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Ballinger Says Au Revoir, Not Good Bye to 70 Men

At eight-thirty this evening 69 men will entrain here and leave for Camp Travis. One man, Edward Spill, who has been on the editorial staff of the Houston Post for some time, was permitted to report to Camp Travis without returning to Ballinger, making seventy men furnished on this call by Runnels county.

The men were mobilized here Sunday, and were permitted to return home under instructions to report Monday and be ready for entraining at the above hour. The men will leave Ballinger in charge of Barton Wells, assisted by U. S. Heavenhill.

Friends of the drafted men and their relatives have been gathering here all day, and despite the bad weather, they remained with them throughout the day, and some will be at the train this evening to see them off. With few exceptions the men are cheerful and enthusiastic over the work before them. They go with a determination to get the kaiser, and will be ready to cross the Atlantic for that purpose when the word is given.

(By C. C. Walsh of San Angelo.)
Don't you hear the sound of
On the quiet evening air?

Don't you hear the cheers resounding
From the people everywhere?

Don't you see Old Glory streaming
In the golden sunset sky?
We can be no longer dreaming—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."

For the train is at the station,
While our boys are marching
down

To be soldiers of our nation,
In their natty khaki's brown.
Every man so brave and daring
With a steady nerve and eye;
Naught for any danger caring—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."

You can see the wives and mothers
You can see the fathers, too;
While the sweethearts of some others
Are vowing to be true—
All assembled at the station
With an effort not to cry.
Each one claiming some retaliation—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."

While the friendly crowd is cheering
For the boys to march away;
While the loving mothers fearing
That the enemy will slay;
While the sweethearts, never caring
For the blushings lover's sigh;
Let's wish them Godspeed farin—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."

If the efforts of the good ladies of this city count for anything, the soldiers entraining here Monday evening will not go hungry while journeying to Camp Travis. While seventy young men were busy winding up their affairs at home, telling loved ones and friends good-bye, the ladies of Ballinger were busy preparing boxes of good things to eat. Early Saturday morning phones were busy, the committee calling the army of good ladies to duty in preparing lunches for the boys, and these will be placed on the special train, and will be ready to appease the appetites of the men leaving home to fight our battles. When the last increment of men entrained here, each was presented with a round box of candy. The train did not arrive at the training camp until noon the following day, and the men were compelled to do without breakfast, and something more substantial than candy is being furnished this time.

They have lined up for the parting
—Watch them as they are keeping
step!

See their lover's glances darting
As they march off with a hep;
See the falling tears half hidden
On the maiden's cheeks so shy;
See them falling now unbidden—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."

Thus we give a farewell greeting
To a million youth so strong.
Thus the days and weeks are fleeting
When they will try to right a
wrong.

Thus the army of our nation
Will be mustered low and high.
Each man bidding some relation—
"Au revoir—but not good-bye."
When the men were assembled
Monday morning, Capt. Cohen
took charge of the men and in-
structed them further in military
tactics. The boys were told that
the government would furnish
them with clothing consisting of
sox and three suits of underwear,
two pair of shoes, two pair of
pants, a blouse, two shirts and a
hat, and they were instructed not
to carry any clothing except what
they had on and could carry extra
underwear if they wished to do
so. The men will not be per-
mitted to wear any kind of jewel-
ry in the army. Secret order em-
blems are not allowed, and soldiers
wearing watches and chains must
wear the chains concealed. The

COURT CONVENS FOR SEMI-ANNUAL TERM

Grand Jury

Feb McWilliams, Foreman.
A. J. Voelkel.
Jack Wilson.
W. T. Padgett.
C. Kornegay.
R. M. Davis.
Bert Lowe.
E. Allison.
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C. R. Stephens.
W. W. Embry.
W. J. Gardner.

District Judge J. O. Woodward came in from his home at Coleman Monday morning, and at ten o'clock, convened court for the fall term of 1917. The forenoon of the first day's session was consumed in sounding the docket, and outlining a program for the term.

The first week will be jury civil docket week, all civil cases to be tried before a jury being called for this week. The second week will be criminal docket week, and as a three weeks' jury has been summoned it is probable the criminal work will be carried over into the third week, if necessary. The non-jury civil cases will be passed as set by order of the court and on agreement between counsel in cases.

Four weeks are allotted to Ballinger, but it is hardly probable that court will hold over into the fourth week, and the term promises to cover about the usual period of time.

men were given dinner and supper at the City Cafe, instructed to assemble at 7:30 tonight and remain together thereafter.

On account of the cold wind and rain prevailing Monday morning, the Woodmen hall was secured for drill work, and Capt. Cohen had the boys under drill for a couple of hours.

Rowland J. Shaw and Gilbert Allen, two of the men called to report for duty at this time, were out of the state, but permission was granted to them to report for duty to the training camp in Arkansas, and the local board instructed accordingly. This takes all men called for service at this time, and leaves the record clean with out a single slacker.

The remaining number of the first quota of 169 men required from this county, are expected to be called about the 18 or 20 of this month.

MAN ARRESTED FOR FORGERY

Pat H. Coleman, for some time employed in a local blacksmith shop, was arrested Monday on a complaint charging him with forgery.

W. C. Barrett, of the Norton country, an uncle of Coleman's wife, filed the complaint, which alleges that Coleman forged Barrett's name to a note given at a local bank and secured a loan of fifty dollars on same.

The note was made last April, and when it came due the maker of the note, including the surety, W. C. Barrett, were notified. This was the first time that Barrett knew his name was on the note. Mr. Barrett called at the bank and denied signing the note, and immediately filed a complaint against Coleman for forgery.

F. D. FUTCH UNDERGOES APPENDICITIS OPERATION

We are glad to note that F. D. Futch is getting along nicely after an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Futch was operated on Wednesday.

Judge Woodward charged the grand jury to join in the "clean-up" campaign, and stated that he stood ready to appoint a finance committee to audit the county's books and keep the records straight. In this part of his charge Judge Woodward stated that he did not know that this work was necessary in this county, but said that the people had a right to know, and the county officer, from justice officers to county judge should be glad to welcome an investigation and a report on same.

The usual charge was made to the grand jury, the judge instructing them along the usual lines, and insisted that prejudice be left behind when the men went in the jury room to hear evidence and ballot on indictments. He instructed them to investigate and ballot on cases that had been filed and in which the defendants were out on bond first, and to report these to the court just as fast as they were disposed of either by indictments, or by failure to find indictments.

After impaneling the grand jury Judge Woodward called the civil jury docket. He announced that there was only one case on this docket, that of Jones Webb vs. C. A. Doose. Counsel for defendant filed an answer to plaintiff's petition and plaintiff asked for time and the case was continued until Tuesday morning. This is a boundary suit case in which six acres of land is involved.

MANY CHEER AS SOLDIERS LEAVE

At least two thousand people crowded around the passenger station Monday night, and a hearty cheer went up as the train carrying the drafted men pulled out from the station. Amid the cheers there was also weeping, wives and mothers giving away to their emotions.

The special train arrived here from the west at 8:20. The train consisted of only three coaches, and a baggage coach. The contingent from Tom Green, Concho and other counties west of here were aboard the special and were enthusiastic on the mission just assigned to them, and with flags waving they sent up a yell that could be heard all over the city when the train pulled into the station.

The down town streets were crowded for an hour or more before train time, notwithstanding that it was unpleasant and very dark. The soldiers formed in line and marched to the station, followed by the crowd of friends who seemed eager to cheer them on to victory. Many ladies were at the station with boxes of good things to eat. These were either given to the boys before they got on the train passed in through the windows, and it will not be necessary for the men to go hungry on the trip to the training camp.

With the going of the boys Monday night Runnels county has furnished 148 of the first quota of 169 men called for. The remaining 21 men will probably be called during this month, and the county's quota completed. Of the remaining 21, 15 are negroes.

TYPHOON DEAD WILL NUMBER 2,174 JAPS

Tokio, Oct. 8.—2,174 are known to be dead and 770 injured as the result of the typhoon which swept over the Japanese coast last Monday. This official casualty list was announced today. Property damage is equally as appalling.

Citizens Pay Tribute of Honor to Runnels Co. Soldier Boys

"We Appreciate It"

We want to thank the good people of Ballinger for their kind treatment during our stay here. Especially do we wish to thank the Business League for furnishing us free entertainment and Capt. Cohen for his services in drilling us, and Mr. Rhodes for giving us the use of his bath rooms, and those who furnished us a place to stay. We may fall in French trenches, or we may march through Berlin victorious, but wherever we go we will not forget the good people of Ballinger. We are leaving Ballinger without a fear of defeat, and we know that we leave with the best wishes of the best people in the world.

THE SOLDIER BOYS.

Citizens from the far corner of the county began gathering here early after noon Sunday, and by the time scheduled for the meeting to be held in honor of the drafted men arrived, a large crowd had assembled on the court house lawn, and the program as announced in the paper was carried out.

At 2:30 the men drafted were sworn in and became United States soldiers. Capt. Cohen took charge of them and marched them to the school campus where for one hour he gave instructions that will be helpful to the men when they arrive at the training camp and don their khaki.

The men were marched to the court house lawn at four-thirty, where reserved seats were waiting for them. Surrounded with a large crowd of relatives and friends, the soldiers heard the words of encouragement and words that were calculated to inspire them in the duty that had just been placed upon them.

Scott H. Mack, acting chairman of the meeting, called the meeting to order and Rev. J. H. King offered the invocation.

While the crowd was gathering the junior orchestra from Winters, under the direction of C. T. Grant, rendered sweet music, and the program was interspersed with music by the orchestra.

Two solos by little Miss Helen Murray, of Winters, brought a hearty applause from the large audience. The little lady sang, "Wont You Be My Sweetheart,"

and "Mama's Little Pumpkin Colored Coon."

Rev. J. B. Curry, pastor of the local Methodist church, was the speaker of the occasion. The soldiers and the large concourse of friends who occupied seats on the lawn around the speaker's stand, listened with intense interest at the splendid address of Rev. Curry. The speaker paid a beautiful tribute of honor to the best manhood of the county, and pointed out to them the great good that would result from the sacrifice they were making for their country. Rev. Curry emphasized the fact that every one must make a sacrifice in this war, and those left at home had a part to play. He reviewed the atrocities credited to the Germans and predicted success for the Americans in the greatest conflict for right the world has ever experienced.

Rev. H. M. Bandy, former pastor of the Christian church of this city, and who is here visiting his daughter, was called to the stand and the meeting adjourned with a prayer delivered by him.

CAPTAIN COHEN GETS ANOTHER GIFT.

As a token of appreciation and for the faithful work done in drilling them, the soldiers who have been drilling here for the past two weeks, presented L. Cohen with a handsome ivory brush set Thursday. The set consisted of hat, clothes, hair and other brushes. It is needless to say that Mr. Cohen was made to feel good when the boys presented him with the gift.

REVOLUTION THREATENS GERMAN NAVY

Amsterdam, Oct. 10.—A revolutionary plot in the German navy, similar to the Russian Baltic fleet disturbances, was disclosed today by Admiral von Capelle, minister of the marine, in a report to the Reichstag. A revolution in the German navy would cripple the submarine warfare being carried on by Germany.

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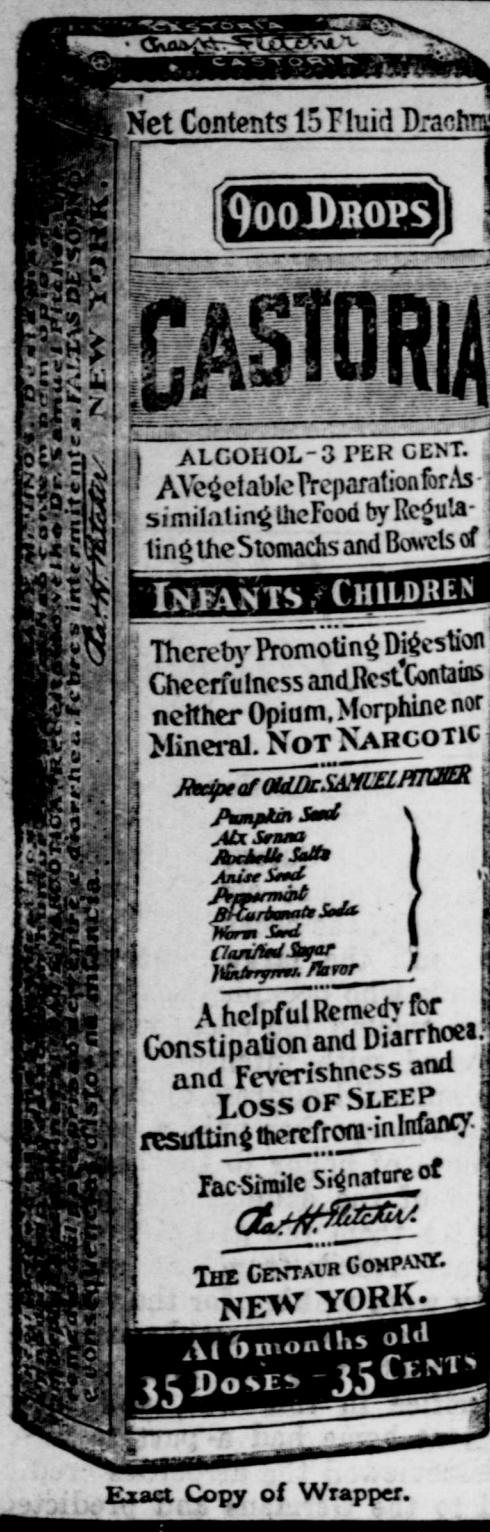
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Womanless Wedding Brings Red Cross Society \$61.40

It was a nice "clean up" for the Red Cross Society Friday night, when under the direction of Mrs. Jno. W. Weeks and Miss Fanny Wilmeth the "Womanless Wedding" was presented to an overflow house at the Queen Theatre. For their part of the receipts the Red Cross cleared \$61.40, the picture show man receiving an equal amount. The wedding took place immediately following the picture show.

For the wedding the moving picture screen was slipped aside revealing stage decorations with white columns drape with vines, and flowers, with evergreens, flowers, pot plants, etc., forming a setting most appropriate for the wedding scene. A large white wedding bell hung directly over the stage where the bride and groom stood facing the parson and when the knot was tied, the ring bearer and flower girl, holding white ribbons extending from the "clapper" of the bell, rang the bell and an arm full of old shoes showered down upon the newly weds.

With Passur's orchestra playing the wedding march, the bridal party marched down the aisle and took their place on the stage. Preceding the arrival of the bridal party, friends of the contracting parties occupied seats on the stage, reserved especially for them, and roped off with white ribbons, and W.A. Bridwell and Elmer Simpson both representing ladies, and dressed and painted "fit to kill," sang a duet, and then came the bridal party. Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer represented the grand mother of the bride.

The bridal party was composed of the following "ladies": J. D. Robinson, Harry Lynn, Travis Stuart, Rothol O'Kelley, C. A. Orbeck, Phillip Wilson, Sam Baker, Mr. Baker representing the mother of the bride, "Miss" Dan Moser. The maid of honor was played by Mr. Orbeck.

The gentlemen participating in the event were U. P. Melton, W. J. Wheeler, Ira Thurman, Claud Stone, Bryan Beck, Jno. A. Weeks, Mr. Weeks representing the father of the bride, and the groom, Archibald Crews, accompanied by his best man, Oscar Williams. Collis Brandt was the flower girl and Robt. Coggin the ring bearer, both of the boys setting new styles for the girls to follow by in both "togs" and paints.

