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MORE OIL FLOWS FROM HUNTER WELL TODAY

Persons visiting the Hunter oil well Tuesday morning stated that they witnessed a further flow from the well. The swab was lowered into the well and when it was pulled up the well flowed freely for several minutes, five or six barrels of oil flowing out of the well. The report also stated that the oil continues to rise in the well, the intake making a good gain since the well was swabbed out down about fifteen hundred feet Sunday afternoon.

The drillers have not given out anything as to the definite time it will require to determine whether the well is going to make a paying producer or not. It is expected that deeper drilling into the sand will be done, but the present supply of oil in the well is interfering with that part of the work. O. Wilson and F. W. Hunter went to Pioneer Monday afternoon to get additional, special equipment for bailing the well.

If seeing is believing, there are several hundred people in Ballinger who believe that Ballinger is about to become the center of an oil field.

A four-inch stream of oil gushed from the Hunter well, three miles West of Ballinger, Sunday afternoon, the well flowing for about twenty-six minutes after it had been swabbed.

Several hundred persons looked on and saw the well tested under the swabbing process, and many who had been more or less skeptical concerning the reports that the well was standing in oil and threatening to become a producer, soon became enthused over the possibilities of developing an oil field here.

It had been pretty well advertised that the well would be swabbed at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, and promptly at the appointed time the swab was lowered in the well and a slight operation brought out a stream of golden oil. The oil was permitted to run into the earthen tank, or slush pit, for about ten minutes, and then was turned into the steel storage tank, where it continued to blow out for fifteen or twenty minutes before quieting down.

A second operation of the swab brought another gush of oil which only flowed for a few minutes. There was a strong gas flow from the well also.

After the well ceased flowing the bailer was lowered to a depth of about fifteen hundred feet, and the driller announced that no further efforts would be made to clean the well until Monday. O. Wilson, the driller in charge, stated that the well was still standing in about 2,000 feet of oil with probably some water. He stated that there was a little water in the well when they struck oil, but he did not believe there was much water in the hole. Drilling ceased in the Hunter well some two weeks ago when the bit struck oil after drilling into seven feet of sand at a depth of 3780 feet. The drillers set about immediately to prepare to test the well for its strength at this depth, when it was discovered that the oil continued to rise in the well, and a few hours before it was swabbed the oil oozed over the top of the casing.

Those who were at the well on schedule time were not disappointed in seeing what they had been told they would see, and many people visited the well throughout the afternoon and saw the oil which it had produced under the swabbing process.

While the well made a good showing, sufficient to dispel the skepticism of many, its full value is yet unknown, and further drilling will probably be necessary to bring in an oil well. There is more or less speculation as to what it will develop.

Several oil men who are already here, and who were on the ground when the well was swabbed Sunday afternoon, declared that it "looked good." "Boys, you have an oil well," one pioneer oil man

representing a big company, was heard to say after the well had ceased flowing.

O. Wilson, who owns a half interest in the well, and who has been in charge of the drilling for the past year, and who has put considerable money in the proposition, stated that the well would be swabbed again, oil which had accumulated in the well bailed out, and the hole would be drilled deeper into the sand for a further test.

No estimate of the number of barrels of oil taken from the well was made, but it was sufficient to create considerable interest, and pulled the column of oil which was in the well down to a depth of about fifteen hundred feet. Gas continued to escape from the hole for some time after it ceased to flow oil.

Further developments will be watched with interest, while those in charge of the well declare that a field will be opened here. The well is the deepest so far drilled in Runnels county. It was spudded in, or dirt was broken with the first work in preparing to drill, on August 12, 1919—four years ago.

26 INDICTED FOR OIL FRAUD IN OHIO STATE

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 10.—Twenty-six Texas oil promoters, including Dr. Frederick A. Cook, former Arctic explorer, were indicted by the federal grand jury here today on charges of using the mails to defraud, and on charges of conspiring to make fraudulent use of the mails.

VISITOR'S VIEW OF BALLINGER

After driving thru Ballinger recently, making a tour of about seventy-five miles just to see what he had heard so much about, W. S. Cooper, of Colorado, Texas, called his stenographer in and dictated the following letter to Stuart L. Williams, which letter speaks for itself and should be the means of encouraging our citizens to put more interest in matters civic:

"Dear Mr. Williams: "During the past several months I had heard of the many good things your organization was accomplishing for Ballinger and that section of West Texas. I detoured seventy-five miles Sunday, in returning from a trip into South Texas, in order to see for myself.

"I was certainly impressed as I drove into main street and over that splendid paving you have there, and on either side of the street, I was impressed with nothing save a prosperous and growing city. I received my first impulse of the wonderfully progressive citizenship you have there as I drove by the cemetery. The grounds are most beautifully kept and is an index to the civic pride and progressive ideals of the people who foster the work. It is a rare thing in West Texas to find a cemetery so beautifully kept.

"From Ballinger I drove up the valley to Bronte in order to have a look over the territory you plan to place under irrigation. It is a fine country and your project should be the initial act for major progressive programs in West Texas.

"I know you are a busy man and probably have no time for trivial letters as this, but the things I am writing were in my system and I just had to get them out. I extend to you every good wish for continued success. "Yours very truly, "W. S. COOPER."

NO ROAD AMENDMENT ELECTION TO BE HELD

AUSTIN, July 7.—There will be no election on July 28th to vote upon the proposed constitutional amendment relative to state highways, it was announced today following a ruling of Attorney General Keeling.

The attorney general ruled that the election could not be legally held because of the failure to provide for sufficient time in giving publication notice as required under the constitution, and the election will be cancelled it was stated.

The law, it appears, provides that notice of election on constitutional amendments shall be given four months prior to date of election, while in the present case only three months notice was given. This, in the opinion of the attorney general, would make the election null and void.

No further action can be had on the amendment until the legislature meets and re-enacts the measure, fixes a date for the election and same is given notice by publication as required by law. It is not expected that the legislature will convene again until next year, when the governor will probably call another special session.

GOVERNOR CALLS RANGER REPORT INSUFFICIENT TO SATISFY GOV.

AUSTIN, July 10.—Acting Gov. Davidson today issued a proclamation calling off the special election set for July 28th on the proposed highway amendment to the constitution. The governor acted upon the advice of the attorney general who holds that the election would be illegal.

Some authorities are holding that if the attorney general is correct in his opinion that all amendments adopted to the state constitution since 1912 are null and void. Other authorities contend that the law governing the publication of election notices 90 days prior to an amendment election is only directory and not mandatory.

If the court holds that amendments adopted since 1912 are not legal it will effect the text book law, the irrigation law, and other important measures growing out of the adoption of the amendments.

MURDER TRIAL IN SNEED FEUD

SEYMOUR, Tex., July 10.—Eleven jurors have been selected this morning for the trial here of C. B. Berry, charged with the murder of Wood Barton at Paducah last November. The case was transferred to Baylor county. There are more than one hundred and twenty-five witnesses from Western counties here for the trial. All persons who enter the court room are searched for firearms.

Wood Barton was the son-in-law of John Beal Sneed. After the killing of Barton by Berry, Sneed shot Berry in an attempt to kill him. Berry spent several months in a hospital. A week ago Berry shot Sneed with a shotgun loaded with buckshot, some ten or twelve of them taking effect. Sneed is now in a hospital but doctors say he will be out in ten days.

BANANAS RARITY IN BERLIN

BERLIN, July 10.—Bananas have been so rare in Germany for the past two years that a Berlin fruit shop almost created a panic by exhibiting two complete bunches on Potsdamer Street. Crowds gathered about and eagerly asked the price.

The bananas sold for 5,000 marks each, which at the current rate of exchange was about six cents.

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FORMER U. S. JUSTICE DEAD

MACKINACK ISLAND, Mich., July 9.—William R. Day, former Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, died at his cottage here this morning.

Justice Day was born in Ohio in 1849, and was prominently connected with the McKinley administration, President McKinley appointing him assistant Secretary of State, and later he served as chairman of the treaty commission in dealing with Spain.

Justice Day paid little attention to social life while in the state department, but he was an enthusiastic baseball fan, and it was said that he seldom missed a game when business would permit.

Justice Day resigned as Supreme justice in November 1922, to become umpire of the commission set up to settle the claims arising from the war claims commission on account of failing health.

Relief from

Rheumatic Pains

Rheumatism is a constitutional disease. It causes joint aches and pains, inflamed joints and stiff muscles; but cannot be permanently relieved by local or external applications. It must have constitutional treatment.

Take the great blood-purifying and tonic medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, which corrects the acid condition of the blood so which rheumatism depends, and gives permanent relief. It combines the most effective agents in the treatment of this disease.

J. V. Borders

J. V. Borders, age 78, one of the well known citizens of the Western part of the county, died at his home near Horton Sunday morning at four o'clock following an illness of several months.

Mr. Borders came to Rannels county in 1904 and located in the Norton-Maverick country. He was one of the county's best citizens, and the news of his death will be sorrow to his many friends.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon and the remains laid to rest in Center Valley cemetery.

SNAKE MELON IS

Snake melon is a freak vegetable commonly known as a snake melon to the Ledger office Saturday afternoon. The snake melon is a species of cucumber, but grows in a coil and resembles a snake.

Orin Dem returned home Sunday afternoon from San Antonio, where he had been on business.

LADY WAS IN A BAD FIX FROM NERVOUS INDIGESTION

Biloxi, Miss.—"I had, for a year or more, nervous indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble," says Mrs. Alonzo Ford, 1117 Clay Street, this city.

"Every night, and night after night, I had to take something for a laxative, and it had to be kept up nightly. My side would pain. I looked awful. My skin was sallow and seemed spotted. I would look at my hands and arms, and the flesh looked lifeless.

"I happened to get a Birthday Almanac, so I told my husband I would try the Black-Draught, which I did. I took a few big doses. I felt much better. My liver acted well. I made a good, warm tea and drank it that way. Soon I found

FRANCE SIGNS ISLAND TREATY

PARIS, July 9.—The Chamber of Deputies today unanimously approved the Washington treaties relating to the Pacific. The chamber passed the bill approving the treaty which was cancelled in December 1921, by France, Great Britain, the United States and Japan, covering their island possessions in the Pacific and the declaration which was adopted on the same date relating to the Pacific mandates.

In the debate on the question in the Chamber of Deputies, Deputy Archibaud, socialist radical, said that the president of the United States had expressed remarks which were "very unfortunate, if not to say unfriendly to France."

Archibaud referred to the message sent by President Harding to the Senate on the Pacific pact, and said that it contained allusions far from favorable to the treaty of Versailles.

Biliousness and Constipation "For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve all feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, helping the system to do its work naturally," writes Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.

NAMES ANOTHER MAN AS SHERIFF

MOUNT PLEASANT, Tex., July 9.—W. L. Kelly was appointed sheriff of Tins county today by District Judge Wilkinson, following the action of the jury yesterday in returning a verdict of guilty against Sheriff John Reeves, charged with bribery, misconduct and malfeasance in office.

Sheriff Reeves was charged with "standing in" with moonshiners and bootleggers, witnesses testified that Reeves got part of the money realized from the sale of bootleg liquor. He was on trial for several days and took the stand in his own behalf, claiming he was innocent and the victim of a "frame-up."

One Dollar Saved Represents Ten Dollars Earned

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he cannot be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Cough and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents, and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars.

