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Hog Grower Gets Cash Thru Error; Keeps It

An error made in weighing a load of hogs at Ballinger this week placed \$48 in extra cash in the pockets of a Concho county man, and despite the fact that the strong of the arm of the law was called into play the \$48 still remains in the pocket of the Concho hog grower, or in some other place out of reach of the man who made the error and attempted to recover the cash.

It all happened when a man by the name of Wallace, from Concho county, sold a load of hogs to Hattin Laxton. Mr. Laxton sent the man to C. J. Lynn & Son scales to have his hogs weighed. In some way the weigher made an error, and the hog grower received \$48 more than the hogs weighed out at the price paid per pound. After the man had received the cash and stuck it down deep in his jeans, the weigher discovered his mistake and lost no time in looking up the hog grower, and explained matters to him and asked for a refund of the over amount.

No explanation was necessary. The hog grower admitted that he had pocketed more cash than he was entitled to, but declined to refund. He admitted having the cash, and stated that he knew there was an error, but said there was nothing doing, as it was the other fellow's mistake. Threats of arrest only made the big grower more emphatic in his claim to the cash, although he knew it was an error.

An officer was called on to assist the weigher in convincing the man that he should refund the \$48, but to no avail and the man was placed in the local jail and charges filed against him. Later he furnished bond and the case will be tried out in court. In the meantime the man has returned home under bond to appear here at the proper time.

COTTON GINNINGS SHOW BIG DECREASE

Cotton ginnings for Runnels and adjoining counties for the present season, up to October 18, as compared with the ginning for the same date last season, gives a glimpse of the short crop made this year. Following are the figures:

	1917	1916
Brown county	3,422	7,601
Coke county	828	3,992
Coleman county	11,923	23,867
Concho county	1,095	7,829
McCulloch county	3,227	14,079
Nolan county	78	7,214
Runnels county	6,791	22,601
Taylor county	3,950	21,327
Tom Green county (not reported)		

JAP ADAMS LOSES BUSINESS IN FIRE

TAHOKA, Texas, Nov. 13.—Early this morning fire destroyed the Shook block, embracing four business houses, Meyers Furniture Company, Adams Hardware Company, Burch & Sachett market and Clayton Barber shop are a total loss, building and contents. The loss on the buildings and contents was \$75,000, with insurance of approximately \$40,000.

A telegram received in Ballinger Tuesday from J. N. Adams stated that his hardware store burned Monday night. Further than particulars given in above dispatch appearing in the Fort Worth papers Tuesday, nothing is known of the loss here.

Mr. Adams and Jack Applewhite left Ballinger about one year ago and engaged in the hardware business at Tahoka. Up to the time of leaving Ballinger both of the men were with the Higginbotham store here. They had been doing a nice business at Tahoka, notwithstanding the drought. It is the opinion of those who know Mr. Adams as a business man, that he carried a reasonable amount of insurance, and his burn will not be a complete loss.

The Ballinger friends of the two men will regret to hear of their misfortune, regardless of how small the loss may be.

EXEMPTION BOARD ROBBED OF POWER

SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 14.—District and local boards will no longer be authorized to reopen exemption cases after the person seeking exemption has entered the training camp, according to orders received by Maj. Gen. Henry T. Allen, commander of Camp Travis, from the adjutant general's department.

Camp commanders and the secretary of war only have the power to discharge men, the order says. The statement also says that men to replace those exempted will be called immediately.

Mrs. Joseph Spence and son, Jack Ransom, returned to their home in San Angelo Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Etes Lynn and little son and Mrs. Alec McGregor, who will visit in San Angelo a while.

Drouth Horrors Light at Winters; Business Good

The writer spent a good part of last Saturday in the thriving little city of Winters. It was our first visit to that part of the country on a business day in several months, and we were greatly surprised to find business so brisk, and the condition of that section so favorable under the existing drouth grip in which this entire country is being held at this time. The streets of the town were crowded throughout the day and the merchants were piling out goods like old times, when almost every acre was producing a bale of cotton, and cattle were roaming in good grass and refused to eat dry corn stalks.

By inquiry we learn that the country around Winters is enjoying fairly good prosperity on account of the fact that the farmers paid cash for what they purchased throughout the year and have no heavy bills to pay. What they have made is cash, and the country around Winters made better crops than other sections of the county, especially that section of the country between Winters and Crews.

One farmer, who you might call a one-horse farmer, told us he made 16 bales of cotton this year and an abundance of feed. At prevailing prices he has made money, and has the bank account to show it.

We were told that Winters would receive close to 6000 bales

of cotton. So much cotton at the aviation price counts for much when it comes to swelling bank accounts and swapping dollars for dry goods and groceries, autos, etc.

The banks are busy and are using extra help. The Winters State Bank invested \$5000 in Liberty Bonds and also took up \$25,000 of the short time certificates for Uncle Sam.

Patriotism is true blue and on the increase around through the north end of the county. As the war wages the people become more interested and express a willingness to do their bit. The Winters people are taking an active interest in Red Cross. On last Friday night a clever company of home talent players presented "The Divorce Suit," the sequel to the Womanless Wedding and netted \$140 for the Red Cross work. People from the surrounding country came in to witness the play, and it was pronounced great.

The grouchers are mighty scattering throughout the Winters country, and most of the people are prepared to withstand the drouth through the winter, and are looking forward to the coming of the next crop planting season with an optimism that is responsible for land being made ready to catch the full benefit of the rain. Of course there are exceptions, and some families in the Winters country will fare pretty rough through the winter.

GOVERNMENT TO AID STOCKMEN

The stockmen in the drouth stricken section of Texas and New Mexico are to get relief through aid from the federal government. The government is working out a plan that will bring about the distribution of cake, meal and hulls among the stockmen of the west, and will assist the stockmen in carrying their breeding stock through the winter by making it possible for them to buy feed at a reasonable price.

The work of the food administration in gathering data as to the quantities of cottonseed meal and cake which will be required by the stockmen has been given much publicity recently, and now there is apparent the first of the results of this preliminary work. About 20,000 tons of cottonseed meal and cake belonging to Danish and other neutral country interests, stored at Galveston and Port Arthur, has been seized by the government food administration, and will be rushed to the drouth stricken sections at once. Information of this step is contained in a telegram from E. B. Spiller, secretary

of the Cattle Raisers Association:

"Food administration preparing to seize and make available for sale and prompt shipment to drouth area 20,000 tons cottonseed cake now stored in Galveston and Port Arthur, and prevented from export by the president's embargo. Please confer immediately with stockmen and telegraph us amount they will take at prevailing prices and to be later refunded on basis of price government fixes for cake."

In this connection it is announced that the car service commission has commandeered 3500 stock cars for immediate delivery to be used in transporting cattle from the western sections of Texas to other and better ranges.

BANKER LETS CONTRACT FOR NEW HOME

R. G. Erwin, cashier of the First National Bank, has let the contract for a nice five-room home. The new home will be constructed on the lot adjoining the home of Mr. Erwin's father. The workmen broke dirt for the foundation Tuesday morning, and the building will be pushed, and Mr. and Mrs. Erwin will be at home as soon as the house is completed.

This will be your last opportunity at Zappe's sale. 14-1d1w

TWO RUSSIAN REPORTS GREATLY AT VARIANCE

PRISON AGENT GETS THREE MEN HERE

Sheriff Perkins delivered to the state penitentiary transfer agent three men Wednesday afternoon, Pat Coleman, convicted of forgery; Beve Burton, convicted of robbery and Robt. McKinney, convicted of forgery, all three white men.

Before leaving for the pen the three men made the following signed statement, and sent it to The Ledger for publication. The statement was made voluntarily and should be read by those who do not realize that honesty is the best policy. Here's the note sent to The Ledger:

Dear Mr. Editor: We, the undersigned are leaving this evening for the state penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas. There to serve a term of two years each for being dishonest. We blame no one but ourselves for our misconduct. If we had been honest we should now be enjoying our liberty instead of peeping through prison bars.

We want to impress on all men and boys the great fact that it pays to be honest in all their dealings. Let us warn you to keep out of trouble by living a good life. Boys, please take our advice and be honest. Don't do like we have done and suffer the awful consequences.

We want to thank Sheriff Perkins and family for their courteous and kind treatment shown us while we have been in jail here.

Good-bye.
Pat H. Coleman,
Beve Burton,
Robt. McKinney.

Government Farm Man Here.

J. L. Quicksall, of the extension department of the A. & M. College, was in Ballinger Tuesday, conferring with the local demonstrator Eaton, and with the county commissioners on matters pertaining to the work in this county. Mr. Quicksall says the drouth is a broad one and many counties are seriously affected.

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 14.—Premier Kerensky has been arrested and is now captive in Petrograd, according to Haparanda dispatches received by the Swedish telegraph agency, and announced here.

London, Nov. 14.—According to dispatches received here today, General Kerensky has returned to Petrograd and is now in control of the telegraph lines.

While details of the Civil war strife are lacking it is believed that the revolutionists are weakening and with the Russian capital again in the hands of the provisional government, the revolt will soon end, and the people will support the Kerensky cabinet.

London, Nov. 13.—Eight hundred have been killed and wounded in Petrograd and seven hundred killed and wounded in Moscow, as result of fighting between Bolsheviks and the Kenersky factions. Other places report dead and wounded, according to reliable information received in London today.

KERENSKY TROOPS HOLD PART PETROGRAD

Stockholm, Nov 13.—Kerensky's troops have entered Petrograd and are masters of a good portion of the city according to telegraph agency dispatches received here.

London, Nov. 13.—Wireless messages received here announce the complete defeat of Premier Kerensky forces. The wireless message came from Petrograd and announced by the British admiralty. The dispatches were received yesterday and signed by Mouravieff colonel who characterized Kerensky and Korniloff as counter revolutionists. The messages also declare that Kerensky had been arrested.

Hal Brandt, of San Angelo, was here for a while Wednesday. Mr. Brandt was a frequent visitor to Ballinger in years past, writing life insurance. He says the building of a large hotel in San Angelo, street paving and other public works has kept business going pretty good, and so far the old town has only skidded without turning over.

W. A. Nance 393 NIGHT PHONES Henry Jones 556

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Planning Community Xmas Tree For the Holidays Here

It will be remembered that the Civic League announced early in the year, that the proposition of celebrating Christmas this year with a community Christmas tree would be taken up at the proper time.

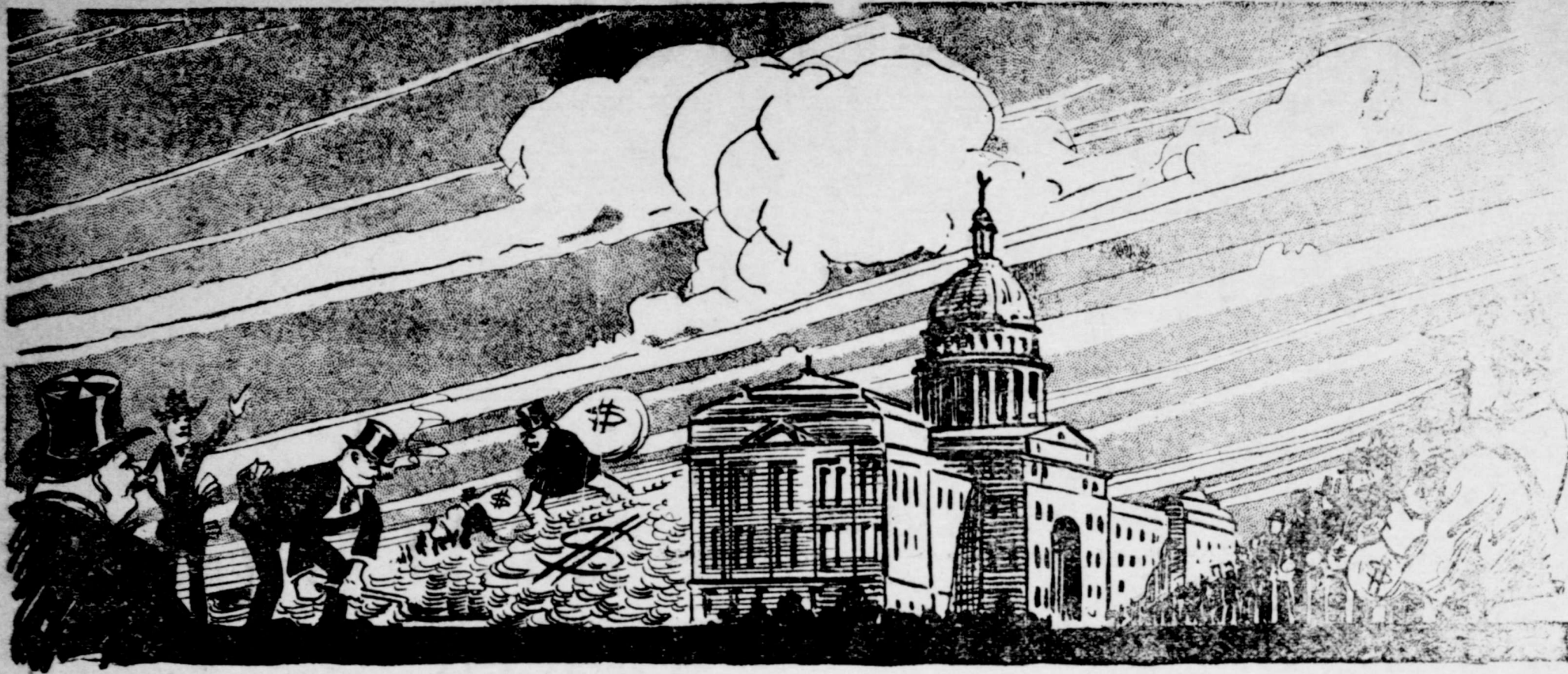
The question is now under consideration by the civic league. Mrs. Scott H. Mack, announced Thursday, following the league meeting Wednesday afternoon, that an effort would be made to interest all the churches and Sunday schools and the people in general in the undertaking, and with the co-operation of all the league would attempt to carry out the plan as announced some time ago.

