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LUBBOCK BOYS CONFESS TO KILLING OF OPERATOR

LUBBOCK, Tex., Feb. 25.—J. Edgar Craft, age twenty-two, telegraph operator at the local Santa Fe passenger station, was shot and instantly killed at four o'clock this morning by two bandits.

The young man was shot down in cold blood in the presence of Express Agent Pinkerton and Deputy Sheriff Murphy, after repeatedly telling the bandits that he did not know the combination to the safe and was unable to open it, and after pleading with the bandits not to kill him.

The two witnesses were forced to stand with their hands up while they looked on and saw Craft shot to death because he could not open the safe for the bandits.

The bandits escaped. Scouting parties are scouring the country and feeling is running high.

Information received here early Friday morning thru the local Santa Fe office reported a raid made on the Santa Fe station at Lubbock Thursday night and the shooting of the operator in charge of the depot.

According to reports received here, which are very incomplete, the robbers attempted to rob the station by forcing the operator to open the safe. It seems that the man in charge of the station did not know the combination, and because he couldn't open the safe the bandits shot him.

Officers at Lubbock are fleeing to Amarillo with a couple of men who were arrested in connection with the attempted robbery and the murder of the telegraph operator at Lubbock Thursday night, according to a message from the operator at Sweetwater to Telegraph Operator Hill at the local Santa Fe station at noon Saturday.

According to the message a mob of several hundred men had gathered on the streets of Lubbock and a "neck-tie" party was about to be pulled off, when the officers made their escape with the prisoners, presumably taking them to Amarillo for safe keeping.

The message coming over the Santa Fe wires also stated that the men arrested were "home boys" and were caught in town, having made no attempt to get away, and were about their daily loafing as though nothing unusual had happened. The report stated that two young fellows by the name of Connelly had made a confession, admitting that they attempted to rob the station, and claimed that the operator was killed accidentally. They were only running a bluff to make the operator open the safe, according to the alleged confession, when the gun was accidentally discharged and the young man killed.

The crime, according to the report sent out Friday following the murder, was one of the most cold-blooded so far credited to West Texas, and it is not believed that a plea of accident will save the necks of the murderers if the citizens have their way in the case.

LUBBOCK, Tex., Feb. 26.—According to the report of the two eye-witnesses who were in the office with Craft at the time, Express Agent Pinkerton and Deputy Sheriff Murphy of Lorenzo, the bandits appeared, one at the window and one at the door, with drawn guns, and demanded that the safe be opened.

Neither of the witnesses are

ALLIES REJECT TERMS; WILL FORCE PAYMENT

LONDON, Mar. 2.—The German customs receipts in the occupied territory will be taken over as the first step in forcing the payment of Germany's obligations to the allies, should that prove necessary under the plans being drawn by a committee of the supreme council today, in reply to Germany's efforts to dictate the terms of reparations as submitted to the council yesterday.

There is no indication that the allies intend to occupy additional German territory now, appears in the instructions given by the allies' leaders to the committee framing the reply to the German proposal which was made Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—Germany submitted to the allied nations reparations commission today a list of reparation payments amounting to twenty-one billion gold marks, or approximately five and a quarter billion dollars, which Germany claims is made up to last January 21st, according to official advices received here.

According to the advices received officially here, Germany claims that this offer of reparations is made up on the basis that she has complied with Article 235 of the treaty of Versailles, under which she is obligated to pay before March first, 1921, the equivalent of twenty billion gold marks in order to enable the allied powers to proceed immediately with the restoration of the industrial and economic life.

LONDON, Mar. 1.—Germany today made reparation offers as a counter proposal to the reparation claims made against her by the allies. They proposed to pay as reparation approximately thirty billion gold marks, or about seven billion five hundred million dollars.

The offer was submitted thru the German delegates attending the conference.

When the report of the offer was received from Germany, Lloyd George told the foreign minister of Germany that "if the written proposals are the same in general character as the explanation of them, it was not worth while for us to read them."

Continuing his conversation with the German minister Lloyd George said: "You have a complete lack of apprehension of the position of the allies and your own position. We will discuss among ourselves our reply and give it to you tomorrow at eleven o'clock."

MEXICAN LOSES EYES IN ACCIDENT

Jesus Melina, Mexican, age about 24 years, is at his home in the Western part of the city, suffering the loss of both eyes as the result of an accident which occurred about five o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

A bullet from a .22 calibre rifle entered just below the temple and plowed its way through the Mexican's eyes. He was carried to the Halley & Love sanitarium, where the destroyed eyes were removed and the wound dressed and he was carried to his home near the cotton yard.

Melina is a young married man. He has been employed by the bridge contractors and had been at work on the Colorado River bridge. According to an account of the accident as reported to The Ledger, the Mexican was posing for a picture. He had a cartridge belt hanging on one arm and was holding the gun up with the muzzle of the barrel pointing towards his head when it was accidentally discharged in some way, and the Mexican made blind for life.

YEGGS ROB 2 STATIONS; AGENT BEATEN BY MAN

BRADY, Tex., Feb. 28.—The safe in the joint station of the Frisco and Santa Fe railroads here was blown open at two o'clock this morning, and the station damaged by the heavy charge of nitro-glycerine.

The robbers got away with about \$120. No clue was left, but detectives are working on the case.

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Feb. 28.—A robber entered the Fort

Worth & Denver railroad station here at six o'clock this morning and after beating the ticket agent Miller into insensibility, robbed the safe of \$250 in cash and snatched the agent's watch from his pocket as he lay on the floor in a pool of blood, and made an escape.

Miller recovered from the assault, and his condition is not considered critical. He was able to give the officers a good description of the man.

EXTRA OFFICERS TO FIGHT CRIME

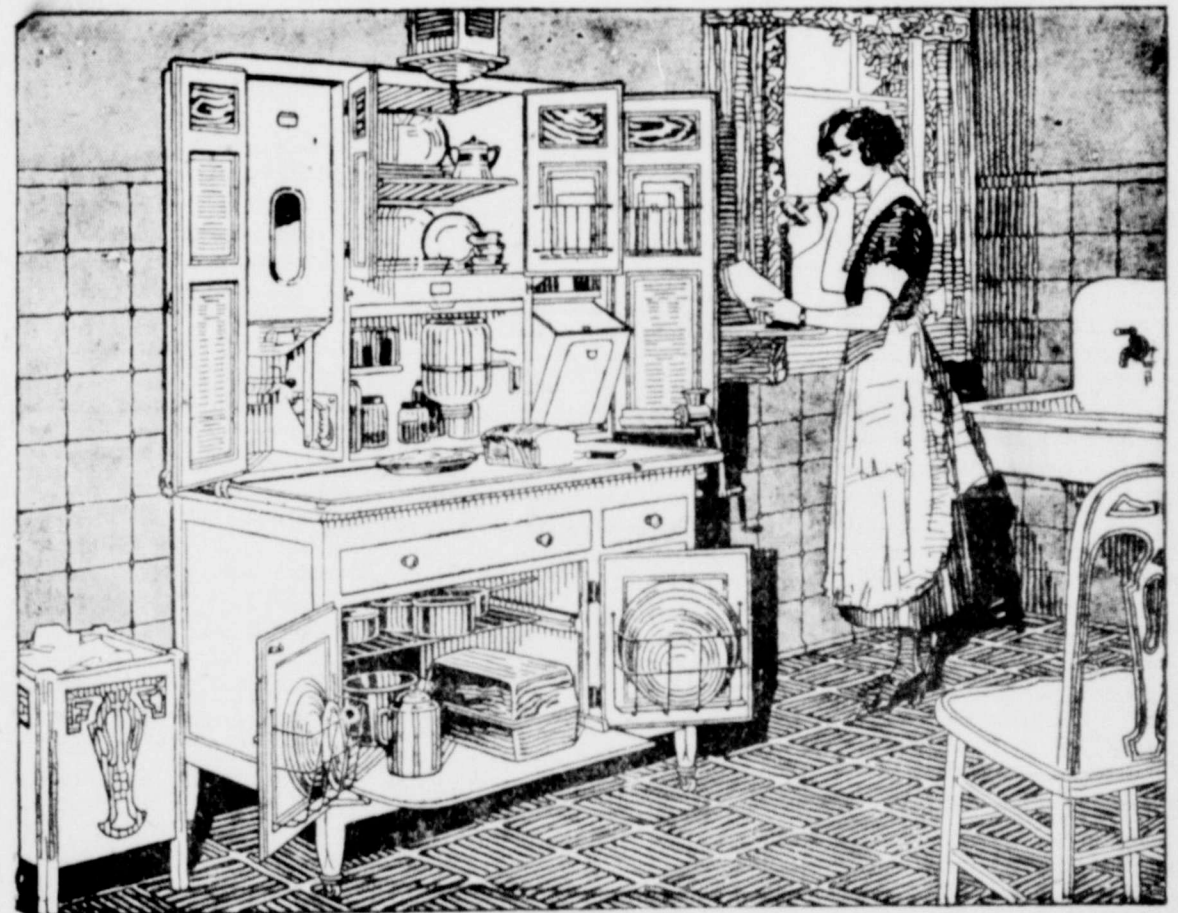
PLAINVIEW, Tex., Mar. 2.—As a precautionary measure against the crime wave which is sweeping the country, the city council of this city today appointed thirty-one special policemen. The sheriff of the county stated, following the action of the city council that he would appoint an equal number of deputies to co-operate with the city's squad of special officers. These men are authorized under the law to carry arms.

Mrs. R. W. Bruce will be moved to the sanitarium this afternoon and will undergo an operation for appendicitis in the morning. Mr. Bruce's brothers, Dr. Bruce of Alabama, and Prof. Bruce of Denton, will arrive tonight.

F. & M. MADE CO. DEPOSITORY

At a recent meeting of the Commissioners' Court the Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Ballinger, was designated a county depository, and was awarded the contract to handle the county's cash for the next twelve months. The First National Bank has been custodian of the funds for the past year, and under the law has sixty days from the time the contract is awarded in which to turn over to the new depository the county deposits.

Three bids were submitted to the Commissioners' Court in response to an advertisement calling for bids. The Winters State Bank, of Winters, bid 4.75 per cent on daily balances; the First National, of Ballinger, bid 4.80; and the F. & M. bid 6.60.



A Comfort 365 Days in the Year

To women, few gifts can bring such lasting satisfaction as a beautiful Sellers Kitchen Cabinet. Every day in the year it makes her work easier and pleasanter, saves her needless steps and labor.

For the Sellers provides a place for everything and makes it easy to keep everything in its place. It has important improvements and refinements combined in no other cabinet.

SELLERS KITCHEN CABINETS

"The Best Servant in Your Home"

These "15 Famous Features" cost the manufacturers thousands of dollars extra each year. Yet you pay no more for the Sellers than for any other good cabinet. Come in and let us show you the Automatic Lowering Flour Bin, the Automatic Base Shelf Extender, the Ant-Proof Casters and the 12 other Sellers Conveniences. You'll be interested.

Higginbotham Brothers & Co.

The Price is the Thing

P. S. Get our cut prices on furniture, rugs, etc.

Specialization

This is an age of specialization. In every trade or profession it is well to use the knowledge and secure the help of the specialist. The Officers of this Institution are Specialists in financial matters. We have established a banking service unexcelled for its efficiency and helpfulness. Deposits are absolutely protected by the Depositors' Guaranty Fund of this State. New accounts are cordially invited.

The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas

Capital and Surplus \$100,000.00

Pains Were Terrific

Read how Mrs. Albert Gregory, of R. F. D. No. 1, Bluford, Ill., got rid of her ills. "During . . . I was awfully weak . . . My pains were terrific. I thought I would die. The bearing-down pains were actually so severe I could not stand the pressure of my hands on the lower part of my stomach. . . I simply felt as if life was for but a short time. My husband was worried. . . One evening, while reading the Birthday Almanac, he came across a case similar to mine, and went straight for some Cardui for me to try.

TAKE CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

"I took it faithfully and the results were immediate," adds Mrs. Gregory. "I continued to get better, all my ills left me, and I went through . . . with no further trouble. My baby was fat and strong, and myself—thank God—am once more hale and hearty, can walk miles, do my work, though 44 years old, feel like a new person. All I owe to Cardui." For many years Cardui has been found helpful in building up the system when run down by disorders peculiar to women.

Take Cardui

BUYS MORGAN JONES HOME

G. G. Carlisle has purchased the Morgan Jones home, near the Halley & Love sanitarium, and will occupy same as soon as Mr. and Mrs. Jones move to Abilene, which they plan to do at an early date. Mr. Carlisle has been living in the Cady place which was recently purchased by W. E. Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen will move to the Cady place as soon as Mr. Carlisle vacates. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been living in Ballinger since the coming of the A. & S. railroad to this city, and they have made many friends here who will regret to know that they are to move away. Under the present schedule of trains, Mr. Jones is kept away from home and the move to Abilene is made in order that his family will be where he can be with them more.

Ralston Purina Feeds

Just received a fresh car of scientifically prepared feeds, Scratch Feed, Little Chick Feed, Chicken Chowder and Cow Chow. E. A. JEANES & CO. 19-6td-2tw

Elam Elliott is a new man at Rogers-Higdon Co. store here and will have charge of the shoe department. Mr. Elliott has been with the Rogers store at Brownwood for sixteen years, and was transferred here following the fire which destroyed the Brownwood store. D. F. Pettit, who has been with the local store for some time, is out for the present, but will remain in Ballinger if he can get employment.

