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## France and England Must Now Check the German Advance

## Not Single Shot Fired In Taking of Brussels

(By United Press)

PARIS, Aug. 21.—The German forward movement into Belgium continues. France and probably England must now check the Germans.

The Belgians have done their best but are through.

The French defense plans contemplate a complete check of the invaders.

The General Staff of the French army admitted today that a decisive battle of the main armies cannot be delayed much longer.

The French are ready and hopeful.

The outposts are already closing.

The whereabouts of the British forces still remains a secret.

(By United Press)

BRUSSELS, Aug. 21.—This city was saved by the fact that not a single shot was fired in its defense when the German army entered to take possession.

The Germans are in complete command today over the town.

The commanders promised to protect the beautiful buildings and the people if the orders which they issue are obeyed.

The German infantry occupied the city in force, relieving the cavalry which continued southward.

### “Belgians Fulfilled Their Part”

(By United Press)

PARIS, Aug. 21.—An official statement here minimizes the importance of the retirement of the Belgians at Brussels.

“The Belgians,” says the statement, “fulfilled their part. Now the sterner work in the future will be taken up by the allies.”

### Russians Capture Prussian Town

By United Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 21.—After two days of desperate fighting, the Russian forces captured Lick on the eastern Prussian border.

The reinforcements captured the city by an assault.

The Russian forces lost heavily.

The garrison retired in good order.

### Japan Is Ready to Administer the First Blow

By United Press

TOKIO, Aug. 21.—Japan is ready to strike Germany.

It is not expected here that Germany will consent to cede her possessions in the East to China over to Japan.

A denial that Japan wants to

keep Kiau Chau and other German territory was prominently published today here.

The ultimatum to Germany to evacuate Kiau Chau expires Sunday. The warships of Japan and the transports are ready to land an expedition at once.

### Capture of Ports of Austria Easy?

By United Press

CETTINJE, Aug. 21.—Capture of Austria's Adriatic ports is expected to be easy since the regulars have been withdrawn to fight

the Russians. The defense of the ports have been entrusted to the home guards, who Montenegrins say, could be defeated quite easily.

Three hundred Austrian sailors are imprisoned here.

Homer Duke, of Winter, passed through Ballinger Thursday where he will enter the Commercial College at that place.

Joe Turner left Thursday for Brownwood to attend the monthly sale of horses and mules in that city.

### Kaiser Plays Strong Card

### SERVIANS CHASING

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—The German occupation of Brussels is of utmost importance, since it gives Germany a strong card when peace is finally declared.

By United Press

NISH, Aug. 21.—The Servians are pursuing the Austrian army which was defeated Sunday. Sever losses were inflicted.

### CONDITIONS ARE PITABLE

By United Press

ANTWERP, Aug. 21.—The condition of the Belgian noncombatants is extremely pitiable. Many were caught in the zone of firing, and are today facing starvation. Their fields and homes were burned because the Germans were intensely bitter over the Belgian resistance.

Noncombatants cannot expect aid from the foe.

### Austrian Seaport Is Bombarded for Days

By United Press

LONDON, Aug. 21.—The Austrian seaport Cattaro has been bombarded for the past several days by French warships, assisted by the Montenegrin land force with artillery.

It is reported here that the Eng-

lish Mediterranean fleet is also assisting in an effort to capture the seaport Brocais, which is the best harbor on the Adriatic Sea, and make it a naval base for the French and English fleets.

The Servian and Montenegrin armies are invading Dalmatia.

### WAR RISK BILL PASSES

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—The senate today passed the bill for a war risk and marine insurance by the United States government.

The rates will place the American ships, and the cargo on an equality with foreign merchants.

### INDICTMENTS ARE EXPORTED SOON

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Indictments are today expected against food price boosters as soon as the government's investigation is completed. The department has uncovered evidence of an artificial inflation of food stuffs.

Mrs. A. D. Armstrong and little daughter, of Cleburne, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Pabe Smith and family the past few days, left for their home Thursday.

### ENTHUSIASM IN BERLIN WHEN FALL OF BRUSSELS ANNOUNCED TO PEOPLE

By United Press

BERLIN, Aug. 21.—Enthusiasm following the announcement that Brussels had been captured reigned supreme in this city.

