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TALKING PICTURES COMING TO BALLINGER

A contract has been closed by Manager Reeder of the Princess Theatre with Harry Laviett, agent for the Edison Kinetophone Company, owners of the Edison talking moving pictures for an engagement here—February 28th. The pictures will be shown at the Princess. This attraction should prove of much interest to the motion picture loving public of the city, as this will be the first time anything of the kind has ever been shown here, and it is brought here under heavy expense.

Mr. Reeder announces that the program will be A1 in every particular. Among the features will be John J. McGraw, the great baseball manager, on a vaudeville monologue, which alone will be worth seeing and hearing—for you'll even hear "John J.'s" voice in this picture." Baseball fans should not miss this picture by any means. Also there will be Dempsey, Seymour and Dempsey in a vaudeville act, "The Chimes of Normandy." The Edison Minstrels, and many other features too numerous mention.

ABILENE AND SOUTHERN EXTEND MAIN TRACK

Two forces of men were put to work this morning on an extension of the main track of the Abilene and Southern railroad from the passenger station to the court house. The spur cuts diagonally across the vacant lot, partly occupied by an old gin. The track has been laid to the Pecan street intersection, but all of the rail connections have not yet been made. The track should be completed by Saturday or Monday.—Abilene Reporter.

R. P. Taylor, of Norton, and Revs. Neal and Speers and Editor Eason, of Winters, were in Ballinger Saturday to attend the prohibition meeting.

J. Y. Pearce and George Holman returned home Saturday at noon from a short business trip to Winters.

E. A. Brookshire, of the Tennyson country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

SUCCESSFUL PROBLEM BY BOY SCOUTS

Running through the lines of the patrol supposed to at enemy with the one designated to deliver the important message from a prominent citizen of Ballinger to the mayor of Ballinger, the boy scouts of Ballinger completed a most successful military problem this morning before noon.

At nine o'clock the boy scouts assembled at the Ledger office, where they were given a very important document. The master of one of the patrols accepted the letter which was to be delivered to Mayor Powell.

The letter offered a suggestion to Mayor Powell to relieve the water situation in Ballinger. It was that a keg of beer be kept on tap at some convenient point in the city that those suffering from stomach trouble might be made well immediately after drinking of the beverage.

The message was successfully delivered through the lines of the enemy patrol, to Mayor Powell. He wrote a reply to the man who wrote the suggestions. It was as follows:

Dear Sir—Your suggestion is timely and to the point. I will have one ordered at once and would like your expert opinion of its quality before offering it to the public.

Respectfully,
J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

W. T. Baker, of the Houghton & Robinson ranch, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

M. F. Watson and son, R. T., of the Hatchel country, were in the city Saturday and says the oat recent cold snaps.

O. C. Puckett, of the Pumphrey country, was in Ballinger Saturday and handed the Ledger man a dollar.

Gus Glass of Rowena, was among the visitors in Ballinger between trains Saturday.

Miss Margarette Gregory, who teaches school near Miles, came in Saturday morning to spend Sunday with her parents and Ballinger friends.

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BALLINGER TRIMS ANGELO; SCORE 25-12

The Ballinger High School defeated the San Angelo High School this afternoon in a basket ball game on the high school grounds by a score of 25 to 12. The game was featured by excellent plays on the part of the locals in both halves.

The Ballinger club followed off with a goal and was quickly followed by another. At the end of first half the Ballinger High led two points ahead in the visiting delegation.

Gertrude Martin, playing guard for the local five, was the sensation of the afternoon, participating in many fine plays. Grace Burrell, also of the local five, was in excellent form for the fray. She made over half of the goals made by Ballinger.

Mr. W. S. Fleming, superintendent of the Ballinger High acted as umpire while a San Angelo man officiated as referee.

The San Angelo club was accompanied on the trip by several enthusiastic rooters who helped the visitors in making what few goals they did. Several teachers also were present from the San Angelo High.

The Rooters Club of the Ballinger High assisted wonderfully in the winning of the home talent. Yell-Leader Luther Mangum had his girls and boys trained almost to perfection and the manner in which they rooted for the Ballinger High was a pleasing sensation to even those who honored the opposing side with their yells. The yells were new and tuned to the situation.

The Ballinger High will probably make a visit to San Angelo within the near future, to play a return game. The visitors made the trip to Ballinger in automobiles and returned after the game.