Skin Sufferers Do Not Want Mere Temporary Relief

Of course, if you are content to have only temporary relief from the terrifying itching and burning of fiery, flaming skin diseases, then you are satisfied to remain a slave to ointments, lotions and other local remedies applied to the surface of the skin. Real genuine relief from eczema, tetter, scaly eruptions or any other form of skin irritations cannot be expected until you free your blood of the germs which cause these disorders. And for this purpose

HEAVY RAIN EXTENDS WEST

Following the gentle rain of Monday morning, amounting to about one-third of an inch, the heavens opened up again Monday night and poured out a rich blessing to a large territory, the heavy rain extended further west than the first showers of the week. The rainfall at Ballinger Monday night amounted to one and a quarter inches, which brought the total for the two days up to more than one and a half inches. Through the courtesy of the West Texas Telephone Company we give the following report, which shows that the heaviest rain extended from Ballinger to the South and Southwest, with light showers at some places in the Northern part of the county and further East:

Abilene, light; Benoit, 1 inch; Blackwell 1 inch; Bradshaw 5 inch; Brady, heavy; Bronte 1 inch; Brownwood .35; Coleman 49; Concho 1.5; Crews, no rain; Eden, big rain; Ft. Chadbourne, 25; Hatched 5; Leada 1 inch; Maverick 1.25; Menard, heavy rain; Miles 1 inch; Millersview, light shower; Norton 1 inch; Ofen 1 inch; Ovalo light; Paint Rock 1.5; Pony 1 inch; Rowena 1 inch; San Angelo, heavy; Santa Anna, good; Stacy, big rain; Talpa 25; Truitt, no rain; Wilbenth, 50; Wingate 5; Winters 1 inch.

Why Mr. N. Windsor (R. I.) Put Up with Rats for Years

"Years ago I got some rat poison, which nearly killed our fine watch dog. We put up with rats until a friend told me about Rat-Snap. It surely kills rats, though house cats won't touch it. Rats dry up and leave no smell. Prices, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co., and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

PLAYS WITH GUN; GIRL IS KILLED

The discharge from a small-calibre shot gun in the hands of six-year-old Fred Baker, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Baker, caused the almost instant death Sunday afternoon of Hazel Black, eight-year-old daughter of Mrs. M. Black, while the children were at play in the Baker home on Willis Creek, two miles South of Brownwood.

The charge of shot struck the little girl in the right side of the abdomen, and she lived less than an hour. The tragedy occurred at about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, in the dining room of the Baker home, where several children were at play. The gun, a 410-calibre shotgun which Mrs. Baker said had always been kept loaded, was found on a back porch by little Fred Baker, who playfully pointed it about and tried to cock it. While he was tinkering with the gun the weapon was discharged, the entire charge striking Hazel Black in the right side.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. J. A. Wright were sitting in an adjoining room when they heard the report of the gun, and rushing into the dining room found the little girl sitting at the dining table, crying "Oh, I want my mama." She was tenderly picked up and as soon as a service car could be secured was carried to the Brownwood hospital. The child's condition, however, was hopeless, and death occurred in about fifteen minutes after reaching the hospital.

POULTRY PAYS

If properly cared for. Feed them "Martin's Blue Bug Remedy," and keep them free from all Blood Sucking Insects. Guaranteed by your Druggist or Dealer. 18-16tw

BUYS GROCERIES WITH BAD CHECK

The officers of this city are seeking the whereabouts of Will Washington, a colored gentleman, and if Mister Washington is found he will be given a berth in the local jail until a little check forgery is cleared up. A check bearing the forged signature of R. A. Nicholson, made payable to Will Washington, and made out for an amount of \$8.75, was presented to a local grocery store by a negro passing himself as Will Washington.

The negro purchased a small bill of groceries and received most of the amount of the check in cash. He left his groceries at the store, stating that he would call for them later. He has never called.

The check was held up when it reached the bank and declared to be a forgery. The check shows to have passed through the hands of two different parties before it reached the grocery store. The handwriting shows that one party made out the check and signed it, while the endorsement of "Will Washington" shows to be the handwriting of another party.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All druggists 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

MAN SANDBAGGED ON ABILENE STREET

(Abilene Reporter)

Struck over the head from behind by an unknown assailant and knocked into unconsciousness, W. F. Ford of Munday, Texas, was badly injured and robbed near the corner of North Fifth and Victoria streets Sunday night at 10:30 o'clock. The highwayman or highway men took fifty dollars in cash, several checks and a traveling bag containing three silk shirts, a blue serge suit, and other clothing, besides the overcoat which Mr. Ford was wearing.

According to his story told of officers at the Alexander Sanitarium where he was taken later, he had arrived in Abilene from Munday over the Wichita Valley railroad and had started to the Alexander Sanitarium on foot. Near the corner of North Fifth on Victoria he was struck over the head from behind and when he recovered consciousness he was lying on the ground, his coat and traveling bag gone and his pockets turned inside out. He made his way to the residence of R. W. Haynie nearby and Mr. Haynie assisted him to the sanitarium, where he was treated.

From the bruise marks it appears that Mr. Ford was struck twice with a heavy padded club. He was unable to say how many men engaged in the assault, never having gotten a glimpse of his assailant.

The police department was notified immediately of the hold-up and began an investigation, but so far no arrests have been made.

For the serious diseases that attack the kidneys, Prickly Ash Bitters is a remedy of merit. It relieves backache, dizziness, persistent headache, loss of strength and nervous weakness; symptoms which indicate kidney trouble. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

H. Giesecke and Charlie Giesecke, Joe Spoons and L. Cohen came in Monday night from San Antonio. They made the trip in an auto and arrived here in time to miss the rain.

Artek Stuart, who has been with Rogers-Higdon Co. here for the past few weeks, will go to Comanche, where he has accepted employment.

Y. M. B. L. BOARD IN WEEKLY MEET

C. S. Guin, president of the Y. M. B. L., called the directors together Monday evening for the purpose of attending to some work pending before the League. In the absence of Secretary Williams, who is out of the city on business, James Skinner acted as secretary in recording the minutes of the meeting. The following directors answered to roll call: A. C. Molbeck, C. R. Stone, J. J. Beck, Roy Reeder, R. E. George, R. L. Williams, James Skinner, Harry Gardner, M. S. Karmony, M. C. Atkins, Noel Penn, J. M. Pyburn, Will Douse, Dr. O. R. Lasater, Leroy Nicholson.

The question of membership cards was discussed, and while large membership cards suitable for displaying in business houses and public places had been provided, it was ordered that smaller cards be provided for individual members.

The League created a special advertising committee to handle certain lines of advertising for the organization from time to time. This committee is composed of Platt Straley, M. S. Karmony and James Skinner.

A committee composed of Will Douse, Leroy Nicholson and Roy Reeder was appointed to meet with the directors of the Farm Bureau and adjust the matter of office expenses, if the Farm Bureau wished to maintain headquarters with the business league.

Other questions of importance were discussed and action deferred pending the return of the Secretary of the league.

Mother

Give Sick, Bilious Child "California Fig Syrup"

"California Syrup of Figs" is the best "laxative physic" to give to a sick, feverish child who is bilious or constipated. Directions for babies and children on bottle. They love its fruity taste. Beware! Say "California" or you may not get the genuine recommended by physicians for over thirty years. Don't risk injuring your child's tender stomach, liver and bowels by accepting an imitation fig syrup. Insist upon "California."

COST 10 MILLION ELECT PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—The campaign cost for the election of a president in the United States in 1920 amounted to \$10,338,509, it was estimated by a special Senate committee which filed its report in Congress today.

The Republicans spent \$8,100,739 of the above amount, while the remainder was expended by the other parties in the field. The committee compiling the report, took into account the expenditures by, or in behalf, of all candidates, the Republican and Democratic nomination for presidency, the national, state and congressional races, and the senatorial committees of both parties neglecting to report amounts spent by the minor political parties.


Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—Nothing so Good for Cough or Cold.

"Everyone who has used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy speaks well of it," writes Edward P. Miller, Abbotstown, Pa. People who once use this preparation are seldom satisfied with any other. It is excellent to allay a cough or break up a cold.

COUPLE WEDS AT A. & S. STATION

On the arrival of the Abilene & Southern train Sunday at noon, Rev. B. A. Philpott was called to unite in marriage, H. Feazle, and Miss Texanna Brown. The contracting parties formerly lived in San Saba, but Mr. Feazle is now living in Abilene, and Miss Brown was visiting relatives in Ballinger. Mr. Feazle came in on the A. & S. and the happy couple returned to Abilene Sunday afternoon as man and wife.

COULD HARDLY EAT ANYTHING UNTIL HE USED PE-RU-NA
NEIGHBORS FOUND IT A WONDERFUL MEDICINE



"I was weak and tired and could hardly eat anything until I used Pe-Ru-NA. Soon my appetite was good and my strength returned. I told my neighbors and every one of them found it a wonderful medicine. You can always get a dose of Pe-Ru-NA at my house no matter what the weather is."
MR. T. N. WASHINGTON,
Box 25, Bragg City, Mo.

Catarrh of the stomach and bowels is among the many forms of catarrhal diseases from which a large number of people needlessly suffer. Fifty years of usefulness is the guarantee behind

PE-RU-NA
Tablets or Liquid Sold Everywhere

200 POUND FATHER OF 3 POUND BABY

Brady is boasting the smallest baby, and its claim is unchallenged.

A week ago a three pound baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hughes, and today the youngster is as lively and lusty as any young American in the country. Mr. Hughes, the proud father, stands over six feet high and weighs more than 200 pounds, while Mrs. Hughes is of average height and weighs slightly more than 100 pounds. The tiny infant's grandmother is authority for the statement that when he first saw the light of day Papa Hughes himself was nothing much to brag about in point of size, weighing exactly one and one-half pounds, while the baby's mother weighed just three pounds at birth.—Brownwood Bulletin.

BALLINGER HIGHS WIN OVER MILES

The local high school team was an easy winner over the Miles high school team at Miles Friday afternoon. It was the first game of the season and the locals proved themselves in good trim by taking the game on the Miles field by a score of 10 to 2.

A series of games will be played during the baseball season of the high schools in this district and the fans will have an opportunity to warm up and get ready for the semi-professional sport which will be staged here this summer.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEP-SIN" is a specially-prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

Be Wise and Advertise—

"TOP NOTCH" Rhode Island Reds
Bred to Win, Lay and Pay.

1st and 2nd Pullet, 1st and 2nd Hen, 2nd Cock, 2nd Pen and 2nd Best Hen in Recent Runnels County Poultry Show.

7 Ribbons on 5 Entries.
15 Eggs for \$2.50
Satisfaction Guaranteed

Mrs. J. I. Guion
Telephone 11 Ballinger, Texas

Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 21st day of February, 1921, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 25th day of February, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$244,866.49
Loans, real estate	35,306.48
Overdrafts	543.70
Bonds and Stocks	26,494.00
Real estate (banking house)	20,000.00
Other Real Estate	5,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,730.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	41,287.35
Interest Earned, but not Collected	1,093.63
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	2,000.00
Federal International Banking Co. (\$2,000.00 Stock) paid in	500.00
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	4,312.81
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	1,784.11
OTHER RESOURCES:	
TOTAL	\$390,622.73

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus Fund	12,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	2,072.26
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	34,527.75
Individual Deposits, subject to check	221,038.18
Time Certificates of Deposit	35,962.35
Interest Collected, but not Earned	2,709.79
Cashier's Checks	272.40
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	20,000.00
Bonds Deposited	1,500.00
Total	\$390,622.73

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss
We, Chas. S. Miller, as Vice-President 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.
Chas. S. Miller, Vice-President.
N. K. Freeman, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25th day of February, A. D. 1921.
(Seal)
Q. V. Miller,
Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
R. W. Bruce, C. P. Shepherd, Sam Baker, Directors.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$280,806.83
U. S. Liberty Bonds, W. S. S. and Treas. Certificates	24,994.00
Banking House and Fixtures	25,730.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	2,000.00
Fed. International Banking Co. (\$2,000.00 Stock) paid in	500.00
Other Real Estate	5,500.00
Int. and Assmt. Guaranty Fund	4,817.81
Interest Earned but not Collected	1,093.63
Bills of Exchange—Cotton	1,784.11
Cash and Exchange	41,287.35
Total	\$380,122.73

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus	12,000.00
Undivided Profits	2,072.26
Interest Collected but not Earned	2,709.79
Bills Payable	20,000.00
Deposits	292,340.68
Total	\$380,122.73

Ledger classifieds bring results



We make them—
BALLINGER OPTICAL CO.
Manufacturing Opticians
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Examination Free

Citation by Publication
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Runnels county, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to
summon C. P. Adams, by
making publication of this Citation
once each week for four successive
weeks previous to the return day
hereof, in some newspaper published
in your County, if there be a newspaper
published therein, but if not, then
in any newspaper published in the
35th Judicial District; but if there be
no newspaper published in said
Judicial District, then in a newspaper
published in the nearest District
to said 35th Judicial District, to
appear at the next regular term of
the District Court of Runnels County,
Texas, to be held at the Court House
thereof, in Ballinger, on the 2nd Monday
in March A. D. 1921, the same being
the 14 day of Mar. A. D. 1921 then
and there to answer a petition

filed in said Court on the 28th day
of July A. D. 1920 in a suit numbered
on the docket of said court No. 1988,
wherein S. W. Grimes, is plaintiff, and
C. P. Adams and J. W. Echols, are
defendants, and said petition alleging:
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF RUNNELS
District Court of Runnels County
Texas, October Term 1920.
To the Honorable Judge of Said
Court:
Your petitioner S. W. Grimes a
resident of Los Angeles County,
California and hereinafter styled
plaintiff complaining of C. P. Adams
a transient person and who is
temporarily in Eastland County,
Texas, and J. W. Echols whose
residence is Victoria County,
Texas, and who are hereinafter
styled defendants, would respectfully
show:

That on April 5, 1917 defendant
C. P. Adams made, executed and
delivered to defendant J. W. Echols
four promissory notes, the first three
for one hundred dollars each and the
fourth for two hundred and fifty
dollars, all of said notes to become
due November 1st, 1918, 1919 and
1920 as set forth. All of said notes
bore interest from date at the rate
of 10% per annum and 10% additional,
as attorneys fees, if placed in the
hands of an attorney for collection,
or if collected by legal proceedings.

