

# THE BANNER-LEDGER

VOLUME 37.

BALLINGER, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 19, 1918

NUMBER 43

## THESE MEN WILL LEAVE ON MONDAY

The local board has issued calls drafting the following men into the United States army. The men have been notified to appear here at 10 a. m. Monday morning and at 7:50 Monday afternoon they will en train for Camp Travis. is the largest increment of men ever inducted into the army here at one time and sent to training camp, and it is expected that a large crowd will gather at the station to see them off and wish them God speed in their mission to overthrow Germanism in the world:

Steve Dyrant Fulton.  
William Thomas Stringer.  
Abraham Lincoln Dean.  
Clayborne W. Clayton.  
Charlie Alfred Harris.  
Henry Parks.  
Frank Johnson.  
Walter Matthews.  
Willie Y. Boatright.  
Oscar Monroe Bishop.  
Jewel Walter Heath.  
Ed Henecke.  
Olif Oma Sprinkle.  
James Melvin Caughron.  
James Alexander.  
Willie Washington Wheat.  
William Monroe Hord.  
Luther Gann.  
Neely Bagwell.  
Jack Harvey Cabanis.  
Joseph F. Machann.  
Albert Depost Fulton.  
Floyd Cummings.  
George Earl Lawhon.  
Richard Deering Coleman.  
Noel Jackson Whitney.  
Clarence Otman Sharpes.  
Gather Byers.  
Joe Henry Ash.  
George E. Snowden.  
Charles Wesley Ladwig.  
Allen Meek Lee.  
Walter Ashford Burns.  
Walter Perry Porch.  
Willie Bill Lewis.  
Oscar Perry Maynard.  
W. A. Hamilton.  
Walter Powell Kirby.  
Bertie Brazile Lockett.  
Jim J. Malone.  
Sterling Kesner Ballard.  
Homer Gannoway.  
Ernest Whitmore Jones.  
Albert H. Spreen.  
Jesse Joseph Straner.  
Benjamin Jones Williams.  
Herman Franke.  
Oran Holt Bell.  
Raymond E. Fisher.  
Walter Brown Caughron.  
Lawrence Erwin Lee.  
Charley Elbert Boyd.  
Edward A. Behne.  
Joseph Bert Hester.  
Oscar Nathaniel Miller.  
Clarence Arthur Reilly.  
Delma Mills.

# The American Boys Wipe Out Entire German Battalion

Davan Reynolds.  
Ambrose Lee White.  
William Carl Droll.  
Ton L. Machann.  
George Floyd England.  
William Benton Jackson.  
Edgar Walker.  
Herbert Fritz Straach.  
Ewald Christian Henniger.  
Claud Willis Mills.  
Jesse Earl Baker.  
James Edward Caudle.  
Willie Walter Bahlman.  
Henry L. Baker.  
Leonard William Henniger.  
Ralph Burns.  
A. J. Mills.  
J. Milton Clayton.  
Nathan Jefferson Allen.  
Thomas Gomez.  
Lionisio Castillo.  
Rumaldo Gemez.  
James Herman Korngay.  
Lee Alvis Rogers.  
Isaac Robert Malone.  
Odos Cornelius Price.  
Otto Peiser.

Otto Kinney (col) 23 1  
Fred August Prenzeng 24 1  
Felix Edgar Ballew 25 1  
Wendel Holmes Embry 26 1  
William Roy Adams 27 4  
Jack Doek Singletary 28 1  
Herbert E. Fuleher 29 4  
Otto S. Hambricht 31 1  
Oscar Louis Chapmund 32 1  
Luther Eric Harding 33 1  
L. LeRoy Underwood 34 1  
William A. Tindel 36 1  
Henry Graydon Kemp 40 1  
Jim Bob Evans 41 1  
Thomas Bennett Ray 42 1  
Joseph David Mueller 44 1  
Paul Haupt 46 1  
Jerry B. Patterson 48 2  
James Melvin Brandon 49 1  
Meade Wilson Mshan 50 2  
Dewitt Drake 52 1  
Richard Guy Pearce 53 1  
Thomas Wickliff Hord 54 1  
Homer Hopkins Porter 55 1  
Roy Evert Moore 57 1  
Wm. B. Worthington 58 1  
R. Van Buren Rogers 59 1  
Herman Dorner 60 1  
Julian Horace York 62 1  
Worth C. Moore 63 1  
James Melvin Tindel 64 1  
William D. Clendennen 66 1  
Berry Bee Thomas 68 1  
Guegermo Dela Cruz 69 2  
Henry Joseph Kasberg 70 1  
Clifton Phillip Smith 71 1  
George E. Wood 72 1  
Ted Porter Caudle 73 1  
James Albert Witt 74 1  
Arthur Lee Massey 75 1  
George C. Phillips 76 4  
Hobert M. Nieholson 77 1  
Luther Elmer Eason 78 1  
Paul D. Huffaker 79 1  
George Jerry Faubion 80 1  
James Alexander Burns 81 1  
Frank Roer Hoffman 82 1  
Garland O. McAuley 83 1  
William Percy Crim 84 4  
Floyd Allen Tutt 85 4  
Walter Harper Jackson 86 1  
William Carl Sheppard 87 1  
Ira Milford McNeill 88 1  
Frank D. Eckert 89 4  
George William Gall 90 1  
Tom Briant Lester 92 1  
Willie Oats Mathis 93 1  
Lillian Roy Bowen 94 1  
Benjamin F. Schneider 95 1  
Oyis Ransom Dabis 96 1  
Vidal G. Torraz 97 1  
Noel Welburn Knight 98 1  
Harold H. Henniger 99 1  
Edward H. Kunkel 100 1  
Braxton A. Meadows 101 1  
Herman Robert Herrin 102 1  
Jim Bolton Taylor 103 1  
Henry Harris Shafer 104 1  
Joe Pecheack 105 1  
Buford Smith 106 4  
William David Duke 108 1  
Joe Brosh 109 1  
Theo. W. B. Halfmann 110 1  
Edward D. Futeh 111 1  
Chas. Aubrey Smith 112 4  
Erhardt Zuehlke 114 1  
Malcom L. Layton 115 1  
Marshall Burtrant Lee 116 1  
Henry Green Bradley 117 4  
Edgar L. Rasbury 118 1  
Alfred Moore 120 1  
Robert Elgin Atwell 121 1  
Fred Jackson Caudle 122 1  
George Ernest Adams 123 1  
Tallis Jones 124 4  
James Harvey Shaw 125 1  
Lincoln M. Guin 126 1  
Walter Kirby Burks 127 1  
John S. Doritik 128 1  
Henry B. Childress 129 1  
Glen Henry Buford 130 1  
Emil W. Keifer 132 1  
James Raymond Stacy 133 1

## 92 NEW REGISTRANTS FALL IN CLASS ONE

Practically all the new registrants who registered on June 5th have been classified by the local board. Out of the 133 men becoming twenty-one since June 5, 1917, 94 of the number fall in class one, only four fall in class two, none in class three, fourteen in class four, and the remainder of the number have been disposed of otherwise, or are pending. Following are the classifications and order numbers showing the order in which the men will be called, no definite date for drafting them having yet been announced:

Order No.	Class	Name
1	1	Elzie Lee Marks
2	1	Rudolph Page
3	1	John Garrett Phillips
4	1	Edward Adolf Giesecke
5	2	John Herman Glenn
6	1	Elmer Louis Rogers
7	1	Vernon Webb
8	1	Clarence Paul Mosley
9	1	Joe Pete Englert
10	1	Walter J. Butts
11	1	Albert Halfmann
12	1	Elton Lois Crockett
13	1	Gerald Black
14	1	Lee Ransom Todd
15	1	William Arthur Dick
16	1	Henry Allen Tyler
17	1	Robert Earl Dorsett
18	1	Miles Dorsie Barron
19	1	John Ben Karnowski
20	1	
21	1	
22	4	

## 200 SOLDIERS TO BALLINGER

Capt. L. B. Stephens received a telegram Tuesday afternoon notifying him that his company of cavalry would be inspected next Monday morning at nine o'clock. Troop I of the Texas National Guard was organized here several weeks ago, but several men have been added to the company since it was organized, and numbers now about 120 men.

The company has been patiently waiting to be federalized, devoting much time to preliminary drill work, and we dare say there will be no better trained troop in Texas when the National Guards are federalized. The boys have been working both day and night and Sunday.

According to the telegram received Tuesday Col. Forsythe and Major Schramm will be here to inspect the local troop, and it is expected that within one week from date of inspection, or as soon as the inspectors authorize it, the local troop will be federalized and the boys ordered to some point on the border for actual service and training.

The inspecting of the National Guards here next Monday will make the day quite a patriotic one in Ballinger, as on this day eight men will en train for Camp Travis. The drafted men are scheduled to leave here at 7:50 in the afternoon and they will be mobilized here throughout the day preceeding entrainment.

## WOMAN TO SPEAK HERE FOR FERGUSON

Mrs. Hill DeWolfe will address the voters of Runnels county, Friday night at 8:30 p. m. July 19th, at the court house lawn, in the interest of the candidacy of James E. Ferguson for governor.

Mrs. DeWolfe is an eloquent and convincing speaker, and will entertain and instruct her hearers on the issue of the campaign.

A courteous invitation is extended everyone, ladies especially to attend this meeting and hear the truth. Facts will be discussed without prejudice, and without abuse.

Miss Mary Philips will introduce the speaker of the evening.

FERGUSON CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

Washington, July 17.—Gen. Pershing's report to the war department today says that the American troops fighting on the Marne on July 15th, completely annihilated one entire German battalion, killing wounding or capturing every man in the battalion. The slaughter resulted from a counter attack made by the Americans, which General Pershing says was a 'complete success.'

## ADDRESS IN GERMAN FOR JIM FERGUSON

Dallas, Texas, July 16.—Further evidence of the activity of the outlawed German-American Alliance in behalf of James E. Ferguson, candidate for governor, has been discovered. According to investigators, it is a fact that Robert L. Soergle, of Cincinnati, accredited representative of the Alliance, has made speeches in Texas in German in behalf of James E. Ferguson.

## AN OLD TEXAS NEWSPAPER.

Prof. S. H. Shook handed the Reporter man an ancient copy of a Texas newspaper which is the property of E. C. Corning, residing in the Hylton community. This paper which Mr. Corning has in his possession is a copy of the 'Galveston Tri-Weekly news' under date of Feb. 24, 1864. The paper has doubtless been preserved because the Civil War was in progress at that time and relatives of the soldiers wished to keep it because of reference made to some of the battles and other incidents of the conflict between the states.

## ALL REGISTRANTS PHYSICALLY FIT

The local medical board was kept busy Tuesday passing on the physical condition of registrants who registered on the 5th of June. Up to noon fifty men had been examined and only one turned down, and one accepted for limited service. The remainder of the fifty men having been pronounced physically fit for army service.

The work continued throughout the afternoon, and it is expected that the entire list of young men who registered will be found fit for service, as they are a fine bunch of young men, all of whom have become twenty-one within the last year.

These men have been classified, practically all of them being placed in class one, and as soon as they have been physically examined they will be subject to call for service, and many of them will no doubt be sent to training camps within the next thirty or sixty days, as the class one in the first registration has been exhausted.

We note in one place that the editor refers to the 'early drouth' so we may know that drouths are not new in the Lone Star State. Mention is also made of Gen. Tom Green having been in the city of Galveston only a few days previous to the date of the publication and it seems that he was thronged with friends all the while he was there. There is also a communication from Mrs. Gen. Houston in which she is resenting a news item which had been published in the Houston Telegraph regarding her son being captured by the enemy.

Many other items of interest could be found in the then small sheet but which has grown with the state and has become one of the South's leading dailies.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Mr. Soergle's name was mentioned in the testimony before the United States Senate committee which investigated the Alliance before its charter was cancelled by Congress, as the man who was "sent to Texas," following a disclosure of political activity by the Alliance through the evidence of Jos. Keller of Indianapolis, and Percy Andrae, who had charge of the fund by the German brewers in the interest of "certain particular candidates."

Since the evidence in the Senate hearing became available for use in Texas, some efforts have been made to ascertain just when and where Mr. Soergle operated. Accordingly a loyal resident of Seguin called attention to the fact that among other places, Mr. Soergle spoke at that point for James E. Ferguson, speaking in German. The date of this address was July 14, 1914, at Seguin. A report of the meeting and the speaking was contained in a special to the Galveston News, and printed in its issue of July 17, 1914. The special read:

"Seguin, Texas, July 14, 1914—At a big mass meeting here today, H. W. Ward of San Antonio spoke in English in behalf of the candidacy of James E. Ferguson, and Robert L. Soergle, of Cincinnati, representative of the National German-American Alliance, spoke in German."

## HOBBY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

W. L. Williams and A. D. Taylor, of the Norton country, were in Ballinger Wednesday, and we learned Mr. Taylor had sold his farm near Norton and will soon move with his family to Arkansas to make their future home.

G. F. Crimm, of the Valley Creek country, F. W. and W. W. Wilde and G. H. Dierseke, of the Offenberg country, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Halfmann and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Halfmann, of the Offenberg country were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

## Careful Financing

The safe way to save money is to bank it.  
The efficient way to spend money is through the medium of a checking account.  
The checking account guarantees safety for funds of income and outgo, and a legal receipt for every expenditure.  
This institution welcomes checking accounts.

## The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas  
Capital, Surplus and Profits.....\$100,000.00

"Guaranty Fund Bank"

## HOLDING THE ENEMY AT ALL TIMES

Paris, July 17.—4 p. m.—The situation in the Campaigne sector is authoritatively pronounced "excellent" at mid-afternoon today. The enemy is being generally held everywhere. More fighting is hourly expected, but the general impression prevails that the German efforts won't continue very long.

## SIX CASES OF SMALL POX REPORTED.

County Health Officer, Dr. F. M. Hale reports six cases of small pox in the S. V. Roberts family near Truitt. Dr. Hale was called out to Truitt Tuesday afternoon and placed the family under quarantine.

**Five Good Second-Hand Cars to Trade for Liberty Bonds or War Savings Stamps.**

Will trade Chevrolet 2-passenger or Overland 2-passenger and cash difference for 5-passenger Ford.

We rent Storage Batteries.  
We repair Storage Batteries.  
We have a Battery man that knows his business.  
Complete stock of Supplies.

**Ballinger Auto Company**  
PHONE 505. Opposite Court House Lawn



## I am Sincere! Stop Calomel! I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Listen to me! Calomel sickens and you may lose a day's work. If bilious, constipated or headachy read my guarantee.

Every druggist in town—your druggist and everybody's druggist has noticed a great falling-off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place.

"Calomel is dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tone is perfectly safe and gives better results," said a prominent local druggist. Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by every druggist who sells it. A large bottle

costs but a few cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of liver sluggishness and constipation, you have only to ask for your money back.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant-tasting, purely vegetable remedy, harmless to both children and adults. Take a spoonful at night and wake up feeling fine; no biliousness, sick headache, acid stomach or constipated bowels. It doesn't gripe all the next day like violent calomel.