NORTON NOTES.

Farmers generally are well up with their work. The oat crop is needing rain since the severe cold weather.

Mrs. Luther Williams returned home Sunday afternoon from Brownwood, where she had been at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Clark. She reports her much better.

Alta Inman and her brothers Coy and Ira visited Saturday and Sunday in Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ganaway left Wednesday for Borden County, where they will visit relatives.

The ladies of the Woodman Circle served ice cream Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Hambricht and Good went to Bronte Friday to market oats.

The remains of Mrs. John Hall was laid to rest in the Center Valley cemetery Monday afternoon. For several months Mrs. Hall had been at Mr. Sam Hall, her husband's brother until her condition grew worse and she was carried to the sanitarium at Ballinger where she died.

"Queen of the Prairie."

PRO CONVENTION ELECTS DELEGATES

Pursuant to a call for a mass meeting of the prohibition democrats, about seventy-five citizens from different sections of the county met at the court house in Ballinger at one o'clock Saturday.

The meeting was called to order by T. S. Lankford, county chairman. Mr. Lankford briefly stated the object of the meeting, viz: to elect delegates to a convention to be held in Fort Worth Saturday, Feb. 21, at which time a candidate for governor of Texas will be endorsed by the prohibitionists. Mr. Lankford in stating the object of the meeting, suggested that, instead of taking the time to elect temporary chairman and secretary that the convention at once elect permanent officers, and upon motion by Judge M. C. Smith this plan was adopted and Judge A. K. Doss elected chairman and A. W. Sledge, secretary.

Judge C. P. Shepherd made a motion that a committee of five be appointed to nominate delegates to the state convention. The motion carried and the chairman appointed H. K. Berry, Ed. P. Eason, Scott Mack, W. F. McShann and Judge M. C. Smith.

While the committee was deliberating short speeches were made by Rev. J. M. Neal, of Winters; W. S. Fleming, J. W. Powell, T. S. Lankford, R. P. Taylor.

The committee nominated the following delegates and alternates, and they were unanimously elected: M. C. Smith, R. W. Bruce, N. J. Wardlaw, Ballinger; H. O. Jones, J. L. Speer, Winters; Alternates, John Beard, Maverick; Tom Hammons, Wingate; A. D. Tally, Crews; Jim Kornegay, Miles; G. W. Clayton, Benoit.

The delegates were instructed to vote as a unite, and to cast first vote for Will H. Mayes for governor until Tom Ball came before the convention and then to vote first vote for Ball. There being no further business before the convention the body adjourned.

The convention was harmonious throughout, each question voted upon being made unanimous.

STUDENT HELD UNDER \$750 BOND.

Stamford, Texas, Feb. 13.—J. N. Hendrix, a student at Stamford College, charged with shooting Robert Pace, another student, has been released under \$750 bonds. Pace is recovering from the wound.

Hendrix stated Pace and other students were attempting to haze him, when he fired through a closed door to frighten them away.

The shooting occurred Saturday, February 7th.

Lynn and R. L. Stokes, two of the representative citizens of the Rowena country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

FELIX JONES CASE IS WITH THE JURY

Gatesville, Tex., Feb. 14.—Hon. Pat M. Neff closed the argument for the state in the Felix Jones murder case, at noon yesterday, and the jury immediately retired. Opinion as to the result of the jury's deliberations is pretty evenly divided.

The argument commenced Thursday afternoon when District Attorney J. R. McClellan began summing up for the state. He was followed by T. R. Mears of Gatesville and I. W. Culp of Killeen, for the defense. J. F. Cunningham of Abilene closed for the defense last night.

The trial of the case began here last Monday in the Fifty-second district court, Judge J. H. Arnold presiding. It was generally believed that the taking of testimony would consume at least a week, but record-breaking time was made, the jury being empaneled, the testimony secured and the arguments ended within less than five days.

The state endeavored to connect up the circumstances leading to the killing of Battle on the night he left the train from Waco and started through the streets of Gatesville; the suicide of Hammack, father-in-law of Battle, following the killing, and it was also shown that Hammack had recently come into possession of sums of money. The effort of the state was to connect up these sums of money between Hammack and Jones, and to show that this led to the killing.

One witness testified that since the habeas corpus of Jones, Jones made the statement that he did not kill Battle, but that he knew who did. The state failed to prove absolutely who did the killing. There was very little testimony offered by the defense.