Kaiser Wilhelm is at the front with his troops. The exact location of the Emperor is withheld.

A long list of casualties was announced today showing that the infantry was the main reliance before the Belgian and French advances.

Stories of imperfect German artillery were branded today as being untrue.

### GERMANS RETREATING FROM ALSACE, IS PARIS REPORT

By United Press

PARIS, Aug. 21.—In Alsace, the Germans are reported to be retreating to Strausburg.

The French advance in Lorraine is encountering strong resistance. They withdrew to their main forces.

The Germans will oppose the advance on Metz. The French will protest to the neutral powers against the alleged German barbarities. They will cite cases

where the Germans are alleged to have killed wounded foes, exposed women and children to fire and shot unarmed noncombatants.

Miss Ruth Dorsett of Norton passed through the city Thursday en route to Brownwood to visit friends a few weeks.

Miss Bass, of Norton is the guest this week of her friends Miss Vera Patterson.



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Germany says, "Come in Japs, the blood's fine."

Its an ill wind that does not blow good to some one. The war in Europe will make business for the map makers.

Women who wear diaphanous skirts should do their shopping in mid-day, when the sun is shining straight down.

The finance committee of the Young Men's Business League will come your way. Meet them with a smile.

If the price of food stuff continues to go up it will have a tendency to cause a decline in the price of anti-fat medicine.

Newspapers say it will be a battle royal when the big army comes together in Europe. We don't believe it, because the royalties are not doing the fighting.

Europe wants fighters, Runnels County wants cotton pickers. We are opposed to foreigners returning to their native country to take up arms until we get the big cotton crop picked.

That bunch of European fighters can not expect to have the sympathy of the people in Uncle Sam's garden when the war is given credit for the high cost of living. We don't care if the whole bunch get's licked. They deserve it.

President Wilson added another credit mark to his administration when he put a stop to the proposed loan of gold to the European countries. Certain financial interest in New York were ready to take advantage of the opportunity to land the big loan when Mr. Wilson interfered. If there are any money lenders in this country let them get busy and help to take care of the big cotton crop. If they prefer to loan money to European fighters instead of American farmers, let them take their money and move to Europe. This country could get along better without such vultures.

Crop reports for the United

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States says "bumper crops," and food stuff is rapidly accumulating. We can't ship it to Europe and we have no ships to ship to South America. Yet they tell us the war is robbing us of our good things to eat, and we must pay war prices for what we eat. Why? It is not the fault of the producer or the retailer. It is the robbery that is being committed by the millionaire price fixer. Let a poor man steal enough food for a square meal and he will go to jail. These big robbers are stealing millions daily by using the war as a pretext to put the price up, and they are allowed to be classed as gentlemen; but then they are not.

If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only clears out the worms but it restores health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Miss Zora Gaines of San Angelo who had been visiting her sister Mrs. N. M. Gustavus, left at noon Friday for her home. She was accompanied home by her little niece, the daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Gustavus who will visit her grand parents during the absence of her parents at Galveston and Houston.

Public Take Notice!

The City Meat Market is for sale or lease and if not disposed of by the 1st. of September, I will be forced to advance the price of meats two cents per pound to maintain my business.

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Richard Goodwin of Brownwood, came in Thursday night on a visit to Edwin Chambers a few days.

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J. J. Erwin Jr., of Temple, came in Friday at noon to visit his parents and Ballinger friends a few days.

WAGONS! WAGONS!

The old reliable, PETER SCHUTTLE, and STUDEBAKER Wagons. Always the best, now the cheapest, at HALL HARDWARE COMPANY. dwtf

Ivan Hamilton of Winters, passed through Ballinger Friday afternoon en route home from a short trip to points east.

If you sit in a cool draft when you are heated and get stiff neck or lame back, you will be looking for something that will ease the pain. Fix your mind on Ballard's Snow Liment and don't be talked out of it, because it is the best pain relieving liment you can get anywhere. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

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We Told She'd Come Back; Now Look What We've Got

(By Uncle Johnny.)