Robert Bruce and Paul Jeanes left Sunday morning for Austin, where they will visit friends.

ROBS CALOMEL OF NAUSEA AND DANGER

Medicinal Virtues Retained and Improved — Dangerous and Sickening Qualities Removed. Perfected Tablet is Called "Calotabs."

The latest triumph of modern science is a "de-nauseated" calomel tablet known to the drug trade as "Calotabs." Calomel, the most generally useful of all medicines thus enters upon a wider field of popularity—purified and refined from those objectionable qualities which have heretofore limited its use.

In biliousness, constipation, headaches and indigestion, and in a great variety of liver, stomach and kidney troubles calomel was the most successful remedy, but its use was often neglected on account of its sickening qualities. Now it is the easiest and most pleasant of medicines to take. One Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No taste, no griping, no nausea, no salts. A good night's sleep and the next morning you are feeling fine, with a clean liver, a purified system and a big appetite. Eat what you please. No danger.

Calotabs are sold only in original, sealed packages, price thirty-five cents for the larger, family package; ten cents for the small, trial size. Your druggist is authorized to refund the price as a guarantee that you will be thoroughly delighted with Calotabs.—(Adv.)

LOCATES FRIEND THRU LEDGER NEWS ITEM

(Brownwood Bulletin)

The Bulletin news man has located an old time friend of East Texas, when he has not seen in 45 years or longer and whom he hopes to see in the near future. A few days ago while glancing thru The Banner-Daily Ledger he noticed that "Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Swift, of Eastland, were visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. A. Dickinson, in Ballinger, for a few days." Cutting the item out, the news man pasted it at the head of a letter which he wrote Mrs. Dickinson, asking if this was the Jim Swift that used to live in Nacogdoches county. The answer came back promptly that it was the same man, and that he and Mrs. Swift are now living at Cisco. The writer wrote Mr. Swift of an incident that happened at the Swift old store in East Texas. On a certain Christmas day, the father of the write and an uncle whose name was Thomson decided they would like to have an egg nog. So they walked thru the woods two miles to Swift's store, where J. C. Swift was clerking. Among other things Swift sold whiskey as did all country stores, mostly, back in the old days. The mother of the writer, he being about 7 years old, placed two dozen eggs in a small tin bucket and he took the eggs along, selling them to J. C. Swift for 25 cents—42 cents per dozen. The whiskey was bought, one quart, and it cost 75 cents. It was kept in a log house some distance from the store, and while J. C. Swift was filling the bottle, the barn lot gate came open and three miles came out. Hastily setting the bottles down, Swift sprang up, ran out and drove the mules back into the lot. This incident is recalled, and the writer wrote Mr. Swift in regard to it, hoping to hear from him in a few days.

FIND STRONG FLOW OF WATER IN STERLING CO.

Drillers at the Hull well No. 1 in the George Hull pasture on the Mosse Herrin Survey No. 6 struck a water-bearing sand around the 200 foot level which they estimate will produce at least 33 gallons of pure water per minute or fifty 40-gallon barrels per hour. Six miles east of this point on Survey No. 6 in the Ben Harlen well the same thing occurred. This goes to show that a subterranean lake exists underneath the surface in this locality.

At the rate of 33 gallons a minute, if this amount of water was pumped into a tank one acre square it would cover it 2 inches deep in 24 hours. In 109 days, if the pump was kept going, and the one-acre tank was high enough to hold it, the water in the tank would be 16 feet, 8 inches deep. This amount would cover 1 and 2-3 acres of land 1 foot deep in the 109 days.

If these lands with their proven possibilities were located in places like California where they know the value of good land and water, they would be fortunes to their owners. As it is it will be left to the younger generation to develop their riches. The day will come when a quarter section of this land will be worth a hundred sections as they stand now because if you give a man plenty of water, the problem is solved.—Sterling News-Record.

MORE TWINS FOR SOUTH BALLINGER

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Cobb are entertaining the second set of twins at the home in South Ballinger. A fine boy and girl were born to them last Saturday. A few years ago they were visited by the stork which left a boy and girl.

This is also the second set of twins for South Ballinger within the last week, the stork recently visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Lowry and leaving a fine pair of twins.

CEMENT TRUCK TO SHOW HERE

The Portland Cement Company of Texas and the Texas A. & M. College are operating a truck thru this part of Texas which carries an apparatus for demonstrating the proper mixture of concrete. The truck this week is demonstrating in and around Brown county, and next week the truck will be in Ballinger. On July 18 and 19 the truck will demonstrate at the S. H. Meeks place near Winters. The demonstration here will be made on the D. Oliver farm.

This truck is sent out by the extension service of A. & M. and the Portland Cement Company. It is accompanied by M. R. Bentley of A. & M., and a Portland company representative who deliver lectures to the farmers telling how they may be able to better equip their farms with cement tanks and other concrete necessities. The county farm agent's department of Rannels county will co-operate in the demonstrations.

AUTO SALES GOOD HERE

The sales of automobiles in Ballinger and the surrounding country have been good for the last two weeks. There are three automobile agencies in the city and the total sales for the three amount to twenty-seven sales for the last two weeks, for new cars, second-hand cars and tractors.

The Ballinger Auto Company, agents for the Chevrolet car, reports the following sales for the last two weeks: Rowena Anderson, touring car; R. W. Bruce, touring car; Conroe and Brim, touring car; W. C. McCarver, sedan; A. C. Herring, coupe, and J. T. Wylie, touring car.

Harwell Motor Company, Ford agency, reports the following sales: new cars; W. C. Wheelis, W. T. Crockett, J. L. McShan, C. R. Clayton, Hammond O'Kelly, G. B. Poole, Higginbotham Bros., and James McKown; second-hand cars, James Duncan, Morris Taylor, A. C. Chapman, A. C. Kriedal, H. B. Stallworth, J. G. Enson and R. N. Norris. Those buying Ford tractors were: A. J. Thorp, James Barron and S. M. Jones.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co., agent for Dodge Bros. motor cars, reports the following purchasers: Miss Aileen Noyes, Dodge coupe; Hugh Campbell, touring car; and G. S. Walker, touring car.

BALLOON RACE ENDS IN DEATH

PORT STANLEY, Ontario, July 9.—The body of Lieut. L. J. Roth, pilot of the ill-fated United States navy balloon, was found in the basket of the balloon fourteen miles Southwest of here today.

The body was clad only in underwear, and was lashed to the basket, which was floating in the water.

No trace has been found of Lieut. T. B. Null, who accompanied Lieut. Roth.

The balloon left Indianapolis in a race last Wednesday and disappeared in a few hours. It was at first thought that the balloon had dropped into Lake Erie. The basket was picked up by a fishing boat after a vain search by airplanes and flying boats, and other agencies for three days.

Evidence and circumstances surrounding Roth's death indicated that he died from exposure. This was seen in the fact that the head and shoulders of the man were hanging over the edge of the basket.

WINDSOR, Ont., Canada, July 9.—A body, believed to be that of Lieut. T. B. Null, missing American naval balloons, was found today in Lake Erie off Point Pelee, near Leamington.

RELIEVES... HCG... A Special prescription for infectious diseases of the urinary tract. Pains, inflammation. Package contains all needed, will not cause stricture. \$1.00 at Druggists or prepaid. ONE CENT PER COPY. See New Orleans, La.

Stuart L. Williams is at home from Denver, Colorado, where he went to accompany Mrs. Williams, and spend a few days. Mrs. Williams will spend the summer in Colorado.

Miss Merza Utt, of Dallas, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cottle this week.

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Swabbing to Test Strength Oil Well Near Ballinger

For the last two weeks or more, there has been renewed agitation of the oil development in the local field, but due to the fact that so many false reports have been circulated here, and due to the fact that in recent years what were declared to be good showings have gone for naught, and also at the request of the promoters of the present development, The Ledger deemed it wise to lay off for awhile. However, we have been keeping a close watch on the situation, with an eagerness to carry news that would be real news and easy to verify.

While it cannot be said at this time what the final result will be, it can be said and verified that there is a good showing of oil in the F. W. Hunter Well No. 1, on the W. E. Allen land, three miles West of Ballinger. This well was formerly known as the Safety First.

It became known, as above stated, two weeks ago, that there was an oil showing in the Hunter well, and from time to time reports have gone out as to the exact status of the well, and what it promised to do towards opening a field here. When the oil was first found, drilling was suspended, and since then O. Wilson, in charge of the development, has been busy himself with work of making a test of the strength of the well. In the meantime, it is claimed that the oil has continued to rise in the hole, until today it is within about one hundred feet of the top of the 3700 foot hole, and is reported to be gradually rising.

The editor of The Ledger visited the well Friday morning, and can give at first hand exactly what he saw, and tell exactly what was told him, and by whom, and the public can then do its own speculating as to what will be the final result of the test.

We found a busy crew on the job Friday morning. A truck load of material for a storage tank arrived at the well while we were present, and workmen from the Breckenridge field began immediately to erect the tank near the well where men with teams and scrapers were at work excavating for the storage. Several workmen were also busy rigging up the well for swabbing, and a brand new swab was ready for the job as soon as the four inch pipe is connected between the well and the storage tank. The boiler has been moved back to prevent fire, and was ready with steam pressure to operate the rig when the storage tank is in readiness.

There seems to be little, if any, gas pressure in the well, but the gradual rise of oil indicates that it is growing stronger. It was first reported that the well was standing 1,000 feet in oil and water. Later it was reported that there was more than 2,000 feet of "fluid" in the well, and from day to day this has increased until today the 3700 foot hole is almost full of what is said to be oil.

F. W. Hunter, who came here more than four years ago, as representative of the Safety First Oil Company of Arizona, and who has remained on the job despite all kinds of discouragements and disappointments, is enthusiastic over the present outlook, and those associated with him are equally optimistic over the outlook for a real oil well.

"We have nothing to keep from the public," said Mr. Hunter, "and I hope that a large crowd will be out here when we swab out the well and see what it will make." Mr. Hunter stated that notice would be given when the test was made, and the public given an opportunity to come out and see for themselves.

It was stated that it would require about two days to put up the 500-barrel storage tank, and get in shape to swab the well, and unless there were other delays, the present supply of oil in the well would be swabbed out Sunday afternoon or Monday morning, and then plans will be laid for drilling deep into the sand, and determine the value of the field. It is claimed that the bit only touched the sand for a few feet when the oil find was made.

O. Wilson, in charge of the drilling, has expressed much confidence in the proposition since he took over the job. He is one of the most successful drillers in the Breckenridge field, and he said from the beginning that the log of the Hunter well offered every promise of pay dirt. Mr. Wilson has put much of his own money in the hole, and has made many trips to Breckenridge to get material and equipment for carrying on the drilling. Mr. Wilson thinks he has discovered one of the best oil fields in Texas here, and he is not going to give up until a thorough and complete test is made.

The next few days will probably tell the whole story. These are the facts as they present themselves today.

DOES HOUSEWORK AT SEVENTY-FOUR

Mrs. Autrey Says Stella Vitae Keeps Her Young and in Vigorous Health

"I reckon I am a Stella Vitae crank, but this splendid medicine is what keeps me young and able at 74 to do all my housework," said Mrs. M. C. Autrey, a well known and highly respected resident of Hooks, Texas, the other day.