### Consider the Future

It has always been the part of better wisdom to save, but TODAY, SAVING serves a double purpose. Our government needs MONEY to carry on the abnormal demand of a destructive war and it is inviting you to do your part by offering investments never heretofore obtainable for small sums. The interest rate is as good as the best class of securities used to bring. Our facilities for providing Thrift & War Savings Stamps are at your disposal.

Farmers and Merchants State Bank

### BALLINGER GIRL WEDS ARMY OFFICER.

A happy culmination to a courtship extending over a couple of years was the marriage of Miss Eleanor Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. B. Hamilton, to Lieut. Thomas P. Hightower, at the First Presbyterian church at three o'clock p. m. July 10th.

In deference to the groom's service in the U. S. army, the church was beautifully decorated with flags banked in fern.

Master Wade Guion, Roy Mack, Morris Nicholson and John Arch Stephens acted as ushers and in their Boy Scout suits gave a military air to the occasion.

Mrs. D. R. Wilson, of Cameron, sister of the bride, was matron of honor and was handsomely gowned in green Messaline with an arm bouquet of daisies.

Miss Sadie Hamilton, a younger sister, was bride's maid and her youthful loveliness was enhanced by a white Georgette crepe with green trimmings and picture hat, and she carried daisies.

Master Newby Simpson was a soldier in miniature in his khaki suit as he brought in the ring on two small flags.

The groom looked every inch a soldier in his handsome uniform, attended by his best man, Mr. D. R. Wilson, of Cameron.

A program of wedding music was rendered by Miss Maggie Underwood, accompanied by Collins Bradt on the violin, who also played the wedding march, to the strains of which the bride entered on the arm of her father. Just in front of her walked little Hilda Gardner, dressed in dainty white Organdy, strewing flower petals in her path.

The bride never looked prettier than in her bridal dress of crystal beaded white Georgette crepe over satin. The long tulle veil was caught to her hair by a chaplet of orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and ferns.

The ceremony was particularly impressive as it was performed by the groom's father, Rev. A. P. Hightower, of Cranton, Texas, assisted by Rev. H. P. Bates.

Immediately following the ceremony the wedding party and most intimate friends of the family repaired to the Hamilton home where congratulations and good wishes were extended the happy couple. A dainty salad course was served, and when the bride had exchanged her wedding robe for a handsome going away suit of blue and grey Taffeta silk with a beaming hat and veil, all attended them to the train and amid

showers of rice they left for San Antonio where the groom is training a squad of men at Camp Travis.

Miss Eleanor Hamilton has been in Ballinger for years and was a popular teacher in the city schools. Her friends are numbered by her acquaintances.

Mr. Hightower, in civilian life, was a pharmacist in Houston. He received his commission at the first officers training camp at Leon Springs.

### THE NAVY WANTS YOUR BOYS PICTURE

Through the Bureau of Navigation the Navy Department is now collecting photographs of all men of the service who have lost their lives in service against the enemy. To perpetuate the memory of these men who have made the sacrifice their pictures are to be preserved in the various training stations of the country. Secretary Daniels has requested that these photographs be sent to the Department by the next of kin.

As rapidly as these pictures are received copies are made and the originals returned to the owners. A photograph of each man is then forwarded to the training station where he began his career in the service. There, a memorial gallery of honor or a hero's corner is formed so that for all time the faces of the men of the Navy who have made the supreme sacrifice may be honored by the youths of the future sent to the station for training.

Relatives of men who have been lost in the present war who have not received requests for pictures are asked to mail them to the Department for this memorial. All pictures should be securely wrapped after they have been marked with the name, branch of service and training station the young man entered after enlistment. These should be addressed to the Recruiting Division, Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C. When copied, the photograph will be returned to the sender with one of the copies.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Laika, of the Pony Creek country, motored over to the city Thursday afternoon to do some shopping a few hours.

Jeff Brooks and Mrs. Lewin, of Miles came in Friday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Wright, mother of Mrs. T. J. Stocks, Sr. Miss Hollis Kendall, of the Valley Creek country, passed through Ballinger Friday en route to San Angelo to visit friends a few days.

Charlie Grant, of Winters passed through Ballinger Thursday en route home from San Angelo where he had been attending federal court.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oliver, of the Hateloh country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

P. T. Calloway, manager of the Ballinger Compress, left Thursday afternoon for Temple on a short business trip.

## USING GERMAN TROOPS TO PUT DOWN REVOLUTION

### CUT DOWN TO FIT THE JOB.

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 10.—Alexander D. Dunsmore, a nephew of Secretary of Labor Wilson, could not add one cubit to his stature but he did reduce his height one-half inch and thereby lowered bars that had kept him out of the Marine Corps.

Dunsmore, whose home is at Curwensville, Pa., applied here for enlistment two months ago. He was told that he was a half-inch over the height limit. Recently he returned and passed.

To the "how-did-you-do it" inquirers he explained that a surgeon had "slipped" his arches the half inch. He narrowly missed a new danger, that of flat feet by the operation.

### NEW SUPPLY FLOUR AND MEAL GOING

A car load of new flour and meal is due to arrive here the last of this week or the first of next. W. A. Francis, local manager for Walker Smith, announces that the car of new bread stuff is on the road, and will be distributed among local retailers as soon as it arrives.

The wheatless meals came pretty hard when inferior grade of corn meal is dished out to the consumers, and the meal being sold by some of the local dealers recently is not what it should be. The announcement that a new supply is coming will be good news to many corn bread boarders.

The rule of six pounds of flour for each member of the family will be enforced, and the new supply will be sufficient to fill all orders for some time.

### GIRLS! IT'S YOUR STEP THAT ATTRACTS! Says Women Pay Too Much Heat to Their Corns.

Watch your step! A brisk, lively step is what charms more than a lovely skin, but your high heels have caused corns and you limp a little. That's bad, girls, and you know it. Corns destroy beauty and grace, besides corns are very easy to remove.

Rid your feet of every corn by asking at any drug store for a quarter of an ounce of Freezone. This will cost little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet.

A few drops applied directly up on a tender, touchy corn relieves the soreness and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out without pain.

This Freezone is a gummy substance which dries instantly and simply shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding skin.

Women must keep in mind that cornless feet create a youthful step which enhances her attractiveness.

C. G. Davis and Clarence Allen, of the Winters country, were among the number here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Wright at the City cemetery Friday morning.

### This is Better Than Laxatives

One NR Tablet Each Night For A Week Will Correct Your Constipation and Make Constant Bowing Unnecessary. Try It.

Poor digestion and assimilation mean a poorly nourished body and low vitality. Poor assimilation means clogged bowels, fermentation, putrefaction and the formation of poisonous gases which are absorbed by the blood and carried through the body.

The result is weakness, headaches, dizziness, coated tongue, inactive liver, bilious attacks, loss of energy, nervousness, poor appetite, impoverished blood, sallow complexion, pimples, skin disease, and often times serious illness.

Ordinary laxatives, purges and cathartics—soda, oil, calomel and the like—may relieve for a few hours, but real, lasting benefit can only come through use of medicine that tones up and strengthens the digestive as well as the eliminative organs. Get a 25c box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and take one tablet each night for a week. Relief will follow the very first dose, but a few days will elapse before you feel and realize the fullest benefit. When you get straightened out and feel just right again you need not take medicine every day—an occasional NR Tablet will then keep your system in good condition and you will always feel your best. Remember, keeping well is easier and cheaper than getting well. Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) are sold, guaranteed and recommended by your druggist.

Stockholm, July 11.—Ukraine is in the grasp of a country wide revolution, according to dispatches received here from reliable sources. The Germans are pouring reinforcements into the revolting country, the German strength now total thirty-five divisions in that country.

This revolution in Ukraine, together with the increasing power of the Czechoslovak in the east is necessitating a division of the German forces on the front and is believed to be responsible for the delay in the resumption of the Western offensive.

### SIX GERMANS ASK FOR CITIZENSHIP

San Angelo, July 10.—Five residents of Rannels county and a Concho county farmer appeared in federal court in San Angelo Monday and declared their intentions of becoming citizens of the United States. The majority explained that they were of the opinion that they could not file their first papers until a regular session of federal court.

This is erroneous, says Jesse T. Couch, deputy federal clerk. Declarations of intentions to become an American citizen can be filed at any time. All the applicants Monday were born in Germany, and owing to the fact that citizenship cannot be granted by the United States to the subject of a power with which it is at war they will not become full pledged citizens until after peace is concluded.

Rudolph Henry Haupt, aged thirty-four, was the first applicant Monday. His address is R. F. D. No. 5, Winters, Rannels county. He was born in Germany on March 26, 1884, and immigrated to America in 1887, arriving at Galveston on May 15 of that year.

Herman Wisenpape, who lives twelve miles south of Ballinger, certified that he was fifty-one years old, having been born on February 8, 1867, in Westphalia, Germany. He sailed from Bremen to Galveston in 1870, landing in Texas on December 5.

Ben Schroeder, of Route A, Box 138, Miles, Rannels county, in his petition stated that his age was forty-eight, his birthday having been December 19, 1869. Schroeder is a native of Saxony, Germany. He came to the United States when seven years of age, arriving at New York from Bremen on the steamship Eider on September 14, 1887.

Carl Haverland lived in America forty-seven years before declaring his intention of becoming a citizen. He is now sixty-four years old and resides at Lowlake in Concho county. He was born in the province of Saxony, in Germany, on May 23, 1854, and sailed from Hamburg to Galveston on the steamship Armonce. The date of his arrival was January 4, 1871.

Born in Beckhausen, Germany, on May 21, 1852, Elert Muller, aged sixty-four, of Miles came to the United States in 1867. He crossed the Atlantic from Bremen to Galveston on the Diane, arriving on November 17, 1867.

William Zuehlke stated in his petition that he was fifty-two years old and a native of West Prussia, Germany, where he was born on December 19, 1865. He emigrated from Hamburg on the Raetzka in May 1879, landing at the port of New York on the tenth of that month. He now lives in Rannels county.

All the applicants renounced their allegiances to William the Second, German emperor. All are farmers.

O. H. Dillingham, one of the prominent business men of Winters, was greeting friends and transacting business in Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oliver, of the Hateloh country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

P. T. Calloway, manager of the Ballinger Compress, left Thursday afternoon for Temple on a short business trip.

## BALLINGER WOMEN INTRODUCE FERGUSON

When Jim Ferguson appeared before an audience at Brownwood Tuesday night, he was introduced by Miss Mary Phillips, district clerk of Rannels county. Miss Phillips has been in Brownwood for the past three or four months, having left her office here in charge of a deputy and accepted employment in Brownwood.

In giving an account of the Ferguson plea for "vindication," the Brownwood Bulletin says:

"The preliminary ceremonies occurred on the business streets of the city, where a number of free-for-all fights took place. Some of these fights were more or less sanguinary but there were no casualties. The speech-making began with an address by J. Jett Green, who introduced Miss Mary Phillips. She delivered a twenty-minute address eulogizing Ferguson and denouncing his political enemies, after which Ferguson began his address."

In his opening remarks he made support of the women voters living outside the towns. He told them that he had always favored letting the women vote if they wanted to, but said nothing about the fight he made against the whole democratic party in the St. Louis convention to keep a suffrage plank out of the party's platform. Some of his audience shouted with glee when he declared that the town women had rather nurse poodle dogs than babies. "Hit 'em again" shouted his admirers when this statement was made.

Taking up some of the charges against him, Ferguson discussed his financial transactions while governor. He said it was positively cruel for his enemies to charge that he had used the state's credit to borrow money for his personal account, declaring that he had used his personal credit to borrow money for the state. He told how he had borrowed a total of \$320,000 for the penitentiary system at a time when there was "not enough bacon in the smoke house to feed the convicts for ten days," and when the credit of the penitentiary system was all gone. He went to the banks, he said, and borrowed the money because the bankers knew James E. Ferguson would see that it was paid. He did not tell the audience that the bankers who loaned the money have sworn that they loaned it to the state of Texas, and that the solvency of James E. Ferguson had nothing to do with the transaction.

**That \$156,500 Loan.**

Perhaps the most interesting portion of his address was his detailed explanation of that mysterious \$156,500 loan which has been causing him trouble ever since he admitted that he got it. He not only proved himself one of the "best sellers" in the matter of

disposing of his official influence while in office, but proved that had he devoted his time to the production of fiction instead of politics he might have become one of the "best sellers" in that line, too.

"He told how his personal business affairs had been investigated by the band of "crooks and grafters" at Austin. He explained that he had been compelled to tell how much he owed, and how much property he had. "They even went to my farm and counted the calves and pigs," he said. Then the "crooks and grafters" composing the 'kangaroo legislature' investigated his wife's property holdings and then investigated the business of his bankers, and of everybody else with whom he had had business dealings. Shortly afterward his obligations became due, and he was forced to borrow some money. Every banker to whom he went declined to loan him money, "because they did not want that bunch of besotted gamblers, libertines and drunkards investigating all their business affairs."

"Finally, as a last resort, he went to two friends who had a friend who had plenty of money. He explained that these friends demurred, because they, too, did not want their private affairs investigated. He then suggested that they get the money and deliver it to him privately and in currency, so that nobody would know where the money came from; and he promised them that he would never, no, never, tell where he got it.

"Now under the circumstances, do you think I ought to tell where I got it?" he asked. And there was a prompt chorus of "No" from the faithful. So he didn't tell.

"He denied vehemently that he got the money from the German Kaiser or from German sources, and offered to give the Red Cross \$500 if Hobby and his crowd would prove that he did get it from the Kaiser. "They can't connect that loan with any official act of my administration," he said in concluding his discussion of the loan; and at last a part of his audience agreed with him that nothing he had ever done had been worth \$156,500 to anybody.

"You can see how crooked they are. They say Ferguson was indicted, but so was Jesus Christ; and the cases were thrown out of court by the judge who held that an indictment could not be written against the governor of Texas charging misplacement of funds."

"His address was closed by the prediction that he would receive the votes of 200,000 women and 300,000 men in Texas, would be governor three times and live in Texas the rest of his life a peaceable and happy citizen."

