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Sheriff of Concho County Kills Tom Bengé at Eden

After a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace Williams at Eden Sunday afternoon and Sunday night, counsel for the state and for the defense in the Bengé murder trial, agreed to bond in the sum of \$7,000, and at midnight Sunday night Sheriff Bob Miller, of Concho county, charged with the killing of Tom Bengé, was released on bond to await the action of the grand jury at the fall term of court which convenes in Paint Rock on Oct. 10th. Fifteen or twenty men were waiting to sign the bond, and it was immediately approved and Miller released.

Miller shot and instantly killed Tom Bengé on the streets of Eden at five o'clock Saturday afternoon, the tragedy being the culmination of trouble of long standing between the two men. Miller is alleged to have used a shot gun and shooting at close range sent a charge of buckshot into the body of Bengé.

Bengé's body was removed from the street where he was shot to a building nearby, where it was held until about ten o'clock Saturday night when it was carried to the ranch home in Concho county, and prepared for burial by the King-Holt Undertaking Co., of Ballinger, Monday afternoon at one o'clock. Rev. C. L. Ewing, of Brownwood, former pastor of the Presbyterian church of Ballinger, and now pastor of the Presbyterian church at Paint Rock, conducting the funeral services at the ranch home of the deceased, and at

three o'clock the remains were laid to rest in the Paint Rock cemetery.

After killing Bengé, Sheriff Miller surrendered to a deputy, went to his home in Eden, and phoned to Ballinger for his attorney, and for the Runnels county sheriff to come to him. He was brought to Ballinger Saturday night in custody of Sheriff Flynt and returned to Eden Sunday, where he was released on bond Sunday night.

District Attorney Walter U. Early was notified Sunday to come to Eden and represent the state at the preliminary hearing, and Judge J. H. Baugh, member of the firm of Doss & Baugh, who has been employed by the defendant, who was in Brownwood visiting relatives, accompanied Judge Early to Eden, and Judge Doss went down from this city.

Doss & Baugh had been employed by Miller to prosecute Bengé for the murder of his son-in-law, Will Bryant, and Miller has also employed them to defend him for the killing of Tom Bengé. Judge J. K. Baker, of Coleman, has been employed by the Bengé family to assist District Attorney Early in the prosecution.

About a half dozen witnesses were examined for the state at the examining trial Sunday evening, but the defense did not disclose its evidence, and aside from threats alleged to have been made by Bengé against the life of Miller, it is not known what

the defense in the case will be.

The first news of the killing reached Ballinger Saturday afternoon about six o'clock when Sheriff Flynt and Judge A. K. Doss received a phone message to come to Eden, the message stating that Miller had killed Bengé. Doss & Baugh are attorneys for Miller.

The killing occurred about five o'clock near the alley intersecting the main business street in Eden and which separates the Armour drug store and the Eden Hardware Co. store. Mr. Miller was standing near his car when Bengé came out of the alley and was walking towards the street where Miller was standing, according to eye witnesses, and the two men were within fifteen feet of each other when Miller opened fire with an automatic shot gun. Some of the witnesses say the two men were ten feet apart, some fix the distance at fifteen, and others at twenty feet.

Miller fired two shots, the first shot sending five buck shot into the lower right shoulder, while the second shot went wild. The buck shot passed out through the right shoulder blade. Bengé dropped in his tracks and died almost instantly, without making a statement.

The usual Saturday afternoon crowd was on the streets, and while the killing came suddenly and as far as has been learned without any words between the two men, there were many witnesses, and naturally the tragedy

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\$15,000 IN JEWELS STOLEN

DALLAS, Sept. 20.—Sawing heavy iron bars over the rear window of the building, burglars last night entered the store of Pike Kramer, a large retail jewelry store, and carried away all the jewelry on display in the show windows and a large amount of jewelry left with the firm for repairs. The loss is estimated to be between \$10,000 and \$15,000. The officers have no clue.

CONGRESS MEETS AT NOON TODAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Congress reconvened at noon today after a recess which began in August. The body began immediately after convening a series of three day recesses until October 4th, while the senate goes ahead at full speed with tax revision, ratification of peace treaties with Germany, Austria, Hungary, and a number of other important measures, including the anti-beer bill, railroad debt funding, allied debt funding, Panama Canal tolls bills, etc.

A lively fight over the tax bill is promised. The Democrats plan not only to make a minority report but will attack the majority report on the tax measure vigorously on the floor of the Senate and are counting on the support of a part of their fight at least, from Senator LaFollette and other Republican leaders. According to Democratic leaders, their guns will be trained particularly against the provisions for repeal of the excess profits tax and a reduction on the maximum income and surtax rate.

Rev. D. M. West, former pastor of the Baptist church at Ballinger, and now pastor of the Baptist church at Bronte, was here on business Wednesday. He says it is good to be back in West Texas. Rev. West recently moved to Bronte from Central Texas.

NAZARENES BUY BAPTIST CHURCH

A deal was closed Wednesday in which the Nazarene congregation buys from the Baptist people the Ninth Street Baptist church building. The deal had been underway for some time and was finally agreed upon between the committees of the two churches appointed to handle the matter Wednesday, and will be submitted to the two congregations for their approval.

In the deal the Nazarene church gets the rock building constructed several years ago by the Ninth Street Baptist church and which was used by that church until the two local Baptists churches united, together with the pews and other fixtures belonging to the church. The pews are now being used by the Baptists at the Carnegie Library, but will be returned to the Ninth Street church. The Baptists get the Nazarene church building Southeast of the court house and all the fixtures contained in it. They will either dispose of this building as it stands, or make a residence out of it and sell the residence.

The Nazarene people get a bargain in the rock church building and the building which has been standing as a waste since the two Baptist churches united, will be utilized for a good purpose. The Nazarene people will move to their new home at once, and will probably transfer the revival which they are now engaged in to the new home.

JOE CANTRELL PASSES THRU CITY

Joe Cantrell, who came almost pitching the Beareats to the pennant winning place, was here Wednesday, passing through en route to Clovis, New Mexico, where he will spend a part of the closed season. Joe is now a Texas Leaguer and is on the hurling staff of the Shreveport club. He pitched three games for the Shreveport club, winning one and losing one when the third baseman erred and let in two runs. He held the opposition to eighteen hits in three games.

Thomas C. Hall came up from Temple Tuesday to look after his farming interests here and just to get away from a flood soaked country. He says the heavy rain in Bell county did much damage.

PUSHING PLANS FOR PAVING

The first meeting of the Committee on Streets, Roads and Bridges, was held yesterday afternoon in the offices of the Young Men's Business League. This committee consists of R. L. Harvell, R. A. Nicholson, Geo. Holman, J. McGregor and C. S. Miller.

After a thorough discussion of the local situation, the committee decided upon the following recommendations: that Hutchings Avenue be paved from Sixth to Tenth streets; that Eighth Street and Seventh Street each be paved one block each way from Hutchings Avenue; that all paving be of a permanent character; that the paving be financed by securing an agreement from property owners to pay for the paving of one-third of the street abutting on their property, and that the center one-third and all street intersections be paved by the city, this being the plan adopted in most cities.

It was the sense of the committee, that if such an agreement could not be reached among the property owners, that an election be called to vote on the adoption of Section 211 of the Civil Statutes, which would empower the city to proceed with the paving, assessing the cost as above, and levying the cost against the property.

The Secretary was instructed to secure estimates on the cost of paving with various permanent materials. It is the belief of the committee that with the present base that the cost of the paving will be extremely low.

Another meeting of the committee will be held next week to consider materials and estimates, and to make suggestions in this connection to the City Commission.

300 TROOPS CAMP AT SAN ANGELO

Three hundred men of the 9th Infantry Regiment of the Second Division, under the command of Capt. Gordon Steele, stopped at San Angelo Monday afternoon, and spent the night in camp near that city. The men were traveling in motor convoy from Fort Logan, Colorado, to Camp Travis. They stopped in San Angelo for gasoline, oil and other supplies.

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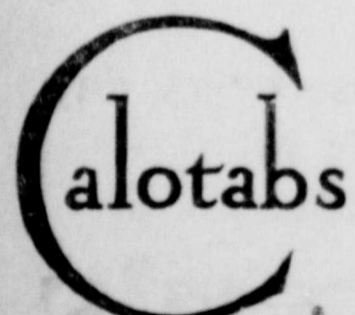
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**KILLS RATTLESNAKE
ON EIGHTH STREET**

Dr. C. W. Cheatham missed placing his No. 9 on a rattlesnake by about four inches as he was coming to town Saturday morning. The snake was coiled and ready for business near the sidewalk at the home of Mrs. Jno. I. Guion on Eighth Street. The snake had evidently been loitering around that vicinity of Eighth Street for some time, as it was covered with dust. The snake was put to death, and for fear that some of his friends might think that he had been seeing snakes, Dr. Cheatham plucked the rattles from the reptile and brought them to town. The snake had six rattles and one button.

Judge Dayton, of Gainesville, was before district court here at its final session Saturday morning, in presenting a motion for a new trial in the Boland murder case.

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**LOCAL MEXICANS
IN CELEBRATION**

In observance of Mexican Independence the Mexicans of Ballinger and surrounding country are here for a big celebration tonight and tomorrow. The committee in charge of the big celebration has secured the first floor of the Ballinger Club building, formerly occupied by a garage, and has same decorated for the occasion. The program will begin tonight with speech making, singing, etc. Mexican señoritas, dressed in costumes fitting for the occasion, will give a program of recitations, songs, and dancing, and the night program will close with a big dance. A five piece Mexican orchestra will furnish the music.

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**BOYS LEARNING
HOW TO SHOOT**

About twenty boys under the age of eighteen have banded themselves together under the direction of F. G. Sparks, of the Hall Hardware Co., in what is known throughout the country as the Winchester Junior Rifle Corps. It is a national organization originated by the Winchester Arms Co. for the purpose of teaching boys how to shoot.

Mr. Sparks reports that the boys are taking much interest in the new corps here, and are meeting once each week, on Monday night at the Carnegie Library, and on each Tuesday afternoon hereafter they will meet in practice shoot. In addition to the purpose of teaching the boys how to shoot, the organization is based on something like the Boy Scouts of America. Medals are awarded to those making the best record in marksmanship, and all members are given a button showing that they are members of the W. J. R. C.

**GUION-AYRES WEDDING
ATTENDED BY 400 AT
BRIDE'S PARENTS' HOME**

The marriage of David W. Guion of Ballinger and Miss Marion Ayres, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Ayres, took place last night at 8 o'clock at home of the bride's parents, 5307 Gaston avenue. The ring ceremony was performed by Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, on an uncovered end of the front veranda, which was banked with ferns and palms. Prior to the ceremony J. Wesley Hubbell, accompanied at the piano by Harold Hart Todd, sang "Love is Lord of All," composed by David W. Guion. Mr. Todd then played the bridal chorus from "Lohengrin," as the professional and Mendelssohn's wedding march as the recessional.

Little Miss Inez Kretz, in a Spanish costume, opened the door for the wedding party.

Misses Kate Guion and Dorothy Pimm were bridesmaids. Miss Guion wore pink taffeta and lace made with hoop skirt. Miss Pimm wore blue taffeta and silver trimmed with lace. Both maids carried Killarney roses.

Douglas Maddox of Fort Worth and Weldon Moore were bridegroomsmen.

Little Miss Mary Jane Teagarden was flower girl. She wore accordion pleated white tulle.

Master Dick Phelan, wearing a sailor suit of white satin, carried the ring.

The bride's gown was of white satin with collar and short sleeves of lace. The girdle was caught with orange blossoms. Rows of tiny ruffles edged the scallops at the bottom of the skirt. Her veil, which was of tulle and old real lace, was caught to a bandeau of brilliants and orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of brides roses and orange blossoms.

Following the ceremony a reception was held. Upon arriving the guests were met by Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Thorne, Miss Lucile Cloud, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Cloud, Mrs. M. J. Moore, Bedford Moore, and Miss Imogene Moore. The receiving line after the ceremony was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Ayres, Mrs. John I. Guion of Ballinger, mother of the bridegroom; Mrs. H. Z. Duke, grandmother of the bride; Miss Gertrude Ayres of Bowie, aunt of the bride; Miss John Phelan, D. W. Saunders and E. L. McAlpine, aunts of the bridegroom; Mrs. Lelia M. Johnson of Coleman; Mrs. A. E. Thomas of Ft. Worth; and members of the bridal party.