"I was badly rundown and suffered constantly from pains in my back which hurt so I thought they would kill me. I was just miserable from one day to another and felt like my end was drawing near.

"One day an old lady stopped to see me and told me about Stella Vitae and I sent and got three bottles. They helped me so much I sent for three more and became sound and well."

Stella Vitae may be obtained from any drugist and the purchase price will be refunded if it fails to bring relief.

NEW PROCESS FOR CHARGING BATTERIES

The Roth Potential Constant charging machine installed by the Ballinger Auto Company, keeps Ballinger apace with the auto age, and gives patrons with battery trouble service while they wait.

The machine shoots the "juice" into the down and out batteries in much quicker time than the old way of charging, and operates automatically, giving to each battery the exact number of voltage it requires and no more. When the battery is charged to its full strength, it reacts against the charging machine, and there is no danger of injuring the battery by heating, or overcharging, it is stated.

Marvin Taylor is in charge of the Ballinger Auto Co.'s battery station. He took a course in battery repairing and battery building in one of the factories, and with a modern machine for handling battery work, this service is equal to any found in the larger cities.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Collins, of Waco, came in Saturday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Collins, and Mr. and Mrs. Davis.

MOTHER ILL; IN PITIFUL PLIGHT

The serious condition of his sick wife forced a man by the name of Stratton, to call for help this week. A phone message to Rev. G. Gollbach reported that a family was in destitute circumstances and one death if not probably two, would result if something was not done for them.

Rev. Gollbach visited the place where the Stratton family was living. He found Mrs. Stratton seriously ill with fever and the case has been pronounced typhoid fever. Nearby was a two months old baby in rags and dirt, and in a serious condition for the want of proper nourishment and attention.

The case was reported to the health authorities, and Rev. Gollbach called on different organizations and soon obtained financial aid for the sick woman, and she and her baby were removed to the Halley & Love sanitarium, where medical aid has been offered free and where the mother and baby will be cared for at a charity rate fixed by the sanitarium.

Rev. Gollbach stated that he had raised \$50 towards caring for the unfortunate family. The county appropriated \$25; the local charity board \$15 and the Red Cross committee \$10, and this amount will go towards defraying sanitarium expenses and aiding the poverty stricken family. It was stated that the woman would be confined to the sanitarium for at least a month, and more funds will be needed. Those wishing to help in caring for the mother and baby until they recover should get in communication with Rev. Gollbach at once. It is a case of charity which is worthy the help of the public.

Mr. Stratton came to Ballinger with his family from San Saba about a year ago. He has been working on the streets here, and kept pretty well employed until his wife became ill and he had to remain at home to look after her.

There are two other children, about four and eight years old, in the family. The family was living in a shack of a home, without screens, with a scanty supply of bedding, and no comforts for the home.

Man Postpones His Funeral

"I am 66 years old and for past two years have been suffering so badly from stomach and liver troubles, bloating and colic attacks that I did not expect to live more than a few months and was arranging my affairs and even my funeral. Three doses of Mavr's Wonderful Remedy have entirely cured me." 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. —All drugists.

SCRAP AT COOK'S CAFE

An altercation at the Ed Cook (negro) restaurant occurred Friday night in which Mary Kinche and Bessie Jones were the participants, both receiving slight injuries. Mary Kinche wielded a broom handle effectively and Bessie Jones used the favorite weapon, the razor.

Mary Kinche was cut on the arm and the Jones woman was seriously injured and both appeared in Judge Willingham's court and received the usual fine and fatherly advice, to go their way and sin no more.

The trouble is the result of bad feeling engendered at the celebration on the 19th of June and was an aftermath of this gathering.

Mrs. H. H. Luckett left this afternoon for Toyah, where she will spend some time looking after business and visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones came up from Coleman Friday and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thorp while en route to Mineral Wells for a vacation.

Miss Dona Bell Allen, of Big Spring, is here visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Allen, and aunt, Mrs. Nathan Allen Jr.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on June 30th, 1923.

RESOURCES	
1. a. Loans and discounts, including rediscunts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c)	\$442,575.72
Total loans	442,575.72
2. Overdrafts, unsecured	260.02
4. U. S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES OWNED:	
a. Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	\$25,000.00
b. All other United States Government securities (including premiums if any)	6,900.00
Total	31,900.00
5. OTHER BONDS, STOCKS, SECURITIES, etc.:	6,525.00
6. Banking House, \$20,460.00; Furniture & Fixt., \$6,535.00	26,995.00
7. Real estate owned other than banking house	17,500.00
8. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	38,921.59
9. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	170,640.91
11. Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9 and 10)	95.51
13. Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12)	515.79
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	171,252.21
14. a. Checks and drafts on banks (including Federal Reserve Bank) located outside of city of reporting	5,203.58
b. Miscellaneous cash items	1,143.63
15. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	1,250.00
TOTAL	\$742,626.75

LIABILITIES	
17. Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
18. Surplus fund	50,000.00
19. Undivided profits	\$11,253.58
a. Reserved for interest and taxes accrued	786.00
c. Less current expenses, interest and, taxes paid	12,039.58
20. Circulating notes outstanding	24,300.00
22. Amount due to national banks	104.93
23. Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in Items 21 or 22)	2,473.60
Total of Items 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25	2,578.53
26. Individual deposits subject to check	516,598.13
28. State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank or surety bond	20,635.51
30. Dividends unpaid	6,900.00
31. Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve Items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	543,233.64
TIME DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice and postal savings):	
32. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	10,475.00
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve Items 32, 33, 34, and 35	10,475.00
TOTAL	\$742,626.75

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July, 1923.
HARRY LYNN, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest: D. M. Baker, J. McGregor, J. Y. Pearce, Directors.

RESOURCES:	LIABILITIES:
Loans and Discounts	Capital Stock
Overdrafts	Surplus and Undivided
U. S. Bonds	Profits
Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc.	Circulation
Banking House, F. & F.	Rediscunts
Real Estate	Bills Payable
Cash and Exchange	Deposits
\$742,626.75	\$742,626.75

COLEMAN CAR ABANDONED HERE

A new Ford coupe was discovered parked in a side street near the Towler gin Friday morning, and the owner of the car was apprised of his loss and gear before he knew that he had lost. Officers who appeared on the scene and obtained the number of the car soon traced the records and found that the car was from Coleman county. A phone message brought the information that the car belonged to Walter Woodward, of Coleman, but Mr. Woodward had not missed his automobile, and went to the garage to take a look before verifying the report that someone had made away with his auto.

H. C. Whitley discovered early Friday morning that someone had attempted to break into his grocery store near the Towler gin. He

reported the matter to the officers. Chief of Police Pilcher appeared on the scene, and was later joined by Sheriff Flynt, and the abandoned car was discovered. The car was returned to Mr. Woodward, none the worse except a portion of the gas in the tank had been consumed. The car was in perfect order, with gas in the tank, and it is believed that the thief or thieves, became frightened and decided to abandon the car for fear of being apprehended. Officers have no clue as to who are the guilty persons.

Rev. R. R. Rives, of Brownwood, passed thru Ballinger Friday afternoon, en route to his home, after looking after work for the Presbyterian church at Winters.

Lem Creswell, one of the pioneers, was here this week shaking hands with friends. Mr. Creswell lives at Cotulla. He came up to look after his land interests in the Leaday country.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of July, 1923, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 9th day of July, 1923.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$177,759.09
Loans, real estate	4,970.40
Overdrafts	446.15
Bonds and Stocks	2,850.00
Real Estate (banking house)	20,000.00
Other Real Estate	41,729.59
Furniture and Fixtures	34,036.81
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	6,288.55
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	5,398.37
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	8,518.28
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange	NONE
Other Resources	NONE
TOTAL	\$301,997.15

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus Fund	4,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	309.92
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	4,225.02
Individual Deposits, subject to check	191,552.16
Savings Deposits	NONE
Time Certificates of Deposit	6,599.92
Demand Certificates of Deposit	NONE
Cashier's Checks	310.13
Bills Payable and Rediscunts	35,000.00
Certificates of Deposits, issued for money borrowed	NONE
State Funds	NONE
Other Liabilities	NONE
TOTAL	\$301,997.15

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
We, R. W. Bruce, as President, and N. K. Freeman, as Cashier, of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

R. W. Bruce, President
N. K. Freeman, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July A. D., 1923.
(Seal) Rufus J. Wheeler,
Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
C. P. Shepherd, Sam Baker, N. J. Allen, Directors.

RECAPITULATION	
RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$183,175.55
Bonds and Stocks	2,850.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	26,288.55
Other Real Estate	34,036.81
Interest and Assessment Guaranty Fund	13,916.65
Cash and Exchange	41,729.59
Total	\$301,997.15

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus and Profits	4,309.92
Bills Payable and Rediscunts	35,000.00
Deposits	202,687.23
Total	\$301,997.15

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Why not begin to get ready to buy that home you have been promising yourself and family. If you need some financial help or other kind of assistance in making your deal come in and let's discuss it. We also have anything from a small truck farm to the largest ranch for sale. Write or see us in person. Always glad to talk with you.

McGarver & Lynn
ABSTRACTS, LAND LOANS, GENERAL INSURANCE
Ballinger, Texas.

OIL! OIL!! OIL!!!
Again OIL is the theme of the day in Runnels County, for Hunter Well No. 1, 2 miles West of Ballinger, produced 35 barrels of High Grade Oil in 20 minutes Sunday afternoon, July 8th. This makes the third well in this county to go over the top. After passing thru 900 feet of Shell beds, Shales, Black Limes and pure Coal beds; Hunter Well No. 1 entered the sand at 3780 feet. Geologists have stated the formation passed thru is the finest looking Oil bearing formation ever encountered in this part of Texas.
Are your Titles in Good Shape; are your Abstracts down to date? Better see us and let us fix them up for you.
Guaranty Title Co., Ballinger, Tx.
Victor Miller, Atty., Manager

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The "Tech" locating board will be here next week.

An Indiana couple married after a courtship of fifty years. Wanted to be sure they were right and took time to consider the matter.

The lawyers are about to declare all amendments to the Texas constitution null and void. Perhaps it is a scheme to get the constitutional convention some have been clamoring for.

"I have the best crop I ever had in Runnels county," said a farmer who has been farming here for more than twenty years, and who has become independent at it. Not bad for a starter.

Two women bandits held up a traveler on the highway in Jones county. They were arrested and the money and jewelry recovered. Woman seems to be determined to be man's equal.

Whether Ballinger ever becomes an oil town or not, we must admit that there is oil East of us and oil West of us. A little more drilling may strike the big pool.

Some men have to spend so much time hiding their bad qualities that the good in them is often neglected, yet there is a little of the good in the worst of us.

Every man has a right to voice his opinion, but he hasn't any right to act ugly about it.

The first of another month has come and gone, and we cannot look on the bright side of life. It takes courage to be an optimist when monthly bills begin to 'mess up' your desk.

Wingate is inviting the public to attend an Odd Fellows picnic at that place Thursday. You don't have to be odd to come, there will be lots of folks there.

President Harding thinks that a consolidation of the railroads under government supervision, would solve the high freight rate problem. Wonder if Mr. Harding thinks the people have so soon forgotten the experience.