Well now, boys we have reached that point in the history of Runnels County and the great boundless west when we can say honestly: "I told you so." You know that the old Banner-Ledger has steadfastly contended that Runnels county is a pretty fair place in which to live and this correspondent who is your own "Uncle" has used some valuable space and printers ink in this good moral guide contending all the time that this is a good spot in which to raise pigs and chickens and boys and girls.

Of course it looked black sometimes as it always does just before dawn but the man who kept his sky piece and enthusiasm properly adjusted is going to do no just as the Ledger said he would. Now then, boys, we are mighty glad that we stood pat, remaining loyal to our friends, our families and our communities. A rich harvest is at hand. Prosperity is going to be just as deep as we said it would—"fott, foot and a half or two deep."

Did you ever see such a crop grow out of the earth? Well, sir, the cotton is simple immense.

If God makes or supervises the making of crops he certainly covered himself with glory this time.

Will it make a fool of us? If it does we ought to be tapped for the simples and sent screeching to some retreat for the wabbly-minded. But amidst temporal prosperity it is indeed gratifying that morality, sobriety, religion and refinement are keeping pace and our people are learning not to run down at the heel and go to the bad because fortune has smiled on them.

I have always had an ambition to make one hundred bales of cotton.

I have it now made. It is in plain sight and still more in prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Biggs came in Friday at noon from Temple to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Roark and family a few weeks before going to their home at Brady. Mrs. Biggs had been at the Sanitarium in Temple for several weeks past, and we are glad to report is somewhat improved in health.

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Mrs. H. A. Massey and daughters, Misses Mae and Annie returned home Friday at noon from Eureka Springs, Ark., where they had been for several months for the benefit of Mrs. Massey's health.

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I do not say this in a boastful spirit. I hope that not a good citizen in Runnels County would claim an "uncle" who would be simple minded enough to get down to common old fashion bragging.

I am not bragging I am only proud that our predictions have come to pass and we have the biggest cotton crop that we ever raised in our lives and we farmed 12 years in Fall County on \$100 land.

I may have a selfish motive in writing this letter. I guess I have. If I have I guess I am a pretty selfish fellow. I have written hundreds of them. My object in writing this one is partly to advertise to the world that we have the biggest cotton crop in the history of the county and that lots of good white families can get steady employment here gathering the immense maize crop and picking the big boll Rowden and Mebane cotton which actually looks like some of it will make a bale per acre.

Of course I know that half a bale is mighty good cotton.

But I believe there are thousands of acres here that will make it and we must save it.

Picking will open about September 1st to 10th and I expect last till spring.

The gins are going to run day and night and will have to have two crews. Lots of men who can't pick cotton are going to be needed and wages are high. Let those who want to work and will work get on the train and come right on. Don't write to me. Please don't. For good sake, boys, don't think that I've got nothing to do but sit here and answer letters and furnish my own stationery and stamps. I want to help every good man that I can. And I will. But you must have some mercy, boys.

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A. R. Holman of Brady, came in Thursday night to relieve Mrs. Lindsey at the Texas Oil Co., as local agent. Mr. Holman's family will join him in a few days to make this city home again.

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Mrs. Tom Pickett and her sister, Miss Eulalia, of Temple came in Friday at noon to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gressett and family of West End for a week or two.

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J. R. Harris of the Hatchel country came in and left Thursday for Fort Worth on a short business trip.

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Miss Pearl Daniel of Brownwood, who had been visiting her cousin Mrs. Kemp and family, east of the city left for her home Wednesday.

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R. C. Adams of Bangs passed through Ballinger Wednesday afternoon en route home from a short business trip to Abilene.

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Program for Ballinger Independent School District.  
Books to be studied or referred to during year:

1. Proceedings Texas State Teachers' Association.
2. Horn's Best Things in Our Schools.
3. Charters' Teaching the Common Branches.
4. Milners' The Teacher.
5. Stamper's The Teaching of Arithmetic.
6. Allen's Civics and Health.
7. Jame's Talk to Teachers.

(Just at this time some of the news books are not at hand. Hence I can only say what works and part of works will be studied, as above.)