Punch was served to about 400 guests, Misses R. J. Thorne and Harold Hart Todd presiding at the punch bowl, assisted by Mrs. Robert L. Thornton, Miss Katherine Thornton, Mrs. C. V. Compton, Mrs. George McGhee, Miss Emily Spruce, Mrs. L. C. McBride, Miss Katherine Belle McBride, Miss Kate Frierson and Miss Clara Gene Mallow.

The bride's cake was cut amid Russel roses arranged on the dining-room table. Misses Louise Bond and Robessa George presided at the cake.

Misses Beatrice Bolton and Eldis Jordan were in charge of the bride's book.

Miss Alma Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Erza Fudge presided over the wedding presents, which were arranged in the upstairs hall.

During the reception Mrs. Hubbell sang "De Ole Ark's A'Movin'" and "Some of Dese Days," negro spirituals set to music by David Guion. Mr. Guion played his concert arrangement of "Turkey in the Straw," which has become well known over the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Guion left for a short wedding trip. They will make their home in Dallas, where Mr. Guion is a member of the music faculty of the Southern Methodist University.

The bride's going away costume was a midnight blue tulle-tricot suit, hat of tan velvet appliqued in leather with vari-colored silk, brown shoes and gloves.—Dallas News.

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Sid Caskey returned to Brownwood Sunday afternoon, after a visit with relatives and friends here for a few hours.

**PRESBYTERIAN
REVIVAL OCT. 16**

Dr. R. M. Hall, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city, and who is now in the evangelistic work, and is making his home at Houston, was here two or three days this week visiting friends while en route to Paint Rock, where he will conduct a revival in Ballinger on October 18th.

The revival will be held under the direction of the joint Presbyterian church, having been arranged for and announced when the two churches united in their local work in the spring. The church got in communication with Dr. Hall as soon as they united and the date was fixed for October 18th.

The Methodist people have very kindly tendered the use of their church for the revival in case the attendance demands a larger building than the Presbyterian church. Dr. Hall will probably conclude his evangelistic work with the meeting at Ballinger and accept a call to become pastor of one of the most prominent Presbyterian churches in Texas.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

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**FORD TRUCK FOR
FIRE COMPANY**

At a meeting of the city commission held Friday afternoon an order was passed authorizing the issuance of a warrant to cover the cost of a Ford truck.

The action came when a committee from the volunteer fire company requested the city to supply them with such equipment. R. L. Harwell will deliver the truck to the fire company at cost, cutting the dealer's commission on the wagon.

The fire boys will rig up the truck with a body suitable for their work, and the chemical fire fighting apparatus will be installed on the Ford. We understand that property owners will profit by the deal as the additional equipment gives the city a better fire fighting outfit and places Ballinger in line for a cheaper insurance rate.

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**MINE RESCUERS
TO BE AT FAIR**

ABILENE, Sept. 15.—Just how the special forces of the United States government go about rescuing miners trapped in the bowels of the earth in mine disasters, will be graphically shown to visitors at the West Texas Fair this month. One of the specially constructed mine rescue cars, maintained by the United States Bureau of Mines and now stationed at Denver, Colo., has been ordered to Abilene for the fair. The rescue equipment will be set up at the fair grounds and demonstrations of mine rescue work will be given daily by the crew in charge of the apparatus.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Allison and daughter, Miss Elois, were here from Denton this week, visiting relatives and friends. They were traveling in their car.

**MAN SUICIDES
IN McCULLOCH CO.**

A. W. Jones, age 42, a resident of McCulloch county practically all his life, committed suicide last Monday, by shooting himself with a shot gun. Jones left a wife and seven children. Domestic trouble was said to have been responsible for the awful tragedy.

**JOHN THURMAN
WITH NEW BANK**

John Thurman, formerly with the F. & M. Bank at Ballinger, and later with the First National Bank here, and who has been with the West Texas National Bank at Big Spring as vice-president since leaving Ballinger, has been elected as cashier of the People's State Bank which is opening for business at Ranger. J. C. Stribbling, of Llano, is organizer of the new Ranger bank, which is capitalized for

\$100,000.
Judge J. K. Baker, of Coleman, was here Saturday attending the final session of district court.

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"To say that I feel twenty-five years younger, twenty-five years healthier and twenty-five years stronger express what Tanlae has done for me better than any other way I can put it," said George D. Shaw, veteran of the Civil War, who now lives at 321 Walnut street, Springfield, Mass.

"I am now seventy-eight years old and I don't hesitate to say I have never known a medicine to equal Tanlae. For fifteen years I was subject to attacks of indigestion that were so bad at times I would have to lay up for a week or two. For a long time I lived on crackers and milk alone as nothing else agreed with me.

"When I started on Tanlae I weighed only one hundred and seventeen pounds and my days were thought to be numbered. I've been so wonderfully built up, I now weigh one hundred

and forty-three pounds and my stomach is as sound as a dollar. In fact, I believe I could eat the old army rations again without it hurting me in the least.

"I never miss a chance of saying a good word for Tanlae and I would like to urge the boys of the 'Sixties' who are not feeling right to give it a trial, for I am sure it would put them in line again just as it has me. For a man of my age to have no physical ailment, to be well and strong and enjoy life as he did twenty-five years ago, is certainly something to be thankful for and there is nothing too good I can say for Tanlae."

Tanlae is sold in Ballinger by John A. Weeks; in Tokeem by J. W. Bright; in Winters by Owens Drug Store and all leading druggists.

"FATTY" TO FACE FATHER AND SON LIQUOR CHARGE IN MURDER TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—Mrs. Minta Duffree Arbuckle, wife of Roscoe Arbuckle, arrived in San Francisco today from New York. She stated that she came to assist Roscoe in his trouble.

In a statement she said, "I know, and his friends know, that Roscoe is innocent." In the statement she asked the people of San Francisco to be fair with her husband and not condemn him until the evidence is in.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—Federal indictments under the prohibition laws in connection with the Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbuckle party at the St. Francis Hotel, where it is alleged much booze was drunk, and where Miss Virginia Rappe sustained injuries from which she died, will be delayed, Robt. McCormick, special assistant to the United States Attorney General, announced today. McCormick said he would not push the case now because he expected startling new developments in connection with the alleged violation.

The attorney expressed the belief that his investigation will unearth a system of liquor smuggling from Mexico to Los Angeles and San Francisco that will place quite a number of men behind the bars.

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MIDLAND, Tex., Sept. 19.—C. P. Shearman and two sons, Neil and John, are docketed here today for the second trial on charges in connection with the fatal shooting last March of C. A. Wood, prohibition officer, on the Shearman ranch near El Paso. In the first trial the jury failed to agree, being divided on the question of guilt or innocence, except in the case of Allen Shearman, the third son of C. P. Shearman, and Thomas Mendoza, a ranch hand, who were declared not guilty.

The cases are going to trial here today on a change of venue. Wood was shot from ambush as he was approaching the Shearman ranch house to make arrests for violation of the prohibition law. Wood lived at Abilene and was one of the most popular officers in the state.

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LAWLESS RAGE IN OIL FIELDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—A lawless condition exists in the San Joaquin valley oil fields and the leaders among the striking oilworkers are seeking objects which mean the socialization of the industry, says a statement made public today by the Oil Producers Association.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce are at home from Illinois, where they were called some time ago on account of the death of Mrs. Pearce's brother. They remained in the old state for a few weeks.

WEST WANTS FEW PICKERS

FT. WORTH, Sept. 19.—West Texas is calling for few cotton pickers as compared with former years, said employment officials in Fort Worth, who daily register requests from unemployed men for work in the fields of the state.

Fort Worth has sent approximately 200 cotton pickers to the fields this season, it was announced. Altho calls for pickers are received daily, the number wanted is few. The prevailing wage for pickers in Texas, employers report, is \$1 a hundred pounds. Many unmarried men, they say, are reluctant to accept this wage without provisions for meals. However, few employers are offering to "eat" their help, as boarding in the fields is termed. They employ the men with the stipulation that the workers "eat themselves."

The cotton labor situation, as pointed out at the Fort Worth employment office, is indicated in the announcement that one cotton oil mill here, which usually began operations the first of September, will open this year on October 20. Another similar mill has suspended operations indefinitely. The cotton picking in this region will be finished early this year, farmers predict.

Some negro families that work at various jobs in the city during other seasons have gone to the fields for the cotton picking. Among these are colored women, who receive \$1 for doing a family washing in town, but who receive \$1 or more for picking 100 pounds of cotton. They say they prefer to pick cotton at this wage than wash clothes.

Most of the demand for cotton pickers is from South Texas, said W. S. George, head of the employment office. Even there, the decreased demand this year is reflected in the diminished number of Mexican families that made their annual migration from across the Rio Grande for the present picking season.

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PLEADS GUILTY STEALING COTTON

J. T. and Louis Barry, and a young man by the name of Brown, of the Crews country, were placed under bond here Saturday and ordered to appear in court at Coleman this week to answer to the charges of stealing cotton in Coleman county.

The three young men were apprehended here by Chief of Police Pilcher Saturday afternoon upon advice received from Coleman county officers to watch out for stolen cotton. The local officers gave the three parties a grilling and it is alleged that they made a confession.

The cotton stolen came from several fields between Valera and Talpa, and was brought to Ballinger and ginned at the Malone & Harvey gin. The bale weighed 515 pounds, and after paying for the ginning, the seed netted the young men about \$9. It is not known whether the bale of cotton had been sold or not. It was located at the gin and the officers furnished with the marks, weight, etc.

This is the second offense of the kind in which the guilty parties have been apprehended here within the last week. Two parties made a raid on cotton fields in the North end of the county last week, and stole about 1,000 pounds of cotton from wagons, and carried it to Abilene. The parties were arrested, plead guilty and paid their fines.

In each case the parties visited several cotton wagons in the field and did not steal sufficient cotton from either place to constitute a felony charge, and got off with a punishment of a fine only.

A lazy no-account feeling with yawning and sleepiness in the day time is caused by a torpid liver and disordered bowels. Herbine is a splendid remedy for such ailments. It cleanses the system and restores vim and activity. Price 60¢. Sold by all druggists.

GOVERNOR GETS FREAK LETTERS

BALLINGER BOY LOSES HIS HOME IN FLOOD

AUSTIN, Sept. 19.—Freak letters containing peculiar requests are received daily at the office of Gov. Neff. One that arrived today from a Cleveland firm "takes the cake," however, according to Secretary Wallhall, who handles the governor's mail. The letter today said in part, "there is a gentleman in your state who owes us a bill and a letter from you would expedite payment of same." The remainder of the letter was on the same subject.

TWO NEW HOMES ON BUILDING PROGRAM

J. M. Fields is building a new home on Hutchings Ave., near where C. B. Armstrong started a new home last week, and G. A. Ludwig broke dirt Monday morning for a new home to cost about \$3500, South of the court house.

Capt. G. T. Bryant, of Abilene, was here Monday en route home from Temple, where he attended the old soldiers' reunion. He expected to stop off for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. L. R. Menchew, near Winters.

CARSEY, the Boot and Shoe

man, will make you a pair of genuine hand made Cowboy Boots or Shoes, and guarantee perfect fit and satisfaction or money back. Forty years of boot making in West Texas.

A up to date repair department, that is the best in the city.

Call round for our prices or drop us a line.

CARSEY, THE BOOT AND SHOE MAN.
(In old Zappe Building.)



A pipe won't burn your tongue if you smoke P.A.!

Get that pipe-party-bee buzzing in your smoke-section! Know for a fact what a joy 'us jimmy pipe can and will do for your peace and content! Just check up the men in all walks of life you meet daily who certainly get top sport out of their pipes—all aglow with fragrant, delightful, friendly Prince Albert!

And, you can wager your week's wad that Prince Albert's quality and flavor and coolness—and its freedom from bite and parch (cut out by our exclusive patented process)—will ring up records in your little old smokemeter the likes of which you never before could believe possible!

You don't get tired of a pipe when it's packed with Prince Albert! Paste that in your hat!

And, just between ourselves! Ever dip into the sport of rolling 'em? Get some Prince Albert and the makin's papers—quick—and cash in on a cigarette that will prove a revelation!



PRINCE ALBERT

the national joy smoke

PICTURE SHOW MAN BUYS A HOME HERE

W. D. Scales, manager of the Maeroy Theatre, has purchased the Jim Freeman home on Tenth Street, known as the W. L. Ellis place. A deal was closed between Mr. Scales and Mr. Freeman Friday, and the movie magnate will get possession of the home on Oct. first. In the meantime Mr. Freeman will make temporary arrangements for a place to call home until he can build a bungalow.