It is proposed that a large tree be constructed on the court house square, or some other suitable place and the children who are not

affiliated with any Sunday school be given an opportunity to enjoy the occasion.

F. D. George, an expert window dresser, has already volunteered to assist the ladies in decorating the tree, and the plan calls for simple and inexpensive, but attractive decoration. No expensive presents will be permitted to go on the tree, and the presents for the children will consist of eats, mostly fruits, and in this way the Hoover food campaign pledges lived up to.

Other cities have been making the community tree a great success, and there is no reason why Ballinger should not do even better. It will be a time when all the people can come together in the true Christian spirit, and witness the carrying out a program that will be in keeping with the times.



Which Side are YOU On?

Are you one of the many thousand taxpayers of Texas who think they govern this state and who every year send in their hard-earned money at the front door of the state capitol to defray the cost of government?

Or, are you one of those sleek, well-fed, superbly dressed and leisurely gentlemen who take money out of the back door by the bagful and shovelful, and who are the ones who really do govern the state?

Of course if you belong to the latter class you will not be interested to know that the number of state employees increased from 1567 in 1907 to 4379 in 1917. You will see no necessity for publishing the fact that the "traveling expenses" of state employees increased from \$23,600 in 1907 to \$210,000 in 1917, or about 800 per cent.

But if you belong to the taxpaying class you will be mightily interested to know the why of these facts. The place to find out is in the pages of

FARM and RANCH

The Farm Paper of the Southwest

The time to find out is now. Senator John G. Willacy's eye-opening serial "The Heavy Hand of Invisible Rule" is now running. It contains more straight facts about the Invisible Forces that are the REAL governing power in Texas than have ever been published before about this state or any other.

If you want to know where the dollars you pay in taxes actually go, here is your chance. Here is your chance, too, to learn something about the value of your vote. You thought it as good as the next man's? Yes, but what show does it stand against the 30,000 mobilized, irresponsible votes that are voted every year, many of which come from the cemeteries?

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Story of Glass Being Found in Food Bring Many Letters

The story sent out from Ballinger telling of the finding of glass in a certain kind of breakfast food is responsible for letters and telegrams now coming to W. B. Wood, at whose home the glassy food was discovered. Mr. Wood needs a private secretary to handle his correspondence and expedite the work of giving the breakfast food eaters the desired information.

The first story of the glass food find perhaps appeared in the Houston Chronicle, the matter having been wired to that paper by the local correspondent as soon as it became known here. Before the ink had dried Mr. Wood received a telegram from a Houston chemist asking for further particulars.

A letter from Weinmar says, "Please tell me what kind of

breakfast food you found the glass in as I do not want to eat that kind."

All the papers making mention of the discovery of the glass failed to give the name of the particular kind of breakfast food, because the papers did not want to injure the breakfast food business, and because more than one kind of breakfast food has been found to contain glass during the last week or two. So far glass has been reported in four different varieties of breakfast food.

If enemies of this country are adopting such tactics to destroy food and human life, no kind of food is exempt, and people who quit eating any particular kind of food are only cheating their appetite. If you want to cut down on your rations, cut out flour, meat and sugar, and in so doing be a helper in the food conservation campaign.

BALLINGER MAN'S FATHER DIES

A telegram was received in Ballinger Saturday by friends from A. T. Hoehn telling of the death of his father in Cullman, Ala. Mr. and Mrs. Hoehn left several days ago for Cullman upon hearing that Mr. Hoehn's father was very low.

Miss Mollie Best left Friday for Waco.

SOME THINGS YOUR MONEY WON'T BUY

The man who attempts to buy more than a reasonable amount of sugar is finding that his money is counterfeit. To hoard sugar is a disloyal thing to do, according to the governments ideas of food conservation and food distribution, and the ban is on heavy sugar buying in this city.

The American, or the Rummels county citizen, is facing something new in his life. There is a sugar famine on, and we are told that there will be famines in other articles of food, if the people do not use common sense and economize. Groceries must assist the government in discouraging food hoarding. The wholesales must not sell too much sugar to one retailer and the retailer must distribute this sugar among his customers, if he lives up to the instructions of the food administration and proves true to his country.

What the people are experiencing now is only a sample of what they may experience if the war is prolonged. The man who kicks today because he can not get but one spoonful of sugar for his coffee, may find it difficult to get even this small amount. The government is doing its part in trying to get the people to realize the situation and help conserve the supply.

People Buying Corn Meal. A local grocery salesman stated to a Ledger reporter that his meal

sales had increased wonderfully since the Hoover food campaign had been put on in this county. "We have customers buying meal today who never bought meal before," said the groceryman. This is the best indication that people are conserving the flour supply and are doing their part towards helping the great conservation campaign. "But," said the groceryman, "there are some people who seem to be taking advantage of the situation and are trying to lay in a supply. We are limiting the supply to such people."

\$100 Reward \$100

The readers of this paper will glad to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Carl Nance returned to Abilene Monday, after spending a few days at home.

WOMAN CAPTURES BOLD BURGLARS

(San Angelo Standard.)

When it comes to cool and deliberate nerve under circumstances that would be trying to the ordinary officer of the law who carries a big six-shooter on his hip and has never learned the meaning of the word "fear," Mrs. Sam Jacobstein of this city has it. It was Monday afternoon while she was alone in the establishment of Sam Jacobstein on South Chadbourne street that Mrs. Jacobstein was confronted with a situation which would have made most women faint. But in the twinkling of an eye she rose to the situation and took charge of a condition that, but for prompt and decisive action, might have resulted in her death.

Sam Jacobstein, the husband of Mrs. Jacobstein, had gone to Waco on business. Mrs. Jacobstein was attending to the jewelry store in his absence. Saturday night Mexicans had stolen several articles of jewelry from a car belonging to Mrs. W. E. Matchett. Carroll Bates had given Sam Jacobstein a list of the stolen articles, which was left with Mrs. Jacobstein with instructions to look out for any of these articles. It was about three o'clock Monday afternoon when three dirty Mexicans entered the Jacobstein place. One of them handed Mrs. Jacobstein a watch and wanted to trade it for another watch or some other piece of jewelry. Mrs. Jacobstein had not forgotten the instructions and made an excuse for delay while she examined the list of stolen goods. She found the watch offered in exchange for other jewelry was on the list and knew that the thieves were in her house.

It was then that Mrs. Jacobstein exhibited some real detective ability. She wanted to get in touch with the police department, but knew she did not dare telephone from there. The watch offered was a key-winder and this suggested time. She asked the thieves to wait until she could see if the watch could be wound with keys then in the house.

She then sent a little girl to the next door to telephone to the police. Meanwhile she was busy with experiments on the watch, hoping to hold the thieves and working her way from the rear of the store toward the front, where she had a revolver in a desk.

But the Mexican thieves were shrewd. They did not like the delay. They jabbered among themselves and kept asking questions. One of them grew bold. He wanted the watch back, evidently believing the delay meant no good. Finally there was another confab in Mex. Mrs. Jacobstein by this time was leaning against the desk. She had her face to the thieves and her hands behind her. One of the Mexicans then demanded the watch. He put his hand in his pocket to draw a knife and at the same time reached over the show case to grab Mrs. Jacobstein.

The little girl by this time had just about had time to telephone the police. When the ugly thief reached for Mrs. Jacobstein and the others were chattering in Mex. she covered the three thugs with a revolver and said: "Stand right where you are."

Blocks the Escape.

Then she placed herself between the astonished thieves and the door and kept them covered with the gun until the police arrived which was in about ten minutes. While she had the Mexicans covered with the gun one of them passed some of the jewelry to another. Mrs. Jacobstein declared that the Mexicans pretended they could not understand her explanations concerning the delay in making the trade of watches, but they thoroughly understood her when she talked to them with the revolver.

Notwithstanding the fact that she was in a serious situation from the time she discovered she was in the presence of the thieves until the officers arrived, Mrs. Jacobstein exhibited no signs of excitement. She said she realized the gravity of the situation and especially after the thieves grew suspicious. Once she got against her desk and gripped the handle of the revolver, she declared she was able to take care of herself and never once thought of permitting the thieves to get the drop on her or make their escape.

When the officers came and got the thieves Mrs. Jacobstein put her revolver away and went about her business in the usual manner.

Mrs. J. J. Beck and little son are visiting in Winters this week.



Try it! See! Wholesome Cottoleone goes farther. That's because Cottoleone is richer. Cottoleone is today's common-sense shortening. It puts economy into the good things that you bake with it.

Try this cottage pudding, or take one of your favorite recipes. Only be sure you use one-third less of Cottoleone than you do of butter or other shortenings.

RECIPE

Peach Cottage Pudding

1/2 cup Cottoleone; 1 cup sugar; 1 egg; 1/2 cup milk; 2 cups pastry flour; 4 level teaspoons baking powder; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 1/2 teaspoon almond extract. Sliced preserved or fresh peaches. Cream Cottoleone, add sugar gradually, then egg well-beaten. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt; add to mixture alternately with milk. Add extract and beat thoroughly. Bake in shallow pan. Cut in squares, pile with sliced peaches and sugar, and serve with sauce or cream.

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WHAT PEANUT INDUSTRY IS DOING FOR COMANCHE

Local firm today made a shipment of old sacks to Comanche, having received a call for all the old sacks this town could supply. The sacks are needed in Comanche county in handling the peanut crop. Reports come here saying that peanut threshers are at work and the peanut growers of that county are harvesting a good crop. There is money in peanuts any way you use them. There has never been a time in recent years when the crop failed to bring a good price. There is a demand for peanuts and all their products, and the farmer who plants a peanut patch is planting wisely.

HOTEL SAVOY.

Mrs. D. T. Murdock, the efficient proprietress, formerly of the Bronte Hotel, now serving good meals and furnishing good beds with clean linen, in Hotel Savoy, Ballinger. Meals 35 cents; beds 35 cents; rates by the week or month furnished on application.

9-21—pd.

BALLINGER YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED IN WACO

Friends were surprised to hear of the marriage of two of the most popular young people of Ballinger, Edgar Rasbury and Miss Sid Moore, in Waco Friday. They will visit in Dallas and other places before returning here to make their home.

Mr. Rasbury is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasbury, and the bride is the daughter of Mrs. D. M. Baker. The Ledger joins friends in congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple.

Mrs. A. P. Lueckett came in from Miles Friday afternoon to visit her parents, E. L. Rasbury and wife, here a short time.

"I Should Worry Now About Corns!"

They Peel Off With "Gets-It"

Two corns are no worse than one, and one is nothing at all—when you use "Gets-It," the one real corn-remover, corn looser, peel-off, right-off corn-remover. That's be-



cause two drops of "Gets-It" eases your corn-pains at once, and you know that that old corn has been "hipped in the bud." "Gets-It" makes cutting and digging at a corn and fussing with bandages, knives or anything else entirely unnecessary. Remember "Gets-It" is safe.

You'll not have to take off your shoe or pumps under the table at the cafe to ease your squirming soul. See that you get "Gets-It." Don't be misled by imitations. It is all you need pay at any drug store for "Gets-It" or it will be sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce D. u. z. Co.

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All Choked Up With Catarrh? Why Continue Makeshift Treatment?

Sprays and douches will never cure you. Catarrh is annoying enough when it chokes up your nostrils and air passages, causing painful and difficult breathing and other discomforts. But the real danger comes when it reaches down into your lungs. This is why you should at once realize the importance of the proper treatment, and lose no time experimenting with worthless remedies which touch only the surface. To be rid of Catarrh, you must drive the disease germs out of your blood. Splendid results have been reported from the use of S. S. S., which completely routs from your blood the Catarrh germs, for which it is a perfect antidote. S. S. S. is sold by all druggists. If you wish medical advice as to the treatment of your own individual case, write to-day to Chief Medical Adviser, Swift Specific Co., Dept. B Atlanta, Ga.

Blanton Seeking Aid For Drouth Sufferers

After visiting the drouth stricken district of West Texas, and getting at first hand the real condition that prevails throughout a large territory, Congressman Blanton is hurrying back to Washington to do what he can to get government aid for the farmers and stockmen in the dry district.

As soon as he realized what the people in the dry territory were up against, Mr. Blanton filed two messages, one to Secretary McAdoo and one to Food Administrator Hoover.