Plan for the Day's Work:  
1st. Hour, general session—study of assigned chapters from one of the above list of books. Leader, Principal J. M. Skinner.  
2nd. Executive session work as outlined by the superintendent from month to month.

- 3rd. Hour, section meetings:  
A. Primary Division, grades 1-4th. Leader, Miss Caperton.
- B. Intermediate division, grades 5-7th. Leader, Miss Polk.
- C. High School division, grades 8-11th. Leader Miss Barnett.

4th. Hour—study from assigned chapters of some one of above texts. Leader Mr. Griswold.

5th. Hour—miscellaneous topics: Here I shall place any line of work that may seem necessary from day to day, or from month to month.

**Note to the Teachers:**

Our institute will begin September 10th. Specifically stated programs will be sent just as soon as they can be made. Books three and four will likely be our texts for intensive study. For the third hour section meetings, the chairman designated are requested to assist in outlining the work for those departments. Inquiries promptly answered.  
W. S. FLEMING.

**FOUR NEW COUNTIES TO TRY DEMONSTRATOR**

Wm. Ganzer, of the United States Agricultural Department, with headquarters at Denton, was in Ballinger a few hours last Thursday, and was enthusiastic over the splendid work of his department being carried on in many counties in Texas. When informed that the commissioners' court had made the appropriation for another year's work in this county, Mr. Ganzer said: "I am glad to hear that, and I believe that after the farmers see a thorough test made, and watch the crops that are grown under the direction of the demonstrator and more than ever the great work being done by our department. Of course this year has been seasonable in this part of the state, and the farmer who kept the weeds down did not have to worry much about anything else. But next year may be different, and when the short seasons come is when the demonstrator will be the popular man in the county, and the farmer who follows his direction will be the successful farmer. We know this from practical experience in counties that have been under the demonstration plan for several years. Where the government demonstrator has had anything like a fair chance to demonstrate there is no opposition to his work, and he has more than he can attend to every year, and the work is rapidly increasing. Since leaving home a few days ago, I have secured appropriations from four new counties, Wilbarger, Eastland, Clay and Nolan. A demonstrator will be placed in these counties just as soon as possible and the work started for next year."

Mr. Ganzer is working under the direction of the United States Department and he made several trips to this county before the county made the appropriation for the work here.

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Miss Van Doren of Belton, came in Friday at noon to visit her sister, Miss Ann a week or two.

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**DID YOU SEE THE SUN'S ECLIPSE?**

By United Press.  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Astronomers and star gazers in many parts of the world were up at sunrise today to observe the eclipse of the sun.

For just a few seconds after sunrise, observers in the United States and North of Washington and as far West as Indianapolis were permitted just the slightest part of the moon's shadow on the sun. The map prepared by the Naval Observatory at Washington shows that the path of totality of the eclipse began up in the extreme north polar region of the Western Hemisphere. It extends eastward to Norway, Sweden, Russia and Persia. In this zone, about 100 miles wide, the eclipse was visible in its totality for about four minutes.

Many governments went to large expense to fit out expeditions to observe the eclipse in the zone entirely but the United States, feeling that the eclipse has no great scientific importance and that it will be fully observed by the Swedish and Russian astronomers, made no such provision. It had been planned by private enterprise some time ago to send an expedition to observe the eclipse in Persia but this was abandoned when it was learned that it would necessitate the invasion extremely wild and remote country inhabited by tribesmen who might make life difficult. When it was considered that all of the observations must be made in four minutes and that the slightest hitch on a cloud would spoil them, all thoughts of an expedition were forgotten. Many scientists who wished to observe the phenomenon despite the war, went to Riga and Kief, Russia, which were both directly in the path of the total eclipse. "Beyond assisting in the astronomy of the moon's position from its observed contacts with the sun, the practical results of a solar eclipse previous expeditions that no have been so fully covered by pertinent new results are anticipated from today's observations," said Capt. J. A. Hoogewerff, superintendent of the Naval Observatory.

The eclipse was of value chiefly in correcting the world's time, although usually this is so precisely calculated from the movements of the stars that it doesn't vary the slightest fraction of a second. Time is tallied by clocks in a sealed vault at the Naval Observatory in Washington in which the temperature does not change the tenth part of a degree during the entire year, and it is not expected that the observations of the eclipse today will necessitate re-setting of these clocks.