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ABSTRACTS
of Title to Lots in Any Town or City or Land in Runnels County, Apply to
Security Title Co.
Chas. S. Miller, Pres. Roy H. Hightower, Sec'y. & Abstractor
For Land Loans or Purchase of Realty Apply to
CHAS. S. MILLER, Ballinger, Texas.

BUILD IT NOW

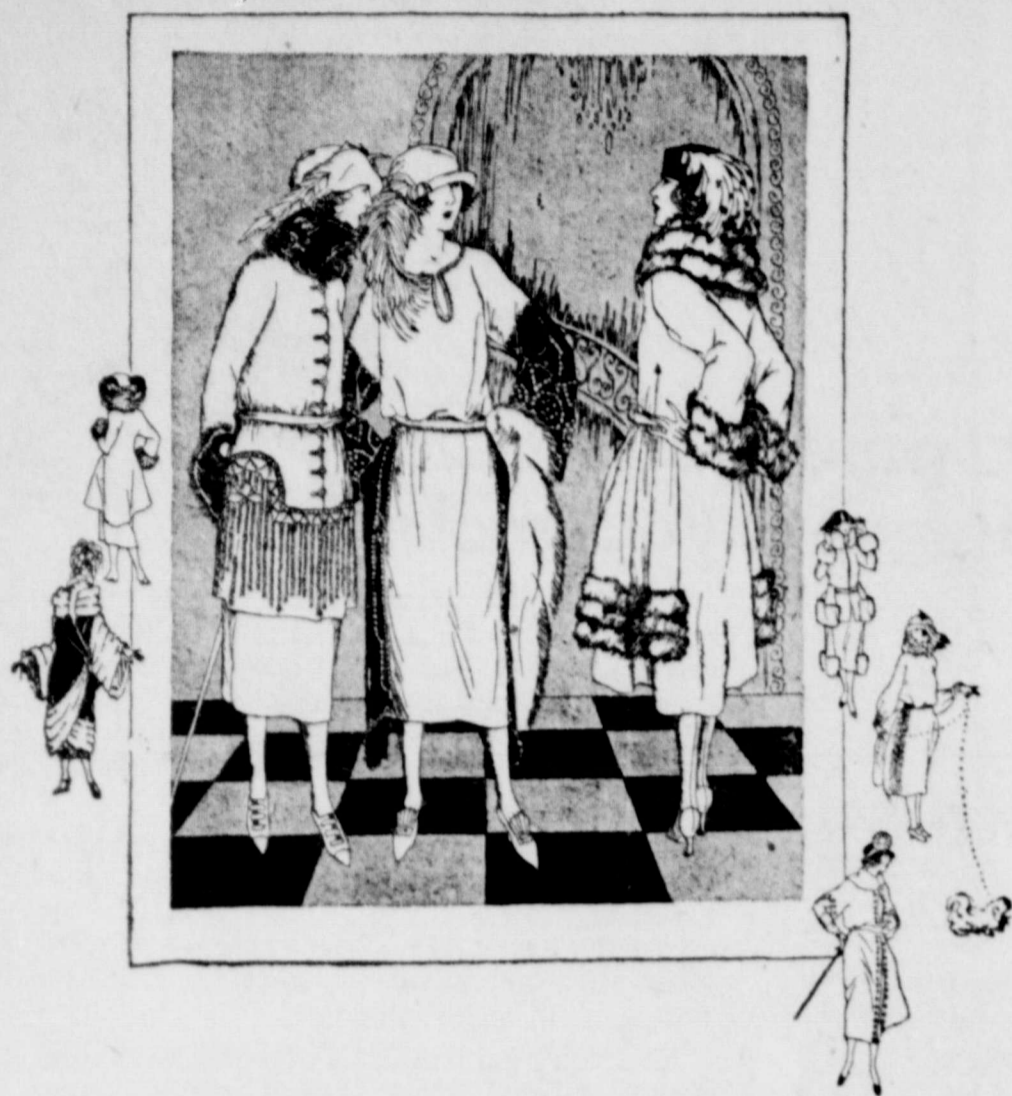
If You Need That House BUILD IT NOW

Your first peace-time work is the building of that new house you had to go without while the war was on.

Both labor and materials are available once more and a great deal of government building, state work and factory construction already is under way. Measure the amount of satisfaction and service your new home would bring and you'll want to get started at once.

The sensible thing then is to **BUILD NOW** and we have all the material to build the sensible way—framing, siding, trim, shingles, doors and Beaver Board—the manufactured lumber, knotless and crackless—for the walls and ceilings. Speak to us about it today.

Wm. Cameron & Co.



AUTUMN EXPOSITION

THE markets of the world have been drawn upon in the gathering of the extensive display of apparel and merchandise now here. The store's merchandising power and resourcefulness is reflected in the impressive quantities and varieties of the new season's goods. There is a cheerful note in the new fashion's, emphasized by rich brilliant color tones, a cheerfulness that has found its way even into the prices which happily follow very reasonable, lower levels. And we are going one still better—making our usual profits much smaller in order to give our many patrons bigger and better values than ever before.

Fashions of the Hour

Rivaling Pageants of Old in their striking effects, yet apparently not a practical feature has been sacrificed to accomplish the extraordinary beauty and serviceability of these Fashions of Today. And the prices are like old time values—very modest on every new Fall item.

Beautiful Frocks Hint of Paris

Smartly tailored Coat Frocks of all-wool French Serge, Poiret Twill and Tricotine, frequently beaded or elaborately embroidered, are much in the picture for Autumn wear. In gracious contrast to these tailored types, afternoon Frocks of soft crepes and lustrous satins, incline toward the free use of drapery on the skirts though the style is unvaryingly simple.

The black and white vogue apparently continues undiminished, though marvelous creations are to be had in rich shades of blue and brown, oftentimes combined with pearl, taupe or reds.

Modest at \$10.95 and superbly beautiful up to \$57.50.

Fall Suits

In a Diversity of Styles

The choice of a Suit for Autumn presents only an outlook of pleasant anticipation. The unwonted diversity of the Suit modes gives generous opportunity for personal preference and assures a satisfaction unknown to other years. Dark tones and straight lines are plentiful for reserved tastes. Bright colorings, elaborate embellishment, novel collars and sleeves are abundantly featured in dressier models. Profuse quantities of fur trimming or embroideries are noted on Suits of every type.

You will find a host of beautiful models here to select from in French Serge, Poiret Twill, Tricotine, Yalama and Velour Cloths—unmatchable values at

\$19.60 to \$64.50

Snug Coats

With New Sleeve Modes

The new Autumn Wraps are in two widely differing types, reflecting the two distinct silhouettes which characterize the present mode. The trimness of the ripple skirt and fitted bodice with its high choker of fur presents a decided contrast to the more careless draped lines of the wrap. Dropped shoulders, wide sleeves and Tuxedo collars and the Russian blouse are interesting new features. There is a richness about fashion and fabric both appealing and becoming.

\$8.50 to \$52.50

One of the newest Wrap developments is the new Sport Knit Cape, in either silk or wool or more than likely a combination of both.

Autumn's New Hats

Hats both large and small seem to veer away from the conventional types of other seasons. Shapes and trimmings are showing marked tendency toward the picturesque, ably seconded by a riot of color in all manner of garniture.

Panne and Lyons velvets and Hatters' Plush are favored materials, while trimmings cover a wide latitude, varying from metallic ornaments to laces and ostrich.

A hat here to suit the most fastidious of women. Trim sailors for the tailor-made up to the beautiful picture hat for more dressy wear. And the prices are more than reasonable.

New Fall Oxfords and Slippers

No sign of abatement in the high standards of beauty set for women's footwear a season or so back. Graceful strapped oxfords share honors for street wear with pleasing laced models for colder weather.

Charming dressy satin and kid Strap Slippers are simply developed for dress wear, the junior Louis heel having the preference.

Extra good quality distinguishes our new Fall Shoes for men, women and children while the prices are easy on the pocketbook.

Fall Accessories

There are so many little things so essential to the completion of the costume that one is likely to forget unless reminded.

You'll find our stock most complete in all its parts in Underwear, Hose, Gloves, Purses, Veils, Handkerchiefs and Toilet Articles.

Autumn Blouses

Spirited in style, vivid in color—to the devotee of the separate Skirt and Blouse the new mode brings much that is interesting and pleasing. Without the dimming of a single detail of their loveliness, the new Blouses seem to have become more wearable and serviceable than in other seasons. Black and white and all black are essentially smart.

Fashioned from most anything as you will, but Georgette and Crepes seem to have the odds.

\$3.75 to \$15.00

Wool Skirts

Some uncommonly likeable models are appearing among the new wool Skirts, fashioned of broad stripe fabrics, skillfully plaited into veritable pictures in two-tone effects. Rich, warm plaids with a contrasting over-tone stripe make wonderfully wearable Skirts for countless uses and combined with self-tone blouses or sport sweaters achieve costumes undeniably smart. They are very moderately priced.

\$6.00 to \$16.50

Modes For Children

Fashions for grown-ups are no longer the sole consideration of style authorities—not by any means. Coats and Frocks and her own special Millinery for the little lady from two to sixteen, are subjects occupying the minds of experts in designs these days.

The new Fall displays are crammed with little models that are quite as smart, fully as correct as mother's, and—even more interesting. You are sure to find the quality and prices to your liking—come and bring daughter with you.

ROGERS-HIGDON CO.

Ballinger,

Texas



\$30,000 SILK SALE



EXTRA SPECIAL

\$2.00 40 inch Georgette	.....	\$1.25
40 inch Crepe de Chene	.....	\$1.59
36 inch All-Silk Poplin	.....	.89c
Fancy Silk Shirting, \$1.69 and	.....	\$1.89
Silk Remnants at	.....	Half-Price
Cheney Bros Underwear, Crepe	.....	\$1.05
\$3.39 Fancy Taffetas	.....	\$1.89
Velvet and Duvetyne, values up to \$9.95, now \$2.50 to	.....	\$5.75
\$2.00 36 inch Satins	.....	\$1.39
\$1.50 Gordon Lace Silk Hose	.....	.98c
\$1.50 Silk Camisoles, one lot	.....	.75c
98c Silk Camisoles, one lot	.....	.69c
All Jersey Silk Underwear	.....	Half-Price

These are only a very few of the many bargains.

Starts September 24th

The Greatest Sale of Its Kind Ever Held in this Part of Texas.

We Have Bought the Fort Worth Silk Shop Stock at a Bargain and We are Going to Pass it On to You.

A \$30,000 Stock of Beautiful Lustrous Silk Piece Goods of All Kinds, Velvets, Silk Hose and Silk Underwear to Be Sold at a Big Sacrifice.

Most items are at WHOLESALE COST and many, many below. Even if you are a merchant it will pay you to investigate these values. No matter how hard we might try to present the advantages of this sale in our advertising, we could never expect to present in type and argument that would be as convincing as the merchandise itself, and we want every woman in this vicinity to take advantage of it—it is worth coming miles to see.

DO YOU WANT TO SAVE MONEY? THIS IS THE PLACE. NOW IS THE TIME

ROGERS-HIGDON CO.

Ballinger, Texas

MINE WORKERS MARKING CITY TO TEST LAWS FOR AIR LINE

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 20.—John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, in his biennial report to the International Convention of the organization here today, recommended that legal proceedings be instituted to make a full test of the constitutionality of the Kansas Industrial Court law, and that the convention endorse the international executive board's action in two Kansas strikes, in which it was said that Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas miners, had defied superior officers by not ordering the men back to work.

The Industrial Court act, Mr. Lewis asserted today, was "initiated by an astute and ambitious politician," and he asserted that its provisions violate the Federal constitution in that it restricts the right of individual and collective contract.

"This law is without question," Lewis said, "a most vicious attack upon the right of the organized workers and is clearly a trespass upon the constitutional prerogatives of citizens."

He added that the law did not present a new idea, but that it was similar to one enacted by the Scottish parliament in 1606, and was a "fearsome skeleton, hoary with age, dragged from the obscurity of a barbarous past."

The Scottish law, he said, made it a felony for a miner to leave his employment without the consent of the coal owner or the legal magistrate of his district.

In his review of the Kansas strikes cases, Mr. Lewis said the two strikes were in violation of the agreement between miners and operators, and that the international board had directed Howat to order the men back to work, but that Howat had not complied with the order in either case.

"Our union," said Lewis in this connection, "is being charged in many quarters with violation of its obligations as set forth in our wage agreements, and therefore it becomes incumbent upon us in such plain and obvious cases as these, to decline to justify such criticism, and to make every effort to effect proper and harmonious settlements. Defiance of the constituted authorities of our organization by district officers who are pledged to uphold its law and its rulings, is indeed reprehensible. Unless our union can regulate its own affairs according to defined rules and the provisions of its constitution, there is indeed small hope that it can exercise any great influence in the public affairs of our country. In these two cases, I ask the deliberation of the unprejudiced delegates to this convention, and endorsement of the international executive board."