SOCIETY TO MEET.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will meet at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the church. A special program is being arranged for the occasion. Miss Roseborough is leader for the afternoon's meeting.

Max Newman, of San Saba, came in Friday night to visit Ballinger friends a few days.

Judge Isham F. Wade and mother, Mrs. L. M. Wade, of Cleburne, came in Saturday at noon on a visit to Judge J. B. Wade and family and Ballinger friends.

Mrs. John Perkins and two little children left Saturday at noon to visit relatives at Miles a few days.

Willie Keith, of the alley creek country, passed through Ballinger Saturday at noon en route home from a visit to friends in East Texas.

WITH THE CHURCHES.

First Baptist Church.
There will be no services at this church Sunday, except Sunday school. Be in your place at Sunday school at 9:45.
Superintendent.

8th Street Presbyterian Church.
Subject for morning theme: "King Henry VIII Or God?"
Subject for evening theme: "Without God."
Preaching at 11 and 7:30.
Sunday school at 9:45.
Junior Endeavor at 3 o'clock.
Senior Endeavor at 6:45 o'clock.
You are invited to every service held at this church.
A. C. SMITH, Minister.

First Presbyterian Church
The usual services will be held at this church Sunday morning and evening. Everybody cordially invited.
Rev. R. M. Hammock, Pastor.

Christian Endeavor Program.
"What are some temperance benefits?"
Leader: Miss Grace Burrell.
Song.
Scripture Lesson—Prov. 23:20-21-29-35.
Prayer, all standing.
Song.
1. Why should there be danger in a drink?—Isa. 28:1-4-7-8—Mr. Archie Holloway.
2. Benumbing the intellect: Prov. 21:17—Mr. Clifford Barr.
3. Avoid Evil: 1 Thess. 5:14-28—Miss Betty Miller.
4. Keep a sane mind: 1 Tim 1:7.—Leslie Burrell.
5. Keep the body pure: 1 Thess. 5:23—Tom Lankford, Jr.
Think of our own weakness.
Think of the weakness in others.
My Harry Gardner.
Announcements.
Offering.
Benediction.

Methodist Church
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.
Morning subject: "A Comprehensive Desire."
Evening subject: "The After Judgement."

W. H. DOSS, Pastor.

Catholic Church.
9 o'clock a. m. Sunday school.
10 o'clock a. m. Mass with a short instruction.
7:45 o'clock p. m. Rosary, Sermon. Benediction.
A cordial invitation extended to all.

Subject of the sermon "St. Peter, succeeding Christ, led the Catholic Church in her Infancy."
Father J. B. Lavoie, Rector.

Nazarine Church.
The usual Sunday services at this church, the preaching services conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Cogle. The meeting is progressing nicely and three conversions Saturday morning. Come out and hear these people. A cordial welcome awaits one and all.
E. W. WELLS, Pastor.

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The Coleman Democrat says, "The Coleman ice factory froze up last Saturday morning." Well, what's an ice factory good for any way, if it doesn't freeze occasionally.

Two Coleman county ministers will debate the question, "Is Satan Dead." No, as long as preachers engages in debates the devil is very much alive, on the job and working over time.

The Orient railroad is being advertised for sale, and the price quoted is only six million dollars. Here is a chance for some of our local speculators to pick up a real bargain. Buy the thing and bring it to Ballinger, and put Angelo off the map.

The grand jury of Concho County only found one bill, a misdemeanor. The court convened, and took a recess and the whole business went "a fishing." It's a great country that fails to furnish the officers something to do. But when Concho citizens decide

to go wrong they don't do things on the half-way plan.

No town with factional fights or petty differences standing as a bar to commercial progress will ever show up with any degree of prominence on the map. It takes the spirit of unity to accomplish anything in any undertaking. A good leader and willing followers never fail to win the battle.

The man that advanced the thought that the old political tree in Runnels County was getting top heavy should read the announcement column of the Coleman Democrat. That papers has only announced forty-eight candidates for office up to date. The sheriff's and cotton weigher's office leads with five candidates for each place.

Comanche shipped sixty cars of live stock last month. All of which helps us as a community to "get by."—Comanche Chief.

You are correct, Brother Bell. If it had not been for the return on live stock and poultry during the last two or three years this country would have had more "busted" citizens. Again, we want to say that where the farm ers raise a few head of live stock

for market each year you will find a prosperous county.