A chauffeurs' union strike in Chicago recently delayed a funeral more than an hour, when the business agent of the union ordered the hearse driver, who was a member of the union, to leave the hearse after the funeral procession had started to the cemetery. The chauffeurs are striking for an increase in wages to \$42 per week where they do not wash their cars, and \$45 where they are required to wash cars.

After so long a time the Southern states have adopted a program for educating colored girls in domestic science. During 1922 we are told that more than 62,000 negro girls in fifteen Southern states enrolled in agricultural extension clubs to learn better methods of food preparation and food preservation, making and care of clothing, care of home, poultry and dairying. This means that future negro generations will be worth more to the country.

It was a sane Fourth in Runnels county, with the exception that a few insane folks were permitted to run at large with autos.

We find that about one out of ten men who express themselves as being opposed to the highway amendment, do not understand the proposition and are against it on general principles. Ignorance often blocks the wheels of progress.

Despite the grasshopper cry, a few showers through July and August are going to put over the largest cotton crop ever raised in Runnels county. However, the grasshoppers made a clear sweep of it when they raided some fields.

Judging from press reports of the Dempsey-Gibbons show, there were a few vacant seats in the big bowl of the arena. We do not know whether it was due to a shortage of cents, or whether the public is coming to its sense and is refusing to be held up for unreasonable charges on such sporting events.

Governor Neff spent his Fourth in Havana. The Texas governor may never have caught a sucker or shot a Jack rabbit, but he is enjoying a privilege which some of his wet friends would no doubt like to make use of for a little while.

BALLINGER'S NEEDS

Ballinger needs a bathing pavilion, a place where the young can learn to swim, without having to resort to mud holes here and there in the creeks and river under conditions and circumstances which are not for the best moral health of the community.

Ballinger is to have a country club lake, but that is a private affair, and will not fill the bill for a majority of those who are now patronizing the swimming holes in the creeks and river.

Ballinger needs a swimming pool where swimming can be conducted under proper rules, where danger of drowning will be eliminated, and where mothers and fathers can go with their boys and girls and enjoy with them one of the greatest sports and recreations of the age.

Ballinger needs such a thing for the safety of human life also. Professions bathing in the creeks and river has already cost life and brought sadness into Ballinger homes, and what has been will continue to be, unless we meet the demands and supply the needs.

Even as a business proposition it would pay.

Big Events in the Lives of Little Men



"TECH" LOCATORS HAVE A BIG TASK

The members of the locating board of the Texas Technological College are confronting a big task, and they realize this, but they will face the responsibility, and select the site which presents to them the best advantages for building a college.

Dr. Bizzell returned to College Station after visiting other places in the interest of the A. & M. College this week, and immediately cancelled other engagements, in order that he might devote his time to studying the briefs and preparing to make an inspection of the sites offered for the new college.

"I realize," said President Bizzell, "that the locating committee has a great responsibility in the selection of a location for this institution. I am sure it is the intention of every member of the board to select a place that not only conforms to all requirements of the law, but also possesses the potentialities and natural advantages to insure a success of the institution for all time to come. I realize that this is a great responsibility and a difficult task but I believe personally that the locating committee will face this responsibility with courage and sincerity of purpose."

It will be observed from Dr. Bizzell's statement that the town possessing the potentialities and natural advantages to insure the success of the institution will be the town chosen for the school. It will not be the largest city, or the city offering the cheapest land, or the city with the largest water supply already developed that will necessarily be looked upon as the best site for the college, but it will be the city which offers the best natural advantages which can be developed to the interests of the college, that will be looked upon with favor by the locating board.

Do you know of any city applying for the college that offers better potential possibilities, or more natural advantages for such a school, than Ballinger?

THE VALUE OF BANDS

The Musical Review, a publication published in Dallas and devoted to the interests of good music, gives the bands credit for making the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at San Angelo last month the most successful gathering of the kind ever held in Texas. The Musical Review also speaks the truth when it says that a band is a valuable asset to a city.

Ballinger has a good band, and a junior band is being organized. Ballinger should be in a position to serenade the world with her bands at the convention in Brownwood next spring. Read what the Review thinks about bands and band concerts:

"The West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention again demonstrated what a band is worth to a town. The towns that got the greatest publicity at this convention were the towns that had a band, and the better the band the more publicity. No one will deny that Brownwood won the next convention mainly with its 'crack' band. The West Texas towns are alive to the fact that bands are a valuable asset to any town and this was fully shown at the San Angelo convention. The convention was a great success, but what would it have been without the bands? It was the twenty bands there, keeping the martial music going all the time, that put the enthusiasm into the hundreds of visitors and made the convention a success.

"Let other towns take note of this fact. A chamber of commerce or a municipal band is a necessity to any town. It promotes a better community spirit; it is a

HELPING TO LOCATE THE TEXAS "TECH"

The locating board will start out in a few days to select a site for the Texas Technological College. The locating board is depending on local committees in thirty-seven West Texas towns to help them find a suitable location for the new school. Without the help of the local committees the locating board's work would be greatly handicapped.

Business getter, and the best advertisement a town can have.

"Municipal band concerts should be given weekly in every town during the summer months. Such concerts furnish a clean and wholesome amusement, not only to the people of the town, but to adjacent communities for miles around. The softening influence of music puts the people at these gatherings in a cheerful mood, which causes them to meet and mingle with each other, and this in turn brings about a more harmonious and neighborly community. It is the creation of this more neighborly spirit that is invaluable to any town, and there is nothing that will bring about such a spirit as quickly as open-air band concerts. From a business standpoint, these concerts are valuable, too, for you will find many will connect business with pleasure and arrange their weekly purchases at one and the same time."

There are a few things every citizen can do to help the local committee. Naturally when you are expecting company you want the house put in order. Naturally Ballinger is a clean town, but there is always room for improvement. This improvement should be made now.

There are too many folks who are inclined to stand back, apparently expecting the local committee to handle the proposition without their co-operation. Yes, we have a few pessimists who will tell you Ballinger hasn't a chance, but when challenged to name a town which they think has a better chance, they begin to guess.

As a matter of fact, based on common sense reasons, Ballinger has as much chance to secure the college as any town in the running and a much better chance than a large majority of the towns applying. Some localities may offer some things which Ballinger cannot offer, but Ballinger can offer several advantages which no other town can offer.

At this stage of the game what Ballinger needs worse is a united citizenship, a citizenship which will co-operate with the local committee. The committee craves the co-operation of the people and will gladly receive any suggestion offered for their assistance in presenting Ballinger's claims to the locating board.

The local committee has dealt only in facts in presenting Ballinger's brief. It has been the committee's purpose from the beginning to present this city in its true light with its natural advantages, free from camouflage, powder and paint. We want the committee to come and see what we have to offer. We want to take them through—down the parlor to the kitchen, and show the men who will say where this great state college shall be located, that Ballinger meets every requirement, and that her citizenship is one which will back the college support.

The way to do this is for every citizen to get on the job and help

the locating board to locate the Texas "Tech."

TEXAS BANKER USES FERRASAL

One of the most widely known financiers in Texas is Mr. T. J. Cole, President of the Texas Mortgage Co., Dallas, who writes: "I am pleased to say that I have used Ferrasal for indigestion and acid stomach and I believe it is the best remedy I have ever used for such troubles. I know of no better preparation for indigestion, constipation and kidney trouble where due to acidity. Yours truly, (Signed) 'T. J. COLE,' 50c at Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

GRADER WORKING ON MAVERICK ROAD

The large crowd who attended the winners' picnic at Valley Creek last week had occasion to see the grader crew at work on the road leading to Valley Creek. O. C. Sykes, who taught at Maverick last term, was in Ballinger Tuesday, and stated that the road had been graded from the intersection of the Wingate road to Valley Creek on the Maverick road, and that the people were considerably encouraged and hopeful of seeing the road put in good shape all the way to Maverick.

The road has not had much attention for some time and is in bad shape, especially in places, and a meeting was held at Mav-

erick a short time ago to inspire some move for improving the road. At that time Commissioner I. A. Curry stated that his crew would be put on the road soon.

SIX FIRES IN SIX DAYS AT ABILENE

The Abilene fire department has answered six alarms in the last six days, according to the Abilene Reporter. The fifth alarm was answered Friday night and the sixth was answered late Monday afternoon. Abilene seems to have the record for successive fires.

TO SALVAGE \$5,000,000 IN GOLD FROM OCEAN

LONDON, July 10.—After nearly a month's salvage work, the wreck of the Peninsula and Orient liner Egypt, which was sunk off Ushant in collision early in 1922 is believed to have been located. The bullion on the sunken vessel is said to amount to about \$5,000,000, and British engineers and salvage experts have undertaken to recover it.

Turn about is fair play. Sit down on a bee and the bee will turn about and sit down on you.

Chicago girl is best pinch hitter outside baseball. Cop pinched her, so she broke his nose.

Potatoes cry their eyes out watching radishes try to live up to the seed package picture.

Treasurers' Monthly Financial Statement

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Paul Trimmier, County Judge; R. J. Deens, D. W. Yeager, Geo. W. Miller and I. A. Curry, Commissioners; who after being by me duly sworn, state on their oaths that they have fully complied with the provisions of Art. Nos. 1448 and 1449, having counted the cash in the hands of Mrs. Jennie Kirk, Treasurer, on the 30th day of April, 1923.

Recapitulation:

Jury Fund, cash balance	\$ 2,490.55
Road and Bridge Fund, cash balance	25,971.38
General County Fund, cash balance	19,669.95
Special Fund, cash balance	2,835.22
Court House bonds Skg. fund cash balance	5,417.94
B. B. Skg. Fund No. 1, cash balance	7,242.28
B. B. Skg. Fund No. 2, cash balance	5,216.00
Bridge Warrant No. 1, Skg. Fund, cash balance	3,118.93
Bridge Warrant No. 2, Skg. Fund, cash balance	213.19
Special Road and Bridge Warrant, Skg. Fund, cash bal.	435.99
Highway (Auto) Fund, cash balance	11,639.78
Road District No. 1, Skg. Fund, cash balance	5,449.34
Road District No. 2, cash balance	15,868.24
Road District No. 2, Skg. Fund, cash balance	3,931.95
Balance	\$109,500.74

Paul Trimmier, County Judge.
R. J. Deens, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
D. W. Yeager, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
Geo. W. Miller, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
I. A. Curry, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 15th day of May, 1923.

(SEAL)

W. A. Forgey, Clerk County Court, Runnels County, Texas.

Telephone Service

Crop prospects are good. Both Farmer and Ranchman will need telephone connection to assist in the work of harvesting.

We are prepared to serve you on reasonably short notice but suggest you place your orders as soon as possible so as to avoid possible delay.

Our long distance connections are complete. We suggest the use of this facility in the marketing of crops. It will save you time and money.

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Think of this as your bank. Come in and tell us how we can help you.

We know that our success is dependent upon the prosperity of our customers—upon you. We are here to serve, to boost and to grow with this city.

Make use of our facilities and service. We sincerely offer you our earnest co-operation.

BALLINGER STATE BANK AND TRUST CO.

We will cash your Victory Bonds without discount.

WHAT IT TAKES TO DRILL FOR OIL

Wet or dry hole, those interested in a thorough test of the Hunter well must take their hats off to Chas. Ferguson. On more than one occasion when the development was lagging, and a shut-down and suspension of further operations seemed certain, Mr. Ferguson got behind the game with that boosting optimistic spirit for which he is so well known, and made it possible for the drillers to stay on the job.