The Abilene Reporter in reporting Mr. Blanton's hurried return to Washington, and the cancelling of his speaking dates, says:

"The gravity of the drouth situation in Western Texas has been brought to the attention of Secretary McAdoo of the treasury and Food Administrator Hoover by Congressman Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene.

"Returning from an inspection tour of the Pecos country Thursday morning, Judge Blanton stated that the situation among the cattlemen in the West is beyond comparison with former drouth periods. He sent while at Pecos Wednesday the following telegram to William G. McAdoo secretary of the treasury:

"Have just inspected drouth conditions from Fort Worth to El Paso. Situation west of Eastland county tragic in extreme. Without seeing it, it is impossible to conceive of such awful conditions. Thousands of farms are bale as public roads. Thousands of farmers have been forced to leave country seeking temporary work to avoid starvation. Ranches are without both grass and water. In some places creeks have not run for over two years. Even shipment of cattle will not prevent

great loss. Cattle are weak and a large percentage are actually unable to withstand shipment and would die in transit, hence only salvation is feeding on ranches throughout winter. In isolated places stockmen are paying sixty dollars for cake and twenty-two dollars for hulls. I deem government assistance absolutely necessary for fifty-six out of the fifty-eight counties in my district. I respectfully recommend and urge that you place substantial deposits in all banks of West and Southwest Texas, both national and state, thus relieving them from any unwarranted uneasiness their connections might entertain and enabling them under proper regulations to carry the drouth stricken people, and tide over this unusual crisis."

"Telegram to Hoover. Judge Blanton also sent a telegram to Herbert C. Hoover, food administrator, in which he used the following language:

"Beau McCutcheon of Davis Mts. has already spent forty-five thousand dollars pasturing alfalfa in effort to save cattle, paying three thousand dollars for pasturing twenty acres sixty days. I deem government assistance absolutely necessary. In isolated places stockmen are paying sixty dollars for cake and twenty-two dollars for hulls. I submit that present mill prices are unreasonably extortionate and should be lowered materially."

"Will Return to Capitol. Congressman Blanton, as a result of his inspection of the counties west of Abilene, announced Thursday that he considered it his duty to abandon his speaking engagements in this district and return at once to Washington, where he could be better able to assist the drouth stricken ranchmen and farmers."

HOUSTON GRAND JURY INDICTS MRS. HAYNIE

Mrs. Ineta Haynie, the young wife who shot her husband to death in Studewood a month ago, was indicted yesterday afternoon by the Harris County grand jury on a murder charge. The grand jury that preceded this one refused to return an indictment to the contrary returning a no-bill, after examining a number of witnesses. When the present grand jury was sworn in last Monday relatives of the dead man at once called the case to the attention of the new panel.

Guy Graham, attorney for Mrs. Haynie, said Friday his client is still in Houston and would appear at the sheriff's office during the day, that a writ of habeas corpus would be sued out at once and the court be asked to fix bond.

Mrs. Haynie, aged 20, was formerly a school teacher in Taylor County until her marriage five months ago. Her relatives say she was desperately in love with her husband, but they had trouble and he had left Taylor County and came to Houston. The next day she followed and they were reconciled and lived together for three days.

She says on the morning she shot him he had told her he was going to leave her. She fired two shots into his body as he lay dozing on the bed. Persons who ran in at the sound of the shots found her caressing the dying man.—Houston Chronicle.

Mrs. Haynie will be remembered in Rannels county as Miss Ineta Ash, formerly of the Crews country, and the daughter of G. W. Ash. She taught school in this county prior to moving to Taylor county and later to Houston, where she shot her husband, it is alleged. The first grand jury to investigate the killing failed to find a bill against the woman and she was released.

Miss Hallie Armstrong returned Monday from Winters, where she had been visiting for the past few days.

Loses \$52.00 Finds \$106.00

Judge Guion acknowledged that he was short \$52 as the result of a trip to Waco, but says he lost the cash and does not charge it up to pickpockets. He witnessed the Oklahoma-Texas football game at Waco, but it can't be said that he lost the cash through bad judgment in picking the winner because his Aggies won. It was just a case of common old bad luck and the money is gone never to return.

Returning home Judge Guion said that he had to have a pocket book and he began to search around home among his old relics, thinking perhaps that he could find a pocket book that would answer for hard times purposes, and he did. He dug up an old purse he says that had been stored away for twenty-five or thirty years and was greatly surprised to find a one hundred dollar bill and three two dollar bills folded nicely and tucked away in the purse. The money had been lying idle all through the twenty-five or thirty years, and just to think what a good time the judge could have had on it if it had not been Confederate money.

JUDGE DOSS BUYS SCHUHARD HOME

A deal was closed late Saturday evening in which C. C. Schuhard sold to Judge A. K. Doss his home on Broadway. Mr. Schuhard gave possession as soon as the papers passed hands and Judge Doss will move in as soon as he makes a few improvements. The Schuhard place is one of the most desirable locations for a home in Ballinger, and while the terms are private we understand that Judge Doss secured the place at quite a bargain.

Wm. Gallia and family of Rowena returned home Monday from Wichita Falls, where they had been for some time.

LOCAL BOARD GETS NEW INSTRUCTIONS

The local exemption board is now facing the big task of assorting and classifying all the registration cards of the registrants who have been called for service from this county, and are preparing to comply with the new instructions for classifying the men.

The war department has briefly outlined a plan for classifying all the men, and every man physically able will be assigned to some part of the great work. It is not known when the men will be called for physical examination.

From time to time during the next two or three weeks, the papers will carry information from the war department and detailed instructions from the provost marshal and the people will be given an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the workings of the new order, and efforts made to make the work as systematic and as easy as possible on all those interested.

Detailed instructions will be furnished all local boards within the next few days. As soon as the registrants are classified, or about December 15th it is expected that the work of passing on the physical qualifications of the registrants will begin.

The regulations themselves and the questionnaires, which more than 9,000,000 registrants will be required to fill out, are being forwarded to local boards, but have not yet been made public.

War Department officials estimate that the whole process can be completed within sixty days. This means that no second call will be made upon the draft forces before the middle of next February, as the period of classification will not begin until December 15.

The President describes the new plan of dividing all registered men not already mobilized into five classes, subject to military service by classes, as being intended to produce "a more perfect organization of our man power."

"The selective principle must be carried to its logical conclusion," the President said, and he added that there must be made a complete inventory of the qualification of each registrant in order to determine "the place in the military, industrial or agricultural ranks in the Nation in which his experience and training can best be made to serve the common good."

The inquiry projected in the questionnaire will go deep into the qualifications of each of the nearly 10,000,000 men. The success of the plan and its completion within the estimated time rests absolutely upon whole-hearted support given by the people, especially by the doctors and lawyers, of each community, and the President calls upon them for that unstinted aid.

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Try this! Your hair gets wavy, glossy and abundant at once.

To be possessed of a head of heavy beautiful hair; soft lustrous, fluffy, wavy and free from dandruff is merely a matter of using a little Danderine.

It is easy and inexpensive to have nice, soft hair and lots of it. Just get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine now—all drug stores recommend it—apply a little as directed and within ten minutes there will be an appearance of abundance, freshness, gloss and lustre, and try as you will you can not find a trace of dandruff or falling hair; but your real surprise will be after about two weeks' use, when you will see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—sprouting out all over your scalp—Danderine is, we believe, the only sure hair grower, destroyer of dandruff and cure for itchy scalp and it never fails to stop falling hair at once.

If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this.

NEW RULES FOR DRAFT REGULATIONS

Washington, Nov. 12—Nine million men will be called upon within the next week to states their past history in order that their availability for military service may be ascertained.

Secretary of War Baker announced today that the new regulations for classifying the registered men not drawn in the first call have been completed and will be promulgated within a day or two.

The revised regulations as they will be made public, are radically different in several respects from the tentative list of five classes made public by Provost Marshal Crowder in his first announcement of the re-organization of the draft system about a month ago.

The principal change as was indicated today, is the practical determination of the government to place all married men in the non-belligerent class.

Only men whose personal resources or whose family resources would guarantee their dependents a living during their absence will be liable to service in the field. In the overwhelming majority of cases, however, married men will be entirely exempt from military service unless the war should take a turn that would be necessary for the mobilization of every able-bodied man in the nation—a circumstance not considered by the authorities in the present light of the war situation, serious as it is.

There are two "nonbelligerent" classes. These will be known officially as classes four and five. In the former will be married men with dependents. In the latter will be crippled, enemy aliens and those whose official positions of the draft act.

The other three classes find agricultural and munition workers at the bottom of the list, while unmarried men with dependents heat it. In class two under the new regulations are bunched unmarried men with dependent parents or minor brothers and sisters, and married men whose financial circumstances guarantee the comfort of their families in their absence.

A clear statement of the intentions of the war department in regard to the future operations of the draft act and its contemplated extension was obtained in an official quarter today.

The law, as it stands at present, permits the classification of all the registered men, but the draft of only 500,000 more for service in the line. Other provisions, however, give great latitude for the conscription of men for special service and for maintaining a reserve.

The war authorities intend at the forthcoming session of congress to ask certain changes in the law. What these changes will be was forecast by Provost Marshal General Crowder in the statement that "before the married men with dependents are reached the law will be extended to bring in men who have reached 21 since June 5 last."

Officials estimate that at least 500,000 men have passed the age of 21 since that date and that by June 5 next the number will have been increased to 1,000,000. These men for the most part are free of financial obligations at home and are in the best of physical condition.

Secretary Baker today refused to indicate the date of the next draft. It is said no date will be set until after the return of General Bliss, chief of staff, from abroad.

SERGEANT PENN AT HOME ON FURLOUGH

Sergeant Clinton Penn arrived in Ballinger on the noon Santa Fe train Monday to spend about a week at home on furlough. He is in the artillery branch of the service, having enlisted during the past summer.

NEW LIGHTS FOR BALLINGER'S STREETS

Several new street lights are being installed by the Ballinger Electric Light and Power Co. this week. One light has been placed at the north side of the courthouse lawn, on Hutelings Avenue, and another is being put near the Halley and Love sanitarium. These will aid considerably in making Ballinger's streets brighter.

Edgar Rasbury and bride, nee Miss Sid Moore, returned home Tuesday, after spending a few days in Dallas and other points. They recently married in Waco.

SAFE DYNAMITED AT BROWNWOOD

(Brownwood Bulletin.) The safe in the office of the Frisco passenger station here was blown open with nitro-glycerine at an early morning hour, and the burglars escaped with a large sum of money, said to be several hundred dollars and representing the sales of the office on Saturday night and Sunday.

Local officers are working on all the available clues.

Entrance to the office was effected by breaking a door, and the burglars then apparently hampered the combination knob off the safe door and poured in the explosive. The explosion wrecked the safe but did not materially damage the office or its fixtures. Tools belonging to the car knocker at the station were requisitioned by the burglars and were left on the scene of the robbery.

Passenger Agent D. D. Porter, this morning declined to name the amount of money stolen from the safe, but it is rumored that the loot totaled between four and five hundred dollars.

A Possible Clue.

It was rumored about the city this morning that a party of men were seen driving away from the vicinity of the Frisco station early this morning, riding in a car with no lights. The men are suspected of complicity in the robbery, and officers are allowing their trial. Other clues, if any, are not given out by the officers who are working on the case.

The Frisco safe had been tampered with by burglars previously. Several years ago a small hole was drilled in the door just above the combinations knob, and some two or three years ago burglars entered the office and after pouring explosive in the crack around the door were evidently frightened away and ran, leaving their job incomplete and their tools lying about the office.

So far as could be learned no one in the vicinity of the robbery heard the explosion this morning, but it is supposed to have occurred during the early morning hours.

ANALYSIS MESQUITE BEAN IS REPORTED

Mrs. R. O. Griswold has secured from the state chemist at the Texas A. & M. College experiment station an analysis of Mesquite bean meal. Mrs. Griswold is enthusiastic over the report as it makes a most favorable showing of the mesquite bean as a food product. She is receiving numerous calls for copies of the analysis and also for the various recipes she uses in making mesquite bread, candy, cake, etc. Following is a copy of the analysis as reported by G. S. Fraps, state chemist at College Station; which shows that the mesquite bean has a much richer protein than almost any other product of food, including wheat, corn, oats, barley, etc.:

Protein	38.04
Fat	4.57
Crude Fiber	6.98
Nitrogen Free Extract	34.19
Water	11.59
Ash	4.63

G. S. Fraps, State Chemist Experiment Station.

WILD ANIMALS DESTROY LIVESTOCK

Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 12.—Members of the New Mexico Cattle and Horse Growers' association have appealed to the secretary of agriculture for immediate expenditure of \$100,000 of federal funds in the state, in an effort to combat the ravages upon stock by predatory animals. Estimates based upon the tax rolls place the number of head of livestock destroyed by mountain lions, wolves and coyotes as follows, during the past year: Cattle, 24,350, valued at \$1,374,000; sheep 165,000, \$1,320,000; horses 850, \$21,250.

It is conservatively estimated that 16,000,000 pounds of edible meat is destroyed annually by wild animals, and in view of the necessity for conservation of every ounce of meat for war rations, it is believed federal authorities will heed the request for federal assistance in combatting the menace to the livestock industry.