That thereafter and before either
of said notes were due defendant
J. W. Echols for valuable consideration
endorsed and transferred the said
notes to plaintiff S. W. Grimes, and
by such execution by defendant C. P.
Adams and by such endorsement by
defendant J. W. Echols, each of said
defendants promised to pay the said
plaintiff S. W. Grimes the amount of
said notes, interest and attorney fees,
if said notes were not paid, according
to their face and tenor.

That said notes are long past due
(except note No. four due November
1st, 1920) that plaintiff has made
repeated demands for payment but
defendants have failed to pay same or
any part thereof to plaintiffs damage
\$768.65 up to September 5th 1920.

That failure to pay has caused
plaintiff to begin legal proceedings to
collect and under the authority of
said notes has declared the whole
amount of said notes due. The plaintiff
has employed A. C. Wilmett, an attorney
and promised him 10% of principal
and interest for his services which is
just and reasonable.

That said notes were given as
part purchase money of Lot 6, Block
12, of the Bowden Addition to the
City of Ballinger, Runnels County,
Texas, and a vendors lien specially
retained.

WHEREFORE plaintiff prays that
defendants be cited in the terms of
the law, that upon hearing hereof
he have judgment for the amount
due then upon said notes, amounting
to \$768.65 principal and interest and
\$76.86 attorneys fees and an order
foreclosing the vendors lien upon
Lot 6 Block 12, of the Bowden Addition
to the town of Ballinger, Texas, and
for all other relief he may show
himself entitled under the law and the
facts.

S. W. GRIMES.
By his attorney A. C. Wilmett.
Herein fail not, but have before
said Court, at its aforesaid next
regular term, this writ with your
return thereon, showing how you
have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the
Seal of said Court, at office in
Ballinger this the 5th day of
February, A. D. 1921.

GEORGIA SINGLETARY,
(Seal) Clerk, District Court
Runnels County
11-4tw.

If you belch up a bitter-tasting
liquid, suffer from heartburn
and sour stomach, you need the
tonic properties of Herbine. It is
a purifying and strengthening
medicine for the stomach, liver
and bowels. Price 60c. Sold by
all druggists.

Mrs. R. W. Bruce, who has been
quite ill for several days, was
reported to be resting some better
today. Mrs. Bruce is suffering
with appendicitis, and it is probable
she will undergo an operation
when her condition permits of it.

Mrs. A. L. Fuller, of Yoakum, is
here visiting her brother, Dr. E.
R. Walker. She will spend a
month here visiting relatives and
friends.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails
to cure itching, blood, bleeding or protruding Piles.
Instantly relieved itching Piles, and you can get
more relief after the first application. Price 50c.

WINTERS LOST IN BOND ISSUE

While carrying by a majority
the \$100,000 road bond issue failed
to get a two-thirds majority
and was defeated in an election
held at Winters last Saturday.
The election was for the Winters
road precinct, which included the
voting box of Winters and two
rural voting precincts, Victory
and Baldwin. 189 votes were
polled for the bonds and 137
against the bonds. Winters voted
177 for and 101 against; Baldwin
7 for 25 against; Victory 5 for
11 against.

The bond issue asked for was
for the purpose of raising funds
to complete the Ballinger-Abilene
highway through the Winters
precinct and to build other
roads leading into Winters. The
bond advocates announced that
a petition would be presented to
the Commissioners' Court at its
next meeting asking for an election
to vote only sufficient funds
to complete the Ballinger-Abilene
highway through the Winters
precinct, and if the proposition was
again defeated, steps would be
taken immediately to bring about
a county-wide election for the
issuance of a half million dollars
worth of bonds to carry on road
work all over the county. It will
only require a majority vote to
pass the county wide bond issue.

The good roads advocates in
other parts of the county will be
glad to note that the Winters people
have come to life on the proposition.

"Rat-Snap Kills 48 Rats"
Writes Irvin Nerhood, Pennsylvania
He says: "After using one large package,
I killed 48 dead rats." RAT-SNAP
kills rats, drives up the carcass, and leaves
no smell. Cats and dogs won't touch it.
Comes in convenient size, 200 mice with
other food. Get a package today.
Three sizes: 35c for kitchen or cellar; 65c
for chicken house or corn crib; \$1.25 for
barns and outbuildings. Your money back
if RAT-SNAP doesn't do the work.
KILLS RATS - LEAVES NO SMELL
RAT-SNAP
Sold and Guaranteed by
Geo. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co.,
and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

WOULD PROVIDE FOR OLD NEGRO SLAVES

AUSTIN, Feb. 28.—The 300 or
more old ex-slaves now in Texas
who aided the Confederacy and
produced supplies or helped pro-
tect the homes of the Southern
people during the war are to be
cared for if the bill introduced
by Representative Morris of Me-
dina is finally passed. The bill
provides for the establishment of
"The Texas Old Slaves Home"
by the state.

In explaining the merits of his
bill, Representative Morris said
that "our histories rightly accord
the slaves as the Confederate
home guards because of their
valuable service and unsurpassed
loyalty in the absence of their
masters, during the war, and
there are now quite a number of
these old slaves without a home
and are objects of charity and
too old to earn a livelihood. The
state should make some provision
for caring for them and I believe
this bill will cover the matter
fully."

Under the provisions of the
bill, the following conditions
must be adhered to in applying
for admittance to the home; name
of applicant; his or her resi-
dence; name and address of their
last master or mistress during
the period from January 1, 1860,
to Jan. 1, 1865; that he or she is
disabled and indigent and that he
or she is a bona fide resident of
the state of Texas or a slave of
Texas for a period of at least six
months between Jan. 1, 1860 and
Jan. 1, 1866.

The governor is given author-
ity to appoint a board of man-
agers who shall have under their
control the management and ad-
ministration of the home and
shall pass on all applicants for
admission.

DODSON'S LIVER TONE INSTEAD OF CALOMEL

Calomel is quicksilver. It at-
tacks the bones and paralyzes the
liver. Your dealer sells each bot-
tle of pleasant, harmless "Dod-
son's Liver Tone" under an iron-
clad, money-back guarantee that
it will regulate the liver, stom-
ach and bowels better than cal-
omel, without sickening or saliv-
ating you—15 million bottles
sold.

A. P. Luckett returned to Miles
Monday at noon. He had been
here to spend Sunday with his
wife and new son.

Children Cry for Fletcher's
CASTORIA
The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been
in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of
and has been made under his per-
sonal supervision since its infancy.
Allow no one to deceive you in this.
All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but
Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of
Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.
What is CASTORIA
Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric,
Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains
neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its
age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has
been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency,
Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising
therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids
the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep.
The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS
Bears the Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher
In Use For Over 30 Years
The Kind You Have Always Bought
THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

GRAIN MAKER IS BAPTIST REVIVAL WELCOME VISITOR TO BEGIN SUNDAY

Three-tenths of an inch of rain
fell at Ballinger Monday morning
with good showers reported at
other points in the county. The
good showers came in spring like
order, the weather prevailing
warm, and the gentle showers
soaking the earth and serving to
refresh grain crops which cover a
large acreage in this county.

Farmers declare that the sea-
sons up to this time have been
ample, and conditions for break-
ing land have been most favor-
able. The usual February winds
failed to develop this year, and
the country is entering the March
month in the best condition from
an agricultural standpoint than in
many years.

The favorable weather through
January and February has made
it possible for the farmers to get
in good time and in most cases
they are well up with their work
and will go into the planting sea-
son in good shape.

It is declared that a few April
showers will bring out a good
grain crop.

Announcement was made Sun-
day that the Baptist church
would begin a meeting next
Sunday, March 6th. It was not
stated as to how long the meet-
ing would continue, but services
will be held every night during
the week. Rev. Alvin Swindell,
the pastor, will do the preaching,
and the music will be carried on
by the local forces.

It is thought by the pastor and
others that a meeting at this
season of the year will have a
wholesome influence on the reli-
gious life of the community. The
people of the other churches are
urged to attend and help.

This week, on Monday, Tues-
day and Wednesday, at 3:00 p.
m., the ladies of the church are
giving their program of their
week of prayer in the interest of
the causes included in the 75 mil-
lion campaign. All the church is
to meet Wednesday night in a
special service for the same pur-
pose.

INFLUENZA

As a preventive, melt and in-
hale night and morning—
VICKS
VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jan Used Yearly

Rev. Solon Johnson, of Win-
ters, passed thru Ballinger Mon-
day en route to his home at Win-
ters. He had been to Norton,
where he preaches once each
month for the Presbyterian
church.

Walter Elliott, of Rogers-Hig-
gin Co., went to Brownwood Sat-
urday afternoon to spend Sun-
day with his family.

LIGHT SOMEWHERE!

See us for
FREE bulking helps—
working plans—
material lists—
accurate cost
estimates.

A long as you are a renter you will be
a periodical mover. High Moving Costs
must be included in high rental costs.
LIGHT SOMEWHERE—BUILD A HOME OF YOUR OWN

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FARM LOANS WANTED
We Have Strong Connections. Let Us Figure With You
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NOTICE
The Parramore pasture of 5000 acres of unimproved land
has been subdivided into small tracts and is now on the mar-
ket at reasonable price and terms. For sale by
H. Giesecke Ballinger,
Texas.

SAVE AND LEARN
Young man, if
you want to be-
come a leader in
the world's affairs, save a part
of the salary you now earn,
keep your eyes on the future and study
your business. Men who make good
burn the midnight oil—at home with
their books and plans.
Put Your Savings in Our Care
so that you may have funds on hand to
grasp business opportunity when it
comes your way.

The First State Bank
Rowena, Texas
Capital Stock \$25,000 Surplus Fund \$9,000

**Put Your Car
In Good Hands**

No matter what work you may want done on
your car, you can rest assured it will be properly
done if it comes to us. We handle accessories, gas-
oline and oils. See us for any thing your car needs.

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March comes in like a lamb.

The groucher is about to lose grounds for grumbling.

The food and feed market may go to the bad, but the stuff is something which the farmer can eat.

Forty percent of the school girls are physically imperfect, according to medical experts. To overcome this parents should devote more time to raising a perfect child instead of devoting all their time to raising a perfect hog.

Some folks are fools about fads. A few years ago the average girl would have been insulted had her mother provided yarn stockings for her. Today the girl who cannot display the grays and greens thinks she is not keeping pace with the styles.

The fellow who said everything had a bottom, did not have in mind the cotton market. After dropping to the lowest level since 1915, the price fixers figured out another drop of seventy points Thursday. Farmers are left only with the consolation that the blooming stuff is not perishable and will keep for a while if stored in a dry place.

Farmers are receiving much free advice about what to plant this year. The world seems to recognize that something is wrong and as has always been the case, when we get long on cotton we get short on something to eat, and the average man seems to be more interested in what he is going to eat than in what he is going to wear. The low price of cotton cripples every line of business in the South, but the farmer has the advantage because he can prepare to live at home, even though he can't sell his cheap cotton.

BUILD OR LIVE OUT-DOGS? Reliable statistics show that the county is not building much more than ten per cent of the required number of houses needed to take care of the normal requirements. There were over one million marriages last year and only 70,000 houses were built. There were almost as many houses destroyed as there were constructed during the year, and this leaves the newly weeds out of doors, and as is a well known fact many are forced to board, do light housekeeping, or live with the wife's kin folks.

The exorbitant price of both building material and labor has prevented the man with small means from providing a home, and if the building problem is not solved living conditions in many cities will become bad. The lumber and labor trusts are responsible.

WRITES HIS FIRST OPINION We have on our desk a copy of the first opinion written by Wallace Hawkins, assistant attorney general. The opinion has to do with the constitutionality of the law recently passed by the legislature remitting penalties on delinquent taxes for the year 1920. The young attorney holds that the legislature cannot release penalties against tax payers when such penalties were created by the constitution. The opinion is a lengthy one and covers every phase of the question, and was considered in executive conference of the attorney general's department and approved by the attorney general and ordered recorded.