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 simple 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. 50c.

MEXICA PEA CROP WILL GO TO SPAIN

JUAREZ, Mexico, Sept. 20.—Most of Sonora's tremendous garbanzo (chick pea) crop, which will be between 200,000 and 250,000 sacks this year, will be carried from that Mexican state by a Spanish steamship company to Spain, according to reports at the American consulate.

Sonora raises only a small amount of garbanzos for local consumption or for the United States compared to what is shipped to Spain. Many farmers grow their own chick peas in the state, for it is one of the principal foods.

Heretofore, Sonora's garbanzos have been stored at Nogales and sent by rail into the United States, then to New York and by steamer from there to Spain. The Spanish steamship company offered a special rate this year of \$16 a metric ton to carry the beans, or chick peas, hence the change.

Standard Theme Paper, 10c per package. The Ballinger Printing Co.

If aviators flying over Ballinger in the future fail to discover this city it will not be the fault of the Young Men's Business League. It is having "Ballinger" painted on the roof of the Santa Fe freight depot in letters 15 feet high and 12 feet wide. The entire sign will be 150 feet in length, and can easily be read at an altitude of 10,000 feet, it is estimated. The League is also having markers placed in corners of the old baseball grounds so that it may be used as a landing field.

This work is being done at the request of the Air Service of the Eighth Corps Area, as Ballinger is one of the stops on the air line from Cheyenne to San Antonio, and from Ft. Worth West to El Paso. It will result in Ballinger appearing on the new air maps being prepared by that branch of the army.

The sign painting is being done by a gassed ex-soldier, who is making his way West to Roswell. He is an experienced painter and paper-hanger, and the local American Legion would like to secure other employment for him to help him and his family on their way.

Some of Runnels County's Best Buys—

313 acre irrigated Farm 3 miles from Ballinger. Will subdivide this farm.

350 acre Farm, 2 miles of railroad station, 185 acres in cultivation, 125 acres subject to irrigation. Price \$35.00 an acre.

See us—PAGE, MCBRYDE & CARLISLE.

THOMPSON BROS. SELLING CATTLE

(San Angelo Standard) H. A. and R. M. Thomson of Austin who run cattle in Schleicher county, sold through T. J. Clegg 1,400 head of yearlings and calves to Shingledecker Bros. of Joy, Ill., today for a record price for this season of \$20 for the calves and \$30 for the yearlings.

The yearlings will be delivered at Mertrou at once and the calves between October 15th and November 1st. This bunch of cattle is said to be one of the best in this section and, according to J. F. Shingledecker, who made the purchase, is the best bunch of cattle he has seen in his two week's trip through the Texas cattle country.

"I could have bought cattle for \$5 a head and less most anywhere," Mr. Shingledecker said, "but I considered these cattle cheaper for our purpose. I consider these as good cattle as we have ever fed, and we have been in the cattle business for twenty years. We will feed this stuff six to nine months and try and hit the Chicago market with a high grade baby beef, the kind that is bringing the premium today and I believe will continue to bring a premium."

"The young fat cattle seem to be the only kind that the packers are sure to pay top for. It stands to reason that a fat young steer would have a little beef than the fat 4-year old. I believe we are all going to have to come to the marketing of the younger cattle."

"I can't see much hope for the cattle market this year. It don't look good to me. We are coming down here and getting cattle because we believe we can get the best cattle for our purpose and because we have lots of cheap corn to feed. I think we will get three bushels of corn for a dollar next month. Old corn now is selling for 40 cents."

Germs entering the body with the air we breathe are harmless if the stomach, liver and bowels are healthy. If these organs are torpid and full of impurities the germs thrive and bring on a spell of sickness. To keep the vital organs in good condition take Prickly Ash Bitters. It keeps a man in working trim. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

Roy Mack and Morris Nicholson left Monday afternoon for Fort Worth. Roy is returning to T. C. U. for his second year's work, while Morris goes to enter that university.

Read the ads and profit.

TAILORED AT FASHION PARK



BI-SWING

CUSTOM SERVICE WITHOUT THE ANNOYANCE OF A TRY-ON
READY TO PUT ON
TAILORED AT FASHION PARK

SOME SPORT CLOTHES DO NOT GO FAR ENOUGH

THE FASHION PARK COPYRIGHTED BI-SWING EXTENSION SLEEVE FEATURE IN JACKETS FOR SPORT WEAR ASSURES COMFORT THROUGH THE SHOULDER. THE DOUBLE SEAT TROUSER—A FASHION PARK COPYRIGHTED IDEA—IS PRACTICAL AND THE CLOTH BELT OF SAME MATERIAL IS IN SPLENDID TASTE.

FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND MORE

Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

NAZARENE PEOPLE RECALL PASTOR

At a conference of the local Nazarene church Saturday night, the church unanimously extended a call to Rev. E. D. Messer for another year. The present year does not close until October 31st, but this was the time for the conference, and Rev. E. W. Wells, the district superintendent, was here to assist in the matter. Rev. Messer has done a splendid work for the local congregation and made many friends who will be delighted to know that he is to remain on the job for another year.

The revival which began at the Nazarene church yesterday, starts out most auspiciously. The evangelist, Mrs. Williams, was greeted by a large crowd at the first service, and prospects are very promising for a big revival. Rev. Wells will remain here for a day or two to assist in the meeting. He has fully recovered from a recent operation for appendicitis, and says that

he is glad to get back to West Texas where it does not rain 24 inches in 24 hours. He is now living at Austin, where the bottom fell out recently.

Owners of horses and blooded stock are large users of Liquid Borozone. It heals wounds, festering sores, barbed wire cuts by a mild power that leaves no disfiguring scars. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

David Coulter went to Waxahachie Monday, where he will attend Trinity University. David is preparing himself for missionary work. He graduated from the Ballinger high school last term.

W. A. Holt, of the King-Holt Furniture Co., arrived from Oklahoma with his family Monday. They came through in their car, and are here to make home, having secured rooms at the Lankford home until they can get a house. Mr. Holt arrived here suffering with a touch of blood poison. He had a crippled foot and stopped on the road to have it lanced and it is believed that an infected instrument was used, causing blood poison.

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 50c.

The home recently vacated by R. W. Bruce and family on 8th Street is undergoing repairs, preparatory to occupancy by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearce. Mr. Pearce purchased the place some time ago and had it rented to Mr. Bruce. They will move in as soon as repairs are made.

Use Ledger Classifieds.

MEXICAN SOLDIER KILLS AMERICAN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Carl R. Tabb, an American employe in the Mexican Petroleum Company plant, was shot and killed Sunday night by Mexican soldiers. The killing occurred in the oil fields near Tampico, the American consul at Tampico, reported today to the state department.

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 and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 30c.

DREAMS

The golden hopes of youth develop the regrets or the satisfying realities of old age. The form of their final eventuation rests largely with you.

The young man with a broad vision of the future attained it only by industry and thrift. Let him wait to profit by extraordinary stroke of good fortune and disappointment and failure inevitably become his lot.

Money can not be spent until it is earned. Nor can it be accumulated without saving. The night comes quickly to the thrifless; but to the thrifty comes surely the joy of a happy old age made bright by the spirits of peace and contentment.

WE INVITE NEW ACCOUNTS.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS
BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS

"Guaranty Fund Bank."

A Standard Willard for a Ford

You might suppose that, because Willard will not make a special Ford battery, the regular Willard Battery (Ford size) would cost a lot more than others, but it doesn't. We can show you in five minutes if you'll come in.

Ballinger Auto Co.

Telephone 505

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

BARGAINS—We have some exceptional bargains in slightly used Ford Cars—all models. Reasonable terms. Good cars as low as \$150. Norman Motor Co., Paint Rock, Texas. 5-tfw

WARNING, Stay Out—My pasture on Mustang is posted, and fair warning is hereby given everyone to stay out.
MRS. MARY SPREEN.
26-6tw.*

FOR SALE—About 200 yearling Rambouillet bucks. W. O. Shultz, Paint Rock, Texas. 9-3tw

FOR SALE—or trade—48 acres all in cultivation, no buildings, 4 1-2 miles from Wingate. Price \$32.00 per acre or will trade for Ford car. Arthur Ballew, Rt. 1, Wingate, Texas. 9-3w.*

FOR SALE—Rye Seed, \$1.50 bushel. E. W. Brookshire, Benoit. 12-3d-3w.*

FOR SALE—75 acres, 56 in cultivation, best chicken ranch in Runnels county, located mile from Hatchel. Frank McElroy, Hatchel, Texas. 15-1d-1w.*

LOST—Red roan Mare, weight about 900 pounds, 14 hands high, branded on left side J-6; near Brookshire school house. Phone J. L. Lee, Norton, Texas. 23-2tw.*

FOR SALE—Eighty acres of land, 78 in cultivation, one mile West of Drasco, three teacher school, two churches and store; price \$50.00 per acre. T. P. Masengale, Bradshaw, Texas. 31-d&w-tf

HARWELL MOVING INTO NEW GARAGE

The Harwell Motor Co. began moving into the new Ford home Wednesday. The new fixtures have been arranged and the work of placing every part of a Ford in its place was well under way. Insurance inspectors declared recently that this is the second best garage in Texas, and the best in all West Texas. It is a credit to this city, and adds much to the business appearance of the South end of Hutchings Avenue.

DYED HER WRAP BLUE AND A SKIRT BROWN

Each package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple any woman can dye or tint her worn, shabby dresses, skirts, waists, coats, stockings, sweaters, coverings, draperies, hangings, everything, even if she has never dyed before. Buy "Diamond Dyes"—no other kind—then perfect home dyeing is sure because Diamond Dyes are guaranteed not to spot, fade, streak, or run. Tell your druggist whether the material you wish to dye is wool or silk, or whether it is linen, cotton or mixed goods.

AUTO CASINGS MISSING FROM BALLINGER CARS

At least two auto casings disappeared in Ballinger Tuesday night, and it is believed that they were stolen. Jack Roach is short his extra casing, and Roy Sharp lost a casing off the rack of his Ford, or some handy fellow lifted it off for his own use. Chester Cherry recently lost two casings off his Ford.

Second Hand Coffin for Sale
"Now that I have been resurrected from the grave to which my stomach trouble was fast leading me and for which event I had made preparations, even to having bought my coffin, Mayr's Wonderful Remedy has made a new man of me and I feel as good as ever in my life, after having been at the point of death half a dozen times with acute indigestion and colic attacks." 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.

NOTICE

Just received a nice assortment of bulbs and swinging baskets. Come and take your choice.
Eunice Phillips.
21-1td-1tw.*

COTTON SELLING LESS THAN COST

Compiled by A. W. Kinnard. Approved and issued by George B. Terrell, Commissioner of Agriculture.

This cost is based upon reports from farmers in 56 counties who kept the cost of producing this crop. It includes cost of cotton seed for planting, the cost of breaking land, chopping and cultivating, at current prices for labor, until the crop was laid by.

One dollar per 100 pounds is allowed for picking and 40 cents per 100 pounds for ginning. The total labor cost, including picking, ginning and wrapping amounts to 19 1-2 cents per pound, based on the government's estimated yield of 101 pounds of lint cotton per acre for Texas. Adding to this interest on the investment, wear and tear of teams and tools, taxes and other necessary depreciation, we have a total cost of 25.8 cents per pound as the cost of producing this crop.

This is a conservative estimate. Those who produce more than one fifth of a bale per acre will receive a profit on a price of 25.8 cents per pound, but those who produce less than one fifth of a bale will not get cost of production.

It is not my purpose to advise the farmers what price they should take for their cotton, but any price under 25 cents will not cover the average cost of production and any profit on their labor and investment. The government's estimate of 7,937,000 bales is the shortest crop in 26 years when 7,161,094 bales were made, (practically the same as this crop), and it should bring 25 cents or more.

The farmers should organize for the purpose of securing the cost of production and a profit on the labor and investment, as all other business interests do, and they should not increase the acreage next year because the price has advanced, but should reduce the acreage to the bare necessities of the mills, the consumptive capacity, and purchasing power of the people, in order to secure a profitable price. They should not be required to produce the necessities of life for less than cost.

Farming must pay or the nation will perish.

ARE YOU READY FOR BUSINESS?