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LOCAL FOOD DEALERS MUST HELP IN WORK

According to instructions received by local jobbers and retailers in foods, the government will keep a close check on food movements. Instructions indicate that the workings of the food administration are being perfected, and plans are well underway to prevent a shortage of hoardage and speculation in food stuffs.

Local wholesalers have received license under which they are to sell certain commodities, especially produce and in the future all sales must be made according to the plans outlined by the food administration.

The sales will be made on a basis of a small net profit to the jobbers, and a complete record of all sales must be kept by the dealers. The daily records will be examined from time to time by an inspector who will visit this city under the directions of the food administration.

The customer who attempts to lay in an unusually large supply of food stuff will be looked upon with suspicion and will be subject to investigation. As long as the food administration can control the situation there is no cause for alarm, and all foods stuff will be kept moving in such way as to insure proper distribution.

While the retailers have been urged to limit the sale of sugar, and while the wholesalers are only selling to the retailers in small quantities, there is no cause for alarm if the people will economize. The shortage will come when any town undertakes to stock up and this information reaches the food administration.

The jobbers will be allowed only a profit of twenty cents per hundred on sugar, and the quantity to the consumer limited.

Miss Margaret Futch returned home Monday from San Angelo, accompanied by Miss Olivia Perkins, who will visit here a few days.

ENFORCING HIGH STANDARD OF FEED

College Station, Texas, Nov. 13.—Occasional letters from outside milling companies to the Feed Control Service of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station indicate great success on the part of the Service in enforcing high standards of feeding stuffs. As long as such letters continue to be written, Texas need have no fear of becoming a dumping ground for the inferior feeds of the rest of the country.

Following is a typical communication recently received:

"Yours of the 3rd, with copy of the Texas Laws on Mill Feed and Bulletin 216, received, for which accept thanks. After reading these over very carefully, we do not believe we will undertake to sell any feed in your state; the laws are too stringent. We handle nothing but straight mill feed direct from the mills, but we could not guarantee, without chemical analysis of every sack, to have it up to your standard."

J. C. Thaxton, a pioneer and citizen of Maverick country had business in Ballinger Monday. Mr. Thaxton says he has been here for twenty-eight years and he knows this is the longest dry spell the county has experienced during that time.

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If it is true that one extreme follows another, it is about time this country was experiencing a wet spell.

There is no consolation in the thought that roads in other counties are just as bad as Rannels county roads.

Opportunity is not lacking for every man to do his bit. There is also something for the women and children to do.

While we are specializing in every walk of life, why not specialize in selecting men for office, and elect men best fitted for the job?

We are rapidly approaching that season of the year when our hearts should be touched by the appeals of charity. Poverty stands out more prominent during the holidays because there is an extravagance on every hand. We should give more and waste less, and help to save suffering.

We pay bills every month made out on billheads printed in Dallas, Galveston, or by some out of town printing house. We enjoy paying our bills, but some how it hurts to pay presented to us on such billheads, and especially when we know there is no excuse for the man to spend our money with sending out of town for such work. We are here to guarantee to meet such competition both in price and character of printing, and we keep our money at home. It makes no difference if it is patented "unfangle" form, all we ask is an opportunity to deliver the goods.

LAWYERS WERE NOT MADE FOR SUCH MEN.

The other day a man was observed to take a product into a store in Killeen and sell it. He came out, started away, stopped, counted his money, turned his nag about face, drove back in front of the building, called one of the employees out and said, "Here, you paid me too much money." He lays no pretention to christianity, no one saw the transaction that he was mindful of, he hasn't the least idea, yet we were observing. He was not doing this to lay a foundation for future confidence, because he has lived in Killeen from its infancy. He just possessed a conscience which announced the right thing to do—and he did it. True, the amount was just a few pennies, but the case was typical of old-time honor just the same.—Cameron Enterprise.

There are thousands of such men. If there were no other kind of men the criminal statutes of this nation could be sold for waste paper. It is the little things that count in building character, and the man who is honest in small matters is honest in all his dealings with his fellowman.

WHAT ARE YOU WORTH TO THE COMMUNITY?

Some towns are burdened with men who think only for a selfish gain. If the town was made up exclusively of such men, they would not survive long enough to get in their "chiney" dealings, but would have to scatter and locate in communities where there are loyal and patriotic citizens who would throw in and work for the good of all, and do their part towards carrying on work that is for the maintenance of community life.

The man who lives for self alone may accumulate a little more ready cash than his neighbor, but he is looked upon by his neighbor with suspicion and does not occupy the place in the community that counts for the most. The following from the Farm & Ranch is something for the community dead-beat to think about:

"There is much satisfaction in living so that you have the confidence and respect of your neighbors. When neighbors have confidence in you and trust you, not only in affairs connected with transaction between individuals, but for the general welfare of the community, you may well congratulate yourself that you have lived a useful life.

"It is well that men accumulate wealth that will enable them to be of benefit to society. But the wealth they acquire is by no means the full estimate of their

service to humanity and to the state and the nation. Each citizen has personal responsibility and personal worth in the community. Wealth as important as it may be is not more important than the life and character of the man that produced it. The sympathy, encouragement and help you give to your neighbors may be of more benefit to those in need of such assistance than the richest men in the community.

"It does not require great loss of time to be of help to one's neighbors and thus be active for progress factors that build rural communities. Some one must take the initiative in such improvements as are required to make society in the community what it should be. Those who do this make wise and useful investments for the benefit of young people."

WHAT IS A SOLDIER?

The Southern Pharmaceutical Journal offer the following appropriate eulogy to the soldier:
 "I am a mother's son, I am the pride of a family and part of a home. I love my life as you love yours. I am a youth in years and experience, I love, yet I am a gambler betting the highest stakes that a man can wager—my life. If I win you win, if I lose I have lost all; the loss is mine, not yours, and experience in life, yet I am a saddened family and a broken home to which I can never return. I ask only for the Godspeed and support of my nation in return for laying upon the altar my all. For my bravery and blood will you furnish bullets and bread? Will you pawn your shekels where I pawn my life? Will you bet your gold while I bet my blood? Will you hazard your wealth where I risk my life? I am the flower of a nation's manhood, the glory of a noble race and a tithe to the monster war. I am the boy in the trenches."

STRIKES AND STRIKERS.

We have no sympathy for any man or set of men, who by a concerted action, attempt to tie up traffic and cripple commerce in order that they might carry their point and bring to time demands for a few cents more pay per day, or an hour's shorter time in which to work while this nation is in the grip of a struggle that means liberty or death.

If capital is not playing a fair game with labor now is no time to settle the controversy by crippling this nation. This is an era of sacrifice. The laborer or the capitalist who is not willing to make the sacrifice is a traitor to his country and should be treated as such.

The various labor unions of America, confederated labor organizations, some time ago assured Mr. Wilson that there would be no strikes while this country was at war with a powerful enemy, yet in the face of these promises strikes continue, and threats of more strikes are pending.

The American administration has its hands full without being called upon to take a hand in labor troubles, and every loyal American capitalist should be standing shoulder to shoulder in supporting the administration by keeping the wheels of commerce turning on schedule time.

It is to be regretted that many of the labor organizations of this country, and especially miners, and workers, are made up mainly by foreigners, who are not in sympathy with the American government, and who are responsible for much of the labor troubles. These foreigners will create trouble when they have as a leader a traitorous American pacifist, and we have plenty of them at this particular time.

PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT US.

When we remember that good roads lead to a good town and by many good farms we are not surprised that people are in recent times taking more interest in public highways. There is no better indication of progress and prosperity than roads. Even where farmers live many miles from a market, if they have good roads to the nearest railway they can reduce expense in marketing and produce perishable products if the demand is suitable for them.

After farmers produce enough for their own use they must market the surplus. If they have roads suitable for automobiles, auto trucks or even for quick trips and heavy loads with teams they may patronize the town or city and thus help the prosperity of the country.

Poor roads always indicate a poor country and poor people. The people are poor generally because they are paying the heavy cost of hauling and marketing and because they are not progress-

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ive enough to get together and build roads for their own use. Business men of the city or town that takes the lead in road building and maintenance will thrive because they are making such a city or town accessible to the country where the wealth must be produced, but which is of little value to the business of the country until marketed.—Farm and Ranch.

"THE SLACKER."

(By Charles Alexander Richmond, Based on an incident of the trenches told by the "Sammies" on the Western front; copied from the Outlook.)

We buried 'im once at the bank o' the Somme,
 And twice—but 'e wouldn't stay,
 For the Boches was droppin' a burstin' bomb,
 An' knockin' the bank away.
 The 'e came strugglin' out o' 'is tomb
 Stretchin' 'is 'ands from the clay.

The Sammies got used to seein' 'im round,
 An' passed 'im the time o' day.
 But when we was puttin' 'im under ground—
 The guns beginnin' to play—
 The old feller waggled 'is 'ead and frowned
 As if he was trying to say:
 "Ye may-bury me till kingdom come,
 But back in the fight I'll be.
 My 'ands are slack and my lips are dumb,
 But the slinkin' slacker as rats at 'ome
 Is a deader corpse than me."

Certain Cure for Croup.

Mrs. Rose Middleton of Greenville, Ill., has had the experience in the treatment of this disease. She says, "When my children were small my son had croup frequently. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always broke up these attacks immediately, and I was never without it in the house. I have taken it myself for coughs and colds with good results."

BALLINGER PRINTER JOINS FLYING SQUAD

A postal card from J. L. Traey, who resigned the position as linotype operator for the Ballinger Printing Co. one week ago, and left for Dallas to enlist in some branch of the army, says that he has enlisted in the aviation corps. He stood the examination and will be assigned to one of the training camps. Mr. Traey goes in as a mechanic, but will no doubt see some overhead work before the war ends.

Rev. Osborn of Abilene was in Ballinger Monday visiting W. F. Weathersbee.

THE ORIGIN OF THE KAISER.

(In answer to "Who Made the Kaiser.")
 As Satan was busily puzzling his brain
 Upon a new plan to extend his domain,
 He laughed and he chuckled he wagged
 his old head,
 But "Mortals love conquest" was all
 that he said.

Instead of a head he now put on a
 gourd;
 He donned a spiked helmet, he put on
 a sword.
 Thus—piously, proudly—he stepped
 from his den,
 "Divinely appointed" to rule among
 men.

He mounted a throne and he banished
 his sword,
 And sixty-one millions bowed down to
 the gourd!
 The flag of his region he boldly un-
 furled;
 Serenely he chuckled, "I'll gobble the
 world."
 —Ulmer Bird.

WILSON SPEAKS BEFORE FEDERATED LABOR UNIONS

Convention Hall, Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 12.—President Wilson delivered an address before the representatives of labor from all parts of the country assembled here attending an open session of American Federation of Labor this afternoon. The president was greeted with a prolonged applause that vouched for the loyalty of the delegates to the American flag.

executive of the United States, Mr. Wilson appealed to the ranks of labor to join in with the other people of America on a new and high platform.

"We have come to the deciding hour between the principles of power and the new principles of freedom," said the president, "and the labor unions of America will prove their patriotism by remaining loyal to the principles of democracy and making it possible to bring to the successful termination of the present struggle."

Relatives and Friends to Hear from Boys in Camp

To the end that parents, relatives and friends of the soldiers now composing the 90th Division, National Army, station at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas, may be kept informed as to the health, progress and general welfare of the men composing this army division, General Henry T. Allen, commanding, has established a Publicity Bureau. This Publicity Bureau will each week send to the country newspapers of Texas and Oklahoma items of interest concerning the soldiers at Camp Travis. Every effort will be made to so localize these items that each newspaper will be supplied with news that relates to men from the county in which the particular newspaper is published.

General Allen is well pleased with the progress the soldiers now at Camp Travis are making. If the intensive training schedule that has been followed up to this period continues to produce such splendid results, it is the belief of those high in command here that the 90th Division will be trained to energetically uphold the liberties of the world at a date much earlier than has been planned. The first French officer who reached Camp Travis to assist in training this Division in the finer points of the war-game expressed himself as being agreeably surprised at the results of the training so far given.

The general health of the Camp receives the constant attention of all officers, under direction of the Medical Corps. Skilled attention is given every case of slight indisposition. The sanitary regulations are formulated with the sole idea that the soldiers now at Camp Travis remain healthy in body.

Nor is the moral and spiritual side of the soldiers overlooked. The camp is fairly dotted with Y, M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, and Young Men's Hebrew Association buildings. In these buildings every effort is made to pro-

vide entertainment, instruction and recreation for the soldiers. The moral atmosphere surrounding the camp is more pure than is to be found in any city of 30,000 population in the United States. Instances where soldiers in uniform are seen in the slightest degree under the influence of intoxicants are so rare that literally thousands of soldiers at Camp Travis have not once seen a soldier at Camp Travis have not once seen a soldier either under the slightest influence of intoxicating liquor on his breath.