Postmaster General Burleson has issued an order directing that all letters and cards mailed without postage be delivered to the addressee, except in cases where there is evidence that the stamp was left off the letter intentional. ly. But twice the ordinary amount of postage will be required of the party the letter or card is addressed to when the mail is delivered. Heretofore it has been the rule to return the letter to the writer, where the return was printed on the envelope and where no return direction was given the party to whom the letter was addressed was notified to send postage. The new rule will be the means of quicker delivery of such mail and save the department time and trouble.

TODAY IS SHORT-ORDER LEAP YEAR.

Today is the fourteenth of February and since it is that date it is also Valentine Day. Many boys and girls, bachelors, and old maids, widowers and widows, are spending the day sending out love messages to their beloved friends and also to persons not ranking in the friendly columns to a high degree. Had school been in session today there is no telling just what would have happened to the teachers of the boy and girls. As today is that last day of the week, and no valentines were sent to teachers by the boys and girls, much wearing apparel has been saved the necessity of undergoing transformations in the hinder portion. Merchants handling tailored-made articles are regretting that Valentine Day came on Saturday, since their sales for the coming week will be shorter than the corresponding week of 1913.

Many old maids were given an opportunity to express the thought set their weighty brains and their hearts today. Throughout the world several million spinners sat at their desks writing love to their favorites of the outside world. Valentine Day is made by this secluded class of beings a short order leap year and the manner in which every moment of the twenty-four hours is utilized by the forgotten specimens, makes one believe that they are getting the full value of life. During the remaining days of the year, these third-odds will sit by the fire and dream of how the Man colored and blushed when he read of the delayed love.

Widowers and widows live again on Valentine Day. They recall all old occurrences and let their imagination run away with them. They usually meet the mail man half way and are willing to run

His Stomach Troubles Over.
Mr. Dyspeptic would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers.

CANDIDATES

This paper is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July:

- For Sheriff: JOHN D. PERKINS, JO HARDIN, J. A. DEMOVILLE
- For Tax Assessor: MIKE C. BOYD, WILL L. STUART, C. C. SCHUCHARD, SAM H. McPHERSON.
- For County Judge: M. KLEBERG.
- For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN.
- For County Clerk: O. L. PARISH, C. C. COCKRELL
- For District Clerk: JOHN THOMASON, GEO. M. STOKES.
- For Tax Collector: T. L. TODD, M. D. CHASTAIN.

through his pack that they might satisfy their curiosity.

Many boys had rather see Valentine Day marked on the calendar than the opening day of school. By the fourteenth of February they are familiar enough with their teachers to draw a distinct picture of them without any posing. Many of the masterpieces produced on Valentine Day by the younger generation are striking enough to cause comment from the drawee, but more often cause boils and blisters on vital spots about the body. The boys, however, are true martyrs, and had rather sacrifice their entire carcasses for the humor of their classmates than to give into the petty follies of the instructors, in regard to this matter. For this season, we find the boys continuing to produce their masterpieces, despite the discouragements of their superiors. Although they are forced to remain in doors and stand at their meals for several days after Valentine Day, they know that some day the country will be freed of the oppressors. Just as they know that some day they won't have to go to school and be humiliated by the uncalculated tactics of the pedagogues.

Best Cough Medicine for Children

"I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy" writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.

E. M. Setser, of the Norton country, one of the candidates for county commissioner, had business at Rowena between trains Saturday.

NO MORE PAIN

Pain cannot exist where Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied, says one user. No other liniment acts so quickly. You simply rub it on and the pain is gone almost instantly. Those who suffer from rheumatism, neuralgia, headaches and similar troubles should get a bottle at once. For cuts and bruises, burns and sprains and abrasions of the skin it acts as a healing oil, soothing and quieting the pain, and preventing soreness and irritation. We have never known it to fail to relieve chilblains. For sale in 25c and 50c bottles by druggists. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Tex.

Charlie Snow, of Brownwood, formerly of our city, was here Friday night, and left Saturday at noon to visit his mother at San Angelo a day or two before returning home.

GREAT MASS OF PROOF

Reports of 30,000 Cases of Kidney Trouble. Some of Them Ballinger Cases.

