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## Sergeant Pat Williams Died Fighting For His Country

"Deeply regret to inform you that Sergeant Pat C. Williams, is officially reported as killed in action on October 13th."

The above brief message to J. A. Williams from the war department at Washington confirms the sad news received here in a letter last week. The telegram came Tuesday night, and all Ballinger is deeply grieved. Flags are flying at half mast in honor of one of Ballinger's best boys, who gave his life for the defense of his country.

Those who knew Pat Williams and know the zeal with which he entered the army, know that he died a real hero, and made his service in the defense of his country count for much before falling a victim of the dirty huns.

The letter from his comrade, George Smith, received last week, was the first news that Pat had been killed and was accepted by many as definite information that he had paid the supreme price, yet his father and mother and many friends hoped against hope, that Pat had only been wounded and that perhaps George was mistaken.

So far Pat is the only Ballinger boy to fall on the battle line, while several Rannels county boys have been killed, died of disease and wounded.

Sergeant Major Oscar Williams, a brother of Pat, came in from an army camp in Virginia Tuesday at noon, just a few hours before the official report of the death of his brother was received, and he is here with Mr. and Mrs. Williams for a few days.

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### LEAVES FOR NEW MEXICO

Preston Dunn loaded out the remnants of goods he had left after advertising all he had for sale, Monday and Tuesday he followed with his family, going over land in their jitney to their new home at Artesia, New Mexico.

Mr. Dunn said he could vouch for the success of Ledger advertising. He placed a little want ad in the Ledger offering his livestock, implements, etc., for sale, and he said it kept him busy answering calls, and he cleaned up without any trouble.

This county regrets to see Mr. Dunn and his family move away from this county, but as he says he has discovered a "bonanza" we must submit to his good luck and wish them well in their new home.

## HOW THE VOTERS SCRATCHED TICKETS

The returns from the general election, as canvassed and made a matter of record by the commissioners court this week, shows that less than 800 votes were polled in the county, out of a voting strength of about 3000.

The total vote cast for governor was 769, while the highest vote received by any county candidate was 716. Judge Parish receiving that number.

Both amendments carried by a good majority, the testimony amendment receiving 362 and 215 against. The free text book amendment received 408 votes and 212 votes were polled against it.

Following is the standing of the candidates:

W. P. Hobby, Dem.	662
Chas. A. Boyton, Rep.	98
Wm. D. Simpson, Soc.	9
C. R. Stephens	706
O. L. Parish	716
C. P. Shepherd	710
C. C. Cockrell	709
W. C. McCarver	714
J. D. Perkins	714
M. D. Chastain	715
M. C. Boyd	713
John J. Bugg	713
W. L. Brown	714

## SOUTH BALLINGER GIRLS ORGANIZE SCOUT TEAM

The South Ballinger girls met at Grandpa Eubank's room Friday night, Nov 15th and organized a Girls Scout Team. The following officers were elected:

Miss Grace Wooten, Captain; Miss Kate Cockrell, assistant captain; Miss Ruth Wooten, Secretary; Miss Ruby Lee Brown, treasurer; Miss Lois Wooten, Miss Ruth Cockrell, social committee; Miss Lola Eubanks and Kate Cockrell, program committee.

The work of the new organization was discussed and plans for the future made. The object of the organization is to give the boys and girls of South Ballinger social and literary benefits. The organization will meet next Friday night at the Wooten home, and all members are urged to be present with their dues. Important matters will be discussed and the rules read.

Carl Dunn left for Orange, Tuesday afternoon, where he goes to work, and will probably move his family to that place soon. He says he regrets to leave Ballinger but can do better at Orange.

Dr. Tollman, who came here from Brownwood and preached for the Baptist people Sunday, returned to his home Monday afternoon.

## EX-KAISER IS EXPECTED TO RETURN

Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—At Potsdam it is expected that the ex-kaiser will return to Germany soon, according to dispatches received here from Berlin. Conditions in Holland make it unsafe for the overthrown ruler to remain in that country.

Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—It is reported here that a great communistic plot had been uncovered in Vienna.

The communists had perfected plans to seize all public buildings and proclaim a Bolshevik government. Several hundred leaders of the communistic plot have been arrested.

J. R. Turner was here from Norton to accompany his three brothers, J. D., W. H. and R. A. to the train. The brothers were en route to their homes in Hill county after a visit to J. R.

## Stolen Horses Carried To Coke

The ten head of horses received from two men arrested here on a charge of staling four mules in Coke county last week, have been carried to Coke county and turned over to the sheriff of that county.

The two men are in jail at Robert Lee and will no doubt be indicted by the grand jury which convenes in that county Monday, as the mules which they are charged with stealing were found in their possession and identified by their owners.

The horses have not been identified as stolen property, and is the property of the men arrested until it is proven that they stole the horses.

The officers are of the opinion that the men are professional horse thieves and have been operating in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico and feel confident that the horses were either stolen or the men traded stolen horses for them.

The news of the arrest of the men and the recovery of the horses has spread over the state through the daily papers, and Sheriff Perkins is receiving telegrams from parties who have lost horses, but so far descriptions given does not tally with the description of the horses in question.

## BIG GAS FLOW IN RUSSELL WELL

The Russell well shut down late Monday afternoon to wait the arrival of casing, which is being shipped from Eastland, and will arrive in two or three days.

The work was stopped when the drill struck another gas flow amounting to one million feet, and giving the well a gas flow of seven million feet.

The last gas vein produces a dry gas, more suitable for illuminating purposes, and differs somewhat from the wet gas which the well has been supplying. The gas pressure became so strong Monday that the drillers decided it best not to take chances on losing the tools in the open hole and will not drill deeper until the casing has been set. The well now stands at a depth of 3235 feet, short 265 feet of the original contract. The formation at the present depth is similar to that passed through just before the first oil was discovered.

Miss Hunt, one of the nurses in the Halley & Love sanitarium, went to Santa Anna Tuesday, to nurse a patient.

## AMERICANS CROSSING FRONTIERS

With the Americans, Nov. 20.—The American army began the second phase of its advance today when the entire army moved forward across the frontier of German Lorraine and Luxemburg.

The German armies are making rapid time in withdrawing from the territory they are required to give up under the terms of the armistice. The huns are destroying but little property and are leaving behind large stores of supplies which are being taken over by the Americans and allies.

Harwich, England, Nov. 20.—Twenty German submarines surrendered to Rear Admiral Tyrnutt thirty miles off Harwich at sunrise this morning. Twenty more will surrender tomorrow and Friday and the remainder of the enemy's submarine fleet will surrender later.

## Ballinger Boy Slightly Wounded

"Deeply regret to inform you that it is officially reported that Private William J. H. Nelson, infantry, was slightly wounded in action about Sept. 16th. Department has no further information."

The above is the exact wording of a telegram received from the war department Tuesday by Mrs. Laura Long, mother of the soldier referred to in the telegram.

Dewey Nelson, who works for L. B. Stubbs, is a brother of the wounded soldier, and furnishes us with the copy of the telegram announcing his brother's wounding.

Private Nelson was inducted into service through the local board at Ballinger last summer. He went to Camp Travis, and from there overseas and has been in the thick of the fight. Letters have been coming from him since he landed in France. His friends are glad to know that he escaped with only a slight wound.

The date (Sept. 16) on which Nelson was wounded indicates that the government is far behind in reporting the slightly wounded.

O. R. and J. T. Routh returned Monday night from Glascock county, where they went to ship a bunch of cattle to market. S. C. Routh and J. W. Bigby who also went to Glascock, accompanied the cattle to Fort Worth and returned home Wednesday.

## MANY CASUALTIES IN HOME LIST

San Angelo families represented by men in uniform abroad, and particularly the parents of soldiers in Company M, 144th infantry, are anxiously awaiting news of the last of the casualties in the great war, which is now ended. For several letters received from local officers have implied that the casualty toll has been heavy.

In a letter written on October 22 to his brother, Lieutenant Clarence R. Webb, Lieutenant Lyndon F. Webb of Company M states:

"I do not know whether I will be able to rejoin my old company but don't care much, because so many of the boys are gone."

No names were mentioned, owing to the censorship. Casualty announcements of the government have recently been about thirty days behind the time of occurrence. Hence notices of any men killed or wounded in the hard fighting that marked the close of the struggle should begin to arrive at once.

Lieutenant Webb was gassed but was recovering rapidly when he wrote to his brother.—San Angelo Standard.

## Eighteen Rannels County Boys Died In U. S. Uniforms

### MORE OIL DOINGS IN COKE COUNTY

San Angelo, Nov. 18.—P. A. Bogue, Marion, Indiana, oil man, Saturday night announced the location of the oil well that he will drill near San Angelo. A block of approximately 11,000 acres in Coke and Tom Green counties has been leased, and Well No. 1 is to be sunk on the Joel W. Westbrook ranch, near Tennyson, just over the Coke county line.

One car of machinery arrived Friday, and another came in Saturday. Rig-building will on Monday begin the erection of an eighty four foot hardwood derrick, and shortly the installation of machinery will be gotten under way. Mr. Bogue intends to make a thorough test and, if necessary will go to a depth of 5,000 feet.

He will have associated with him in the work R. A. Burnett of Wichita, Kansas. Mr. Burnett has already arrived in San Angelo and is stopping with his wife at the St. Angelus. He will remain through out the time the well is being drilled. Mr. Bogue will divide his time between San Angelo and Coleman county, where his first well is being sunk.

Mr. Bogue has operated in Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Oklahoma, and now in Texas, and has had a long experience in the oil game. He is much impressed with prospects for oil about San Angelo, and his opinions are best evidenced by the amount of money he is expending in testing this section's resources.

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Jobe Davis, one of the early settlers of this county, but now of Garza county, has been here several days visiting old friends. Mr. Davies lived south of Ballinger in the Mapes neighborhood before moving away from Rannels county.

Judge A. K. Doss left Tuesday for Mineral Wells, where he goes to attend the Methodist conference. Mrs. Doss and the children accompanied him as far as De Leon, and will visit relatives at that place.

Since America began mobilizing an army to crush German autocracy and defend our own fair land, and up to noon Wednesday of this week, the record kept by The Ledger shows that eighteen young men from this county laid down their lives for the sake of their country.

Six of the number officially reported lost were killed and the remaining twelve died with pneumonia. This honor roll does not include those wounded, a list of which is incomplete, due to the fact that the government has not notified relatives of the slightly wounded.

Lieut. Ewing Taylor and Lieut. Roy Sharp are the only two young men who were seriously wounded which have been reported by the government. News came this week of the slight wounding of William Nelson, of this city. In view of the fact that nearly one thousand men are in service from this county many of whom have been on the battle line, the final report will no doubt show others wounded, and possibly other deaths will be reported within the next few days.

The Ledger has attempted to keep a record of the casualty list for the county, and if the following list does not include all who have paid the price, it is because they have not reported to us, and we have not received any information concerning others:

Arthur Straneh, lost on Tuscania.

Oscar Smith, lost on Tuscania.

Roy Scoggins, lost on Cyclops.

Carl R. Hinkle, died of pneumonia at Camp Travis.

Le Roy Sisson, died of pneumonia while at home on furlough from navy.

Bert M. Galloway, died of pneumonia at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Geo. B. Hoelscher, died of pneumonia at Camp Travis.

Isaac Massey Vaughn, died of pneumonia in France.

Adolph Kiefer, died of pneumonia in France.

Toney Schwertner, died of pneumonia at Camp Travis.

Arthur Zappe, died of pneumonia at A. & M.

John Wesley Allen killed in action in France.

Dennis Louise Pumphrey, died of pneumonia at Camp Travis.