If the Hunter well should come in as a discovery well of a new field much credit will be due to the hard work of Charley Ferguson. After all funds had become exhausted, and the driller was preparing to abandon the job and when a move was put on foot to organize a company and pool \$5,000 to drill deeper, Mr. Ferguson got in the field and placed the stock in small amounts. He canvassed the county and put over the proposition almost single-handed. He went up against a proposition where confidence was lacking and in a short time restored confidence to such an extent that the drill was soon lengthening the log of the well.

Within the last few days, and when it again became known that funds were needed with which to purchase storage tanks, and bring additional equipment here from the Breckenridge field and make the final test, after it was reported that oil had been struck in the well, Mr. Ferguson got out and within one day he placed \$600 in the treasury to carry the development on to a finish and make a final test in the Hunter well. He organized a pool of eight men in Ballinger, eight at Rowena, and eight at Winters, putting up 20 acres a short distance from the well, and made it possible again to carry the test on.

It must be remembered that the Hunter well is still a wild-cat. It was understood to begin with that it was a big bet against heavy odds, but those who put up for the proposition did so because they were anxious to see a thorough test made after the hole had been drilled to such a depth and was in good shape for going deeper. The proposition carried no guarantee, and it was understood to begin with that it was wild cat work. It cannot be said now what the outcome will be, but those who have put up will have the satisfaction of knowing that a complete test was made, and that the well was not abandoned until it had been determined whether we were in an oil field or not.

Mr. Ferguson did what it required courage to do. He tackled a proposition which many looked upon as a joke, and boosted the oil game in the face of many false reports which had gone out. Others spent their money, sinking all they had in the hole, and worked for months on the development, but Charley Ferguson came along at the right time, and proved to be the right man in the right place, and if the well should prove a payer Mr. Ferguson will be entitled to much credit, and if it proves a dry hole, it cannot be said that he did not do his part towards making the test. It was a case of where optimism of one man overcame the pessimism of many, and it is just such optimism which develops oil fields and builds cities.

Col. G. G. Odum and J. F. Currie have backed the proposition with their money, and today are firm believers in the future oil possibilities of Runnels county. It is reported that Col. Odum and Mr. Currie will negotiate with drillers immediately for sinking other test wells, should the Hunter well make a good showing when it is tested for production. It is the pioneers who put up their money to blaze the trail which others follow in developing oil fields in wild cat territory, and Col. Odum and Mr. Currie are to share in whatever glory the Hunter well may bring in. They have been loyal to the cause.

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Mothers: Livergard is the new Laxative we cannot improve. Safe and best for the Baby, Father, Mother, grandparents, sickly and strong. When the bowels are sluggish, LIVERGARD makes laughing babies of puny ones; keeps ill away. Children are eager for it, grown-ups praise it. At good drug stores. Write us for free sample. Lungardia Company, Dallas, Texas.
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Trying to stop something usually starts something.

MANY TOURISTS REGISTER HERE

The presence in Ballinger of a comfortable, well-equipped tourists' camp is causing many people to turn their cars in this direction, to drive over our perfectly paved streets and spend a night in our midst. The manager of the camp states that the crowds are steadily growing larger and that all visitors compliment the business interests of Ballinger for their progressiveness in providing the camping grounds.

Recent registrations include: J. S. Stanley, Como, Texas; E. D. Stephens, Clyde, Texas; Homer Mardis, Hurley, Texas; Henry B. Kennedy, Muleshoe, Texas; Frank Snyder, Henley, Texas; H. V. Snyder, Ivan B. Mardis, Muleshoe, Texas; Mrs. M. Hines, Anna L. Ashley, Goldthwaite, Texas; Leona Dobbins, Hally Patterson, E. W. Patterson, Mrs. Louise Patterson, Winters, Mrs. Frank Hartgroves, Ruth Hartgroves, Hallie Hartgroves, Percy Hartgroves, Galveston; Mrs. M. A. Stewart, Menard; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weinheimer, Gus Weinheimer, Fredericksburg; Halley & Landers, Lawn; Mr. Hensley, wife and daughter, Abilene; B. Christian and family, California; J. C. Stokes and wife, Breckenridge; M. C. Coleman and wife, Fort Worth; K. Copeland, Arlington; J. E. Ellis and wife, Cross Plains; Henry Sharp and wife, Rholis Dunlap, San Antonio; Roy Richards and wife, Pipe Creek, Texas; W. E. R. Notman and wife, Missouri; F. S. Miley, San Angelo; F. Corbin and family, Fullerton, California; Mrs. A. Springstun, Georgia; Springstun, Tom Springstun, El Dorado, Texas; Alia Winborn, Sweetwater; Everett Everheart and wife, H. Winborn, Lubbock; W. N. Crain and family, Big Spring; C. F. Lueddeke and wife, Brenham.

Col. D. P. Moser was able to be among his friends on the streets again Tuesday morning, after being confined to his home for several days.

A. B., the little son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford, went to the Halley & Love sanitarium Tuesday morning to have his tonsils removed.

Sheriff Bob Miller of Paint Rock, passed thru Ballinger Monday afternoon en route to Galveston, where he goes to attend the sheriffs' convention.

MOTHER!

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You get fresh-mined coal directly from the railroad car to your bin. This means less breakage in handling your coal.

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CROPS ENTERING CRITICAL STAGE

While reports of damage inflicted to the cotton crop by grasshoppers are more or less conflicting and hard to pin down definitely, it is probable that they are more or less exaggerated. There is no question that hail has damaged a limited area in this county, but with the enlarged area planted to cotton, present prospects make it appear that the cotton crop of last years will at least be equalled, if not exceeded. And of course another 60 days will be required until that can be verified.

In spite of the lessons of the feed shortage of last year, it seems that the farmers of this section have again failed to devote the proper acreage to this very essential crop.

But if the hard lesson of the grasshopper can definitely show to farmers the advantages of more poultry, and especially turkeys, which thrive on the succulent grasshopper, and of the cow and sow as well, then their visit will not have been in vain.—Sweetwater Reporter.

What is true with the crop situation in Nolan county is true to some extent in Runnels county. The hoppers completely destroyed some crops, damaged others, while many acres are in comparatively perfect condition. This county escaped the late hail damage, which destroyed crops in Nolan, Brown, Coleman, McCulloch and Concho counties.

The acreage is large and at this time the crop is in good condition and growing rapidly, but all farmers would like to see a rain. Feed crops are "curling" considerably, and must have rain soon to make a good yield.

The poultry crop is good, but the turkeys were not large enough to be of much benefit in waging war on the grasshoppers. The next sixty days will either make the largest cotton crop ever raised in Runnels county or it will hold it down to probably equal that of last year—40,000 bales.

To Stop a Cough Quick

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

FILLING GAPS IN WIDE SIDEWALKS

In a short time all the gaps in the side walks, caused by extending the width of the sidewalks in connection with street paving, will have been filled in. Lunie Dunne has a crew of men at work on the job and good progress is being made. The F. & M. Bank job has been completed, the job in front of Ladwig's for the Lankford building has also been completed, and the finishing touch is being put to the sidewalk in front of the King-Holt Furniture & Undertaking Company. Work has started on the sidewalk in front and on the Seventh Street side of the Ballinger State Bank building.

There are two or three non-resident property owners who are lagging on the job in coming up with this part of the improvements being made in Ballinger, and if we understand the law correctly there is a remedy for such cases. The city can have the work done and assess the cost against the property, adding extra cost for the extra trouble, etc.

There was considerable opposition to widening the sidewalks when the paving campaign was launched, but the opposition seems to have disappeared, and the people are all proud of the wide sidewalks.

There is a demand for a street cleaner, and a good job is waiting for some fellow who is not afraid to work.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

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

Sam Dunlap left Monday afternoon for Galveston, where he will spend a few days visiting friends.

O. R. Simms of Paint Rock, had business in Ballinger Tuesday morning.

Rufus Wheeler had business in Norton Tuesday morning.

COLLECTING RELICS FOR COUNTY FAIR

While touring Colorado, a Brownwood family will devote its time to collecting Indian relics, and will use the relics which they find in making an exhibit at the Brown county fair.

This will no doubt make a good showing at the fair. There are enough relics in the possession of people in Runnels county, which if brought together would make an interesting exhibit. People are always interested in such things, and they are also interesting from an educational standpoint.

In speaking of the expedition, the Brownwood Bulletin says:

"W. G. Baxter, Mrs. Baxter and Miss Glennie Patterson left Monday for a two months' trip thru the Rocky Mountains where they will be studying the ancient ruins of the prehistoric peoples of America, and collecting antiques of those people. They expect to do considerable excavating while on this trip. Mr. and Mrs. Baxter have been spending two or three months of each year in the Rocky Mountains for the past several years getting up a collection, and studying the prehistoric peoples. They now have one of the largest collections of relics of the ancient American Indians to be found anywhere in this part of the state. Mr. Baxter says that if he can get back to Brownwood in time he will arrange an exhibit of his collection for the fall fair of Brownwood this year."

EDEN COUNTRY WILL CELEBRATE

The business men and ranchers of the Eden country are planning a big barbecue and basket picnic to be held in the Pfleger Mott near Eden on July 18th.

Baseball games, goat roping and other amusements will be furnished for the visitors. This mott is one of the prettiest places in West Texas and the Eden people are noted for their barbecue and the good times they afford at picnics.

There will be a dance on both Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the picnic grounds. A big platform will be built for the purpose.

BAREECUE-PICNIC AT PECAN SPRINGS

At Pecan Springs tomorrow there will be held a barbecue and basket picnic put on by the citizens of Pecan Springs. Many people from Ballinger and the surrounding country will attend this picnic.

ODD FELLOWS PICNIC WINGATE, THURSDAY

The I. O. O. F. is completing plans for the big barbecue to be held at that place tomorrow under the auspices of that lodge. All Runnels county people are invited to attend this picnic and make it a big success.

Sheriff J. P. Flynt and Chief of Police Pilcher left Monday afternoon for Galveston, where they will attend the sheriffs' convention.

Miss Fanny Stephens of Chicago is here visiting Miss Marthyle Bridwell this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson returned to their home at Dallas Tuesday morning, making the trip in their car, after a visit to Mrs. Hanson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Yeager. Mrs. Hanson was known among her many friends here as Miss Lucille Yeager.

Y. M. B. L. HAS INFORMATION FOR TOURISTS

Citizens of Ballinger and Runnels county who are planning to make extended automobile trips this summer are invited to call at the office of the Young Men's Business League for road maps, information on road conditions, and other information of value to tourists.

Road reports are received daily at the League office from Dallas, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Colorado Springs, Colo., and other points. Free maps are furnished to tourists on roads leading in four directions from Ballinger. Other road maps are kept on file showing the highways, tourists' camps, streams, and points of interest in every state in the union. Copies of the Automobile Red Book, the official auto guide for the Southwest, are on sale at fifty cents, which is the cost price to the League.

A large map posted in the office shows the paved and unpaved stretches of road in Texas, as well as the roads which are under construction.

BROTHERS FIGHT NEAR NORTON

An altercation occurred at Norton Tuesday afternoon between two brothers, John Drake and Lee Drake, it was reported Wednesday morning, which resulted in severe injury to the latter, Lee Drake. The fight occurred in the field of Lee Drake, and was the result, it is alleged, of trouble growing out of the separation of John Drake and his wife.