The gentlemen were attired in evening suits of "Conventional Black" while the "ladies" appeared before the foot lights in evening gowns of various colors, supported by a background of paint that won't wash off, and despite that great desire to appear graceful before the large audience, the extravagant use of LaCamilles, Gossards and other makes, caused an awkwardness that almost hurt.

The ceremony was performed by the parson, A. W. Sledge, and was in substance as follows:

"Dearly beloved: We've gathered this crowd together after much hard labor, to witness a spectacle—yea, such a sight as will probably never again come to pass. Beloved, these two trusting and unsophisticated young things have decided to commit matrimony; for lo! they have had told to them that ancient fairy tale that two may live as cheaply as one. Yea, they have presented themselves before those present to be tied together in a true lovers knot.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, if any person present knoweth that which he hath long yearned to impart, yet lacketh the nerve to tell the same, let him seize this opening for are not the contracting parties at the mercy of their friends?

"I require and charge you both if either possesseth knowledge which might prejudice ye, one against the other, verily, the time has passed to unburden thyself—for lo! ye will soon discover each other's shortcomings anyway; and of this ceremony be not pursued to the end, the wedding gifts will returneth to those from which they came—yea, even to the last pickle fork."

Archibald Robinson Crews, will thou take this clinging vine draped on thy left arm to be the guiding star, and forsaking all others, love and obey her till thy dying day? Wilt thou solemnly swear to glance neither to the right nor to thy left—yea, not even should Annette Kellerman come to town—but always take this prize you have drawn to the movies, whenever she so desireth; give freely to the Red Cross as often as they

may ask; and should gasoline continue upward—yea, even to the blue sky—wilt thou mortgage the home to procure that amount which will insure her daily trip around the square? should it come to pass that thou art sent to war, wilt thou promise to take out much insurance? Wilt thou change the model of thy car every six months—and never, never join the I. W. W.? And above all, wilt thou do all this with a smile that won't come off? Wilt thou?

Miss Dandelene Moser, wilt thou take this poor simp for better or worse, for war or for peace, or at least till thou canst do better? Behold, unto a woman love is one grand sweet song; but unto a man it is a rag time medley, having diverse changes of tune, therefore it behooveth thee to see that the Tree of Love prove not a lemon tree. Yea, thou art taking this man because he possesseth a garage, yet wilt thou not forsake him even though he be reduced to a Ford?

With this solid gold ring I thee take to be my own true love, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow—though I retaineth the purse strings. My undying affections are always thine.

Honest and true, black and blue. Cross my heart and cut me in two. Amen.

Those whom I join together find eth it no simple matter to get the knot untied. Dandelene Moser, unto you I say, become not too much attached to your ring, for the same may not be paid for, yea, bear in mind that the price of husbands has risen—even as the cost of beef—and as it increaseth so doth the quality diminish. And lo! it hath come to pass that one husband no longer lasteth a life time, but two or three are required.

And to you, Archibald Robinson Crews, verily I say never strike a woman—but say unto her she cannot reason. And if it be required of you to make of yourself a doormat, then do so with the "Welcome" side up. I charge you both to bear in mind that already a full sized war wages in Europe.

See that one is not started at home. Amen.

Mrs. Weeks and Miss Wilmeth deserve the credit for making the entertainment possible, and adding the nice sum to the Red Cross fund.

GIRLS! LEMON JUICE IS SKIN WHITENER

How to make a creamy beauty lotion for a few cents.

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quarter pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness, and tan and is the ideal skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any drug store and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quarter pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face neck and hands.

FINDS HIS NEW HOME A DRY ONE.

H. W. Galloway was here from Lynn county Saturday, being enroute home after a visit to the Winters country. He says that Lynn county is one of the dry counties this year and while the new comers struck it hard they are all optimistic and seem to be very well satisfied. He reports J. N. Adams doing nicely at Tahoka, and other Runnels county citizens going right ahead helping to develop the country.

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T. T. Shapard of Winters was a visitor to Ballinger Saturday.

B. F. Jackson of Abilene was in Ballinger Saturday between trains

OIL WELL CAPACITY IS UNDERTERMINED

The latest reports received here indicate that Colmean is experiencing an oily excitement as the result of striking oil sufficient to flow out the top of a 3400 foot well. The Coleman Democrat in reporting the strike says:

"The second oil well on the Morris lands eight miles northeast of Coleman, indicates rich pay and practically proves the field. The caprock was pierced Sunday afternoon at a depth of a little over 4500 feet. A plug was immediately placed in the hole in order to assure control. During Sunday night the plug, together with tools, was blown from the well and oil spread over the premises.

"The well has been capped because of lack of ample provisions to care for the oil. A partial test has been made and the well flowed 58 barrels in seven hours when it was cut off.

"Oil men who have flocked here since the strike and investigated the premises, with one accord say there is a wide and undeveloped field here. Mr. J. P. Morris, on whose lands the two wells are located, states there is enough oil already in sight to demand the laying of a pipe line to take care of the product.

"The initial well on the Morris tract was at a depth of approximately 2350 feet when the cap rock was pierced and the oil sand encountered. The well was capped and the drill moved five hundred feet. In the second well the drill passed through the cap rock and punctured the oil sand at a depth of a little over 3400 feet. Provisions will be immediately made to care for the oil of number 2 and the rig moved to another location, it being the purpose of the operators to drill a circle of wells around number 1, which is a producer, before exploring the oil sands.

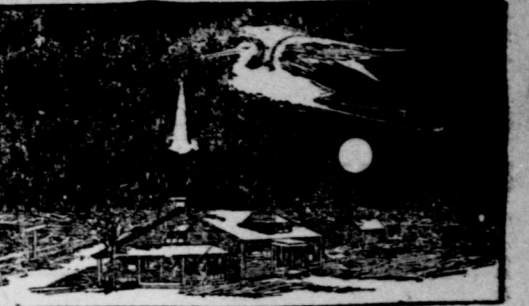
The Magnolia Petroleum company of Texas and the Elizabeth Oil Company of Pennsylvania are operating jointly on the Morris lands.

Drill Operating in Brown County.

The Empire Oil & Gas Company yesterday began actual drilling on a deep test well on the Fuller property northwest of Bangs, where material has been assembled during the past few weeks. The drillers are beginning the test with a twenty-four inch hole, apparently with the intention of literally punching the bottom out of the earth before abandoning the hole. It is customary to make test wells of much smaller diameter, according to local oil operators.

The new well of the Empire company is only a short distance from the producing gas wells on the property of Mrs. W. H. Fuller. These wells are now providing natural gas to the town of Bangs and to several gins in that vicinity, although their capacity is not great enough to justify piping the gas to this city. The Empire company proposes to make further tests of the gas field, and also to drill deep

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enough to find oil if there is oil in that vicinity.

The Oil State Petroleum company announces that it is now ready to begin drilling in the Grosvenor community. Timbers for the derrick were hauled to the site of the new well some time ago and the drilling machinery has all been assembled. This well will have a diameter of about eighteen inches at the surface, and will be drilled to a depth of some three or four thousand feet if necessary to thoroughly test the field.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mrs. Smith Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets.

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DEATH NEAR CREWS

D. B. Toungett, age 22, son of Z. E. Toungett, died at his home near Crews Saturday morning at four o'clock from typhoid fever. The remains were laid to rest at four o'clock Saturday afternoon in the Crews cemetery. Deceased had been ill for several days. He leaves many friends to mourn his death and these friends sympathize with the sorrowing relatives.

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RED CROSS RECEIVES KNITTING MATERIAL

Mrs. George Pearce, in charge of the knitting class, announces the arrival of a quantity of yarn and needles, but not a sufficient amount to be distributed among all the ladies who have volunteered to help in the knitting. Mrs. Pearce says that the material received has been distributed and that other ladies will receive material just as soon as it arrives. She states that some of the ladies who had volunteered to help in the work were at a loss to know why they had not received material when their neighbors had, so she had been informed, and she asks that they just be patient, and all will be given something to do just as fast as the material arrives. Mrs. Pearce says the ladies of the city are co-operating nicely, and that only delay in getting material is causing the work to lag just now. The Red Cross Society reports that there is such a demand from chapters all over the country for material that it will require time to supply all chapters. The Ballinger chapter has only received a small supply, but has been assured that another supply will be forthcoming.

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Martin Aley and wife of San Angelo were in Ballinger Saturday between trains.

NEWS FROM THE TEMPLE OF JUSTICE

Marriage License.

William Batchelor and Allie Julcat.
Tom Mayo and Annie Davis.
Walter Grosshaus and Louisa Henniger.
Ottie Morton and Leora Martin.
Gillion Dillos and Mary Nevores M. R. Aley and Nellie West.
R. A. Ireland and Clara Lee Johnson.

Births.

To Emmett Barnes and wife, of Ballinger, on Sept. 30, a boy.
To J. T. Todd and wife of Maverick, on Sept. 30, a girl.
To J. R. Kevil and wife of Marie, on Sept. 18, a boy.
To J. D. Drake and wife of Maverick, on Sept. 17, a girl.
To Ben Perry and wife of Miles, on Sept. 28, a girl.
To B. M. Batts and wife of Ballinger, on Sept. 23, a boy.
To Frank Black and wife of Rowena, on Sept. 11, a boy.
To Emil Halfmann and wife of Offen, on Sept. 26, a girl.

Deaths

B. F. Rucker of Rowena, Sept. 23rd.

BRONTE NEWSPAPER QUILTS BUSINESS.

The drought and high cost of paper has put the Bronte Enterprise out of business, leaving only one paper in Coke county, the Robert Lee Observer. The high cost of papers sounded the death knell to many small papers over the country and the larger ones have suffered, a number of them almost to the breaking point.

Jim Johnson, a pioneer citizen of this county, who lives in Winters, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

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That is, iron is an essential constituent of pure, healthy blood. Pepton, the new iron tonic, combines pepsin, iron, nux, celery and other blood and stomach tonics that physicians prescribe. It is a wonderful corrective of anemia, paleness, languor, nervousness—whether caused by hard work, worries—over-use of salts and other blood-depleting cathartics that are doing so much harm to many people just now—or any other cause. Pepton will restore the iron strength that you must have for cheerful performance of daily duties. Pepton is in convenient pill form, chocolate-coated and pleasant to take. Get it today.

MAKES OVERLAND TRIP THRU WESTERN COUNTRY

Commissioner J. D. Smith, of Wingate, dropped into The Ledger office Tuesday and subscribed for the weekly Ledger to be sent to a former neighbor and friend J. D. Warren. Mr. Warren formerly lived in Runnels county, but is now a citizen of Lubbock, and we are glad to learn through Mr. Smith that Mr. Warren is doing well in his new home.

Commissioner Smith recently visited New Mexico on a trip with Bell county parties who were prospecting for a home. He says they visited some good country, but as for him he is satisfied with Runnels county, while the gentlemen he accompanied returned to Seury county and bought land, after touring the Panhandle and a good part of New Mexico.

ONE WEAK SPOT

Many People Have a Weak Part and Too Often It's the Back.

Many people have a weak spot. Too often it's a bad back. Twinges follow every sudden twist.

Dull aching keeps up, day and night. Backache is often from weak kidneys.

In such case a kidney medicine is needed.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys. For backache and urinary ills. Ballinger people recommend the remedy.

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."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same Rev. Newman had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. J. N. Key had a letter this week from his son, Ray W., who enlisted with the navy in April. Roy is with the Melville which is the mother ship of all the American destroyers operating in the North Sea and the chief petty officer. He writes very optimistically of life aboard ship and his fateh tells us that he is making a nice deposit in his home bank every month, thus laying up his salary to be used to advantage when he finishes his labors for Uncle Sam.—Winters Enterprise.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Most Reliable.

After many years' experience in the use of it and other cough medicines, there are many who prefer Chamberlain's to any other. Mrs. A. C. Kirslein, Greenville, Ill., writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my mother's home and mine for years, and we always found it a quick cure for colds and bronchial troubles. We find it to be the most reliable cough medicine we have used."

We pay highest prices for Butter and eggs. Gustavus Grocery. 11w.

Investigate This Place

960 acres well improved, 200 acres in cultivation well and windmill, also running water close to school on public road. \$13.50 and acres. See me

W. B. PAGE

Ballinger, Texas

50 YEAR TERM FOR WINCHESTER

San Angelo, Oct. 10.—The jury in the case of the State of Texas vs. Gene Winchester, after being out for fourteen hours, brought in a verdict of guilty and assessed his punishment at fifty years in the penitentiary. The case went to the jury Monday night at eleven o'clock and the verdict was brought in this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The case was called for trial last Thursday and has been one of the hardest fought legal battles in the district court of this county for several years.

Winchester was brought into the court room a few minutes before the jury filed in with the verdict. When it was announced that the jury had reached a verdict the defendant was sent for. He was visibly affected. Walking a little unsteady to the bar of the court, he took a seat and awaited the coming of the twelve men who had his case in their hands.

Judge Cornell read the verdict of the jury. The defendant shifted in his seat, but did not look up. The jury was excused, and the defendant returned to the Tom Green county jail.

Winchester was charged with murder in connection with the killing of George Parramore, a Knox farmer. Parramore's decomposed body was found behind cat-claw bushes near the road a short distance from Harriett on Monday, July 30. Winchester was arrested a few hours later in Knox county. He admitted on the witness stand that he shot Parramore and dragged the body where it was found. He said that he shot Parramore in self-defense and that the trouble came up over a crap game, in which Parramore won some of his money.

District Attorney Early came in from San Angelo Tuesday morning. He had been assisting the prosecution in the trial of Gene Winchester at San Angelo, and the case went to the jury before Mr. Early left that city.

Winchester is on trial on the charge of killing a man by the name of George Parramore, the killing taking place on the Ballinger-Angelo road west of Miles on or about July 28. Winchester took the stand in his own behalf and plead self defense, and did not plead insanity as was announced some time ago that he would do.

Winchester testified that he and Parramore were shooting craps. He said that just before the shooting Parramore claimed he threw a seven when he had not. Parramore, Winchester claimed, took his money anyway and argument resulted. He declared that Parramore said he would get his gun and beat Winchester up. Thereupon, according to the witness, Parramore started for the automobile where his gun was. It was then that Winchester shot him.

Winchester testified that he then wrapped the body of Parramore in a quilt and dragged it, feet first, to a little clump of bushes where he stretched it out. He said that he did it because he was frightened. He did not know just why he took the body behind the bushes. He said that afterwards he started back to the road and got lost. He lay down and went to sleep and about daylight got in the car and drove to Ballinger, where his brother lived.

Questioned by attorneys as to what disposition was made of Parramore's gun, the witness answered that he threw it into the river near Ballinger. He said he did not know why he did this. The attorneys for the state failed to shake his statements as to the cause of the killing; namely, that Parramore threatened to kill him and went to the car where his gun was.

Winchester was plainly affected when he took the stand today. At times it was hard to understand what he said.

The arguments in the case are expected to be concluded Monday and the case placed in the hands of the jury.

Parramore is thought to have

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Puts life and hustle in your hens and makes them lay because they are strong and vigorous. No filler—just good tonics. Get a Pail or Package now.

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been killed on July 28. The body was found on July 30, and Winchester was arrested in Knox county a few hours later.

GIRLS! DRAW A MOIST CLOTH THROUGH HAIR, DOUBLES ITS BEAUTY

Try this! Hair gets thick, glossy, wavy and beautiful at once.

Immediate?—Yes! Certain?—that's the joy of it. Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a Danderine hair cleanse. Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt or excessive oil, and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair. A delightful surprise awaits those whose hair has been neglected or is scraggly, faded, dry brittle or thin. Besides beautifying the hair, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp forever stopping itching and falling hair, but what will please you most will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair, and lots of it surely get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter and just try it.