Hawkins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hawkins, of Winters, and grew from babyhood to manhood in this county. He is the youngest assistant attorney general to serve this state in its history, and his Rannels county friends will be glad to note that he is making good from the word go.

FIVE CENT COTTON "Cotton is going to go begging at five cents per pound by next fall," said a prominent cotton buyer Monday. The marketing conditions are worse now than they have ever been, according to the cotton man, and he sees no

hope for the cotton farmer until the demand overcomes the present supply. The price of the big supply of cotton now on hand will be governed by the amount of cotton raised this year, and if the farmers do not hold down the acreage, cotton will not be worth the picking next fall. Practically every farmer, who owns his farm, has more or less cotton on hand. Only share workers and renters sold their cotton, and many of these are holding cotton, while speculators are in many instances stocked on cotton. Cotton would not bring what the farmers should have for it, if it was known today that not a single bale would be produced this year. This is a cotton country, and farmers depend largely on cotton for their money crop, but they must use common sense in hedging and depend on something else besides cotton and at the same time hang on to what cotton they have until they can at least receive cost price for what they have. WINKING AT CRIME Frederick Becholdt, in the Sunset Magazine for March, in discussing crime and its causes, strikes the keynote when he declares that public sentiment can play a great part in checking the crime wave. It is a well known fact that in some cities men whose duty it is to enforce the law wink at crime, and permit certain small crimes to thrive which breed big crimes. Ballinger is fortunate in having officers who are ready to enforce the law, and any county or city with officers who wink at crime will suffer the effects of the crime wave which is sweeping the country. Read what Mr. Becholdt says about the citizen's part in helping solve the crime problem: "The longest step toward solving our crime problem will be taken when the average citizen gets on the job and stays on it. If you insist on decent police work; if you members of women's clubs and men's organizations persistently watch your departments of police; if you do not wait for a hair-raising outrage, but begin protesting when the men on the beat allow the gang's rendezvous to exist; if you promptly complain when the force is not getting results; and above all if you, by helping to make public opinion, bring about a condition where it is good policy on anyone's part to try and use a 'pull' in connection with police work; if you do these things your department will clean up your city in a very short time. Your department will also improve; the officials will adopt new and scientific methods; they will get new and proper equipment. For, it is a fact, the average policeman, like anyone else, rather likes to do his work as well as possible. At the bottom of his heart he is an ordinary, ambitious human being."

WHO VOTES RIGHT? People cannot all see things from the same viewpoint. There is food for thought in reflecting on the result of the road bond issue election at Winters last Saturday. For instance, the town of Winters voted 177 for the bonds and 101 against the bonds, while the two county boxes, Baldwin and Victory voted exactly three to one against the proposition. The good roads are a greater benefit to the people living in the country than they are to the people living in town, while if the bond issue had carried the owner of city property would have been forced to pay his part of the tax burden. But returning to the issue, we will say for the encouragement of the bond advocates, that we believe that the tax payers in both town and country will be slow to vote on any additional tax at this time. The depression with high taxes has left a bad taste in the mouth of the average tax payer. Farmers have had to dig deeper than ever known before in settling with the tax collector, with the price of their farm products dragging rock bottom. County tax, state tax, profits tax, income tax, luxury tax, war tax and auto tax, have made many property owners tax shy, and now a man must pay his wife's poll tax in order to keep peace in the family. It is possible to tax a people into a state of bolshevism, and the political party which advocates and practices governmental economy, and the politician who builds his platform on such a foundation will be found at the lick log when the votes are counted.

The time has come when there must be retrenching somewhere in the public treasury. Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup; car just received; E. A. Jeanes & Co. 2-6d-2w. LITTLE NEWS OF INTEREST WACO, Tex., Feb. 28.—Mrs. Ike Markum and two children, age four and six, are dead from burns received when their home was destroyed by fire at two o'clock this morning. The fire started from an oil lamp explosion. Mr. Markum, husband and father of the dead woman and children, heroically rescued his two months old baby, but received burns which may prove fatal. He is in a serious condition. The mother and two children were cremated in the building. WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The soldiers compensation bill was reported to the Senate favorably today, by the finance committee, with the tax provision eliminated. The question of taxes to meet the bill requirements will be left for the next Congress to work out. The bill as reported provides for the payment of a cash bonus on Jan. 1, 1923, and retains five adoptions; cash bonus based on length of time in the service, deferred certificates, farm aid, home aid, or vocational training. There are no changes in the bill as submitted in the House aside from killing the tax provision. Senator McCumber, Republican of North Dakota, in charge of the bill, plans to call it up in the Senate at the first opportunity, probably next week. Several senators have announced opposition to the bill, and Senators Gerry of Rhode Island, and Jones of New Mexico, would seek the right to have the bill become effective immediately. WICHITA FALLS, Feb. 26.—Fire which started at three o'clock this morning, destroyed 4,000 bales of cotton and the office and West sheds of the Neil Anderson compress here. Several freight cars were also damaged. The loss is estimated at \$80,000. Origin of the fire is unknown. DALLAS, Feb. 26.—William S. Livezey, president of the erstwhile Little Motor Kar Company, was found guilty by a jury in Federal court here today on a charge of using the mails to defraud in promoting the automobile company. The trial has been in progress for about two weeks, and is the outgrowth of a big shortage in the funds of the defunct motor manufacturing company. A. L. Davis, representing the American Central Life Insurance Co., is here conferring with Rufus Wheeler, district agent for the company. CYCLES OF LIFE AND DEATH Interesting Speculation Concerning Possible Composition of Corporeal Atoms of the Body. Did you know that perhaps somewhere in your body is a bit of Julius Caesar, or perhaps King Solomon, John Phil. scientist, in his "Seven Fables of Science," says: "From birth to death we have been continually borrowing, continually paying back. Part of our physical organization may have come from the fruit of the tropics, part from the mosses of the frozen North. We may hold in our bones, muscles and brains materials which once formed parts of sheep, wolves, and in all the millions of years during which composition and decomposition of organic matter has gone on, it is quite probable that some portion of our physical system may have formed part of the material organization of thousands of other animals, men included. The imbecile may have in his body atoms which once formed part of Homer, of Plato and of Archimedes. In the frame of the beggar may be built material which once formed part of Solomon, and some atoms which enabled Alexander or Bruce to achieve their fame, may now form part of the body of a leper. Even among the corporeal atoms which now make up our own bodies may be particles which helped to incarnate the person of Jesus Christ, or which lent physical energy to the burning eloquence of St. Paul. Organic life has gone on unceasingly for untold ages in ever-recurring cycles. We cannot move a muscle, or give way to an emotion, or even think a thought without burning up some part of our corporeal frame, and the used-up material is speedily ejected and then transformed into the clothing of a new life."

DIDN'T THINK HE COULD PLANT CROP After Taking Tanlac Sampson Says He Can do as Big Day's Work as Ever "My health was so poor it looked like I wouldn't be able to plant a crop, but since taking Tanlac I can do as big a day's work as I ever could," said A. D. Sampson, a well-known farmer of Moray, Kan. "I was just about laid out altogether, and I had tried all sorts of medicine but nothing helped me. My stomach was in an awful fix, I never wanted to eat much of anything and what I did force down seemed to do me more harm than good. Malaria was all through my system and at times I had pains all over my body. I was badly constipated, felt bilious and had a mean taste in my mouth nearly all the time. I was subject to terrible headaches and at times was so dizzy I would almost fall right in my tracks. I was too nervous to sleep well, and felt so weak and listless all day long that I was just able to get around the house. A little more than two months ago I started taking Tanlac and it has put me back in fine shape feeling like my old self again. I have a gorking good appetite and can eat anything I ever could without a sign of indigestion. I am not constipated now, and am never troubled with headaches or dizzy spells. The malaria has all been driven out of my system and I never feel bilious or have that mean taste in my mouth now. I feel well, strong and healthy like a man ought to feel. This is what Tanlac has done for me and I don't mind telling people about it." Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by John A. Weeks, in Tokesen by J. W. Bright, in Winters by Owens Drug Store, and leading druggists everywhere. SEED SWEET POTATOES Dooley Yams Seed Sweet Potatoes to arrive Monday, March 7th Have only a small quantity. Place your order now. L. B. STUBBS. 1w Miss Margaret Raby spent Saturday and Sunday at home with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. B. Raby, and returned to her school at Brownwood. To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c. Miss Pearl Evans, one of the popular teachers in the Ballinger schools, is among the grown folks who are suffering with the mumps. Misses Beatrice Nance and Rena Butler returned to their school work at Brownwood, Monday afternoon. C. P. Shepherd left for Dallas on legal business Wednesday afternoon. Banner-Ledger Want Ads FOR SALE—Rhode Island Reds, bred to lay eggs, \$1 per fifteen, \$5.50 per hundred. Improved Lone Star Cotton Seed \$1 per bushel. W. S. Caudle, Ballinger, Phone 7211. 4-4w.* FOR SALE—Boys' Club Award Maize; every head selected in the field; 7 cents per pound delivered. Pure sprangled top ribbon Cane Seed, 7 cents per pound delivered. Pure Acala Cotton Seed, ginned on Acala gin, machine culled, \$1.75 per bushel, F. O. B. here. J. H. Taylor, Rt. No. 1, Hendrich, Oklahoma. 24-3td-2tw FOR SALE—Good bright head Maize. Phone 1021, Winters, J. P. Wessels. 4-3tw.* EGGS—White Wyandotte eggs, pure bred, \$1.50 for 15; \$5 per 100. W. E. Underwood, Route 5, Winters. 4-4w.* FOR SALE—Farm implements, two planters, 2 cultivators, one wagon, harrow, disc plow, harness, etc. Some good, well-broke heavy work Mares. W. T. Padgett. 1-5td-1w FOR SALE—First class Jersey milk cows. W. W. Embry. 24-6td-1tw

PIONEER SAYS WEATHER IS BEST IN HISTORY "I have been here about thirty-nine years said D. C. Underwood, on March first, "and this is the finest weather I ever saw." Mr. Underwood is a close observer and has a way of remembering events, and he declares that he never saw a more favorable prospect for early spring up to this good hour, "but," says the pioneer citizen, "you know that things can change mighty quick in this country." Other old timers have been made to comment on the mild winter which is soon to be past history, and agree with Mr. Underwood that the season is a remarkably favorable one for West Texas. COURT RULES IN STOCK YARD CASE WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Justice Stafford of the District of Columbia supreme court, today disapproved of the substitute proposal of the Swift and Armour companies for the sale of their stockyard interests. The court held that the companies' plans seem to make a long period of continued ownership, the defendants providing too feeble a control by the court. We are glad to learn that Mrs. George Vaughn, who has been ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arch Holman, in San Angelo, for several weeks, is improving and it is expected that she will be able to return home in a week or ten days. A Real Bargain Sale On GROCERIES Prices good for one week only. We are making these prices in order to reduce our stock—we are going to change buildings on the 15th of March. We will be located next door to Hall Hardware Co. on 8th Street. These prices are strictly cash. You notice we make prices in dozen lots on a great deal of our goods as our trade most always purchases in dozen and half-dozen lots; hence enabling us to sell cheaper in larger volumes. 25 pounds pure Cane Sugar \$2.45 Monarch Flour, best on earth, per sack \$2.90 100 pounds good Flour, strictly guaranteed, for \$5.25 25lb sack fresh Pearl Meal .75c 16 High Patent Flour, per sack \$2.50 16 pounds full head Rice \$1.00 Very best Irish Potatoes, per pound 1-2c California evaporated Apples, per pound 12-12c California fancy Prunes, per pound 15c Fancy grade Peaches, per pound 30c 3 pounds Raisins \$1.00 14 pounds Pinto Beans \$1.00 12 pounds Pink Beans \$1.00 12 pounds Navy Beans \$1.00 10 pound Lima Beans \$1.00 Bulk Crackers, per pound 18c 20c size package Crackers, 2 for 35c 20c size Vanilla Wafers, 2 for 35c 20c size Fig Bars, 2 for 35c 2 cans Mountain View Corn for 25c 2 cans No. 2 Tomatoes, heavy pack, 2 for 25c No. 2 can Tomatoes, per dozen only \$1.25 No. 3 can Tomatoes, per dozen cans \$2.00 No. 1 can Tomatoes, per dozen cans \$1.00 Chum Salmon, 2 cans for 25c Chum Salmon, per dozen \$1.25 Can Milk, per dozen cans 75c 25c size Tuna fish, can 20c 25c size Pimento, per can 20c Pork & Beans, per dozen \$1.35 25c size Del Monte Pineapple, 2 cans for 45c 35c size bottle Catsup, now 30c 6lb bucket Crisco, fresh, \$1.25 8lb bucket Lard, Swift's Jewel White Cloud, Purity, or Flake White \$1.15 4lb bucket Lard, any brand .65c Cooking Oil, barrel oil fresh, per gallon \$1.00 Peanut Oil, fresh, per gallon \$1.00 No. 3 can Sweet Potatoes, 2 cans for 45c No. 3 can Sweet Potatoes, per dozen cans \$2.25 5lb bucket Calumet Baking Pow. 1lb Mule Tobacco 80c 1lb Mule Tobacco 80c 2 bottles Garrett Snuff 65c 2 glasses Honest Snuff 65c 5 gallons Coal Oil 75c 25c size K. C. Baking Powder, 2 1lb Liberty Bell Tobacco 75c 2 cans for \$1.15 Good Brooms 65c, 75c, 95c and 2 quarts good Bluing for 35c up to \$1.00 We could name many more prices. We know we must make cash prices to get cash trade. We PAY CASH and it takes cash to buy cheap Groceries. Come to see us and save money!