The protecting laws of the Nation are keeping the soldiers clean in body. Each soldier has had impressed upon his mind the extreme importance of being clean in his thoughts and leading a cleanly life. The social features are gradually being developed and soon will be of sufficient variety to provide entertainment for all spare hours. Many homes in San Antonio make it a practice to invite soldiers to Sunday dinners and at some churches in San Antonio invitations are extended to all soldiers who attend service to accompany members of the congregation to their respective homes and break bread under family influences.

General Allen wishes a message of encouragement and cheer sent to relatives and friends of the soldiers that the men at Camp Travis are proving worthy of the best traditions of this nation and that they are responding to the call of the hour with a zeal that marks a high point in the training of the armies that have made history.

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Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only a few cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.

MR. AND MRS. SCHUHARD LEFT FOR MENARD SUN.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schuhard left Sunday for their new home at Menard. They shipped their household goods by auto truck and followed in an auto later. They leave many friends in Ballinger who will wish them success and happiness in their new home. Mr. and Mrs. Schuhard moved to Ballinger from Menard quite a number of years ago. They have two children living at Menard and will not be among strangers.

Mrs. Joe Spill, and Mrs. Sim Cottelle returned home Monday from San Antonio, after spending a few days there visiting Mrs. Spill's son, Ed Spill, who is in Camp Travis.

BUSY, HARD-WORKED MEN AND WOMEN

Will find that the sarsaparilla, pepsin, nux and iron treatment comprised in Hood's Sarsaparilla and Peptonin will give brain and nerve force, relieve the nervous strain incident to "too much to do in too little time," characteristic of life today.

These blood and nerve medicines seem to lift the nervous and over-worked into new life, enabling them to accomplish easily the things that have fretted them and have seemed to bring them to a standstill.

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ECCENTRIC PIONEER ANSWERS DEATH CALL

A. H. Friemel is no more. This pioneer, and at one time a very familiar character in Ballinger, passed away at his home in the southern part of the city Saturday night. He died where he had lived for more than twenty-five years, and died without an enemy, yet lacking in what one might call close and intimate friends.

Deceased came to Ballinger in the early days of the city and conducted a laundry on a small scale, and in the early days of the city was the exclusive laundryman, all the young men of the city depending on him for a clean shirt, and stiff collar. He made his rounds with his laundry basket regularly each week, or several times each week, collecting and delivering laundry.

On account of the eccentric and secluded life lived by Mr. Friemel very little is known of him. He had lived to be quite old. He was born in Hamburg, Germany, and also married in that country, he and his wife later coming to America.

In recent years failing in health had caused the mind of the man to also fail, and for some time the county has been supplying the money to pay the grocery bills and keeping the old couple in as comfortable circumstances as possible. They owned their home, and this will probably go to charity, as the surviving wife has expressed such a desire.

For the present Mrs. Friemel is living in her home, but it will be necessary to provide some other place for her to stay, or secure some one to stay with her. As far as is known no relatives live in America.

Sunday afternoon at two o'clock the remains of this pioneer man were carried to the Catholic church, and the last sad rites performed, Father Goldbach having charge of the services, and followed by quite a number of friends and pioneers of this city, the remains were carried to the City Cemetery and laid to rest.

DEATH OF JIM MITCHELL.

Jim Mitchell, one of the best men Rannels county ever claimed as a citizen, has passed on to the great beyond.

Jim had been sick only a few days, and his friends in Winters and elsewhere were not prepared for the shock that came when the announcement was made that he was dead. His death resulted from peritonitis.

Jim lived with his three children on his farm 6 miles north of Winters where he has taken the place of both father and mother since the loss of his wife seven years ago.

A noble, true man, whom any one would be pleased to call a friend has left us and, with sorrowing children, other relatives and hundreds of friends we bow in sorrow over the loss of one of God's noblemen.

The remains were laid to rest at Bluff Creek cemetery Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, hundreds of friends gathering there to pay a last tribute of respect to their friend.—Winters Enterprise.

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PHONE 66

Letters from Our Soldier Boys

Mr. A. W. Sledge,
Editor Ballinger Ledger,
Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that we receive the Daily Paper and read the news of the good people of Ballinger, also the letters from the Runnels County boys that write home from the various cantonments scattered over the United States.

It has been three weeks since I entered the service of the War Work Council in the capacity of a Y. M. C. A. Secretary, and permit me to say that the work is great and I am delighted with having done so. The boys are so appreciative of everything that we do for them, and I am glad that even though I was exempted from the service by the Runnels County Board I have cast my lot with the boys and will endeavor to do my bit for Uncle Sam, and in doing this well also be rendering a service for the Master as this Y. M. C. A. is one of the greatest means in the world of daily presenting the word of God to the men in khaki.

Mrs. Beck and the children have arrived and are carried away with our new home, and of course we have seen quite a few of the Ballinger people who are here, and some of our boys from Ballinger are in my building every day, which makes it seem like home.

Mr. Sledge, we certainly did regret to leave Ballinger, even though we had not had the pleasure of living there long, for in having been moved from city to city by Armour & Co., while in their service, we have never lived in a town where the people were more cordial and hospitable than those of Ballinger.

Would write a letter regarding life in Camp Travis but that is useless as the subject has been touched on by all the boys who have written the paper, so will not bore you longer. In conclusion, will take this opportunity to ask that at any time any of the Ballinger people visit Camp Travis, I would deem it a pleasure to have them visit me at my building which Building No. 73, Y. M. C. A. It is right at the entrance of Camp Travis.

Sincerely,
Bryan D. Beck.

BALLINGER BOY WRITES FROM AERONAUTIC SCHOOL

Austin, Texas, Oct. 29, 1917.

Dear Mr. Underwood:
I received a letter from Mother some time ago, and enclosed in it was your "On to France." Due to my connection with the school of Military Aeronautics, I can possibly appreciate your piece to a greater extent than many people. I am closely associated with a body of men who expect soon to be in France. Among the graduates of this School, some are known to be in training at the various flying schools in the United States; others can be traced to certain Atlantic ports, but there all trace of them ends. They are lots to us now, but if we should hear soon that a submarine base on the coast of Belgium has been blown up by aerial bombs, we might make a guess as to where they are.

I notice that you have given no place to the horrors of war, but have seen only the cheerful and hopeful side. I am pleased to note this. We believe it our duty to subdue Germany, and though no amount of horror can alter this conviction (except to strengthen it), a little cheer will go a long way toward making the execution of our duty less disagreeable. Duty itself is never horrible. Previously, we have grinned because being surrounded by the comforts of a free nation at peace, we have felt a desire to express no other emotion than that of satisfaction; now, being surrounded by the burdens of a nation at war, we must learn to grit our teeth in determination, but without spoiling our grin. The grin must be kept on top; and you have kept it there. Let the Kaiser discover the grit underneath!

Let me hear from you sometime.
Roscoe Wilmet.

EWING TAYLOR WRITES FROM FRANCE.

"Somewhere in France,"
Sept. 30, 1917.

Dear Mama:
Well, I have got to a place where I will be for five weeks. I am about twenty miles from where I wrote you my last letter. Thirty-five American officers are here and 175 English officers. We are here for five weeks instructions. I am well pleased with the place here. There is no prettier place in the world than this I don't think. I am now

staying in an old monastery. All the officers are also staying in this old building. It is a very large building, and is an old castle looking affair and cost quite a lot of money. It belongs to an English officer and since the beginning of the war it has been loaned to England. There are more trees around here than any place I have ever seen.

It certainly makes one feel good to be among English speaking people. The English are certainly nice to the Americans, and are very courteous. There are many captains here for instructions.

I can hear the roar of guns at the front at night. The English officers who are here, have just come from the firing line, so they have interesting things to tell.

I think it is the idea of the U. S. to put us among the officers who have actually had the experience and let us get their ideas of the war.

I see from forty to fifty aeroplanes each day. I am getting used to them and hardly notice them now.

We had chapel this morning. Davis is not with me now. After the five weeks I do not know what is next. I am not going to have much to do while here, not as much as at Camp Funston. I have a man to care for my things and polish my leggings, make bed up and get water, etc. The English government allows me that. My baggage is separated from me again, but guess will get it soon.

I have an idea that I might be home by Jan. 1st. How are all the children? I often think of them. I have never gotten any letters yet, but you can address me the same, Lieut. Ewing Taylor, Inf. U. S. R. Unassigned, American Expeditionary Force, via New York. Write me a long letter and I ought to get it before I leave here.

Lovingly,
Ewing.

CAMP BOWIEBOYSSATISFIED

Camp Bowie, Nov. 1, 1917.

Dear Mama:
I am sending you the picture of old Company H, 6th Texasan Infantry. Will send you one of the whole battalion pretty soon with about five thousand troops in it.

You just should see the soldiers that are here now. I never saw anything like it in my life. They are shipping the boys by the thousands from Camp Travis at San Antonio. Ed Boswell is just about a hundred yards from me. Henry Vandevanter and Roy Deason are also here in the bunch and they all seem to be satisfied.

Our company is fill out to the limit now. We got about fifty darded men and they all seem to be pretty well satisfied. We have seven Mexicans in our company and only one of them speaks English, and when we do squads right, they don't understand and an American has to get between two of them and hold them by the arm and pull them around. They make good soldiers though, and seem to be well satisfied.

Abe Lankford, Bailey Mack and George Kirk have been to see us. We sure were glad to see them. We went to town and met them last night and sure had a good time, as it was Hallowe'en and it was a show to see how the people dolled up for the occasion and paraded the streets. The streets were just lined with all kinds of masked human beings.

After one wears a uniform a while civilian clothes don't look good any more. Soldiers are getting to be respected more than heretofore. The trouble with the men who have been in the service a long time is that they have never had a chance to be with Christian people, until they came here. Before war time and before the volunteers were mixed with the regulars they were treated like dogs, but the people have just begin to wake up and show respect for the soldiers. They must do this if they expect to inspire the soldiers to fight.

The Canadian aviators don't like this country. They say in Canada it is quite an honor to be capable of wearing a uniform. The aeroplanes fly over the camp here at all hours of the day. It is interesting to watch them drill in the air just the same as we do on the ground.

There are a bunch of British aviators here who have seen active service in France. They are training the Americans how to fly and render service in the war.

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COTTON HOUSE FIRE BURNS SEED COTTON

Fire in the cotton house at the Towler gin shortly after noon Monday destroyed seven or eight bales of seed cotton. The fire originated in the house from some cause unknown, but probably by matches being sucked through the conveyor which was unloading a wagon at the time the fire broke out, or just a short time before. The fire was under pretty good headway when discovered, and the house was practically destroyed and most of the cotton burned.

The cotton was owned by different farmers, some of it being remnants and was being held preparatory to ginning. Some of it was insured and some of it will be lost to the farmers. Among those having cotton in the house were J. M. Schneider, one bale, George Schneider, one bale, L. B. Barker, two bales, C. W. Towler, one bale, Clarence Routh, about one bale, J. S. Collins, about one bale, and probably one of two others.

Cured Her Son of a Cold.

"When my son, Ellis, was sick with a cold last winter I gave him Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold," writes Mrs. P. O. Stuehell, Homer City, Pa. This remedy has been in use for many years. Its good qualities have been fully proven by many thousands of people. It is pleasant to take.

DOCTORS HAVE GOOD TIME AT BROWNWOOD MEET

Drs. A. S. Love and J. W. Blasdell, who attended the district medical meet at Brownwood this week, report one of the most successful meetings in the history of the associations. The district was well represented, every county in the district having one or more doctors present.

Dr. Joe E. Dildy of Brownwood, was elected president and Dr. Blasdell, of Ballinger, was elected secretary for the ensuing year. Coleman was selected as the next place of meeting. The convention closed with an address by Dr. E. F. Cooke, a lieutenant in the army and member of the medical reserve corps, who spoke on the war situation.

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Miss Lucille Tolson left Friday for Waco, to attend the Cotton Palace for a few days.

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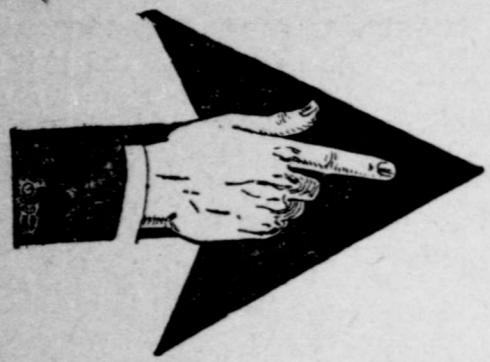
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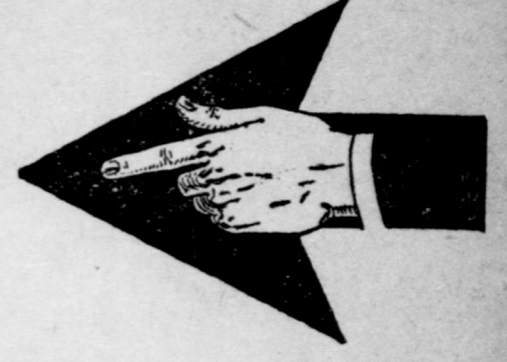
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MRS. PRUSER DIES AT SEMINOLE

Mrs. Pruser, formerly of this county, and the mother of Gus and Fred Pruser, died at Seminole, Gaines county, Friday night. The remains were brought to Runnels county, and on Sunday afternoon laid to rest in the Winters cemetery. Mrs. Pruser had lived to a ripe old age. The two sons in this county have the sympathy of friends in their sorrow.