KILLING FROST COVERS COUNTRY

The temperature dropped to 34 Tuesday morning, according to the government gauge located at the home of E. M. Eubanks in South Ballinger, while frost sufficient to kill tender vegetation in the valleys formed. The frost, like the rains we have been receiving this year, was "spotted." Some sections of the county report no frost while others report considerable frost.

Telegraph reports indicate that a general frost prevailed over a large territory. North, East, Central and West Texas report clear weather and light frost. Clear and no frost is reported on Gulf coast. Oklahoma and Arkansas reports clear weather with from heavy to light frost.

Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomach and you may find it best to eat them out.

BALLINGER BOY IN NAVY BUYS LIBERTY BOND

Not contented with doing his bit as a sailor, being in the United States Navy, Robt. M. Lowry, son of Mrs. W. E. Branch, of South Ballinger, has made application through the F. & M. Bank of Ballinger for a Liberty Bond, the money he has saved in the navy being invested in a loan to Uncle Sam. There are not many boys who are using their time and money too in helping to win the war. Other boys might get a lesson in sacrifice here.

Will save you money on your New Hat or will trim up your old one cheap. Save money by trading at THE FAIR 11w.

Mrs. Gray McKown and Mrs. Sallie Proctor left Monday for Milano. After visiting there, they will go to San Antonio for a few days.

JURY REVIEW CUTS OUT CROOKED ROADS

A road review jury, composed of Chas. Ferguson, G. W. Dunlap, J. A. Williams, C. R. Stephens, and R. W. Bruce, went over the Tex-O-Kan highway Monday and cut out the crooks and sharp turns on the road leading from Winters on thru Ballinger to the Concho county line on the Paint Rock road.

The jury was appointed to straighten the road at Elm Creek, selecting a new right-of-way just west of the old road which passes through the slough just north of the creek at the Runnels crossing. The jury selected a route which necessitated cutting off about 12 acres of land owned by L. P. Wood. They allowed Mr. Wood \$20 per acre for the land, and retained the old road bed and the land cut off for a gravel bed, and this land forms a bed of good road building material.

The road machinery is at work on the Tex-O-Kan highway south of the city, leading out over the causeway. Commissioner Kirk says his section of the road thru this county will be put in good shape before the machinery is transferred to other road work. It is expected that the state highway commission will send representatives over this road in the near future, with a view of approving it and recommending that state aid be given. An effort is being made to route the highway west of Ballinger by way of Sweetwater, and to avoid this the road should be put in good shape at once.

No. 229. Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters

THE STATE OF TEXAS. Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that J. S. Oliver, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 18th day of September, A. D., 1917, file an application in the office of the BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 42-acre feet of water per annum, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the state of Texas, to be impounded in and diverted from Elm creek, a tributary of the Colorado river, in Runnels county, Texas; and the dam to be located on Survey No. 530-3-8, Samuel Gates, and in and across Elm creek, six miles in a northerly direction from the town of Ballinger, in Runnels county, Texas. The dam to be four feet high, 60 feet long, thus creating an impounding reservoir having a capacity of approximately 18 acre-feet, which reservoir will be filled from the storm and flood waters of said Elm creek.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated consist of parts of the Samuel Gates Survey No. 530-3-8, all aggregating 21 acres, and situated in Runnels county, Texas.

A hearing on the said application of the said J. S. Oliver 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 29th day of October, A. D., 1917, beginning at ten o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 1st day of October, A. D., 1917.

JOHN WILSON,
E. B. GORE,
5-w4t Board.
Attest: W. T. POTTER, Sec'y.

We were in Ballinger one day this week and among other places we visited the big furniture store and mattress factory of T. S. Lankford. It is one of the largest and most up-to-date businesses in all West Texas. The store building is three stories high and is very roomy. It is full of all lines of the furniture goods, well displayed and kinds that any home would be proud to have as furnishings. There is a ladies' rest room, a music room, both free to the public, a lot of airy furnished rooms to let by the day or for a longer period. They make, in their factory, besides one of the best mattresses in the world, old mattresses new. These are actually made over. The cotton is thoroughly combed and cleaned and made lively and fresh. It is a pleasure to go through this establishment and see what a fine stock it carries and enjoy the rest and cool rooms that are there for the comfort of the store's customers and friends.—Paint Rock Herald.

Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that John Bolf and Louis Baca, the post office address of each of whom is Miles, Texas, did on the 1st day of October, A. D., 1917, file their joint application in the office of the BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, in which they apply for a permit to impound, divert and appropriate 2 1/2 cubic feet of water per second of time, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be

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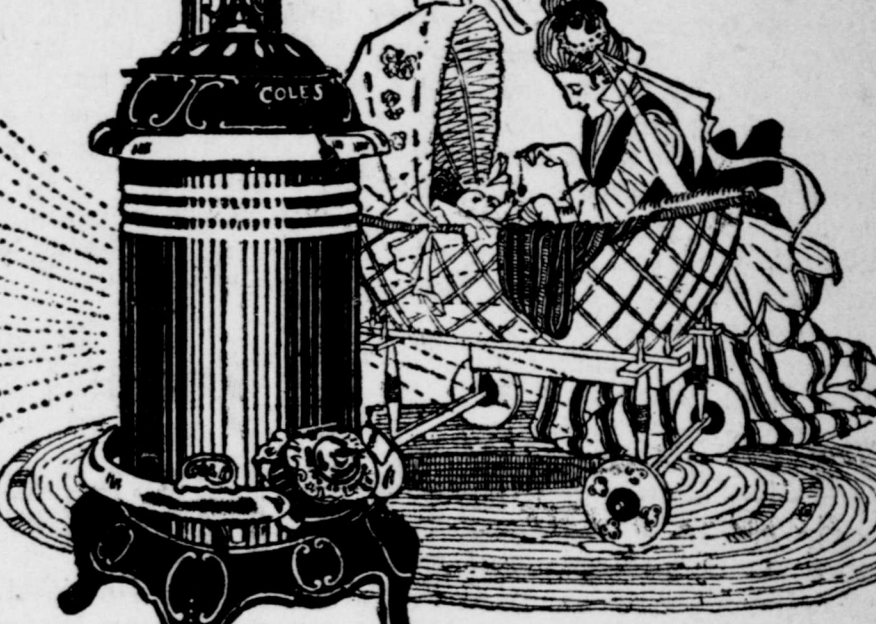
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GROWING DEMAND FOR BETTER BRIDGES

At least seventy-five per cent of the auto accidents occurring in this county are due to bad roads and mostly to bad bridges or culverts. The accident occurring on the Ballinger-Angelo road Saturday night probably would not have occurred if it had not been for the makeshift cheaply constructed wooden bridge, built at a waste out of public funds.

Good roads leading to bad culverts are calculated to cost life. The motorist can not see the little death traps until they get too close to slow down and pass over them at safe speed, hence the danger.

This county should lose no time in issuing bridge bonds and spending the money for permanent concrete bridges and dips. Wooden bridges could be replaced with concrete dips and while affording a better crossing would at the same time make it possible for better road drainage and avoid washouts when it rains—and it is going to rain some day.

Who wish to hold their cotton for better prices. I can furnish you warehouse accommodation without extra charge, until you are ready to sell. 28-d&w21-pd R. H. CORUM, Public Weigher.

MERCELLDA RUTH KLEBERG

Chas. S. Miller received news Tuesday of the arrival of a girl baby at the home of Judge and Mrs. M. Kleberg, in Brownsville, Texas, on Oct. 4th. The news came in a letter from Judge Kleberg to his uncle, and he says the mother and little Merzellada Ruth are both getting along nicely. Judge Kleberg was county judge here for four years, having retired at the inauguration of county officers and moved to Brownsville, where he is practicing law. His friends here send congratulations.

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Uncle Sam is shipping wheat to the allies, and hot led to the kaiser.

We are rapidly approaching the season of the year, when the coal man can claim more friends than the ice man.

The more we see of this war we are in, the more we are impressed with the truthfulness of Sherman when he said "War is Hell."

A prohibition for Tom Green county has been ordered. Congratulations are in order, judging from the forecast sent over from that city.

Uncle Sam has begun the campaign to get the people to mail their Christmas packages early. Of course that calls for early shopping. We are also reminded that Santa Claus will not stoop up very heavy this year, and the first come, first served.

After losing out in the campaign to land the West Texas A. & M. College, Sweetwater is posing as an ideal site for the new insane asylum. We are willing for the new "bug house" to be located at Sweetwater, but would object to it being located any closer to Ballinger.

The second month of the city schools is rapidly passing by, and so far as we are able to learn perfect harmony prevails, and the pupils are doing good work. With good health prevailing, everything points to a most successful term.

The Sweetwater Reporter says, "City order more walks." There is no question but what walks are conducive to good health. Those who spend most of their time stooped over a desk in a closed office would have better health if they would walk more and not hang on the corner and wait for an auto to come along.

We regret very much that Uncle Sam did not get Villa when he sent his boys after him. We are afraid that the kaiser has formed a false opinion of our strength because we did not make a good job on the Mexican expedition. It is up to Perishing to make good this time.

We are told that we have German sympathizers in America, and the I. W. W.'s and F. & L. P. A. members have attempted to thwart the administration in its war plans, but American cash, industries and public utilities of America is on the job, and every agency moving like clock work in organizing an army that will blaze the way for a democratic world and a permanent peace. The American aim in this war is for right and right will reign because America is in it.

The men warned out to work the streets under the street working ordinance, and who are on the job, must be given credit for being good financiers. Under the law a man could pay sixty cents per day in lieu of working. Four men reported for duty on Monday morning, paid their sixty cents and are working on the streets at \$1.75 per day. The street crew began work on Seventh street leading south from the Santa Fe depot, Monday morning.

That bunch on trial at Abilene for conspiracy are certainly ignorant, if they were led to believe the Government could be overthrown in three days. One company of regulars would have put the whole League to flight.—Santa Anna News.

It would have been a waste of army energy to call out a company of regulars for that bunch when a Boy Scout patrol armed with negro shooters could do the work. The leader of that gang have no back bone, if so they would have been rearing to go to Germany and catch the kaiser.

His mother objected to our boy playing foot ball because another boy got his leg broke in the game. Next day son came home from school with his nose smashed as the result of coming in contact with a base ball. This worried the boy's mother and said she could see no sense in boys playing such games. "Well, what can I play, mama?" asked the boy. "Why don't you play ring-around the roses," said his mother. The boy who does not experience some of the hardships of his teen age is not prepared to face the hardships that is certain to confront him as he grows older.

Some people seem to think that the object of this war is to give them an opportunity to get rich. Such people are not patriotic but selfish. War calls for sacrifice and no man can do his duty without making a sacrifice. Some men are giving up their sons. Some are giving up their money. Some are not giving anything but a lot of time trying to manipulate schemes that will put them on easy street. Every man should try to make money legitimately, but it is his duty to use some of that money for something besides satisfying his own selfish greed. The man not voluntarily doing his bit to help win the war should be made to do his bit. It's no one man's job we are up against.

CARELESS AUTOMOBILE DRIVING.

So much has been said, and so very well said, about careless auto driving that we hardly feel enthusiastic in enlarging on the subject.

At the same time, notwithstanding, etc., it would seem that what has been accomplished is very inconsiderable compared to what has been said.

It may indicate that the talk is all to no avail, or that there is still room for more talk, but one thing is certain, and that is that there is no room for the present amount of carelessness.

The Chronicle does not pretend to know what is the proper or the most effective remedy.

We have tried fines, limitations, license, advice, scolding and other odds and ends, but haven't made much headway.

Possibly we have given too much attention to speed rates and not enough to some other factors. Possibly we have put too much confidence in the printed rules and have given too little thought to the qualifications of those who were expected to carry them.

It would seem that everybody is not capable of driving an automobile, and it might be a good idea of adopting some method of separating the goats from the sheep before too many children and old people have been killed.

Under the present arrangements anybody who has the money to buy one can get a license to drive a car.

Only those who act as hired chauffeurs are required to prove qualifications.

Occasionally we doubt whether ownership should be accepted as proof of ability or not, and sometimes we wonder if everybody shouldn't be called upon to prove some degree or common sense and capability before being permitted to run a 40-horse power engine through the streets of a congested city.—Houston Chronicle.

Too much can not be said about careless automobile driving. Something must be done for public safety. The officers can reduce the hazard to a minimum by enforcing the traffic laws. We regret to note that the laws governing auto traffic are violated open and above board, and only occasionally is a man arrested and that generally for breaking the speed limit when other sections of the law just as important are violated. The officers tell us that the law governing the lighting of cars, the law prohibiting blinding lights, etc., will be enforced in the near future. It seems that here was a flaw in this feature of the law, but it has been amended and will soon become effective. If the officers don't enforce the law they should resign.

Avoid chilly rooms in the morning by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters. They prevent colds and sickness.

Very Best Flour at \$2.95 and \$3. Gustavus Grocery 1tw

MRS. VIOLA IVES HAS GAINED 40 POUNDS BY TAKING TANLAC

Was Almost Helpless for Three Years and Was in Hospital Five Months—Now Well and Happy Again.

"I have actually gained forty pounds in weight and all the people who have been benefited by Tanlac I believe I have the most cause to be thankful," said Mrs. Viola Ives, living at 315 Cross St., Little Rock, Ark., recently.

"In May of 1913," continued Mrs. Ives, "I suffered a complete breakdown of my nerves and my entire system gave way. About six weeks afterward I was carried to the hospital but was never told the cause of my trouble. I could give and nothing that was done for me did me any good, I became perfectly helpless—couldn't move any part of my body, and I just lay there in bed for five months not knowing anything or anybody. I was brought home in October, 1913, and tried all kinds of medicine and everything I was told about. I finally got so I could walk a little by holding onto the furniture, I had to learn how to walk again—but still I didn't get well. I was in this condition and almost helpless for three years.

"I read about so many getting relief by taking Tanlac and my husband got me a bottle in June of this year, and after taking three bottles I began to feel better. I have taken seven bottles of Tanlac now and I can walk anywhere and sleep like a child at night. When I took my first dose of Tanlac, I weighed only one hundred and twenty-two pounds. I now weigh one hundred and sixty-two—an actual gain of forty pounds since I started on Tanlac, and I am very grateful for what it has done for me. I am feeling perfectly well now, better than in five years, and my family and everybody else who knows me is talking about the wonderful change Tanlac has made in me."

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 Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co.

MEN TRANSFERED FROM COMPANY H

Company H, Sixth Texas Infantry is no more. It is now Company M, 144th infantry, or at least the majority of the officers and enlisted men of the old Company H are now assigned to the 144th infantry. This is the information brought to the city by George E. Webb, who has just returned from Fort Worth and other points. Mr. Webb says that in the reorganization of the national guard many of the old units lost their existence, but that the members, generally speaking, are still together. The changes are due to the fact that all the units had to be recruited to the full war strength, under which 250 men compose a company, and hence combinations and temporary elimination of several of the officers.

Mr. Webb stated that he understood all the commissioned officers of Company H will be assigned to places as soon as units are organized. His understanding is that the "non-coms" of Company H have lost their designations, or will lose them for the present, but that recommendations now being arranged will care for them.

That the officers and enlisted men from San Angelo are in the best of spirits and are working hard every day was the way Mr. Webb sized up the situation at Camp Bowie.

Don't fail to see our trimmed hats; will save you money. Complete stock racket goods at lowest prices. THE FAIR. 1tw

Mrs. W. C. Herndon of Santa Anna returned home Tuesday from Winters, where she had been visiting. She was accompanied home by Mrs. E. V. Allen of Winters, who will visit her in Santa Anna.