There is no doubt but that the greatest opportunities for young people today are in the business world. Countless positions at every point throughout the United States are waiting for the trained man and the trained woman. But remember, the demand is for Trained workers; the untrained workers, those who can do "most anything" are crowding the employment bureaus seeking work.

There is a position waiting for you. Are you ready for it? Can you enter a business office knowing that you can handle a bookkeeper's desk, do the work of a stenographer or private secretary, or hold any one of the specialized places open in the modern business office? The big salaries are waiting for the man or woman who can Do One Thing Well. Training is required. Have you been drilled in the basic principles of business that will enable you to grasp higher-salaried and more responsible positions as the opportunities arise? Unless you know these things, the chances of your success are small.

Make up your mind to train yourself, to start your business education now. Every day that slips by is a loss to you—it puts a good position and a good salary further away from you.

A few months in our institution, the largest business college in America, will give you the training you need. You can never find a better investment than a business education. We offer the most thorough, complete and practical courses to be had, in the least time and at the least cost, and our Employment Department places graduates in positions free of charge. Fill in and mail coupon for catalogue with full information as to our courses.

Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name

Address

J. C. Jones was here from Paint Rock Tuesday visiting his son, Jesse Jones.

A BALLINGER INTERVIEW

Miss Stamps Tells Her experience

The following brief account of an interview with a Ballinger woman four years ago, and its sequel will be read with keen interest by every citizen.

Miss W. B. Stamps, 206-6th St., gave the following statement July 25, 1915: "I consider Doan's Kidney Pills a good remedy. I have used them with satisfactory results, and I gladly recommend them. My kidneys were out of order and I suffered from pains in the small of my back and felt dull and languid. I used two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills which I procured at the Pearce Drug Store and they proved of benefit to me."

On April 29, 1919, Miss Stamps added: "My opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills is the same as it was in 1915. Doan's are a good kidney remedy although I don't have occasion to use them any more." 60c. at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

NOTICE

All B. Y. P. U.'s in this Association are urged to be present at the Associational meeting which is to be held at Ballinger, Sept. 25th at 2:30 p. m. Our State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, T. C. Gardner is to deliver an address, and the following week conduct an Associational Training Class, in which all Unions are invited to partake. LUCYLE YEAGER, Secy., Associational B. Y. P. U. 21-1tw-d24

Sour stomach, belching, wind in the bowels and constipation, can be corrected by taking a dose or two of Priekly Ash Bitters. It is a man's remedy for such ailments. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

JONES COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR DIES

W. G. Thomas, tax assessor of Jones county, died at Abilene Monday after a brief illness. Prior to his election as tax assessor last year, he was engaged in the newspaper business at Anson, and was well known throughout this section of the state. The remains were shipped to Anson for burial.

Charley Wimberly was here from Winters, Tuesday.

CITY MUST HAVE CLEAN STREETS

Pending contemplated action on street paving, the Young Men's Business League has turned to another phase of street work which they consider demands attention. The greater part of the time at the Board meeting Monday night was devoted to discussing ways and means of cleaning up the streets in the business district and keeping them clean.

M. S. Karmony, Malcolm McGregor and the Secretary were appointed as a special committee to investigate the various prices and types of trash cans, and to ascertain the cost of keeping a street cleaner with a cart and broom on the job all the time. The League expects to install a sufficient number of cans to take care of all waste paper, loose cotton, etc.

Another special committee from the directorate was appointed to meet with the City Commission and take up with them the matter of keeping a night watchman on the job all winter. It is planned to provide the watchman with a time clock, so that a record may be kept of his travels thru the business district at night.

The auditing committee composed of Joe Simmons, R. E. George, and Will Doose, reported that it had audited the books and found them correct. A financial statement of receipts and disbursements, and of assets and liabilities was filed in the minutes.

The membership committee reported that eight new members had been secured during the past week.

The street committee reported that their work was progressing. The Secretary reported that 300 books on Fire Prevention were being provided the schools in order that the subject might be taught and an additional reduction secured in the insurance key rate.

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L. J. Strube has sold himself out of house and home and is out prospecting. He says he will look over the Plains country, and may find something which will take him away from Runnels county. We trust that he will be better satisfied with Runnels county after prospecting elsewhere, as we can't afford to lose many such good citizens.

Mr. Strube has just closed a deal in which he sells his home

place consisting of 150 acres near Olfen located seven miles from Ballinger and seven miles from Rowena, to Joe Fuchs, for a total consideration of \$11,550.00, or \$77 per acre. Mr. Strube had a well improved farm, all good land, and land which a few years ago could have been purchased for \$10 per acre.

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Winters, Texas

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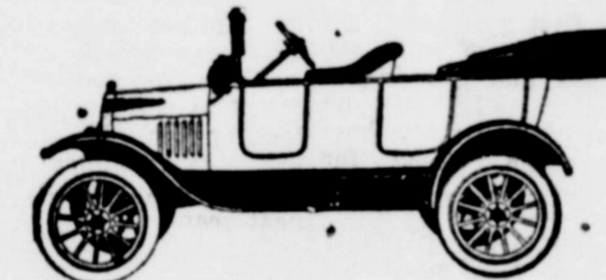
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As was naturally to be expect-
 ed, some of the property owners
 don't want the streets paved.

After all this complaint about
 dry weather, just think what
 would be the damage to cotton
 should a hard rain fall.

The fellow who condemns the
 newspaper for carrying the Ar-
 buckle scandal is the one who
 eagerly reads every line of the
 rot.

Fatty Arbuckle has made mil-
 lions laugh, but judging from
 press reports millions are not
 weeping over his latest produc-
 tion.

We don't understand every-
 thing we know about the K. K.
 K., but we must confess that they
 have some popular planks in
 their platform.

The farmer who planted cotton
 on an eight and ten cent market
 uses bad judgment when he re-
 fuses to sell on a twenty cent
 market.

Mr. Harding's new word, "nor-
 mality," does not seem to be get-
 ting us anywhere. We are told
 in today's news that the cost of
 food increased four per cent
 during the month of August.

We are right up against poll
 tax paying time and next year is
 election year. A man can pay
 his wife's poll tax without an
 order from her, and a wife can
 pay her own poll tax without an
 order from her husband. She
 should do it.

In charging the jury commis-
 sion Judge Woodward stated that
 he wished there was a law pro-
 hibiting men and women from
 going in bathing together. That
 would be against the constitution
 of most men and would therefore
 be held unconstitutional.

Secretary Davis' suggestion
 that public works be started to
 give employment to the millions
 of idle people through the win-
 ter should be adopted by state,
 county and municipal govern-
 ments. Take for instance the
 paving of the business district of
 Ballinger.

"The biggest little city in
 Texas" will lose its distinction if
 we do not turn on the water.
 When a visitor was informed
 Thursday that our street sprink-
 ler was off for a lack of water,
 he expressed surprise, and want-
 ed to know if the river was dry.
 We can't run a bluff about our
 water supply when clouds of dust
 are sweeping thru the streets, and
 Ballinger is on the banks of the
 Colorado river too.

The Y. M. B. L. of Ballinger
 has appealed to Texas congress-
 men and senators to support the
 Smith-McNary bill now pending
 before congress. Under the
 terms of this bill \$250,000,000 is
 to be appropriated for the pur-
 chase of bonds of irrigation dis-
 tricts. This assures the financing
 of the big Colorado river irriga-
 tion project, if the land owners
 organize the district and vote the
 bonds.

After all the talk about our
 marketing system, it seems that
 the farmer and stockman is up
 against it worse than ever be-
 fore. A Johnson county sheep
 raiser shipped twenty-two sheep
 to the Fort Worth market last
 week. After paying the freight
 and marketing expense he had
 \$3.24 left from the receipts of
 the sale. This country will never
 enjoy industrial peace until the
 producer receives a fair price for
 what he produces.

Colorado river did great dam-
 age in Central Texas. There's an
 object lesson for West Texas in
 this. The Colorado irrigation
 project should be put through to
 a complete success. All this
 storm water which wrecks towns
 and ruins farms should be put to
 work producing crops. West
 Texas' greatest opportunity is in
 harnessing its streams.—Abilene
 Reporter.

Only three or four months ago
 political announcements will be-
 gin to appear in the newspapers.
 Judging from rumors "Miss"
 and "Mrs." will be prefixed to
 the names of several candidates.
 It required women two thousand
 years to come into their political
 rights, but the man who declared
 they would not exercise those
 rights will have another guess
 coming, or he can remain at
 home and look after the kiddies
 while wife does the voting.

The school boys are enthusias-
 tic with their movement for a
 winning football team for the
 season. Let us say in this con-
 nection that clean athletics are
 an important part of a boy's
 school days. The body must be
 trained as well as the mind, and
 while manual labor will go a
 long ways towards training the
 body, we must not forget that all
 work and no play makes Jack a
 dull boy. The fans should en-
 courage the local football squad
 by attending their games which
 will be staged in Nicholusk Park.
 Two bits will admit you to the
 games.

AXE GRINDING
 It would be comical were it not
 somewhat pathetic the way news-
 paper offices are besieged every
 day by their friends, urging them
 to "roast" this and that; to "see
 to it" that this evil and that is
 corrected; to have this and that
 done in the city or county; to
 start this or that kind of move-
 ment to correct evils in the state
 government. These friends actual-
 ly appear to believe that it is
 the newspaper's business to han-
 dle all these affairs.

But a self-respecting newspaper
 though ready and willing to carry
 all reasonable responsibility, but
 remind its readers that they—the
 people—are the authority upon
 whom rests the responsibility
 for the present state of affairs—
 local, state, and national.

A self-respecting newspaper
 tries to report the news of what
 actually happens, not what it
 might wish had happened. The
 relation of a self-respecting news
 always understood. It is the duty
 of a newspaper to be in a posi-
 tion to support any good act and
 criticize any bad act of public
 policy.

This relationship can not exist
 where favors are asked or grant-
 ed. Honesty is the only policy
 for a newspaper.
 If objectors don't like the way
 things are going, they should
 qualify as voters and then raise
 can about it.—Ft. Worth Rec-
 ord.

WORK FOR THE IDLE
 The State Highway Commis-
 sion has inaugurated a "more
 work better roads" movement
 which should meet with the hearty
 co-operation of every county,
 city and community. There is
 going to be a surplus of idle poor
 this winter, and the unemployed
 must be furnished with means of
 support or unrest will result; to
 say nothing of the suffering.

There are many counties and
 cities which could profit in de-
 velopment campaigns, as well as
 serve two purposes by launching
 public improvement propositions
 now. Ballinger is already build-
 ing a light plant, and formulat-
 ing plans for street paving,
 which will help some. It is a
 good time to push the water prob-
 lem, and if Runnels county ever
 intends to build roads now is the
 time.

**BIG BOOST FOR WEST TEXAS
 FAIR**
 Editor Grimes, of the Abilene
 Reporter, was here Monday, ac-
 companied by his wife and baby,
 and they were going to Bethel to
 spend a few days with Mr.
 Grimes' brother, who is superin-
 tendent of the Bethel school.

The Reporter has just issued a
 seventy-eight page Fair Edition,
 which is a big boost for the West
 Texas Fair as well as for Abilene.
 The special edition was filled
 with matter of local and general
 interest and not made up of syn-
 dicate matter as is so often the
 case with such editions, the illus-
 trations and subject matter con-
 sisting of Abilene pictures and
 Abilene news, and it was put to-
 gether in a way which reflects
 the best art in newspaper print-
 ing.

Abilene is to be congratulated
 in putting over her West Texas
 Fair, drouth or no drouth, and
 the Fair Association is fortunate
 in having The Reporter to boost
 the big show.

Judge Woodward came up from
 Coleman Saturday morning to
 close the court for the fall term,
 by passing on some non-jury civil
 cases.

IN COTTON BUSINESS

C. S. Guin left for Eden in a
 new Dodge, which he had just
 purchased, Wednesday, where he
 goes to take an active interest in
 the Eden gin and engage in the
 cotton business, having purchas-
 ed a half interest in the Eden
 gin and cotton business of Leroy
 Nicholson. Mr. Guin will devote
 most of his time for the remain-
 der of the season to looking after
 his new interests, but will be in
 Ballinger a good part of the time,
 going and coming from Eden as
 his time is needed at Ballinger to
 look after personal interests here.

**HERE TALKING
 Y. M. C. A. WORK**

J. E. Lewis, state secretary of
 the boys' work of the Y. M. C. A.,
 was here Wednesday conferring
 with local parties with a view of
 organizing a branch of the work
 for the boys in this city, and was
 also soliciting funds for the sup-
 port of the work. He fixed Bal-
 linger's quota at \$75, and stated
 that he did not anticipate any
 trouble in raising that amount as
 he had already received several
 nice contributions. He will prob-
 ably establish a boys' Y. M. C. A.
 here.