Walter F. Embry, died of pneumonia in France.

Ewald C. Henniger, died of pneumonia at Camp Sheridan.

Luther Harding, died of pneumonia at Camp Mabry.

James Morrison Steele, died of pneumonia in England.

Pat C. Williams, killed in action in France.

In these days of conservation we all try to make a dollar go a long way.

When we buy shoes we want them to give us long wear. And when we buy clothes we like to have them last a reasonable time.

The same with your car. New cars are scarce anyway, and you want the old car to give you maximum value.

There is one sure way to do this and that is to take proper care of the car.

This means that you should keep a careful eye on it and remedy every little trouble before it gets big. A doctor can do a lot of good in one call if he called soon enough.

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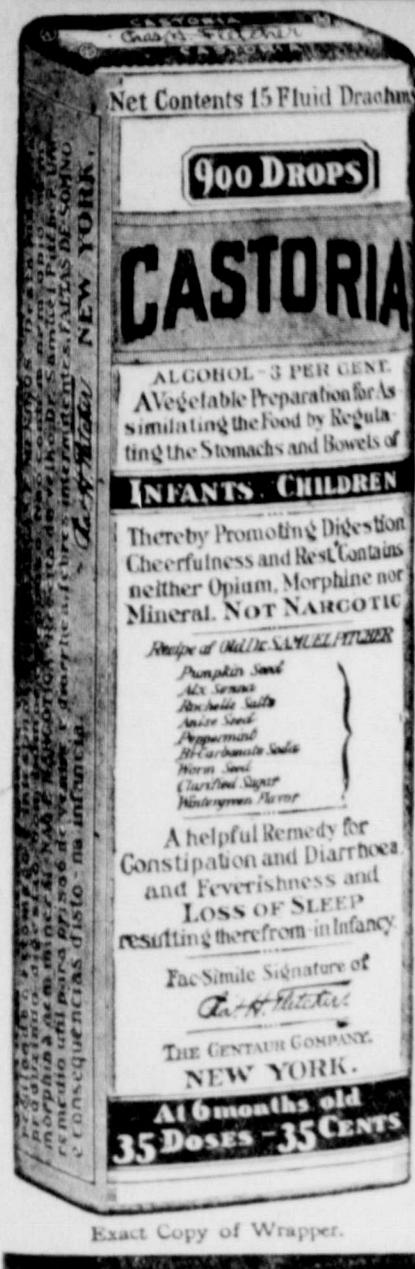
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**LOOK WHAT PEACE HAS DONE FOR US**

At the conference of the State Food Administration now being held at Washington, it has been decided to abandon immediately the eighty-twenty flour and substitute rule, therefore, from now on it will not be necessary for the merchant to sell, or the consumer to purchase substitutes when selling or purchasing flour. This means that a customer may now eat pure wheat flour bread without restrictions. This also applies to bakers, who are now permitted to bake pure wheat bread.

The above situation was brought about by the present political situation in Europe, and on account of there being more ships available for transportation of food, the enormous surplus of wheat, held for the past three years in Australia, Argentine Republic and India, now becomes available for supplying the needs of Europe.

While the restrictions on the consumption of wheat have been removed, it does not necessarily mean that the consumer should be lax in conservation of other foods, for the people of this country will undoubtedly be called upon to voluntarily make sacrifices of other food commodities in order that we can help to feed the population of the countries recently freed from German domination.

R. T. Williams  
County Food Administrator.

**MAKING NEW OUR WOUNDED SOLDIERS**

The United States Government is resolved to do its best to restore every wounded American soldier and sailor to health, strength and self-supporting activity.

Until his discharge from the hospital all the medical and surgical treatment necessary to restore him to health is under the jurisdiction of the military or naval authorities, according to the branch of the service he is in. The vocational training, the reeducation and rehabilitation necessary to restore him to self-supporting activity, is under the jurisdiction of the Federal Board of Vocational Education.

If he needs an artificial limb or mechanical appliance the government will supply it free, will keep it in repair and renew it when necessary. If after his discharge he again needs medical treatment on account of his disability, the government will supply it free. While he is in the hospital and while in training afterwards the soldier or sailor will receive compensation as if in service and his family or dependents will receive their allotment.

A wounded soldier or sailor, although his disability does not prevent him from returning to employment without training, can take a course of vocational training free of cost and the compensation provided by the war risk insurance act will be paid to him, and the training will be free, but no allotment will be paid to his family.

Every Liberty Bond holder who holds his bond is keeping up a part of this great work of restoring to health, strength, and usefulness the men who have suffered for their country.

**PROCLAMATION FOR THANKSGIVING DAY**

"By the President of the United States of America.

"A proclamation:

"It has been long our custom to turn in the autumn of the year in praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God for his blessings and mercies to us as a nation. This year we have special and moving cause to be grateful and to rejoice God has in his good pleasure given us peace. It has not come as a mere cessation of arms, a mere relief from the strain and tragedy of war. It has come as a great triumph of right. Complete victory has brought us not peace alone, but the confident promise of Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November shall replace force and jealous intrigue among the nations. Our gallant armies have participated in a triumph which is not strained by another purpose of selfish aggression. In a righteous cause they have won immortal glory and have nobly served their nation in serving mankind. God has indeed been gracious. We have cause for such rejoicing as revives and strengthens in us all the best traditions of our national history. A new day shines about us in which our hearts take new courage and look forward with new hope to new and greater duties.

While we render thanks for these things, let us not forget to seek the divine guidance in the performance of those duties and divine mercy and forgiveness for all errors of act or purpose, and pray that in all that we do shall strengthen the ties of friendship and mutual respect upon which we must assist to build the new structure of peace and good will among nations.

Therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November next as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease upon that day from their ordinary necessary occupations and in the several home and places of worship to render thanks to God, the ruler of nations.

Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-third.

Woodrow Wilson.  
By the president:  
Robert Lansing, secretary of state.

**SOLEMN HOUR FOR PEACE MEET**

Aside from a little riot of cheering following the four minute talks made at the memorial service Sunday night, the occasion was one of solemnity and lacking in that spirit of patriotic enthusiasm.

This solemnity was due no doubt to the hour, place of meeting and in fact to the purpose for which the program was arranged. It was a thanksgiving service. The peace celebration will come later, and the enthusiasm which is spent up in the hearts of many, will come with the home coming we must plan for the boys later.

The services Sunday night were well attended, the auditorium of the Methodist church being filled to its seating capacity, with quite a number failing to find seats.

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," and other songs in keeping with the occasion, were sung, the congregation joining in the chorus.

Scott H. Maek had charge of the services, acting as chairman or leader, and introduced the speakers.

The devotional services were led by Rev. H. P. Bates. Four minute talks by Estes Lynn, Elzie Brown, Judge A. K. Doss, J. W. Powell and O. L. Parish followed.

Following the four minute talks impromptu talks were made by several in the congregation, those speaking telling of some special thing for which they were thankful.

Dr. Tollman, of Brownwood, delivered the address of the evening, pointing to four dates which he said were the greatest events in the history of the world. He named these as the resurrection, discovery of America, signing of Independence, and the recent date of November 11th when the war ended, or the signing of the armistice.

All the speakers heaped word of praise upon our boys in the army, navy and all branches of the service. Each speaker brought out the great fact that the hand of God was in it all, and thanksgiving was offered for the victory which has brought to an end the greatest military power the world has ever known.

**SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT WINTERS OIL MILL**

The first serious accident in the history of the Winters oil mill happened Monday afternoon when Leon Bartlett was the victim.

Leon was working in the seed house when his foot slipped into the big seed conveyor auger, the auger breaking both bones in his leg between the knee and ankle and badly crushing the ankle.

Leon was soon extracted from his perilous position and hurried to the Winters sanitarium where he received attention and is now getting along nicely with promise of soon fully recovering from his injuries.—Winters Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn, of Winters, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lynn and remained over until after the memorial services Sunday night.

**LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD**

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Meadorville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak. I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Theford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member, of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 69

**READY TO HELP SOLDIER'S MEMORIAL**

"I want to second the motion for a soldiers' memorial," said R. W. Bruce, Saturday morning, "and I am ready to second it with a liberal subscription."

Mr. Bruce called at the Ledger to inquire what kind of a memorial would be suitable, and what the probable cost would be. All of which is matter to be determined when the people show a willingness to support the proposition and put it over.

Such a proposition can not be worked out in a day. Conditions here now are not very favorable for carrying out such a proposition, but large things often have a small beginning.

What we had in mind when suggesting that a move be put on foot and a fund for that purpose was the building of a handsome memorial hall. This city is badly in need of such a building, and the soldiers deserve the honor such a building would bring to them.

Some would no doubt prefer the erection of a monument on the court house square. A monument would serve the purpose but a memorial hall would serve a double purpose, and the people no doubt contribute more liberally to such a proposition.

Let us begin now to create a fund for this purpose, and with the harvesting of a bumper crop here, and the return of prosperous times, which are sure to come, and are coming, we can do honor to the boys who did our fighting for us.

**RECORD PRICE FOR BEEF**

A black Angus cow raised near Christoval by Sam H. Hill & Son brought eighteen cents a pound, or a total of \$256.45, on the Kansas City market Thursday. This was the highest price ever paid for a cow on the open market. The animal belonged to Hill & Son's famous show herd that has been touring the United States this fall. She weighed 1,430 pounds and attracted much attention among both buyers and cattle raisers.

"The price paid per 100 pound is the highest on record," said the "Drovers" Telegram Thursday "but she lacked weight to bring as much money as a Missouri Short-horn cow weighing 1,750 pounds and selling at \$15 per hundred-weight. This sale was made on June 17 last."

Miss Lucille Bridwell returned Sunday afternoon, from San Angelo where she visited friends.

**Yes! Everybody Takes Cascarets**

Only 10 cents! Harmless cathartic for sluggish liver and bowels

Feel bulky! Cheer up! Take Cascarets to loosen your liver and clean the bowels and stop headaches, biliousness, bad breath, coated tongue, sallowiness, sour stomach and gases. To-night take Cascarets and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up feeling grand—Everybody's doing it. Cascarets best laxative for children. They gladly take this pleasant candy cathartic because it never gripes or sickens like other things.

**BALLINGER BOYS BAG LAST GAME**

When the history of the great war is written, it will be recorded that the last French town to fall into American hands before hostilities ceased was the town of Stenay, on the Meuse north of Verdun, and only a short distance from the Luxembourg border. It is reported from the front that the church bells of Stenay tolled the hour of 11, on Monday morning, troops of the 90th Division were pouring into the town.

For ever after Texas hearts will beat high when Stenay is mentioned. The 90th Division is a Texas-Oklahoma draft organization and was one of the first divisions of the new national army to go over. Practically all Houston boys who went with the first draft call for September, and in the subsequent calls through the winter of 1917 and spring of 1918, are in the 90th, particularly in the 360th Infantry. They trained in the Vosges and received their baptism of fire when General Pershing's forces closed the St. Mihiel gap.

The 90th Division is essentially a citizen's organization. It was quite fitting that an organization of this kind should deliver the final blow on Germany's autocratic military machine.—Houston Chronicle.

There are several Ballinger boys and quite a number of Rannels county boys in the 90th Division.

Miss Thelma Kelley returned to her home at Santa Anna Sunday, after a visit to Miss Juliet Miller

**RAID MADE ON SEVERAL GARAGES**

Thieves made a raid on several garages in Ballinger Friday night, and got away with extra casings, rims, tools, etc.

E. L. Rasbury was one of the victims, losing an inflated casing and rim and tool bag. R. P. Conn also lost two casings. The garage of E. F. Melburne was broken into, but nothing is missing.