BALLINGER BOYS READY FOR FRANCE

Dear Friends:

We do not know when we will get to see you, we will just write. We are still enjoying life. We get plenty to eat and are kept pretty busy. We haven't been working very hard this week, only working our brain. Our major and captain have given us instructions in bomb throwing and ditch digging. When the boys from the west get in the ditch to dig, the eastern soldiers holler, "prairie dog, now dig."

We don't have much time we call our own, but when we do get off for a little while we have a good time. The corporals and sergeants are great for society. Especially Sergeant Williams and Corporal Starkey. They have been receiving letters from Fort Worth girls, and quite a bunch of girls came out to see Sergeant Williams last Sunday. He received a letter to come to the Methodist church and bring a bunch of his friends. He selected Corporal Arnett, Corporal Starkey and myself to go with him.

We get to see lots of Ballinger people. Nearly every one who comes to Fort Worth comes out to see us, and we are always glad to see them. Bob Miller was out to see us last night. We met one of our old Ballinger friends, Neil McMillian, who we didn't know was here. He sends his regards to Ballinger.

We feel sorry for Corporal Holland, Corporal Mountz and George Smith; they can't get the Fort Worth girls to notice them.

All the Ballinger boys are getting along fine and seems to be well satisfied with army life, but are in a hurry to go to France. With few exceptions every man enlisted in the army under the volunteer system are anxious to go to France, and will be disappointed if the war ends before they get to cross the waters.

With best regards to all, Private Singletary. Camp Bowie, Texas.

"CASCARETS" FOR A COLD, BAD BREATH OR SICK HEADACHY

Best for liver and bowels, for biliousness, sour stomach and constipation.

Get a 10-cent box now. Furred Tongue, Bad Colds, Indigestion, Sallow Skin and Miserable Headaches come from a torpid liver and clogged bowels, which cause your stomach to become filled with undigested food, which sours and ferments like garbage in a swill barrel. That's the first step to untold misery—indigestion, foul gases, bad breath, yellow skin, mental fears, everything that is horrible and nauseating. A Cascaret tonight will give your constipated bowels a thorough cleansing and straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you feeling good for months. Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then to keep their stomach, liver and bowels regulated and never know a miserable moment. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a good, gentle cleansing, too.

HE MAY NEED THE SMOKES.

R. L. Clayton, of the Talpa country, was here Monday, and while in the city dropped a dollar in The Ledger's Tobacco Fund. Mr. Clayton is in the draft age, was recently called for examination, and some day may be caught in the trenches without a smoke. He says he knows how to sympathize with the boys who are in the trenches and can't get a smoke when they want it, and he pays for four kits of smokes to be sent to the soldiers in France.

S. H. Spencer of Talpa returned home Monday, after visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. P. West, here for a few days.

PREPARE FOR THE CRISIS

Every mother awaiting motherhood should get in condition for the crisis. There is just one thing to do—give nature a helping hand throughout the waiting period. No time should be lost in beginning the use of the penetrating external preparation, "Mother's Friend". By its use during the period the muscles of the abdomen are made pliable and elastic; they can then expand with ease when baby is born and pain at the crisis is naturally less. Ask for a bottle of "Mother's Friend" at the drug store today and do not go a single night without applying it. Write The Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. D, 300 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga., and they will send you a book of scientifically prepared, practical information, without charge. "Mother's Friend" is composed of such penetrating oils and other ingredients as to make it entirely indispensable to expectant mothers.

COM. COURT ADOPTS STRINGENT MEASURE

O. L. Parrish, Waco, Texas.

Commissioners' court today passed order as war measure, that no election for county officers of this county be held until peace is declared between Germany and the allies and that all county officers hold over as measure of economy. This meets with hearty approval of all county officers. Done in absence of county Judge. Bright idea, may be well to suggest same to convention.

Runnels Co. Com. Court. The above telegram was sent collect to County Judge Parrish, who is at Waco attending the meeting of the Central Texas Highway Association. The court met here for the transaction of business Monday, but only attended to routine business, after passing the above order, and sending the telegram C. O. D. to their county judge. Just how Judge Parrish will get even remains to be seen, but it is certain that he will have a comeback.

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COUNTY JUDGE ATTENDING HIGHWAY MEETING

County Judge Parrish is in Waco as a representative from this county to the meeting of the Central Texas Highway Association. The Central Texas Highway, or Highway No. 7, will split the state open from east to west, coming from Waco to Brownwood, from Brownwood to Ballinger and on west to Fort Stockton. It is for the purpose of filling in some gaps along the route not yet designated that the meeting is being held at Waco.

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AT HOME ON FURLOUGH.

K. V. Northington came in at noon Tuesday from San Antonio for a visit to friends and relatives. He is in the signal reserve corps, being of a number that volunteered about two months ago in that branch. His furlough is for five days.

STARTS SOLDIERS HOME PAPER FUND

"I am not going to give you anything for your tobacco fund for soldiers in France," said W. A. Esmond, "but I want to contribute to a fund to be used in subscribing for the home paper to go to the soldiers in the training camps." As Mr. Esmond made the above statement he handed in the cash for a subscription and instructed that the Ledger be mailed to Roy E. Tyre at Camp Travis.

"I rolled up my last week's paper," said Mr. Esmond, "and mailed it to Roy and he wrote me a four-page letter thanking me for the paper, and telling me how glad he was to get the news from home. I don't know of anything that the boys who have left this country would appreciate more than they would the county paper, and I believe that it would be worth more to them than the 'smokes.'"

An over-stock of modesty keeps us from saying that Mr. Esmond is eminently correct, but everybody knows that he is. We are sending quite a bundle of both daily and weekly Ledgers to Camp Travis and Camp Bowie, but what we send only represent a small percent of the boys who have gone from here, and any one wishing to second Mr. Esmond's with a three months' subscription and have no particular soldier they wish to send it to we will furnish the name. We have the name of all the men sent from this county. The price of the weekly for three months is only 35 cents. If you don't want to furnish the smokes, kick in for the paper.

Well Expanded Lungs not Enough

Pure blood is indispensable to the health and strength of the lungs. The delicate structure of these organs makes it necessary. When the blood is impure the lungs lose their tone, and even if they are permitted to expand freely, they have not the power fully to perform their important work. The fact is, there is nothing more necessary in our physical economy than pure blood—the kind of blood that Hood's Sarsaparilla makes. This medicine is the good old reliable family remedy for diseases of the blood, scurvy, rheumatism, catarrh, and low or run-down conditions of the system. At this time, when coughs and colds are prevalent, Hood's Sarsaparilla is an invaluable tonic. Get it today, and begin to take it at once. Accept no substitutes.

W. O. Eubanks of Bronte was in Ballinger Monday shipping some cattle to the Fort Worth market. He says that crops around Bronte are exceptionally good considering the drouth that has been prevalent over this section of the country.

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 when the duties of the wife will include the handling of the family finances.
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RED CROSS WORK STARTED IN WINGATE

Mrs. C. R. Stephens, chairman of the Runnels county Chapter of the Red Cross, and Mrs. K. L. Harwell chairman of the membership committee, went to Wingate Saturday in the interest of the Red Cross. They did not organize an auxiliary because there were not enough members in Wingate, but a number of new members were re-

ceived, and sewing and knitting classes were started under the direction of the Ballinger ladies. Fifteen new members were added, making a total of twenty-one members in Wingate. They come under the Ballinger Chapter, and until an auxiliary can be organized will be considered as members of the Ballinger branch. It is hoped that enough members can be secured to organize an auxiliary at an early date.

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The Girl Who Was a Soldier Boy

How I Went "Over There" With Pershing's Division
By HAZEL CARTER

Mrs. Hazel Carter of Douglas, Ariz., is a young woman, twenty-two, whose young husband, Corporal John J. Carter of the United States Army, was ordered to France with the Pershing expedition. Determined to accompany him, she obtained a soldier's uniform and fell in as a private on his departure. She was five days at sea on the transport before she was discovered and was returned home against her wishes.

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CHAPTER III. "Spotted" by a Bluejacket.

Of course we ran at night with all our portholes masked, and no smoking was permitted either on deck or below after dark. If the guard caught a soldier sneaking a "fag" he tagged him and forced him to do guard duty until he in turn caught another at it. The system worked pretty well. The boys could smoke all they wanted to on deck in the daytime. After the lights were out our sleeping quarters were absolutely dark, and there was a severe penalty for lighting even a match. The portholes were open to keep the men from suffocating.

Before dark I carefully located my husband's bunk since I knew I would have to travel by dead reckoning, and I couldn't afford to stumble over something, because that would get Smithers and my husband in bad and lead to my discovery. Before going to bed I took off my heavy shoes and carefully hid them. I was going to make the trip in my stocking feet.

Shortly after lights out I felt a gentle push on my arm, and Smithers whispered: "All right, kiddie. Go up forward." I sneaked out of the bunk and reached my husband's berth without mishap. He was glad to see me, and for awhile we forgot the ship and the war and the dangers and were ourselves. But, soldier-like, he suddenly came down to cases.

"I've got to report you, kiddie," he said. "You can't go on or you will get us all in bad."

I pleaded with him. He insisted that I owed it to his country and his uniform to report me.

"Forget you have seen me," I urged, "and let me go along. I will join the Red Cross as soon as I get ashore in France."

Alarm Interrupts Talk.

He finally agreed he would not report me until just before we arrived, if I got away with it that long, but he insisted he must do it then. However, we agreed to see each other the next night to have another talk, and I thought, with the whole Atlantic between us and France, I could persuade him in the meantime. Just as I was getting ready to go back the submarine alarm sounded which broke all the boys out of their bunks, seasick as most of them were.

I ran back to my place just in time to hear the rookie quartered over me arguing with the sergeant.

"Get up out of there!" shouted the "non com." "That's the U boat alarm."

"I don't care whether we sink or not," answered the poor boy. "I hope she does. Don't bother me."

The sergeant routed out the rookie without much ceremony, and I followed along to a place assigned to me on a life raft, putting on my life belt as I went. All the men had orders to don their life preservers first and then go in an orderly manner to their places. Already there had been two or three drills in the daytime, and the disciplined man soon catches on.

When I reached the deck there was no confusion and no excitement in the pitch black darkness. The men were proceeding quietly to their places, fastening on their life belts, although most of them had been wakened out of snoring sleeps, and I was proud of the behavior of the soldiers Uncle Sam was sending to the trenches.

If all our boys who are going to France obey instructions as well as that shipload did there will be no excuse for the loss of a life. It all moved like clockwork. No one lost his head. My seasick rookie, however, climbed into the wrong boat and got a call from the corporal.

"Don't you know," bellowed the corporal, "that lifeboat is reserved for officers? Get out of there!"

"I don't think this is a very democratic army," grumbled the youngster.

"If they're fussy what boat you get in at such a time. I'm going to Russia to enlist, where there's some freedom, if they don't drown me, and I don't care if they do."

The alarm was only intended as a night drill, and we were soon ordered back to quarters. I trilled along with the rest, almost boldly, because there was little danger of detection in that inky darkness. I rolled into my bunk and was soon as sound asleep as anybody. As I dozed off I knew I was not afraid of submarines, for the alarm had not scared me at all, and I thought we had sighted a sure enough U boat.

After that we had many of these drills at all hours. Most of the men soon became calloused to the danger of submarines, and some of them got so they would sleep through the alarm—that is, they would sleep until the sergeant, whose duty it was to see that every one was out, came along and

stirred them none too gently from slumber. A few began to think they would miss one of the sights of the trip if they didn't meet a Dutchman and looked forward hopefully to the prospect.

Disappointed Through Failure to See U Boats.

However, these optimists were doomed to disappointment, for our ship did not see a "German porpoise" the whole voyage, nor did we hear a gun fired.

Since returning to the United States I have heard of the attack on some of the ships of the transport fleet, but it was not on the part of it we were with. It would have been impossible for us to have been attacked and not to have known of it. As I say, lots of the boys were disappointed because they could not write home to the folks about the narrow escape from the subs, and the doughboys are great letter writers. Perhaps some of them did, anyway, so as to let those at home know they weren't missing anything.

By this time I felt almost like a soldier and had learned to smoke "tailor made" cigarettes, although I had tried it only once before this trip as an experiment when I was at school and had abandoned it after a couple of puffs. In the privacy of my bunk I devoted a whole lot of time to trying to roll them with as much carelessness and real economy of tobacco as are shown by the U. S. soldier. I had acquired the "makin's" and spent hours at the task.

About the third or fourth day out I felt I was pretty proficient and got out my brown papers and tobacco on deck and went to it. Near me was a sailor off one of our biggest battleships who was in the gun crew assigned to defend the transport from attack. He was off duty, and I saw him watching me closely as I rolled the pill. Finally he sidled up.

"Say," he asked, "you're a Jane, ain't you?"

"What are you doin'—kiddin' me?" I asked him.

"I guess you're kiddin' me," he answered. "I pegged you by the way you wrap up one of those pills. No better than that. They wouldn't let him in the army if he couldn't. But what you're doing on this joy ride is none of my business, sis. Don't be afraid I'll tip you off. I'm in the navy, and what the army does ain't my affair so long as we get you over there all O. K."

I didn't admit I was a girl, but he knew. He was a nice boy, who had come from Iowa originally, and I got real well acquainted with him later. He was one of the few people on the transport on the way back, a sad and lonesome trip for me, and we became quite chummy. I saw him only the other night here in Hoboken.

"Well," he remarked, "it's hard luck they got you. The other two girls aboard could roll them better than you and slipped through all right."

"More power to them if they did," I answered. "I hope they made it."

Of course there were no more girls on board. He was trying to kid me and get my goat.

Life on Shipboard.

I was pretty happy and contented for the next couple of days, and I guess I became too sure of myself. Most of the boys were getting over their seasickness by this time, and the inevitable crap game that follows the army in progress. You could hear the men calling for "Little Joe" and "Jimmy Hicks" after they got out the "hot and colds," and they made plenty of noise.

The officers were not very strict aboard ship and let the crap game run with all the noise necessary to the successful playing of this national pastime. One of the boys had been in particularly hard luck and had only a thin dime left to put up for a future margin when he copped a big pot. Just then the submarine alarm sounded. We knew we were near the danger zone.

"Hurry up!" shouted one of the players as we all broke away from our places.

The winner calmly collected the pot. "They may shoot me, and I will tell the world so," he announced, "before I will leave this 'sugar' for a blooming Dutchman to put a torpedo into. That would be just my luck. If it ever rains soup I will be caught with a fork."

It was another drill alarm, so the calamitist returned to the game only to be "taken" for his roll.

"It would have been better for me if we had been torpedoed," he said after he had been cleaned.

And don't think the doughboy is a piker. Many a time I've seen \$1,000 in a single pot.

Besides craps, the men sang and played Black Jack, a favorite card game of campaigners and one in which they win and lose big. It wasn't long before a few of them had all the money. The youngsters wrote letters until I thought some of them would never be able to handle a gun on account of writer's cramp. One young fellow didn't slight a girl in the state of Texas, and I suppose he told each she was the only one. He ought to get lots of mail "over there."

Because of the breaks in the sleep on account of submarine drills and for other reasons I am ordered not to discuss some of the boys slept in the daytime a good deal. There were not many duties aboard ship, and the officers let all hands take it as easy as they could. They knew there would be plenty to do in France.

That is why the American soldier is fighting for his captain and not to make the world safe for democracy. He knows his captain as the fellow who looks out for him. I speak of the regular, the neat, soldierly looking fellow you can always tell from a guardsman, when I say this. And I don't mean that as a reflection. Soldiering is the regular's business.