From the facts as detailed, it appears that Lee Drake rendered some assistance to John Drake's wife when the separation occurred, which angered John Drake and brought about the difficulty.

Lee Drake's injuries were attended by Dr. Mitchell of Norton, which injuries consisted of a wound on the head said to have been inflicted by some sharp instrument.

Complaint was filed against John Drake in the county court, charging him with aggravated assault, and his bond was set at \$300.00 for his appearance at the first Monday in August, at which time said case will be called for hearing.

John Drake has six children and has been married twice. He has resided in the Norton community several years.

Will Hearrell, of Bronte, had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

HOPPERS LET UP IN RUNNELS CO.

D. F. Eaton, county farm agent, travelled about eighty miles in the Northern and Western parts of Runnels county Tuesday and he stated to a Ledger reporter that the grasshoppers were not doing as much damage in the county as heretofore had been reported. The county agent said his office had not been receiving as many complaints of damage by the insects as he did when the pests first hit Runnels county.

Mr. Eaton stated that the crops in this section, which he covered Tuesday were looking good and that they received a little rain in some localities this week. Around Maverick and Bronte the precipitation appeared to have been heavy as the county agent had to use mud chains on his car to pull thru on the roads. Points West of Ballinger received good rains the latter part of last week and the first part of this week.

The city government is replacing the electric light wires in the business district. A heavier wire is being put in which will carry more power and accommodate the needs of the business institutions for more current.

The parkway on Broadway is being cleaned off and dirt is being placed there to fill up the holes. By next spring this parkway will be covered with flowers and shrubbery.

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June 30th, 1923

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$442,575.72
Overdrafts	260.02
U. S. Bonds	31,000.00
Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc.	6,525.00
Banking House, F. and F.	26,995.00
Real Estate	17,500.00
Cash and Exchange	217,771.01
	\$ 742,626.75

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	62,039.58
Circulation	24,300.00
Dividends unpaid	6,000.00
Rediscounts	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	550,287.17
	\$ 742,626.75

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Get a jar of "Hair-Groom" from any druggist for a few cents and make even stubborn, unruly or shampooed hair stay combed all day in any style you like.

M'ADOO BOOM GROWS AGAIN

NEW YORK, July 7.—Detailed plans for launching a William Gibbs McAdoo for president boom have been worked out at a dinner by a dozen of McAdoo's most intimate friends here, the New York Evening Post said today.

Although McAdoo has not formally announced his candidacy, his supporters declare that they are confident that his hat will be in the ring.

The dinner meeting was held ostensibly for the purpose of honoring Samuel Amidon, national Democratic committeeman of Kansas. The committee of supporters, it is said, have picked Amidon to handle the McAdoo campaign.

Mrs. D. D. Dunbar, of Stratford, Oklahoma, is here visiting her father, B. D. Duncan.

O. H. Cooper left Saturday afternoon for Mexico, where he goes to look after business for a few days.

Misses Mamie Cathey and Beatrice Nance returned home Sunday afternoon from a visit to Sonora and Eldorado.

W. A. Francis went to Brownwood Friday afternoon to meet with other employees of the Walker-Smith Company, and look after business.

W. D. Seales and family left early Monday morning for Oklahoma, where they will spend a month or two visiting.

Child-birth

Here is a wonderful message to all expectant mothers!

When the Little One arrives, you can have that moment more free from suffering than you have ever before. An eminent physician, expert in this science, has shown the way. It was he who first produced the great remedy, "Mother's Friend." Mrs. C. J. Harmon, Scranton, Pa., says: "With my first two children I had a doctor and a nurse and then they had to use instruments, but with my last two children I used Mother's Friend and had only a nurse; we had no time to get a doctor because I wasn't very sick—only about ten or fifteen minutes." Use "Mother's Friend" as our mothers and grandmothers did. Don't wait, start today, and meanwhile write to Bradford Richards Co., R. A. 46, Atlanta, Ga., for a free illustrated book containing information every expectant mother should have. "Mother's Friend" is sold by all drug stores—everywhere.

"MAKE THAT OLD HAT DO"

Yes, we are still in the Hat Cleaning business in the same old place. You don't have to wait a week or 10 days for your hat. Why? Because, we render one-day service.

We clean any kind of a Hat or Cap that can be cleaned. For Prompt, Efficient Hat Service, see—

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Phone 134 at Ideal Barber Shop.

4 JULY TRAGEDY NEAR ANGELO

News of the accidental shooting to death of Charles P. Broome, a prominent sheep man of San Angelo, was received in Ballinger Thursday, and later the details of the tragedy were received here in a news story.

Mr. Broome was 49 years old, a brother of Claud Broome, of San Angelo, and one of the best known sheepmen and livestock raisers of Tom Green county. He accidentally killed himself with a Winchester rifle at his ranch home twelve miles from San Angelo about four-thirty on the afternoon of July Fourth.

Mr. Broome, with Roy Hay and Atlee McCleery, two ranch hands, had just finished eating a very hearty meal, and were preparing to move a flock of sheep to another pasture on the Broome ranch. Hay and McCleery had left the house ahead of Broome, who stopped to lace up his shoes. The men were in the corral saddling the horses when they heard a muffled shot and McCleery looked up in time to see Mr. Broome fall from the step on the back porch. The men rushed to the porch and found Mr. Broome lying on the ground in front of the door, flat on his back with his feet against the step. His 30-30 rifle was lying in the door, with the screen shut against it as far as it could go. The barrel was pointed toward Mr. Broome.

They picked him up and carried him to a cot which was on the porch. He was bleeding profusely from two wounds. While they think he was still conscious, death undoubtedly came instantly. There is no telephone on the ranch and the men went first to some campers, who were on the river at the swimming hole near the house. Then Hay came to San Angelo with the news of the accident, and an ambulance from that city brought the body to town.

Mr. Broome had his ranch fenced with sheep proof fencing and it had long been his custom to carry his rifle in the scabbard in front of his saddle in order to shoot any predatory animal that might be found in the pasture. It was one of those accidents that happen once in a thousand times. Apparently he had grasped the rifle at the barrel near the front sight and was dragging it behind him, holding it in his right hand. As he stepped out the door, the step under the door turned out, for it had come loose from the house, and Mr. Broome had spoken to the men on the ranch that it should be fixed. It is believed Mr. Broome lost his balance as the step turned out and unconsciously threw up his arms to steady himself. The screen door came back against the gun and pulled back the trigger and the gun was discharged, the bullet entering his right side, and went diagonally thru the body, coming out just above the center of his left breast. The bullet in its course pierced the heart. A nick on the screen shows where it jammed against the gun and the floor shows where the gun fell from Mr. Broome's hands.

Swelling caused by insect bites can be reduced by using Ballard's Snow Lintment. It counteracts the poison and relieves the irritation. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

SEND LOGAN PATIENTS TO KEERVILLE HOSPITAL, KERRVILLE, TEX., July 7.—Eighty patients from Camp Logan Hospital have arrived here as the first contingent of war veterans who will be cared for at the federal hospital here. It is expected 500 veterans will be given treatment at the institution which recently was leased by the federal government from the state. The hospital formerly known as the American Legion Memorial Hospital, is now known as the U. S. Veterans Hospital No. 93. Dr. R. L. Cook, senior surgeon of the federal health service, is in charge of the institution.

Colds 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.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Shultz were over from Millersview Sunday afternoon. Mr. Shultz saw the Hunter well flow, and he said that it looked like a real oil well to him. Canada is larger by 102,108 square miles than the entire United States, including Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

No. 786
Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Burt Fletcher, the postoffice address of whom is Maverick, Texas, did on the 31st day of May, A. D. 1923, file his application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas in which he applies for a permit to appropriate of the unappropriated waters of the State, from the Colorado River, in Runnels County, Texas, sufficient water for irrigation purposes, to be impounded in a reservoir created by the construction of a dam, and diverted by means of a pumping plant, said dam to be located at a point which bears South 50-00 West 550 varas from the Southwest corner of E. W. Bull Survey, No. 333, on the North bank of the Colorado River, in Runnels County, Texas, and is distant in a Westerly direction from Ballinger, Texas, twelve miles.

You are hereby further notified that the said Burt Fletcher proposes to construct a dam of masonry, 4 feet in height, 160 feet in length, having a top width of 3 feet, and a bottom width of 5 feet, thus creating a reservoir having an average width of 160 feet in Colorado River, and 50 feet in Oak Creek, length of impounded water Colorado River 5,000 feet, Oak Creek 2,000 feet, average depth of stored water Colorado River 6 feet, Oak Creek 5 feet, and having a storage capacity of 120 acre-feet, and to impound therein, and divert therefrom sufficient water for the irrigation of 27.3 acres of land.

A hearing on the application of the said

Burt Fletcher will be held by the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in the office of the Board at Austin, Texas, on Monday, July 30th, A. D. 1923, beginning at ten o'clock a. m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time, and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at the office of the said Board, in Austin, Texas, this 8th day of June, A. D. 1923.

JNO. A. NORRIS
C. S. CLARK
A. H. DUNLAP
Board of Water Engineers

Attest:
(Seal)
A. W. McDONALD,
Secretary.

A Splendid Medicine for the Stomach and Liver.

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COUNTRY CLUB DAM IS COMPLETED

The contractor who built the Country Club dam pulled up stakes, broke camp and moved his outfit back to Coleman county Thursday to resume work on highway building in that county. The work on the Country Club dam is completed and is ready to hold the flood waters which come down Los Arroyo, or the oil which overflows the storage tanks at the Hunter well.

There were quite a bunch of men and teams employed on the work of constructing the dam. There were seven or eight families camped on the grounds for several months, and the dam is one of the largest earthen levees in this section of the state, and will hold water which will create a lake covering about thirty acres of land. The result will be watched with interest with the first big rain.

Roy Steed, of Winters, has accepted a position with the Maeroy Theatre as operator and is on the job today.

Hot weather is hard on teething babies. They suffer the combined misery of heat, pain and stomach disorder. McGee's Baby Elixir helps the little sufferer through the trying period by correcting the stomach and bowels. Price 35c and 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Renee Chemet



Her striking beauty and brilliant playing has thrown Renee Chemet, the young Parisian violinist, into the spot light of the music-loving world. She will start an American tour in the fall. Three of Mme. Chemet's phonograph records were recently selected to be placed in the hermetically sealed vault along with three made by Caruso. These records, with others of today, will be taken from the vault 100 years hence, to demonstrate to forthcoming generations the highest type of music in the several fields in 1922.

The Friendly Path

CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Go out into the byways and highways and compel them to come in.

DELEGATES to the World's Christian Endeavor convention in New York some time ago had this command in mind when they formed 100 gospel teams and held revival services in Wall street and in other public streets in Manhattan. Impressive scenes were witnessed in all parts of the great city, crowds assembling rapidly when they heard the young Christian workers singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and other inspiring songs.

Enthusiasm aroused by the Mtg meetings under the Cross of Calvary during the New York convention doubtless was carried "back home" by the young people to all parts of the world. Much good, doubtless, will result from the inspiration for doing good which these young soldiers will give the hundreds of thousands of Christian workers. Those who love God and wish to see His work carried on with greater success will have good reason to be glad because of the wider interest the convention aroused for the Master's cause.