NOTE WRITING UP TO HARDING WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—The State Department announced today that the reply to the notes from the League of Nations council and the British government regarding the mandates question, would be left up to the Harding administration. On the eve of the retirement of the present administration the State Department officials do not deem it wise to reply to the notes. To the People of Rannels County: The Scholastic Census for 1921-1922 will be taken in Rannels county during this month. Please see that your children are enumerated by the census taker in the district in which you live. JOHN J. BUGG, County Supt. 3-1d-3w Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after the first application. Price 65c. ***** SOLDIER BONUS BILL TEMPORARILY LOST ***** WASHINGTON, Mar. 2. —All hopes for the enactment of the ex service men's compensation bill at the present session of Congress was abandoned today by the proponents of the measure. ***** A Real Bargain Sale On GROCERIES Prices good for one week only. We are making these prices in order to reduce our stock—we are going to change buildings on the 15th of March. We will be located next door to Hall Hardware Co. on 8th Street. These prices are strictly cash. You notice we make prices in dozen lots on a great deal of our goods as our trade most always purchases in dozen and half-dozen lots; hence enabling us to sell cheaper in larger volumes. 25 pounds pure Cane Sugar \$2.45 Monarch Flour, best on earth, per sack \$2.90 100 pounds good Flour, strictly guaranteed, for \$5.25 25lb sack fresh Pearl Meal .75c 16 High Patent Flour, per sack \$2.50 16 pounds full head Rice \$1.00 Very best Irish Potatoes, per pound 1-2c California evaporated Apples, per pound 12-12c California fancy Prunes, per pound 15c Fancy grade Peaches, per pound 30c 3 pounds Raisins \$1.00 14 pounds Pinto Beans \$1.00 12 pounds Pink Beans \$1.00 12 pounds Navy Beans \$1.00 10 pound Lima Beans \$1.00 Bulk Crackers, per pound 18c 20c size package Crackers, 2 for 35c 20c size Vanilla Wafers, 2 for 35c 20c size Fig Bars, 2 for 35c 2 cans Mountain View Corn for 25c 2 cans No. 2 Tomatoes, heavy pack, 2 for 25c No. 2 can Tomatoes, per dozen only \$1.25 No. 3 can Tomatoes, per dozen cans \$2.00 No. 1 can Tomatoes, per dozen cans \$1.00 Chum Salmon, 2 cans for 25c Chum Salmon, per dozen \$1.25 Can Milk, per dozen cans 75c 25c size Tuna fish, can 20c 25c size Pimento, per can 20c Pork & Beans, per dozen \$1.35 25c size Del Monte Pineapple, 2 cans for 45c 35c size bottle Catsup, now 30c 6lb bucket Crisco, fresh, \$1.25 8lb bucket Lard, Swift's Jewel White Cloud, Purity, or Flake White \$1.15 4lb bucket Lard, any brand .65c Cooking Oil, barrel oil fresh, per gallon \$1.00 Peanut Oil, fresh, per gallon \$1.00 No. 3 can Sweet Potatoes, 2 cans for 45c No. 3 can Sweet Potatoes, per dozen cans \$2.25 5lb bucket Calumet Baking Pow. 1lb Mule Tobacco 80c 1lb Mule Tobacco 80c 2 bottles Garrett Snuff 65c 2 glasses Honest Snuff 65c 5 gallons Coal Oil 75c 25c size K. C. Baking Powder, 2 1lb Liberty Bell Tobacco 75c 2 cans for \$1.15 Good Brooms 65c, 75c, 95c and 2 quarts good Bluing for 35c up to \$1.00 We could name many more prices. We know we must make cash prices to get cash trade. We PAY CASH and it takes cash to buy cheap Groceries. Come to see us and save money!

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AMERICAN LEGION COUNCIL REPLIES TO U. S. NOTE

AUSTIN, Feb. 25.—Most of the American Legion bills now before the Texas Legislature are gaining wide support in both houses and will undoubtedly be passed at this session, according to Dr. Guy O. Shirey, State Commander of the American Legion, and chairman of the Legion's legislative committee.

A resume of the present status of the bills which are being backed by the Legion and their salient features, follows:

The Recreation bill, providing for the operation of public recreation centers, in which chess, checkers, billiards, bowling, boxing, basketball, handball and wrestling may be played, and for the creation of a Commissioner of Public Recreation in cities and towns, has been reported out favorably by the Senate committee, and its passage seems assured.

The Armistice Day bill, making Nov. 11th a legal holiday throughout the state, has been introduced and no opposition has developed.

The resolution providing for the submission to the people of an amendment to the constitution providing that only fully naturalized citizens may vote will in all likelihood be adopted by both houses.

A Boxing bill has been submitted, providing for the legalizing of boxing exhibitions under the direction and control of local posts of the Legion.

The Japanese exclusion bill, providing that Japanese and other non-assimilable races shall not acquire title to land in Texas has been reported out favorably by both Senate and House committee.

The Loan Fund bill, providing for the creation of an American Legion Memorial Loan Fund, which would enable veterans of the Great War and their children to complete their education has been introduced.

A bill providing for the erection of a \$2,000,000 Memorial building in Austin, in honor of Texans who sacrificed their lives in the war, has been introduced. The Legion executive committee has decided not to push this bill until the success of the Tubercular Hospital for ex-service men be assured.

The Tubercular Hospital bill for Texas ex-service men, 1740 of whom are now without adequate care and attention, has passed both houses and is now awaiting the Governor's signature. This bill provides for the appropriation of \$2,500,000 for the construction of a sanatorium for former service men and the transfer of the present American Legion Hospital at Kerrville to the state of Texas.

"I Got Real Mad when I Lost My Setting Hen," writes Mrs. Hanna, N. J.

"When I went into our barn and found my best setter dead I got real mad. One package of Rat-Snap killed six big rats. Foully raised should use Rat-Snap. Comes in cakes, no mixing. No smell from dead rats. Three sizes. Price, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co., and Higginbotham Bros. & Co."

Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co., and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Mrs. A. J. Thorp went to Coleman Thursday afternoon, accompanied by her children, and will visit her sister, Mrs. H. M. Jones.

T. M. Marsh returned home Friday at noon from San Antonio, where he had been to spend a few days with his wife, who is in a sanitarium at that place.

When the bowels are constive the waste matter ferments, producing a gaseous condition that is disagreeable. To remove the impurities quickly, a dose of Herberne is needed. It does the work thoroughly and pleasantly. Price 60c. Sold by all druggists.

R. E. George is at home from Dallas, where he went on business returning home Thursday.

Ed O'Kelly had business at Coleman between trains, Thursday evening.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name on the label for the signature of E. W. GROVE.

Ben Schwertner was in the city Saturday from the Rowena country. Mr. Schwertner and bride returned last week from their honeymoon trip to different points in Williamson county.

Tom Routh had the misfortune to lose a valuable work horse Sunday. The animal became sick Saturday evening after a usual day's work and died Sunday morning.

ROGERS TO REBUILD AT BROWNWOOD

Since R. B. Rogers, who is recovering from an illness, at his home on Center Avenue, has declared that a new building will be erected as soon as possible to replace the Rogers store, on Center Avenue and Baker street, and that the Rogers store will be reopened, many are the conjectures as to the character of the building Mr. Rogers has in view.

While no authorized statement has been made, it is generally rumored that at least a three-story and probably a four-story building will likely adorn this most prominent business corner of the city.

A working crew began Saturday to clean away the debris of the burned buildings, so as to open the sidewalk for the use of pedestrians.—Brownwood News.

Do you have spells of dizziness when everything turns black before the eyes. These are symptoms of torpid liver and a clogged condition of the bowels. Take Prickly Ash Bitters and get rid of the misery. It is a man's remedy for correcting such disorders. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

TRIS SPEAKER VISITS ABILENE

The big baseball player, Tris Speaker, who piloted the Cleveland team last year to the championship of the world, was in Abilene Sunday and Monday, the guest of his sister, Mrs. C. R. Lindsey. Speaker's old home is Hubbard City, Texas, and each year he visits his sister in Abilene as well as his old home. His team will train in Dallas this spring to which place he went Monday.—Taylor County Times.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

Dr. E. R. McKinney is at home from an extended stay in Victoria. He comes back to spend the Spring and Summer in Ballinger. He brought back a specimen of the South Texas fruit crop, showing peaches as large as a man's thumb, and says prospects are good for the South Texas country. Dr. McKinney will make his headquarters at the City Wagon yard again.

CROOKED BALL BILL IS KILLED

AUSTIN, Mar. 2.—The Senate today killed the bill proposing to make it a felony for baseball players to "throw" or "fix" baseball games. The vote on the bill was 13 to 10.

The "blue sky" bill substituted for the House "blue sky" bill was finally passed in the upper house today.

The Texas declaration of independence was read in the House as a mark of commemoration of Texas Independence Day.

Mrs. W. W. Chastain and little son returned home Monday afternoon from a visit to their daughter and sister, Mrs. Sam Runkles, of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barbisch left Monday morning for their home at Austin, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Erwin.

Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup; car just received; E. A. Jeanes & Co. 2-6d-2w

MINERS QUIT; COURT CALLS

PITTSBURG, Kan., Mar. 1.—Complete idleness prevails in the Kansas coal fields today. Miners are refraining from work because of the preliminary hearing of Alexander Howat, president, and August Dorehy, vice-president, of the Kansas Miners Union, who are facing trial on criminal charges in connection with the calling of a strike recently.

Thirty-two per cent of the farm-houses in the United States have running water in the house.

Field crops of Canada last year are estimated to represent \$170 per capita.

David Guion returned to his school work at Dallas, Thursday afternoon, after spending a few days at home.

WHO WILL BE POSTMASTER?

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—President Wilson's order placing postmasters under the civil service was attacked today in the Senate by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the Republican leader, who said it was "cunningly" drawn and a "humbug." Its effect, he added, was to keep in office without examination postmasters whose terms had expired.

Defending the order, Senator Underwood of Alabama, the Democratic leader, said the president "had attempted to live up to the principles of civil service," and that if the Republicans returned to the "spoils system" they would "have to assume the responsibility before the country."

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

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on February, 21st 1921.

RESOURCES	
1. Loans and discounts (except those shown in b and c)	\$634,799.66
4. U. S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES OWNED:	
a. Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds par value)	25,000.00
f. Owned and unpledged	25,500.00
Total U. S. Government securities	51,500.00
5. OTHER BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC.:	
c. Securities, other than U. S. Bonds (not including stocks), owned and unpledged	1,745.60
6. Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank Stock	1,125.00
7. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	4,500.00
8. a. Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered	21,100.00
b. Equity in Banking House	21,100.00
9. Furniture and Fixtures	7,300.00
10. Real estate owned other than banking house	20,500.00
11. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	63,824.32
13. Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	168,076.68
14. Net amounts due from banks and bankers, and trust companies in U. S., other than included in Items 11, 12, or 13	1,849.64
16. Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 15)	2,062.37
Total of Items 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16	171,988.69
17. Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	16,777.74
18. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
TOTAL	\$966,411.01
LIABILITIES	
21. Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
22. Surplus fund	50,000.00
23. a. Undivided profits	34,810.62
b. Less current expenses interest and taxes paid	27,294.41
24. Circulating notes outstanding	24,500.00
25. Net amounts due to national banks	12,450.27
30. Net amounts due to banks, bankers, and trust companies in U. S. and Foreign countries (other than included in Items 28 or 29)	3,274.50
32. Cashier's checks on own bank out standing	2,368.50
Total of Items 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32	17,103.57
33. Individual deposits subject to check	761,303.03
34. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	1,685.00
37. Dividends unpaid	75.00
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve, items 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38	763,063.03
TIME DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings)	
39. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	14,450.00
Total of time deposits subject to reserve, items 39, 40, 41, and 42	14,450.00
TOTAL	\$966,411.01

*55. Of the total loans and discounts shown above, the amount on which interest and discount was charged at rates in excess of those permitted by law (Sec. 5197, Rev. Stat.), exclusive of notes on which total charge not to exceed 50 cents was made, was NONE. The number of such loans was NONE.

56. The amount of money loaned ON CALL OR DEMAND, by this bank on bond and stock collateral, in New York City, including both loans made directly to borrowers and those through its New York correspondents, on the date of this report was NONE.

57. The amount of money loaned ON TIME, by this bank, on bond and stock collateral, in New York City, including both loans made directly to borrowers and those through its New York correspondents, on the date of this report was NONE.

58. Aggregate amount of salaries or compensation paid by this bank to Chairman of Board (if any), President's, Cashier, and Assistant Cashiers for month of January, 1921, \$975.00; Annual pay of all these officers at January, 1921 rate of pay, \$11,700.00; number of these officers on date of this report was 6.