## CASTORIA

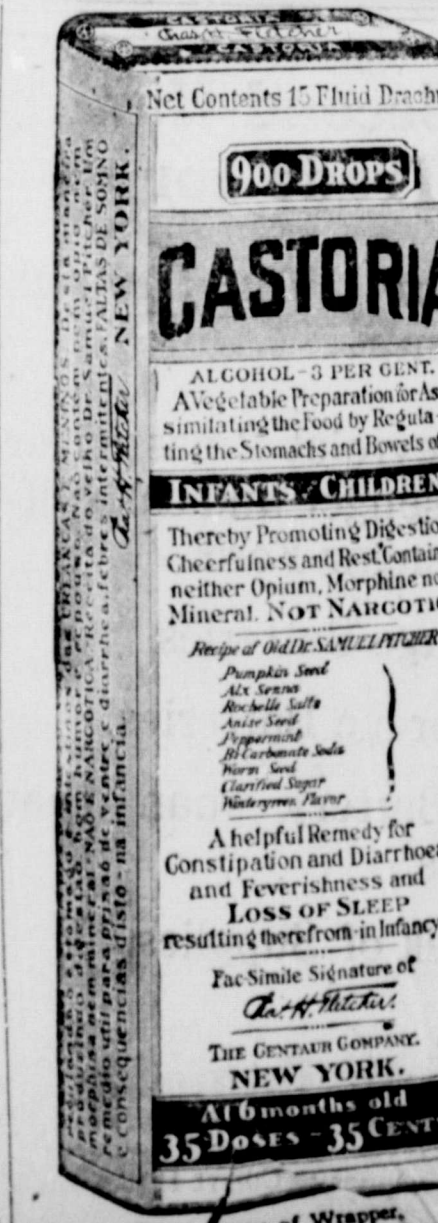
For Infants and Children. Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria

Always Bears the Signature of

of *Dr. J. C. Hathcock*

In Use For Over Thirty Years

CASTORIA



**"NEVER-TEL"**  
Better than advertised  
Darken Your  
**Gray Hair**  
With Never-Tel  
the world's cleanest, safest, most satisfactory hair restorative. Not a dye, not sticky, and positively will not stain the most delicate skin. No extreme to buy, no muss, no red-dish tints to annoy. Put on in delicately perfumed Tablets.  
Easily dissolved in a little water as used. At all druggists or sent direct in plain wrapper.  
NEVER-TEL LABORATORIES CO.  
Box 570, Kansas City, Mo.

**Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic**  
destroys the malarial germs which are transmitted to the blood by the Malaria Mosquito. Price 60c.



## Bilious? Take NR Tonight

Nature's Remedy is Better and Safer Than Calomel. Cleans Out System Without Gripping. Stops Sick Headaches. Guaranteed.

Bilious attacks, constipation, sick headaches, etc., are in the great majority of cases due to digestive trouble and no reasonable person can expect to obtain real or lasting benefit until the cause is corrected.

Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) is a vegetable compound that acts on the stomach, liver, bowels and kidneys, the purpose being to bring about healthy and harmonious action of all the organs of digestion and elimination. It acts promptly and thoroughly, yet so mildly and gently that there is never the slightest gripping or discomfort.

But that is not all. Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) have a beneficial effect upon the entire body. By improving the process of digestion and assimilation, the nourishment is derived from food, the blood quality is enriched, vitality is increased and the whole system strengthened.

Once you get your body in this splendid condition, you need not take medicine every day—just take an NR Tablet occasionally when indigestion, biliousness and constipation threaten, and you can always feel your best. Remember keeping well is easier and cheaper than getting sick.

Get a 25c box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and try it. It is sold, guaranteed and recommended by your druggist.

WEEKS DRUG STORE  
Ballinger, Texas

**Nature's Remedy**  
DR TABLETS  
Better than Pills GET A  
For Liver Ills. 25c Box

## MUST PAY TAX COLLECTOR AUTO TAX

County tax collectors since June 26 have had charge of the collection of automobile license fees, according to E. B. Kelso, traveling representative of the state highway department, who is in the city in connection with the work of his department. Remittances for automobile licenses are still being made to Austin, Mr. Kelso said, and as the highway department now has no authority or facilities for handling them they are having to be returned to the tax collectors of the counties that they came from.

The law under which the county collectors handle the automobile license business was passed at the last special session of the legislature and become effective ninety days after adjournment, along with the state-wide prohibition law and the bulk of the session's enactments.

Automobiles that are still running with red seals are running in violation of the law, Mr. Kelso says. Red seals are evidence of the payment of 1917 fees, which extended merely up to December 31 last, and a car that has no white and blue seal is more than six months in arrears. To operate a car without the payment of the state license tax renders the offender subject to a fine from \$10 to \$25.

**Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic**  
restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

### A CROOKED TRAIL

New York, July 12.—Millions of dollars used in spreading German propaganda in this country came from the sale of German war bonds in America. Officials investigating the matter find the trail of German propagandist is long and unexplored as yet. The money used to buy the New York Mail was only a small part of that which was used to influence the public opinion for Germany during the early stages of the war. Evidence so far gathered indicates that large sums were also sent to South America for use in spreading propaganda.

### GIRLS! WHITEN SKIN WITH LEMON JUICE

Make a Lotion for a few cents to remove tan, freckles, sallowness. Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply you with three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Squeeze the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle, then put in orchard white and shake well. This makes a quarter pint of the very best lemon skin whiter and complexion beautifier known. Massage this fragrant, creamy lotion daily into the face, neck, arms and hands and just see how freckles, tan, sallowness, redness and roughness disappear and how smooth, soft and clear the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless, and the beautiful results will surprise you.

## TAKING OF TESTIMONY IN CRIMINAL CASES.

House Joint Resolution No. 2. To amend Section 10, Article 1, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for certain rights of accused persons in criminal prosecutions, and the manner in which the case may be prosecuted, and providing for the procuring of the testimony of the witnesses for both defense and prosecution.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section (10) of Article (1) of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended that the same will read and hereafter be as follows:

Sec. (10). In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall have a speedy public trial by an impartial jury. He shall have the right to demand the nature and cause of the accusation against him, and to have a copy thereof. He shall not be compelled to give evidence against himself and shall have the right of being heard by himself or counsel, or both, shall be confronted by the witnesses against him and shall have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, except that when the witness resides out of the State and the offense charged is a violation of any of the anti-trust laws of this state, the defendant and the State shall have the right to produce and have the evidence admitted by deposition, under such rules and laws as the Legislature may hereafter provide; and no person shall be held to answer for a criminal offense, unless on an indictment of a grand jury, except in cases in which the punishment is by fine or imprisonment, otherwise than the penitentiary, in cases of impeachment and in cases arising in the army and navy, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of his amendment to the qualified voters of this State at the next general election for State and county officers.

Sec. 3. The qualified electors for members of the Legislature shall vote upon said amendment at the said general election and at which election all persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot the following: "For amendment to Section 10, Article 1 of the Constitution, providing for prosecution of criminal cases by information, or indictment, and taking of testimony of witnesses by deposition, under certain circumstances," and those opposed to such amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot as follows: "Against the amendment to Section 10, Article 1 of the Constitution."

Sec. 4. The sum of five thousand and (\$5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any fund of the state Treasury of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expense of publishing proclamation, and election.

(Note.—H. J. R. No. 2 passed the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas, 123, nays, 4; and passed the Senate with amendments, by a two-thirds vote, yeas, 21, nays 4; and the House concurred in the Senate amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 123, nays 0.)

Approved March 10, 1917.  
(A TRUE COPY.)

C. D. MIMS,  
Acting Secretary of State,  
12-w4t. 2657-618-400

### SPECIAL TAX FOR MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND FURNISHING FREE TEXT BOOKS

House Joint Resolution No. 27. Proposing an amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by changing Sec. 3, providing for a thirty-five cent tax levy for the maintenance of the public schools of Texas, and providing an appropriation therefor.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution, be so changed as to read as follows (creating a new section 3):

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of one (\$1.00) dollar on every male inhabitant of this State, between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools; and, in addition thereto, there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount not to exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollar valuation,

as, with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to set aside a sufficient amount out of the said tax to provide free text books for the use of children attending the public free schools of this State; provided, however, that should the limit of taxation herein named be insufficient, the deficit may be met by appropriation from the general funds of the State, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation; and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts, and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed or hereinafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided that a majority of the qualified property tax-paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1918, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for the levy of a special school tax for the maintenance of the schools of the State and to provide free text books in the public schools of the State of Texas," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas providing for the levy of a special school tax for the maintenance of the public schools of the State, and to provide free text books in the public schools of the State of Texas."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expense of such publication and election.

(Note.—H. J. R. No. 27 passed the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas 108, nays 22; and passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 23, nays 4.)

Approved March 19, 1917.  
(A TRUE COPY.)

C. D. MIMS,  
Acting Secretary of State,  
12-w4t. 2657-618-400

Mrs. Horace McKinley and two children, who had been visiting in Ballinger and Miles, left Thursday afternoon for Clarendon, Texas, to spend a while with her mother, while Horace is serving in the U. S. army in France.

W. S. Davis and two sons, W. J. and Pete Davis, of the Winters country, Lee Evans, of the Pony Creek country and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Robson and Mrs. Mary Spreen, of the Benoit country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Manning, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to Madison county to visit relatives and friends a few weeks.

W. T. Little, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

## Draft Board Gets Orders to Ship 80 Men On July 22

The largest single order for men received by the local board since the selective draft law went into effect, reached the hands of the board Thursday noon. The order calls for 80 white men to entrain here on July 22nd.

Several days ago it was announced in quota allotments made that this county would be expected to furnish 42 men on July 22, but not until Thursday did the board receive official notice that this number had been increased to 80.

The men will be called to mobilize here on the afternoon of July 31st and will entrain at 7:40 on the evening of July 22nd, which is Monday week. The board is working over time in issuing the call, making out a list of those to be drafted at this time, and this list will be published at an early date.

When asked "where are you going to get the men?" W. E. Barber, of the draft board, said, "we have plenty men." However, it is expected that this will exhaust class one.

## Draft Register Kills State Rangers in San Augustine

Austin, July 13.—State rangers are being rushed to San Augustine county to aid in the capture of draft registers. General Harley ordered the rangers to hasten to the scene of trouble.

The deserters yesterday shot and killed Ranger White and seriously wounded Ranger Rowe in San Augustine county. The rangers sent from here this morning will not reach their destination until this afternoon, when it is expected that a clash with the outlaws will follow.

General Harley had received no further official report of the trouble at a late hour today.

TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH RAINFALL.

We are in receipt of a letter from Hermann Clemens, written at Newport Road, Cambridge, Mass., in which Mr. Clemens says:

"Will you please forward the weekly Banner-Ledger to me here, until further notice, as we are spending a few months in the east with our son, who is training for the navy.

"Without the Banner-Ledger I can not keep up with the events, and rainfall in the Ballinger country. Hoping that the bumper crop will be made this year, I remain with best wishes."

George Speer and Ed Chapman, of Winters and L. M. Williams, of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

J. W. Bigby, of the Pony Creek country shipped out Tuesday a carload of cattle to Glascock county where he will place them on pasture.

Mrs. J. G. Douglass and son Sidney, left Thursday morning for Cleburne to visit relatives. They accompanied Joe B. Johnson as far as Fort Worth in his auto, Joe B. being en route to Bonham after a visit to his mother here.

Samuel Sherwood Cochran, son of M. Z. Cochran, aged 17 years, 5 months and 11 days, died at the home, 700 Eleventh street Saturday morning, after an illness of several months with tuberculosis. The funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon and the remains shipped on the afternoon train to Terrell for burial. Rev. J. H. King conducted the funeral services.

Mr. Cochran was at one time a well to do farmer in Kaufman county, with a happy family of five children. Bad health overtook his family, and he traveled over the country in search of a climate that would restore them to health. Four of the children have died from that dreaded disease.

The family came to Ballinger some time ago, and were living here with the hopes that this climate would prove a benefit to their son who has just died.

The question raised in some counties as to the legality of the registrations where the women did not fill out their own blanks does not in any way effect this county. Tax Collector Chastain states that practically all the women who registered in this county filled out their own blanks.

However, this does not disturb the women who did not fill out their own blanks, but permitted the collector to fill out the blanks for them, and as the matter now stands there is nothing certain about the right to vote without having registered being questioned.

The attorney general only advised registering that the women might be safe in not losing their suffrage in case the court should hold that the law required them to register before they could vote. The election managers will be instructed to allow all women to vote where they are citizens and meet the other requirements of the law, regardless of whether they registered or not, in cities of less than ten thousand population. If the defeated candidates are not satisfied with the results, they will have no recourse in the courts of the land.

\*\*\*\*\*  
\* POLITICAL \*  
\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*  
\*\*\*\*\*

The Banner-Ledger is authorized to announce the following candidates for offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1918:

For Sheriff:  
J. D. PERKINS.  
For Treasurer:  
W. L. BROWN.  
For Assessor:  
J. N. KEY.  
JACK N. McKAY.  
J. R. HOLLOWAY.  
For Commissioner No. 4:  
I. A. CURRY.  
J. E. TIDWELL.  
For Tax Collector:  
M. D. CHASTAIN.  
For County Superintendent:  
JOHN J. BUGG.  
S. L. BIRD.  
For Representative 111 District:  
C. R. STEPHENS.  
For County Clerk:  
C. W. McCARVER.  
For Commissioner No. 3:  
J. D. SMITH.  
For District Clerk:  
C. C. COCKRELL.  
MRS. L. H. BACON.  
For Commissioner No. 1:  
J. R. HARRIS.  
R. P. KIRK.

\*\*\*\*\*

For Spring Building

It's time to think about starting the new and repairing the old. We have a fine stock of sheeting, siding, bill stuff, shingles, sash, doors, lime and cement, waiting your needs. Let us figure your lumber estimates and show you where we can save you money.

**Ballinger Lumber Company**

\*\*\*\*\*

Modern Banking

Facilities are keeping pace with the progress of civilization, and the needs of all political conditions. Every self-respecting citizen owes it to himself, to have a banking connection. Now, as members of the

**Federal Reserve System and also operating under the State Guaranty Fund**

we offer you every convenience known to Modern Banking. Buy War Savings Stamps.

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION  
**The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.**  
STRENGTH SERVICE

## WEAK KIDNEYS MAKE WEAK BODIES

Kidney Diseases Cause Many Aches and Ills of Ballinger People.

As one weak link weakens a chain, so may weak kidneys weaken the whole body and hasten the final breaking-down.

Overwork, strains, colds and other causes injure the kidneys, and generally when their activity is lessened the whole body suffers.

Aches and pains and languor and urinary ills frequently come, and there is an ever-increasing tendency towards dropsy, gravel or fatal Bright's disease. When the kidneys fail there is no real help for the sufferer except kidney help.

Doan's Kidney Pills act directly on the kidneys. This Ballinger testimony is proof of their effectiveness.

Mrs. E. E. Street, 704-11th St., says: "I suffered a lot from my back and had dull pains through my loins. I had severe headaches and dizzy spells, too, and my kidneys acted too frequently. Doan's Kidney Pills soon put my kidneys in good order and strengthened my back."

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

F. G. Hoelscher, the Olfin merchant, was shopping in Ballinger Friday.

**RUNNELS CO. WOMEN COMPLY WITH LAW**

Up to two o'clock Friday afternoon 1,363 women had registered in this county. It is hardly probable that this number will be increased to 1,400, the collector estimating the total registrations will figure around 1,375.

The question raised in some counties as to the legality of the registrations where the women did not fill out their own blanks does not in any way effect this county. Tax Collector Chastain states that practically all the women who registered in this county filled out their own blanks.

However, this does not disturb the women who did not fill out their own blanks, but permitted the collector to fill out the blanks for them, and as the matter now stands there is nothing certain about the right to vote without having registered being questioned.

