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Joe Bailey Will Work For Ball

(By United Press.)
PLAINVIEW, Tex., May 9.—Col. H. E. Skaggs is in receipt of a letter from ex-Senator Jos. W. Bailey stating that he will be pleased at the nomination of Tom Ball for governor of Texas. This is the first statement in which Mr. Bailey declares himself in the gubernatorial campaign. Mr. Bailey says he will work actively to advance Ball's candidacy.

George Allen, the transfer man returned home Friday afternoon from a short business trip beyond San Angelo.

Marshall Simpson, of the Wingate country, one of the candidates for sheriff as among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

We are not Worrying

about whether or not Woodrow Wilson will take the tariff off embroidery hoops or vienna sausage. We do not know whether the so-called Mexican War is the real Gettysburg variety or a kind of a musical comedy for those saddle colored Castilian nabobs who have gotten to where a bull fight does not hit the spot any more. In fact there is only one thing that is likely to give us nervous prostration and that is your drug business. To say we want your drug business is putting it too mildly for any use. We are not doing a thing in the world but trying to run The Walker Drug Company to the satisfaction of everybody concerned. This is the time of year when you should have a liberal supply of moth balls and a bottle of KRESO in the house. KRESO is the greatest of disinfectants and the best dip for poultry and pet stock. Try one bottle

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FOUR GIRLS BURN TO DEATH

(United Press.)
NEWARK, N. J., May 9.—Four girls were burned to death in an apartment house fire here last night. The flames shot up the elevator shaft and the girls were trapped in their room while asleep. Many others had narrow escape from the burning building.

SILLINAN SAFE IN SALTILLO

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—Secretary of State Bryan was notified by the French legation that they had received assurance of the safety in Saltillo of Consul Silliman, who had been reported executed by Mexicans. Silliman had not been heard from in five days.

MUNITIONS MAY HAVE LANDED

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—The government is investigating the report that a Japan firm has landed a large consignment of arms for Dictator Huerta at Salina Cruz and promptly rushed to Mexico City.

Miss Ann Truly, who taught school near Miles the last school year and had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends the past week or two, left Friday afternoon for Santa Anna, where she will join her sister Miss Maurice and on Sunday her sister Mrs. Carlos Dunn will join them and they will go on to Milford to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Truly for several weeks.

Would Debar Miners from Membership

(By United Press.)
TRINIDAD, Colo., May 9.—Any member of the miner's union refusing to comply to the disarmament order will be stricken from the union's relief list and debarred from membership, said William Diamond, strike leader, when advised that operators had accused the union leaders of not intending to disarm strikers.

Lieutenant Linderfelt, military commander at the battle of Ludlow, was not a member of the state militia, General Chase stated today. Among other things the General said, "Linderfelt was relieved of the command twelve days before the battle." Chase promised to make public soon the roster of Linderfelt's company of private mine guards and other employees of the coal companies who killed women and children at Ludlow.

100 PERSONS KILLED, 200 WOUNDED IN QUAKE NEAR MOUNT ETNA

Inhabitants are Fleeing from Country and Petitioning Divine Intervention—Mount Etna Active Today—Two Towns Completely Destroyed Last Night.

(By United Press.)
ACIREALE, Sicily, May 9.—At least one hundred persons were killed and two hundred were wounded in a terrific earthquake shock in a score of towns last night in Sicily, in the vicinity of the base of Mount Etna.

Linera with a population of 952 and Venerina with a population of 2,183 were completely destroyed.

Hundreds of houses in other towns were wrecked.

The population of the stricken towns are fleeing to an open country, fearing an eruption of Mount Etna which is active today.

Every road is choked with sobbing and praying refugees, fleeing from their homes.

Before every wayside shrine, priests have gathered with refugees, petitioning the intervention of the Blessed Virgin Mary in their time of need.

The priests of the neighborhood have organized religious processions with Relic at the head, while the priests and followers petition divine intervention.

Five hundred soldiers have arrived at Acireale. Tents and hospitals have been put up for the assistance of the needy.

DIFFER ON SENDING FUNSTON MORE TROOPS EXPECT BLOODY BATTLE AT SALTILLO

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—The published reports of the conflict between Secretary of War Garrison and Secretary of State Bryan are generally believed here to be the differences over reinforcing Brigadier General Funston's troops at Vera Cruz. It is known that Garrison's desire is to take extreme precautionary measures.

(By United Press.)
TORREON, Mex., May 9.—The battle of Saltillo will be the bloodiest in the history of warfare. Scouts have brought word here that Dictator Huerta's troops are more strongly entrenched there than they were at Torreon and have prepared a desperate resistance.