59. Aggregate amount of salaries or compensation paid to all other employees of the bank for month of January, 1921, \$490.00; Annual pay of these employees on basis of the January, 1921, rate of pay, \$5,880.00; number of these employees on date of this report was 5.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of March, 1921.
(Seal) HARRY LYNN, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest: D. M. Baker, J. McGregor, R. A. Nicholson, Directors.

RESOURCES:	LIABILITIES:
Loans and Discounts	Capital Stock
U. S. Bonds	Surplus and Undivided
Stocks and Bonds	Profits
U. S. Treas. Certificates	Circulation
Stock Federal International Banking Co. (amount of sub. \$4,500.00)	Dividends Unpaid
Banking House, F. & F.	Deposits
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	
Real Estate	
Acceptances	
Cash and Exchange	
\$966,411.01	\$966,411.01



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The Ford Sedan, one of the most convenient and comfortable of enclosed cars, offers you the delights of the higher priced car at the lowest first cost and lowest upkeep cost. In Summer or Winter, sunshine or rain, the Ford Sedan provides conveniences in accord with your wishes. Only a minute is required to raise or lower the windows.

The Ford Sedan is a favorite family car. Beneath the Sedan body, the ever reliable Ford Chassis means an economy unknown in other enclosed cars. A family car of exceptional merit. The ideal car for the farmer's family. It seats five comfortably; and is equipped with demountable rims, tire carrier, electric starting and lighting system, and instrument board. Orders are filled in the same sequence in which they are received. And ever remember the sure and certain and satisfaction "after-service" we give. You know the solid satisfaction that comes in the knowledge that your motor car is good for every day of the year—no mental worries when you drive a Ford. Let's have your order today.

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Runabout	\$561.35	F. O. B.	Coupelet	\$852.90
Touring	\$608.45	Ballinger	Sedan	\$905.10
Truck	\$635.45		Tractor	\$696.00

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Beware! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for twenty-one years and proved safe by millions. Take Aspirin only as told in the Bayer package for Colds, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Toothache, Lumbago and for Pain. Handy tin boxes of twelve Bayer Tablets of Aspirin cost few cents. Druggists also sell larger packages. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylic acid.

INSPECTOR VISITS RURAL SCHOOLS

Miss Sterrett, of the rural aid department of the state department of education, who has been in Rannels county for ten days, completed her work here Friday, visiting forty-three rural schools in this county.

Miss Sterrett is the rural school inspector and she was accompanied on her rounds in this county by Superintendent Bugg, and the report which she will make of the conditions of rural schools in this county will make the citizens feel proud, according to a statement made by the inspector as she left the city Friday morning to complete the work here. The rural schools in this county rank high in every respect and the interest manifested by the patrons and pupils during the last few years to bring them up to the standard has given the county a high standing with the department of education.

Miss Sterrett was formerly a teacher in the Ballinger schools.

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ABILENE DAM UNDER GUARD, FIND DYNAMITE

ABILENE, Feb. 25.—Six sticks of 40 per cent dynamite were found yesterday under a rock at Lytle Lake Dam, two miles South east of the city, and a special guard has been placed over the dam. How the explosive got there is not known.

MAY GET THREE COURTS A YEAR

A move is on foot which may result in the present session of the Legislature passing a bill which will change the court schedule of this district. If the proposed bill is passed, it will give Ballinger three district court terms annually instead of two, as under the present law.

CORNS

Lift Off with Fingers



Doesn't hurt a bit! Drop a little "Freezone" on an aching corn instantly that corn stops hurting, then shortly you lift it right off with fingers. Truly!

Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to remove every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the calluses, without soreness or irritation.

SEES DANGER IN MUCH COTTON

"Many farmers do not seem to realize the condition as to the cotton situation. If they only knew it they are facing a very serious problem, and it is up to them to remedy and help the condition or make it worse.

"The world will not need a bale that will be raised this year as the carry-over will be enough to run another twelve months. Do not fool yourself in thinking that something will happen. Get the cold facts before you. Another crop the size of this year's will possibly sell for five cents, and a big per cent will not be salable at all. It is figured by financiers, that a crop half the size of this one will sell for fifteen to twenty cents. Which is the best?"

"If you have nothing else to plant on your land, let it lie idle. You can not eat your cotton and if you can not sell it what good is it to you? If you can borrow money from your banker you will not be able to pay him back. The Farm Bureau is a good thing and all farmers should belong, but unless you cut your acreage fifty to seventy-five per cent you will receive no benefit from it, as the organization can not help you to sell when there is no market, and no buyers.

"The time is now at hand when you have got to decide as to the reduction. Reduce your acreage as above stated and get a living price or plant a fall acreage and not only bankrupt yourself but your banker and merchant who has furnished you.

"W. L. ELLIS."

Mrs. Crandall (Iowa) Tells How She Stopped Chicken Losses

"Last spring rats killed all our baby chicks. With 14 known about Rat-Stop before. With just one large package we killed swarms of rats. They won't get this year's hatches, I'll bet." Rat-Stop is guaranteed and sells for 35c, 65c, \$1.25.

Sold and guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co., and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

TOWN CHICKENS VS. COUNTRY GARDENS

Chief of Police Pilcher states that he has been called upon to enforce the "chicken" law. A good lady reported to the chief that her neighbor's chickens were playing havoc with her garden, and asked for relief.

The city officer stated that he would act upon any complaints filed against parties for permitting their fowls to run at large, but that he could not go out and round up chickens and lock them in the city pound as he does livestock.

And again, parties do not like to file complaints against their neighbors and cause them to have to pay a fine, and they appeal to the officer to act in enforcing the chicken law.

"I will act on complaints filed," said Mr. Pilcher today, "and where parties haven't the nerve to file the complaint they can do like Mr. Falls, who looks after the court house park, and I am sure they will get rid of the chickens in their gardens."

Mr. Falls served public notice that he would kill all chickens caught in the court house park, and he did kill chickens and turned them over to the jailor and the prisoners were living high for a time, and soon the chickens disappeared.

People living in town with a desire to raise chickens sometimes think they have as much right to raise chickens as the other fellow has to plant a garden, and they are correct in that opinion so long as they keep their chickens on their premises. Gardens do not injure anyone, while an old domineer can destroy more in an hour than a good gardener can recover in a season.

Teach your chickens to have a proper respect for their neighbor's rights, and if you do not keep them at home, remember that a dead chicken is sometimes the best chicken, and dead chicks can't scratch.

Excellent Remedy for Constipation

It would be hard to find a better remedy for constipation than Chamberlain's Tablets. They are easy to take and mild and gentle in effect. Give them a trial when you have need.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cook are rejoicing over the arrival of an eleven pound boy. Both mother and son are doing well. Mr. Cook lives in Paint Rock. Mrs. Cook is at the sanitarium.

20 LOCAL WITH 300 MEMBERS

Farm Agent Eaton reports that the Rannels County branch of the National Farm Bureau Federation now has a membership of more than three hundred, with the work of organizing still underway and far from incomplete.

Up to Friday twenty locals had been organized in the county, and the county organization was perfected at Ballinger last Saturday. At least twenty-five locals will be completed in the county, and a charter membership of between four and five hundred secured.

The county organization will meet in Ballinger again on March 5th, at which time the workings of the organization will be explained more in detail and important business transacted.

The Pneumonia Month

March is a typical pneumonia month and usually gives a high rate of mortality for the disease. After a long and hard winter, the system loses much of its resistance and people grow careless. When every cold, no matter how slight, is given prompt and intelligent attention, there is much less danger of pneumonia. It should be borne in mind that pneumonia is a germ disease and breeds in the throat. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is an expectorant and cleans out the germ laden mucus and not only cures a cold but prevents its resulting in pneumonia. Children take it willingly.

FREAK ACCIDENT OCCURS WHEN GUN GOES OFF!

EL PASO, Feb. 25.—When P. R. Cornelius, a ranchman of Magdalena, New Mexico, checked out of a local hotel, he set his handbag down a little too hard and jarred off his .45 calibre pistol. The bullet penetrated a pair of trousers worn by Dr. W. F. Duckett, the house physician, burned the signatures off of two checks in his pocket, went thru his pocketbook, pierced a bank note, shot a pair of small tweezers in two and lodged in his coat pocket.

For a few minutes the doctor "thought his time had come," he said, but upon examination, he found his skin had only been grazed and not scratched. Besides the doctor and Mr. Cornelius, Mrs. Cornelius, the hotel clerk, a stenographer and a number of guests sitting in the lobby saw the freak accident.

For rapid healing there is nothing like Liquid Borozone. It mends torn flesh, heals cuts, burns or sores so quickly no time is lost from work. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Farmers and Merchants State Bank

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 21st day of Feb., 1921, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published in Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 1st day of March, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$352,829.41
Loans, real estate	18,100.00
War Savings Stamps	329.02
U. S. Liberty and Victory Bonds	22,500.00
Real estate (banking house)	1.00
Other Real Estate	25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	59,598.79
Interest Depositors' Guaranty Fund	6,058.45
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	36,081.23
TOTAL	\$525,498.77

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	35,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	15,357.49
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	73.14
Individual Deposits, subject to check	288,203.59
Time certificates of Deposit	35,104.57
Cashier's Checks	1,024.27
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	50,000.00
Other Liabilities as follows:	725.71
TOTAL	\$525,498.77

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Rannels, ss: We, H. Giesecke, as president, and J. L. Chastain, 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.

H. GIESECKE, President.
J. L. CHASTAIN, Cashier.
(Seal)
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of February, A. D., 1921.
E. Sheppard,
Notary Public Rannels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: E. D. Walker, J. F. Currie, G. G. Odom, Directors.

RECIPITULATON

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$370,929.41
Liberty Bonds and W. S. Stamps	22,829.92
Real Estate and B. H. Fixtures	30,000.00
Other Real Estate	1.00
Depositors' Guaranty Fund	6,058.45
Bills of Exchange	36,081.23
Cash and Exchange	59,598.79
Total	\$525,498.77

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	50,357.49
Bills Payable	50,000.00
Deposits	325,141.28
Total	\$525,498.77

MAYCALL COUNTY WIDE BOND ISSUE

Ed P. Eason, of Winters, had business in Ballinger Saturday. Mr. Eason reported that considerable interest was being manifested in the road bond issue election which was on in his city when he left home and stated that the question was in doubt. The advocates of the road bonds were meeting with discouragement and opposition and due to the fact that it required a two-thirds majority to win, there was little hope in the question carrying.

The Winters precinct is attempting to complete its link of the highway from Ballinger to Abilene, and also are trying to build good roads leading into Winters from the West and the East, and for this purpose they had asked for \$100,000 bonds to meet an appropriation which the highway department is ready to put up.

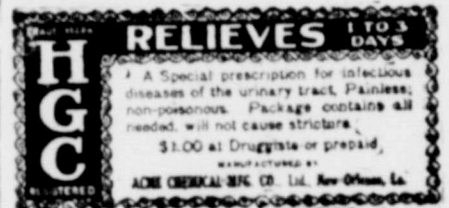
If defeated, Mr. Eason stated that it was probable that the Winters precinct would join the other precincts of the county in petitioning the court for a county election for the purpose of voting a half million dollars for road building in this county. It only requires a majority vote to put over the county proposition, and the good roads advocates believe that a majority of the property owners in the county will vote for the bond issue.

To Stop a Cough Quick

take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues. A box of GROVES' O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup. The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat combined with the healing effect of Groves' O-Pen-Trate Salve through the pores of the skin soon stops a cough. Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 35c. Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

NEW MANAGER FOR PIGGLY WIGGLY

Howell Rayburn, and daughter, succeed T. M. Osteen and son, Lane, in looking after the Piggly Wiggly store. Mr. Osteen will go to Weatherford, where he will be with the National Piggly Wiggly.



Dr. Alvin Swindell went to Brownwood on church business Friday afternoon, returning home Saturday.

GRAIN PROSPECTS EXCELLENT HERE

With seasons at the proper time during the next sixty or ninety days, the farmers of this county will reap a bountiful yield from grain crops.

Reports received here state that the crop is in good condition, and is in as good condition as the farmers could wish for at this time.

It is estimated that the acreage of early sowing will amount to between fifty and sixty thousand acres, and a large acreage of Spring oats comes as a result of the recent good rains over the county and the campaign to reduce cotton acreage.

The grain acreage is many times larger than last year, when the high price of cotton caused farmers to plant their fields in cotton, and the condition of the crop is much better than it was at this season last year.

District Highway Engineer Pierce went to San Angelo Monday afternoon.

"OWN YOUR OWN HOME" CAMPAIGN IS STARTED

HOUSTON, Feb. 25.—"Own your own home" is the slogan which will resound at the annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas, which convenes here April 12 to 14, according to an announcement just made here.

Engrossed for two years in winning a world war and then plunged into an aftermath of uncertainty, lumbermen pointed out, Americans in general have failed to keep pace in building operations with the tremendous increase in population.

Lumber prices, which along with almost every other commodity, went skyward during the two years of war, are now back almost to pre-war levels, at least proportionately, according to lumber dealers. It was added in explanation that if building material did show considerable of an increase over 1916 figures, so also did wages and salaries paid to prospective home builders.