The attorney general only advised registering that the women might be safe in not losing their suffrage in case the court should hold that the law required them to register before they could vote. The election managers will be instructed to allow all women to vote where they are citizens and meet the other requirements of the law, regardless of whether they registered or not, in cities of less than ten thousand population. If the defeated candidates are not satisfied with the results, they will have no recourse in the courts of the land.

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*\*



# THE BANNER-LEDGER

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY  
THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY  
The Banner-Ledger and the  
Runnels County Ledger were con-  
nected January 28, 1913.

Subscription Rates  
Year \$1.50  
Six Months .75  
Three Months .40

Texas voters will pledge them-  
selves on July 27th not to use  
"Made in Germany politics."

The biggest economic waste in  
Ballinger is the bad streets. When  
the people adopted the commis-  
sion form of government they did  
not intend that all street improve-  
ment or upkeep should stop.

The precinct chairman should  
see to it that precinct conventions  
are held and delegates elected to  
the county convention on July 27th.  
The county convention will be  
held on August 3rd to elect dele-  
gates to the state convention.

The mobilization of eighty draf-  
ted men here next Monday and  
the mobilization of the National  
Guard for inspection on the same  
day, will give Ballinger a patriotic  
air. The draft is the largest ever  
called and relatives and friends  
will be here to say good bye to  
the boys.

Ferguson forces are mad and  
excited because the women are go-  
ing to vote, and are putting out  
false rumors and concocting  
schemes to knock the women vote.  
There is a reason. The women are  
for clean politics and good gov-  
ernment. The sentiment of Tex-  
as is for woman suffrage and this  
sentiment is going to rule on July  
27th, despite the schemes and at-  
tempts to confuse the women and  
prevent them from participating  
in the primary.

People of this country are to be  
congratulated for their confidence  
in this country and their 'stick-  
ability' in the face of what seems  
to be almost calamity. Notwith-  
standing that the crop last year  
was one of the shortest in the his-  
tory of the country, and notwith-  
standing the complete failure this  
year, the people are still hopeful  
of rain in time to plant fall crops,  
and many are hanging on to their  
holdings with a bull dog tenacity.  
It is just such people who make  
for success and make possible the  
development of a country to the  
full extent of its full resources.  
It is no time to quit the ship  
when the storm is about over.

## GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER CONTROL

The government's war indus-  
tries board has issued an order  
to all publishers, and that order  
is brief and to the point. It says  
"you must reduce the consump-  
tion of newsprint paper, and all  
free copies must be discontinued."

The old rule of one publisher  
exchanging papers with another  
publisher, which is as old as the  
publishing business, comes under  
the ban, and publishers are forbid-  
den to exchange. Each publisher is  
required to subscribe for the pa-  
pers he wants to come to his ex-  
change table. All complimentary  
copies must be discontinued and  
the publisher who violates the  
rule will have his supply of blank  
paper cut.

This rule works a hardship on  
the country paper which has been  
receiving the larger state dailies  
in exchange, as the larger papers  
will not subscribe for many of the  
smaller papers and pay cash, while  
the smaller papers will have to  
pay the regular subscription price  
for the daily papers they wish to  
come to their address.

This is not a matter, however,  
in which there is time for argu-  
ment; the government has issued  
the order and it is up to the pub-  
lisher to dance to the music.

Johnnie Hall, of Winters, pas-  
sed through Ballinger en route  
home from a business trip to  
points west.

Joe Spill left Saturday after-  
noon for Marlin where he will take  
the hot baths for rheumatism for  
a few weeks.

Rev. Father Gollbach filled his  
regular appointment to hold ser-  
vices for his people at Santa Anna  
over Sunday and returned home  
Monday at noon.

**Lame Shoulder.**  
This ailment is usually caused  
by rheumatism of the muscles.  
All that is needed is absolute rest  
and a few applications of Cham-  
berlain's Liniment. Try it.

## DULL DOINGS AROUND TEMPLE OF JUSTICE

The county officer of this coun-  
ty who is depending on the fees  
of his office to pay the high cost  
of living can't live very high.  
Things are not rushing around the  
court house, and there is a lull  
that is making itself keenly felt  
by the various departments of the  
county government.

County Clerk McCarver pockets  
a fee occasionally for recording  
some instrument relating to the  
oil game. Some of the land own-  
ers continue to fall to the patri-  
otic appeal to lease their land and  
help develop the oil industry,  
while transfers of "oil interest"  
are being made from time to  
time.

There are few permits granted  
to wed as there are few applica-  
tions for the credentials to author-  
ize the minister or the J. P. to  
perform the holy ceremony. The  
records show that only 43 mar-  
riage licenses were issued for the  
first six months of the year.  
Since July first five permits have  
been granted, making a total of 48  
for the year 1918. The July new-  
ly weds are as follows:

Juan Rodriguez to Ygnacia  
Rodriguez.  
H. F. Straach and Ida Meyer.  
Thos. P. Hightower and Ele-  
nor Hamilton.  
C. B. Manning and Fannie Mae  
McMillon.

J. J. Miles and Iva Clayton.  
Tax Collector Chastain is rest-  
ing on full time since the women  
made a rush on his office and  
qualified for taking a hand in de-  
feating Ferguson. With the ex-  
ception of receipting a delinquent  
tax payer occasionally there is not  
much doing in the tax collector's  
office.

County Superintendent Hagen  
finds considerable work in his  
line, answering questions concern-  
ing transfers, employment of  
teachers, and conferring with  
school trustees. Mr. Hagen re-  
ports things in good shape and  
says there will be plenty school  
teachers for all schools as soon as  
the normals complete their sum-  
mer work and send teachers home.

County Judge Parish is devot-  
ing his time to routine work in  
his department, and finds time to  
tell his friends what the oil com-  
pany of which he is the president  
will do for this country when the  
big gusher begins to gush. Judge  
Parish perhaps entertains more  
callers at this season than any  
other county officer, parties seek-  
ing information and advice about  
road matters, cattle dipping,  
school election for special tax  
levys, etc. The first three weeks  
in the next month will be county  
court and commissioners court  
week, the first and third week be-  
ing devoted to county court and  
the second week to commissioners  
court matters. The following men  
have been called to serve as jurors  
for county court:

First week, August 5th.—E. E.  
Adams, W. R. Albritton, T. J.  
Farmer, H. E. Petty, W. L. Bailey,  
A. H. Prinzing, J. P. Brooks, J.  
W. Borders, J. W. Riddle, S. D.  
Childress, J. B. Riggs, Lee Clark,  
P. T. Rushing, J. H. Cook and J.  
M. Shelburn.

Third week, August 19.—T. P.  
Allman, W. H. Arnold, R. R. Ash,  
E. H. Colburn, R. I. Hollingsworth,  
Claude Compton, Jas. W. Bright,  
G. W. Bailey, J. W. Copeland, E.  
B. Cox, T. J. Parish, J. T. Bran-  
don, E. T. Bridwell, M. C. Bran-  
don, C. Black, L. E. Bair, A. D.  
Barnett, W. C. Barrett.

The county court docket will be  
a light one, and it is probable that  
only one or two days out of each  
week will be consumed in dispos-  
ing of the docket.

## BLANTON SPEAKS HERE NEXT MONDAY

Congress has recessed for a few  
days and Congressman Blanton  
has announced speaking dates for  
the last week of the campaign.  
He will speak at Ballinger, Mon-  
day, July 22 at 11 o'clock, after-  
speaking at Winters in the fore-  
noon of the same day at nine  
o'clock. He has challenged his  
opponents to meet him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cabe, of  
Brady, had been visiting at the  
home of E. B. Walker, of the  
Hatchel country, and Mr. Cabe  
spent a few hours Saturday even-  
ing greeting old friends in Bal-  
linger.

## RIGHT BADLY HURT.

A. R. West, who is the horse  
shoer at John Peacheek's black-  
smith shop got right badly hurt  
on his foot Tuesday while shoe-  
ing a horse. The horse staggered  
and stepped on Mr. West's foot  
and made a bad gash and in a few  
moments the foot was so badly  
swollen he had to cut the shoe off  
to have the wound dressed.

Also John Peacheek was kicked  
by one of the pair of horses they  
were shoeing and sustained a very  
severe shock, though nothing seri-  
ous is reported from the kick.

## ARRIVED IN FRANCE.

J. D. Smith, the county commis-  
sioner of the Wingate country,  
was in the city Tuesday and was  
just in receipt of a card stating  
that his son J. O. Smith had ar-  
rived safely in France, a little less  
time than two months since he  
volunteered for service in the U.  
S. army.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are also re-  
joicing over the arrival of a boun-  
ing 12 pound baby boy born at  
their home a few days ago.

John McNeil, of the Winters  
country, Frank Meadows, of the  
Miles country, came in Tuesday  
to bring a crowd of young men  
from their respective neighbor-  
hoods, who will stand the examina-  
tion for service in the U. S. army.  
The board figures on having about  
100 examined today.

Mrs. Earl Jones, who had been  
spending a few weeks with her  
husband at Fort Worth, while he  
was at Camp Bowie, returned  
home Wednesday at noon and will  
make home with her parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. W. G. Chapman while  
Mr. Jones is in France.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Magley and  
son, of Cisco, came over in their  
auto Tuesday to visit friends in  
Ballinger and her relatives in the  
Crews country a few days.

Wesley Sisson, who had been  
visiting his father R. W. Sisson  
and Ballinger friends on a short  
furlough, left Wednesday for Cali-  
fornia where he is in the U. S.  
navy.

## The Joy of Living.

To enjoy life we must have  
good health. No one can reason-  
ably hope to get much real out of  
life when his bowels are clogged  
a good share of the time and the  
poisons that should be expelled are  
absorbed into the system, produc-  
ing headache and indigestion. A  
few doses of Chamberlain's Tab-  
lets will move the bowels,  
strengthen the digestion and give  
you a chance to realize the real  
joy of living. Try it.

## FIRST RUNNELS COUNTY MELONS.

R. L. Wiley, who had an irri-  
gated farm on Elm Creek, came  
in Tuesday and was marketing his  
first wagon load of water melons  
on the streets of Ballinger. This  
is the first of the Runnels county  
melons brought in to market.

## CITY GETS FRESH WATER SUPPLY.

A rise came down Elm Creek  
Monday afternoon, and by Tues-  
day noon water was running over  
the upper dam. The city water  
supply was ample for many  
months, but irrigation on the creek  
above the city lakes had pump-  
ed the water pretty low in the  
lakes supplying the irrigators, and  
the supply will be worth a good  
deal to them if it does not rain  
soon and irrigating is made  
necessary again soon. The farmers  
who own irrigating plants on the  
Colorado river are longing for a  
head rise in that stream.

Mrs. D. R. Sims, of Paint Rock,  
was shopping and visiting friends  
in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

D. E. Moody is opening up Mon-  
day a second hand store between  
Hamilton's confectionery and The  
Globe Store.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Laika, of  
the Pony Creek country, were  
shopping in Ballinger Saturday  
afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Maddox and little  
baby son Raby Padgett, of Lub-  
bock, came in Sunday to visit her  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pad-  
gett and family and Ballinger  
friends a few weeks.

J. E. Salmon, of the New Home  
neighborhood, and J. W. Keel, of  
Wingate were among the business  
visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

## Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggist refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails  
to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Piles.  
Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get  
restful sleep after the first application. Price 60c.

W. P. King, of the Wingate  
country, was among the business  
visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Britton and  
little son are now comfortably  
domoiced in the Wigle residence  
on Ninth street and started to  
housekeeping right by ordering  
The Daily Ledger to their address.  
Mr. Britton is the new manager of  
the West Texas Phone Company,  
succeeding I. E. McKinney who is  
now with Castor Tire and Bat-  
tery Company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton left  
Wednesday in their auto for Tex-  
arkana to visit their daughter a  
week or ten days.

R. M. Hutchingson, of San An-  
gelo, was greeting old friends and  
transacting business in Ballinger  
Monday.

C. F. Reasoner, one of the prom-  
inent stock men of Talpa, was  
looking after business affairs in  
Ballinger Wednesday.

J. T. Ford, of the Oak Creek  
country near Norton, came in  
Wednesday to meet his wife who  
returned to Ballinger at noon  
from Brown county where she had  
been to attend the funeral of her  
mother, Mrs. Brewer, who died at  
her home near Brownwood last  
Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Doyle, of  
the Valley Creek country, came in  
Tuesday to be with Mr. and Mrs.  
J. F. Barkley and children who  
were leaving for Lee county to  
make their future home. Mr.  
Barkley will spend a while at  
Marlin Wells for the benefit of  
rheumatism before joining his  
family in their new home.

M. Fiest and Theo Matthuson,  
of Rowena and C. C. Robason, of  
Talpa, were among the business  
visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. J. Keel, of the Wingate  
country, passed through Ballinger  
Tuesday en route to Coleman to  
visit relatives a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Davis and  
baby, of the Winters country,  
were among the visitors in Bal-  
linger Tuesday afternoon.

J. W. Hambright and son, of  
the Valley Creek country, were  
among the business visitors in  
Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

J. W. Bigbey and Pat and Dar-  
by Fox, of the Pony Creek coun-  
try, were among the business visi-  
tors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. R. Gentry returned home  
Tuesday morning from San An-  
gelo where she had been to attend  
the funeral of her niece, Mrs. Bes-  
sie Oats.

Tom Atwell, one of the county  
tick inspectors, who had been in  
our city on business, left Tuesday  
morning for Talpa to have a bunch  
of horses dipped for Joe Cook, of  
the Brookshire sectin, who is  
moving them home from the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Strocker and  
children, who had been visiting  
at Houston, La Grange and Round  
Top, passed through the city  
Tuesday en route home in this  
county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McKissick,  
of the Winters country, were  
among the visitors in Ballinger  
Wednesday and while here Mr.  
McKissick ordered the Banner-  
Ledger to his address.

Edgar Rasberry returned home  
Wednesday at noon from a short  
business trip to points east.

Ennis Ford, of May, Texas,  
who had been visiting his uncle,  
J. T. Ford, of the Oak Creek coun-  
try, passed through Ballinger  
Wednesday en route home.

## The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak

Old people who are feeble and younger people  
who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to  
go through the depressing heat of summer by tak-  
ing GROVE'S TASTELESS-CHILL TONIC. It purifies  
and enriches the blood and builds up the whole sys-  
tem. You can soon feel its strengthening, invigor-  
ating effect. 60c.

Misses Hancock and Gertrude  
Theile, of Miles, were visiting in  
Ballinger a few hours Wednesday.