If you have not taken stock in your garage, you had better do so and see what is missing.

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

**PAINT ROCK SORROWS WITH US**

Word came to Paint Rock Thursday morning bearing the sad news of the death of Pat Williams of Ballinger on the battle front in France on Oct. 13. Mr. Williams was well known here both in our business and social circles and was liked by all. His death caused a deep sorrow among all his friends. So far he is the nearest to Paint Rock in point of acquaintance and home of any soldier who has been killed in battle.—Paint Rock Herald.

W. W. Scott, of Winters, was here Sunday to accompany his brother to the train. The brother had been visiting at Winters and was en route to his home.

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Calomel loses you a day! You know what calomel is. It's mercury; quicksilver. Calomel is dangerous. It crashes into sour bile like dynamite, cramping and sickening you. Calomel attacks the bowels and should never be put into your system.

When you feel bilious, sluggish, constipated and all knocked out and believe you need a dose of dangerous calomel just remember that your

druggist sells for a few cents a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone, which is entirely vegetable and pleasant to take and is a perfect substitute for calomel. It is guaranteed to start your liver without stirring you up inside, and can not salivate.

Don't take calomel! It makes you sick the next day; it loses you a day's work. Dodson's Liver Tone straightens you right up and you feel great. Give it to the children as well.

## GERMAN FATHER WRITES TO HIS SON

A Fort Worth boy in a letter to his parents written from the battle lines in France, encloses a letter he found in a dug out captured by the Americans, from a German father to his son who was in the German army. The letter is interesting in that it shows to some extent what the Germans thought of the Americans as fighters. The writer of the letter has no doubt changed his mind since writing the letter, although it was written two months ago today.

Sept. 12, 1918.

My dear Boy: I wish to send you a few lines. Today is Thursday and it is raining outside and for a change it rains harder—just getting too much of it.

Went to the notary public, Beer, today and took up on Foster corner a second drug store, paying 45,000 marks for the same. I get free use of the building now and still have 10,000 marks left. I shall rent part of the building. The building will rent well and I shall see that I can earn some extra money.

Events seem not to have changed very much since you left here. No sign of peace yet, although it seems to me that it is high time for peace. The enemy banks on America but to no avail, for the suffering will only be prolonged. When one thinks of all this, anger overwhelms him, because of the American vagabonds coming over here only to prolong the war. Were it not for America, England and France would have changed their minds, but even America must have her sons brought over here only to be murdered.

It seems to me that the world is not normal any more, however, you need not be surprised at anything nowadays.

Well, my boy, how are you now? Hope you are well and still at you post of duty. We are well. Irma went to school today for the first time.

Have no interesting news to tell.

Love and kisses from all of us.  
Your loving father,  
"Robert Schiller."  
Berlin, Sept. 12th, 1918."

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

James Hash writes his family from Detroit, Michigan, where he is stationed in the North Motor Supply Train Division, saying he is getting along fine and likes his work.

J. W. Tipett was here from Crews Saturday. He had just returned from a stay of two or three months in Collin county. He says he made some cash and after going through the flu, he was ready to come back to good old Runnels county.

## Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—A good second hand grain drill. Hall Hardware Company 15-1t d&w pd

LOST—One black mule about 14 hands high, unbranded and unshoed. \$5 reward for return to Union Wagon Yard, Ballinger, 15-1t d&w. pd.

FOR SALE—Cheeker Gaint Rabbits, also buy back all you raise at \$4 per pair. Box 75, Rowena, Texas. 18 1td&w

## NORTON LADY DIES IN ARIZONA

The remains of Mrs. Hortense Clinger, wife of Earl C. Clinger, was buried at Norton last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Clinger died in Mesa, Ariz., where the family were making their home temporarily, presumably from pneumonia, on November 6th. She is survived by her husband and several children, and several relatives in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinger went to Arizona last fall. Mrs. Clinger was thirty-five years old and was in the best of health when she left Runnels county.

Deceased was the daughter of J. C. Thaxton, deceased, her father dying at his home in the Maverick country less than a year ago. She spent practically all her life in the Maverick-Norton country, where her father was one of the pioneer settlers. She was well known in that section of the county and had many friends in Ballinger and throughout the county, and these friends will join The Ledger in sympathy for the bereaved husband and children.

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

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

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

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

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

## RUSSELL WELL 3200 FEET

The Russell well is gradually going deeper, the drillers operating without delay. Reports from that well Monday stated that the drill was down 3200 feet, and the gas pressure continues to increase. Two and a half million feet of gas is being produced now. Those who are keeping a close watch on the development anticipate success before the end of the present week.

L. Jameson, of Talpa, had business here Monday.

Ignatz Kee was here from the Pony Creek community, Monday, supplying his friends with fresh pork, and incidentally accepting a little cash to pay the feed bill.

## TWO MEN ARRESTED WITH 10 HEAD HORSES

Sheriff Perkins and Ranger Flynt arrested Thursday morning what they believe to be two professional horse thieves. The men were caught with the goods and turned over to Coke county officers and carried to Coke county where they are charged with making the last haul.

When arrested the men had in their possession ten head of horses and three mules had just been left in nearby pastures by the men. The arrests were made on the Ballinger-Paint Rock road about six or eight miles south of Ballinger, where the travelers had pitched camp for the day after traveling all night.

Mr. Perkins received a phone message late Wednesday informing him that two mules had been stolen from a man by the name of Briscoe in Coke county. While Mr. Perkins was on the look out for the thieves, the owner of the stolen mules and two or three neighbors, were en route towards Ballinger in search of the thieves.

The Coke county parties caught up with the thieves between Wingate and Ballinger Wednesday night, and identified their mules which the thieves were working to their wagon, but the thieves bluffed the parties off, and no arrest was made or mules recovered.

The Coke county parties came on to Ballinger and reported to Sheriff Perkins late Wednesday night. Mr. Perkins returned with the parties to where they left the thieves, but the two men had left the road and the trail of them was lost. In the mean time the thieves left the mules behind, turning them in a pasture by the road.

Early Thursday morning Sheriff Perkins and Ranger Flynt, and the Coke county parties went out on the Wingate road and trailed the thieves towards Ballinger, and on south over the Colorado river and to the point where they were arrested.

The thieves had left another mule in Dr. Fowler's pasture near where they were arrested, and had ten head of horses in camp with them. Mr. Perkins states that he is satisfied that all the horses were stolen. They had all recently been branded and there are several good head of horses in the bunch. The horses, wagon and camp outfit are in a local wagon yard in the custody of the local sheriff.

W. M. Saunders and A. J. Milum are the names given by the men to the officers when arrested. They state that they live no where and were going no where, their home being wherever they pitched camp. The men claimed to be traveling and trapping for a living. Papers, blank checks, etc., found in their pockets indicated that the men had been at Hot Springs, N. M., and in Oklahoma.

The men appear to be about fifty years of age, claim that they were never married, and have no relatives in this part of the world. They were well fixed for camping, and fighting too, having two thirty-three rifles, two six shooters, dirks, etc., and a good supply of ammunition.

The officers had their winchesters leveled on the men before their presence was known, and they responded to the order for "hands up" promptly, and were caught away from their guns and surrendered without offering any resistance.

The men are being held in Coke county on a charge of stealing mules, and as the mules were in their possession, and working to their wagon when overtaken between that county and Ballinger, the men have no defense to offer. However, they left the mules behind after the owners of the property had overtaken them, and when arrested the next morning they stated that the mules followed them from Coke county.

Sheriff Perkins is making an effort to trace the men back from where they came and if possible find the owners of the ten head of horses he has in his possession here.

Sheriff L. J. Cowart, of Coke county, and other parties from that county were here Friday to identify the mules stolen by two men in that county this week.

The men who were arrested here Thursday and turned over to the Coke county officers, had in their possession four mules and ten head of horses. D. R. Campbell

and Henry Briscoe, of Saneo, came down and claimed two of the mules and W. R. Walker, of Silver came down and identified the other mules as belonging to him.

Sheriff Perkins still has ten head of horses in a local wagon yard, and at the prevailing price of horse feed, the wagon yard man, or the sheriff will soon own a bunch of horses. The officers are of the opinion that the horses were stolen.

## A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials: Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggist.

## DEEPER THE HOLE STRONGER THE GAS

The gas pressure in the Russell well continues to increase as the drill sinks deeper. Reports from the well Friday morning stated that the drill was down 3060 feet, and making good headway.

The geologist are banking on striking a rich flow of oil at a depth of 3300 feet, or between 3500. The production of oil which came in at a depth of about 2300 feet holds up, and this is now being stored in a tank.

The gas pressure at present is sufficient for commercial use for a small town, and is being used for fuel by the drillers, and the escaping gas is kept burning to destroy it. The workmen have laid pipes to their camps and use the gas for lighting, heating and cooking.

Home folks have been receiving letters from boys in France this week, reporting that all was well up to the time the letters were written. The letters were dated on October 15, and among those heard from were Troy Simpson, Diaz Wood, K. V. Northington, James Skinner, Roy Reeder, Ed Spill, Walter Singletary, George Smith, and others. The boys are members of a division which has been seeing some hard fighting since the letters were written, but home folks are hopeful that they all escaped.

Arthur Dooze, is ill with influenza. He returned home from a trip east a few days ago, and became sick.

As soon as the roads are dry enough for auto travel Representative C. R. Stephens and Mrs. Stephens will leave for Austin, where they will spend the winter. Mr. Stephens will be on the ground floor when the legislature convenes in January, and will keep busy from now until that time familiarizing himself with legislation that will probably come before the law makers. They will return to Ballinger after the legislature adjourns.

## ANGELO RAISES FLU BAN

After a close down for one month San Angelo came out from under the quarantine Friday morning. All schools, except the Mexican school opened, and other public meetings can now be held. The epidemic is pretty bad among the Mexican population in San Angelo and for that reason the schools for Mexicans remains closed for a longer period.

## STATEMENT of Condition

...THE...  
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
OF BALLINGER**  
Nov. 1, 1918

### RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$332,208.12
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
U. S. Treasury Certificates	25,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds	30,000.00
War Savings and Thrift Stamps	1,598.20
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances (cotton)	7,476.27
Cash and Exchange	150,513.09
	\$602,195.68

### LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	59,951.95
Circulation	25,000.00
Reserved for Taxes	1,500.00
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	415,743.73
	\$602,195.68

The above statement is correct.

R. G. Erwin, Cashier

We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

## Rowena Well To Resume Drilling

After several days under reaming and setting casing, the drill in the Rowena oil well will begin operation again within the next day or two. A report from the well Tuesday morning stated that the under reaming had been completed, and the casing was under way.

This well is down to a depth of 1405 feet, with a good showing of oil and gas having been found at about 1300 feet. Local capital is backing the work, and the promoters hold out the most optimistic prospects for success.

## PRIMARY TEACHER RESIGNS

Miss Evans, primary teacher in charge of the first grade in the local school, tendered her resignation Friday, and will go to Brownwood, where she has accepted a position in the post office at that place. Up to a late hour Saturday the board had not elected a teacher to succeed Miss Evans.

P. M. Caudle returned Saturday from a several months stay at Eastland. Mr. Caudle reports plenty money and plenty of flu at Eastland.

Hiram Chrisman, an old Runnels county boy, and now prominent stockman of the Eldorado country, was here this week.

Mrs. W. S. Robertson, of Wichita Falls, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chastain, and went to San Angela for a visit Tuesday.

Hez Cobb, of Goldthwaite, spent several days in Ballinger this week settling up the Cobb estate. Mr. Cobb owned and operated a wagon yard in Ballinger twelve or fifteen years ago. He now owns two sections of land in Mills county and is receiving a nice income from oil leases.