General Villa held a final conference with General Carranza today. He plans to leave this afternoon to take personal command of the field at Saltillo.

Villa stated that he was anxious to have Americans return to constitutional territory and reopen the mines and other industries, because a large number of idol Mexicans might cause trouble in the zone.

HENRY TO RUN FOR SENATE.

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—Representative Henry of Texas this afternoon announced his candidacy for the senate in 1916. He will seek a re-election to the House in the fall election.

YOUNG COUPLE INJURED IN AUTO WRECK

A pleasure trip was turned Friday afternoon into a serious mishap, with an automobile, containing a young couple, coming in to Ballinger to attend a baseball game turned turtle three miles from the city. The young man sustained serious injuries, having broken three ribs and injured himself internally supposedly. The young lady received a broken arm and several minor injuries about the body. Those hurt were Roy Herne and Miss Ima Hodges of San Angelo.

The young couple were coming to Ballinger to attend a baseball game, played at Wooden park Friday afternoon between the Ballinger High and the San Angelo High Schools. Accompanying them, in another car, was another couple from the same city. The occupants in the last car were not injured.

Mr. Herne and Miss Hodges were driving in the lead when the car struck a bad piece of the road near the city limits. In some manner the car whirled and turned completely over, pinning the occupants underneath. Help was given the couple, by George Hobbs and Miss Alla D. Morris, of the rear car, who were driving only a short distance behind the first car.

The injured young man and lady were brought to Ballinger in Hobb's car and carried to the Ballinger sanitarium where their wounds were dressed. Physicians at the sanitarium pronounced the young man as having sustained

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MONITOR OZARK SENT TO TAMPICO

(United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—The Monitor Ozark was ordered from Key West to Tampico to protect the troubled oil zone. The Ozark is equipped with 12 inch guns and is one of the few vessels in navy with heavy armament and light draught, and is equipped for a splendid service in war.

MEXICANS EXECUTE U. S. SOLDIER

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—From the manner of Secretary of War Garrison it is believed here that he has received a report from Vera Cruz that Private Parks, has been captured and executed by Gen. Maas. Information received here from Vera Cruz tends to believe that Gen. Funston has confirmed report that Parks and two horses belonging to Colonel Tiggart disappeared beyond the Mexican lines. Funston reports that horses have been located in the hands of the Mexicans. Funston also reported that an American civilian, name unknown, had been executed by the federals at Soledad.

ONE MORE BECKER JUROR.

(By United Press.)
NEW YORK, May 9.—Three Becker jurors were excused at their own request and only one new member added when court adjourned at noon today until Monday.

MOTHER DIED.

W. A. Nance, of the Ballinger Auto Co., returned home Thursday night from Comanche where he had been at the bedside of his mother and we are sorry to learn that she died at 5 o'clock Thursday morning of pneumonia and was buried in the Comanche cemetery.

The many friends of Mr. Nance join The Ledger in sincere sympathy and condolence in this sad hour of bereavement.

Post Suicided; Ill Health The Cause

(By United Press.)
SANTA BARBARA, Calif., May 9.—C. W. POST, BREAKFAST FOOD MANUFACTURER OF BATTLE CREEK, MICH., SUICIDED HERE TODAY BY SHOOTING HIMSELF. ILL HEALTH IS SAID TO BE THE CAUSE OF THE TRAGEDY.

Mr. Post was well known over Texas, having made many visits to this state. It is said that he had an admiration for the Lone Star state and its inhabitants. He purchased a large tract of land in the Panhandle years ago, and later established a town named after him. Post City is located in Garzar county and is about one hundred miles northwest of Ballinger on the Santa Fe Cut off.

FINE OATS.

W. A. Ogle, the irrigation farmer down the river, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday and had a sample of his oat crop which was pronounced by all who saw them to be extra fine and was estimated to yield 100 bushels to the acre.

DELEGATES MAY BE SELECTED

(By United Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 9.—It is generally believed that President Wilson has selected the following to represent the United States with A. B. C. mediators at Niagara Falls, Ontario, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court Hughes and Lamar and Frederick W. Lehman of Saint Louis, former solicitor general of the United States, are believed to be the president's choices.

Rev. I. N. Leis of Tahoka, who had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends, left Friday afternoon for Hatchel where he will visit his daughter Mrs. A. B. Davis and family a while.



FRIENDS, SCHEMERS, FUN AND EXTRAVAGANCE WILL GET IT UNLESS YOU PUT IT INTO THE BANK

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