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

# Here's the Ticket; Pick The Winners for July 27

- For United States Senator:**  
Morris Sheppard, Bowie County.
- For Governor:**  
W. P. Hobby, Jefferson County.  
James E. Ferguson, Bell County.
- For Lieutenant Governor:**  
W. A. Johnson, Hall County.  
L. H. Bailey, Harris County.  
T. W. Davidson, Harrison County.  
John M. Henderson, Morris County.  
S. B. Cowell, Grayson County.  
John R. Moore, Anderson County.
- For Chief Justice Supreme Court:**  
Nelson Phillips, Dallas County.
- For Associate Justice Supreme Court:**  
Thomas B. Greenwood, Anderson County.  
J. D. Harvey, Harris County.
- For Associate Justice Court of Criminal Appeals:**  
O. S. Lattimore, Tarrant County.  
R. H. Ward, Bexar County.  
William Pierson, Hunt County.  
C. A. Phippen, Dallas County.
- For State Treasurer:**  
John W. Baker, Crosby County.  
J. M. Edwards, Runnels County.
- For Attorney General:**  
John W. Woods, Taylor County.  
C. M. Cureton, Bosque County.  
Marshall Spoons, Tarrant County.
- For Railroad Commissioner:**  
Clarence E. Gilmore, Van Zandt County.  
C. H. Hurdleston, Tarrant County.  
John L. Andrews, Dallas County.
- For Comptroller of Public Accounts:**  
H. B. Terrell, McLennan County.  
Sam H. Goodlett, Travis County.  
C. C. Mayfield, Erath County.
- For Commissioner of General Land Office:**  
J. T. Robison, Morris County.
- For Commissioner of Agriculture:**  
H. A. Halbert, Coleman County.  
Fred W. Davis, Cooke County.
- For Superintendent of Public Instruction:**  
Brandon Trussell, Wise County.  
W. F. Doughty, Falls County.  
Annie Webb Blanton, Denton County.
- For Congress 17th Congressional District:**  
Joe Adkins, McCulloch County.  
Thomas L. Blanton, Taylor County.  
Oscar Calloway, Comanche County.  
W. G. Blackmon, Jones County.
- For Chief Justice Court of Civil Appeals 3rd Supreme  
Judicial District:**  
W. M. Key, Travis County.
- For Representative 111th District:**  
C. R. Stephens, Runnels County.
- For District Attorney 35th Judicial District:**  
Walter U. Early, Brown County.
- For District Clerk:**  
C. C. Cockrell,  
Mrs. L. H. Bacon.
- For County Judge:**  
O. L. Parish
- For County Clerk:**  
W. C. McCarver.
- For County Attorney:**  
.....
- For County Treasurer:**  
W. L. Brown
- For Tax Assessor:**  
J. R. Holloway.  
Mike C. Boyd.  
Jack N. McKay.  
J. N. Key.
- For Tax Collector:**  
M. D. Chastain.
- For County Superintendent Public Instruction:**  
John J. Bugg.  
L. S. Bird.
- For Sheriff:**  
J. D. Perkins.
- For County Surveyor:**  
J. E. Powell.

This Ticket is incomplete, the Precinct  
Offices being omitted. It is unlawful to ex-  
hibit or display the official ballot.



For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing---Phone 97



Auto Delivery

Publicity Department

Price Interpreting Committee for Ballinger.

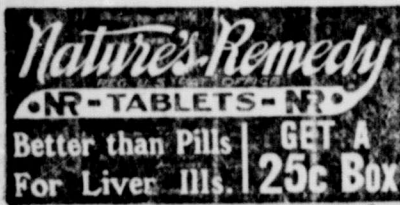
Federal Food Administration for Texas  
R. T. WILLIAMS, Chairman

E. D. Futch                      Scott H. Mack                      W. A. Francis  
Mrs. J. H. Kippis                      Mrs. W. A. Birdwell  
Personnel of Committee                      July 17, 1918.

Wholesale Price to Retailer		Retail Price to Consumer
\$8.43	Sugar	9.50
\$1.22 1/2	Pearl Meal, per 25 lbs.	\$1.50
47 1/2	Pearl Meal, per 10 lbs.	.60c
.03 1/2	Irish Potatoes, per lb.	.05c
\$2.15 to \$2.26	Comp Lard No. 10	\$2.40 to \$2.50
\$1.07 1/2 to \$1.13	Comp Lard No. 5	\$1.20 to \$1.25
8c	Bread	10c
30c to 35c	Ham	35c to 37c
50c to 55c	B. Bacon	.60c to 65c
26c to 28c	D. S. Pork	.32c to 35c
10c	Pinto Beans	12 1/2c
11 1/2c	Navy Beans	15c
15 1/2c	Lima Beans	18 1/2c
.09 1-4c	Pink Beans	12c
10 1/2c	Black Eyed Peas	12 1/2c
17 1/2c	Pink Salmon No. 1	22 1/2c to 25c
23c	Red Salmon	30c
18c	Red Salmon No. 1/2	23c
10 1/2	Rice Flour	12c
6 1/2	Corn Flour	7 1/2c
\$2.94	Flour, 48 lbs.	\$3.20
\$1.50	Flour, 24 lbs.	\$1.65
\$.78	Flour, 12 lbs.	\$.85

For the information of those who do not know, the Food Administration rules do not allow retailers to make a profit to exceed \$1.20 per barrel on the original cost of flour. They are not allowed to make a profit to exceed one cent a pound on sugar above original cost.

It has come to our attention that retailers are selling sugar to be used in preserving canned fruit. All retailers should be very careful in selling sugar for preserving. Do not sell any at all to preserve canned fruit.



WEEKS DRUG STORE  
Ballinger, Texas

HELP YOUR GOVERNMENT.

By conserving leather. To you good shoe repairing means economy, comfort. Quality work with Quality Material is our specialty. Don't forget we repair Auto and Buggy Tops in the best manner and on short notice. Shoe repairing a specialty—W. C. Drennan at the bat.

EBB CATHEY,  
Hutching Ave., Ballinger.  
11-d&w tf.

PROFESSOR BIRD HAS  
A LAST WORD WITH  
THE VOTERS.

I address these few words to you with confidence, feeling that you know me and my work, and that you believe in both.

I mean no unkindness to any one when I make the general statement that it is impossible to

discover either one's real character or fitness for certain duties from a pleasant smile, a hand-clasp, and a few minutes interview. Neither do credentials necessarily mean merit.

To the lady voters I will say that if you see proper to elect me, who have for five years, in your county and under your scrutiny, developed my character, demonstrated my ability, judiciously fought your battles, and cared for the interests of your children, you can do so with the assurance that character or fitness that will cast a reproach upon this your first use of the ballot.

In view of the fact that so many of our best teachers have been called to other fields it will be absolutely necessary, if we are to maintain the high standards of our schools, to have a man of ability, prudence and mature judgment at the head of our schools in this trying time. Should I be elected, I shall devote more than the ordinary time of actually visiting the schools and supervising the work of our teachers.

Very respectfully,

L. S. BIRD.

17-1td 1tw.—Adv.

Furious Battle Raging On  
Whole Champagne Front

Paris, July 17.—A battle is proceeding furiously on the various sectors along the whole Champagne front, the French war office announces today.

Heavy fighting is particular south of the Marne, and other battles are in progress between the Marne and Rheims and east of Rheims. At no points have the Germans made considerable gains.

Paris, July 17.—Lieut. Quentin Roosevelt, the youngest son of ex-president Theodore Roosevelt was killed while in action Sunday, it is reported here. Lieut. Roosevelt was a volunteer in the aviation branch of the service. He was killed while in combat with a boche air squadron near Chateau-Therry.

GOOD DEMAND FOR  
OUR ROAD BONDS

We learn through County Judge Parish that there is a good demand with quite a number of bidders for the \$75,000 road bonds recently voted by the people of this precinct. The report that the commissioners court would have to sacrifice the bonds and sell them at a big discount in order to convert them into cash is false. The court received offers of 98 cents for the bonds shortly after they were voted, and they will receive at least face value for them, and probably a premium, as there is keen bidding on this class of bonds.

Judge Parish stated that the bonds would be approved this week, and he is expecting to get an O. K. on them every day, and as soon as this is done the steps for converting them into cash and speeding up on the road work will be well under way.

Men have applied to the court for work, and Commissioner Kirk stated that it was his intention to use all the home labor that could be handled to a good advantage in building the roads according to the highway engineer's instructions.

The overwhelming majority vote cast for the bonds indicate that the sentiment of the people is back of the proposition, and this counts for a great deal in disposing of the bonds and in carrying out the work as outlined by the commissioners court. In view of the fact that the United States government is offering such liberal rates of interest on Liberty Loan Bonds, which are free from taxation, the ready sale for the road bonds of this district at face value is something the people and the commissioners court should feel proud of.

QUAKER CITY GIRLS  
ARE TOO ATTRACTIVE.

Philadelphia, July 16.—There is a shortage of unattractive girls in Philadelphia, and the cigar dealers have to take the consequences. Girl cigar clerks were employed so as to release men for war work, but all the girls were fatally attractive. So many men who ought to be at work loafed about the cigar stores, stealing conversations and smiles, that the dealers felt they were doing a great injustice to the country. The girls were fired. No unattractive one could be found to replace them, so men past draft age have been employed.

Paul Crews, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to Austin on a business trip.

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER

has been a household remedy all over the civilized world for more than a half a century for constipation, intestinal troubles, torpid liver and the generally depressed feeling that accompanies such disorders. It is a most valuable remedy for indigestion or nervous dyspepsia and liver trouble, bringing on headache, coming up of food, palpitation of heart, and many other symptoms. A few doses of August Flower will relieve you. It is a gentle laxative. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 30 and 90 cent bottles.

FORGOT TO REGISTER.

Local board has registered two negroes and four Mexicans in the last two weeks that FORGOT to register on the day set by the President, through arrangements with the Department of Justice these men were allowed to waive all claims and be placed in class one and will all go into service this month, thereby increasing the board's number of class one men six.

NOTICE TO PRECINCT  
CHAIRMEN.

In accordance with article 3134 Revised Statutes of Texas, it will be the duty of each precinct chairman in the various voting precincts of Runnels County to call a convention of the voters of your precinct for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention to be held the first Saturday in August at the Court House in Ballinger.

You are allowed one delegate for each 25 votes cast for the party's candidate for governor at the last general election or major fraction thereof, which said delegate should have the proper credentials showing his authority to attend and participate in the county convention. A list of the accredited delegates should be made out by the precinct chairman and precinct secretary and sent in to the county chairman, so that the county chairman may know who is entitled to participate and be seated as delegate in the county convention.

I insist that each precinct chairman call this convention sometime during the day on the 27th of July, election day, at some convenient place at or near the polls, as it is my desire that the county convention be fairly represented and that whatever is done in the county convention, be the will of the majority and not the minority. If the precinct chairman is not present or fails to attend to this, I suggest that a meeting be held by those present and select a temporary chairman and secretary and select delegates to the county convention, as above outlined.

ED KERBS,

Chairman Runnels County Executive Committee.

FIVE PEOPLE IN ONE  
FAMILY BENEFITED

"Finest Thing I've Ever Seen"  
Says Compton—Gains Ten  
Pounds on Tanlac.

"There are five of us at home who have taken Tanlac and it hasn't failed to bring good results in a single case," said Arthur M. Compton, a popular clerk at the Oriental Hotel, and living at 1206 Wood street, Dallas, Texas, recently.

"As to my own case," Mr. Compton continued, "Tanlac has increased my weight ten pounds in the past three weeks and has certainly relieved me of an awful lot of suffering. When I began taking it my stomach was all out of order and I had no appetite. I was so nervous I could hardly sleep, was all run-down and had that tired, sluggish feeling all the time. I had fallen off in weight and was awfully sick and discouraged."

"Finally my uncle from Terrell, Texas, persuaded me to try Tanlac and it has been a wonderful thing for me. My appetite is fine now and I eat like a shout. My nervousness is entirely gone. I sleep like a log and all my sluggish, depressed feelings have left me. I recommend Tanlac every chance I have because it has done me so much good. It has helped our family and we are all boosting it. It certainly is the finest medicine we ever had in the house."

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.

GIRLS AND BOYS READ THE  
COMPLIMENTS BUSINESS  
MEN PASS ON OUR  
GRADUATES.

Here are a few extracts from letters of prominent business men who have had proof as to the ability of our graduates:

"Having employed several of your graduates, I think your institution the best of its kind in this country."

"Of the seven young men you have sent us, six remain in our service, and the other has just joined the navy. All are making good."

"There is such a scarcity of business colleges who fit their students for real business, that we cannot refrain from writing and indorsing your college, since several of your students have proven competent in our office."

"As you all know, I have had a number of your students in my office. I take this opportunity of saying that every student that I have had from your school shows superiority of training over students that I have had from other schools."

"I have given your graduates a thorough test, and have found them to be accurate and quick with their work. The thorough and practical training you give fits them for any kind of a position."

"We have one of your graduates as stenographer in our legal department at a handsome salary giving entire satisfaction. The work is extremely difficult, requiring the greatest skill and accuracy, reads her notes like print. We wish to commend your school for turning out such excellent graduates."

"If all of your graduates are as proficient as the three young men we have in our office, you are certainly doing a great work for not only the young people, but the business men as well."

A large firm of Cotton Buyers of East Texas says:

"We predict much success for your Cotton Classing Department. It is thorough and up-to-date and is in charge of capable instructors."

"We have several of your students and all of them understand their business. Your courses are thorough or they could not take hold as they have done for us."

"If the several graduates of your school, that have been in our employment, are fair samples, I cannot recommend your institution too highly."

Write for catalogue containing hundreds of indorsements, together with names and addresses of business men who pay our graduates good salaries. With our modern systems, we can give you a better course of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Cotton Classing, Business Administration and Finance, or Telegraphy in half the time and at half the expense of any other school teaching other systems. Address Tyler Commercial Business College, Tyler, Texas.

FOR SALE

50 S. C. Red Cuckrels, 50 pounds to go at a sacrifice, must sell at once, above stock from Kansas City Winners.

JOHN GUION, JR.,

15-2td 1tw. pd. Ballinger, Texas.

Miss Vera Golber, of Dallas, is here visiting her grand mother, Mrs. August Golber, Sr., and will remain here for a few weeks.

Banner-Ledger  
Want Ads

WANTED—A young married man, no children, with experience as a line man, and wife experience as a telephone operator, or would consider an inexperienced man and wife to learn the telephone business, would rather have those exempt from draft. Nice town and good country. Write me.  
Sanger Telephone Co.,  
15-1td-w. Sanger, Texas.

WANTED—To buy your Hogs. See W. F. Street.  
17-3td 1tw.

NOTICE.

It is the intention of The Daily Ledger to give all local news, in so far as we can obtain the same, but on account of the fact that over one-half of the travel is now by automobile and visitors can come and go without our knowing the same, we will thank you to phone us about any visitors that you may have so that we may give all the news.

Our reporter meets all trains but this would not get the travel by auto, so if you will phone Miss Sharp at 27 she will gladly take over the phone any news item that you may see fit to give us. There are some who, probably, think that it smacks of egotism to phone in items about their family, but we think such will be, and is perfectly legitimate and proper, and please in the future help us get the news.

Let us order your Rubber Stamps. The Ballinger Printing

BALLINGER TAILOR  
MAKES VALUABLE FIND.

"After spending \$900 for medicine and doctors in four years without getting any benefit for stomach trouble and bloating I was induced by my druggist to try Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and must say that a \$1 bottle has done me \$50.00 worth of good." It is a simple, harmless prescription 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 does well convince or money Refunded. Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

NOTICE.