**OSCAR WILLIAMS IS  
AT HOME ON FURLOUGH**  
Sergeant Major Oscar Williams came in from Camp Eustis, Va., and will spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams. Oscar has been doing duty in headquarters ammunition train and would no doubt have seen overseas service if the Germans had not surrendered. He volunteered for service and went to the Pacific coast from Ballinger last spring.

The Honig has returned to Ballinger from the Eldorado country, where he has been for some time. E. C. Moore came up from Brownwood Tuesday. Mr. Moore formerly lived at Ballinger and Winters.

## Money to Loan on Farm Lands

I represent a strong and liberal loan company  
See me about new or renewal loans.

**Estes Lynn**  
Hall Hardware Co., Building

## Undertaking Goods Licensed Embalmers

Motor Hearse and Ambulance  
**T. S. LANKFORD**  
Night Phone 81 Day Phone 82



**Postponements usually end in postmortems.**  
The day that has slipped away can't come back—the old gentleman with the scythe and hour-glass doesn't make round trips.—Herbert Kaufman  
What have you to show for the last year?  
Start now to make the coming year fruitful.  
Start to put money in the Bank!

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS  
BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS**

**Don't postpone STARTING**

## "Gusher News"

Over the derrick with big values—the price will bring business—better get your share today

### Lace

5,000 yards Valenciennes and Torchon laces, values 8 1-3c, 10c and 12 1-2c special lot and counter display, the yd.

5c

### Ladies Vests

Ladies' fleeced lined bleached vests, taped neck, long sleeves, very special sale price each

45c

### E. Z. Unions

Childrens E. Z. Unions unbleached, sizes 3 to 12 years, worth on today's market \$1.25 sale price

89c

### Blankets

50 pairs gray and tan cotton blankets, size 54 by 74 inches, a real bargain at \$3.00 sale price

\$2.79

### Quilts

36 pairs cotton quilts, good size, heavy quality real worth \$3.00 sale price

\$2.79

### Damask

5 pieces mercerized damask, 70 to 72 inches wide, beautiful designs a real bargain the yd.

79c

### Canton Flannel

25 inch unbleached canton flannel, worth on today's market 16 1-2c, a few pieces in this sale the yard

12 1-2c

Extra! Extra! Extra!

## Women's Shoes

Button and Lace Styles

Patents, Dull Kids, Plain Kids, Medium High Concave Heel, Not a Pair Worth Less than \$4.00

Gusher Price \$1.95

# Thousands of Dollars to Be Saved in MELTON'S 'GUSHER'

"OVER THE TOP" with the prices—hundreds of items that need selling—the price will do it. In start you need. You have the money which we need. There's hundreds of items in this mammoth stock they are high but the merchandise that we own is in our house and being sold for less in a regular way than which it is being sold. Prices that will appeal to the masses, because they are under wholesale prices and be here the moment the sale opens. Store closed Friday, November 23, to mark down and arrange stock.

Take Advantage of This Wonderful Opportunity. Do It Now. The Price

## A Clean Modern Stock from Which to Buy

This establishment could never have attained and kept its leadership by serving a limited number of patrons. It could never have forged ahead if it had not depended on the support of the entire populace, and this has only been possible by at all times having a stock such as the people wanted, that was large enough in scope to meet the demands and modern and stylish, in every respect, properly displayed, and plenty of accommodating sales people to see that you are properly served. This is the kind of real store service that the patrons of this store receive—"Sale" or no "Sale."

## A Trip of Inspection the Convincing Proof Dress Goods--Hosiery--Silks Ready-to-Wear

### Entire Stock Included-Read the Savings

Its getting the money days—Giving the public more than their dollars worth, turning the stock into cash, giving the people a real opportunity to buy their needs at a fraction of its real value.

Read every word of this advertisement—its only a partial list of the many bargains that are waiting for your coming. A whole newspaper could not tell all the good news. Every customer of this store knows from past experience what a Melton Sale means, and this is to be no exception.

### Don't You Want to Save Money? Now is Your Chance

<b>Outing</b> Best 27 inch outing flannel, extra weight, plain and fancy colorings, 35c values, special the yard <b>27 1-2c</b>	<b>Cotton Goods</b> 25 pieces fine quality colored poplins, a bargain at 35c the yard. Will be sold during this sale the yard <b>25c</b>	<b>Silks</b> 32 inch fancy silk shirting in a variety of stripes and colors, regular \$1.50 value, sale price the yard <b>\$1.29</b>	<b>Serges</b> 36 inch wool filled serges in black, red, navy, and grey regular 85c values, sale price the yard <b>69c</b>
<b>Bleaching</b> 36 inch fine quality cambric and bleached domestic, 30c and 35c quality, sale price the yard <b>22 1-2c</b>	<b>Percals</b> 50 pieces fancy percales, light and dark shades, a real bargain at 20c this sale the yard only <b>17c</b>	<b>Fancy Silks</b> 36 inch fancy silk plaid and foulard effects, \$2.00 values a real bargain at that price, sale price the yard <b>\$1.66</b>	<b>Poplins</b> 36 inch cotton foulard and poplins, assorted colorings, values 50c the yard during sale the yard <b>43c</b>

### A Selling Event that Brings You Face to Face with Bargains

<b>Neckwear</b> Men's beautiful four-hand scarfs, wonderful new silk designs. Choice of 100 or more patterns, regular 75c quality each <b>49c</b>	<b>Hose</b> 50 dozen men's hose, tough as white leather, quality, sizes 9 1-2 to 11 1-2 extra ordinary special during the Gusher Sale the pair <b>17c</b>	<b>Garters</b> Men's Brighton Pad Garters all colors, double and one strap, regular 35c. quality This sale the pair, <b>24c</b>	<b>Shirts</b> Men's full quality silk Shirts in a variety of shades and stripe effects, Broadway make, regular \$6.00 sellers, sale price <b>\$4.95</b>
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Value Giving Days are Here--Now is the Time to Supply Your Wants

Sale Opens Sat. Nov. 23

8:30 A. M.

# MELTON DR

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### Extra Special! Women's Ready-to-Wear

Below We List a Few Specials that You Should See

#### Millinery Must Go.

Hats that formerly sold at \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50 choice

\$4.95

#### Ladies Suits Big Reductions

\$18.50 Suits sale price	\$14.80	\$15.00 Coats
20.00 Suits sale price	16.00	18.75 Coats
22.50 Suits sale price	18.50	20.00 Coats
25.00 Suits sale price	20.00	24.75 Coats
29.50 Suits sale price	23.60	29.50 Coats
35.00 Suits sale price	28.00	32.50 Coats
Special lot or misses and ladies serge and novelty suits, values \$18.00 to close out price	\$9.95	35.00 Coats
		37.50 Coats

### Gusher Prices--Money In Our

## Shoe Department

### \$15,000 Stock to Sell

Shoes will be higher in price later, but on the fact that we have a large stock. We big, the old, the young.

Come and let us fit you as well as save you. Mrs. King's for infants, children and grownups range from \$1.50 to \$4.00.

J. J. Groves & Co., ladies shoes for tender feet \$7.50.

The famous Wickert and Gardner ladies shoes price \$5.00 to \$13.50

Val Dutton Hoffer Sons, ladies' fine boots \$8.50 and \$10.00.

Ludin men's fine shoes, all styles, prices Every pair reduced from \$10 to \$15 and \$15 to \$20.

### Genuine Bonified Reductions of Men's Women's and Children's Shoes

Women's Shoes	Misses and Children's Shoes
\$3.50 Shoes	\$3.15
4.00 Shoes	3.60
5.00 Shoes	4.50
6.00 Shoes	5.40
6.50 Shoes	5.85
7.00 Shoes	6.30
7.50 Shoes	6.75
8.50 Shoes	7.65
8.50 Shoes	7.65
10.00 Shoes	9.00
\$1.25 Shoes	\$1.13
1.50 Shoes	1.35
1.75 Shoes	1.58
2.00 Shoes	1.80
2.50 Shoes	2.25
3.00 Shoes	2.70
3.50 Shoes	3.15
4.00 Shoes	3.60
5.00 Shoes	4.50

Extra Special—About 150 Ladies' water metal shoes including 100 pairs slippers, that formerly sold at \$3.50 to \$5.00 special

\$1.95

# Be Saved in Runnels County During 'GUSHER' SALE

The price will do it. In starting this "sale" there's no apology necessary. We have the merchandise which is in this mammoth stock that will be sold far below value. Plenty has been said about high prices—more or less in a regular way than we can buy it for today, but it will not pay debts. Hence the low prices at under wholesale prices and we are giving our people the benefit of our purchases. Make an extra effort to come down and arrange stock.

## Extra! Extra! Extra! Wichert Shoes

Button and Lace Styles

Patent and Plain Kids, Cloth  
Tops, Full Louis Enamel Heels,  
Sold for \$5.00

**Gusher Price \$3.45**

## "Gusher News"

Authentic prices that are money savers, and will make you money the same as if you owned a real "Spouter."

**The Prices are Cut Far Below the Wholesale Cost. Come and See.**

### Men's Ready-to-Wear. Real Bargains

Specials that You Should See to Appreciate—Read

Men's Ready-to-Wear	Ladies Coats	Ladies Skirts
14.50	\$15.00 Coats sale price	\$ 3.50 Skirts sale price
16.00	18.75 Coats sale price	4.00 Skirts sale price
18.50	20.00 Coats sale price	5.00 Skirts sale price
20.00	24.75 Coats sale price	6.00 Skirts sale price
23.60	29.50 Coats sale price	6.50 Skirts sale price
28.00	32.50 Coats sale price	7.50 Skirts sale price
32.50 Ladies serge	35.00 Coats sale price	8.50 Skirts sale price
\$18.00 to close	37.50 Coats sale price	10.00 Skirts sale price
\$9.95		12.50 Skirts sale price

### A Buying Chance for Dollars with Economy

This sale presents an opportunity for real thrift, where the littleness of the price and the bigness of the bargains meet up. Bring yourself to this store—tell your neighbors of the big "Gusher Sale" where they can buy a season's supply for only a portion it will cost at other stores.

Hundreds of customers of Melton Dry Goods Co., know from past experiences what a "Sale" means by this firm. The saving of their hard earned dollars, the getting of merchandise that has the quality, and store service that is second to none.

### Prices—Money Savers

In Our

## Department

Stock to Select From

her price later, but our prices lower, due to a large stock. We can fit the little, the young.

it you as well as save you money.

infants, children and growing girls prices \$4.00.

ladies shoes for tender feet priced \$4.00 to

Werkert and Gardner ladies' fine boots price

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the shoes, all styles, price \$4.00 to \$7.50.

ed from 10 to 15 and up to 29 per cent.

ified Reductions on Every Pair

Women's and Children's Shoes.

Misses and Children's Shoes	Men's Shoes
\$1.25 Shoes	\$3.50 Shoes
1.50 Shoes	4.00 Shoes
1.75 Shoes	5.00 Shoes
2.00 Shoes	6.00 Shoes
2.25 Shoes	6.50 Shoes
2.50 Shoes	7.00 Shoes
3.00 Shoes	7.50 Shoes
3.50 Shoes	8.00 Shoes
4.00 Shoes	10.00 Shoes
5.00 Shoes	12.00 Shoes

about 150 Ladies patent leather and Gunning 100 pairs slippers, sizes 3 to 6, values at \$3.50 to \$5.00 special sale price the pair

**\$1.95**

### Men! There's Bargains For You Too Suits--Furnishings--Shoes Overcoats

### Thousands of Dollars Must Be Sold

Thousands of dollars of the finest merchandise that money will buy is included in this "Sale." It seems like a shame to sacrifice such good merchandise when every indication points to its being higher, but we need the money, and the money we will have, for littleness of price coupled with big values will make the dollars come to this store. You can only gain a faint idea what this "Gusher Sale" means by reading this advertisement—A personal trip of inspection is needed.

