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### GATLING DEAD.

Gatling, one of the prominent citizens of our country died Wednesday morning, Feb., 12th at 6 and the funeral services conducted at the residence remains tenderly laid to the Norton cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

Gatling had been in feeble health for some time past and was at a ripe old age at the time of his death.

This paper joins many friends in condolence and sympathy for the bereaved relatives left to mourn his death.

### CHANGE IN FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

The interior of the First National Bank building is undergoing a change that will add greatly to the appearance of things. Yesterday was legal holiday, and the bank was closed for the day and took advantage of the opportunity and had the walls and ceiling repainted and the fixtures touched up a way that makes that institution look like a brand new bank.

### NEW COMMISSIONER APPOINTED TODAY.

The Commissioner's court convened this morning after a two days recess for the purpose of attending the funeral of the deceased member, J. E. McAdams. The first business disposed of was the electing of a commissioner from Precinct No. 2 to fill the place of Mr. McAdams. Edgar Jaroe, of the Crews community was elected and will represent that end of the county.

Mr. Jaroe is a splendid man, and we feel that the court did the wise thing in electing him. He is close to his people and knows what the needs of the community he represents needs and we predict will make a good commissioner.

J. T. Billups, of Truitt, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

### OIL CAN CATCHES FIRE CAUSES EXCITEMENT.

This morning when a lighted match came in contact with an oil can at the home of I. O. Wooden there was considerable excitement and Ike says that his daughter, Marion was the heroine of the hour and quickly put a stop to the fire. Mr. Wooden's little girl Margaret first impluse was to save something and she jumped and said "let's saving something" grabbing a union suit and some other lingeree. Mrs. Wooden said "turn on the fire alarm," while Marion the newly elected sponser of the Ballinger Fire Co., handled the situation by whipping out the flames with her cloak. The greatest damage was to Marion's cloak.

### FINE JERSEY MALE.

Max Zechang, one of our progressive stock farmers east of the city was here Wednesday unloading a splendid 18 months old, registered Jersey male which cost him \$100. The animal is a beauty and we are glad to report such fine cattle coming into our county.

### SKATING RINK TO OPEN SATURDAY AFTERNOON

V. L. Cannon, of Abilene, has been here all the week arranging to open the skating rink. He has renovated the building and expects to open Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. Cannon is accompanied by his wife, and Mrs. Cannon will give a free session every morning from 10 to 11:30 for the ladies, and she will assist those who can not skate in learning how.

Mr. Cannon is an experienced skating rink man, and says he is here to stay and will make the rink a pleasant place for those who enjoy skating and those who enjoy seeing other skate.

### CASE SET FOR MONDAY.

The Duke lunacy case which was set for today, has been postponed until Monday.

## United States Ready to Take A Hand in Mexico Fight

### Troops Ordered to Be Ready to Go on Minute Notice--City of Mexico Scene of Much Fighting--Loss of Life and Great Damage to Property.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Everything is being made ready to rush a sufficient number of troops to Mexico to protect the Americans and Uncle Sam's interest in that country, and not since the first out break in Mexico has the situation presented such an ugly condition as at this time. President Taft and the cabinet look at the situation as being very serious, and unless there is a change with in the next twenty-four hours it is probable the word will be given that will rush troops to the scene of real fighting.

First brigade of the first army division, numbering 3,000 men, resting on their arms and ready to entrain at a moment's notice for Newport News to board transports for Mexico, 2,500 marines from the Atlantic fleet and the Guantanamo naval stations prepared to sail for Vera Cruz to go to the relief of the foreign legation should they become besieged, as they did at Perkin. Four dreadnoughts of the battleship fleet steaming at top speed to Tampico and Vera Cruz and two others rushing on the Pacific side to Mexican ports to afford refugees to Americans and other foreigners.

### Arranging to Transport Soldiers.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 12.—Following the departure of Major Robert H. Rolfe, quartermaster of Fort Sam Houston, for Galveston to make arrangements with steamship companies for transporting troops from Galveston to Vera Cruz in the event of intervention into Mexico becomes necessary, the Southern Pacific road has been advised to hold sufficient equipment on hand to take troops from here to Galveston on short notice.

Coaches, stock cars and freight cars are now being gathered in the local yards. Estimates have been made that a total of 186 cars will be necessary for transportation of the troops to Galveston.

The report that the officials of the Southern Pacific Company have been advised to hold themselves in rediness to furnish equipment to move United States troops from San Antonio to Galveston, was confirmed at the general offices of the company in Houston late Wednesday afternoon. Beyond the fact that such notice had been received local officials were without information on the subject and the opinion was expressed that the matter would be handled entirely from the San Antonio end.