Mrs. L. E. Sheffy left Thursday afternoon for Wolfe City, where she will visit friends.

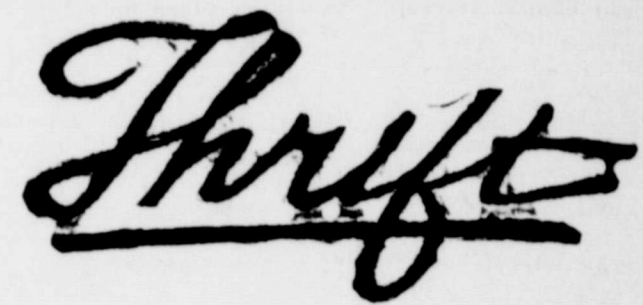
WE REPAIR OLD SHOES



in exactly the same way they make new ones in the factory. Use the same kind of machines, exercise the same skill. See the samples of our work waiting to be called for. You will find us ready to repair your footwear in the same expert manner.

Mail Order, Specially Cared for Here.

COY DRENNAN



Let it be your wach-word for the coming year. Resolve to save a part of all you earn, every day, week and year.

Start your Thrift campaign now.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS

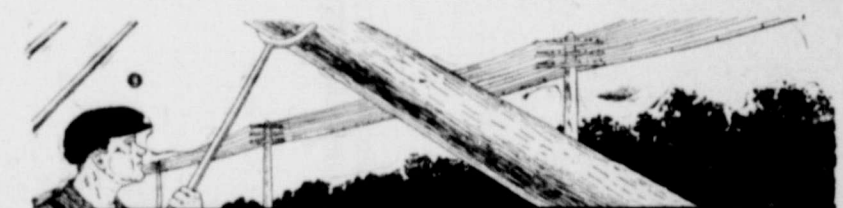
"GUARANTY FUND BANK"

Farm Loans

Let us write your Insurance on farm property?

E. Sheppard & Company

Ballinger, Texas



Consider the Telephone Pole

It may be of white cedar from the forests of the Northwest; of red cedar from the mountains; of pine from the Sunny South, or of other various native woods—

When it reached the telephone company it was probably "roofed"—the top sawed slanting, to shed water; then "gained"—slots cut for the cross-arms. Then it was set firmly in the ground, the depth depending on its height, and "guyed" if a very heavy or a "corner" pole. If there is an aerial cable "terminal box" on it, necessitating frequent climbing, it will likely have "steps" of wood and iron.

So it will stand, barring accident, faithfully serving until long exposure to the elements has sapped its strength—when a new pole must take its place.

And, for that new pole, the telephone company must pay today just about 140% more than it would have had to pay five years ago!

"At Your Service"

West Texas Telephone Company

PROGRESS IN MEDICAL RESEARCH



Has made your Comfort Certain thru—
MOTHER'S FRIEND

Which spreads its influence upon the nerves, cords and ligaments involved, rendering them pliant to readily yield to nature's demand. There is an absence of bearing-down pains, strain and general discomfort, more often than otherwise experienced when nature is unaided. **Mother's Friend** is used externally.

At all Druggists.

Special Booklet on Motherhood and Baby free. Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. F-9, Atlanta, Ga.

TREADWELL AT HEAD OF CORP.

(San Angelo Standard)
The stockholders of the San Angelo Water, Light & Power Co. met Friday afternoon and elected a board of directors. Following that the board of directors met and elected as officers for the ensuing year: president and manager, M. F. Treadwell; vice-president, William C. Hart; secretary, J. L. King; assistant secretary, M. B. Webster; treasurer, A. E. Fitkin; assist. treasurer, M. B. Webster.

The following were elected directors: M. F. Treadwell, J. L. King and Mrs. B. Couch. The old directors were C. W. Hobbs, M. F. Treadwell and George R. Hall. Mr. Hall left San Angelo in November, having resigned his position to accept another in the East.

It is understood that the company is making tentative plans for substantial improvements in the plant during the summer, but the management has nothing definite to announce at this time.

Mr. Treadwell, the new president, has been with the company for thirteen years. He was connected with them first as a member of the board of directors, later as secretary, and later as manager. He became manager in November, succeeding George Hall, resigned. By the election Friday night he becomes both president and manager.

"CASCARETS" TONIGHT FOR CONSTIPATION

Just think! A pleasant harmless Cascares works while you sleep and has your liver active, head clear, stomach sweet and bowels moving as regular as a clock by morning. No griping or inconvenience. 10, 25 or 50 cent boxes. Children love this candy cathartic too.

Mr. and Mrs. George Price returned to their home at Georgetown, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Price and baby had been visiting her sister here, Mrs. J. M. Skinner, while Mr. Price was visiting his brother at San Angelo and transacting business.

Wm. Strayer of Baker, Ore., is the only Democrat in the Oregon state senate.

Food for Energy

Cod-liver oil energizes and creates a buttress of strength that fortifies the whole body.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

is cod-liver oil in its best possible form. If winter is claiming its toll upon your vitality, take Scott's Emulsion.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. ALSO MAKERS OF **KI-MOIDS** (Tablets or Granules) FOR INDIGESTION

KEEPS DOWN DUST FOR 19 YEARS HIGH LINE LEAKS; PROMISE IS LOST

A. T. Campbell, after serving this city as street sprinkler for nineteen years, has retired and will seek the quiet life of a farmer.

Mr. Campbell has sold his street sprinkler to S. W. Cobb, and Mr. Cobb will be on the job when the dust demands his attention. The good rains this week put the street sprinkler out of a job temporarily.

Mr. Campbell has been supported in his work for the nineteen years by private subscriptions. The merchants and citizens who realized the benefit of keeping the dust down in the business district and part of the residence district, have contributed a certain amount each month to the work.

In retiring Mr. Campbell says he wishes to thank those who have supported him in the work, and he bespeaks for his success or their continued support. The work will be carried on as heretofore.

It is important that the street sprinkler be kept on the job. Occasionally when the sprinkler was off on account of some delay in the past, dust would whip through the streets, and the importance of the work was readily realized.

Mr. Campbell will spend most of his time on a farm with his son, where he will raise chickens, hogs, and enjoy a much needed rest.

The high power transmission line of the Interstate Electric Corporation sprung a leak when a shower of rain fell in Ballinger Monday morning, or something else went wrong which put every line of industry depending on electric current in the ditch.

The current began to flicker during the early hours of the morning, and the city was in darkness on the on-again off-again order until about nine o'clock when the blow out was complete and business suspended for two hours and a half.

The local sanitarium was among the institutions affected by the shut down. The surgeons were in the act of going into a serious operation when the current flickered, necessitating a delay.

The foreign corporation failed at the first opportunity to make good on its promise to supply current on short notice from a local emergency plant they promised to maintain here. In a statement made at a public meeting here some time ago, the representatives of the company promised to arrange so that not more than an hour's shut down would be necessary in case of high line trouble.

If the bowels are clogged up, poisons get into the blood, causing loss of strength, skin eruption, dizziness and vertigo (blind staggers). Prickly Ash Bitters will open the bowels, drive out the impurities and restore strength, energy and cheerful spirits. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

RAT-SNAP KILLS RATS

Better Than Traps For Rats
Writes Adams Drug Co., Texas
They say: "RAT-SNAP is doing the work and the rat undertakers are as busy as pop corn on a hot stove." Try it on your rats. RAT-SNAP is a "money back" guaranteed sure killer. Comes ready for use; no mixing with other foods. Cats and dogs won't touch it. Rats die up and leave no smell. Three sizes: 25c for one room; 50c for house or chicken yard; \$1.25 for bars and outbuildings. Start killing rats today.

Sold and Guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co. and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

SIX BILLS FOUND AT SAN ANGELO

The Tom Green county grand jury, sitting in special session since Thursday morning, Saturday afternoon reported with six indictments, two for swindling, one for assault with intent to murder, one for attempting to pass a forged check, one for burglary and one for theft of property valued at more than \$50.

Dave Rutherford, of Santa Anna, one of the two men arrested the latter part of last week on a charge of operating a still at Santa Anna, was released on \$300 bond Saturday morning and returned to his home at Santa Anna.

Rutherford and J. L. Parnell were arrested at Santa Anna last week by C. E. Pines, constable of Coleman county, and R. D. Shumate prohibition enforcement officer, and several gallons of sour mash and corn whiskey were seized. The men were brought here and placed in the county jail. They waived examining trial before Jesse T. Couch, United States commissioner, and Rutherford's bond was fixed at \$500, while that of Parnell was placed at \$750, for their appearance at the next term of the United States court here.

Rutherford's bond was signed by Dr. C. M. Hays and W. L. Close, both of Santa Anna. Parnell has so far failed to make bond and is still in the county jail. Their case will probably be considered at the next term of the United States grand jury.—San Angelo Standard.

Cold settled in the muscles of the neck, arms or shoulder makes every movement painful. Use Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves the pain and relaxes the muscles. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

PIONEER TRAVELING MEN VISIT HERE

Col. A. S. Rutherford and W. E. Armstrong, of Austin, spent Sunday in Ballinger and called on certain lines of trade before leaving the city Monday. Mr. Rutherford is seventy-nine years old and has been on the road since he was twenty years old. He is traveling now for a clothing house. Mr. Armstrong has been on the road for thirty years and represents an implement house.

REEDER BUYS THE R. B. CREESEY PLACE

A deal agreed upon some time ago was closed Saturday and D. Reeder becomes owner of the Creesey home on Eighth Street, Mr. Reeder buying the place from Mr. McCausland, who came here a year or two ago and purchased the place from R. B. Creesey.

M. S. Karmony is occupying the place at present, but Mr. and Mrs. Reeder will move in as soon as Mr. and Mrs. Karmony can find a new home. The Reeder family has been living in the Frank Drees place on Ninth Street for some time.

Cold's Cause Grip and Influenza LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS REMOVE THE CAUSE. THERE IS ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE." E. W. GROVE'S SIGNATURE ON BOX. 30c.

ONLY HALF INFECTIOUS CASES ARE REPORTED

AUSTIN, Feb. 25.—By a recent comparison of records of deaths with reported cases of infectious diseases in Texas, it has been discovered by the state board of health, according to Dr. Manton M. Carriek, state health officer, that about half of such cases were reported to the health authorities as required by law. A further investigation revealed the fact that physicians as a rule are not to blame, Dr. Carriek said, the fault being largely with the householders in those cases where no medical practitioner is in attendance. "Evidently the average citizen," Dr. Carriek said, "does not understand that the householder is required by the sanitary code to report unattended cases of infectious disease to the health authorities and that failure to do so renders him liable to the same penalties as are imposed in similar cases on physicians."

To abort a cold and prevent complications take



The purified and refined calomel tablets that are nausealess, safe and sure. Medicinal virtues retained and improved. Sold only in sealed packages. Price 35c.



"You an' me like each other, don't we?"

Sweetens dispositions as well as foods. A pure, delicious, golden syrup, rich in flavor. Always uniform—its quality carries a money-back guarantee. Ask your Grocer.

Made by the makers of the famous Temtol Preserves and Jellies

Temtol Corn & Fruit Products Co. St. Louis, U. S. A.

Temtol SYRUP

The Quality Syrup at a Popular Price

4 flavors
Crystal White
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Mystery Surrounds Death Runnels County Farmer

Frank Doratik, age sixty years, one of the most well-to-do Bohemian farmers in Runnels county, met a tragic death at his home six miles Southeast of Rowena, some time during the afternoon Friday.

Just how Mr. Doratik was killed will never be known but after an investigation the authorities and neighbors decided that the man accidentally killed himself, but just how the accident occurred is shrouded in mystery.

It seems that Mrs. Doratik was away from home for the afternoon, and the children were at school, Mr. Doratik being at home alone. When the children returned from school at four o'clock they found the nude and seared body of their father in the yard with a shot gun wound in his stomach. The man had been dead for some time, perhaps since the early afternoon.

Circumstances show that the charge from the shot gun was fired at such close range that the man's clothing was set on fire and his clothing burned from his body, death from the gun shot no doubt being almost instantaneous. The gun was found near the body.

The first theory was that of suicide, but it could hardly be conceived that Mr. Doratik would have shot himself where he did, had he been intending to kill himself. No cause for suicide could be assigned, the man's home life being a happy one, and his finances in good shape. It developed that he shipped twenty-five bales of cotton to Germany, and had been unable to get any returns from the shipment or hear from the cotton, but those who knew the man declare that Mr. Doratik was not worried about this to such a point as to cause him to take his own life.

Deceased was one of the most prosperous farmers in Runnels county. His farm is one of the best improved in the county, the best home, barns, outhouses, lots, etc.,

covering almost ten acres of ground with a well improved body of cultivated land.

Mr. Doratik came to Runnels county about fifteen years ago, and he is survived by a wife and eight children. Joe Ostertag was called to the home late Friday afternoon to embalm the body and make funeral arrangements. The funeral will be held at Rowena Sunday afternoon.