We desire to thank everyone who assisted us in any way during the recent death and burial of our mother. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to our friends and neighbors for their kindness and we appreciate the kind words of sympathy and deeds of kindness more than mere words can express.

Gus Pruser and Family
Fred Pruser and Family.

Wagon and Buggies at Cost. We have a few more Wagons and Buggies that we will sell at Cost. Ballinger Saddle and Mfg. Co. 2-w4t.

WINTERS PEOPLE BUY SMOKES FOR SOLDIERS

Friday's mail brought a check from Winters and the names of five contributors to The Ledger Tobacco fund for soldiers in France. The check comes as a volunteer offering for supplying the soldiers in France with smokes, and in the course of time the contributors will receive postal cards from the soldiers telling how much they appreciate the smokes. Following are the names of those sending the checks.

Miss Florence Bartlett.
Miss Addie Meadows.
D. M. Hillyard.
H. H. Roberts.
W. B. Oliver.

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.

Notice In Probate. The State of Texas, County of Runnels, No. 506. To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of Y. W. Moore, deceased: The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of

the estate of Y. W. Moore, deceased, late of Runnels county, Texas, by Overton L. Parish, judge of the county court of said county, on the 13th day of November, 1917, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him within the time prescribed by law at his residence at Winters, Runnels County, Texas, where he receives his mail.

This 13th day of November, 1917.

W. D. MEADOWS,
Administrator of the estate of Y. W. Moore, deceased. 16-4tw

BALLINGER PHYSICIAN SURPRISED

"Hearing of some good results from the use of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy I decided to try it on a chronic case of indigestion and gastritis I was interested in. After the first dose the patient was relieved of gas trouble and was soon able to eat radishes and most everything else he had not eaten in years. It is a simple harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract, and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver, and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

Mrs. R. L. Stevenson arrived in Ballinger Tuesday at noon to visit friends and relatives here.

Government Offers Cracked Cake at \$51.00 Per Ton

Washington, D. C. Nov. 14, 1917. Hon. A. W. Sledge, Editor Ledger.

In conference with Food Administrator Hoover this morning he advised that as long as price received by farmers for cottonseed did not exceed eighty dollars, cake and meal should be sold under fifty dollars; also that if such an agreement were not reached tomorrow at the Houston conservation through the license system to reduce the price of cake and meal below fifty dollars, also that he hopes to secure reduction from twelve to five dollars freight rate on velvet beans and hopes to be able to make available to stockmen other substitutes concentrated at prices which through regular competition will materially lower price of all feed also that he is endeavoring to furnish all available stock cars to Texas cattlemen immediately.

In conference with Secretary McAdoo this morning he assured me that he would go the limit permitted by law in assisting the drought stricken section. He also said that if any National bank failed to obtain needed assistance from the Federal Reserve system or regular connections he would make deposits upon proper showing and compliance with department regulations and that any state bank by joining the Federal Reserve system would receive similar assistance.

Administrator Hoover, Secretary Houston, Secretary McAdoo and Attorney General Gregory are all keenly alive to Texas drought emergency and will cooperate in every possible way to afford greatest assistance.

THOS. L. BLANTON.

Following close on the announcement made by the federal food administration, that plans were underway for diverting feed shipments and increasing the supply for the stockmen of the drought stricken section, the following telegram was received in Ballinger Wednesday. The telegram speaks for itself, and if the price is satisfactory, it is up to the stockmen to place their orders as outlined in the message. Orders should be sent at once to Food Administrator Peden, Houston, Texas, together with bank guarantee for payment of draft on bill of lading when the feed arrives.

Brownwood, Texas, 10:10 a. m. Nov. 14, 1917.
R. T. Williams,
Ballinger, Texas.

The Food Administration has arranged to furnish from stocks of cake in Galveston supply of cracked cake at price ranging around fifty-one dollars Galveston in

bags of about two hundred pounds each of the grade of cake now stored in Galveston and which has been originally intended for export to neutrals. Orders for this cake will be filled in order received by State Food Administrator Peden at Houston together with Bank guarantee of payment of draft against bill of lading give this telegram widest publicity.

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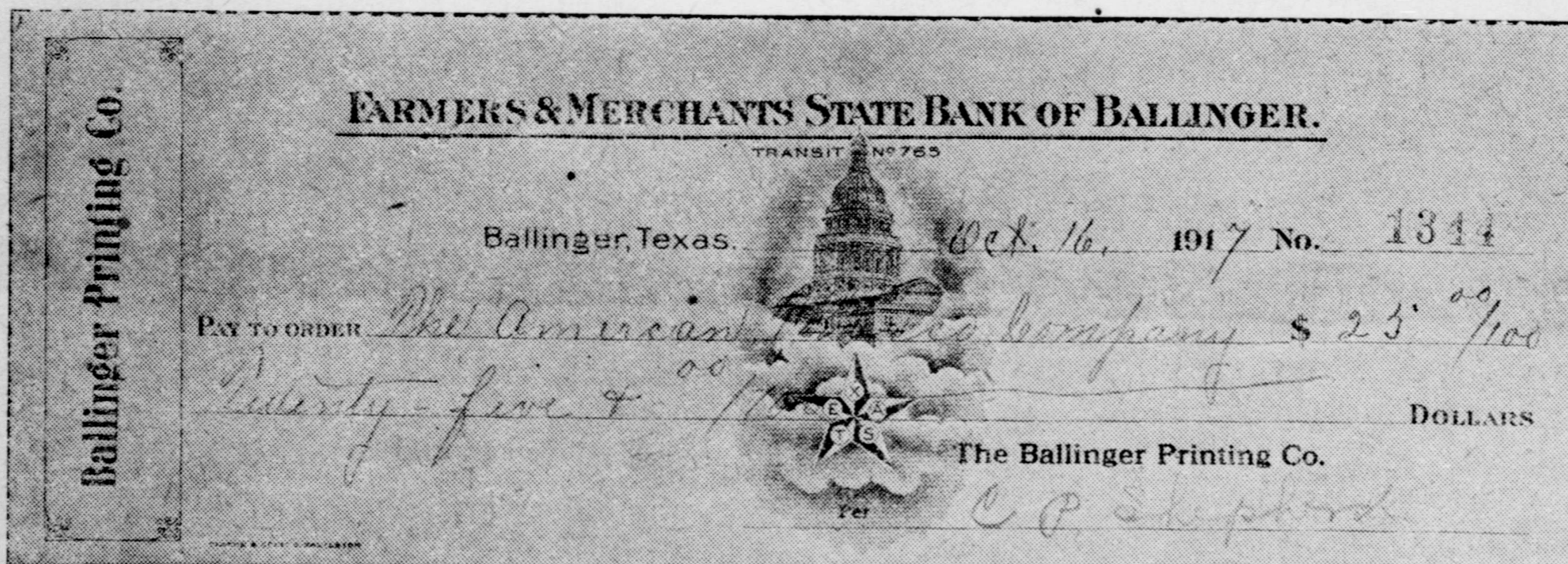
FOR RENT—Five nice office rooms. Also four room house. See A. J. Zappe. 8-1tw12td

LOST.
LOST—Red, or sorrell small mare mule, about seven hands high, right ear pinched. Lost on Ballinger-Angelo road Oct. 19. Notify R. E. L. Culp, Coleman and get reward. d&w1t—pd

LOST—Rocking chair, between Valley Creek and Ballinger. Finder please leave at Ledger office, or notify W. F. Farmer, Ballinger. d&w1t.

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MONEY TO LOAN—5, 7 or 10 years, with all kinds options in repaying. Lee Maddox. 17-4tw

This Check Sent Smokes to Sammies in France



Within a short time, contributors to The Ledger's Tobacco fund, will begin to receive cards from soldiers in France, telling how much they appreciate the smokes, provided a submarine does not get the smokes before they reach a French port, and the work of the submarine is almost a thing of the past.

The habitual smoker who is cut off from his tobacco supply is the man who appreciates what a

smoke means to a soldier in France. Read the following card received by a man in a neighboring city, from a soldier in France after the soldier in France had received a package of smokes and acknowledged receipt of it to the man who paid for the package:

"I used to smoke two for a quarter cigars back home, but I never really knew what a good smoke was until the day your Kit came along. I hadn't had a smoke

for ten days—seemed like ten years—and there was nothing I wanted worse, right then. So your gift looked bigger than a month of Christmas mornings to a six-old boy. I hope you'll never be out of a smoke yourself. God bless you."

When you pay for a package of smokes, a postal card, stamped and addressed to you, is enclosed in the package and the soldier receiving it will write direct to you.

That's the lan and most of the soldiers will use the card because they will appreciate the smokes. Previously reported 117 kits
Chas. Ferguson 2 kits
A. K. Doss 1 kit
M. D. Chastain 1 kit
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RUNNELS CO. FREE FROM TICK DEC. 1

Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—All quarantined areas in Mississippi and 90 counties and parts of counties in eight other Southern States—in all, 65,520 square miles—will be released December 1st, from Federal quarantine against the cattle-fever tick, according to an order signed by Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

The area will be the largest freed at any one time since the Federal Government in 1906 began active cooperation with the Southern States in the campaign against the cattle-fever tick. The December release, added to 3,446 square miles freed in March and 1,788 freed in September, will have lifted this year the ban on cattle shipment from 70,754 square miles—by far the best record of any year since the quarantine was placed.

The order signed by Secretary Houston provides that the following counties in Texas shall be released December 1:

Coke, Concho, Cooke, Irion, Montague, Runnels, Stephens, Sutton, Taylor, Young, the remainder of Shackelford and Throckmorton and parts of Crockett, Jack, and Tom Green.

RED CROSS GARMENTS ACCEPTED

Mrs. C. R. Stephens, chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter, received a letter Friday from Red Cross headquarters at St. Louis, stating that the shipment of garments sent from here about a week ago had arrived, and that the entire lot was entirely satisfactory. Another shipment will be sent soon.

Mrs. Stephens also said that all who were making clothing for the soldiers must send them through the Red Cross, as they will not be accepted otherwise.

PEOPLE MUST READ TO KEEP POSTED

The world is wondering what the year 1918 will bring. It promises to be the greatest history making year in many centuries.

Nearly ten million men will be called into service and put on the firing line to defend America. Your son, your brother, and friend will be called. You will be interested in knowing how, when and where.

The people of Runnels county will be called on to help elect men to fill public offices, from justice of peace to governor. You will be interested in the campaign, and will want to know who is who and why.

The federal government is talking to the people of America thru the press of the country. There will be some new order given almost every day, and the people will be called. You will be interested in the war. You will want to know what is going on at home and abroad.

You must read to keep posted. You can't read unless you receive in your home one or more papers. The Ledger is making it possible for the people to keep posted by making a special rate to subscribers. This rate is \$1.25 per year, to both old and new subscribers, provided you subscribe in November. Why wait later and pay \$1.50?

A. W. Sledge, editor of The Ledger, will make it a point to be in Winters for the next Saturday or two, and subscribers in that part of the county should see him and arrange for reading matter for 1918. He is prepared to save you money on club combination, taking your subscription to The Ledger and any state paper you might want to take in connection with your home paper.

If you receive a notice showing that your subscription expires within the next month or two, renew now and save the quarter. Don't wait, but mail your check at once.

WILL GO TO EL PASO, TEXAS
 Judge M. C. Smith received notice Saturday from the clerk of the Third court of civil appeals of Austin, that the case of D. A. Cameron vs. the F. & M. Bank, now on appeal had been transferred to the Eighth court of civil appeal, of El Paso, because of the crowded docket at Austin. Judge Smith expects to go to El Paso and argue the case, some time this month.

THINKING END NEAR MADE OUT HIS WILL

R. H. Bell Was So Helpless Could Not Turn Over in Bed—Gains Thirty Pounds on Tanlac.

"Along last spring I was taken down with a bad spell of grippe. I got so bad off that I had to take to my bed and I was down for six weeks. I also had rheumatism and suffered with my kidneys and I was so nervous and full of misery I couldn't sleep and many a night I would sit up in a chair nearly all night long.

"After I got down in bed I sent for the doctor, but got no relief, as his medicine didn't seem to suit my case. I lost my appetite and couldn't even keep milk and eggs on my stomach. I was in bed six weeks and never got out at all. Along toward the last I got so weak I couldn't even turn over in bed. To tell you the truth, I was a sick man and thought I was going to die. Finally the doctors told me I would have to go to the hospital, so I closed up my business and made my will; for I couldn't see much chance of getting well.

"Now this is just the shape I was in when I decided to try Tanlac and I sent my daughter for the first three bottles. Now, just think of it, that three bottles of Tanlac got me up and able to work and you can believe me or not, but in just thirty days after I started on it, I had gained thirty pounds in weight, which is an average of one pound a day.

"Now when a medicine will do things like that I think the people ought to know about it and I want to say right now that I will take pleasure in telling anybody what Tanlac has done for me, because I feel it my duty to let it be known. Not only that, but anything I can do for you people I will feel a pleasure in doing it, for your medicine has got me up and out again. I am working regular every day, making \$4.00 a day as a marble setter and making a good living for my family, after I hadn't been able to strike a lick all summer.