**PROGRAM FOR ASSOCIA-
 TIONAL B. Y. P. U., HERE**

To be held in Ballinger on Sept.
 25th, commencing at 2:30 p. m.
 Business and announcements.
 Song, "The Books of the New
 Testament," Master Glenn Raley,
 Miles.

"Back Your Pastor Up"

"What this means from the Pas-
 tor's standpoint," Scott W.
 Hickey, Pastor, Assn. B. Y. P. U.
 "Backing the Pastor up by
 training young Christians," Mr.
 Ed Sansing, Ballinger.

**Special Music by Ballinger Or-
 chestra.**

"Backing the Pastor up by
 Praying," Miss Mary Taylor,
 Winters.

"Backing the Pastor up by
 leading a clean life," Miss Hick-
 man, Bronte.

Song, "Miles Juniors."
 "Backing the Pastor up by
 doing personal work," John
 Bishop, Antelope.

"Backing the Pastor up by
 volunteering for service," Miss
 Anna Walker, Hatchel.

Address, Sec. T. C. Gardner.
 The next meeting will be held
 at Norton the fifth Sunday in
 October.

**ECHOES FROM
 THE BEARCATS**

Joe Cantrell, pitching for
 Shreveport, held Dallas to eight
 hits and one run Sunday, while
 his team was chalking up four
 scores. Good for Country Boy
 Joe. Sam Knight, playing third
 base for Galveston, starred in a
 double header with San Antonio
 Sunday. Knight was at bat four
 times in the first game and got
 four hits, one for two bases, one
 for three bases, and two singles.
 In the second game he was up
 two times and got one two base
 hit and one single. Good for
 Sam.

Tom Grace, a former Ballinger
 druggist, is here from Dallas to
 join his wife in a visit to rela-
 tives, and to accompany her
 back home. Mrs. Grace has been
 here for two or three weeks with
 her father, D. C. Underwood, and
 other relatives.

R. W. Bruce and son Robert
 will leave Wednesday morning
 for Dallas, where Robert will
 enter the Southern Methodist
 University for a year's work. Mr.
 and Mrs. Bruce have broken up
 housekeeping and have rooms at
 the Central Hotel.

W. J. Fowler was called to
 Brownwood Monday on business.
 He was accompanied by Tom
 Eagan Jr.

Mrs. Hightower left for Dallas,
 Monday afternoon, where she
 goes to join her husband and
 make their home in Dallas again.
 Mr. Hightower was with the Fe-
 to-sho here awhile and Mrs.
 Hightower has been with her
 parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. B.
 Hamilton since Mr. Hightower
 was called back to his position at
 Dallas.

Mrs. E. E. King and niece ar-
 rived from Stamford Tuesday to
 join Mr. King, the new furniture
 man. They came thru in their
 car, and Mrs. King's father will
 join them later, having remained
 behind to look after shipping of
 their goods. The King family
 has leased Mrs. R. A. Smith's
 home on Broadway and Santa Fe
 Boulevard. Mrs. Smith will re-
 turn to Austin about the first of
 November.

**FLEES IN FLOOD
 TO ESCAPE LION**

Many startling and almost un-
 believable stories have reached
 Ballinger from the flood district
 of Central Texas, but the most
 thrilling story is told by J. F.
 Florian, an insurance agent, of
 124 Oakland Street, San Antonio,
 as reported by the Associated
 Press.

Mr. Florian was forced to leave
 his car while trying to escape
 from the business district of San
 Antonio, when he met the on-
 coming waters at the intersection
 of St. Mary's and Romana streets
 when the flood struck San An-
 tonio last Friday night, and take
 refuge on the top of a building
 occupied by an automobile con-
 cern.

The water had, by that time,
 according to Florian, risen fully
 nine feet and the streets were
 veritable mill races. Florian
 thanked his stars that he, at
 least, was safe, and felt that no
 power on earth could cause him
 to leave his perch of safety. A
 low, sullen growl prompted him
 to turn and the sight that met his
 eyes caused his blood to chill in
 his veins. Two large glowing
 orbs met his gaze. He knew it
 was a feline of some kind, but
 before he had time to speculate
 at any great length, a vivid flash
 of lightning revealed to his won-
 dering eyes a huge lion, which
 he says, had escaped from the
 Breckenridge Park zoo.

It was choice, then, of lion or
 flood. Florian chose the flood
 and plunged.

The swiftness of the current
 carried the man like a chip sev-
 eral hundred feet before he could
 right himself and make an ef-
 fort to get to a place of safety.
 A friendly tree's down hanging
 branches offered another haven
 of refuge, and Florian climbed
 up, took a long breath and looked
 about. He was not alone! A
 large black bear, the property of
 the Scottish Rite Cathedral, had
 beat him to the tree.

At this juncture Florian was in
 no mood to argue with the bear,
 so he slid from his own little
 perch and drifted on down the
 line presently bringing up
 against a fence from which he
 made his way to safety.

**SAYS CONDITIONS HERE
 BETTER THAN OIL FIELDS**

"These people don't know
 what they have to be thankful
 for," said Chas. Ferguson, who
 is at home from a trip through
 the oil fields of Callahan and
 Eastland counties. Mr. Fergu-
 son says that not only has the
 oil boom blown up and left the
 oil field counties in hard shape,
 but that the failure to make cot-
 ton, peanuts, potatoes, or any
 other crop which the country
 can produce, has caused hard
 times. The boll weevil cleaned
 up the cotton and the other crops
 failed to make up account of a
 lack of rain. He says the farm-
 ers in that country declare they
 will not plant a stalk of cotton
 next year.

"I believe that Runnels county
 is the banner county," said Mr.
 Ferguson, and he travels over
 many counties in South, Central
 and West Texas. "I had rather
 have that irrigation project here
 than all the oil fields you can
 get," said Mr. Ferguson, and he
 pointed to what the oil fields
 are now experiencing. The men
 who made their money in the oil
 game have got their money and
 left the other fellows to bear the
 burden and put up with the scum
 of the earth, he says.

**CAKE OF ICE FALLS
 ON MAN'S FOOT**

L. Cohen, manager of the Citi-
 zens' Ice Company, sustained a
 painful injury Saturday when a
 three hundred pound block of
 ice fell on his foot. Mr. Cohen
 was drawing ice, when the hook
 slipped and the heavy block of
 ice smashed his big toe and sec-
 ond toe, and otherwise bruised
 his foot. Mr. Cohen suffered in-
 tensely for a time, and will be
 crippled for several weeks at
 best.

W. E. Allen went to Sweet-
 water Saturday and is spending a
 few days there with Mrs. Allen,
 who we are glad to report is grad-
 ually improving from a prolong-
 ed illness. Miss Ada Allen, who
 had been at Sweetwater with her
 mother, returned home for a few
 days.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Parks
 are here from Ft. Worth, visiting
 Mrs. Parks' father, W. C. Penn.

**WHAT WATER
 WILL DO FOR
 THE FARMER**

(The following is the 3rd of a
 series of articles prepared by the
 Colorado Valley Irrigation Asso-
 ciation, based on figures from the
 eighteenth annual report of the
 U. S. Reclamation Service, 1919.)

**By S. L. Williams
 CALIFORNIA, ORLAND PRO-
 JECT**

The Orland project is located
 in Northern California, and the
 plan provides for the storage of
 water controlled by East Park
 Dam on Little Stony Creek, and
 a feed canal 7 miles long connect-
 ing the storage basin with Stony
 Creek. The plan also includes a
 high-line canal from which power
 may be developed for pumping.
 Two canal systems are to be
 used; the South Canal to irrigate
 13,000 acres on the South side,
 and the North Canal system,
 7,000 acres on the North side of
 Stony Creek.

When completed 20,533 acres
 will be under irrigation. In 1918,
 14,764 acres were put under the
 water, and crop production in
 that area was valued at \$709,-
 172.00 or about \$60.00 per acre
 cropped.

The cost of the system to date
 is \$920,000.00, and when com-
 pleted the total cost will be ap-
 proximately \$1,100,000.00, and
 according to the above figures,
 the annual crop production
 should be valued at about \$1,-
 250,000.00.

Though this is considered a
 rather small project, the total
 population increased 500 in one
 year, and the bank deposits in
 Orland increased \$600,000.00 and
 additional churches and schools
 were built.

Dairying and live-stock pro-
 duction were the principal in-
 dustries on the irrigated lands.
 Alfalfa, grains, and fruits were
 also raised.

**GIRLS! LEMON JUICE
 BLEACHES FRECKLES**

Squeeze the juice of two lem-
 ons into a bottle containing three
 ounces of Orbeard White, which
 any drug store will supply for a
 few cents, shake well, and you
 have a quarter pint of the best
 freckle and tan lotion, and com-
 plexion whitener.

Massage this sweetly fragrant
 lemon lotion into your face, neck
 arms and hands each day and see
 how freckles and old blemishes
 bleach out and how clear, soft
 and rosy-white the skin becomes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Syler were
 here from Winters Sunday after-
 noon, to bring their son, Roe, to
 the train. The young man was
 en route to A. & M. College.

**SAN ANTONIO
 LOSS GREATER
 THAN GALVESTON**

H. Giesecke returned to Ballin-
 ger from San Antonio Wednes-
 day evening, where he hurried
 when the news of the flood reach-
 ed Ballinger last week. Mr. Gie-
 secke says one must see the flood-
 ed area to realize the great dam-
 age the waters did. It is esti-
 mated that the property loss in
 San Antonio alone is greater than
 the loss caused by the Galveston
 storm more than twenty years
 ago, and press reports from the
 stricken city verify Mr. Gie-
 secke's account of the awful
 flood.

Mr. Giesecke reached San An-
 tonio Sunday morning following
 the flood Saturday. He made the
 trip through in a car without
 much trouble, leaving Ballinger
 Saturday afternoon. The waters
 had receded when he arrived
 there. His family was above the
 high water and slept through the
 night of the flood and did not
 know anything about it until the
 next morning.

The greatest loss in the busi-
 ness district, according to Mr.
 Giesecke, was to stocks of mer-
 chandise. In many instances the
 water broke through the plate
 glass fronts and swept the stores
 clean, the water being above the
 ceiling in many stores. Large de-
 partment stores were wrecked or
 swept clean as were furniture
 stores, jewelry stores, grocery
 stores, music houses, etc. Six
 pianos were washed out of one
 large music house, and one of the
 finest jewelry stores in the South
 west was swept clean, only the
 goods in the vault being saved.
 Many autos were washed away
 or damaged by water. Dry goods,
 clothing and shoe stores, and
 drug stores were swept clean,
 the waters crushing out both
 ends of the buildings and sweep-
 ing away the stocks of goods.
 Many homes were washed away.
 Where the water did not get
 high enough to wash away the
 goods, the fifth and mud ruined
 them. The power plant, and other
 industrial plants located above
 the city, and where there were
 large underground tanks filled
 with storage oil, suffered heavy
 loss. The oil from the tanks
 floated out and carried by the
 water covered goods, household
 furniture, etc., and the oil spread
 over the beautiful yards caused
 the flowers and shrubbery to die.
 Breckenridge Park is a complete
 wreck, according to Mr. Gie-
 secke.

The work of rehabilitating is
 under good headway, but it will
 require a long time for the city to
 recover the great loss.
 Miss Georgia Singhtary visited
 her sister, Mrs. Bert Whaley, at
 San Angelo Sunday.