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In the daytime I saw little of my husband, but with the aid of Cupid Private Smithers I sneaked up to his berth often at night. He still insisted he would report me. The old timers who knew me covered me up, and all the men were very decent. Whenever an officer came along they would find an excuse to gather around me, and they did very little swearing. If a fellow forgot and cut loose he got a call from somebody. The loyalty of these boys I had known on the border pleased me very much and flattered me a little, I guess.

My headquarters were the kitchen, where I was rated as one of the cooks and did my share. Here they called me "Silent Joe" because I talked so little—afraid my voice would betray me. Glad that they gave me this reputation, I was ready to live up to it.

Fools Husband.

One day I was folding up my blanket when I saw my husband coming down between the tiers of bunks.

"What are you doing there, rookie?" he demanded. "Don't you know there is drill on deck?"

My back had been half turned toward him. I swung around and tore off my hat. My hair had been clipped short, but he recognized me and laughed. The joke was on him.

"You fooled me, kiddie," he said. "You'd better go up to drill."

But the best I could do was to help myself to a good cry on his chest. There was no one who could see us. He was gentle with me as always, and I was happy. I had needed that cry a long time. I think he was a little proud, too, to know his wife would risk so much and follow him so far just to be near him. I enjoyed that moment. I didn't care if all the officers on board saw me, but none did.

It was easy for me to go through the simple drills on shipboard, for I was familiar enough with the army to show up a lot of the rookies at it. Some of the men who did not know I was aboard were curious about my shaving.

"When do you get out your razor?" a youngster asked me one day.

"I don't have to use it except once a week," I answered. "I'm a kid yet. You go to it every day to look manly."

Once I did try to shave to play my part.

Of course there were always the soldier songs, and we had quite a collection of musical instruments aboard, manned by amateurs. One doughboy who had recently returned from service in Hawaii had brought a ukelele along, and he went big, for the boys liked those dreamy tunes.

It is a strange thing about a soldier that he does not sing the stuff written for him, but prefers the tear jerkers and sentimental ballads. The soldier songs in France will be about back home and not about beating the boches.

Yet these boys were going to the trenches and that hell with a smile and a song. If any reformer kicks on that crap game he ought to go himself. The men are gambling their lives. Why not their money?

To Be Continued)

CLIP THIS AND PIN ON WIFE'S DRESSER

Cincinnati man tells how to shrivel up corns or calluses so they lift off with fingers.

Ouch ! ! ! ! This kind of rough talk will be heard less here in town if people troubled with corns will follow the simple advice of this Cincinnati authority, who claims that a few drops of a drug called freezone when applied to a tender, aching corn or hardened callus stops soreness at once, and soon the corn or callus dries up and lifts right off without pain.

He says freezone dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding skin. A small bottle of freezone will cost very little at any drug store, but will positively remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Millions of American women will welcome this announcement since the inauguration of the high heels. If your druggist doesn't have freezone tell him to order a small bottle for you.

Mrs. R. H. Shooler and daughter Miss Willie, went to Brady Saturday where they will visit and will accompany Miss Jane Shooler home, who has been in that city on an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Frank Norton.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas O'Neal of Seminole arrived in Ballinger Sunday, and are visiting J. A. DeMerville and wife this week.

CAR MISSES BRIDGE MAN BADLY HURT

An oil well driller from Coleman oil fields, was painfully hurt Saturday night in the Ballinger-Angelo roads, when the car in which he was traveling at a pretty rapid clip, missed a culvert.

We failed to get the man's name or learn full details of the accident, further than that the party of travelers were returning from San Angelo Saturday night, and the auto in which they were traveling missed a wooden bridge, the car straddling the railing of the bridge. The railing of the bridge or a piece of the timber crashed through the bed of the car, striking the man under the ching, leaving away part of his mouth, painfully disfiguring him.

According to the report received here the man was carried to Miles and given temporary medical attention and later returned to San Angelo.

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SAYS SOLDIERS SHOULD HAVE THEIR TOBACCO

F. T. Sherman of Winters, was here Monday, and says that if the soldier boys like their tobacco as well as he does, he wants them to have it and he paid for two kits of smokes for the soldiers in France. The tobacco fund is growing. 25 cents buys 45 cents worth of smoking tobacco, the tobacco company making up a kit for the soldiers at less than the regular wholesale price.

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The New Millinery

The becoming new styles are here in abundance, for the women, for the misses, for the children, all authentic in style, economical in price, becoming in shape, the new colorings for the fall 1917.

COATS

The New Coats—the many new styles are in evidence—it's a season where the military trend is much in evidence; collars are large, some are plain, others are full rimmed; a season of felts and fancy shaped pockets.

Wool Cheviot

A handsome belted model cut on the new lines. It is made of a grey and brown mixed cheviot mixture, the principal part, is wool—in an extremely smart-looking garment, that is so serviceable and warm that it needs no lining. Belted across the front; front facing of same material—collar, cuffs and pockets trimmed in brown velvet; this serviceable coat.....\$8.75

All Wool Kersey

If you want a serviceable, warm coat for all kinds of wear, this attractive garment should appeal to you. This handsome wool material will give such serviceable wear. A large cape collar is trimmed with plush, also the fancy pockets; belt holds plaits in back, turned-back cuffs, extra value at.....\$13.95

Wool Velour

The touch of the military is in this garment, color dark navy blue, and a particularly smart model. It is of such splendid warmth it requires no lining. Large cape collar adds to the warmth, which is trimmed with a band of grey pony cloth; fancy pockets adds to the beauty, priced at.....\$16.50

Citron Velour

This beautiful coat can be depended on to give the most satisfactory service, yet it is a wonderfully stylish model, a wide 5-inch belt makes a very pleasing effect—large cape collar of black seal plush with wide cuffs to match. This splendid garment priced at \$24.75

Seal Plush

Made from extra quality black seal plush that is of unusual fine quality, almost equal to real sealskin in appearance—large cape collar; novelty belt of same material; button trimmed, priced at.....\$34.75

DRESSES

There's many beautiful garments on display in this section, particularly all of the trend of modern fashion. There's the new serges, the new Satin messalines, also the new combinations of Georgette and Crepe de Chines.

Serge Dresses

These are the very smart styles that are very much in favor at the present, for there is no material that makes better garments for practical wear; smart trimming touches are portrayed in the fancy braided and embroidered collar, and belt, skirt is gathered at side and belt, white serge cuffs, splendid value at \$10.00

Chiffon Satin

Fashion's newest models with side drapery—colors cocoa brown, blue and black, waist front is mostly embroidered in Chemille, collar is of white, soft silk, the vestel effect is finished with a sash effect; sleeves are of Georgette, dresses closes invisible at the side, the price.....\$14.95

All Wool Serge

Serviceable tailored dresses of very fine French serge, colors of brown, green, blue, navy and black, smart trimmings of beautiful laces and embroidery on the collar, skirts are accorrdion plaited at sides, sleeves are finished at cuffs with novelty pointed cuff, these beautiful dresses, priced at.....\$14.95

Dress Satin

Beautiful draped all silk-satin dresses in colors of taupe, green, purple and navy, handsome collars of Georgette with a touch of Persian, the beautiful coat effect is finished with a belt of same material, waist and sleeves are trimmed with rows of tiny satin buttons, extra value at.....\$24.75

All Silk Satin

Made of lustrous silk-satin, with combined sleeves and overshirt that is braided in beads; a handsome bead-trimmed collar, wide sash of same material; skirt is made on newest lines; dress closes invisible at sides; you should see the pretty styles at the price \$34.75

SUITS

At no time in the history of this store have we been so well supplied with beautiful suits, as this season. The styles are dependable, the materials the newest, the tailoring is perfect—let us have an opportunity to show you the many pretty styles.

Wool Serge

A dresy suit of fine quality worsted serge, a stylish 36 inch coat shows a handsome collar of serge with a velvet over-collar, good quality fancy satin lining in floral designs, skirt is made smooth fitting at the front and sides gathered at back, coat is belted, a splendid garment, priced at.....\$15.00

Wool Gaberdine

A suit of all wool gaberdine, that is designed with long graceful lines, the material is very serviceable and warm, colors are navy, purple, brown; a new belted coat in a 36-inch length is made very attractive with a large collar inlaid with black velvet, skirt is self belted, priced at.....\$22.50

All Wool Poplin

You could scarcely choose a suit that would give better service than the chic new styles that are being shown at this price. A fashionable 36 inch coat, large button trimmed pockets, large fancy collar, with fitted skirts, color brown navy and green, extra special \$24.75

A Swell Suit

An all-wool poplin is very pretty style, 36 inch coat that has a wide band of nutria fur fabric on collar, cuffs and around the bottom, skirt is belted with fitted hips and front and gathered back. A special value at \$21.75

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A handsome and durable material with a soft napped front, stylish semi-fitting coat in a 40 inch length, a fancy collar of same material, a wide fancy belt with large gun metal buckle, skirt is plain with wide belt of same material, a beautiful suit priced at.....\$32.75



F. & M. BANK ON LIBERTY BOND LIST

Liberty Bonds are not going begging in Ballinger. The Farmers & Merchants State bank subscribes for \$5000 worth of the bonds. This bank also bought heavily of the first issue.

Applications have also been filed through the Farmers & Merchants bank for more than \$2500 more of the second issue of Liberty Bonds, and parties are expecting to place applications for \$2000 more before close of business today.

The second subscription made to the present campaign for Liberty Money was made Thursday when the First National Bank of Ballinger filed its application for \$5000 worth of the second issue of Liberty Bonds.

Four days of the twenty in which the bonds will be offered for sale have passed and \$5100 worth of the bonds have been subscribed for or more than \$1000 per day. If Ballinger can keep that rate up the government will have no complaint against the old town which is experiencing a little drouth.

The bonds are being taken fast in the financial center, \$100,000 subscriptions being common, but the government desires to distribute the bonds to every part of the country and prefers to issue more small bonds and not so many big ones. The man with \$50 to invest will be given a chance, and the millionaire will not be given opportunity to gobble up the whole issue of \$3,000,000,000. At four per cent interest, free from taxes, there are many heavy investors who would like to place their entire wealth in these bonds, and then they would enjoy life, with no worry about the safety of their investment, tax paying, etc.

Mrs. J. Y. Pearce is a liberal subscriber to the Liberty Loan fund. Mrs. Pearce placed an order for \$250 worth of the bonds Friday, and her application was the third one filed with the First National Bank.

The following orders for Liberty Bonds have been made through this bank:

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- G. G. Odum.....500
- H. Giesecke.....500
- E. Shepherd.....50
- J. J. Yerby.....\$ 10
- First National Bank.....5000
- Mrs. J. Y. earce.....250
- Robert Bruce.....100
- R. G. Erwin.....100

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NEXT DRAFT TO COME IN FEW DAYS

Washington, Oct. 9.—A conference between Secretary of War Baker and Provost Marshal Crowder was scheduled for this afternoon, and it is expected that the announcement of the calling of the remaining 7,000,000 registered men for examination will follow.

The war department has definitely decided to order the examination of all the men who are registered, and the conference to be held between the war leaders is for the purpose of working out details. The date of the next draft will come soon, and with the completion of the first draft the second draft will be made much quicker.

It is broadly hinted that some of the drafted men will be sent to France much quicker than was at first expected, and the training camps will be used for the training of the second draft. The plan for calling the men in series of 100,000 instead of 500,000 will probably be adopted, and in this way the new army will be kept moving.

Seed Oats.

For prices on strictly No. 2 Rust proof Oats, see J. H. Taylor, or phone number 3302 rural, or leave your order at The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company. I can save you money. 3td-wtf.

I. O. Wooden is still in the hide and junk business. 26—d&w4t

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ALMOST HUNDRED KITS SMOKES READY TO GO

The soldiers' tobacco fund is gradually growing and within the next few days The Ledger will report the names of the parties who have paid for one hundred kits. We will make the report just as soon as one hundred kits of smokes have been paid for, and up to date the fund provides for 87 kits. 25 cents buys a kit of smokes, and the kit contains tobacco sufficient to make smokes for one soldier for a week. The tobacco company is putting the kits out at less than wholesale cost, just as a patriotic work, and nothing would please a smoking soldier more than one of these kits of tobacco. Don't argue with yourself as to whether it is right or wrong to smoke, but place yourself in the soldier's uniform and think what you would do if you had been using tobacco all your life, and on account of being away from home could not get it. It is not necessary to say that the soldier in France will appreciate your gift, and in due time you will get a postal card from him acknowledging receipt of the tobacco and telling you how he appreciated receipt of the tobacco and telling you how he appreciated the smokes.

- Previously reported.....50 kits.
- S. D. Williams.....1 kit.
- Carl Guin.....2 kits.
- F. T. Sherman, Winters.....2 kits.
- R. L. Clayton, Talpa.....4 kits.
- Miss McKie James.....1 kit.
- Mrs. E. L. James.....1 kit.
- Miss Janey Peavy.....1 kit.
- Prof. W. S. Fleming.....1 kit.
- Mrs. W. S. Fleming.....1 kit.
- C. J. Lynn.....2 kits.
- Jack Wheeler.....1 kit.
- J. J. Yerby.....4 kits.
- E. P. Talbot.....4 kits.
- R. L. Harwell.....4 kits.

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Major George W. Littlefield will purchase \$200,000 additional Liberty Loan Bonds. He already has \$300,000 worth, and the total amount will make him the largest Liberty Bond holder in Texas. The importance of the new purchase will be considerably enlarged upon by Fred W. Hoopes of Dallas, vice general of the Federal Reserve bank, who will speak here Saturday night. Mr. Hoopes will bring with him Captain Sear of the Canadian field artillery, back home on sick leave after three years on the fighting front. It is believed either the First Baptist church or the county courthouse will be used as a meeting place.—Austin American.

Will Fuller and Will Bengé sold a flock of sheep to a man from Colorado who shipped them out Thursday. They sold the lambs of their flock to Arch Bengé. This flock of sheep has a remarkable record because of changing owners so often the past year. They were first sold by Mr. Tickle to T. A. Shultz, Mr. Shultz sold them to W. C. Fuller, Will sold a half interest to his brother Fred Fuller then, later Fred bought out Will, and still later Will and Bill Bengé bought the flock who last sold them this week to the Colorado sheep man. Each sale brought a little more money than the preceding one.—Paint Rock Herald.

C. D. Farmer, of Eugene, Oregon, is here visiting his brother, W. W. Farmer. Mr. Farmer is street commissioner in his home city, a city of about 18,000 people. In watching the boys drill on the streets in Ballinger Friday he took occasion to compliment Capt. Cohen for the work he was doing for the boys, and said that the instructions given the boys here would be worth a great deal to them when they reached the training camp. Mr. Farmer claims for his home state the most patriotic state in the union and says that Oregon did not have to furnish a single man for the present draft and would not have to furnish any men for the next draft if it did not exceed 500,000, as a sufficient

number of men had volunteered from that state to give the state credit for its quota in making up the first million men army.

PASTORS' CONFERENCE MEETING HERE

Dr. Sam Thompson, presiding elder of the Brownwood district of the Methodist church, is here today to meet with the Methodist pastors of this end of the district. The meeting is being attended by half a dozen Methodist preachers, representing those in this county and part of Coke county.

\$59.80 FROM ONE ACRE OF FETERITA.