Each of some 6,000 newspapers of the United States is publishing from week to week, names of people in its particular neighborhood, who have used and recommended Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney backache, weak kidneys, bladder troubles and urinary disorders. This mass of proof includes over 30,000 recommendations. Ballinger is no exception. Here is one of the cases. Mrs. T. W. Morris, Eleventh St., Ballinger, Texas, says: "For years I was subject to attacks of kidney trouble and my back became very weak. The kidney secretions were unnatural and I felt all out of sorts. Doan's Kidney Pills were so highly recommended that I decided to try them. I got relief after the first few doses. Others of my family have taken Doan's Kidney Pills with benefit."

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It is only natural that the simplest of ailments should be the most general, and so we have a whole nation suffering from constipation and indigestion, for they are closely allied. But common as constipation is many people do not seem to know they have it. They will complain of headache, drowsiness or biliousness, all unconscious of the cause of the trouble.



Mrs. N. Frantz

You should have a full and free movement at least once a day. If you pass a day you are constipated and the result will be that you will catch a cold easily or have a more serious ailment. To cure the constipation and forestall still graver trouble take a dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin at night before retiring and by morning relief will come, without disturbance from sleep or any inconvenience.

Legions of people use it regularly in such emergencies, some of them formerly chronic invalids who had suffered from constipation all their lives. Mrs. N. Frantz, 67 Eighth St., Salem, Ohio, took physics for years, and finally, without much avail. Finally, she began to take Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and today she is no longer troubled and eats what she likes. Many others will tell you that they have tried most things recommended for this purpose but have found Syrup Pepsin the only one always re-

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Syrup Pepsin is mild, pleasant-tasting and non-gripping. Mothers give it to tiny infants and yet it is effective in groupings. It is for everyone who suffers from any form of stomach, liver, or bowel trouble, constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, etc. Its action will so delight you that you will forever avoid harsh cathartics, purgatives, pills and salts.

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30x3	7.80	1.95	2.20	1.40	35x4	17.25	3.75	4.20	2.70
30x3 1-2	10.80	2.80	3.10	1.90	36x4	17.85	3.90	4.25	2.80
31x3 1-2	11.00	2.90	3.20	1.95	34x4 1-2	18.00	4.80	5.10	3.40
32x3 1-2	11.90	2.95	3.25	2.00	35x4 1-2	18.75	4.85	5.20	3.45
34x3 1-2	12.40	3.00	3.30	2.05	36x4 1-2	19.45	4.90	5.30	3.60
30x4	13.10	3.10	3.40	2.30	37x4 1-2	21.50	5.10	5.40	3.70
31x4	13.45	3.20	3.60	2.35	36x5	23.00	5.80	6.20	4.30
32x4	13.70	3.35	3.80	2.40	37x5	24.40	5.90	6.35	4.20
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Mrs. Sarah Frye... I was sick ever half of my life with systemic catarrh.

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Broadway Jones From the Play of George M. Cohan By EDWARD MARSHALL

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Continued from Yesterday.

"I'll make that raise a twenty, not a ten," Broadway reflected. "Believing you to be a man of integrity," Pembroke went on.

Then Broadway walked the floor, keeping the astonished Pembroke fixed with a glittering eye.

That's just what I mean, and we're going to do five times as much advertising as you ever did.

"I didn't know it was the result of the business blows you'd dealt him that sent him to his grave."

"Very well, I'll take the 11:40 back to New York. Come, John."

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"How was it?" "Great!" said Jackson. "It was wonderful! I never knew it was in me."

"I don't consider any commercial trade-mark worth a million and a half of dollars," Pembroke said with emphasis.

"I heard everything you said." "I don't quite gather your meaning."

going to sell. We're going to fight. You haven't a tottering old man to deal with now, but a young man—full of fire and fight, of energy and ambition!

Bob himself knew this to have been a fine fight. He pointed with a gesture full of drama at Broadway, who did the best he could to meet the situation with an attitude which might have broken Pembroke's gravity had he been less absorbed and incensed.

"We have an article which, on its own merits, has stood up under almost impossible competition," Wallace continued in a tone of triumph.

"You mean the Empire Advertising Company is behind this business?" The Empire Advertising Company, it must be remembered, was the largest in the world.

"Then my people do no more business with the Empire." "All right," Wallace positively sneered, "then let's see how much outdoor advertising you get this side of the Rocky mountains."

Wallace had not thought of that. He had not meant to say the Empire was actually behind Jones' Pepsin gum.