### Every Price a Bonafide One---Be a Live One Get Yours

<b>Men's Shirts</b> 20 dozen men's white pleated shirts, also about 5 dozen fancy striped negligee shirts, broken sizes and lots, values to \$1.50, sale price <b>75c</b>	<b>Men's Suits</b> 100 men's wool suits, including serges, worsteds and novelty cloths, values that formerly sold at \$18.50, \$20 and \$22.50, choice any suit only <b>\$16.95</b>	<b>Men's Caps</b> 200 men's novelty wool caps, every wanted size and color. Sizes 6 3-4 to 7 3-8, values up to \$1.50, choice <b>75c</b>	<b>Men's Hats</b> 250 men's novelty hats including browns, grays, tans and black, medium and small shapes, all sizes from 6 3-4 to 7 3-8, a bargain here choice entire lot <b>\$2.50</b>
<b>Handkerchiefs</b> Large size, white hemmed handkerchiefs very special at 10c and 12 1-2c this sale each only <b>8c</b>	<b>Sweaters</b> Men's Khaki and gray coat sweaters, very heavy knit material, regular \$3.50 quality this sale each <b>\$2.95</b>	<b>Boys Hats</b> About 100 little fellows novelty hats, sizes 6 1-4 to 6 3-4 regular 75c and \$1.00 quality, choice each <b>50c</b>	<b>Canvas Gloves</b> Men's white short knit wrist gloves, very special during Gusher sale the pair only <b>17c</b>

### Every Price a Purse-String Puller---Come Get Yours Now

<b>Buttons</b> 100 gross pearl buttons sizes 14, 16, 18 and 20, regular 10 cent price, the dozen buttons during sale <b>5c</b>	<b>Talcum</b> Menning's and William's Talcum powders assorted odors, 25 cent values the can, large size, sale price <b>17c</b>	<b>Pins</b> Brass pens full count, the 10 cent quality, S. C. & M. C. sizes during this Gusher sale a paper <b>5c</b>	<b>Soap</b> 5 gross Palm Olive Soap, regular price 15 cents, Sale price during this Gusher sale only <b>10c</b>
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**Bargains that Will Bring You Back Again to Buy are Being Offered**

### Over Shirts

Men's heavy flannett overshirts, blue and khaki shades, 14 1-2 to 17, \$1.50 values, sale price

**\$1.29**

### Sweaters

Men's heavy knit gray and khaki coat sweaters sizes 38 to 44 sale price

**\$2.39**

### Work Shirts

Men's blue work shirts a \$1.25 value, this sale extra special

**89c**

### Underwear

Men's separate shirts and drawers, ribbed and fleeced lined, \$1.25 values sale price

**89c**

### Men's Unions

Men's heavy ribbed union suits, regular \$2.50 sellers, sizes 36 to 46, extra special

**\$1.98**

### Men's Hose

Men's fancy half hose stripe and plain colors, all sizes, special price the pair

**22c**

### Gloves

Men's heavy gauntlet cotton gloves, leather palm very special the pair

**39c**

# MELTON DRY GOODS CO.

Elm Street's Store

TEXAS

**Sale Opens  
Sat. Nov. 23**

8:30 A. M.

## Stomach Acts Fine, No Indigestion! Eat without Fear of Upset Stomach



Food souring, gas, acidity!  
If your meals hit back causing belching, pain, flatulence, indigestion or heartburn here's instant relief. No waiting!

Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in ending all stomach distress. Never fails!

Keep it handy. Tastes nice and costs so little at drug stores.



**UPSET? Pape's Diapepsin** WILL PUT YOU ON YOUR FEET

### EULOGY FOR THE FOLKS AT HOME

Our President is being eulogized for his masterly diplomacy, General Foch is being hailed as the great military genius of all times. Our sainted dear, our boys in France, our splendid allies, all are receiving their share of praise and honor. All of this is as it should be. I want to add just one word of tribute to the people who have made possible all the great events of the last week. I refer to the bond buyers of all nations, especially to those of this country and most particularly to those of the Eleventh Federal District. Those people who by their sacrifices and economies have taken such a very definite share in winning the war. These people without whose help ships would not have carried American armies or food to Europe without whose help England's navy would have been powerless, without whose help France, Italy and Belgium would have starved, without whose help the Kaiser would be ruling the world today instead of being a broken discredited outcast, without whose help German beasts would be raping, pillaging, burning, obliterating civilization instead of begging our bread. Congratulations to the bond buyers who have done so much and who will see this great struggle through to the very finish. Yes, clear through to that millennium, we not only hope for now, but can see materializing before our eyes, the federation of the people, the brotherhood of man.

J. W. Hoops,  
Federal Reserve Bank.

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

WEEKS DRUG STORE  
Ballinger, Texas

### DISTRICT OVER TOP IN U. W. W. CAMPAIGN

Chas. S. Miller, district chairman for the U. W. W. Campaign, sent a telegram to state headquarters Saturday, reporting that this district had gone over the top in the campaign.

The district is composed of Runnels, Concho, Menard, Kimball, and Coleman counties. We have not been able to get detail reports from each county, but we understand that Coleman county subscriber about \$5,500 on a quota of \$5,000. Runnels county will close the week with about \$5,000 on a quota of \$4,000.

### IT PUTS THE "PEP"

Into Pepton.—This Combination of Pepsin, Nux, Iron, Celery.

This is what makes Pepton of wonderful therapeutic value, and so successful after indigestion, the grip, and in blood and nerve troubles, anemia, paleness, nervous weakness, and the exhaustion, worry and anxiety over the world war.

It is a real iron blood and nerve tonic, especially beneficial in the weakness following the influenza and grip, to worn-out, brain-fagged men, delicate women, school-tired girls, and to fast-growing boys, invalids and convalescents, the aged and infirm. It actually puts iron, a natural strengthener, into the blood, and restores the wasted red corpuscles. Your druggist knows its great merit.

### LETTERS FROM BOYS OVER THERE

IN FRANCE, 23, September.

Dear Archie:—  
It was with a source of gratification that I received your note yesterday, but a still greater pleasure was it to learn that you were attending an officers' training camp and would soon be made a commissioned officer of the army. While you yourself did not say all that, I feel confident that you will make good at the school and will win your bars. I offer my best wishes and congratulations.

I received a note the other day from the King who is located in one of the medium size towns not very far from me. He had seen some of our ambulances pass his station and he hailed the driver of one of them ascertained where I was, sent me a note telling me all squat the road between this village now I am waiting for another letter from him. I would like to see the King but do not feel disposed to run the gauntlet of M. P.'s, who squat the road between this village and Neol's Town. Clint is also in the neighborhood but I have not seen him. There are so many soldiers in this country that it is only by chance one runs across an old friend. Several of the boys who have relatives or close friends over here, however, have been real lucky in seeing whom they desired.

Our boys are doing first line duty in one of the most important sectors, along the whole western front. I wish I could give you the location for then you could better appreciate what we are doing in this great war. Recently in a drive they bagged several thousand prisoners and I had my first opportunity of seeing long strings of blue-clad enemy soldiers trod down the road in the direction of the "hull pen" in the rear. That night I was at the hospital for a few hours and five German prisoners, wounded, were delivered to us for treatment and there I had an opportunity of brushing up on my German but from the headway I made one would think I was brushing against the grain—and I guess that is right. I started out with a few of sounds that would have done credit to anybody—I thought so at any rate—but I wound up carrying on the conversation by signs. I was thankful I had the use of my fingers and could grunt. I still believe I was doing nicely until the German prisoner got excited at the way I jostled. Suddenly he burst forth in all the Kaiser's speech making it difficult for me to get over the top at that time I think that the working of the end of his mustache like a pump on a sinking battleship, as he talked must have had something to do with the confusion which regained in my mind and which broke up a hospital tote-atete. As a souvenir of the conversation the visitor gave me a button off his coat which I have forwarded to my wife as a remembrance of something I started but couldn't finish. Otherwise I am getting along beautifully.

I wish you were over here with me. Quite frequently I wish some Ballinger boy whom I knew well in headquarters detachment with me. It would make things seem natural. As it is, however, Carl Jeanes is in Headquarters Ambulance section and he is usually right along with me. At present he is in the same building with me but Sanitary Train headquarters some times become separated from the two sections and then it is I want some one whom I knew before I came into the army.

We do not get along over here as nicely as we did in the states, but we did not come over with the intention of sitting by nice warm fires during the winter or having all the comforts of home. So we do not mind. This cannot last always and we hear that in mind. Personally I am glad I am over here.

You know Arch I claimed exemption at Ballinger just before I entered the army but I am glad that my exemption claim was disapproved and I was given a chance to come across. I would not swap places with a certain Ballinger boy whom we both know, and who is still in that town and will be the next time we hear from him, for anything in the world. How a man can stay at home and realize what is going on in this old world is more than I can understand. Those boys who claimed exempt-

ion and whose claims were granted will realize only too late the folly of their ways. Conditions are far from highly pleasing over here, but they are of such a nature to make one want to stay until the war is finished. I realized I was on a sight-seeing trip around the world when I left Camp Travis, and not like some of the boys who cursed that Camp and wanted to go somewhere, and who had heard France was a country of roses waiting for them, I had a good idea of what was in store. But I did not mind crossing over. I am very glad I came. However, if the allies keep up the stride which they set two months ago, this war will end much quicker than some of us except. Already we have Germany and Austria bowing, making statements that are about the same as frank admissions they are beaten to a frazzle.

I enjoyed your letter and hope that I may have the opportunity of again hearing from you. I wish for you all the success in the world in your latest efforts. I trust that you will graduate from the training camp with flying colors and will arrive in France in time to give your services in the noble cause for which our country is fighting.

Best wishes for your health and success, I am,  
Your friend,  
ED SPILL.

### GIRLS! HAVE A MASS OF BEAUTIFUL HAIR, SOFT, GLOSSY, WAVY

A small bottle destroys dandruff and doubles beauty of your hair.

Within ten minutes after an application of Danderine your 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 amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance.

Get a small bottle of Knowlton'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—that's all—you surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine.

### TRAIN SERVICE WILL EFFECT NEWSPAPERS

The discontinuance of two trains on the Santa Fe and the A. & S. will work a hardship on the newspapers circulating in this territory.

Instead of arriving here twenty-four hours after publication, The Dallas News, San Antonio Express and other morning papers, will not arrive until thirty-six hours or on the noon train following the day of publication.

The subscribers of the Daily Ledger at Winters, Miles, and Rowena, will not receive their papers until afternoon on the day following publication, but they will still be twenty-four hours ahead of the state daily papers.

In order to deliver the Banner-Ledger, our weekly paper, to subscribers in the northern part of the county on Friday, it will be necessary for us to mail out the papers Thursday morning instead of Thursday afternoon, advertisers will please take notice and turn in their copy by Tuesday night. All advertising copy must be on the book by Tuesday night in order that it can be set up and made ready for the paper by Wednesday night.

### About Croup

If your children are subject to croup, or if you have reason to fear their being attacked by that disease, you should procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and study the directions for use, so that in case of an attack you will know exactly what course to pursue. This is a favorite and very successful remedy for croup, and it is important that you observe the directions carefully.