"Altogether I have taken six bottles, but I was able to walk three miles after finishing my third bottle. I guess a good many people will hear about my case, and if they don't believe what they read in the papers, just tell them to come and see me and I will be glad to tell them all about it.

The above remarkable statement was made by Roan H. Bell, a well known marble setter, who lives at 925 Halsey avenue, Waverly Place, Nashville, Tenn., and is highly respected by all who know him.

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, in Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co., and in Token by J. W. Bright.

ONLY FIFTY PER CENT SIGN PLEDGE CARDS.

R. T. Williams, county agent in the food conservation campaign, reports that only 1805 pledge cards have been signed in this county, out of 3700 estimated families. This is less than one-half, and makes a bad showing for the American people of the county.

The state administrator reports that fifty-three per cent of the families of Texas have entered into the campaign by signing the pledge cards. This brings Runnels county down below the average for Texas counties. We should at least come up to the average. Remember, those who are refusing to sign cards and help in the work of conserving our food supply, may see the day when they will be glad to sign a card to get a little food before the war ends. Who knows?

EXCITING TIMES ON PASSENGER TRAIN

The passengers on a west-bound T. & P. train had an exciting time last Sunday morning before the train reached El Paso. Just before the train reached Midland, Texas, a Mexican woman gave birth to a baby in one of the small rooms of a day coach, and two hours before the train arrived at El Paso a cowboy went wild and shot up a day coach filled with passengers, killing one man and wounding two others. A bullet lodged in the watch of one passenger, and no doubt saved his life. It was a trip on his regular run the conductor say he will not forget.

FOOD TAKES FIRST PLACE IN WAR WORK

Editor Ledger:

Please allow me space in your valuable paper for a few lines, in order that I may say a few words to the people on the great importance of food conservation.

We are told that the world is short on food, and that the entire country in Europe are starving to death. It is the duty of every one to endeavor to relieve this situation at home and abroad, and those whose souls are on fire with the spirit of patriotism will do their part.

Not only is the supreme test of our patriotism upon us, but our liberties, our fortunes, our homes and even our lives are in danger. All these things are hanging in the balance awaiting our efforts to lift high and safe the banner of justice and right into victory's column.

The time has come to conquer or submit for the liberty loving American. There is no such alternative as submission to autocracy.

Our food administrator is calling upon the 37000 families in Runnels county to sign a card pledging co-operation of every family in food conservation. Surely no one can be indifferent toward such a plan.

If you are a faithful home guard, willing to do your bit, if you are not economizing as circumstances demand, then it is your duty to heed the advice given by the food administrator.

I, as local chairman in the Maverick community in Runnels county, have been appointed in the Hoover Food control movement, and I am working directly under the county chairman, R. T. Williams, and we would like to see Runnels county in the front of all Texas counties in this splendid work. We must all agree that food takes first place in the heroic work of winning the war.

Respectfully,
 J. M. Slaughter,
 Maverick, Texas.

A CHILD'S TONGUE SHOWS IF LIVER OR BOWELS ARE ACTIVE

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, give fruit laxative at once.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs," that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, Mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

MODERN METHOD FOR MOVING CATTLE.

The boys in charge of the Dick Russell ranches and cattle in this county recently received instructions to move a bunch of calves from the Grape creek ranch east of town to the Wilby ranch west of town. An auto truck is doing the work. The truck goes to the Grape creek ranch loaded with feed and returns loaded with calves. A frame for hauling feed was made for the truck and it also answers for hauling calves, and fifteen calves are "sardined" into the truck frame and moved a distance of twenty-five or thirty miles in a couple of hours.

This will be your last opportunity at Zappe's sale. 14-1d1w

Old Fashioned Safety

Modern day methods and conservative, old time safety are factors that govern in the management of this bank. Now, just as they always have—for progress.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank is a commercial bank having the resources, connections and experiences necessary for the surer protection of its depositors interests. Successful commercial activity is largely dependent upon banking service and the co-operation of a strong bank is an important business asset. Capital, surplus and profits, \$110,000.00.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK TEXAS

BALLINGER

NAVY IS CALLING FOR FIREMEN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The Navy Department has sent telegrams to its recruiting officers in all parts of the country directing them to begin an active campaign to enlist 7,000 firemen and 400 mess attendants by December 15. The quota assigned for the various districts are: Eastern district, 2,000 firemen, 1000 mess attendants; central, 2,000 firemen, 100 mess attendants; southern, 1,000 firemen, 150 mess attendants; western, 2,000 firemen, 50 mess attendants.

For firemen, men from 18 to 35 years of age will be accepted. No previous experience in firing is required, but men must be physically qualified for the work. Applicants for mess attendant must be not less than 18 nor more than 30 years of age.

SWEET POTATO BREAD.

One of the cheapest war breads possible is sweet potato bread. But that does not prevent it from being one of the sweetest substitutes for wheat bread, says today's bulletin from the National Emergency Food Garden Commission, working in cooperation with this newspaper to conserve the nation's food resources. Here's a good recipe for this bread:

2 cups cooked and masher sweet potato.
 6 cups sifted wheat flour (more if flour is soft.)
 1-2 cup lukewarm water (this will not be needed if liquid yeast is used.)
 1 cake dry or compressed yeast, or 1-2 cup liquid yeast.

Mold into loaves and place in warmed and greased pans set in a warm place for about one hour or until the loaves have more than doubled in size. Bake in a moderate oven for 50 to 60 minutes.

Mrs. Andy Gustavus and mother, Mrs. Morgan, and Ban Morgan, and Miss Mamie Gregory left overland Monday for Frost, Texas, Kansas and Dallas, where they will visit for a few days.

"Dress Up" Your Home--- Use Our Lumber

It's surprising how dressed up you can make your home look with just a few little touches here and there—the addition of a few new step-boards—a new fence—a new clap-board to take the place of that rotted old one. There are a hundred and one ways in which you can add to the appearance of your home by the use of our guaranteed and seasoned lumber. You'll find it a good investment to take care of these little things at once. For the longer you let them go the more expensive they become.

Ballinger Lumber Company

THE First National Bank

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THE Seal of Public APPROVAL

What Will Happen During the Coming Tragic Year?

WE ARE NOW CONFRONTED BY THE MOST EVENTFUL YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD.

The Great Question The Real Answer

What will happen to our soldier boys in 1918? Read The Star-Telegram, the paper with complete war service.

Keep informed on the war news by reading The Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, U. S. A.

Will reach you always First—With the Last Because it prints late night editions all based on train departures.

Member of the Associated Press
 International News Service
 United Press

The Three Great American News Gathering Services.

EXCLUSIVE LONDON TIMES REPORTS

The daily Cable War News supplied The Star-Telegram by The Times is exclusive, authentic European information not to be found in any other paper in the Southwest.

Subscribe During "Bargain Days," Dec. 1st to 15th.

Also don't fail to read the local weekly.

Subscription rates are higher this year, due to increased production costs forced upon publishers. White paper and mailing combined increase alone being 116 per cent.

Daily With Sunday 7 Days a Week Regular Rate...\$7.50 Bargain Rate...\$5.65 You Save.....\$1.85	Daily Without Sunday, 6 Days a Week Regular Rate...\$5.50 Bargain Rate...\$4.25 You Save.....\$1.25
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Protecting Your Children

The long, hard school term drains the vitality of growing children and you wonder why they are listless, puny and pale. Every school child will show marked improvement in health and growth if given

SCOTT'S EMULSION

Its rich, uniform cod liver oil gets into their blood and gives them vim, snap and zest. It creates strength to resist school sicknesses, overcome pinched faces, sallow complexions and dull eyes. High authorities have established again and again that cod liver oil promotes growth and energizes the body and brain.



The imported Norwegian cod liver oil always used in Scott's Emulsion is now refined in our own American laboratories which guarantees it free from impurities. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 17-15

FORMER BALLINGER MAN HONORED BY FRIENDS

Just prior to his departure Monday evening for Big Springs, to accept a position in the West Texas National Bank, friends and associates of John W. Thurman tendered him a banquet, which was served at the Shield hotel. The menu was served in three courses and included numerous tempting viands, but of this we only speak from an examination of the card.

Some of the toasts were: "We'll cash your Draft, when you want to come home."—Dr. T. M. Hays;

"Competitors and Friends."—L. V. Stockard;

"You come to us a bachelor, And you're a bachelor still, But we all know, who know you best,

It is against your will."—S. W. Childers.

At the top of the menu card were the plaintive words, "Good-bye, John, Take Keer Yourself, and at the foot the more cheerful and encouraging expression, "Goodbye, John, Good Luck." These sentiments feebly express the feelings of John's friends—and everybody here is a friend to John Thurman. On a business proposition, he is all business, but with all is courteous and accommodating and has proven a tower of strength and popularity to the First State Bank of Santa Anna. Socially, John is a "hail fellow" at all times and on all occasions and will be missed in all circles where he was wont to move.

In going to Big Springs, Mr. Thurman enters a larger banking sphere and puts himself in line for even bigger things. As the News understands it, he will have immediate charge of the cattle accounts of the bank with which he is connected, and this will place him in direct touch with the Big Business of the west. His friends have no doubt of his ability to measure up to the requirements of the position and so believing congratulate John, and the West Texas National Bank on their official and business relations.—Santa Anna News.

PLAN HOW TO CAN YOUR EATING

Much is being done to urge the conservation of food, through public lecturers, the press and other agencies. In so many counties the work of the canning clubs has met with such a marked degree of success that the people of Rummels county would like to have the canning club work established here, which not only teaches the best methods of food conser-

vation, but enables those engaged in the work to produce the largest yield possible.

Greater results are obtained by organization and co-operation and by close personal supervision and instruction through the Department of Home Economics of the College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture of Washington, D. C.

Local authorities here will probably be called on to make appropriations to meet the requirements of the State and National departments in order to get the work put on in this county.

When the work is properly carried on there is no doubt but what the money expended in employing a lady to handle this work would be money well invested. Large quantities of fruits and vegetables go to waste every year all on account of lack of interest in this work.

Quoting one from the U. S. Department of Agriculture we have here the following: "Never before have women faced such an opportunity for service as they now have in grousing and conserving foods. Not only must home demands be met, but also provision must be made for those peoples whose production of foods has been interrupted by the war. Already response to the appeals for production has been made in increasing the acreage of gardens in town and country. The responsibility of wisely utilizing the yield rests largely upon the women and girls in their homes. Canning will furnish an important means of conservation. Few more important contributions to national welfare can be made than that represented by adding to the home food supply, thus making more commercial products available for export.

The use of an abundant supply of fruits and green vegetables is at all times essential to health. Since these are so abundant at certain seasons as actually to be wasted and at other times very expensive and difficult to obtain, it is important to preserve quantities of perishable fruits and vegetables during the growing season for use during the winter. The problem of furnishing an adequate and economical supply of food often is to be solved only by such conservation. In addition, the need for variety in the diet is met most easily by preserving the surplus.

Owing to the present conditions it is imperative not only to produce and preserve supplies of food, but also to plan in advance to select the most economical method for keeping the various products."

NAZARENE PASTOR CLOSES WORK HERE

Rev. J. W. Bost, for the past several years pastor of the Nazarene Church at Ballinger, closed his work Sunday with a very successful day. It was the pastor's last Sunday with the local congregation and he will leave this week for Meridian, Texas, where he goes to attend the general assembly.

Rev. Bost will be assigned another field next year and will not return to Ballinger only to get his household goods and move to the new field: It is not known where he will locate, but wherever he goes he will carry with him the best wishes of a host of friends in Ballinger.

We are glad to note that the year just closed has been the most successful in the history of the local Nazarene church. The church membership has made the greatest increase of any year in its history and more cash has been paid for the support of the work.

It is not known who will succeed Rev. Bost. The congregation has extended a call to Rev. W. O. Self, of Waco, but an answer to the call has not been received.

TRY "CASCARETS" FOR LIVER AND BOWELS IF SICK OR BILIOUS

Tonight! Clean your bowels and stop headache, colds, sour stomach.

Get a 10-cent box now. Turn the rascals out—the headache, biliousness, indigestion, the sick, sour stomach and bad colds—turn them out tonight and keep them out with Cascarets.

Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never know the misery caused by a lazy liver, clogged bowels, or an upset stomach.

Don't put in another day of distress. Let Cascarets cleanse your stomach; remove the sour, fermenting food; take the excess bile from your liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poison in the bowels. Then you will feel great.

A Cascaret tonight straightens you out by morning. They work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from any drug store means a clear head, sweet stomach and clean, healthy liver and bowel action for months. Children love Cascarets because they never gripe or sicken.

HUNTING PARTY BAGS BIG LION

A man by the name of Wilson, of Santa Anna, accompanied by several friends, passed through Ballinger Sunday enroute home from a hunting trip to Brewster county. They stopped long enough in Ballinger to exhibit a large pelt of a mountain lion which they killed on the trip. The hide measured nine feet from tip to tip and was the largest ever seen here. The men reported that the lion had just killed two calves a short time before they killed the lion.