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"I Think You Can Catch Him if You Hurry." "Well, what did you think of it?" Wallace asked of Jackson.

Sick Women Made Well Reliable evidence is abundant that women are constantly being restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

The many testimonial letters that we are continually publishing in the newspapers—hundreds of them—are all genuine, true and unsolicited expressions of heartfelt gratitude for the freedom from suffering that has come to these women solely through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Money could not buy nor any kind of influence obtain such recommendations; you may depend upon it that any testimonial we publish is honest and true—

Read this one from Mrs. Waters: CAMDEN, N.J.—"I was sick for two years with nervous spells, and my kidneys were affected."

And this one from Mrs. Haddock: UTICA, OKLA.—"I was weak and nervous, not able to do my work and scarcely able to be on my feet."

Now answer this question if you can. Why should a woman continue to suffer without first giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial?

For 30 years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been the standard remedy for female ills. No one sick with woman's ailments does justice to herself if she does not try this famous medicine made from roots and herbs.



showed the profit they say it did, last year, I'll bet you that— He was interrupted by the ringing of the telephone.

He was interrupted by the ringing of the telephone. "I'll answer it," said he. "You want to do everything, don't you?" said Broadway peevishly.

It was the long-distance call for which Wallace had some time before left orders. He gave a hurried, warning glance at all of them as soon as he had heard the voice which came to him along the wire.

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Shoes Stitched Instead of Nailed While You Wait. Model 10—FLEMING SHOE REPAIR OUTFIT, RIGHT HAND MANUFACTURED BY LANDIS MACHINE CO., ST. LOUIS, MO. T. S. Lankford

To the People of Texas:

PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON, in his message to the Congress of the United States, on January 20, 1914 said:

"The country is ready to accept and accepts with relief, as well as approval, a law which will confer upon the Interstate Commerce Commission, the power to superintend and regulate the financial operations by which the railroads are henceforth to be supplied with the money they need for their proper development to meet the rapidly growing requirements of the country for increased and improved facilities of transportation. We can not postpone action in this matter without leaving the railroads exposed to many serious handicaps and hazards; and the prosperity of the railroads and the prosperity of the country are inseparably connected."

President Wilson with his wonderful fund of information and keen foresight so characteristic of the man sees the necessity for the railroads of the country to be supplied with more money, which they need and must have for their proper development, and in order to meet the growing requirements of the country for increased and improved facilities of transportation, and he further recognizes the fact that the country can not prosper unless the railroads are permitted to enjoy a reasonable degree of prosperity, for he says:

"THE PROSPERITY OF THE RAILROADS AND THE PROSPERITY OF THE COUNTRY ARE INSEPARABLY CONNECTED."

While the President evidently favors a law which will empower the Interstate Commerce Commission to enable the railroads to obtain necessary funds for their proper and efficient operation, the Texas railroads are not in a position to await action by Congress. Besides such action by the National Government is not necessary in this State. You have provided a Railroad Commission, and conferred upon it the powers, so far as Texas is concerned, that President Wilson thinks ought to be conferred upon the Interstate Commerce Commission, regarding the United States as a whole. Besides, there are a great many people who believe that the regulation of our internal affairs should be confined to the State and not conferred upon the National Government. This presupposes, of course, that the servants whom the people have elected to office will act promptly as occasions arise; otherwise, action by the Federal Government will become imperative.

It cost a great sum of money to operate the railroads of Texas, and in as much as you annually pay all of the expenses of operating the railroads, you are entitled to know whether the railroads are collecting more than is just and reasonable under the circumstances.

Under the law, the railroads are entitled to collect enough to pay all operating expenses, taxes, etc., and in addition thereto, a fair return on the value of the property devoted to public use. Your Tax Commission