We pay best cash price for Liberty Bonds, we buy and sell stocks, write us

MORGAN-YATTER,  
1307 Southwestern Life Bldg.  
12-4twpd. Dallas, Texas.

Old False Teeth Wanted.

Don't matter if broken. We pay up to 15 dollars per set. Also cash for old gold, silver and broken jewelry. Check sent by return mail. Goods held 10 days for sender's approval of our offer. Mazer's Tooth Specialty, Dept. A., 2007 S. 5th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 21-10w-pd.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. If you have any troubles of this sort, give them a trial and realize for yourself what a first class medicine will do for you. They only cost a quarter.

All Third Liberty Loan Bonds  
Subscribed Through Our Bank  
Are Ready For Delivery

We have for sale at all times a liberal supply of War Savings and Thrift Stamps and we will be glad to handle your subscription.

We have arranged in our Fire-proof Burglar proof Vault a special file for Liberty Loan Bonds and W. S. Certificates and will be glad to care for yours without charge.

We have on file in our Bank pledge cards for W. S. Stamps but each subscriber is expected to make the purchase in person or by representative.

We will soon have FIVE STARS in our Service Flag but with your co-operation we will endeavor to give you 100 per cent banking service and every facility of our Bank is at the disposal of our GOVERNMENT with out charge.



KEEP COOL  
While War Lasts

Wouldn't you like for someone to guarantee that you will sleep cool during the hot nights of the coming summer? Are you going home after a hard, trying day in summer's blistering heat and swelter for half the night and up into the wee small hours of the morning trying to get that much needed rest? That not only saps your energy but gnaws at the very vitals of your physique and utterly unfits you for work tomorrow.

The small cost of a nifty looking, cool, breezy, screened in sleeping porch will astonish you. Let us show you how you can get a good, cool, refreshing sleep EVERY NIGHT during the summer and at a cost that will make you wonder why you haven't done it before.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.



## GIRLS! HAVE WAVY THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Save your hair! Make it thick, wavy glossy and beautiful at once.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a bottle of Knowledge's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment. A 25-cent bottle will double the beauty of your hair.

## ANGELO PEOPLE PUT QUESTION TO JIM

In giving an account of Ferguson's speech at San Angelo, the San Angelo Standard says:

"Where did you get it?" "Jim, tell us where you got it." "A chorus of cries to the above tenor and effect greeted former Governor Ferguson's first reference to his celebrated loan of \$156,500 at his speaking on the court house lawn Thursday evening, and for a time the volume of the cries was so large and the questioners were so insistent that Mr. Ferguson was compelled to stop speaking.

"But he is well known not to be easily embarrassed, and he had besides faced similar questions in the past, so that he turned it off neatly and went merrily on his way.

"At the moment, for some reason that was not explained at the time, the lights went out and the lawn was thrown into total darkness.

"Wait till the lights come on again," Ferguson told his questioners, "and I'll look you in the face and tell you where I got it."

"This silenced the questioners, who waited patiently and expectantly for the information, so long denied by the former governor, which they thought for a moment he was going to give with San Angelo as his setting.

"But when the lights were restored and the statement was forthcoming it was the same old statement. Mr. Ferguson told how the proceedings in the legislature, the investigation of his affairs that had been instituted and the threatened impeachment had embarrassed him financially and his bank had said to him, 'Jim, you are just as honest as you ever were. But you have got mixed up with a bunch of crooked politicians down there, and they are prying into every corner of your affairs and we want you to pay your loans.'

"The committee, he said, had inquired into the finances of his wife's grandmother, his brother and everyone else whose affairs were in any way connected with him.

"And so, he said, when he went in his distress to some friends of his and asked them to advance him the \$156,500 that he needed to pay up his loans at the bank they refused for the reason that they put up the money they would be called up and investigated too. And they did not want to get mixed up with a crooked legislature, they told him. Ferguson then said to them that it would be a shame for a man that had what he had to have to fail just because a lot of crooks were after him, and he proposed that his friends let him have the money confidentially. And on his promise that he would not reveal where he got it they let him have it.

"If the money had been turned over to him in checks it could

readily have been traced to its source, he said. His friends therefore drew the currency from their banks and gave it to him in that form, and that was all there was to it.

"This apparently was not quite the explanation that the fellows that had asked 'where he got it' wanted, but they had to content themselves with it, as various other audiences have had to do both before and since the campaign started.

"Mr. Ferguson was introduced by Judge Dubois, an appointee of Ferguson. Ferguson began by saying he had always favored woman suffrage, but he said that the women who prefer nursing poodle dogs to nursing a baby, had no right to tell the great masses how to vote.

He did not change from his speech made at other places and put in nearly two hours abusing the members of the legislature and those who oppose him. He also paid his respects to the University crowd.

"When he came to the question of his own loan of \$156,500, he said they wanted him to get down on his knees and explain where he got it.

"Do you think," he asked "that I ought to get down on my knees to an old rag doll statesman like Charlie Metcalf and tell where I got it?" The local hit brought hearty laughter from the crowd, which seemed largely to have turned out to hear just such sallies.

"The men that did make him this loan, he said, own more liberty bonds and have given more for the Red Cross and for the aid of the soldiers than the whole bunch of crooked legislators.

"His reference to Governor Hobby and to the political leaders who are opposing him were bitter, and direct charges against them came thick and fast. The speech ended at eleven o'clock, with the crowd still on hand in full force.

"Among those on the platform with the governor were Judge Charles E. Dubois, John Girvin, J. Willis Johnson, J. M. Shannon and T. J. Lewis, of San Angelo, John Guion and Jack McGregor, Judge James Cornell and L. J. Wardlaw of Sutton county, and Dr. P. H. Chilton."

**No Worms in a Healthy Child**  
All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

## Soldier's Food Subject Severest System Regulation

Camp Travis, July 15.—From the moment the soldier's food enters the door of his company kitchen it is subject to the severest system of regulation, sanitation and economy. Perishable articles go at once to the high refrigerator, where a whole quarter of beef can be hung without crowding. Potatoes, onions and similar vegetables go to specially constructed bins, while canned goods and packages are aligned in rows on the storeroom shelves. The refrigerator is emptied once a day and scrubbed out thoroughly with boiling water and soap. The floor and shelves of the storeroom are treated likewise so that a linen handkerchief might be passed over either without being soiled.

No meat is served in any army mess hall at Camp Travis until all bone has been removed. The bone is cut into suitable size and warmed up gradually in order to extract all juices for soup stock. The various cuts of meat are as well known to the kitchen force as to any butcher, and woe be to the student cook who undertakes to make roast out of sirloin, or steak out of brisket.

In the mess hall, posted in prominent places, will be found signs such as, "Take All You Can Eat—Eat All You Take." And thereby hangs a tale. As the men finish their meal they take their aluminum pan and cup, together with knife, fork and spoon that make up the army table equipment, to large galvanized cans, some of which are for refuse and others contain hot water each man washes his own utensils. At the refuse cans stands a guard who notes what goes into them and takes the name of every man who has failed to "lick his platter clean." The list of names goes to the mess sergeant eventually and the men on the list go to the kitchen as K. P., there to apply the hot water and soap, peel potatoes and onions and otherwise make themselves useful for two or three weeks each. The penalty seems severe for the mere matter of leaving a tiny crust of bread or bit of meat

in the plate, but one or two examples among the newcomers usually puts a stop to all waste at the table.

In the use of leftovers army cooks are experienced and accomplished. One reason for their cleverness in this regard is that particular attention is paid to this in their training. Another is the fact that the big refrigerator allows them to keep leftover food for a day or so before it reappears on the menu, so that sameness in meals is avoided.

Even the garbage is arranged for and carefully sorted and disposed of. Tin cans are washed, labels soaked off, and the cans strung on wires for recovery of the tin by reclamation processes. Kitchen waste is divided into classes so that contractors who buy it may handle it to the best advantage, bread which is unfit for human food forms one class, cooked meat of similar character another class, raw fats and meat which have been condemned by health authorities another. Cooked grease discarded as of no further value for human food, bones, and the like are also separated, while care is taken that broken glass and substances which might make the garbage unsuitable or dangerous as animal food is otherwise disposed of.

After classification each class is weighed and record kept of the weight and forwarded to the camp conservation and reclamation officer. In this manner a complete statement of the waste accumulating at every company kitchen in camp is available and any excessive amounts are at once investigated. The very garbage containers themselves are subject to regulations, and in practically all organizations in Camp Travis are housed in screened-in sheds for the purpose. In this manner flies are shut out from their usual happy hunting grounds and recruits not infrequently remain in camp several weeks before they see their first specimen here of this household pest.

Fletcher Roper, of the Oak Creek country, near Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

O. S. Johnson and W. W. Rainwater, of Crews, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

## HAVENHILL BOYS LAND IN FRANCE

In a letter to The Ledger, Wm. Havenhill writes that he had just been officially notified that his two sons, U. S. and Garrison had landed safely in France.

These two young men are well known in Ballinger. U. S. spent some time here under training with Capt. Cohen's troops and went from here to Camp Travis. He was sent from Camp Travis to Camp Stuart, New Port News, Va., last March and proceeded from there overseas about the first of May. He is now a sergeant in the engineering department.

Garrison received his commission as second lieutenant in the infantry at the close of the first officer's reserve training camp at Leon Springs and was assigned to duty at Camp Travis the first of last September, where he served until ordered overseas a month ago. Upon leaving Camp Travis he was made first lieutenant and placed in full charge of the platoon of men with whom he will go into battle.

## COUNTY FARMERS UNION.

C. F. Ernst, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger en route home from Rowena where he had been to attend the County Farmers Union meeting, which convened in that city Wednesday.

He reports the following officers elected for the ensuing year: C. F. Ernest, chairman; Mike Feist, vice-president; J. P. Englert, sec-treasurer. Lots of business transacted and a general good time all round.

## THREE DOZEN MEN SEE FERGUSON AT BALLINGER.

James E. Ferguson, candidate for governor on the impeached ticket, passed through Ballinger Thursday at noon. Mr. Ferguson was en route to San Angelo where he was billed to speak in the interest of his candidacy.

About three dozen men were at the station to see Mr. Ferguson, or were there on other business, and perhaps two dozen of the number extended the right hand of fellowship and hobnobbed with the candidate during the train stop here.

## SPANNING CITY WITH HEAVY STEEL.

The Santa Fe's track laying crew, consisting of more than fifty men, have been working within the city limits for the past two or three days, replacing the light weight steel rails with heavier rails. The heavy steel has been laid through the city and the crew is going east with the work. The work train is located just east of the city and three of four hundred dollars is being paid out for labor daily.

## MOTHER! GIVE CHILD 'SYRUP OF FIGS' IF TONGUE IS COATED

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

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

## TALK WITH KAISER KILLS HINDENBURG

Amsterdam, July 13.—Rumors of Hindenberg's death have been received by Belgian newspapers. The Lesnouvelles said that it was reported that death was the result of a stroke of paralysis following a stormy interview with the Kaiser regarding the offensive against Paris, which Hindenberg's forces failed to carry out.

## WILL NOT DISTURB NEWS BUSINESS

Washington, July 12.—All uneasiness on the part of the newspapers was put at rest today when it was officially announced that President Wilson would forbid a censorship of news dispatches if the telegraph, telephone and cable wires were placed under control. Mr. Wilson assured congressional leaders that press bureau business would not be disturbed.

## SEVENTY MEN ON JOB.

John Tabor, foreman of the construction gang who is laying the heavy steel rails on the Santa Fe, is now working in the city limits from the creek to the river and has 70 men at work and a majority of them are farmers around Ballinger, and it is fortunate that so many are able to get work right near home during the dull season. We understand they get \$2.47 per day which will be of great benefit to them just now, an help to tide them over until it rains when they can return to their farm work.

## SHIPPED CATTLE.

Lon Mapes, of the Pony Creek country, came in Thursday and shipped out three car loads of fat cattle for sale on the Fort Worth market.

Bun Morgan returned home Thursday at noon from a business trip to points east.

## 'JIMMY' IN AN ENGAGEMENT.

With the American Army at the Marne, July 12—Jimmy, the U. S. Marines' Mexican ant-eater mascot, has been through the recent Marine drive on the Marne and is back in the Marine billet, unscathed.

When the "Devil Dogs" began the march toward the German lines, Jimmy fell right in line. All the coaxing, threatening and pleading that the pick of the regiment could do was of no avail. Jimmy's comrades were going into trouble—well then, so was Jimmy.

While the hand-to-hand conflict raged between the Marines and the Huns, Jimmy was here, there, and everywhere, scurrying back and forth, his eyes pleading to be allowed to aid.

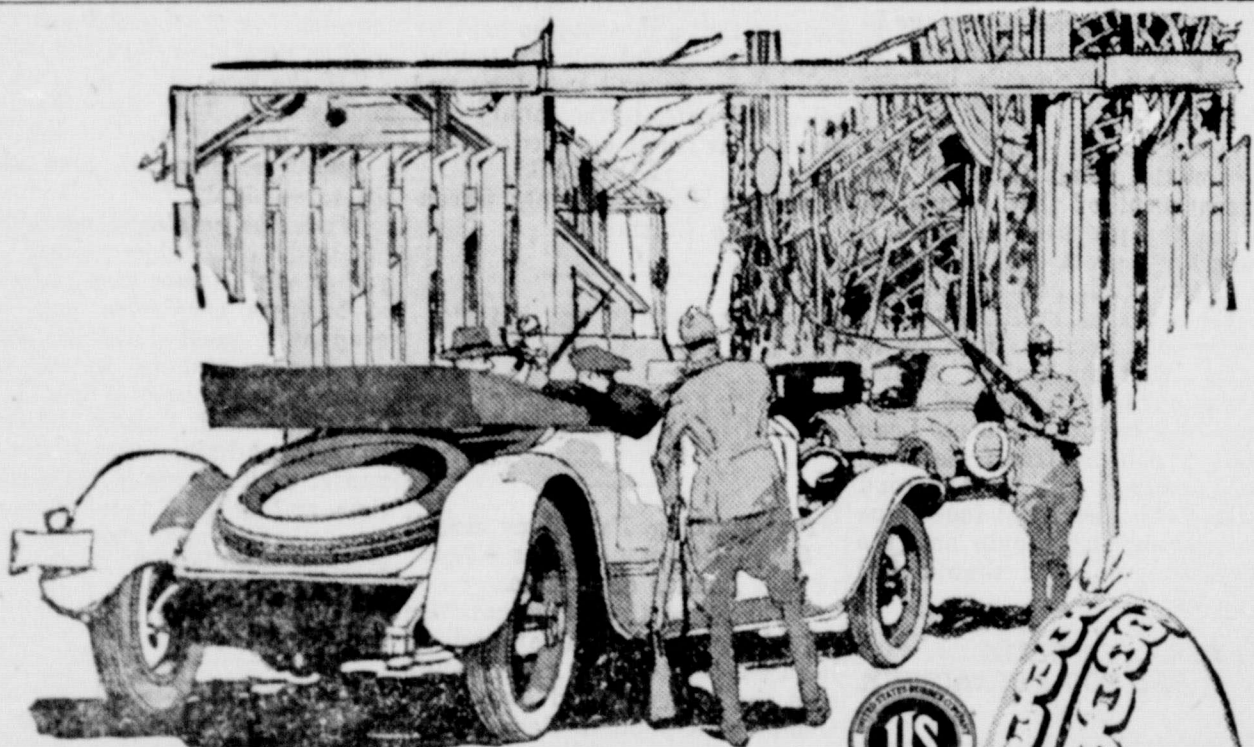
After the battle, the Marines, realizing that they would never be able to keep Jimmy out of any more engagements, immediately fashioned a mainframe gas mask and shrapnel helmet with which the mascot will be armed the next time he goes into the fray.