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.

PICKPOCKETS RELIEVE CITIZEN OF \$52

Judge Jno. I. Guion returned home Monday from Waco, where he went to attend a meeting of the board of regents of the A. & M. College. Judge Guion witnessed the defeat of the Oklahoma football team by the team from the Texas College, and had a very pleasant trip, but a trip that did not prove profitable. While enroute home some one relieved him of \$52 in cash. Judge Guion thinks it was the work of a clever pickpocket, and the work was done while getting on or off the train, or while in the train.

For a Weak Stomach.

As a general rule all you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and to keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets.

CONSTIPATION CAUSES OBSTINATE HEADACHES

When your head aches you will usually find the bowels have been inactive, and if you relieve this condition, by clearing the intestinal organs of the fermenting congestion of stomach waste, foul gases and bile, the head is relieved immediately.

Remember this the next time you suffer from headache. The combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin sold by druggists under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is highly recommended as a gentle laxative that acts easily and quickly, without griping or discomfort. It contains no opiate, narcotic, or habit-forming drug, is pleasant to the taste, and a most effective household remedy.

Mothers find it especially desirable as a laxative for children. You can buy Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin from your druggist for fifty cents. Get a bottle and have it in the house when needed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 456 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

EDWARD SPILL HOLDS CLERKSHIP IN ARMY

The Ledger is in receipt of the following news item from the division of publicity of the war office at Camp Travis.

"Edward Spill who registered in Rummels county, and who was telegraph editor on the Houston Post at the time the first draft was made, has been promoted to first-class private. He is acting as clerk in Ambulance Company Headquarters."

Ed's many friends in Ballinger will be glad to note that he has been promoted and that he has been given a good place in the army service.

J. F. Hamby, of the Crews country, and son, Roy, were in town Saturday meeting old friends. Roy is a fireman on the U. S. S. Charleston, and is home on a furlough for fifteen days. The young man has made two trips to France since the U. S. declared war on Germany. He is well pleased with life in the navy, and thinks all young men should do their "bit."

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS—County of Rummels.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Rummels County, of the 3rd day of November 1917, by Mary Phillips, Clerk of said Court for the sum of Five Hundred Thirty Four and 73-100 dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment of foreclosure, in favor of W. H. Weeks in a certain cause in said Court No. 1881 and styled W. H. Weeks vs. L. F. Gressett, placed in my hands for service, I, J. D. Perkins, as Sheriff of Rummels County, Texas, did on the 5th day of November 1917, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Rummels County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: Being an undivided 1-2 of Lot No. 8, in Blk No. 31, of the City of Ballinger, Rummels County, Texas, on the original plot of the City of Ballinger, and also an undivided 1-2 interest in and to the following personal property: 3 anvils, 1 drill, 2 vices, 1 tire setter, 2 forges with equipment, 1 motor, 1 iron chain, 1 tire bolting machine; working tools, such as hammers, etc., 1 set of dies, wood tools, and \$100 worth of old iron and levied upon as the property of L. F. Gressett and that on the first Tuesday in December, 1917, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Rummels County, in the City of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of Sale I will sell the above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said L. F. Gressett.

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

Witness my hand this 5th day of November 1917.

J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff, Rummels County, Texas.

By J. A. Demoville, Deputy.

SOLDIER BOY HERE ON SHORT VISIT

Troy Simpson is at home on a three days' furlough. He arrived in Ballinger Sunday at noon and is due to report for duty at Fort Sam Houston next Wednesday morning, necessitating his departure Tuesday evening.

Mr. Simpson reports favorable for army life, and his appearance is in keeping with his report. He has no complaint to offer at the way Uncle Sam is handling his men, and says the men are rapidly being classified for the places they are best fitted.

Mr. Simpson enlisted in the field artillery band and he has made good, and his band is one of the most prominent in the Southern Division.

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The New Mother



Heartfelt sympathy of all mankind goes out to her who is to become a mother. For over three generations, thousands of women have found through experience, that the absolutely safe, tried and reliable massage known to all women as "Mother's Friend" is the greatest aid procurable from the many distresses of childbirth. By its daily application the expanding muscles relax easily when baby is born. The skin is made elastic and the fine network of nerves, tendons and ligaments are soothed. The breasts, too, are kept in good condition.

Write the Bradfield Regulator Co., Dept. J, 600 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga. They will send you without charge a very interesting book, "Motherhood and the Baby". Get a bottle of "Mother's Friend" from the druggist today. It is of the utmost importance that you aid nature in her work. "Mother's Friend" makes it possible for you yourself to give a helping hand. The preparation is without question a true and marvelous aid and is composed of such penetrating oils and other ingredients as to make it really indispensable to expectant mothers.

DAUGHTER ARRIVES AT LAWYER'S HOME

Judge and Mrs. Q. V. Miller at home to a little daughter who arrived last Friday. The young lady weighs nine pounds, and we are glad to report the mother and baby getting along nicely.

BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP.

Why use ordinary cough remedies, when Boschee's German Syrup has been used so successfully for fifty-one years in all parts of the United States for coughs, bronchitis, colds settled in the throat, especially lung troubles. It gives the patient a good night's rest, free from coughing, with easy expectoration in the morning, gives mature a chance to soothe the inflamed parts, throw off the disease, helping the patient to regain his health. 25 and 75 cent bottles. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

GONE TO ALABAMA TO ATTEND MOTHER'S FUNERAL

W. H. Cain received a telegram late Saturday afternoon stating that his mother was dying at her home in Alabama. Mr. Cain arranged immediately to go to Abilene by auto where he expected to catch the Texas & Pacific train and reach Alabama in time to catch the Texas & Pacific. The mother had lived to be about eighty years old, and her husband is also very old.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. They are sold with the Pills in Blue wrapper. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS for Ladies. Sold by Druggists Everywhere.

J. J. Yerby left for Hillsboro Friday where he will visit a while.

A. K. Doss J. H. Baugh DOSS & BAUGH Lawyers. Office over Ballinger Loan Co. Ballinger, Texas

Any Doctor

will tell you a fellow's constitution wont last forever, and in these strenuous times it needs a good overhauling occasionally.

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STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

THE FORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

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THE BEST PLACE TO TRADE

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The inducements
we offer is more
for your money

Make your dollars buy one hundred cents worth and in many cases they will buy more than one hundred cents real value. No trouble to get your money's worth if you come to this store to make your purchases.

Largest Stocks—Lowest Prices—Dependable Goods



Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

Here you will find values and styles that will please you. In our coat section you will find just what you want at very reasonable prices.

Handsome Suits at Reduced Prices

Dark Brown Velour Suit Hudson Seal trimming—\$60.00 value—Special at \$45.00. This is a Real Handsome garment.

Navy Velvet Suit, Real Seal trimming, Special at \$42.50

Brown Broad Cloth Suit, Fur Trimming, \$50.00 Suit, Special, at \$39.50

Black Broad Cloth Suit, Fur Trimming, extraordinary value, at \$31.00

Black Broad Cloth Suit, large size—tailored garment with Kerami Mole trim, splendid value, \$34.50

Other splendid values at \$12.50 to \$25.00

Extraordinary Values in Sport Coats
at \$4.75

These Won't Last
till Next Year.

Get What You Want Now!

1 lot Dress Gingham and Percale as long as they last, at, per yard10c

Bleach Domestic, 36 inches wide, worth 20c, for12 1-2c

Bleach and Brown Sheeting 9-4 10-4 at35c

Best grade Outing, any color, worth 18c, per yard15c

Extra heavy Cotton Flannel for, per yard15c

Good Calico, for, per yard 7 1-2c

One lot Cotton Dress Goods, Poplins and Cotton Suiting worth up to 50c for, per yard 25c

Best grades Dress Gingham, worth 20c for, per yard15c

Bordered Curtain Scrim, in white and ecru, worth 20c, for . . .12 1-2c

Big Turkish Towels, 18x42, worth 50c, for, per pair,35c

2 Cans Jergens Talcum for . . .25c

Buy your Thanksgiving Linen now. 72 inch Table Damask, worth 75c, for, per yard50c

Munsing Wear for the whole family, per garment 75c to . . . \$2.50

Special Blouse Values

Beautiful Georgette Blouses, assorted colors and style. Values up to \$7.00. Very Special at \$5.75.

Handsome Crepe de Chine Blouses—value up to \$4.75. Specially priced at \$3.65.

Shoes For All the Family

Work Shoes, School Shoes Shoes for real service you'll find here—prices are low enough.

Ladies Black Kid Boots—\$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50.

Military Boot in Black and Brown at \$7.00 the pair.

Ladies Brown Kid Boots, cloth top at \$9.00

Field Mouse, Kid Boots, silk top, at \$10.00

We want you to have Shoe satisfaction if you buy your foot wear at this store. We'll fit your feet and try to fit your purse.

Charming Dresses Here For You

Coat Dress—French Serge, Military Braid Trimming . . . \$24.95

Purple, Georgette and Charmeuse Bead trimming—a handsome Dress, special price . . . \$31.50

Navy Serge in Braided design—large white satin collar—a very handsome Dress—only . . . \$25.75

Navy Serge Silver Embroidery Trimming at \$19.00

Navy Blue Charmeuse—Georgette trimming Embroidery in Red—splendid value at \$24.50

Excellent Quality French Serge—in plain color—button trimmed—a new and stylish Dress at \$25.75

Navy Blue Satin Dress—Gray Fur trimmed \$15.00

Purple Crepe Meteor—Georgette trimming at \$23.00

Wine Colored Serge—Loose pleated style, white cuffs and collars at \$14.95

Black Crepe Meteor, Beaded design—new garment . . . \$28.00

Green Charmeuse Embroidery trim. A great value at . . . \$16.50

Millinery Department

Beautiful Pattern Hats

New and charming styles at greatly reduced prices. Glad to have you call and

See the Real Bargains in this Section
of Our Big Store.



We Save Others Money---Why Not You

HIGGINBOTHAM BROTHERS & COMPANY

Ballinger's Greatest Store

ROSCOE STOCKS RE-TURNS TO ARMY

Roscoe Stocks left Sunday afternoon for San Antonio, where he will go back to his place in Camp Travis. Upon his request, his discharge was revoked by the adjutant general. His place as sergeant was held open for him by his captain, in the hope that he would be allowed to return, and he will go back to his same work.

ABILENE COTTON RECEIPTS LIGHT

Cotton receipts at both the local yards this season has so far been light, comparatively. The Farmers Union Warehouse had received only 1,076 bales up to Wednesday noon, while the receipts at the yard of Public Weigher Ellison have amounted

to only some 1,200 bales. Abilene will likely market between 2,500 and 3,000 bales, the yard officials believe.—Abilene Times.

COUPLE CAME HERE TO GET MARRIED

R. H. Holman, of East Texas, and Miss Minnie Holman, of Winters, were married in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed at the Eighth Street Presbyterian manse by Rev. J. H. King. The newly weds returned to Winters after the ceremony had been performed and later will go to their home.

Col. G. G. Odum is in the city from his ranch at Fort Chadbourne, coming in to spend a few days with relatives.

THE PRIVILEGE OF DOING AS YOU PLEASE.

It is reported that a citizen came to town one day last week on a supply purchasing trip and managed during his rounds to buy four sacks of sugar. At each store visited the man was refused more than one sack, so he conveniently forgot to tell the merchant that he had already purchased sugar, and thus managed to get a total of four sacks.

In ordinary times this would be all right and the provident act would be considered wise, but now when there is a shortage of sugar and Commissioner Hoover is pleading with the people everywhere to conserve the supply, no one should be so greedy as to try to gobble up the quantity that should go to his neighbor, or

some one else. Food Conservation is the demand of the hour and times—it is imperative. If the people do not cut out superfluous buying, the Government will limit the amount of foodstuff one can buy. Liberty of action and speech, the right to buy and waste, as you please, is not tolerable in a crisis. Cut all such out, before Uncle Sammie makes you do it.—Santa Anna News.

This man is in the same class as the lady of this city who refused to sign a food pledge card, saying "we have the money to pay for what we eat and are going to eat what we please." It is only a question of time until some people of this country are going to be deprived of the privilege of doing as they please.

1ST PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR ARRIVES

Rev. H. P. Bates, for some time pastor of the church at Spur, Texas, arrived here first of this week to take charge of the work for the Southern Presbyterian church at this place. Mrs. Bates will visit in Austin for a visit and will visit in Mississippi before joining her husband in Ballinger.

Rev. Bates visited Ballinger last month and preached for the local congregation, and was later extended a call to the pastorate. He accepted the call and becomes a citizen of this city.

The church people of Ballinger and the citizenship in general will

extend a welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Bates and wish for them a pleasant and successful stay here.

NOTICE.

Ladwig and Taylor, dealers in grain, hay, and feed stuffs of all kinds. Phone 63.

13 INDICTMENTS IN COLEMAN COUNTY

The Coleman county grand jury was in session three days and returned thirteen bills, ten of which were felony indictments. The grand jury reported that the law governing the posting of public roads was being carried out in some of the precincts while in others no signs had been placed along the road, and it was recommended that the proper authorities be forced to look after this.