created by you, and acting under their oaths of office has found that the true value of the railroads of Texas is \$30,000 per mile. We believe they are of greater value. According to Table No. 10, page 400 of the Twenty-first Annual Report of the Railroad Commission for the year 1912, the total cost of the construction and equipment of the Texas railroads up to June 30, 1912, was \$582,388,949.99, which shows that the roads have cost their owners a little over \$38,000 per mile. But, taking \$30,000 per mile, which the Tax Board says is the true value of the roads, as a basis, the railroads of this State, for the year ending June 30, 1910, earned 4.30 percent on that value. For the year ending June 30, 1911, they earned 4.16 percent; for the year ending June 30, 1912, they earned 3.47 percent, and for the year ending June 30, 1913, they earned 3.97 percent. Out of these earnings the companies must pay interest on their bonds and other indebtedness and if it is not sufficient, they are forced to borrow the money, or default in interest payments. For the year ending June 30, 1912, the shortage amounted to a little over three and a quarter million dollars, and for the year ending June 30, 1913, the shortage amounted to something over one million six hundred thousand dollars. And for the first five months of the year beginning July 1, 1913, the railroads are over four million dollars behind what they were at the end of the corresponding five months of the year beginning July 1, 1912, so that if they break even for the balance of the year, their deficit for the year ending June 30, 1914, will be nearly six million dollars. However, they can not hope to break even, because the month of December with its disastrous floods and loss of business has not yet been taken into account.

We are anxious to continue to give the people at least as good service as heretofore; in fact, we want to improve that service, but it is apparent that we can not do so unless we can obtain more money from the operation of the roads. We have reduced operating expenses all we can. Further reductions of expenses must come, if at all, by the help of the people, the Legislature, the courts and the juries.

The crisis has been reached where we must have more money, or else be unable to give the people adequate, safe and reasonable service. Poor service naturally gives rise to bitter complaints, and as your servants we believe you are entitled to know the true facts and the situation with which we are confronted.

Former Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty now at the head of the Railroad Valuation Department of that body, recently said:

"The railroad is a public servant. That phrase comes to us from the Supreme Court and has been for a quarter of a century in the mouth of everybody who has to do with this subject. It comes, as time goes on, to take on a different meaning. Originally, the people said.

"THE RAILROAD IS OUR SERVANT, THEREFORE WE CAN KICK THE RAILROAD AND CUFF THE RAILROAD AD LIBITUM."

"It is coming to be understood, gentlemen, that just as your servant can only properly discharge his duties when he is suitably fed, suitably clothed and suitably housed, so the railroad can only properly discharge its duties when it receives proper treatment from the public. It is coming to be apprehended that in the final analysis, the public pays the bill and that it pays for us, as Railroad Commissioners, to accord to the railroad just and fair treatment. That, I say, is not only demanded by justice—it is demanded by public interest."

Former Interstate Commerce Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, now a member of President Wilson's cabinet, said:

"The railroad is our common high-road. It is not a luxury; it is not a concern in which the farmer and the manufacturer alone are interested, it is an essential to the commercial life of our people, almost as necessary as the land itself, for we have grown up as a people to be physically dependent upon our railroads. No other people are so bound up as we are in economic interdependence. No one community in all this land lives to itself. We have grown as railroads are built. We have had a community of a continent."

Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt recently said:

"The great need of the hour, from the standpoint of the general public—of the producer, consumer and shipper alike—is the need for better transportation facilities, for additional tracks, additional terminals and improvements in the actual handling of the railroads, and all this with the least possible delay. Ample, safe and rapid transportation facilities are even more necessary than cheap transportation. The prime need is for the investment of money which will provide better terminal facilities, additional tracks and a greater number of cars and locomotives, while at the same time securing, if possible, better wages and shorter hours for the employees. There must be just and reasonable regulation of rates, but any arbitrary and unthinking movement to cut them down may be equivalent to providing better transportation."

The State having taken over the regulation of the railroads and the fixing of rates is under both legal and moral obligations to discharge that duty so as to enable the railroads to earn a fair return on the value of their property, and give to the public the best and safest transportation service possible. That is all we ask, and we submit that the railroads and the public are justly entitled thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

GENERAL MANAGERS TEXAS RAILROADS

John F. Currie left Friday afternoon for the east on a business trip.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers.

D. M. Baker had business at Miles between trains Friday afternoon.

Master Mackey Brown, of South Ballinger, left Friday afternoon for Brownwood to visit at the homes of Madam Grady and Harber for a few weeks.

Have on hand quite a nice lot of cedar kindling, Arctic Ice and Fuel Co., Phone 312. tfd

T. G. Marburger returned home Friday afternoon from Miles where he had been on a short business trip.

Madams Boon of San Angelo and her sister, Mrs. Vance, of St. Louis, came in from San Angelo Friday afternoon and will be the guests of Mrs. J. D. Coulter and family for a few days.