The scientific world is looking forward to a total eclipse of the sun which will be visible in the United States for a few minutes on February 3, 1916, weather permitting. No important eclipse are scheduled to take place before that time.

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For SORE or WEAK EYES, use Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water. Don't hurt. Feels Good. d6-1-14-6m

Mr. and Mrs. Hillard of Bell County, who had been visiting their son Banker Hillard and family of Winters passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route home.

J. A. Ostertag left Thursday afternoon for Coleman on a short business trip.

J. G. Mayhew, of the Drasco country passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route to Killen and Coryell county to visit relatives a few weeks.

We are glad to note H. I. Armstrong, the tailor, able to be on the streets Thursday after a recent operation at the Halley & Love Sanitarium.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Smith of Bell County, who had been visiting her mother Mrs. Singletary the past few days, left for their home Thursday afternoon. Mr. Smith will wind up his business affairs at his old home and soon move to Runnels County with his family to make their future home.

**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

M. C. Braden, the wagon yard man, shipped out Thursday afternoon to his friend B. F. Davidson of Houston, two extra large South Ballinger watermelons which will no doubt give Mr. Davidson a fine impression of Ballinger and West Texas.

"Buck" Jefferies of the A. & S. crew passed through Ballinger Friday en route west on a short vacation.

We have a swell line of samples for 1915 calendars ranging in price from \$8.50 to \$210 per thousand, any quantity from 100 up. 2,000 samples to select from. The Ballinger Printing Co.

**Proof In Your Own Hand Writing.**

That's what you should have when you disburse funds for any purpose. It's not the part of business wisdom to depend upon the memory or receipts for a record of money paid out.

When you write out your personal check on the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co., a record is made in your own hand writing that is dispute-proof. It is always more business like to pay by check.

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**TO OUR FARMER FRIENDS:**

Anticipating the great need of this country for farm labor, especially cotton pickers, we placed an ad in The Dallas News and Houston Chronicle and we are receiving good results.

If you want cotton pickers or farm hands write, phone or come and tell us just which you desire, and whether you want single men or families. If families, how about house, wood and water. State plainly what you have and what you want.

We offer our services absolutely free, both to the farmer and the laborer, our only desire is to be helpful. Very truly yours,

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## Y. M. B. L. Workers Secure Many Members; Fair Insured

Watch the boys bring the kinks out of the old town. Everybody is joining the Young Men's Business League. Of course there are some people who turned the committee down, but we said everybody was joining, and those who are not anybody were not expected to join in working for a better Ballinger. A town without a moss back would be a funny town. We don't want Ballinger to be in the funny town class yet awhile.

The board of directors of the new organization met Thursday afternoon, and continued the work started when the directors were named. C. A. Doose was elected president, Victor Miller vice-president. Its a good selection and a team that will pull the wheels of progress out of the mire if the citizens will give them the proper support and encouragement.

H. C. Gardner, Judge J. B. Wade and Victor Miller were appointed as committee on finance and membership. This committee is on the job today, and what they have done speaks as a sample of what they will do before the work is completed.

The work is well underway, and the organization will be completed by the election of a secretary at a meeting to be held this afternoon at five o'clock, when the finance and membership committee makes their report.

The Y. M. B. L. will be about the busiest organization in Ballinger for awhile. There is much work for them to do. The work of bringing the laborer and the employee in touch with each other—and saving the big crop, will be

one of the first things to come before the boosters. At the same time there is the county fair job on hand. The time is short in which to get things in shape and pull off a fair, but one of the directors stated that the fair would be held. Many melons are going to the bad for the want of a market. The secretary will be expected to help the truck growers in locating a market for the melon and other produce crop. The last, but not least, is the good roads question. These will all be given attention just as fast as the Y. M. B. L. can get to them.

We will publish a list of the members of the new organization in Saturday's Ledger, also the amount contributed by each member. Watch for those who are pulling the other way.