**STATEMENT
 of Condition**

...THE...
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK
 OF BALLINGER**
 Sept. 6th, 1921

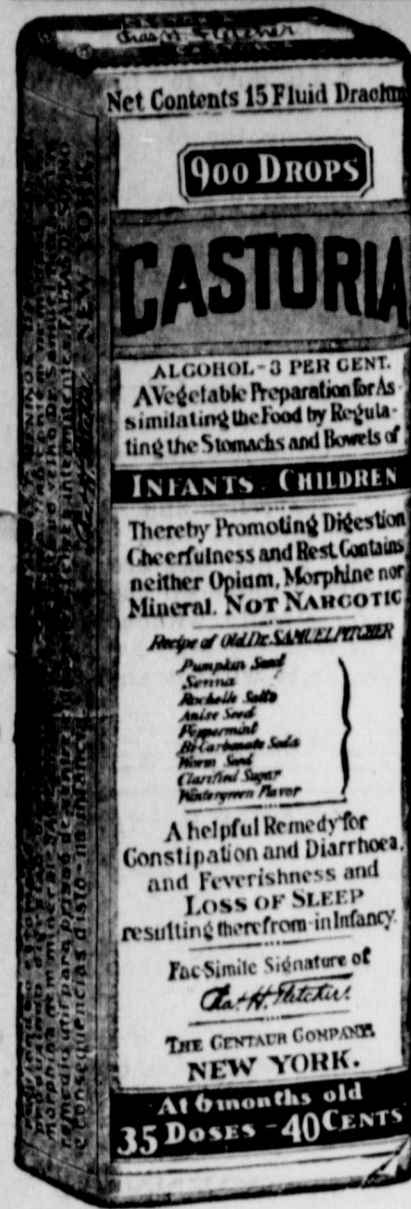
RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$492,935.09
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc.	8,270.60
Banking House, F. and F.	28,400.00
Real Estate	17,500.00
Bills of Exchange	78,500.72
Cash and Exchange	132,057.79
	\$ 784,164.20

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	73,898.44
Reserved for taxes	3,552.56
Circulation	25,000.00
Rediscounts	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	581,713.20
	\$ 784,164.20

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



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PLEADS GUILTY TO COTTON THEFT

Sheriff Flynt was successful in his hunt for parties who visited several cotton fields in the North end of the county one night this week and stole a quantity of cotton. The sheriff received notice Friday to come to Winters and make an investigation, and Friday evening he returned with two young men giving their names as Amos Walden and Nalgie Hall.
Mr. Flynt went to the fields of W. J. Gardner, J. M. Jonsson and a man by the name of Cotten, where he got trail of the thieves and followed it North. After several hours detective work he found a wagon sheet and two cotton sacks which were identified as the property stolen from the cotton fields, and later he learned where the cotton was ginned, and the arrests followed.
Saturday morning the young men plead guilty in justice court to stealing the cotton and adjusted the matter by receiving punishment. Fortunately the young men stole cotton from three different fields, keeping the amount taken from any one field to below the value of fifty dollars and confining the charge to a misdemeanor. The cotton was sold at Abilene.
The young man arrested for the theft, and who plead guilty, reside in Taylor county. Mr. Flynt did a quick piece of detective work in running them down and bringing them to justice, and the quick punishment should be an example for others.

IRRIGATION BILL BEING FOSTERED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Henry M. Eaton, Washington representative of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, announced today that detailed plans to push the Smith-McNary irrigation bill thru congress would be placed before the executive officers of the Western Irrigation Congress.
This is the bill that has the official indorsement of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Irrigation Bureau, headed by Hon. J. A. Kemp, of Wichita Falls.
Former Governor Sperry of Utah, now commissioner of the government land office, chairman of the Western Irrigation Congress, has appointed a special committee to push the matter. Representative Claude Hudspeth of El Paso, is one of the members of this committee.
The Smith-McNary bill would appropriate \$250,000,000 to purchase bonds from irrigation districts to encourage and facilitate irrigation projects. If the measure passes, it is not improbable that several reservoirs and dams will be constructed on the Colorado, Canadian, Concho and Llano rivers in Texas as well as on the Pecos.

NAMED ON TEXT BOOK COMMISSION

Prof. A. O. Fleming, of Freeport, Texas, has been appointed by Gov. Neff as member of the state text book commission. Prof. Fleming was superintendent of the Ballinger schools before going to Freeport, where he is at present superintendent of the schools of that city.
Mrs. Tom Routh returned home Saturday night from a visit to her mother, Mrs. R. H. Schooler, at O'Donnell.

Much Suffering Caused by Waste Products in the Blood

What Science Knows About the Matter and How It is Best Treated.
The blood is more important than any of the organs. It is thru the blood that the whole human body is directly or indirectly nourished. The blood gets its nourishment from the intestines. The intestines also contain waste products—undigested foods, acids, gases and refuse, which sometimes get in the blood.
When waste products get in the blood, nature will strive to cast them out. If your resistance is strong enough, nature will probably succeed. But if you are "below par," weak, run-down, and nervous, nature will begin to show signs of distress.
As a result, you will have that feeling of fatigue. You will lack the energy you need for the day's duties and pleasure. Minor ailments will begin to affect you—pimples, blackheads, and boils.
If the waste products are not gotten out of the blood at this point, it is possible a more serious skin eruption or disease will begin to show itself.
It is not infrequent for waste products to settle in the muscles and joints and cause rheumatism.
Listen to nature's warning. Your blood is your fountain source of energy—therefore keep your blood rich and pure.
For over 50 years, thousands and thousands of men and women have relied on S. S. S. to clear their blood of waste products. S. S. S. will improve the quality of your blood by relieving you of the waste products which cause impoverished blood and its allied troubles—skin disorders, rheumatism and a lowered vitality.
Get S. S. S. at your druggist. Beware of substitutes. Write Chief Medical Director, Swift Specific Co., D-720 S. S. S. Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga. for special medical advice (without charge). He is helping people every day to regain their health and strength. Ask him to send you his illustrated booklet, "Facts About the Blood"—free. S. S. S. is sold by all drug stores.

COM. COURT TALKS LADIES' REST ROOM

The commissioners' court was in session three days this week, adjourning Wednesday afternoon. An inspection of the court house and its needs was one of the questions to come before the court before it adjourned, and the county judge was authorized to confer with the Y. M. B. L. and take up the matter of a ladies' rest room. It has been suggested that a rest room for the ladies all the time, but especially during court when ladies are compelled to attend court. Fifteen or twenty women brought here as witnesses for the term of district court just closed were forced to loiter in the various offices of the court house, or spend the time in the lobby or out in the court yard while under rule. The question of buying new chairs for the jurors was also incidentally brought up and some action may be had in this matter.
Nothing special came before the September term of the commissioners' court, the work of passing on bills and transacting the routine work occupying the time of the court.

INSPECTOR CONDEMNS RAILROAD LOCOMOTIVES

Train service out of San Angelo was halted Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning following the visit of George O. Connor, government inspector for this part of the state.
Two engines on the Santa Fe were condemned and the engine on the Orient for the train supposed to leave at 8:15 this morning was detained until 11:15.
The Santa Fe passenger due out at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon was held until 7:00 o'clock until an engine already okayed could be switched back to pull the train out. The Sterling City branch was also tied up waiting for an engine. — San Angelo Standard.

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Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDY (Hunt's Salve and Soap), fails in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try the treatment at our risk.
J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL IS DENIED

District Judge Woodward heard the motion of the defense for a new trial in the Boland murder case Saturday morning, and after hearing argument from the counsel for defendant, the court overruled the motion. Defense immediately gave notice of appeal, and asked the court to fix bond. The court fixed bond at \$7,500. Judge Woodward passed sentence on Boland, and remanded him to jail pending the action of the court of criminal appeals, or until bond for the convicted man is made and approved by the court.
The court also passed final judgment in the Graves divorce case giving the children to the mother, Mrs. Pearl Graves, and also decreeing property rights to Mrs. Graves, save and except personal property of defendant and defendant's interest in community property which will be adjusted by compromise.
Court adjourned for the term at eleven thirty Saturday morning.

FIRE COMPANY ELECTS OFFICERS

The Volunteer Fire Company held an important and interesting meeting Thursday night. The meeting was held at the city hall, after which the boys repaired to the City Cafe, where they enjoyed their first oyster spread of the season.
At the business meeting officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Dr. C. W. Cheatham, president; W. C. McCarver, vice president; H. M. Josey, secretary; L. Cohen, chief; Jack Thomas, asst. chief; Rev. W. H. Doss, chaplain; Chester Cherry, electrician; Dr. F. M. Hale, physician.
Matters pertaining to better fire fighting equipment were discussed, and plans for making improvements outlined. A committee was appointed to meet with the city commission and request that the commission purchase a Ford truck for carrying the chemical fire fighting apparatus and other equipment which hinders the operation of the big fire truck. It was pointed out that the chemical extinguisher being attached to the big truck, made it necessary for the big truck to remain at one place when the chemical apparatus was in use, while if it was on a separate truck the big truck could be used for laying hose, pumping water, etc.
The company looked back with pride over the last year of successful work, and to the low fire loss maintained here, and they plan for maintaining an efficient company and training the fire fighters for effective work in the future.

BANKS OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

of the First State Bank at Mowea, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 6th day of Sept., 1921, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 16th day of Sept. 1921

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$204,027.05
Loans, real estate	1,877.80
Overdrafts	650.63
Bonds and Stocks	5,040.00
Real Estate (Banking House)	6,380.00
Other Real Estate	9,041.50
Furniture and Fixtures	3,829.79
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	67,155.16
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,158.93
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,100.82
TOTAL	\$395,473.74

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$35,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	7,071.31
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	685.90
Individual Deposits, subject to check	229,403.42
Time Certificates of Deposit	25,070.00
Cashier's Checks	308.11
Bonds Deposited	2,000.00
Dividends unpaid	35.00
TOTAL	\$395,473.74

STATE OF TEXAS: We, M. Feist, as president, and County of Runnels, 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.
(Seal) Signed M. Feist, President. Fred Kiechle, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of Sept., A. D. 1921.
J. Whit Patterson, Notary Public, Runnels Co., Texas.
Correct Attest: P. P. Ewald, Jos. Cervenka, C. K. Roessler, Directors.

Farmers of Runnels County
The Collective Bargaining Association will pool your cotton if you wish on a fifty-fifty basis, governed by their simplified cotton contract. You control date and manner of sale and minimum price.
J. N. WELLS.
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GOVERNMENT AFTER BAD LOCOMOTIVES

Government inspectors swooped down upon the railroads in this part of the state this week, and as a result several locomotives were ordered to the repair shops and trains delayed. The Santa Fe's passenger train Friday was pulled West by a large A. T. & S. F. locomotive, no doubt as a result of the old engine being called in for repairs. The train was about an hour late.

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.

TOM GREEN GRAND JURY GETS 19 BILLS

The Tom Green county grand jury found nineteen bills against sixteen different parties. Twelve of the sixteen have been arrested, and are either in jail or out under bond, according to the San Angelo Standard. Of the twelve arrests made five were for auto theft, two for operating a still, two for selling liquor, two for attempt to murder, and one for rape.

Two Mexicans charged with shooting Jack Burns, a former Ballinger saloon man, were tried but the jury failed to agree in each case, one juror holding out for acquittal and eleven for conviction. Some of the jurors held out for the maximum of fifteen years. Burns was on duty as a night watchman when he was shot through the body when he attempted to arrest two Mexicans he caught robbing a store. The Mexicans introduced testimony showing they were present at another place at the time Burns was shot.

Misses Willie Mae and Oneita Christopher, Ruby Goss, and Theo. and Valandis Goss, of Abilene, are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson.

FARM PRODUCTS SHOW DECLINE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Despite the increase in the wholesale prices for August over the prices of July, there has been an average decline in all wholesale commodity prices since August, 1920. Farm products since August a year ago have declined forty seven per cent, building material thirty nine and one-half per cent.

Mr. and Mrs. John DeYoung, of Yoakum, are here visiting Mrs. DeYoung's mother, Mrs. W. H. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Stocks, of Wichita Falls, are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stocks, and Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Wooden.

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.

HCG RELIEVES
A special preparation for relieving diseases of the urinary tract. Painless, non-poisonous. Package contains all needed, will not cause sterility.
\$1.00 at Druggists or prepaid.
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Mrs. R. L. Harwell has her little niece, Addie Ann Glass, of Texarkana, with her for the winter, and she will attend the Ballinger schools. Mrs. Harwell went to Abilene this week and met the little lady and brought her to Ballinger. Mrs. Harwell made the trip to Abilene alone, and drove through in about two hours and a half.

Sam Briley, a peace officer of the North end of the county, had business here Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Green is at home from a visit to relatives at Houston and Fort Worth.

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 6th day of Sept., 1921, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published in Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 16th day of September, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$338,583.20
Loans, real estate	17,750.00
Bonds and Stocks, Liberty Bonds	23,790.00
Real estate (banking house)	25,000.00
Other Real Estate	1.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	50,052.00
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	6,050.20
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	3,802.90
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	15,494.71
Other Resources	8.29
TOTAL	\$491,511.48

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	35,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	13,207.07
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	1,204.66
Individual Deposits, subject to check	288,385.30
Time certificates of Deposit	41,452.02
Cashier's Checks	454.44
Other Liabilities as follows:	204.93
TOTAL	\$491,511.48

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels: 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.
(Seal) H. GIESECKE, President. J. L. CHASTAIN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of September, A. D. 1921.
C. S. Guin, Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.
CORRECT—ATTEST: E. D. Walker, J. F. Currie, G. G. Odom, Directors.