S. V. Brandon was here from the Crews country Tuesday and marketed a load of home made chicken feed for which he received a nice check, and he tells a story that does not sound like hard times or short crops either. Mr. Brandon said he squared off one acre of his feterita field and gathered the feterita, threshed it and ground it up for chicken feed. He brought the feed from the one acre to town and sold it for \$59.80. In addition to the check received for the crop from the one acre, he saved one bushel of the feterita for seed. Some farming in a country where it seldom rains in this year 1917.

LOST THE BALANCE OF HIS GUN.

Philadelphia, Oct. 10.—Knowledge of the rifle and all of its parts is an important part of the training given to U. S. Marines at their League Island camp, here. At first, this proves puzzling to the raw recruit. During the morning inspection, recently, one of the future sea fighters handled his rifle poorly, and was taken to task by the officer.

"Are you acquainted with the parts of your rifle?" he asked sternly.

"Yes, sir," the recruit replied.

"Well, where is the balance located?"

"I don't know, sir," said the Marine, glancing nervously at his rifle. "It was all here this morning."

46 YEARS OLD AND HIS SECOND OFFENSE.

Ed. P. Eason, editor of the Winters Enterprise, was called before the grand jury this week and forced to tell of the meanness he knows about. Friend Eason says he is forty-six, and this is the second offense. We have been admonishing him about his frequent auto trips west and tried to point to him the straight and narrow path. Mr. Eason is accompanied in his mission here by other good citizens from Winters, and of course this is some consolation.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Four room house, close to the business part. Also two office rooms for rent. A. J. Zappe. 3td-6-8-11—1tw.

FOR SALE
FOR SALE—Tractor engine and plow. Used very little. R. F. Smith. Ballinger. md4t&w4t-pd.

FOR TRADE
TO TRADE—Good span of mules, good wagon and set of harness for good Ford car. Will pay cash difference for the right kind of a car. T. S. Lankford. d&w1t

LOANS
MONEY TO LOAN—5, 7 or 10 years, with all kinds options in repaying. Lee Maddox. 17-tfw

LOANS
LOANS—If you want a loan on your ranch or farm, or want to sell vendors lien notes, see or write us. We can save you money. Titles examined, and loans closed in San Angelo. Quick services, attractive rates, and greatest of accommodations. R. Wilbur Brown & Co., San Angelo, Texas. 14—w8t

COURT HOUSE MAN TENDERS RESIGNATION

E. D. Haden, the man who keeps the "Sunday Clothes" on the court house park and attends to the court house work, walked into the commissioners' court room Tuesday morning and asked the court to release him, stating that he had received an offer for doing the same kind of work at Bonham at a better salary. The court declined to accept the resignation, but increased Mr. Haden's salary from \$65 to \$75, and understood that he would accept the raise and remain on the job. Mr. Haden appeared before the court again Wednesday with a telegram from Bonham court showing that the court there offered him \$100 per month, and he again asked the court to accept the resignation, and it appears now that Mr. Haden goes to Bonham and will do so regardless of the court's action in the matter.

In addition to the salary paid here, Mr. Haden is furnished help, convict labor being used when such labor can be had, while at Bonham he must employ his own help. He says that the trouble with the work here is that there is no convict labor to be had when he needs it, and he is compelled to take chances on this, and the local park being a large one and almost covered with grass, that one man cannot do the work. We trust the matter can be adjusted and Mr. Haden kept on the job.

LOOK AT A CHILD'S TONGUE WHEN CROSS, FEVERISH AND SICK

Take no chances! Move poisons from liver and bowels at once.

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs", because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well playful child again. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become tightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it, and it can not cause injury. No difference what ails your little one—if full of cold or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember a gentle "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

RAILROAD MAN WRITES FROM FRANCE

Harry Phillips, well known in Ballinger, former superintendent of the A. & S. railroad, is now doing service for his Uncle Sam in France, having volunteered in engineers corps. Read the following from the Fort Worth Star-Telegram:

Letters dated less than two weeks ago have arrived from U. S. soldiers in France, and some of them are older. After the censor's shears have clipped a paragraph from page one and another from page two, mother, sister, wife or friend is left to puzzle over what they might have known but never will.

Capt. Harry S. Phillips, with the 12th regiment of engineers, writes to his wife: "A few lines tonight before I retire. It has been raining for the past two or three days. I am still busy from 6 a. m. until late at night (here the censor disapproved and his shears played havoc) and I am anxious to begin work."

"I moved through France so fast that I hardly had a chance to see any of the fabled beautiful French women. I haven't seen any women in either France or England who will compare with our American women."

Last Sunday morning about 10 o'clock the Canadians called and asked us to get a ball team to fill an engagement forfeited by the New York regiment. I was selected to pick and handle the team. We beat them 9 to 8 and afterwards learned that this was the crack nine of Europe. After the game I was dined by the colonel of the Canadian regiment and spent a delightful evening."

(While a resident of Fort Worth Phillips, whose nickname is Chick, was famed as an amateur ball player—a catcher.—Editor's Note.

Another letter from Phillips, who at one time was with the Rock Island and later superintendent of the Abilene and Southern in Abilene, was received by his mother, Mrs. Blanche Phillips of Cannon avenue.

"I am somewhere in France," it said. "The censor laws will not permit me to say where. This portion of France is destroyed and devastated beyond the conception of the human mind. In the forest trees are saved down and hacked by the vandals, who they tell you in America, are the inhabitants of the 'Kultured nation.' Not a building has escaped the destruction. Beautiful churches and priceless treasures and relics have all been destroyed. Beautiful ceteries, vaults and tombs have been opened and ransacked for treasures, jewels and gold. Where they are left officers and men are billeted in them for quarters."

"I was in charge of a detail of trucks and motor cars and drove 120 miles through country, a portion of which is known as 'No Man's Land.' There was not a country home for miles; the area was covered with barbed wire entanglements and the earth was seamed with trenches and torn by shell-craters."

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J. J. YERBY GETS FIRST LIBERTY BOND

Liberty Bond No. 1 for this county, so far as we have been able to learn, goes to J. J. Yerby. Mr. Yerby subscribed for a hundred dollar bond through the First National Bank of this city, Wednesday afternoon. In doing this he invested his money where the "moths nor rust can not corrupt it and where the thieves can not break through and steal," and he will receive his interest coupon annually at the rate of four per cent.

But the best part of it all is, Mr. Yerby is doing his bit in helping to carry on the war. The people are beginning to learn there is duty for all to perform. Some can give their lives, while other can give their money. The government is now calling for \$3,000,000,000 in cash, and to get this the government is issuing four per cent bonds. These bonds are sold on the same basis as the first issue, except the interest has been increased.

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SECOND SMASH BRINGS BIG ADVANCE TO BRITISH

With the British Armies, Oct. 9.—More than one mile advance in the second British smash made within the past week, when the British launched a fast drive early today. The penetration of one mile was reported from several places, with the offensive move centered around Passchendaeke. The Germans left dead in their retreat and the British are prepared to withstand and counter attack.

San Francisco, Oct. 9.—According to advices received here today through private sources and coming direct from the battle front in Europe, the first American shell sent against the German lines was fired by Major Maxwell Murray. Major Murray fired the first shot in the attack against the Germans in Flanders. Further details of the American movements are not given.

With British Armies, Oct. 5.—The latest reports point to the enemy in the greatest British victory won since the war in Europe began. The Germans were not only completely driven off of a long front, and compelled to give up important territory, but their dead left on the battlefield numbers thousands.

London, Oct. 5.—The Germans have given up their hopeless counter attack against the newly won British positions in Passchendaele, and have fallen back in an effort to retrench. The British are in complete control and today hold a large strip of territory gained in the drive yesterday in the Passchendaele ridge sector.

Washington, Oct. 6.—It was learned here today through reports received by the navy department, that American destroyers have sunk a considerable number of German submarines. The date of the first encounter, or the names of the destroyers engaged in the attacks and other details are withheld from the public.

Washington, Oct. 6.—An American patrol vessel, on duty in foreign waters, has been lost, according to information received by the navy department today. The crew of the patrol was saved.

Washington, Oct. 6.—In reviewing war legislation definitely completed by congress when congress adjourned at three o'clock today, President Wilson said America's legislative body had left no doubt as to the spirit and determination of this country. Congress has assured the effectiveness of American arms and the safe guarding of the rights of the American people. The work of carrying on the war successfully has been planned so there will not be a hitch during recess and before congress convenes in December. The president is well pleased with the work done by congress.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Contracts which were recently awarded for American destroyers totaling many millions of dollars, will be ratified today, and the construction of the vessels rushed to completion.

Washington, Oct. 8.—The supreme court has set December 10th for hearing the opening arguments on the draft law case to decide the constitutionality of the draft law.

London, Oct. 8.—The German infantry renewed its counter attack against the British in their newly gained positions on the Flanders. The enemy was successful in the attacks and were repulsed with little effort on the part of the British.

MELBOURNE, Oct. 8.—American marines captured a boat load of German sailors and members of crew of the German ship, Sea Adler, near Fiji Islands, according to reports being sent to Washington.

London, Oct. 10.—The Germans launched a powerful counter attack south of Ypres on the Staden railway today and succeeded in pushing the British advance troops back a short distance on a two thousand-yard front.

Paris, Oct. 10.—The French troops continued in their progress today, capturing Popegoet Farm

on the north Aisne. The enemy artillery is active, but the French made successful advance on important ground.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 10.—Germany's general staff sought in 1916 to have the Canadian Pacific railway wrecked, by conspiring with laborers and German spies to plant bombs at important places. The German general staff also plotted a sabotage in the United States and Canada to ruin and wreck factories which were supplying munitions of war to the allies.

These points were brought out by the state department as revealed in correspondence forwarded to Bernstorff from Germany in January 1916. The efforts were designed to work through laborers in American factories and intended to cripple the plants by reducing the efficiency of the munitions turned out and by creating labor troubles.

MAN SHOT BY WIFE DIES AT HOUSTON

Tom Heynie, aged 22, who was shot by his 20-year-old wife last Friday morning as he lay in bed at their home, Tenth Street and the street car line in Studewood, died yesterday morning at St. Josephs Infirmary from the two bullet wounds inflicted in his abdomen.

The parents of the wife, who are here from West Texas broke the news of his death to their daughter in the county jail Monday morning. On account of her condition jail officials did not tell her yesterday of his death.

Heynie died without ever speaking of the motive for the shooting. He was conscious until an hour of the end, but believed he would recover, and all efforts to get a dying statement from him was futile, although the attending physicians had told him the end was not far off.

His body was sent to Lawn, Texas, his former home, last night for burial. It was accompanied by his father.

The charge against Mrs. Heynie has been changed to murder in Justice Leon Lusk's court. She had been held on an assault to murder charge, pending the outcome of her husband's injuries.

Mrs. Heynie has told Frank Wilford, assistant district attorney, that she shot her husband because he threatened to pack his suit case and leave her. The couple had been married only five months but had been having domestic trouble. He had left her at Lawn, and come here, and she followed a day later. The husband had secured a job and was to start to work the morning of the shooting. He said his wife arose to get breakfast, but went to a suit case and got a 32-calibre revolver and returned to the side of the bed where he was lying and fired two shots into his body.—Houston Chronicle.

TOM GREEN VOTES ON SALOONS OCT. 29

San Angelo, Oct. 10.—Monday, October 29, is the date fixed for the prohibition election in Tom Green county. This date was decided upon by the commissioners' court Tuesday afternoon, when petitions bearing 500 names were presented to the court asking that a prohibition election be called.

Commissioner Mathison made the motion that the petition be granted and that the date for the election be fixed at Monday, Oct. 29. He stated in making the motion that he was of the opinion that all parties concerned, at least all that had discussed the matter with him, wanted to get the matter out of the way at the earliest possible date. Commissioner Farquhar seconded the motion. There was of it all coming from was but little discussion, what the committee presenting the petitions. The vote of the commissioners' court was unanimous for granting the petition and fixing the date of the election as above mentioned.

Gustavus Grocery Sell Groceries for less. 1tw.

A German Bomb that Failed to Explode Found Near City

There was no little excitement who stated that he had made his peace with everybody and was ready to sacrifice his life for the good of the country, volunteered to tackle the bomb with his bare hands. It was placed in the car, and while the public highway over which the bomb was brought back to the city is rough enough to explode anything that is explosive, it was delivered here with perfect safety.

The officers and railroad men are under lasting obligations to the man who found the bomb and reported his find, but hereafter parties finding bombs should remove them from the railroad the first thing they do, test them out by applying a match and see if they are of the "Made in Germany" kind before giving the alarm.

Bomb experts tell us there is no danger in a railroad safety signal fuse, especially if the fuse has been used to illuminate the pathway of an oncoming train and to prevent a rear end collision. If you never saw one of these little harmless sky-rockets, drop around to the Ledger office.

HERE TO ATTEND SON'S WEDDING.

Capt. and Mrs. H. H. Luckett, of Toyah, Texas, arrived Wednesday at noon, and are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, and are here to attend the Luckett-Rasbury nuptials, which takes place next Wednesday night and at which time A. P. Luckett, of Miles, and Miss Bertha Rasbury, of this city, will be married. Capt. Luckett was one of the pioneer settlers of this county, having located here when civilization was thin and far between. He moved further west several years ago, and located in Reeves county.

DO YOUR DUTY

You would be a very unnatural parent if you did not wish to give your boy or girl the best educational advantages that are in your power, a very thoughtless parent if you sent him or her to the first school that mailed you a catalog, and an unpardonable parent if you entered him in a school without first investigating its location, sanitation, equipment, character of student body, faculty, system of discipline, and above all, the moral surroundings. Yours is the duty of investigation, comparison and ultimate decision.

Your boy or girl is the hope of your life. In him or her is centered your most cherished ambitions. His or her worth to you cannot be measured by dollars and cents, but his or her value must be measured by the training he received in home and in school. If the local school were an ideal place for your boy or girl, you wouldn't think about sending him away from home. Under present conditions, they doubtless need more self reliance, because they lack the power of initiative, are wanting in breadth the scope of vision, haven't learned how to study, can't make for themselves, and are ignorant of the fine art of a business career. If so, their education should be continued in a business training school where discipline really means something, where personal supervision by the faculty is constant, where our service is rendered above everything else, and where manly and womanly character and conduct are held paramount to all other consideration.

Our school offers many advantages that no other commercial school can afford. Its location, excellence of environments, its student body is made up from the best homes of the country, the faculty is second to none its discipline is the outgrowth of long experience, tempered to conserve individual needs, just, sane and firm. One or two hundred dollars spent on your boy or girl now may mean an unbounded success for their future life. There is a time in every young person's life for them to consider an education, and if that time goes by, unheeded by the parents, and they fail in the future you are, in a measure, responsible for that failure. On the other hand, if you encourage the seed thought of an education when your son or daughter is interested, it may mean the turning point in their lives, and will cause you much joy and happiness in the future. One or two hundred dollars spent on them is one of the best business investments you ever made. It will pay greater dividends in their future than any-

thing else you could bestow upon them.

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CENTRAL TEXAS HIGHWAY EXTENDED

Secretary Thos. F. Owens of the San Angelo Board of City Development, announces that the Central Texas highway, which was recently authorized between Sabine and San Angelo by the Texas highway commission, will be extended to Fort Stockton in Pecos county. Upton and Pecos counties have circulated petitions asking for an extension of the highway, and these petitions are now enroute to Austin.

The route of the highway is from Sabine in east Texas direct to Waukegan, and through from Waco to Brownwood, Coleman and Ballinger to San Angelo. The route between Waco and Brownwood has not yet been determined upon, the selection being in the hand of the secretaries of the chambers of commerce in Brownwood, Coleman and San Angelo. The route through Goldthwaite is being considered in the one hand, and that through Hamilton is proposed on the other. The final selection will depend upon a number of consideration, not the least of which will be the attitude of the county commissioners in the various counties through which the highway proposes to run.