### GRAND JURY TALKS ROAD BUILDING

In its report to District Judge Woodward at Coleman this week, the grand jury of that county, pointed out how the road money is wasted and why the people continue to travel in ruts.

After showing that the annual receipts for the road fund in Coleman county amounted to about \$19,500.00, and after referring to some minor improvements made with this fund, the grand jury said: "While it is true that some improvement in road making is noticeable, it is common knowledge that for the number of years that roads have been worked in Coleman county and the thousands of dollars spent on them, we have very little in the way of good roads for the time and money spent.

Road building is an exact science and men are educated and skilled in that science and follow it as a profession. In all government road building the engineer lays the plan, gives the level, elevations, drainage, etc., before any work is done.

"This system we have worked under in Coleman county for the last thirty-five years—and it is the same today that it was at the beginning—may be summed up as follows:

"We elect four commissioners who have full charge of all roads. The commissioners serve for two years and they may, or may not be reelected. As a rule the commissioners have never made any study of road building, never even read up on it—and never attempted to make a mile of road in their lives. As a rule they know nothing whatever about road building, nor do they claim to know. They are elected and as soon as inducted into office are ready to begin spending the tax money as best they know how.

"It is possible for an experienced road man to be elected commissioner, but as that has not happened more than once in thirty years, shows it to be the exception that proves the rule. All that the commissioners know about road building is learned by experimenting at the county's expense and what they learn in the first two years, if not re-elected is lost and new men take their places and begin over again the work of experimenting at the county's expense.

"Many counties in the State have concluded that it would be more satisfactory, and very much cheaper in the end, to employ a competent road man, who already knows his business, and put him in charge of all roads in the county and hold him responsible for their maintenance.

"This grand jury believes that a competent road man, employed by the Commissioners' Court and given full charge of the roads under supervision of the court, would be a start in the right direction for better roads, and we hereby recommend this plan for the consideration of the Commissioners' court.

What the grand jury has said of Coleman county will apply to a great majority of the counties in Texas. Millions of dollars have been spent by county commissioners experimenting in road building and whose experience never profited the tax payers anything.

The demand for good roads was never as great before, and the demand increases with the increase in auto travel. There are hundreds of people traveling by auto to one traveling by rail, and every pound of freight hauled on a rail-

### A Woman's Story With Great Meaning

Subject of Childbirth Discussed by Women of Experience.



Women everywhere tell their friends how, through the use of Mother's Friend, the wonderful penetrating external application, they avoided suffering and distress before the advent of nature's most wonderful evolution.

Mother's Friend is a remedy which spreads its influence upon the cords, nerves and ligaments involved, rendering them pliant to readily yield to nature's demand for expansion. The nerves, cords, tendons and ligaments expand without that peculiar wrenching strain, and nervousness, nausea and unrefreshing sensations are naturally avoided when the nerves and muscles are relieved and thus are not torn and drawn.

By regular use, the lower abdominal region expands with ease when baby is born, the hours are less at the crisis, and pain and danger is naturally less.

You can obtain Mother's Friend from any drug store. It has been used by women for over half a century, and is just as standard as anything you can think of.

Write the Bradford Regulator Company, Dept. H, Lamar Building, Atlanta, Georgia, for their Motherhood Book, and get a bottle of Mother's Friend today, and thus fortify yourself against pain and discomfort.

### BREAKS A GOLD IN FEW MINUTES---TRY IT!

First dose of Pape's Cold Compound relieves all gripe misery

Don't stay stuffed up!  
Quit blowing and snuffing! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end gripe misery and break up a severe cold either in the head, chest, body or limbs.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages; stops nasty discharge or nose running; relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

"Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and cost only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Don't accept a substitute.

J. W. Babb, a Winters dry goods man, was here Monday.

J. M. Joiner came in from Dallas, Monday, where he has been at work for some time.

J. J. Erwin left Monday afternoon for Rule, Texas, where he will visit his daughter for a week.

### Sleep and Rest

One of the most common causes of insomnia and restlessness is indigestion. Take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and see if you do not rest better and sleep better. They only cost a quarter.

Rev. J. H. King went to Santa Anna Friday, and will remain over in that city until next week, preaching at the Presbyterian church there Sunday.

Hebert Preston, nephew of Mrs. A. S. Love, is carrying his arm in a sling as the result of a kicky crank. He was attempting to crank an auto when the usual thing happens—some times.

## To the Building Public

You can make any repairs or additions to your buildings that do not cost over \$2500.00. You can also make any improvements or build anything new on your farm, that does not cost over \$1000.00. Any other new buildings, of any kind, require a permit from the War Industries Board. We will be glad to inform you how to proceed in securing building certificates as we have the blank forms on hand.

**Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.**

## Ugly, Unsightly Pimples Are Signals of Bad Blood

**Give Heed to the Warning.**  
Pimples on the face and other parts of the body are warnings from Nature that your blood is sluggish and impoverished. Sometimes they foretell eczema, boils, blisters, scaly eruptions and other skin disorders that burn like flames of fire.  
They mean that your blood needs S. S. S. to purify it and cleanse it of these impure accumulations that can cause unlimited trouble. This remedy is the greatest vegetable blood purifier known, and contains no minerals or chemicals to injure the most delicate skin.

Go to your drugstore, and get a bottle of S. S. S. today, and get rid of those unsightly and disfiguring pimples, and other skin irritations. And it will cleanse your blood thoroughly. If you wish special medical advice, you can obtain it without charge by writing to Medical Director, 29 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Georgia.

## FIRST BITES FROM JACK FROST

The temperature dropped to 31 degrees above zero Sunday night and a heavy frost was in evidence with the coming of Monday.  
While it was the first frost of any consequence for this season, much vegetation escaped. The late cotton stalks and tender vegetation suffered, but where the vegetation was pretty well matured the frost did not blacken it, and much garden truck got by and is good for another fall in the temperature.

The first sting of frost comes later this year than usual and for many fall seasons past. Frost last year came with a hard freeze on Oct. 13th, more than a month earlier than for the present season.

The fall has been an ideal one for late farming and gardening, and those who took advantage of it have been able to store away a good supply of garden truck.

## CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Ayer*

Representative Stephens and Mrs. Stephens left Ballinger Saturday for Austin. They went through the country in their Studebaker, carrying a large some of the things necessary for house keeping while in Austin. They will spend the winter in Austin.

## Time Extended for Christmas Parcels to the Soldiers

We have received instructions to extend the time for sending parcels to the soldiers to Nov. 30th.

If parties do not receive labels from their relatives, and will come to my office and make and affidavit that they are the nearest relative and have not received a label, I will deliver you a carton. This can be done any time up to Nov. 30th.

E. Sheppard, Chairman.  
Christmas Parcel Com.

Horace Strain returned from a short visit to San Angelo, Sunday afternoon.

## BUILDING UP OUR WOMANHOOD

Given Up to Die by Her Friends, a Young Lady Recovers Her Health and Increases Weight—45 Pounds.

A Powerful Nation Needs Strong Healthy Women.

A nation is no stronger than its women. Hence, it is the duty of every woman whether young, middle age, or in advanced life to preserve her health. If you are sick and suffering don't wait until tomorrow but seek relief at once—today. Tomorrow your illness may take a chronic turn.

There is a remedy for almost every ill. Thousands have found Peruna to be that remedy as did Miss Clara Lohr of 21 N. Gold St., Grand Rapids, Michigan. She writes a friend: "I don't need Peruna any more. I am all well after taking six bottles. I weighed ninety pounds before I started and was poor and weakly. I had such a cough and spitting all the time that I never expected to recover. My friends gave me up. I could eat nothing. Now I can eat and weigh 125 pounds. I most thankfully recommend Peruna to my friends."

Miss Lohr's letter is an inspiration, a message of hope to suffering women. It tells you that you too may be strong and well and vigorous. There may be had in either liquid or tablet form. Ask your dealer for your value health, do not accept a substitute. Dr. Hartman's Great Peppermint Cure Tonic is what you want. The Peruna Compound, Dr. J. C. Ayer, Columbus, Ohio, also has the Peruna's Health Book. It is free. Write for it. Your dealer will give you a Peruna...



## FARM DEMONSTRATOR PREPARING TO QUIT

Mr. Person, district farm agent, spent several days here last week conferring with local Demonstrator Eaton concerning plans for next year.

Mr. Person did not make any announcement, but Mr. Eaton stated Monday that he had been instructed to arrange to close up the work here within the next month or six weeks, which will be about the first of January.

This indicates that the government will transfer Mr. Eaton to some point where the commissioners court will show appreciation and support him in the work. It does not mean that Mr. Eaton will be out of a job. Not by any means. There are good counties where the commissioners are anxious for such men, but the government is slow to break up the work in a county where it has been so well organized as it has in Rummels county.

However, Mr. Person, on a former visit, stated that the government would not force this work up on a county, and that the support of the commissioners court would be necessary if the work was maintained here. The government will decline to accept private money, or subscriptions for the support of the demonstrator, as it is necessary that he work under the direction of the commissioners court, and where the court declines to show an interest in the work, the government finds it difficult to maintain the work as it should be.

Many farmers and stock men in Rummels county will regret to see the work discontinued here. Thousands of dollars have been saved in handling the feed and seed question, on freight, etc., through the demonstrator, and questions are continually coming up with the government where it is necessary to handle them through the local farm agent.

Mr. Eaton has also handled the labor question most successfully and placed many men from this county in position to get work, and with the making of a bumper crop here next year, his services in acting as a labor agent alone would be worth a great deal more to the farmers than his services would cost for an entire year.

We can't believe that the court has any objection to Mr. Eaton as a man, or can find fault with his work, but they have refused to support the work, and the government will not pay all the bill and force the agent on the county.

Robert Herring was down town for the first time Monday, after recovering from influenza and pneumonia. Mr. Herring had a close call, and his friends are glad to see him still able to navigate.

## Only One Corn Peeler, "Gets-It"

Stop Corn Pains; See Corn Peel Off. It is just when a corn hurts that you want to feel surest about getting rid of it. Why take chances of keeping the corn and having the pain grow worse? You'll use "Gets-It."



The Only Peel-Off Way Is "Gets-It." It's anyhow, sooner of later, might as well use it sooner. Then you are absolutely sure that the corn will loosen from your toe so that you can peel the whole thing off painlessly with your fingers, in one complete piece—just like peeling a banana. It takes a second or two to apply "Gets-It." There's no fussing or putting. Corn-pains will vanish—that'll keep you sweet while the "Gets-It" does the rest. Nothing new for corns has been discovered since "Gets-It" was born. Follow the judgment of the millions: use "Gets-It" and be sure to be corn and pain free! You'll say it's magic. "Gets-It," the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Soon in manager and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

## DER KAISER'S SON WRITES TO PAPA

"Somewhere in France on der run, All der time."

Dear Papa: I am writing on der run, as der brave and glorious soldiers under my command have not seen der Rhine for so long dat day started dat way, and of course I am going mit dem. Oh, papa, dere has been some offel dings happened here in France. First, I started in my big offensive which was to crush der fool Americans but dey know so little about military tactics dat they vill not be crushed just like I want dem. I sent my men in der fight in big waves, and ven day got to der Americans dey all said "boo" just as loud as dey could holler.

Vell, according to vat you have always told me de Americans should have turned and run like blazes, but vat do you tink? Dem fool Americans don't know anything about war, and instead of running the odder way dey came right at us. Some of dem was singing about "ve von't come back til it's all over over der," or some odder foolish song, and some of dem were laffing like fools. Dey are so ignorant.