## BOYS INVITED TO ATTEND.

To all members of the Boy's Agricultural Club of Rumels county: An invitation is extended to you to attend the weeks course of instruction for club boys at the Farmers Short Course, A. & M. College, College Station, July 22nd to 27th. It is expected that I will go to the College Station at this time, and I will be delighted to have a member of club boys of this county to accompany me. I feel positive that the instructions and entertainment that you will receive will justify the expense of the trip.

Mr. E. J. Kyle, superintendent of the Short Course, advises that meals and lodging for that week will be \$1.25 per day. Please let me hear from you if you think there is a probability of your going. The railroads have a one cent rate each way.

Yours truly,  
D. F. EATON,  
County Agent.



## The War-Time Value of Good Tires

Your car is a vital war-time necessity if you make it contribute to war work and war service. Make it give the limit of service.

But don't add one extra dollar to your driving expenses. War-times makes economy imperative. Practice it in operating your car or truck.

Keep down your tire costs. Use good tires—United States Tires.

Increasing thousands are recognizing the war-time value of United States Tires.

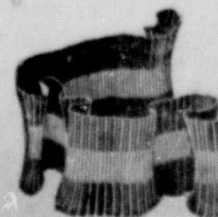
They are getting away from haphazard tire buying. They are buying mileage—choosing tires that give most miles per dollar.

United States Tires offer supreme dependability and unapproached economy.

There are five different types of United States Tires— one for every possible need.

The nearest United States Sales and Service Dept dealer will tell you which one will serve you best.

## United States Tires are Good Tires



Chain Tread



## All Traces of Scrofula Cleansed from the Blood

Impurities Promptly Wiped Out.

If there is any trace of Scrofula, or other impurities in your blood, you cannot enjoy the full physical development that a healthy body is capable of until your blood has been thoroughly cleansed and purified of all traces of impure matter.

S. S. S., the wonderful old purely vegetable blood remedy, has no equal

for removing the last trace of Scrofula and other blood taints, and there is no case that it does not promptly reach. S. S. S. will thoroughly cleanse and remove every disease germ that infests the blood and give you new life and vigor. It is sold by all druggists and you should get a bottle and begin its use to-day. Write a complete history of your case, and you can obtain expert medical advice free by addressing Medical Director, 30 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

## THIRD GRADE SUGAR FOR GOLD DRINKS

All wholesalers and jobbers and district and county Food Administrators have been notified that effective immediately no dealer handling sugar is permitted to sell sugar except Louisiana seconds and thirds to manufacturers of non-essentials, who may present their certificates marked "Statement A."

The industries effected by this order are manufacturers of beverage syrups, candies, cereals, chewing gum, cocoa and chocolate, condiments, confections, flavoring extracts, invert sugar syrups, soda water, soft drinks, sweet pickles, and wines.

Seconds and thirds are low grades of sugar left after the high grade, or granulated white sugar, has been extracted. Administrator Peden hopes that this is only a temporary measure but it is absolutely necessary in order that the ordinary householder and preserver be taken care of at the present time.

## THE OTHER 12,000 ARE BABIES

Marion, Ind., July 15.—There are 25,000 people in this city and 13,000 war gardens. The proud home food producers believe that is a record it will be hard to beat. Neal Banter, garden supervisor, has succeeded in conveying much of his own enthusiasm for growing things to everybody else in Marion. The housewives are getting their kitchens ready to go after the \$10,000 in prizes the national war garden commission offers for best canning work.

## PLEASE PASS THE TANGELO.

Washington, July 15.—Science has added another delicate fruit to man's larder. It's to be known as the tangelo; and is a cross between the Tangerine orange and the grape-fruit, or pomelo.

The U. S. Bureau of plant industry, which evolved the hybrid fruit, says of it: "It has little acidity, and resembles a tender and good-flavored orange more than either a grape-fruit or a tangerine."

## FOR SALE

50 S. C. Red Coekrels, 50 pullets to go at a sacrifice, must sell at once, above stock from Kansas City Winners.

JOHN GUION, Jr.,  
15-24th St. W., Ballinger, Texas.

A. K. Doss J. H. Baugh  
DOSS & BAUGH  
Lawyers.

Office over Ballinger Loan Co.  
Ballinger, Texas

## FIRE INSURANCE THE BEST COMPANIES

Prompt Service

Your Business Solicited.  
Miss Maggie Sharp upstairs in old Fidelity Credit Co's office.  
'Phone 215

SEE ME

## NOTICE

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

H. Gleescke Ballinger, Texas.

## BUSY PUNCHING HOLE IN GROUND

The writer visited the scene of oil drill operations of the Runnels County Oil Company eight miles west of Ballinger and about one mile and a half northwest of Rowena Monday morning, County Judge Parish, president of the company, Judge A. K. Doss, one of the stockholders and attorney for the company, Representative C. R. Stephens, and Sheriff Perkins also visited the well and spent an hour in Rowena on business. W. T. Padgett was carried out and placed in charge of the management of the company with offices at Rowena. The drill is now operating on full time, after a few days close down waiting the arrival of a car of oil. The oil came in Sunday.

The Runnels County Oil Company recently increased its capital stock from \$10,600 to \$95,000. They are offering stock for sale for the purpose of developing their large holdings. The company has a standard rig at work on the Pfleger land near Rowena, and in the center of an acreage of about 40,000 acres upon which they hold leases. The driller is under contract to go to a depth of 3,500 to 4,000 feet, or strike oil in paying quantities.

The officers of the company and the stockholders are very optimistic over the successful development of an oil field, and expert geologists have made the most favorable reports concerning the "lay of the land." It will be recalled that a shallow gas well was discovered near Rowena a few years ago, the man who was drilling for water being painfully burned about the face when gas escaping from a 169 foot well caught fire and burned for several minutes.

The promoters say there will be no let up in drilling, except in case of breakdowns, until the hole now being punched in the ground reaches the limit, or a gusher is brought in.

## Undertaking Goods Licensed Embalmers

Motor Hearse and Ambulance

T. S. LANKFORD  
Night Phone 81 Day Phone 82

## Hours Phone

7:30 to 12 and 1 to 6 614

Dr. L. B. Stephens

Practice limited to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat

Errors in refraction corrected and Glasses Fitted

Office over Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Ballinger.

M. C. SMITH,  
Attorney-at-Law.

Office up-stairs in C. A. Doss Building.  
Examining Land Titles a Specialty.

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

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON,  
Notary Public.

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

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## Health About Gone

Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. — had us get Cardui. . . I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

## TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

She writes further: "I am in splendid health. . . can do my work. I feel I owe it to Cardui, for I was in dreadful condition. . . If you are nervous, run-down and weak, or suffer from headache, backache, etc., every month, try Cardui. Thousands of women praise this medicine for the good it has done them, and many physicians who have used Cardui successfully with their women patients, for years, endorse this medicine. Think what it means to be in splendid health, like Mrs. Spell. Give Cardui a trial."

All Druggists

J 72

## BALLINGER CIDER HAS "KICK" IN IT

Austin, July 11.—The analysis of two samples of apple cider obtained at Ballinger shows five and six per cent of alcohol.

A Ledger reporter failed to get in touch with County Attorney Harris and learn what steps, if any, he would take in the report that cider containing more alcohol than allowed by law was being sold here. It is reported that such cider is being sold at Miles and Winters. It is the opinion of some that the dealers were not aware of the presence of alcohol, and say that the presence of the "kick" is due to the fermenting process of the cider, which makes it intoxicating after a certain period of time. As it is a violation of the law to sell intoxicating drinks, the authorities will no doubt make further investigation and prosecute if the sales continue.

J. R. Jones, of the Spring Hill Country, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to San Antonio on an extended business trip.

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

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm or F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

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

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON,  
Notary Public.

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

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## 750,000 AMERICANS READY FOR SERVICE IN FRANCE

### GOOD SHOWER IN PARAMORE PASTURE.

W. M. Skagg, of Winters, was here Saturday to see his son off to the officers training camp. Mr. Skagg reports that a good shower of rain fell east of Winters in the Paramore pasture Friday night.

This country has experienced a threat to rain three nights in succession, a flurry coming up from the northeast, all of which proved to be more of a dust storm than rain. Showers of rain fell east of Norton, and showers fell in the Talpa country.

### HUNS ON FRONT IN AMERICAN UNIFORMS

Buffalo, N. Y., July 8.—That German soldiers who lived in the United States before the war, thus being able to speak the American language fluently, are being sent to the front clad in American uniforms, is the startling information conveyed to Mr. John LaTour, of this city by his brother, James Donohue, a private in the U. S. Marine Corps and the first American prisoner to escape from a German prison camp and successfully make his way back to the American lines.

"I saw a number of German soldiers in American uniforms," wrote Donohue, "and all of them could speak English fluently. One of them asked me where I was from and when I told him Buffalo, he laughed and said he had been a waiter in a restaurant there at one time."

Donohue was captured when knocked senseless by a Boche rifle butt and after being made to work night and day digging graves for dead Germans and being spit upon while at work by German officers, he made his escape by hitting his guard over the head with an axe. He made his way back to the American lines, living on some bread and water he took off a German Red Cross dog. He successfully passed through an American barrage while on his way to the American lines.

### BONDS OF THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

Bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan are now being turned out by the thousands daily by the Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The bonds are similar in form and design to those of the third loan, and space has been left on each bond for insertion of the exact terms of the bonds.

It is believed that a sufficient number of the bonds will be ready to make possible immediate delivery of all bonds of the fourth loan as they are purchased.

### PRICES NEED MORE FIXING.

London, July 15.—The war certainly has been unkind to the poor Maypole Dairy Company, England's biggest dairying concern.

Before the war for three years the Maypole realized an average yearly profit of 190 per cent.

That was prosperity. But Maypole shareholders are up against stark, threadbare poverty now, owing to the war. Since 1914 they have averaged a profit of only 112½ per cent.

The profits for 1917 were \$3,755,000 despite the fact that prices for dairy products are fixed by the government.

### LEFT FOR SAN ANTONIO.

A. C. Homann left Saturday afternoon for San Antonio to join his family and will make their future home at that place. The many friends of the family regret to see them leave our city and all wish them success and happiness in their new location.

Miss Ulma Stroble left Saturday afternoon for Goldthwaite to visit relatives and friends a few weeks.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years  
Always bears the Signature of

Washington, July 13.—Chief of Staff March made it known today that the American army in France had been reorganized on a most substantial basis. Three army corps numbering approximately a quarter of a million men each had been organized.

Gen. March also said the American troops were proceeding without a let up as in previous months, and of these more than one-third were on the fighting line and holding an important sector.

### J. R. HOLLOWAY TO SEE THE PEOPLE.

J. R. Holloway, candidate for tax assessor, who has been at work in the east, returned home Sunday and will devote a few days in presenting to the voters of this county his claim for tax assessor. Mr. Holloway announced for the office some time ago, but his name was unintentionally omitted from the announcement column. He says he hopes to see as many people as possible before July 27th.

### FOUR MINUTE MEN ON BASTILLE DAY.

July 15th and 16th are the days observed by the French and joined in by the allies, including America. At the Queen Theatre tonight, a special message will be delivered on Bastille day, a four minute man being assigned to deliver the message. The message delivered at the various churches Sunday called on the people to Remember France on this day.

W. T. and J. M. Nichols, of the Bethel neighborhood, and Dick Loika, of the Pony Creek country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

W. A. Esmond, Charlie Taylor, R. B. Armstrong, J. S. Flanagan, of the Valley Creek country, and Jake Stubblefield, of Norton and N. K. Freeman, the Rowena banker were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

J. R. Holloway, who had business installing a gin plant at Richland, Navarro county, returned home Sunday night and says he will put in the next two weeks seeing after his candidacy for Tax Assessor of Runnels county.

A. E. Gentry, of the Marie country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from San Angelo where he had been to attend the funeral of his niece, Miss Bessie Oats, who died at her home at Hamlin and the remains were shipped to her former home at San Angelo for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and Clarence Wilson and little son Woodrow, of the Pony Creek country, were shopping and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

Claud Todd, of Maverick, who had spent a short furlough at home left Friday afternoon for Galveston to resume his army duties near that city.

J. H. Tucker and August Vogel-sang, of the Hatchel country, J. A. Patterson, of the Valley Creek country, and R. L. Williams, of the Token country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

M. G. L. James, of the Brookshire school community, was in the city Friday to be at the bedside of his son-in-law, D. B. Kennimann, who was recently operated upon for a severe case of appendicitis at the Halley & Love Sanitarium, and we are glad to learn he is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. S. E. Godwin, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Friday en route to Milan county to spend the summer with relatives and friends.

A. Roper, of the Oak Creek country, and G. A. Sandlin, J. M. Jennings and J. D. Good, of the Norton country, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clinger, J. M. Slaughter, Bob Moeckey, of the Maverick-Norton country, J. R. Harris, of the Hatchel country and Fog Coffin, of the Leedy country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday afternoon.

## Coming of The Sunbeam

How to A-oid Those Pains and Distress Which so Many Mothers Have Suffered.



Too much cannot be said for a wonderful preparation, familiar to many women as Mother's Friend.

It is more effective in its action than all the health pills ever laid down for the guidance of expectant mothers. It is an external application that spreads its influence upon the cords, tendons and muscles of the abdomen, rendering them pliant, and they expand gracefully without that peculiar wrenching strain.

The occasion is, therefore, one of unbounded joyal anticipation and too much stress cannot be laid upon the remarkable influence which a mother's happy prenatal disposition has upon the health and fortune of the generations to come.

The pain at the crisis is infinitely less when Mother's Friend is used during the period of expectancy for the muscles expand easier and with less strain when baby is born.

Mother's Friend is for external use only, is entirely safe and may be had of your druggist. It is prepared by the Bradford Regulator Co., Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. Write them to mail you their interesting "Motherhood Book." They will send it at once, without charge, and you will find it very helpful. Do not neglect for a single night and morning to apply Mother's Friend according to directions around the bottle, and thus fortify yourself against pain and discomfort.

### LEARNS TO CUSS IN GERMAN.

Salt Lake City, July 15.—When the U. S. Marines march into Berlin there is going to be one Salt Lake representative peculiarly fitted to tell one William Hohenzollern just what Zion thinks of him.