RECORDS OF COUNTY CLERK

Marriage License.

Gregoria Cardon and Madalena Salas.
Willie Brown and Estelle Brooks—colored.
Joe E. Jones and Della Mae Chapman.

Criminal Docket.

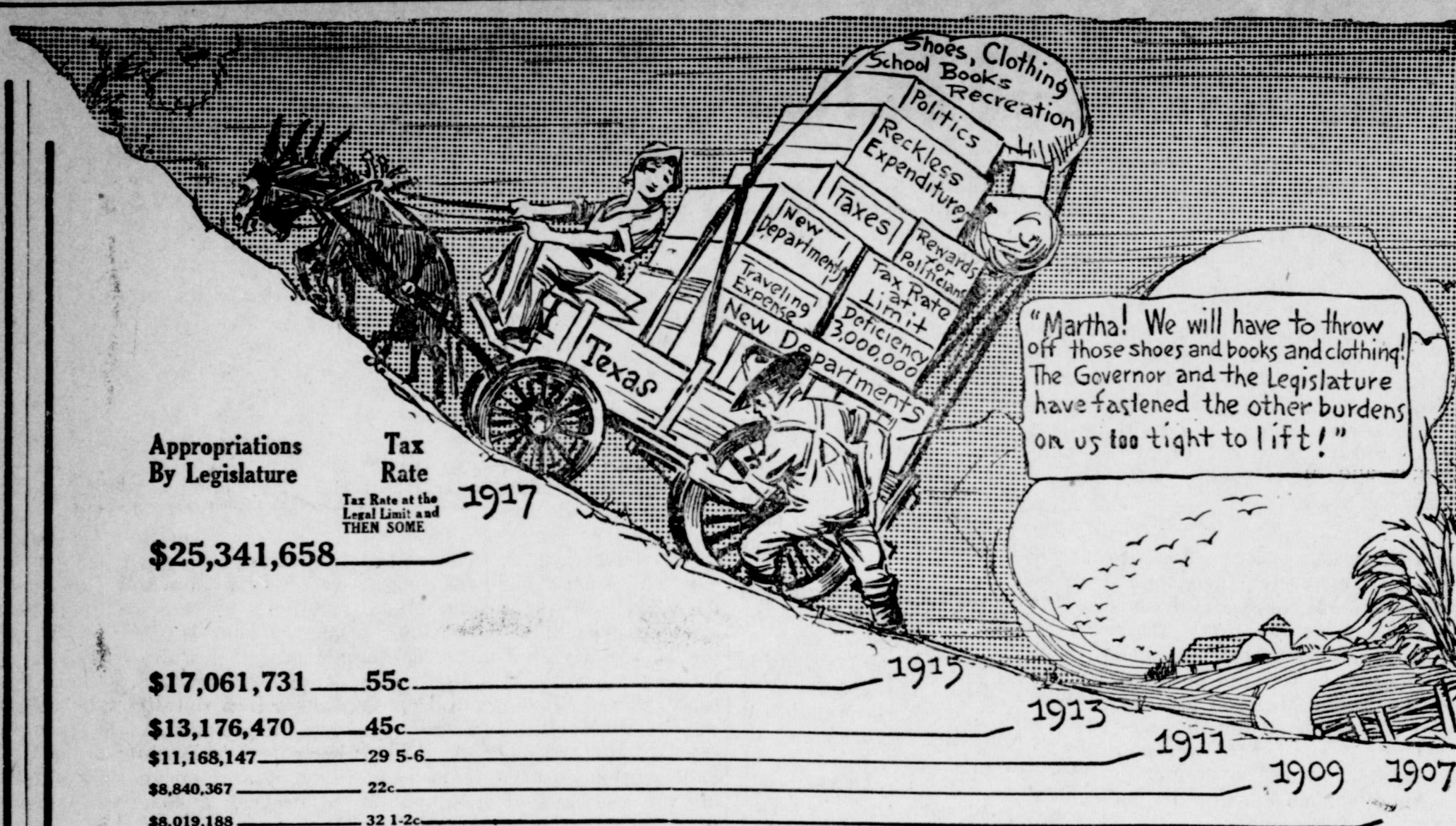
The State of Texas vs. R. H. Tadlock, charged with swindling.

Deaths.

Dr. Barton Tounget of Crews, Oct. 6, 1917.
Matilda Reeves, of Maverick, Oct. 2, 1917.

Births.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stokes, of Balinger, Oct. 1, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hardegree, of Winters, Oct. 3, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Keplinger of Wingate, Sept. 20, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Barnett of Nulorton, Oct. 4, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. Baima of Rowena, Oct. 5, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jaques of Rowena, a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davis of Ballinger, Oct. 2, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Jones of Ballinger, Oct. 9, a boy.



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PAST THREE SCORE AND ENJOYING LIFE

After the average man passes the three score mile post in life he does not object to telling his age, but before that age we would not dare tell how old a man is without getting permission to do so. Hence we are taking the liberty to tell the age of three of Ballinger's prominent citizens on this their birthday.

On Oct. 8, 1843, in the good old state of Mississippi, J. A. Demoville first saw the light. Yes, '43 is right, and don't get the idea that we have made a mistake in reporting his birthday, for this good veteran is not seventy-four years old, but seventy-four years young, and steps higher than most of the young men in "milling" around town and traveling over the county serving citation and carrying on his work as deputy sheriff. Mr. Demoville has seen much in life and enjoys an experience that would make a big book of interesting history. He was on the firing line in the Civil war, and he would be on the firing line now, if Uncle Sam would take the boys of his age. Mr. Demoville is no newcomer in Rannels county, having located here in 1891.

On Oct. 8, 1853, J. W. Powell came into this world in Louisville, Kentucky. Things did not go just to his notion in that blue grass country and when he was 30 years old he pulled out for Texas, landing in the town of Rannels, Rannels county, said State, in 1883, and has done his part toward developing this country. Judge Powell was present when Ballinger was placed on the map, and has been active in the life of the city, serving for many years as mayor. He is enjoying good health and bids fare to get through the world war and live to enjoy permanent peace for many years.

On Oct. 8, 1849, H. G. Stokes took his abode in England. He remained with the British until 1871 when America became his adopted land, and at the age of 18 Mr. Stokes landed in Austin, becoming a Texan and an American at the same time. When the notorious train robber Bass was making life rocky for the express companies, and for passengers, Mr. Stokes was running on the Texas Central railroad as a messenger and train guard. He will complete his forty-one years with the Wells Fargo & Co. express, next January, and judging from appearance he is good for several years more, or until the company sees fit to retire him. For many years Mr. Stokes was express agent at Austin and was transferred from that place to Ballinger about three years ago. He has relatives on the firing line in Europe's war and receives interesting letters from the old home. There may be other birthdays today, but we know of no more prominent men than these three who have passed the three score mark, who are celebrating their birthday.

Croup.

If your children are subject to croup get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and when the attack comes on be careful to follow the plain printed direction. You will be surprised at the quick relief it affords.

Most Old People Are Constipated

The wear of years impairs the action of the bowels. As people grow older they restrict their activity, neglect to take sufficient exercise, and indulge a natural disposition to take things easy. The digestive organs become more sensitive to the demands made upon them and rebel more quickly.

It is of special importance to the health of elderly people that the bowels be kept normally active. A mild, yet effective, remedy for constipation, and one that is especially suited to the needs of old folks, women and children, is the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It costs only fifty cents a bottle, and should be in every family medicine chest. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 456 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

FIRST COUNTRY MAN TO HELP TOBACCO FUND

S. D. Williams of Hatchel, was the first man from the country to contribute to the Ledger's tobacco fund, and supply the smokes for the soldiers in France. Mr. Williams called at the Ledger office Saturday and ordered a kit of tobacco to be sent to France with his compliments. The tobacco fund is growing and those who wish to contribute must do so with in the next few days, as we will make our report and discontinue receiving subscriptions.

UGH! ACID STOMACH, SOURNESS, HEARTBURN GAS OR INDIGESTION

The moment "Pape's Diapepsin" reaches the stomach all distress goes.

Do some foods you eat hit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into acids and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach? Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, jot this down: Pape's Diapepsin helps neutralize the excessive acids in the stomach so your food won't sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is upset you usually get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it helps to regulate your stomach so that you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

Most remedies give you relief sometimes—they are slow, but not sure. "Pape's Diapepsin" is positive in neutralizing the acidity, so the misery won't come back very quickly.

You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food, your head clears and you feel fine.

Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia, or any stomach disorder, due to acid fermentation.

ELECTRICITY FOR IRRIGATED FARMS

The extending of the electric transmission line that now provides Miles, Rowena, Ballinger and Winters with current and power for commercial purposes, thereby making possible the further development of the Concho country through irrigation is being contemplated by the Texas Electric & Power Company of San Angelo. Information to this effect has been obtained from R. J. Irvine, manager.

It is planned to run a line from Miles south to the Main Concho river, a distance of four miles, in order to supply electric power to seven or eight pumps located within a distance of about four miles. Eventually this branch would be lengthened to Paint Rock and thus serve the big ranch of D. E. Sims. The second line will be run north from Ballinger a distance of nine

miles. There are a number of irrigation plants along the river in this section which would be greatly benefited by the extension.

The cost of the contemplated improvements is estimated at between \$18,000 and \$20,000. The work depends entirely upon the securing of materials, which is at present difficult matter. The transmission line, of the Texas Electric & Power Company is one of the longest and most powerful in the State carrying a voltage of 23,000. The extensions planned would use only 2,300 volts.—San Angelo Standard.

STORE YOUR COTTON AT COMPRESS.

We have facilities for storing cotton for farmers who desire to hold for higher prices. Concrete sheds, day and night watchman gives you good fire protection and cheap insurance. Storage 15 cents per bale per month or fraction thereof. 26—d&w4t

TEXAS COMPRESS CO.

AGAINST LAW TO SELL SOAKED BEANS

Washington, Oct. 4.—The officials in charge of the enforcement of the Food and Drugs Act are again calling attention to the practice of soaking dried peas and dried lima beans until they have the appearance of the fresh articles and then canning them. Such products are then in many instances sold as the canned fresh article. Unless soaked peas and lima beans are plainly labeled as "soaked" or in some other manner so as to show their character, they are regarded as in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

There is no denial that soaked peas and lima beans are a wholesome article of food. They are, however, admittedly inferior in quality to the products prepared from the fresh vegetable. Furthermore, the dried peas or beans may themselves be purchased by the housewives quite cheaply and while in the dried condition may be commercially and satisfactorily stored for future use.

The housewife will also do her bit in the conservation of our limited supply of tin plate by soaking and cooking her own dried peas and lima beans in the kitchen and thereby releasing a proportional amount of tin cans for use in the packing of perishable foods where they are greatly needed.

Consumers are urged to read labels of canned peas and lima beans carefully in order to see whether or not they are getting a fresh or a soaked dried product.

TEXAS CAN'T GET ARTILLERY RANGE

San Angelo, Abilene and in fact, every other city in Texas, applying for the big artillery camp which the government is planning to establish, has been eliminated from the running. Abilene was making a strong pull for the camp which it was estimated would cover 250,000 acres of land, and had sent a committee to Washington to go before the war department and urge their claims. Congressman Blanton was working for Abilene, and on Wednesday of this week he wired Abilene that Texas had been eliminated from the prospective places offered. Here's his telegram:

"Report just filed and recommends location on public lands. Secretary of General Staff advises that Texas is eliminated because Texas has no government lands."
THOS. L. BLANTON.

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. 60 cents.

Sid Caskey was in Ballinger over Sunday. He has been in San Angelo for a few weeks.

Store your Cotton with the Farmers' Union Warehouse Company. Cheapest insurance in town. J. P. Boothe, Manager. 6-4tw.

The Oldest Yard Here
The Ballinger Lumber Company
is the oldest established lumber yard in this section of the state, and is known for the complete stock of high grade building material carried at all times. Our long life is due to our long way of dealing with our customers. We appreciate your patronage.
Ballinger Lumber Company



THE First National Bank
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CALOMEL SICKENS! IT'S HORRIBLE! DON'T STAY BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED

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

Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious; feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and bowels regular. You will feel like working. You will be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells

you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you get your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist about me.

Former Runnels Co. Girl Attempts to Kill Husband

The first news of a tragedy at Houston, in which a former Runnels county girl figured, was received here in an account of the tragedy published in the Houston Chronicle. The woman was formerly Miss Annette Asn. daughter of G. A. Ash, of the Crews country. She shot her young husband, Tom Heynie, who formerly lived in this county, Coke county and Taylor county. The Houston Chronicle gives the following account of the shooting:

"I am going to pack my suit case and leave you," is the reported statement of Tom Heynie, aged 22, of Tenth Street and the street car line, Studewood, at 6 o'clock Friday morning as he arose from bed. He was talking to his wife.

At the same time Mrs. Anette Heynie, his wife, aged 20, arose and said she would get breakfast, and Heynie laid back down on the bed. His wife then unlocked a suit case and took from it a .32-

calibre revolver and approached the bed. She fired one shot into her husband's abdomen and he jumped up and tried to take the revolver from her.

In the scuffle she shot him a second time in the abdomen. The husband is at St. Josephs Infirmary and doctors say there is no possibility of his recovery. The 20 year-old wife is in the county jail, held on a charge of assault with attempt to murder, pending the outcome of the husband's injuries.

The couple came here from Lawn Texas, a few days ago. He came one day and the wife followed the next day. In a statement the wife made to Frank Williford, assistant district attorney, she said both of them had been picking cotton near Lawn, which is about 25 miles south of Abilene. She said a few days ago he took the money she had earned and came to Houston, and she came here the next day and found him living at the home of a relative.

She went there and had been living with her husband only a few days. She said he had mistreated her and was constantly threatening to leave.

The deputy sheriff who has the pistol with which Mrs. Heynie shot her husband says she purchased the pistol yesterday.

The husband made a short statement to Mr. Williford, but would not discuss any motive for the act of his wife. He said his wife told him before six o'clock that she would get up and wash the dishes of the night before and get him some breakfast. He says he told her he could get a little breakfast but she insisted on getting up and he paid no more attention to her until she stood over him with a pistol and fired one shot into his body.

A deputy sheriff, who resides across the street, was attracted by the sounds of the shots and arrested the woman. Westheimer's ambulance took Heynie to the hospital, where an effort was made to take a dying statement, but Heynie insisted he would get well, although doctors held out no hope for him. An examination showed that the intestines had been punctured in 10 places.

When Mrs. Heynie was taken to jail she became hysterical and Dr. Ernest Wright, county health officer, was called to attend her. She is a small woman and jail officials says she is comely.

The father of Mr. Heynie resides at Tuscola, Texas. A telegram from him Friday said he had left there for Houston. The couple were married five months ago at Lawn.

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 liver to secrete the biliary secretions from the bile and impurities from the blood. 25 and 50 cent bottles. Sold by J. Y. Peck.

Mrs. Bates and daughter, Miss Rosie, of Brownwood, who had been visiting Mrs. R. L. Sides of this city for a few days, returned home Saturday.

SAYS METEOR FELL NEAR BUFFALO GAP

The Abilene Reporter has solved the meteor mystery and reports that the big ball of fire buried itself in the ground near Buffalo Gap. One meteor fell near Hillsboro and one near Buffalo Gap, but the one passing over Ballinger was not traveling in the direction of either of these places, and it is the opinion of those who saw it that it fell some where between Ballinger and Mexico. The following meteor story comes from the Abilene Reporter:

"The Reporter after several vain attempts to locate the place where the meteor, which passed over the city Monday night about 10:30 o'clock, struck the earth, learned that it fell on the Evan Butchee place near Buffalo Gap, from Mr. Butchee Wednesday afternoon.