But the greatest enjoyment will come to those who actively engage in leading their fellows into the right path. It is not alone sufficient to think good and to live good if one desires to enjoy to the fullest the happiness which should be his. Far more pleasure comes through helping others into Christ's kingdom and through preventing sin and misery than can be experienced when one devotes all his time to thinking and working for his own personal salvation and happiness.

Wickedness is found in every town and hamlet, no matter how small. Opportunities for revival meetings are by no means confined to the big cities. And, while we would not depreciate the value of the many meetings held on street corners during the convention in New York, we do believe that as great opportunities for similar work may be found wherever humans live.

The only reason such a large number prefer to neglect worship in order to enjoy other pleasures, is that they haven't learned of the wonderful happiness which may be experienced through devoting a little time to divine services and constantly seizing opportunities to increase the world's smiles by uplifting work.

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A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

FRIENDS ALL

ONE time I knew a bed-ridden friend
Who could not hold herself upright,
Yet was a fount of golden light.
She held the sun and stars as friends
Who came to visit her week-ends,
And bring her smiling dividends.
The sunbeams were her playmates dear,
Who never failed to bring her cheer.
E'en in the winter of the year.
And when the bird-notes came to her
From out the early morning air,
Each sonnet was God's messenger.
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"POP-BOY" SMITH RESIGNS FROM THE CLOVIS CLUB

"Popboy" Clarence Smith has resigned as manager of the Clovis, New Mexico baseball team of the Panhandle-Pecos Valley League. At the time Ballinger was in the West Texas League, Popboy was manager of the Bearcats. Smith resigned on account of bad health. He started out in the baseball world selling soda pop at the Birmingham, Alabama league park.

Smith refused the presidency of this league to accept a position as scout for a Texas League club. The four clubs in the P. P. V. League have planned a couple of "Popboy" Smith Days" to show their appreciation of his work.

Only thing harder to carry than two watermelons is three.

A TONIC

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

Jim Freeman returned from Brown county Sunday night, where he went to accompany Mrs. Freeman and the children for a visit to Mrs. Freeman's parents.

E. J. Handley, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

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Wm. Cameron & Co.

PIONEER NORMAL BANKRUPT STOCK TEACHER DEAD SOLD AT AUCTION

Prof. R. B. Halley, brother of Dr. W. B. Halley of this city, died in the Halley & Love sanitarium Friday night at eleven o'clock.

Prof. Halley came to Ballinger for an operation a few days ago and underwent an operation Friday morning. His condition was such that medical skill could not give relief.

The deceased was never married. He is survived by his mother, of Dallas, who has been visiting in Ballinger for some time, two sisters who reside in Dallas, and his brother of this city, and other relatives.

In recent years Prof. Halley has been teaching in the Texarkana schools. Prior to that time and for more than thirty years he was teacher of mathematics in the Sam Houston Normal at Huntsville.

The N. Passur bankrupt stock of merchandise was sold at auction Saturday afternoon, being knocked off to Hooper & Mitchell, of Lampasas, on a 40 cent bid.

Mr. Hooper, who was here and bid in the stock of goods, stated that he would move to Ballinger immediately and engage in the dry goods business, having leased the Zappe building where the bankrupt stock is now located.

In the deal Hooper & Mitchell also get the stock of confectioneries, etc., which was a part of the Passur stock. The fixtures in the confectionery department were mortgaged and the party holding the mortgage bought them in.

The firm of Hooper & Mitchell is composed of father and daughter, Mrs. Mitchell being the daughter of Mr. Hooper.

The Same Everywhere

The editor of Paisa Akhbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective."

Reno Markin has moved to Ballinger from San Angelo and is connected with J. E. Howell & Co., formerly the Stroble Market. Mr. Markin orders The Daily Ledger to his home and says he is here to help build a bigger and better Ballinger.

Brandon Wilke is at home from Wichita Falls for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke.

Jas. Ladwig came up from Brownwood Sunday to join Mrs. Ladwig and little daughter, who are here visiting relatives.

A child can't get strong and robust while worms eat away its strength and vitality. A dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge puts the little one on its feet again. Price, 35c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

That Backyard Garden.

The backyard garden, which has been walled in with trees and shrubs, a lattice or a fence, to obtain privacy and to keep out unpleasant views, and which has been planted with flowers, either in a border or in formal beds, will be a pleasant place, indeed, in which to pass a summer afternoon or evening.

It will be still more charming if a bird's corner is provided to attract migrants in their season and such permanent guests as our latitude affords. Let us encourage song birds that stay the season through. The brown thrasher and our bird are the most melodious and the scarlet tanager and oriole the most decorative and perhaps the rarest, while robins, wrens, meadow larks, flickers, various species of woodpeckers and a score of other kinds of birds are quite as plentiful as sparrows if one does but invite them.

Home Comes First.

The possession of a home and the thought and interest centered upon a home make for contentment, peace and thrift, and all the qualities that make the ideal citizen.

Money spent on the home is the greatest investment, spend a little more to keep intact that greatest of divine institutions, remembering also that beauty and cost are not synonymous and that it is possible to create a harmonious environment with a moderate outlay, providing one is willing to make the necessary effort to cultivate a discriminating taste.

Through the magnitude of its influence in the formation of character—the home rules the life of a community and a country. Better homes make better children, better children make better citizens and better citizens a better nation. Neglect of home is criminal—a neglect of country.

Planning the Garden.

Any one with a knowledge of the principles of composition and balance, some familiarity with planting, such as it is desired to reproduce, and a good catalogue to give descriptions can make up a planting list without fear that it will not look well. It is difficult indeed to devise a shrubby planting that will not look better than what preceded it; and it is always possible to shift shrubs around. So start out fearlessly, confident that the further you go in study and experience the greater your pleasure.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get instant sleep after first application. 50c.

COSTUME OF KNITTED FABRIC IS INDEED A WEARABLE SORT



THE knitted vogue is creating a furor in the world of fashion. Reports from every notable style gathering at home or abroad pay glowing tribute to knitted outfits, according to them favor second to none.

Very charming is the youthful three-piece costume shown in the picture. It is fashioned of crystal crepe, the same being a new knitted fabric of fine silk. The bodice, sleeves and the chic Peter Pan collar are of peisley. It is just such effective models as this which are setting ago those who find delight in exquisite dress attire.

There are, perchance, those who are skeptical as to the advisability of an amateur undertaking to fashion a garment of knitted fabric. Perish the thought, that knitted textiles can only be successfully manipulated by the expert. On the contrary, knitted materials are a boon to the amateur dressmaker, as well as to the professional.

The rest of these fabrics is in the using thereof. The initiated, those who have "tried and not found wanting"

knitted yardage are most enthusiastic over its merits. The production of knitted fabric has been brought to a point of perfection, until one is assured most gratifying results in the matter of non-sagging and tailored detail which belies the idea of any but the master touch.

It is a simple matter to fashion at home a stunning suit or frock of knitted fabric or if one prefers, the better shops are displaying ravishing garments styled of knitted yardage. An outstanding fashion at the moment is the all-white midsummer knit suit or frock. It takes a minimum number of yards of knitted fabric to conjure a most arresting model consisting of jacquette and plain skirt, or, if preferred, a graceful cape to top a modish shirt of "wrapped" (top-over front) design.

Julia Bottinelly
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GUARD LEAVES FOR AUSTIN NEXT SUNDAY

The local company of the Texas National Guard will leave next Sunday afternoon for Austin, where they will spend two weeks in camp. Joe Simmons has been checked in as captain of the company and Will McCarver as lieutenant. The company will have to leave Ballinger in time to get to Austin before noon of the 10th of July. Capt. Simmons said this could be done by departing from here on the afternoon of the 9th.

The required number of members who will have to make this trip is thirty-six. They will be in Austin about two weeks.

All members of the guard are urged to be present tonight as they will put in the time drilling. Capt. Simmons said that it would be necessary that all members who were able to be present. The company will drill four nights this week.

A teaspoonful of Herbine will produce a copious and purifying bowel movement, improve appetite, restore mental activity and a fine feeling of vigor and cheerfulness. Price, 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

W. W. Chastain is off the road for a month and will take a much needed rest and vacation. Mr. Chastain will spend part of the time at home, and will visit a health resort before returning to work. He has not been in good health for some time.

FOR OVER 40 YEARS

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE has been used successfully in the treatment of Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which quickly Relieves by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus reducing the inflammation. Sold by all druggists. F. J. Heney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

D. E. McKenzie Gains 31 Lbs. By Taking Tanlac

"The Tanlac treatment not only ended my troubles entirely but also built me up thirty-one pounds in weight," said Dave E. McKenzie, 115 W. South 4th St., Bonham, Texas.

"For over seven years I had indigestion so bad everything I ate would feel like lead in the pit of my stomach and cause awful pains. Gas would form, bloating me up tight as a drum and cause my heart to palpitate until I would often have to get out of bed at night to keep from smothering. I lost my appetite, fell off in weight and got so weak I couldn't do a bit of manual labor.

"Tanlac gave me a splendid appetite and put my stomach in order right at the start, and soon I had regained all my lost weight. Ever since then I've been feeling fine and can do a man's work every day without getting overtired. Tanlac is the best stomach medicine made."

Tanlac is for sale by all good druggists. Accept no substitute. Over 37-million bottles sold.

Tanlac Vegetable Pills are Nature's own remedy for constipation.

4 BOOZE MAKERS IN ANGELO JAIL

SAN ANGELO, July 7.—Rube Castleberry, J. F. Homicutt, J. E. Collum and Bennie Laws are in jail here today charged with making liquor in violation of the prohibition laws. The men were caught in a raid made by officers yesterday morning on a still being operated on the Door Key Ranch, in a ravine near the ranch headquarters.

The officers caught the men in the act of manufacturing the intoxicants, driving within fifty feet of the still before the men discovered them. The men made a break for liberty when the officers appeared on the scene. Two of the men were arrested immediately, and the other two were later found hiding in the underbrush near the still.

A large quantity of mash, a twenty gallon still and a gallon of liquor was found. The liquor had just been run off and was still warm. Separate charges were filed against the four men.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holt and Mrs. E. E. King left in an auto for Oklahoma Sunday afternoon, in response to a message stating that Mr. Holt's daughter, Miss Hortense, who is visiting in Oklahoma, was seriously ill.

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 30th day of June 1923, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published in Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 6th day of July, 1923.

Table with Resources and Liabilities columns. Resources include Loans and Discounts, real estate, County school and City Warrants, Real Estate (banking house), Other Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures, Due from other Banks and Bankers, Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Other Resources. Liabilities include Capital Stock paid in, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, Due to Banks and Bankers, Individual Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Cashier's Checks, Bills Payable and Rediscounts.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: We, G. G. Odom, 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. G. G. ODOM, President (Seal) J. L. CHASTAIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of July, A. D. 1923. E. SHEPPERD, Notary Public, Runnels Co., Texas.

CORRECT-ATTEST: J. F. Currie, E. D. Walker, J. A. Zak, Directors.

Table with Resources and Liabilities columns. Resources include Loans and Discounts, Real Estate, Banking House and Fixtures, Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Guaranty Assessment Fund, Cash and Exchange. Liabilities include Capital Stock, Surplus and Profits, Bills Payable, Deposits.

