but found none who could recall an experience of sixty years and more in that section.

General Swift said he could hardly realize that the country could have changed so completely as it had. Then there were scarce by no residents except Comanche Indians and they were unfriendly.

He said the day he, with his parents left the fort a fight with the Indians ensued and an Indian was killed in the house that had been occupied by the family. They had traveled about twenty miles that day and camped and the Indians followed and attacked their camp during the night, but were driven away.

In relating the early experiences, he said a pretty fair illustration about the changes that had come about could be illustrated in the method of travel. Then travel was lone by wagon and often very slowly and his visit from here to the fort was made last Saturday in about two hours.

While he was none communicative as to his mission and work in an official way, we learned that General Swift was enroute to Atlanta, Ga., where he has been assigned a commanding officer.

Though well up in years he is whole, hearty and active and added that he would not be all averse to a trip to France and take his place with the troops at the front should the call come his way.

Charlie Snell left Saturday for Brownwood.

CONNECTING LINK IN HIGHWAY NO. 7

(Brownwood Bulletin.)

It was announced today that Brownwood has been placed on the official route of the Central Texas Highway, route number 7, and Messrs. Thos. Owens of San Angelo, Bob Bowens of Coleman and E. E. Kirkpatrick of Brownwood were authorized to select the route from Gatesville to San Angelo.

It has been agreed that the route from Brownwood to San Angelo will be through Coleman, Ballinger and San Angelo, as a matter of course. From Gatesville to Brownwood the route will go either through Goldthwaite or through Hamilton and Comanche. The attitude of some of the smaller towns toward passing tourists may be taken into consideration by the logging committee, it was stated this afternoon, the tourists desiring to avoid some of the towns whose peace officers are too zealous in their chase after speeders.

Within the next few days Messrs. Owens, Bowen and Kirkpatrick will make a logging of both routes from Gatesville to Brownwood, and will then be in position to announce their selection of the approved route. The highway will extend from Waco to El Paso.

By being placed on this approved highway Brown county will have an opportunity to secure state and national aid in road improvement, the government paying half the expense of making permanent improvements along the highway route. This will be of material benefit to Brown county, and will reduce the cost of permanent road improvement here when the matter is finally taken up by the commissioners court.

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Mrs. Stella Rogers, and daughter, Rosalie, passed through Ballinger Saturday going to Edna, where they are moving from Winters.

Five Thousand Stenographers Wanted

The National Board of Defense has issued this call for Stenographers, both sexes, for service in the United States principally at Washington, at salaries of \$900 to \$1200. The local demand is greater than the supply now, and conditions indicate an unprecedented shortage of stenographers. Girls and young boys especially should qualify to substitute for Stenographers and Bookkeepers who join the Army and Navy. Many students secure a university education by doing stenographic work while at school.

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