The meteor struck the earth about 200 or 300 yards from the Butchee house, Mr. Butchee said.

"We were all pretty badly frightened at first," Mr. Butchee said in telephonic conversation with the Reporter Wednesday afternoon. "My wife screamed when the meteor suddenly burst into a thousand pieces about twenty feet from the earth. The explosion was not very loud but the scattering of parts of the big stone into the air scared us all at first.

"I should judge that the tail of the meteor was about twenty feet long and that it was about three feet wide. There was a sudden flash of light as we were in our house and it became as light as day."

Mr. Butchee stated that he did not know the depth the meteor had buried itself as he had not made a personal investigation of the place where it hit.

Scarcely has there been anything that has caused more interest here than the meteor which crossed the sky Monday night being thought by many to be simply a flash of lightning but when upon investigation it was seen that there was no clouds in the sky and therefore it must be some unusual phenomena.

At 10:30 Monday night hundreds of people in Abilene say a large and brilliant ball of fire shot across the sky. W. D. Girard of Abilene, who was at the depot in Buffalo Gap, stated that the meteor when seen by him was going almost straight down, apparently toward the southwest. He said it seemed to him that it fell only a few hundred feet from where he was. Others of Abilene who saw the meteor stated that it was moving in a westerly direction in which case it would seem that it was a different meteor from the one which fell in Hill county, which is east-southeast of Abilene.

Mr. Girard stated that the light of the meteor blinded him for a time. Telephone calls to Tuscola and Ovalo developed the fact that it was also observed there.

Seed Wheat for Sale.
I have a lot of Pure Mediterranean seed wheat, raised in Brown county this year. The wheat yield this year without irrigation and on upland 20 bushels per acre, while all other wheat in that county yielded only an average of 10 bushels. Free from Johnson grass and weed seed. See samples at banks in Ballinger. Price \$3 per bushel f. o. b. Brownwood. R. L. Mouldin, Brownwood, Texas. 1-21-w4—pd.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.
The state board of education has announced that examinations will be held in the various counties on Oct. 19 and 20 for the purpose of granting first and second grade certificates to those who can pass the examination. This examination will not apply to parties wanting permanent certificates.

C. O. Harris of San Angelo, was in Ballinger Saturday on business.

TWO FAMILIES MOVING TO THE COAST.

J. T. Morgan and family will leave next week for Seadrift, and Feb McWilliams and family will leave for Corpus Christi, where they are going to make their home. Mr. Morgan has not invested in property at Seadrift, but expects to do so if the country suits him. Mr. McWilliams has leased his ranch here, and closed a deal for property on the coast. Ballinger regrets to lose these two families, and their friends wish them well in their new homes.

WINTERS DOCTOR GETS COMMISSION

Right on the eve of being sent to the training camp, Dr. Thomas V. Jennings, of Winters, receives his commission as first lieutenant in the medical section Officers' Reserve Corps.

Dr. Jennings was drafted for service, passed the examination and was accepted and scheduled to entrain here with seventy-odd other drafted men next Monday. He had offered his services to Uncle Sam, but had failed to receive what he applied for, and was in line for a place in Camp Travis, with the rest of the boys, when on Wednesday of this week he received his commission.

The county gets credit for Dr. Jennings in making up its quota, notwithstanding that he has been taken out of the draft list.

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

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is 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, Notary Public.

(Seal)
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

CITY EQUALIZATION BOARD HEARS COMPLAINTS

The city equalization board, composed of J. McGregor, E. Shepherd and J. M. Garlington, met Friday to receive callers from taxpayers who wish to register complaints and to submit causes why their property rendition should not be increased. The city is increasing property values about twenty per cent in an effort to make the city's revenue take care of the expenses of the city government and take care of the city's indebtedness of long standing. While many notices were sent out very few property owners appeared before the board, and those who did appear could have saved the time. The board spent several days working out what they considered an equal assessment of property and tried to do their duty in equalizing the proper rendition.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILI TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 60c

BALLINGER MAN RECRUIT FOR CAVALRY BRANCH

James A. Warren of Ballinger was the only recruit accepted in San Angelo Wednesday by either the army or navy recruiting station. Warren enlisted in the cavalry and left during the day for El Paso, where he will undergo a final examination.

Scores of men for railway service should enlist in the San Angelo country, says Sergeant William Carney of the local army office.

"Two hundred and fifty men have been secured in and around El Paso, Raton and Roswell, N. M.," said Sergeant Carney this morning, "and we haven't had one here. The pay offered by the government is as good as that paid by any railroad in the United States and the hours are practically the same. Any railroad man wanting full information on the subject should call and see us, room 334, federal building."—San Angelo Standard.

Mrs. P. Eaton of Brownwood, returned home Saturday, after a visit to D. F. Eaton and family of Ballinger.

OLDER BUT STRONGER

To be healthy at seventy, prepare at forty, is sound advice, because in the strength of middle life we too often forget that neglected colds, or careless treatment of slight aches and pains, simply undermine strength and bring chronic weakness for later years.

To be stronger when older, keep your blood pure and rich and active with the strength-building and blood-nourishing properties of Scott's Emulsion which is a food, a tonic and a medicine to keep your blood rich, alleviate rheumatism and avoid sickness. No alcohol in Scott's. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.



For the Blue-Jackets

Bevo
A BEVERAGE

Our boys in the Navy enjoy their Bevo. The Navy Department has put its official seal of endorsement on this triumph in soft drinks, by allowing it to be sold and served on all naval vessels.

Ashore or afloat, you will find in Bevo a palate-pleasing, refreshing and nutritious beverage.

Just the thing to take along for sail or cruise—auto trip or camp and for the ice-box at home.



Bevo—the all-year-round soft drink

Bevo is sold in bottles only and is bottled exclusively by ANHEUSER-BUSCH—ST. LOUIS

Walker-Smith Company
Wholesale Dealers BALLINGER, TEXAS 14L

LIKES WAR AND HAS DECIDED TO STAY

"Somewhere in Texas," 10217 The Daily Ledger, Ballinger, Texas.

Dear friends: Let me let you all know that we are still thinking of the Live Oak as you are for us, and especially to thank you again for those water melons that were loaded on our train, will drop you a few lines.

We are all doing fine and we are having a great time. We do not have much to do; only stay on the drill grounds from eight to ten hours each day. We have all the rest of the time off. Some vacation, don't you think? Our average day's walk is about twenty miles, and then some.

We are now studying ditch digging, and bayonet exercise. Of course this ditch business is easy. All there is to it is, one man slings the pick and the other fellow the shovel. Corporal Starkey is right there with the peanuts when it comes to military ditch digging, and handing out military "dope," for you know he always did walk like a general.

Our company went on guard Sunday evening and the officers told us it was the best guard mount that had been pulled off. The Ballinger boys are always on the job and ready to go when the word is given.

On Saturday afternoon and Sunday most of the company go to town, and you can bet Ballinger is well represented in Fort Worth. Corporal Starkey, George Smith, and Walter Singletary are in society up to their eyes tonight. Of course you know how I stand, so I don't do anything like that.

This is not such a hard life; in fact, it is the best war I was ever in. I like it and think I shall stay awhile. Tattoo has sounded, which means I must be in the hay and under cover and lights out by taps which comes in fifteen minutes. All of the boys sends best regards. PAT.

WILL PUBLISH HIS PAPER AT WACO.

T. A. Hickey, editor of the suppressed Rebel, appeared yesterday in Abilene. Attorney Odell told him that his case was put over until April 1, 1918. Mr. Hickey arrived in Waco this morning. He stated that the first issue of his new magazine, which will be called Hickey's Magazine, would appear on the first of November. It will be printed here. The editorial policy of the new magazine will be the land question in Texas in particular and the nation generally.—Waco Times-Herald.

SCOUTS DRILLING UNDER HOMANN

A. C. Homann deserves credit for the splendid work he is doing with the Boy Scouts. Mr. Homann is devoting an hour or two three afternoons during each week in instructing the boys in drill work and military tactics. The boys meet on the school campus after school closes and quite a number are taking an interest in the work. The scout work carries with it advantages that every boy should be quick to profit by. It is up to the parents to encourage the boys and assist the scout master and his assistants in every way possible. Rev. J. H. King, the scout master, meets the boys every Friday night. The boys are making arrangements for a hall to carry on their work during the winter.

The parents should see that their boy keeps his scout engagements, and encourage him in every way possible in the work.

J. H. Crowson of Winters was in Ballinger on business Saturday.

The End of Your Corns

Pain Stops at Once—Corns Lifts Off Clean.

There is nothing in the world like "Gets-It" for corns. Just apply it according to directions, the pain stops at once and then the corn lifts off as clean as a whistle. No fuss, no bother, no danger. "Gets-It," you know, is safe. Millions have used it, more than all other corn remedies combined, and it never fails.



Don't Waste Time "Hollering." "Gets-It" Never Fails.

There is no need for you to go through another day of corn agony. But be sure you get "Gets-It." Accept nothing else, for remember, there is positively nothing else as good. "Gets-It" never irritates the live flesh, never makes the toe sore. You can go about as usual with work or play, while "Gets-It," the magic, does all the work. Then the corn peels right off like a banana skin, and leaves the toe as smooth and corn-free as your palm. Never happened before, did it? Guess not. Get a bottle of "Gets-It" today from any drug store, you need pay no more than 25c, or sent on receipt of price by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

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

Life Was a Misery

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes: "From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

TAKE CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . . ."

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

All Druggists

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OUR NEW HOME

IT is with pride that we invite you to be our guest, to come, to enjoy, to see the beautiful new home that we have just completed; giving you a store of which you'll justly feel proud, not only of the building but of the stock its self. It has taken months of forethought, careful planning, competitive buying, good judgement and fine taste to make it rightly so. Where ever the best was to be found our buyer was not slow to choose the best from the showy and false, the beautiful and qualities of the dependable kinds. So the store is filled with attractive; reliable furniture and floor coverings that is worthy of your attention.

Our Ladies Rest Room—set apart for your convenience, a room where you can come and feel welcome at any time. Take advantage of this modern convenience when you come to Ballinger to trade. Easy chairs, wash basin and a real place to rest free for the coming

FIX THE DATE IN YOUR MIND—BRING YOUR FRIENDS

Friday Night, October 19th
7:00 to 9:00 O'clock

Saturday Afternoon, October 20th
2:00 to 7:00 O'clock

MUSIC—REFRESHMENTS—SOUVENIERS

14,000 Square Feet of Floor Space Filled With New Modern Home Furnishings

For 27 Years

This store has stood the test, and has grown from a small beginning to the pretentious size that it has attained and this was only made possible by the co-operation of the buying public; and today as we review the past it is with pride that we invite this same buying public to come and view our "new home," and can assure them that it will be the same in the future as in the past.

Honest Dealings

The basic principle on which this store is builded is: A fair deal in each transaction—a giving of value received—and a firm feeling between seller and patron that there has been a mutual benefit to both parties, which will bring the customer back again.

Right Treatment

We want you to feel at all times that you have gotten your money's worth, and any item bought from this store has the personal of years of consistent merchandising, and if for any reason it doesn't come up to your expectations we want the pleasure of making an equitable adjustment.

Full Stocks

Thousands of dollars invested in the right kinds of dependable merchandise, and nowhere will you find a more varied stock that will come nearer meeting the demands of a buying public than here. Our eye is kept on "quality." No "cheaply made," "shoddy," or "seconds" are permitted to find a resting place here. Come, let us show you; you won't be urged to buy.

A Visit to the Grand Opera

Columbia

Many are the delightful hours you can spend with the finest musicians of this country, as well as the ones even of foreign lands—such realistic tones, so natural you even form an idea as to the singers' looks. Come to our store, buy a Columbia for your home, and feel at home while you are making the selection. Our salespeople will take pleasure in showing you how to operate; play as many records as you please. Take a holiday and let us entertain you with a GRAFANOLA

For the Living Room

LIBRARY TABLES
FIRE SIDE CHAIRS
3 PIECE DUOFOLD SUITS
FIBER SUITES

ARM ROCKERS
3 PIECE SETTEE SUITES
TAPESTRY SUITS
PERIOD SUITES

Whether it the golden oak, the quartered oak, the wax finish, the mahogany, the stock is filled with many choice styles. Massive heavy furniture in which the wonderful art of "real" furniture making has reached the zenith of perfection, also the beautiful period designs. A revival of the beautiful quaint designs of past ages. Each have found a place in the many beautiful matched suites or odd pieces that we are showing for this living room, which we want you to see even if you have no intentions of buying. Be our guest—the pleasure will be ours.

For the Bed Room

DRESSING TABLES
CHAIRS AND ROCKERS
VANITY CASES
CHIFFOROBES

CHEVAL MIRRORS
DRESSERS
CHIFFONIERS
BED SIDE TABLES

If you have an eye for the beautiful Ivory, Birdseye, American walnut, figured gum and oak suits—but we can't begin to tell you of the beauty of design, the elegance of the finish, the goodness of workmanship that are set forth in the generous supply of these new, modern and up-to-date finishes and woods, that are designed by the master hand of the furniture workers of the north and east. We believe that we have chosen well the styles and quality and will hold open hours so you can enjoy seeing them and know that you will be well repaid for your visit to this store by see the beautiful qualities that we are showing.

A Thousand Steps Saved

Hoosier Cabinets

For years this labor-saving device has steadily in favor. It's not an experiment, thousands of women in America today are using this "National" advertised and sold cabinet. Every one a satisfied user—thousands of testimonials from satisfied users. Everything in its place; a place for everything—mouse proof, dust proof, germ proof; cooking becomes a pleasure, not a drudgery. Get the saleswoman to show you one of these modern cabinets, you won't be urged to buy.

A Touch of the Beautiful

Floor Coverings

There's nothing that adds more to your home, gives it a more home-like appearance, than harmonizing floor coverings. Hundreds of yards of linoleum in 6 and 12 foot widths—the real sanitary floor covering—Rugs of all sizes, from the small door mat to the large room sizes. "Completeness" is the word that tells the story; selections made easy by the fullness of the stock.

Tailor Made Mattresses

Made by Runnels county capital, labor and of Runnels county cotton. Nice soft, all-cotton mattresses. You can select your tick, your cotton and we do the work, or you can always find our ample supply of good kinds always on hand. "BUY IT MADE IN BALLINGER."

For the Dining Room

DINNING TABLES
CHINA CABINETS
BUFFETS
CHAIRS

SERVING TABLES
TEA TABLES
HIGH CHAIRS
TABLE MATS

There's scarcely no end to the good quality dining room furniture whether it's a complete suit or just an odd piece, we have just the right item. Many beautiful period designs, Jacobean and fumed finished. The massive oak suites in plain and quartered oak, tables with large center pedestals, tops 42 to 50 inches, beautiful buffets to match, china closets and serving tables, also complete matches in chairs with plain or leather bottoms. This store has spared no effort to make this a place where you can get just such furniture as you want, and now we invite you to come and see how well we have succeeded.

China and Dishes

A department that needs mentioning—many desirable kinds, in both the domestic and imported kinds—odd pieces, also complete sets. The prices are always as low as can be consistent with the quality of the merchandise.

Perfection Oil Stoves

"There's none better." Has stood the test of years—been getting better with years and today stands at the head of the list for reliable cooking—and easy of operation. Also "Perfection" oil heaters in the approved kinds that give satisfaction.

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