So far no steps had been taken in Houston to assemble equipment

for the purpose designated.

"We have been expecting the word any minute for a day or two" was the way one of the officials expressed himself. "There will be no difficulty in furnishing sufficient equipment."

### American Woman Killed and Others Injured.

Mexico City, Feb., 12.—An American woman named Mrs. Holmes was killed while the battle was raging at 2 o'clock this afternoon, both legs of another American woman, a Mrs. Griffith, were shot off while she was preparing dinner in her home, which was in line with the federal firing.

### Fighting in Streets of Mexico City.

City of Mexico, Feb. 12.—With approximately 8,000 men engaged, the battle for control of the Mexican capitol has been under way, the second day of the engagement. Americans and Englishmen have been forced to flee from the positions they took up in the American consulate and the British legation yesterday, and there is no place in the city that is safe for them. The long-range artillery being used principally by both sides is wrecking buildings in all sections.

The horror and uncertainty of the situation was increased shortly after noon Wednesday when the rebels threw open the doors of Belem prison and released between 3,500 and 5,000 desperate prisoners.

Felix Diaz's only movement

from the position he occupied last night was a movement toward the national palace this morning, which was begun at 8:45.

### No Place in the City Safe.

In reality, on account of the long range cannon used, there is no place in the city which can be said to be safe.

A shell at 9 o'clock tore a hole through the iron shutter protecting the cable office and fell in side.

Porter's Hotel and the American Club in both of which scores of American visitors and residents are gathered are in the direct line of fire.

Another heavy shell struck a building in front of the cable office about 10 o'clock, ripping away a corner of the structure.

The fire at the Mutual Life Insurance building has been extinguished, but shells have severely damaged the structure.

### TEXAS FARMERS WAIVING \$11,000,000 ANNUALLY IN EXCESS INTEREST.

Tyler, Tex., Feb. 12.—The farmers of Texas are paying out enough money each year in excess interest to build 7,000 miles of as good roads as can be found anywhere in the United States, according to a recent report of Mr. S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission. By reducing the interest rate to that of European countries, it would mean a saving of \$11,000,000 annually to the Texas farmers. Mr. Lindsey estimates the total indebtedness of the Texas farmers at \$210,000,000 and the excess interest charges on this indebtedness would purchase 4,000 Texas farms at the average price used by the Census Department.

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- For Alderman:**  
C. C. COCKRELL.  
R. A. NICHOLSON.  
E. F. KREBBS.
- For Treasurer:**  
J. WHIT PATTERSON.
- For Marshal:**  
T. A. TIDWELL.  
J. N. McKAY.  
B. W. (Chop) PILCHER.

What had you rather be than the president of Mexico?

You should be glad to get a Valentine, even though it be a comical one.

Snow and sunshine is a combination that makes West Texas famous.

"Creeks now out of their banks" read a head line in one of our East Texas exchanges. Ghee, wouldn't that sound good in The Daily Ledger?

The birthday of three great men come right along together; Lincoln, Feb. 12, Washington, Feb 22, and ye editor March 2. They are all legal holidays and will be observed.

Easter coming so early this year will work a hardship on the hens that supply the Easter eggs. It is the season when the incubators have to be supplied too, and eggs will no doubt sell for Christmas prices.

That New York millionaire consumptive that is offering one million dollars for a cure perhaps realizes that health is more to be de-

sired than riches. He probably lost his health making the million and now he wants to swap back. Guard your health and be happy.

Few of the common people of Mexico can read and they have to take the other fellow's word for the political situation. A campaign for higher education would straighten out the trouble, and this always been true of any nation.

The Houston Post says that Claud Hudspeth has introduced some amendments to the game law but not one declaring for an open jackpot season. No use to put a band on the jackpot season, the breed will never be exterminated.

It has rained fourteen Sundays in succession in the black land belt and the roads are impassable. Winter crops are badly damaged and the farmers are crying for dry weather. Come to Rannels county where we very seldom get too much of anything, but are healthy, happy and have a plenty.

Something new turns up in the parcel post mail every day and the latest is a package of skunk hides consigned to a St. Louis fur house. Uncle Sam will transport most anything if it contains the proper number of s-cents.

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness and some manage to put up a successful bluff.

Second thoughts may be best if they arrive in time.

A three year old New Orleans boy smokes big blake Havana cigars. That's right son, don't you use those terrible cigarettes.

It is very noticeable to the average newspaper man and its readers that when a newspaper agrees with some men and furnishes them with an argument, it is "reputable, and when it takes issue with them and their doings it is "yellow". A modern parallel to the fable of the giant and the

pigmy.—Weatherford Herald.