For Covendish W. Cannon, of this city has enlisted in the Marine Corps.

For several months prior to his enlistment, Cannon was studying German. He insisted that his teacher school him in only one branch of the German language, profanity.

"I want to learn how to cuss fluently in German," said Cannon when questioned concerning his peculiar studies, "so that I can tell Kaiser Bill and the rest of his gang just what I think of them. If I didn't know all the words in the German 'cuss dictionary', how could I do it?"

### MRS. BARN'S LETTER.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur in almost every neighborhood, and people should know what to do in like circumstances: Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916.

"I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery) I had another attack of the same complaint some three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy to dozens of people since I first used it."

### POST OFFICE DISCONTINUED.

J. J. Fox, of Pony, who had been serving as postmaster since Pat Mapes left for the U. S. army service was in Ballinger Monday and informed us that the post office at Pony had been discontinued and he had been released and is again a free man to go and come as he pleases, from a tiresome and confining job with very little pay.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Witt and children, who had been making home in Ballinger during the past school term, moved out to their ranch in the Pony Creek country Monday. Mrs. Witt had been quite ill for several weeks since school closed and was just able to go out home today.

John Walden, of Coke county, Claud Roberson, J. L. Lee and son Renza, of the Maverick country, and E. M. Harrell, of the Hatchel country, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Skagg and Mr. and Mrs. Diggs, of Winters, came in Saturday to accompany Mm. Skagg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Skagg who left for Camp Sheridan, Ill., to enter the U. S. army service.

### MANY PRESCRIPTIONS AT THIS SEASON

In order to comprise the best course of treatment, and to secure the best results, should read as follows:

R Hood's Sarsaparilla—11 oz.  
Peptiron—150 pills

Sig: One teaspoonful Hood's Sarsaparilla before meals  
Two Peptiron after meals

There is no better course of medicine for impure blood, run-down condition and loss of appetite. These two medicines working together often give a four-fold benefit.





# THIRD WEEK OF THE BIG CASH RAISING SALE

Hundreds have profited by the big event. Why not you? The coming week will be a real bargain event; all summer goods must go; all summer goods will go; these prices will make things hum on the corner at the Melton Dry Goods Co. Read prices carefully, then come and profit.

DOLLAR DAY SATURDAY JULY 20

Final--Good-bye Prices

## Coats and Suits

\$18.50 Suits & Coats, now \$14.50  
 \$19.50 Suits & Coats, now \$15.60  
 \$22.50 Suits & Coats, now \$18.00  
 \$24.75 Suits & Coats, now \$19.80  
 \$27.50 Suits & Coats, now \$22.00  
 \$29.50 Suits & Coats, now \$23.60

## Extra Special

**Ladies Dresses**  
 Carried from last season, white and color combinations, slightly soiled, values \$3.50 to \$5.00 Cash Raising Price .....\$1.95

## Notions

\$ .10 notions, now .....\$ .08  
 \$ .12½ notions, now .....\$ .10  
 \$ .15 notions, now .....\$ .12  
 \$ .20 notions, now .....\$ .17  
 \$ .25 notions, now .....\$ .22  
 \$ .35 notions, now .....\$ .32  
 \$ .50 notions, now .....\$ .45  
 \$ .65 notions, now .....\$ .57  
 \$ .75 notions, now .....\$ .68  
 \$ .85 notions, now .....\$ .77  
 \$1.00 notions, now .....\$ .89  
 \$1.25 notions, now .....\$1.13

## O. N. T. Luster

100 boxes O. N. T. Luster Cotton, most all shades, Special .....5c

## Ladies Skirts

Worth more than retail price on wholesale market today

\$ 3.50 Skirts .....\$ 2.80	\$ 9.00 Skirts .....\$ 7.20
\$ 4.00 Skirts .....\$ 3.20	\$11.00 Skirts .....\$ 7.95
\$ 4.50 Skirts .....\$ 3.60	\$11.50 Skirts .....\$ 9.20
\$ 5.00 Skirts .....\$ 3.99	\$12.50 Skirts .....\$ 9.95
\$ 6.50 Skirts .....\$ 5.20	\$12.98 Skirts .....\$10.39
\$ 7.50 Skirts .....\$ 6.00	\$13.50 Skirts .....\$10.80
\$ 8.00 Skirts .....\$ 6.40	\$15.00 Skirts .....\$11.95
\$ 8.50 Skirts .....\$ 6.80	

Buy Now and Save Money. Save by Buying Now.

## Summer Millenry

Complete and final clean-up Everything goes.

You can afford to buy another hat for mid-summer wear at the radical price reduction.  
 \$ 3.50 Hats, Cash Price ....\$1.95  
 \$ 5.00 Hats, Cash Price ....\$2.45  
 \$10.00 Hats, Cash Price ....\$4.95  
 Choice of any child's hat in the house, values up to \$2.50 .....95c

## Wash Goods

Sale Price--All Reduced

\$ .25 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .22  
 \$ .35 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .32  
 \$ .40 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .36  
 \$ .50 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .46  
 \$ .65 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .59  
 \$ .75 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .68  
 \$ .85 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .77  
 \$1.00 Wash Goods, now .....\$ .89  
 \$1.25 Wash Goods, now .....\$1.13  
 \$1.50 Wash Goods, now .....\$1.33  
 These prices are 25 per cent less than jubbler price today.

## Special

Mens Sport Shirts

White and White with Stripes  
 Values up to \$1.00 Cash  
 Price .....\$ .45

## What A Dollar Will Do Saturday, July 20, Monday 22nd. Come.

FOR \$1.00 5 yds. Bleached 36 in. Domestic worth 27½c. yd., Saturday and  
 FOR \$1.00 4 pairs Ladies white or black hose Monday, Price 5 yds for ...\$1.00  
 worth 40c. pair, Price Saturday and Monday, 4 pairs for ...\$1.00  
 FOR \$1.00 Ladies black or fancy parasols, \$1.50 quality, Saturday and Monday,  
 day, price each .....\$1.00

## Wonderful--Two Sales on Mens Straw Hats

Sennetts and Peanut Straws, best One lot men's straw hats consisting of Panamas styles, sizes 6 3-4 to 7 1-4; values \$3.00 \$3.50 and \$4.00, Saturday and Monday Only, Cash Raising Price

\$1.00

# The Big Cash Raising Sale Continues Through July

## Big Reduction During Our Annual Cash Raising Sale on All Clothing

This sale includes every suit for MEN, YOPNG MEN AND BOYS

You can well afford to buy two at the prices offered.

\$15.00 Suits, Cash Raising Price .....\$11.95  
 \$17.50 Suits, Cash Raising Price .....\$13.85  
 \$18.50 Suits, Cash Raising Price .....\$14.90  
 \$20.00 Suits, Cash Raising Price .....\$15.95  
 \$22.50 Suits, Cash Raising Price .....\$17.85

## Boys Suits

FANCY WORSTED SERGES.

\$5.00 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$3.95  
 \$6.50 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$5.29  
 \$7.50 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$5.95  
 \$8.50 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$6.98  
 \$10.00 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$7.95  
 \$12.50 Boys Suits, Cash Price .....\$9.95

CASH RAISING SALE CONTINUES



Men's Underwear

\$ .50 Quality, now .....\$ .45  
 \$ .65 Quality, now .....\$ .55  
 \$ .75 Quality, now .....\$ .65  
 \$ .85 Quality, now .....\$ .79  
 \$1.00 Quality, now .....\$ .89  
 \$1.25 Quality, now .....\$1.13  
 1.50 Quality, now .....\$1.33  
 1.75 Quality, now .....\$1.57  
 2.00 Quality, now .....\$1.79

COME AND PROFIT DURING THIS SALE

## Real War Saving Economy In Shoes

A shoe for every member of the family--at a saving to you.

TABLE NO. 1 150 pair Ladies black Patent and Kid leather slippers and Pumps, sizes 3 to 6 good styles values \$2.50 to \$4.00, Cash Raising Price, pair .....\$1.95

## White Slippers

100 pair Ladies White Canvas Slippers, pumps and straps, sizes 2½ to 5, \$1.50 to \$2.50 values, Cash Raising Price .....\$ .98

## Misses' White Slippers

105 pairs Childrens and Misses White Canvas Slippers, sizes 8 to 2, values, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, Cash Raising Price .....\$ .89

## Men's Oxfords Women's Slippers

\$4.00 value now \$3.48	\$2.50 value now \$1.98
\$4.50 value now \$3.85	\$3.50 value now \$2.89
\$5.00 value now \$4.29	\$4.00 value now \$3.48
\$6.00 value now \$5.15	\$5.00 value now \$4.29
\$6.50 value now \$5.49	\$6.50 value now \$4.95
\$7.00 value now \$5.95	\$7.00 value now \$5.95
\$8.50 value now \$6.25	\$8.50 value now \$6.25

# Melton Dry Goods Co

INCORPORATED  
 EVERYBODY'S STORE

## RETURNED FROM FISHING TRIP.

Capt. L. B. Stephens and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKay returned home Wednesday at noon from the San Saba river where they visited the doctor's relatives and enjoyed a few days fishing trip on the river upon arriving at home Capt. Stevens received a telegram stating that a Lieut. Col. and a major would arrive in Ballinger to inspect the National Guards Monday Morning July 22 at 9 o'clock a. m.

## LEFT FOR ARMY SERVICE.

The following young men of this county left Monday afternoon for Camp Fort Sam Houston to enter the U. S. army: Melvin Lee Christian, Albert Schwertner, Leo Muller, Victor Mika, Adolph Christian Ernst, Frances Carl Kirby, Pedro Rodriguez, and Willie Haupt, of Camp Travis.

## ONLY TWO OUT OF 21 ARE INDICTED

San Angelo, July 15, 1918.  
 Mr. C. P. Shepherd,  
 Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Shepherd:  
 The Grand Jury has adjourned, and after thoroughly investigating the case of Mrs. Ben Spill, of Winters said she was guilty of no wrong, and refused to indict her. I have understood that the government witnesses convinced the jury that she was even more loyal than some of her accusers, but as to that I do not know, but I do know that they found nothing wrong with her conduct. I wish, therefore, that your paper would give the fact that they refused to indict her, as much publicity as her arrest was given.  
 I have seen the list of indictments returned, and I believe,

that of the 21 arrests in Runnels county, only two were indicted. That being the case, someone has been a LITTLE TOO ZEALOUS, or else have acted with little information as to whether or not a law had been violated. In these strenuous times it is an easy matter to do one a great injustice, especially if he or she has some German blood in their veins. In this respect I am as guilty as others.

Yours truly,  
 C. O. HARRIS.

The friends of Mrs. Spill and all the other parties arrested in this county and who were placed under bond will be glad to know that they were not guilty as charged in the complaint. W. R. McDonald, Elder J. W. Kelley and H. Conner, are among those who were released from bond, the grand jury declining to indict them on the testimony furnished. Richard Gottschalk and Emil Keiffer are the two men who were indicted, and will be held

## FOREIGN WOMEN TEACH FOOD CONSERVATION.

Many foreign women who have received training in food conservation from home-demonstration agents of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State agricultural colleges are volunteering for special canning work. One canning class held in Massachusetts was composed of four Finns, two Lithuanians, two Poles, two French, two Swedes, two Italians, and two Armenians. These women all understand English, and will spend a large part of the summer giving demonstrations and helping people who speak their language with canning work.

Prof. Pieratt left Tuesday afternoon for Santa Ana to visit relatives a few days before being called into army service.

## SHIPPING CATTLE AND HOGS.

Seven car loads of cattle were shipped out to the Fort Worth and Oklahoma markets Tuesday as follows: W. T. Routh, one car cattle, Middleton & Faris, Claud Wilmet, a car each and W. F. Street, hogs to Fort Worth and cattle to Oklahoma and Charlie Evans, seven cars in number between the shippers.

## GO TO STATE UNIVERSITY.

George Emmitt Davis, George Russell Caswell, and Laudie Grafton Ivey, will leave Wednesday for the Mechanical school at the State University, Austin. The government has over four thousand young Texans training them in special work at this University.

Henry Bagley came in from the Ranger oil fields Sunday to look after business interests a few days. He came over in the auto with R. O. Walton.

## BALLINGER BOY IS FIRST TO HIT HUNS

J. D. Justice is in receipt of a letter from his son, Marvin. The letter was dated "At the Front." Every American knows where that is, and a letter dated at that place is always read with interest.

Marvin enlisted in the Marines early in the game. He was with the boys who blazed the way for the other American soldiers and who put the Germans to flight, and created a name for the Americans that the Germans hate with all the hate at their command.

Following is a part of the letter received by Mr. Justice this week:

Dear Daddy:  
 I received your letter. Was glad to hear from you. I had not heard from home in some time. I have been so busy I could not get my mail. Have been ten days in some battle and open warfare. Not in the trenches, but woods to woods.

We drove the Germans back three times in two days and we win ground in every battle. The French were retreating when we were brought up and we started things to going forward as soon as we hit the ground. We were brought up in trucks and we have advanced every day a little. We were fighting for eight days and nights, when we were finally relieved and are now about three miles from the lines.

In support the Marines certainly made some name in France. The French are crazy about the Marines. They don't talk about anything but the Marines, Marines Marines. We did some good fighting, and I wish you could have seen how the boys went after the Germans when we landed on the scene and got them in the open field. We run them from one to another and the folks at home who receive news of their son's death ought to feel very proud of their sons for being the first and best soldiers in the field to drive the Germans back. The Germans sure hate the Marines. They call them the "Devil Dogs."

I lost my officer wounded before we made the second attack and I had to take charge of my platoon of 55 men and lead them myself and I did the best I knew how, and we made the farthest advance and lost less men than any other platoon in action. Our major was in the woods with us and he complimented us in many ways and recommended me to our division commander for bravery.

I hope I will continue lucky, but if they ever get me I will die doing my duty. The Marines are great fighters and my boys are willing to go any where with me, and I love them like brothers.

Don't worry about me if you don't hear from me often. There are times I can't mail letters for 15 or 20 days. So don't worry.

Your loving son,  
 SERGEANT M. G. JUSTICE,  
 83rd Co. 6th Reg., U. S. M. C.

## DRILLING OIL WELL IN SOLID ROCK

The drill at the Russell well on Grape Creek east of Ballinger has reached a depth of 260 feet. The drill started in rock and is still drilling in rock. The formation all the way down has been flint and lime stone, causing the drill to make slow progress.

This test is being watched by oil men from all over the country. The Gulf Producing Company, one of the largest oil companies operating in the state is developing the field, and they have a new standard outfit with all necessary equipment, casing, etc., on the ground, and will drill to a depth of 4,000 feet before stopping, unless a gusher is brought in before the drill reaches that depth.

## COLORADO RIVER ON SLIGHT RISE

A head rise in the Colorado river reached Ballinger Monday morning. Water was flowing over the gravel bar below the county bridge, all holes and dams above this point having been filled. Farmers who had pumped the river dry and were needing water to irrigate their crops are now operating their irrigation plants again, running on full time. The supply of water comes from rains in the Sweetwater and Big Springs country.