But dey are offel reckless mit dere guns, and ven dey come towards us it vas den dat my men took a notion day wanted to go back to der dear old Rhine. Ve don't like de little, dirty Marne river, anyhow. And oh, papa, dem Americans use such offel language and dey talk such blasphemy, too. Vat you tink dey said right in front of my face. One big husky from a place dey call Texas, he said—Oh, papa, I hate to tell you vat an offel ting he said—but I can't help it—he said, "to hell mit der kaiser." I didn't tink anybody would say such an offel ting.

And fuddermore, dem Americans can't be much of a gentlemen. It made me so mad, I wouldn't stand and hear such an offel ting so I turned around and run mit de odder boys. Vas I right? Vat? And, oh, papa, you know dem breast plates vot you sent us? Can you send some to put on out backs? You know we are going de odder way now, and breast plates are no good—de cowardly Americans are always shooting us right in der back. Some of our boys took off der breast plates and put dem behind, but de fool Americans are playing "Der Star Spangled Banner" mit machine guns right on dem plates.

Can't you help us? You remember in you speech you sed nothing could stand before de brave Germans? Oh, papa, I don't believe dese ignorant Americans know of your speeches for dey run after us like ve vas a lot of rabbits. Vat you tink of dat? Von't you send dem some of your speeches right away? Dey don't know how terrible ve are. Can't you move my army to Belgium vere ve von all der time? My men vill vip all de vimmens and children vot dem Belgians can bring us, but dese Americans are so rough and ignorant.

Ve can't make dem understand dat ve are der grandest soldiers on earth, and ve ve try to sing "Deutschland Uber Alles" dey laff like a lot of monkeys. But ve are getting de best of de Americans. Ve can out der dem, papa. If ve are not de best fighters on earth, ve are de best runners. Nobody can keep up mit us ven ve tink of der old Rhine, and my ar der never did tink so much of dat dear, old Rhine ribber. Let me know vot to do right away by return postoffice.

"CLOWN PRINCE VILLIE"

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.

Mr. Archie Crews received a telegram from her husband stating that the officers training school at Camp Pike closed Saturday night, and that he would arrive home this week. It is not known whether Mr. Crews is coming home to stay or not, but it is probable that he has received his discharge.

Ed Eason was here from Winters Sunday, and reported that influenza had broken out in his town again and was worse among the children than in the recent epidemic.

"I wish it was possible for everyone who suffers from constipation to know about Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It is pleasant to the taste, does not gripe, and the result is sure." (From a letter to Dr. Caldwell written by Mr. R. A. Laney, Alexandria, La.)

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin, pleasant to the taste, gentle in action and positive in its effect. It relieves constipation quickly, without griping or strain, and is a standard family remedy.

## DR. CALDWELL'S Syrup Pepsin

The Perfect Laxative  
Sold by Druggists Everywhere  
50 cts. (60c) \$1.00

A TRIAL BOTTLE CAN BE OBTAINED FREE OF CHARGE BY WRITING TO DR. W. B. CALDWELL, 459 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, ILLINOIS

## MORE SUGAR AT HIGHER PRICE

On account of the improved sugar situation, carried by the signing of the armistice, the United States Food Administration is now in a position to increase the sugar allotment to the statement a manufacturer or non-essentials. We shall issue within the next few days, announces E. L. Neville, director of the grocery division for food administration in Texas, certificates to statement a manufacturer for their December allotment, and the amount will be the same as November, plus 50 percent of their average monthly consumption, as shown by files at the State headquarters.

As the hog killing season is now at hand farmers will make application to their local administrator for additional sugar to cure their meats, and when the Houston office is advised as to the amount of sugar permitted for this purpose, the sugar division will issue additional certificates to cover.

Beginning December 1st, sugar allotments to the consumer will be increased to four pounds per person per month. This will also apply to public eating houses.

While the quantity increases the prices goes up. Merchants will have a 11c price on sugar after the first of December. The average consumer would prefer less sugar and a lower price. Four pounds per capita is equal to, or in excess of the normal consumption of sugar, and after all the increase in allotment does not bring and relief to the sugar situation.

The football team returned from Santa Anna Friday night. They decline to talk much about the game with the Santa Anna team at that place Friday afternoon, but there is not much to talk about when a game proves so "one sided." The flu broke into the football season, and the boys must have a little time to get in practice, and we predict that the next team to tackle the locals will not have such easy sailing. The game at Santa Anna resulted in 70 to 0. Mrs. Robert Stephenson came in from Brownwood Saturday and is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Snell.

Rev. J. Gilmore Smith, Superintendent of the Presbyterian orphans home at Albany, was in Ballinger Monday in the interest of orphan children.

## WHO'LL BE NEXT ON CHARITY LIST

It should not be necessary for a committee to go out and canvass the town for charity funds. That should be considered as waste of energy, and energy that could be saved by those who are able and willing to help in the cause, handling in their subscription to C. R. Crews, secretary and treasurer of the local Charity Board.

Since publishing the report, showing that the charity board was in debt about ten dollars, and since making an appeal for funds, less than forty dollars has been subscribed and paid in voluntarily. The committee will need cash this winter, and this cash will be spent only where it will relieve suffering, and none of it will be wasted. Who'll be next to add their name to the following list:

- Godfrey Massey ..... \$10.00
- Mrs. R. A. Nicholson ..... 10.00
- Federated Aid Society ..... 11.50
- A. J. Volekel ..... 5.00
- J. S. Collins ..... 1.00
- Cash ..... 1.00

## \$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surface of the system thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO. Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

## CRESWELL RANCH SOLD

The G. O. Creswell ranch, situated in Coleman and Taylor counties, together with the Creswell herds of purebred and graded Polled Angus cattle, has been acquired by the J. P. Morris estate. The sale included, besides several hundred cattle, a hundred or more stock horses. The transfer of the ranch was in the form of a lease for a term of years.

Mr. Morris has also purchased the George Rae stock of Angus cattle, cows and steers. —San Angelo Standard.

## TOMORROW'S MAN

What is done in childhood days to enrich the blood and build up rugged health often makes or breaks the man of tomorrow. The growing youth, with nervous energy overwrought, needs constant care and

## SCOTT'S EMULSION

to help maintain strength and vitality equal to withstanding the dual strain of growth and wear and tear of the body. The reputation of Scott's is based upon its abundant nourishing qualities and its ability to build up strength.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 13-6

**Spot Cash Prices Good for One Week**

25 lb. sack Pearl Meal \$1.15	3 cans Red Pepper . . . . .25c
48 lb. sack Flour . . . . . \$2.85	3 cans Cinamon . . . . . 25c
7 lbs. good Coffee . . . . . \$1.00	3 cans Allspice . . . . . 25c
6 lbs. fine quality coffee \$1.00	25c size Cili Powder . . . . . 20c
4 1-2 lbs. Peaberry coff \$1.00	25c best pepper sauce 19c
Best Salt Pork Bacon . . . . . 4c	35c Oat Meal . . . . . 30c
50c grade breakfast bacon	1 lb. Peanut Butter . . . . . 30c
for fish potatoes per bushel	500 matches box run . . . . . 6c
\$1.80 or 3 1-2c per pound.	Post toasties . . . . . 20c
Sweet Potatoes . . . . . 5c	2 pkgs Post toasties small 25c
5 bars Bob White soap . . . . . 25c	3 pkgs. Soda . . . . . 25c
5 bars C. E. Soap . . . . . 25c	3 pkgs. Starch . . . . . 25c
Naphia soap 4 bars . . . . . 30c	Dried Peaches . . . . . 12 1-2c
5 bars Toilet soap cocoa 25c	Fancy Apricots . . . . . 20c
2 can Tomatoes, 1 1-2 lbs. 25c	Dried Apples . . . . . 20c
No. 2 Tomatoes . . . . . 15c	Bottle Garrett Snuff . . . . . 24c
No. 3 Hominy a can . . . . . 15c	Glass Honest Snuff . . . . . 24c
Best quality pink beans 10c	Large size Crisco . . . . . \$1.75
Best quality Pinto Beans 11c	1 gal. Cooking Oil . . . . . \$1.80
No. 2 Peas . . . . . 15c	2 doz. Keg Pickles . . . . . 25c
Everybody cane syrup . . . . . 90c	\$1.10 blk. handle broom 85c
Raven same as red Velva or	90c red handled broom 65c
green Velva . . . . . 85c	3 cans American Sardines 25c
\$1.00 size Log Cabin sy. 90c	2 cans Vegetable soup . . . . . 25c
1 gal. Mary Jane Syrup . . . . . 75c	2 cans good Salmon . . . . . 35c
Red Karo syrup a gal. . . . . 75c	25c bottle Chow Chow . . . . . 20c
1 gal. Lassic Syrup . . . . . 70c	35c Tea Mixed . . . . . 25c
Blue bonnet blended Coffee	Thick Penns tobacco . . . . . 70c
\$1.10 size . . . . . 90c	Star Tobacco . . . . . 70c
Full head rice . . . . . 10c	Peachey Plug tobacco . . . . . 70c
3 pkgs Spehetti . . . . . 25c	Fine eating apples 10c and
3 pkgs Macaroni . . . . . 25c	15c per dozen.
3 pkgs. S. Coconut . . . . . 25c	Rabbit Cleanser . . . . . 4c
3 pkgs. sage . . . . . 25c	No. 3 Kraut . . . . . 15c
	3 cans Black Pepper . . . . . 25c

COME BY **Gustavus Grocery Co., Phone 34**

**DELINQUENT TAXES TO MAKE BIG LIST**

Collecting only about \$1900 in tax money during the month of October, when the amount should have been \$5000 to maintain the October average, and collecting only about \$5000 during the present month when it should have amounted to \$20,000, is the record of tax collections for this season, according to a statement made to a Ledger reporter by Tax Collector Chastain.

Mr. Chastain reports that poll tax payments are coming in slower than ever known before, and the delinquent list promises to be a long one. While next year will be an off year in politics, there are matters submitted to the voters every year, and next year will be no exception to the rule. Voters will need their poll tax receipts, and without them they will have no more voice in questions submitted to them than the ex-kaiser.

The time limit for paying taxes and saving the penalty is some time off, the tax paying period expiring on the last day of January, and those who pay by that time save the ten per cent penalty.

**WANTED—19889 Turkeys and Chickens in the next ten days. 20 3d lw. R. P. Conn**

R. P. Conn returned Monday from Uvalde where he went to get his car, which became mud bogged while he was on a recent hunt.

No. 324

**BANKS OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION**

of the First State Bank at Rowena, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 1st day November 1918, published in the Banner-Ledger, a newspaper printed at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 22nd day of November, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral . . . . .	\$85,381.28
Loans, real estate . . . . .	3,340.00
Overdrafts . . . . .	514.30
Bonds and Stocks U. S. Liberty Bonds . . . . .	450.00
Real Estate (banking house) . . . . .	6,500.00
Other Real Estate . . . . .	NONE
Furniture and Fixtures . . . . .	3,220.50
Due from Approved Agents, net . . . . .	4,546.82
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to Check, net . . . . .	102.44
Cash Items . . . . .	268.49
Currency . . . . .	6,892.00
Specie . . . . .	1,329.84
Interest and Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund . . . . .	3,198.74
Other Resources: Bill of Exchange (Cotton) . . . . .	830.33
Installments on Liberty Bonds . . . . .	228.11
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>\$116,862.88</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in . . . . .	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund . . . . .	8,500.00
Undivided Profits, net . . . . .	2,993.23
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to Check, net . . . . .	310.41
Individual Deposits, subject to check . . . . .	61,006.19
Time Certificates of Deposit . . . . .	2,305.00
Cashier's Checks . . . . .	752.84
Bills Payable and Rediscounts . . . . .	15,000.00
Other liabilities, dividends unpaid . . . . .	35.00
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .	<b>\$116,862.88</b>

STATE OF TEXAS: We, G. Schulmann, as president, County of Runnels, and N. K. Freeman, as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. Signed: G. Schulmann, President. (Seal) N. K. Freeman, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of November, A. D. 1918. W. A. Halamicke, Notary Public Runnels County, Texas. Correct Attest: L. J. Strube, J. J. Shiller, Chas. Schlaks, Directors

**Spanish Influenza**

Do Not Fear When Fighting a German or Germ!