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**SEEING AMERICA FIRST.**

Washington, Feb. 11.—Many Americans have gone abroad before seeing the wonders of their own country. It is learned here that thousands of Europeans, fired with curiosity by the stories of the wonders of Western America, are now making weekly payments to secure passage through the Panama Canal in 1915, to see the San Diego Exposition, the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, the San Francisco Exposition, and the other natural wonders of the west.

**SIXTY-NINE PAWN SHOPS IN TEXAS**

Austin, Texas, Feb. 12.—According to records of the Comptroller of Public Accounts there are 69 pawnbrokers in Texas at the present time compared with only 64 one year ago. The amount of taxes payed into the State Treasury by them last year was \$10,350 an increase over the previous year of \$750. Ten years ago 35 pawnbrokers were doing business in the State and the taxes were \$5,250. The annual occupation tax of a Texas pawnbroker is \$150.

**OXIEN NEWS**

Feb. 8th, Oh! my, who said it wasn't cold. We sure are having winter out here. We had a nice cool breeze and mist of rain Sunday, every thing was white with ice.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson gave the young people a nice Pound Supper last Friday night everybody had a nice time and plenty to eat.

Preaching was postponed Sunday on account of the bad weather.

Mr. Emmett Snarty called on Miss Claudye Sims Sunday evening.

Mrs. Cousins and son Jesse made a flying trip to Ballinger last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Aleorn were visitors at Mr. Sims Thursday.

Miss Essye Sims has a risen on her lip wonder if Elbert thinks she is pretty now.

It seems like everybody is trying to get sick again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brevard have two sick children.

Mr. Milfred Brister's little boy is sick he has symptoms of typhoid

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fever. We trust it will give out.  
Mrs. Cousins got a phone call Friday to go to her grand daughter Mand Cook at Glen Cove, but we are glad to report she is much better at this writing.  
Miss Maggie Fouse is visiting her sister Mrs. Willie Goode of this community.  
Miss Ruby and Vera Fuller and Mr. Emmett Hinson were visitors at Mud Creek school this evening.  
Mr. Clifford Parker called at Mr. Hales Sunday. We hear Clifford is liking Willie.  
Farming is the order of the day out here now.  
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his offense the first time one year the second offense, three years, the third offense six years, and double the term for each and every offense thereafter. I believe this would stop drunkenness and thereby stop the prohibition craze. Deal with the offending party to society, and the one who is robbing or would rob his wife and children or those dependent upon him for a living, but do not destroy inanimate things which are of themselves harmless.

Mr. Editor, I will go further and say that I do not believe it is right to have a money fine for any offense. Make hard labor a recompense for misdeeds of all sorts. The miscreants would themselves have to pay for their wickedness and not their parents or some one else who can not easily spare the money fine.

Having said this much, I will ring off. This is being tried elsewhere  
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#### NEW LAWS

Spokane, Wash, Feb. 12.—Through the efforts of 100 determined women, Washington's legislators being swamped with a deluge of letters written in red ink. The lately enfranchised voters of Spokane have reached the conclusion that when they want something the way to get it is to organize and then go after it. Each of the 100 women who attended a recent meeting in the interests of legislation designed to aid their sex promised to write a letter in red ink to each of Spokane county's delegation. Besides, this the women are superintending the writing of similar letters by their husbands and friends. Matters claiming their attention are the mother's pension bill, teachers' pension bill, "lazy husbands' bill," vocational training in the grade schools and the introduction of a course in social and moral hygiene in normal schools.

#### JUST RECEIVED

A nice line of men's and boys' spring pants, also nice line of white goods which will be sold at close prices, A. J. Zappe, 13-1td Itw.

R. Gottschalk, one of the prosperous farmers of the Valley creek country was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday, and set his figures up to 1913 on the Banner-Ledger.

#### A NEW CURE FOR DRUNK HABIT.

Mr. Editor:

Now that there is no election on hand and we are all peaceable and our minds calm and unruffled, we can think and talk with perhaps more reason. If I were to stick my knife into some vital part of a man, and the sheriff should arrest

the knife and the court and district attorney and jurors were to take a hammer and proceed to hammer the knife to powder, we would think they had an abrasion of the brain, at least, if not draft.

Mr. Editor, they would at least be acting as wisely as some of our leading politicians and other leaders who are continually hounding whiskey, a thing as inanimate as the knife, and of itself as harmless but that something under the existing circumstances has to be done. I therefore, suggest, that the present Legislature pass a law to buy a farm or farms and call it a correction farm, allowing the drunk good wages and turn same over to his wife or children, or parents and if he has neither, then to the State, making

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