URGES BANKS TO HELP MARKETING

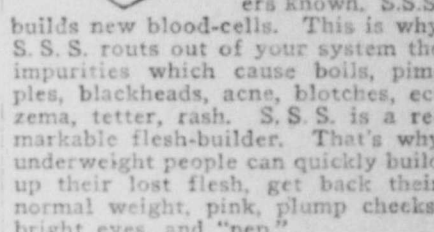
WASHINGTON, July 7.—A special circular issued by the Federal Reserve Board today, calling attention to all reserve agents of the importance of the Federal Reserve System functioning effectively in providing adequate finances for orderly marketing the agricultural products during the marketing season just ahead.

The circular letter made definite suggestions, but left no doubt that it was desired that the reserve system keep a watchful eye over the agricultural industry so that the recovery noted during the last three years may be continued without a halt.

Read the ads and profits.

S.S.S. keeps away Pimples

THERE are thousands of women who wonder why their complexions do not improve in spite of all the face treatments they use. They should not continue to wonder. Eruptions come from blood impurities and a lack of rich blood-cells. S.S.S. is acknowledged to be one of the most powerful, rapid and effective blood cleansers known. S.S.S. builds new blood-cells. This is why S.S.S. routs out of your system the impurities which cause boils, pimples, blackheads, acne, blotches, eczema, tetter, rash. S.S.S. is a remarkable flesh-builder. That's why underweight people can quickly build up their lost flesh, get back their normal weight, pink, plump cheeks, bright eyes, and "pep."



S.S.S. is sold at all good drug stores in two sizes. The larger size is more economical.

The World's Best S.S.S. Blood Medicine

MONEY TO LOAN Very attractive Terms on Farms and Ranches. Communicate with Jesse Allen Co., Brownwood, Texas. First National Bank Bldg.

DR. F. J. BROPHY, Dentist, Office over Winters State Bank, Winters, Texas.

VITALITY MAKE NO MISTAKE SCOTT'S EMULSION BUILDS STRENGTH

H. Giesecke and daughters, Misses Serena and Clara Marguerite, left Monday for their home at San Antonio, after a week's visit in Ballinger. Mrs. Giesecke and daughters, and son, Arthur, will pass thru Ballinger in a few days en route to Colorado for a visit, making the trip in their car.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets). It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 99c.

NEW KNOWLEDGE Former Sergeant Snodgrass and Ditto Private Whippler hadn't seen each other for a couple of years until they joined the same legion post. They gathered in a corner to reminisce.

"Do you still dream your old dream about getting a government farm?" asked Snodgrass.

"Yes," replied Whippler, sadly. "But now when I dream it, I've got sense enough to know I'm asleep."

Just Think About It. "Well, it's almost time to begin thinking about going fishing."

"I didn't know you were a fisherman. I don't remember ever seeing you on a stream."

"I don't go fishing, but this is the time of year I like to think about it."

No Need of Hurry. Georgette—Oh, look, Ludwig, we are right under the mistletoe!

Ludwig—I know it, darling, but I couldn't kiss you now because it would be taking an unfair advantage of you. There will be plenty of time for that after we are engaged.

The Effect. Aunt Lucy—You shouldn't allow the men to kiss you. It's not only un ladylike but highly insanitary.

Phillip—That doesn't scare me. Every time I've been kissed I think I never felt better in my life.



BETTER WITHOUT "I asked her to kiss me, without avail." "You were right to stipulate that. Kissing through a veil spoils half the fun."

SATURDAY
14th

Bankrupt Sale

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OF THE N. PASSUR STOCK

We have purchased the N. Passur stock of merchandise, and to this stock we have added SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS worth of brand new merchandise ---We are offering this entire stock at slaughtering prices. Everything must go in this sale

Sale Starts Saturday 14th, Doors Open at 8 o'Clock

Percal and Gingham per yard	Tissne Gingham per yard	Handkerchiefs, Men's and Women's, each	Ladies' Knit Vests each	Hose, Men's Women's and Children's	Domestic, unbleached per yard
6c	10c	4c	9c	9c	8c
Ladies' knit Teddies 39c Ladies' Muslin Gowns 43c Ladies' Brassieres 29c Ladies' Voile Blouses 59c Regal Corsets 98c Middy Blouses 49c Felt House Shoes 90c Ladies' Silk Hose, \$2.50 values 98c Ladies' Silk Hose, \$1.25 values 45c Children's Satene Bloomers 39c	Pongee, all silk, per yard 95c Imported French Gingham, 75c value 29c Unbleached Sheeting, 9-4, per yard 42c Bleached Sheeting, 9-4, per yard 43c 32-inch Gingham, 35c value, yard 15c Table Damask, \$1.00 value, per yard 50c Oil Cloth, 35c value, per yard 25c Blue Shirting, 25c value, per yard 15c Ratine, \$1.00 value, during sale, the yard 43c Children's Black Straw Hats 39c	Men's Cross Bar Unions 40c Men's Blue Work Shirts 45c Men's Dress Shirts 95c Men's Silk Ties 49c Men's Silk Socks 45c Tennis Shoes, per pair 95c Harvest Hats 19c Men's Soft Collars 10c Men's Felt Hats at Below Wholesale Price. Boys' Trousers 79c			
Men's Pants, Khaki and Cottonade	Turkish Towels, large size each	Bungalow Aprons, worth \$1.50, at	Hair Nets, double mesh, all colors, 2 for	Palmolive Soap, a cake only	
89c	19c	74c	15c	5c	

SHOES SHOES SHOES

One lot at 50c pair. All others at far below wholesale cost.

We have hundreds of other remarkable bargains that we do not have space to enumerate. Just COME AND BE CONVINCED.

HOOPER & MITCHELL

Saturday 14th

AT THE N. PASSUR STORE

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SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Collins and baby of Waco, are visiting Mrs. Collins' parents, W. S. Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Forgey have returned home from San Antonio and other places, where they spent their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook of Rowena, are spending a week with Mrs. Cook's parents, T. P. Brown and family.

Mrs. Mary West of Eldorado, who spent a week visiting South Ballinger friends, left for Georgetown, to spend several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. T. T. Rushing, before returning here to her school.

R. E. Brown and T. P. Brown and nephew, Oscar Brown, returned home Monday from San Saba after a visit to their father and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobb, of South Ballinger, are the proud parents of twins, a boy and girl.

Mrs. Jack Carroll's mother and sister, left for their home Monday.

South Ballinger's Literary Society met last Friday night. A splendid program was enjoyed by a large crowd. The Literary will meet again July 27th. Everybody is welcome to come.

Sunday school was well attended, with 107 present. Sunday

school at 4:00 o'clock every Sunday afternoon. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Evans and children left Monday in their car for Duncan, Okla., for a two weeks' visit to Mrs. Evans' parents.

"BLUE BONNET"

MEETING AT VALLEY VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
A revival meeting will open next Friday night July 13, at the Valley View Baptist Church five miles west of Ballinger. Rev. Ernst Baldwin, of Livingston, Texas, one of the best known and successful evangelists will do the preaching. On the grounds there will be cool water, good lights, good seats and cool tabernacle. Everybody is invited and is wanted to bring someone with them.

BALLINGERITES TO ENJOY CAMP ON CONCH

Quite a number of Ballinger people will leave Thursday morning for Baykirk on the Concho River, where they will spend a week or ten days camping and fishing. They will take everything that goes to make a camp pleasant. Those who will leave Thursday morning are: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stephenson and baby; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Carr; Miss Mildred Herring and Arch O'Kelly, Miss Dorothy Penn and Cecil Thorp, Mrs. T. C. Sellers and daughter of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cheatham, Miss Katherine Penn and Delbert Vaneil.

Miss Mary Phillips, of Brownwood, is visiting relatives in Ballinger this week.

USES SILOS TO STORE GRAIN CROP

W. O. Shultz is filling his silos on his Millersview ranch with oats, and he declares that the big grain crop is being blown into the silos without any trouble. Mr. Shultz is threshing over 25,000 bushels of oats this season, and that is more oats than Carter had. He says that the grasshoppers cut off a 400 acre corner of his cotton crop, but he still has a pretty good crop left. The Millersview country got a good rain Sunday.

The Ledger received Wednesday morning, a letter from M. T. McKay, who with his family moved to California some time ago. Mr. McKay asks that the paper be sent to him at Whittier, Calif. He says that it is rather cool out there and that they like the country fine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, Mrs. Gardner of San Antonio, Mrs. J. G. Douglass and little niece of Cleburne, visited Winters Tuesday.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One bay horse, 16 hands high, one brown horse 15 1-2 hands high; one gray horse 15 hands high. \$20 reward for recovery of horses. A. L. Carlisle, Bronte, Texas. 27-tfw

LOST—Brown horse mule 15 1-2 hands high, 6 years old, scratch on left fore foot. Notify C. L. Liddell, Winters. 13-1w.*

WHOLESALE MURDER IN SCHEME TO ROB STEAMSHIP AT SEA

The plot and subject matter of "Dead Men Tell No Tales," by E. W. Hornung, author of "Raffles," provided the popular writer of crime fiction with excellent material for a sensational and enthralling novel of desperate adventure and extraordinary criminal operations on the high seas. The novel, in turn, gave Vitagraph an opportunity to produce an astonishingly impressive motion picture.

"Dead Men Tell No Tales" has been visualized by Vitagraph as a Tom Terris special production and will be shown at the Fo-to-sho Theatre, Ballinger, on Saturday, July 14th.

Senor Joaquin Santos stands as a singular figure in the literature of crime. He possesses the imagination and daring of his buccaneer ancestors, together with the cold, calculating murderosity of the footpad who strikes down his victims in the dark.

In his plot to loot the treasure ship, the Lady Jermyn, of cases of Australian gold, Santos planned to cause the death of all the passengers and crew, because "dead men tell no tales." He concealed this part of his fiendish scheme from John Rattray, however, knowing that the adventurous young "squire" would not willingly connive at wholesale murder.

This motion picture play abounds in exciting situations and spectacular scenes, notably in the burning of the treasure ship at sea and the fighting in the smuggler's secret passage connecting the water front with Rattray Hall. The leading feminine role is played by Catherine Calvert,

while the principal male roles are enacted by Gustav Von Seffertitz, Holmes E. Herbert and Percy Marmont.

Gilbert Pechecek left Wednesday morning for Brownwood on business. He has been here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pechecek. Gilbert is now traveling for the Wooten Motor Company of Abilene.

Robert Bruce and Paul Jeanes returned to Ballinger Tuesday af-

Mr. and Mrs. Scott H. Mack left Monday afternoon for Galveston, where Mrs. Mack will be under the care of a doctor. Mrs. Mack's friends hope that she will be able to return to Ballinger within a few days.

G. S. Walker and family left early Wednesday morning for Big Spring, where they will visit for a few days.

ternoon, after going to Austin to see about entering State University.

FO-TO-SHO THEATRE

"Where the Best Pictures are Shown."

SATURDAY

Albert E. Smith presents

"Dead Men Tell No Tales"

The Big picture of today! Your friends are talking about it. It has made a big sensation everywhere. Millions have read the book and have been held spellbound.

A VITAGRAPH SUPER-FEATURE

Hank Mann

in "MYSTIC MUSH"

A Federated Comedy

Admission . . . 10c and 25c