STOP THAT PAIN RIGHT NOW

If your head aches just rub a little Hunt's Lightning Oil on. This wonderful liniment has a peculiar effect on pain. It drives it away at once. Rheumatic pain quickly yields to the touch of this liniment. Neuralgia is quickly gone after Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For cuts, burns, bruises, abrasions of the skin and sprains, it acts as a healing oil, soothing and quieting the pain, and preventing soreness and irritation. Sold by all reputable druggists in 25c and 50c bottles. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

George Stokes, of the Valley creek country, left Saturday morning for Winters to mingle with the voters for the day.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. 312d

Weather Forecast.
Tonight and Sunday generally fair; warmer Sunday.

ECZEMA AND ITCHING

Sold under a positive guarantee to refund the purchase price if it does not cure itch, ringworm, tetter and all other skin diseases Hunt's Cure has proven itself the standard medicine for skin diseases. Ask any druggist and read the positive guarantee that goes with each package. Price 50c. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

THE LIONS IN THE WAY

Many young people who lack "gumption," get-up-and-get, or whatever you may term it, often reason thusly: If it had not been for so and so and such and such a thing, I could have made a great success. The lions in the way of these young people and such a successful career is barred by the ifs and the ands that enter into their daily life and rob them of their vim and courage. They are breastworks thrown up by the weak and vacillating which beguile and deceive, and which are offered as excuses for many failures. The lions in the way and nothing more.

Young people who lack these qualities need our help; our life work is to train young people to determine, to get up and do the things the commercial world wants done, develop their latent talents, quicken their perception, teach them Bookkeeping-Business Training, Shorthand, Typewriting, Telegraphy, Station Work, Business English, Business Law, Business Arithmetic, Spelling, Business Writing, Rapid Calculation, and the use of the most modern office appliances. With such training the lion is put out of the way. We have trained thousands who are now on the road to success, and we can do the same for you. Write for catalogue, and make your arrangements to enter as early as possible. To remain where you are and what you are means that you are where you will always be. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

R. L. Bates, of the Novice country, who had been in Ballinger the past few days on business, left Saturday morning for his home.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew, of and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me." writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.

Nice oak wood, sizes and length to suit. Arctic Ice and Fuel Co. Phone 312. dtf

NATIONAL CORN EXPOSITION DALLAS, February 10-24 Exceedingly Low Fares



From Ballinger . . . \$8.45
Talpa . . . 7.90

Tickets on sale February 9 to 23, inclusive, and for trains arriving Dallas morning of February 24; limited to February 25, for final return.

Z. T. Griggs, of the Norton country, was in Ballinger Saturday to meet his son, Miles, who came in on the noon train from a visit to friends at Brownwood.

FOR RENT—After March 1st my building occupied by A. L. Spann & Co., in center of Farmers & Merchants State Bank building block, centrally and desirably located. Phone 85 or see C. A. DOOSE. 14-3td

E. M. Burrow, of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Saturday at noon en route to San Angelo on a short business trip.

TYPEWRITER BARGAIN—Here's your chance to get a bargain in the best typewriter made I have a good L. C. Smith, been in use only a short while, machine good as new, cost \$105. Two color ribbon, tabulator, and everything in first-class shape. I have two machines and only need one. If you want a bargain come and see me quick. Will give good terms. dtf A. W. SLEDGE.

Howell Knight, who had been with the Corpus Christi Caller the year or two, and came home a few days ago to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Knight of South Ballinger, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends Saturday morning.

HELPLESS AS BABY

Down in Mind Unable to Work, and What Helped Her.

Summit Point, W. Va.—Mrs. Anna Belle Emey, of this place, says: "I suffered for 15 years with an awful pain in my right side, caused from womanly trouble, and doctored lots for it, but without success. I suffered so very much, that I became down in mind, and as helpless as a baby. I was in the worst kind of shape. Was unable to do any work."

I began taking Cardui, the woman's tonic, and got relief from the very first dose. By the time I had taken 12 bottles, my health was completely restored. I am now 48 years years old, but feel as good as I did when only 16.

Cardui certainly saved me from losing my mind, and I feel it my duty to speak in its favor. I wish I had some power over poor, suffering women, and could make them know the good it would do them."

If you suffer from any of the ailments peculiar to women, it will certainly be worth your while to give Cardui a trial. It has been helping weak women for more than 50 years, and will help you, too.
Try Cardui. Your druggist sells it.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," in plain wrapper. N.C. 181

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