By Dr. M. Cook.

The cool fighter always wins and so there is no need to become pan-stricken. Avoid fear and crowds. Exercise in the fresh air and practice the three C's: A Clean Mouth, a Clean Skin and Clean Bowels. To carry off the poisons that accumulate within the body and to ward off an attack of the influenza bacillus, take a good liver regulator to open the bowels. Such a one is made up of May-apple leaves of aloes, root of dew that it looks like it had rained. Well, I sure have seen lots of country since we left America. We landed in Scotland and came clear through England; in fact we stayed in England about a week before we came to France. I saw lots of pretty sights in England and also since we came to France. I wish I could tell you all the experiences I have had since I left America, but we left an American harbor with the band playing "Goodbye Broadway, Hello France" and the other popular tunes, and never had much excitement until Oct. 6th, and I want to say right now, I never will forget that day. The wind had been blowing hard for several days and by Oct. 6th, on Sunday morning, there was as hard a storm blowing as ever does I suppose, but we were doing fine except we had to hold on with both hands to keep from falling overboard, suddenly one of the ships lost control of herself and the ship we were on ran into her. I am sure you saw an account of it in the papers. The ship we were on was the Kashmir and the other one the Orontoro. Our ship didn't sink but the other one did, and there was 431 drowned. We landed safely. But believe me, it sure did tear the front end of our ship up, but any way we landed in a harbor in Scotland.

I sure would like to get hold of a paper and see how the war is progressing. They say the Huns are getting whipped, but we haven't seen many papers since we left England. These people sure are far behind us. I wish you could see this country; about all they work here is oxen and old walking plows. Most of this country is not fenced at all they herd the cattle off the fields. There is an old lady who herds a bunch of cattle right close to us. She takes a chair with her and sews most all time while her dog keeps the cattle together. It sure looks funny to us.

**BALLINGER PEOPLE PEACEABLE PEOPLE**

In his quarterly report to the commissioners' court this week, Justice of Peace, Paul Trimmer, only reports three convictions in his court for the quarter, and these cases were not filed during the quarter. The three convictions were for speeding.

Justice Trimmer's dockets show a clean sheet for the quarter not a single criminal case having been filed during the quarter. This record speaks for itself in telling to the world that Ballinger people, as well as those who visit our city, are a peaceable people.

If it was not for our modesty in the matter, we might state the cause for such clean court record, but presume that most of our good anti friends can guess the why.

**JUDGE FOR YOURSELF**

Which is Better—Try an Experiment or Profit by a Ballinger Citizen's Experiment

Something new is an experiment. Must be proven to be as represented.

The statement of a manufacturer is not convincing proof of merit. But the endorsement of friends is.

Now suppose you had a bad back, a lame weak, or aching one. Would you experiment on it? You will read of many so-called cures.

Endorsed by strangers from far-away places. It's different when the endorsement comes from home.

Easy to prove local testimony. Read this Ballinger case:

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.

W. W. Pasechal is at home from Fort Worth, where he had been for the past two or three months with his team or work. He went out to his home near Norton Wednesday. He says he will return to Fort Worth and remain until about Christmas, when he expects to return to this county and farm again next year.

Rev. J. H. King returned from Santa Anna, Monday, where he preached Sunday.

**BALLINGER BOY**

SAW 413 DROWN

Somewhere in France.

October 20th,

Dear Mother;

I am well and feeling fine, except for a little cold, but am sure it won't amount to much. I washed some clothes yesterday, but it is so damp here there is no telling when they will dry. It rains here most every day and if it doesn't rain there is such a dew that it looks like it had rained. Well, I sure have seen lots of country since we left America. We landed in Scotland and came clear through England; in fact we stayed in England about a week before we came to France. I saw lots of pretty sights in England and also since we came to France. I wish I could tell you all the experiences I have had since I left America, but we left an American harbor with the band playing "Goodbye Broadway, Hello France" and the other popular tunes, and never had much excitement until Oct. 6th, and I want to say right now, I never will forget that day. The wind had been blowing hard for several days and by Oct. 6th, on Sunday morning, there was as hard a storm blowing as ever does I suppose, but we were doing fine except we had to hold on with both hands to keep from falling overboard, suddenly one of the ships lost control of herself and the ship we were on ran into her. I am sure you saw an account of it in the papers. The ship we were on was the Kashmir and the other one the Orontoro. Our ship didn't sink but the other one did, and there was 431 drowned. We landed safely. But believe me, it sure did tear the front end of our ship up, but any way we landed in a harbor in Scotland.

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Believe me, every thing is sure high over here; that is the things that the French sell, but the American Y. M. C. A. sells things here as cheap as they do at home. I bought this paper at a French store and it cost 5c for 4 sheets.

I do have a time with this French money trying to make them understand what I mean. I think we will soon be in an American camp and then we will have more conveniences but I like here fine. We are in an old village with good rock buildings to stay in.

Your loving son,  
Jesse L. Witter.

Jesse Witter is the son of Mrs. Paul Witter, who lives near Ballinger.

**TO CUT SHORT A COLD TAKE A CALOTAB**

The New Calomel Tablet that is Entirely Purified of Neuseating and Dangerous Qualities

Of all the medicines in the world the doctors prize calomel most highly to break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of influenza, gripe, sore throat or a deep-seated cough and possibly to prevent pneumonia. Now that all of its unpleasant and dangerous qualities have been removed, the new kind of calomel called "Calotabs" is the doctors' ideal treatment for colds, etc.

One calotab on the tongue at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea or the slightest interference with your work or pleasures. Next morning your cold has vanished and your whole system is purified and refreshed. Calotabs is sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your drug gist recommends and guarantees Calotabs by refunding the price if you are not delighted.

**CUTTING SHORT**

DRAFT BOARD WORK

Notice sent out by General Crowder early this week instructed district boards to discontinue work of classifying registrants, and Major John C. Townes, supervisor of the selective service laws in Texas has notified local boards to discontinue work of making physical examinations of registrants, and no more appeals will be sent to the district boards.

Local boards are to complete the work of classifying all registrants between the ages of 18 and 36, inclusive, but have been instructed to make no physical examinations of such registrants.

With the work of local boards thus cut down their work will be complete by the time peace conference commences its work, but the offices will be kept open and continued subject to the orders of General Crowder.

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

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

**GENERAL COMPLAINT AT POOR TRAIN SERVICE**

Taking off four passenger trains and placing this city on a twenty-four hour mail and passenger service is responsible for general complaint throughout the country. Not only does the new schedule greatly cripple business by mail delay, but people in the rural district who have been receiving daily mail, now receive their mail twenty-four hours later.

The passenger service is very unsatisfactory. Under the new rule of short mileage which becomes effective on December 1st, north bound passengers will be required to change cars at Brownwood, both going and coming. This will make such travel subject to missing connections and cause a lay over of twenty-four hours in Brownwood. To make plain, let us say that if you are in Fort Worth and wish to come to Ballinger, you will be required to come over the Frisco to Brownwood, or pay the extra railroad fare for going by Temple, and if the Frisco is late and you miss the Santa Fe at Brownwood, you must remain in that city until the next Santa Fe daily train west which will cause a lay over of only twenty-four hours.

Under the present schedule the Santa Fe and A. & S. trains both arrive here at noon, giving us only one mail service daily, and the Santa Fe arrives here ten minutes ahead of the A. & S. causing west bound passenger coming in here over the A. & S. to lay over here 24 hours when a fifteen minute move up for the A. & S. or a fifteen minute late schedule for the Santa Fe would give direct connection.

The service is poorly arranged, and is a matter in which the people making up the town and country effected should protest against.

**Peanut in Windpipe May Prove Fatal to Brownwood Youth**

Jack Bell, the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bell, while at play on the school ground yesterday and eating peanuts was struck in the back by a playmate which resulted in several pieces of peanuts going down his windpipe. He did not suffer any pain or inconvenience until later in the afternoon when a specialist was summoned and upon his advice Mr. Bell left last night for Waco where an operation was performed this morning at ten o'clock. A message this afternoon stated that he is in a serious condition and the doctors are now afraid that pneumonia will develop. Mrs. Bell will probably leave tonight or tomorrow for Waco.—Brownwood Bulletin.

**PHONE WRECKERS WORKING WINTERS**

After spending several days here doing some repair work on the local exchange line, the line crew of the West Texas Telephone Co. left for Winters Tuesday morning, where they go to tear down and store away the old Boll Weevil telephone line.

The West Texas Co., purchased the Boll Weevil line a few weeks ago, and discontinued all service over that line, putting the subscribers all on the West Texas line. The old company owned polls, wire, boxes, etc. The material will be cleared up and used for repair work at other places, and in making extensions from time to time, where such material can be used.

Superintendent Johnson and foreman Teague have been here several days, coming up from Brownwood with the line crew.

Billie Miller was here from Leady Tuesday, trading and talking oil development. Mr. Miller reports that the drillers are working slow, but sure on the wells on the Leady ranch.

R. B. Creasy left for Shamrock, Texas, on business Tuesday afternoon.

J. R. Fielder, the Winters lumber man, was looking after the interest of the Hardin yard here this week.

Mrs. T. J. Starkey returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Sid Caskey at Brownwood.

W. A. Stallworth returned to and knew the zeal with which he was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Stallworth, south of Ballinger.

Jess Stroble received a message Tuesday announcing the death of his brother's baby at Taylor, Texas, and he left on the afternoon train for Taylor to attend the funeral.

**TROUBLE COST HIM**

\$2500 HE DECLARES

Birmingham Man Threw Away Money for Seven Years But Got No Relief Until He took Tanlac He says

"I was unable to do a lick of work for four years, but Tanlac has made me as well and strong as I ever was in my life and I can do as big a day's work as anybody," said W. A. Spitzer, an employe of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway Company, residing at 6707 Georgia Avenue, Bringham, Alabama.

"About seven years ago, I began having attacks of acute indigestion. I would swell up with gas until I could hardly breathe and my pulse ran down so I was afraid my heart would stop beating. My kidneys gave me no end of trouble and for four years I never saw a day that I was free from misery. I got so weak I could hardly stand and was just about done for. I reckon I have spent all of \$2500 dollars in the past six or seven years on medicines and advice, but nothing helped me.

"Well, sir, Tanlac just put me on my feet in a hurry. I can eat just anything I want without any sign of indigestion. I am almost ashamed to eat enough to satisfy myself. I haven't a pain about me, and sleep so sound they have to wake me in the morning. I have gained twenty-one pounds, and now weigh more than I ever did."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Weeks Drug Store.

**OIL DRILLER KILLED AT BROWNWOOD**

Earl Randolph, a driller in the employement of the Stoner Oil Co., was killed almost instantly this morning when his clothing became entangled in the machinery, and he was thrown against the derrick in such a way as to cause concussion of the brain. His left arm was also broken, and the rest of his body severely bruised. He lived about thirty minutes after the accident which occurred at 9:30 He leaves a wife and child, besides his father and two sisters to mourn his loss. The remains will be sent to Keene this evening for interment. He was born March 3, 1886 and was 32 years old. Brownwood Bulletin.