GIRLS! HAVE THICK SOFT, HEAVY HAIR

A 35 cent bottle of "Danderine" will not only rid your scalp of destructive dandruff and stops falling hair, but immediately your hair seems twice as abundant and so wonderful glossy. Let "Danderine" save your hair. Have lots of long, heavy hair, radiant with life and beauty.

DENISON REPORTS FRUIT CROP SAFE

DENISON, Tex., Feb. 26.—While the heavy snow fall and drop in temperature of Feb. 17th and 18th did some damage to early fruits which had budded under the spring-like weather of the past two weeks, the cold spell was beneficial by almost eliminating the green bug pest in the wheat and oats of East Texas, the Grayson county farm advisor reported. Only the early fruits will be injured by the cold weather, he said, and the budding on the early fruit trees was not general. A three inch snow followed a two inch rain on Feb. 17th and 18th, the precipitation accompanied by a sharp drop in temperature.

Watch your children for symptoms of worms. They undermine the health and breed sickness. Use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels worms and restores health and vigor. Price, 35c. Sold by all druggists.

Robert Herring and daughter, Miss Mildred, went to Brownwood on an early train Tuesday.

ARMED BANDITS ROB MAIL TRUCK

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Mar. 1.—Four armed men held up a government mail messenger near the post office here today, seizing the mail truck which the messenger was transporting the mail to the train in and driving thirteen miles from town, tied the messenger to a tree and escaped with registered mail.

Three pouches of the mail was first-class matter.

BANISH BLUE BUGS

and all Blood Sucking Insects simply by feeding "Martin's Blue Bug Remedy" to your chickens. All Martin's Remedies are absolutely guaranteed by your druggist or Dealer. 18-16tw

Samuel C. Harris is here from Colorado looking after the shipping of his goods to Colorado, Texas. Mr. Harris has been teaching in Mitchell county, and has decided to make his home in that county.

Prof. Al Mayfield visited in San Angelo Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday afternoon.

THIS SPRING TAKE

Hood's Sarsaparilla—A Good Blood-Purifying Tonic Medicine.

It is a medicine in which the people can and do have entire confidence as pure, clean and safe. All the claims made for it are justified by the testimony of its use in a multitude of cases of scrofula, skin eruptions, catarrh and other ailments, and of loss of appetite, tired feeling, and low or run-down conditions common in the spring.

It is not adulterated; it is not misbranded, but honestly labelled. It originated in a physician's prescription and is recommended and used by many physicians today. It has a record of nearly 50 years of wonderful success.

Hood's Sarsaparilla "makes food taste good." Get it today and begin taking it at once. If you need a mild laxative or cathartic, take Hood's Pills.

ADJUTANT GEN. ASKED TO QUIT

AUSTIN, Mar. 1.—Representative Burkett, of Eastland, rising on a point of personal privilege in the House today, requested that Gov. Neff request Adjutant General Barton to tender his resignation and that the governor appoint "another more worthy to that high and responsible office."

Mr. Burkett's remarks were ordered printed in the Journal.

AUSTIN, Mar. 1.—The local option boxing bill, sponsored by the American Legion of Texas, was finally passed by the Senate today, the vote on the bill standing 13 to 11. This is the bill substituted for the McNealus boxing bill which sought to create a state boxing commission.

Thought Man Was Crazy

"I have suffered from stomach and liver trouble for years; the last two years people have been calling me crazy. The doctors could not do anything for me. The awful bloating of gas seemed to press against my brain and I could not think clearly. Three months ago a friend advised taking Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, and it has worked wonders in my case. All my bloating and suffering is gone and I feel as though newly born." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. At druggists everywhere.

GENUINE LONE STAR COTTON SEED

Genuine Lone Star Cotton planting Seed grown especially for us by the Stockton and Walton plantation in Nueces county, being a solid field of 2000 acres on which no other cotton was planted, all ginned on the privately owned plantation gin on which no other cotton was permitted to be ginned. Commanded \$30.00 per bale premium in Corpus Christi this year. Crop grown under the supervision of A. K. Short, Agronomist, extension service A. & M. College and Department of Agriculture, who has given us his unqualified indorsement on these seeds.

1900 bales gathered and sold, and estimated at least 400 bales plowed under on the 2,000 acres. Mr. A. K. Short says this is the best record of any field he has ever examined. Seed for sale by E. L. Rasbury at Currie Mercantile Co., Ballinger. I am authorized by Mr. Short to refer anybody to him as to correctness for claim of the above record.

E. L. RASBURY.

GO NO FARTHER

The Evidence is at Your Door.

Ballinger proof is what you want and the statement of this highly respected resident will banish all doubt.

You cannot ask for better proof. J. A. Huddleston, retired farmer, Cor. 10 and Strong Ave., Ballinger, Says: "Quite a few years ago I had an attack of lumbago. Often I had had spells of pain and stiffness in my back, especially across the small of it. My nights were disturbed constantly by the too free action of my kidneys. Mornings I would be just tired out. The secretions from my kidneys were highly colored. I heard a lot of Doan's Kidney Pills so I bought a box at Weeks Drug Store. After taking a few boxes I felt relief and soon the lumbago went away and my kidneys were normal."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Huddleston had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs. Buffalo, N. Y. d&w

COSTA RICANS ARE READY TO FIGHT

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, March 2.—Hundreds of citizens are volunteering for military service against Panama, and great patriotic spirit is shown in all parts of the country.

The National Assembly has given the president of Costa Rica a vote of confidence, and declaring itself in unity with the government in its defense of the national territory.

BIG FAREWELL SAYS BASE BALL FOR HARDING JUDGE DID WRONG

MARION, Ohio, Mar. 2.—President-elect Harding's neighbors of Marion and nearby towns bade him God-speed in a formal farewell today which brought one of the largest crowds to the famous "front porch" of the Harding home since Mr. Harding made his first front porch speech last summer.

Schools and business houses here closed for two hours, and as the final front porch meeting began church bells and factory whistles were mingled with the voices of the sonorous message of good will.

As a part of the ceremony the city of Marion presented Mr. Harding with a silver plaque inscribed "God's Blessings to You."

Mr. Harding departed for Washington late today, having perfected his part of the program for the inaugural ceremonies.

STOP THAT ITCH

There is an epidemic of itch among the school children. Use the reliable Blue Star Eczema Remedy which is sold on a guarantee to cure or prevent your child from taking it, if applied twice a week. Will not stain clothes, and has a pleasant odor. Sold on a guarantee by John A. Weeks, 6mo-d&w.

ROAD REFUSES TO RECOGNIZE UNION

HELENA, Ark., Mar. 2.—Charles Patrick Phelan, general manager of the Missouri & North Arkansas railroad, which has been tied up since last Saturday by a strike of all employees, announced today that his line was operating trains.

"Hereafter this road will recognize no labor unions, and will be operated strictly as an 'open road,'" said Mr. Phelan. He stated that seven hundred strike breakers had been brought from Harrison and Kansas, and nearly all the operatives and clerks had resumed work. The employees of the road struck when the railroad company announced a wage reduction.

DR. F. D. MARQUISS
Graduate Veterinarian
Phone 454. Office at City
Wagon Yard, Ballinger.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—The House judiciary committee held today that the acceptance by Federal Judge Keneshaw Mountain Landis of the position of supreme baseball arbiter was inconsistent with the full performance of the duties of Federal judge and constitutes a serious impropriety on his part.

The committee recommended a full investigation by the next congress of the impeachment charges made by Representative Welty, Democrat, of Ohio, against Judge Landis.

PAPE'S DIAPEPSIN ENDS INDIGESTION

"Pape's Diapepsin" has proven itself the surest relief for indigestion, Gases, Flatulence, Heartburn, Sourness, Fermentation or Stomach Distress caused by acidity. A few tablets give almost immediate stomach relief, and shortly the stomach is corrected so you can eat favorite foods without fear. Large case costs only few cents at drug store. Millions helped annually.

Notice

Anyone caught trespassing through my field, traveling or any way, will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. This means one and all.

J. J. GERHART.

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The Honston Chronicle Daily and Sunday by mail until May 1st, for \$1.00. See Underwood at Weeks Drug Store. 1w

The Deadline

In everything there is a so-called "dead-line," beyond which it is unsafe to go.

Especially true is this regarding the care of the eyes. Neglect beyond a certain point is serious. Statistics prove that fully 70 per cent of us have eye defects. Most of us don't realize it, and accordingly are neglecting them. Know the condition of your eyes! My examination is scientific, accurate, thorough, honest. If you should need glasses, my All Shelltex Shur-Ons not only fit, look and wear well, but they actually save lenses.

Dr. McGuire

The Resident Optometrist
F. & M. Bank Bldg.
Ballinger, Texas.
Mondays and Saturdays

CHAMP CLARK DIES ON EVE OF RETIREMENT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Congressman Champ Clark died here today in his seventy-first year, and within two days of his retirement from the House, after a service in Congress covering a period of twenty-six years.

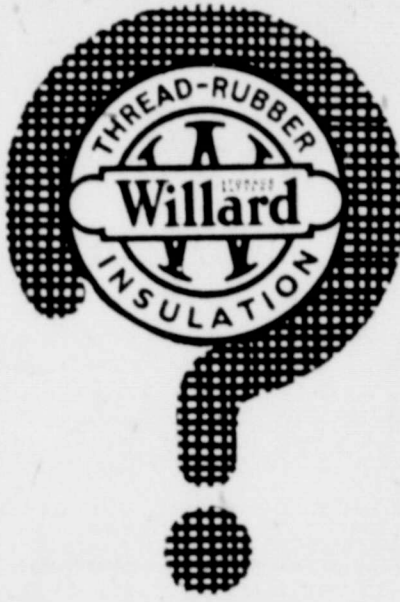
A Rat That Didn't Smell After Being Dead for Three Months

"Lower it was dead three months," writes Mr. J. Sikes (N. J.). "I saw this rat every day; put some Rat-Soap behind a barrel. Months afterwards, my wife looked behind the barrel. There it was—dead." Rat-Soap sells in three sizes for 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Jno. A. Weeks, Hall Hardware Co., and Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

STANDS PAT FOR SMALL U.S. ARMY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—The House stood pat today for an army of 150,000, refusing to concur in the Senate amendment of the army appropriation measure, providing for 175,000 enlisted men after June 30th.

Stock and poultry raisers can secure the best of remedies and preparations as a complete line of the well known International Stock Veterinary and Poultry Preparations is sold by Jno. A. Weeks.



The Battery Question Is

Have you a Willard Threaded Rubber Battery in your car?

Then your battery judgment is backed by the best brains in the automobile business.

Car builders who are particular about battery quality specify the Willard Threaded Rubber Battery. Car buyers who are particular about battery performance look for the red Thread-Rubber Trade-Mark.

Ask about Willard Threaded Rubber Insulation whether you are in the market for a new battery or not. We give authorized Willard Service. New batteries — repairs — recharging.

Ballinger Auto Co.
Phone 505
Willard Batteries

Mr. and Mrs. George Price and Miss Beatrice Nance and baby, of Georgetown, are here visiting at the home of Mrs. Price's sister, Mrs. J. M. Skinner, the week-end with home folks.

GASOLINE!

21c Per Gallon

Pure-Texas Gas and you don't have to guess at measure—you see just what you get.

WILLARD, U. S. L. and STANDARD STORAGE BATTERIES 25% OFF LIST.

Storage 25 cents or \$400 per month.
Springs for all cars, Axels for all cars.

Repairing by men that know how.
We recharge and rebuild any make battery.
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Nance-Stroble Auto Electric Co.

Opposite Court House Lawn.
Phone 109 Day Phone 393 Night

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BALLINGER STATE BANK & TRUST CO.
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BALLINGER, TEXAS

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 21st day of February, 1921, published in The Banner-Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 4th day of Mar., 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$144,429.37
Loans, real estate	1,577.86
Overdrafts	822.06
Bonds and Stocks	6,150.00
Real Estate (Banking House)	6,380.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,054.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	91,141.97
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,158.93
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	388.13
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	833.37
Other Resources: Expense Account	1,054.02
TOTAL	\$260,589.71
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund	12,500.00
Undivided Profits	7,601.80
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	3,772.99
Individual Deposits, subject to check	204,789.01
Time Certificates of Deposit	2,825.00
Cashier's Checks	970.01
Bonds Deposited	2,750.00
Other Liabilities	380.00
TOTAL	\$260,589.71

STATE OF TEXAS:
County of Runnels. We, M. Feist, as president, and Fred Kiechle, 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 M. Feist, President.
(Seal) Fred Kiechle, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of February, A. D., 1921.
O. V. Miller,
Notary Public, Runnels Co., Texas.

Correct Attest: P. P. Ewald, H. B. Hoffmann, C. R. Roesler, Directors.

STATEMENT of Condition

...THE...
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER
Feb. 21h, 1921

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$608,615.30
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Stock and Bonds	1,745.60
U. S. Treas. Certificates	25,000.00
Stock, Federal Intl. Banking Co.	1,125.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
Banking House, F. and F.	28,400.00
Real Estate	20,500.00
Acceptance (cotton)	26,184.36
Cash and Exchange	253,840.75
	\$ 996,411.01
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	77,294.41
Circulation	24,500.00
Dividends Unpaid	75.00
Deposits	794,541.60
	\$ 996,411.01

The above statement is correct.
R. G. Erwin, Cashier