RECAPITULATON

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$356,311.58
Liberty Bonds and W. S. Stamps	23,790.00
Real Estate and B. H. Fixtures	30,001.00
Depositors' Guaranty Fund	9,222.10
Bills of Exchange	15,494.71
Cash and Exchange	50,052.00
Total	\$491,511.48

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	47,207.07
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	344,303.51
Total	\$491,511.48

IS YOUR HEALTH GRADUALLY SLIPPING?

Interesting Experience of a Texas Lady Who Declares That if More Women Knew About Cardui They Would Be Spared Much Sickness and Worry.

Navasota, Texas.—Mrs. W. M. Peden, of this place, relates the following interesting account of how she recovered her strength, having realized that she was actually losing her health:

"Health is the greatest thing in the world, and when you feel that gradually slipping away from you, you certainly sit up and take notice. That is what I did some time ago when I found myself in a very nervous, run-down condition of health. I was so tired and felt so lifeless I could hardly go at all.

"I was just no account for work. I would get a bucket of water and would feel so weak I would have to set it down before I felt like I could lift it to the shelf. In this condition, of course, to do even my housework was a task almost impossible to accomplish.

"I was . . . nervous and easily upset.

I couldn't rest well at night and was . . . just lifeless.

"I heard of Cardui and after reading I decided I had some female trouble that was pulling me down. I sent for Cardui and began it . . .

"In a very short while after I began the Cardui Home Treatment I saw an improvement and it wasn't long until I was all right—good appetite, splendid rest, and much stronger so that I easily did my house work.

"Later I took a bottle of Cardui as a tonic. I can recommend Cardui and gladly do so, for if more women knew, it would save a great deal of worry and sickness."

The enthusiastic praise of thousands of other women who have found Cardui helpful should convince you that it is worth trying. All druggists sell it.

Ballinger's Good Fire Record Saves Citizens Many Dollars

"Hon. Carl S. Guin, Mayor, Ballinger, Texas, Dear Sir:

"I am giving you below a statement showing the amount of savings to the people of your city, due to the 'Good Fire Record Credit' and the fifteen (15) per cent reduction under Amendment No. 111, to the General Basis Schedules, which reduction became effective February 1, 1921.

"The Good Fire Record Credit is, in a sense a contingent credit and can only be allowed by this department to those cities and towns that are able to qualify under the rule permitting us to grant it. This credit is based upon the loss ratio of the city or town for the three years, preceding the calendar year during which the statement is filed with State Fire Insurance Commission. For each five (5) per cent, or fraction thereof that the losses sustained by fires are less than fifty five (55) per cent of the premiums received a credit of three (3) per cent will be allowed, with a maximum credit of fifteen (15) per cent.

"The total amount of savings over the entire State for the year 1921, to the insuring public, under Amendment No. 111, will amount to approximately, \$1,232,095.98.

"The total savings to the citizens of those cities and towns enjoying a good fire record credit, two hundred and fourteen (214) in number, for the year 1921, will amount to, approximately, \$1,599,313.22, which would mean a total saving on all policies, written or renewed during the year 1921, of approximately \$2,831,419.20.

"The saving to your city, under the Good Fire Record Credit

for the year 1921, amounts to \$5,854.80, while the savings, due to the 15 per cent reduction on the dwelling classes (1 to 6 inclusive) as enumerated in Amendment No. 111, would amount to \$1,746.44, or a total saving under both reductions of, approximately, \$7,601.24.

"As an incentive to your citizens to strive to save their property from destruction from fires, and in this way maintain the present maximum credit of 15 per cent for Good Fire Record, which they are now enjoying, permit me to offer the suggestion that the information herein disclosed, be given to the press of your city.

"If the premiums received by the companies are not sufficient to pay the losses, expenses and permit them to earn a reasonable per cent profit for their services, they must accept either one of two alternatives—refuse to write such a class, or increase the rates sufficiently to enable them to pay the losses, expenses, and have a little left for their trouble.

"Proper fire protection, and fire prevention, practically applied by every citizen, without fear or favor are two of the most essential methods to bring about a reduction in fire insurance rates.

"Very truly yours, T. M. SCOTT, Commissioner-Secretary State Fire Insurance Commission."

DODSON'S LIVER TONE KILLS CALOMEL SALE

Don't sicken or salivate yourself or paralyze your sensitive liver by taking calomel which is quicksilver. Your dealer sells each bottle of pleasant, harmless "Dodson's Liver Tone," under an iron-clad money-back guarantee that it regulates the liver, stomach and bowels better than calomel without making you sick—15 million bottles sold.

THIEVES GET 200,000 PESOS

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 21.—Newspapers today charge that more than two hundred thousand pesos of silver are missing from the special fund of the Chamber of Deputies out of which the salaries of members and extraordinary expenses incident to the celebration of the Mexican Centennial Anniversary were to be met. The charges published by the newspapers created quite a sensation here. The papers declare that an official who might be able to clear up the mystery of the missing money has been missing since Monday.

The Ideal Purgative As a purgative, Chamberlain's Tablets are the exact thing required. Strong enough for the most robust, mild enough for children. They cause an agreeable movement of the bowels without any of that terrible griping. They are easy and pleasant to take and agreeable in effect.



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PEOPLE WANT MORE WORK AND LESS PLAYING

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—"The American people want more work and less play," said Senator Harrison, Mississippi Democrat, today before the Senate in describing President Harding's recent trip to New York on the Mayflower. Senator Harrison said that the trip was taken at the expense of the government while millions of Americans were hanging their heads in shame because the men who helped to win the war were being offered on the auction block in Boston.

For skin eruptions, rash, chafed skin, prickly heat, chigger bites and stings of poisonous insects, Ballard's Snow Liniment is an effective application. It heals quickly. Three sizes, 30¢, 60¢, and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

COTTON MAKES SLIGHT GAIN

The local cotton market was a little better today than Tuesday, the spot market ranging around 19.50. The October market closed about thirty points higher than Tuesday, after fluctuating considerably during the day, the unsteady condition causing some nervousness among the buyers.

WITNESS FLEES WITH WOMAN

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Lowell Sherman, actor, wanted as a witness by District Attorney Brady of San Francisco, in connection with the Roscoe Arbuckle murder case, today left the train at Harmon, New York, en route to this city, and vanished in an automobile. When last seen Sherman was in company with a red haired woman.

This information was given to a representative of District Attorney Swan's office when he went to the Grand Central station here today to meet the Twentieth Century Limited from Chicago for the purpose of detaining Sherman as requested in a telegram from Attorney Brady.

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 TASTEFUL 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. 60¢ per bottle.

PERSHING GIVEN BIG RECEPTION

HAVRE, France, Sept. 21.—General Pershing arrived in France today. The liner Paris, on which Gen. Pershing arrived, was escorted into port at Havre this morning by two French battle cruisers and ten torpedo boats and destroyers, and he was given a royal reception. The American officer is here to present the congressional medals of honor to unknown poilus who died in the world war.

A regiment of infantry lined the quay and great crowds cheered enthusiastically as General Pershing landed. He was presented with a bouquet of American Beauty roses by a delegation of school children, who welcomed him in the name of Mayor Meyer. The general was wearing two decorations when he landed, the French war cross and insignia of the Legion of Honor. After being welcomed to Havre, General Pershing went to the railway station and left for Paris in a special train. His plans for his itinerary in France are incomplete, but he expects to leave for Coblenz Friday.

Sheriff Bob Miller and Mr. Clifford, of Eden, were here Wednesday; Sheriff Miller looking after business and conferring with his attorneys.

O. R. Sims, A. R. Holman, and A. T. Kinnard, of Paint Rock, attended the Masonic lodge here Tuesday night.

Sheriff of Concho County Kills Tom Bengé at Eden

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created much excitement. It is alleged that those who took charge of the body of the dead man claim that he was not armed. At least no gun was found on his body.

Bad feeling had existed between Bengé and Miller for some time. It is alleged that they had trouble prior to the election of Miller as sheriff of Concho county. This trouble grew more serious when the sheriff was called on to investigate charges of violation of the prohibition law in which it was alleged that Bengé was implicated.

On Friday, June 9th, of this year, Bengé shot and killed William J. Bryant, a rural mail carrier and son-in-law of Sheriff Miller, while Bryant was delivering mail at the Bengé ranch home. Bryant was traveling in a car, and had stopped at the Bengé home to either deliver mail or leave a package. Why Bengé shot him and killed him has never been brought out. Bryant's car was running when parties reached it after the young man had been killed, and his body was found some distance from the car. Bengé waived examining trial and was under bond pending the action of the grand jury at the time he was killed Saturday afternoon. This ends his trial, and it will probably never be known why he killed young Bryant.

There were several versions of the trouble between Bengé and Bryant, one report saying that Bengé forbid Bryant passing thru his pasture, while another says that Bryant's failure to deliver certain articles which Bengé is alleged to have ordered Bryant to bring him from Paint Rock, and one report stated that when the case was called for trial that Bengé would plead the unwritten law, and some believe that the trouble between Bengé and Miller previously might have added to the flames which caused the death of Miller's son-in-law.

After shooting Bryant last June, Bengé is alleged to have said that he would not surrender to the Concho county sheriff, and Sheriff Flynt went to the Bengé home and Bengé surrendered to the Tunnels county sheriff and was brought here and placed in jail. He was arraigned for a preliminary hearing on June 13, and was released on a \$5000 bond pending the action of the grand jury at Paint Rock which will convene this fall. The tragedy Saturday dismisses the case so far as Bengé is concerned.

Several years ago Bengé killed a Mexican ranch hand, but it was proven that he was justifiable and he had no trouble getting out of that trouble.

The news of the killing Saturday flashed to many parts of the state in a short time. In less than two hours after it occurred the state daily papers were wiring and phoning for details of the tragedy. Friends were shocked, but not surprised. It had been freely predicted by those who were familiar with the trouble even to a lesser degree that a reconciliation was impossible, and that either Bengé or Miller would fall should the two men come together.

Miller was in his home town, and is said to have been about his usual business when he learned that Bengé was in town. It was not necessary for Miller to make any preparations to meet his enemy—he went well armed all the time, carrying both his pistol and Winchester in his car, and on this occasion he had a shot gun, according to the evidence so far brought out.

The inquest began immediately following the killing Saturday evening, County Attorney Simpson, of Paint Rock, conducting the preliminaries before the justice of the peace at Eden, and later District Attorney Early went from Brownwood to Eden in his car, and continued the hearing Sunday and up until late Sunday night.

County Attorney Simpson said Sheriff Miller had talked to him about the trouble between he and Bengé a number of times and had told him of threats which he said Bengé made against his life. Simpson said that reports had reached him several times that Bengé had threatened Miller's life.

Tom Bengé was one of the pioneers of Concho county. He was about 55 years old, and was known to be a fearless man and up to a few years ago seldom had trouble with anyone. For many years he came to Ballinger to do his business, making this

both his trading and banking point, and was well known throughout this section of the state. He was successful in the sheep, cattle and farming business and accumulated considerable wealth, but reverses came his way a few years ago, and he had lost heavily. His friends were of the opinion that this caused him to drink heavily and brought on more serious trouble.

Deceased is survived by a wife and several children and several brothers. His brothers are numbered among best men of West Texas, and deceased had many friends, who it is said will see that his slayer is punished if the evidence in the case justifies it.

Sheriff Miller is one of the most picturesque peace officers in Texas, a big fine looking fellow, about six feet tall with weight in proportion, and since becoming sheriff of Concho county he had proven himself a good officer.

He is about 45 years old, and is a man of family. Miller's activity in running down bootleggers and enforcing the prohibition law, made it his duty to investigate alleged violations on the Bengé ranch among the Mexicans, and this is said to have added to the trouble between he and the man whom he killed Saturday afternoon. Miller is not lacking for sympathy and sentiment is said to be favorable to him in the trouble.

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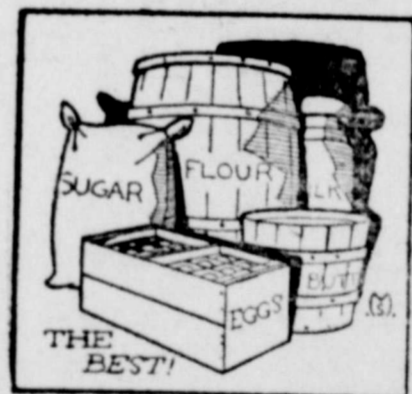
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What you save is the assurance of you thrift. Extravagance undermines character; savings stiffens the will, which is better for you, young man.



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