### Costly Treatment

"I was troubled with constipation and indigestion and spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment," writes C. H. Hines, of Whitlow, Ark. I went to a St. Louis hospital, also to a hospital in New Orleans, but no cure was effected. On returning home I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets, and worked right along. I used them for some time and am now all right." Sold by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ber Griffin and two children of San Angelo, who have been visiting his father W. L. Griffin and family near Tennyson, passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route to Brownwood.

## Germany May Pass Antwerp and Proceed to France

*By United Press*  
ANTWERP, Aug. 21.—This city is being placed in a state of siege. The paths to the front of the Germans will be flooded with defenses which will be considered im-

pregnable. It is not believed that the German forces will try to capture Antwerp, but will probably bottle up the town while the main army will continue on into France.

## GRIGGS MAY NOT ATTEND

Unless he suddenly returns home, Representative R. S. Griggs, member of the Texas legislature from this the One Hundred Eleventh District, will not attend the special session of the body which meets in Austin, Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Representative Griggs on the day Governor Colquitt called the special session of the lawmaking body, left with a party of friends for the banks of the Concho where he is now enjoying a ten days outing. It is not known in Ballinger whether he has been advised as to the calling of the special session, but it is hardly believed likely, in view of the fact that communication with him is rather difficult.

In the event, he returns home Saturday, he will probably leave Ballinger Sunday for Austin so that he will be there on time for the opening session.

### THERE'S NO SENSE IN TAKING CALOMEL

Dodson's Liver Tone will fix up your liver safely and won't "knock you out" a day. A man feels very little like working and a child don't want to go to school when bilious or constipated. If you try calomel to cure you the chances are that you will be so weakened by its after-effects that you will be laid up for two or three days more. So we say get a perfect remedy to take the place of calomel at The Walker Drug Co., that is guaranteed to relieve constipation and live up to the liver just as quickly as calomel, but without any of the bad after-effects of calomel. The name of this medicine is Dodson's Liver Tone. It is a pleasant tasting vegetable tonic that mildly stimulates the liver and causes it to work just right without any danger of salivation. If it doesn't fully satisfy you, you may have your money back from the store where you bought Dodson's.

H. L. Wendorf and little daughter left Thursday morning for Coleman to meet Mrs. Wendorf who is en route home from Austin where she had been under the treatment of her family physician for some time past, and we are glad to learn she has about regained her usual good health.

"I was attacked with dysentery about July 15th, and had used the doctor's medicine and other remedies with no relief, only getting worse all the time. I was unable to do anything and my weight dropped from 145 to 125 pounds. I suffered for about two months when I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I used two bottles of it and it gave me permanent relief," writes B. W. Hill, of Snow Hill, N. C. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ray and Mr. Clinger of the Maverick country were among the shoppers in Ballinger Friday.

**Simmon's Liver Purifier.** The mild and pleasant liver medicine is Simmon's Liver Purifier. Its actions is thorough, but pleasant. Does not gripe or sicken like other medicines. Sold in 25c boxes by your druggist.

Bob Crockett, of the Norton country was among the visitors in the city Friday.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND.  
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.  
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

## LIQUOR DECREASES; MERCHANDISE GAINS

*Special to The Daily Ledger*  
GALVESTON, Aug. 22.—Southwestern and Texas commerce showed a healthy development during the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1914, despite the shortage of last year's cotton crop. Analysis of Galveston's port records for that year shows the highest mark ever set by a Texas port in imports. Merchandise valued at \$12,245,064 was brought in over the wharves—an increase of \$4,424,434 over the fiscal year of 1912-13.

The port's total export business reached \$268,937,111. Of this cotton and cotton seed products formed a \$240,829,074 item. Breadstuffs were exported to the extent of \$11,699,449.

Importation of wines, spirituous and malt liquors decreased by \$30,642 from the previous year, the total import figures on this class of traffic being \$74,597.

Toys and dolls were imported to the value of \$209,492.

In every home where there is a baby there should also be a bottle of McGee's Baby Elixir. It may be needed at any time to correct sour stomach, wind colic, diarrhoea or summer complaint. It is a wholesome remedy, contains no opium, morphine or injurious drug of any kind. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

### "JOHN EARLEYCORN" FAILS TO ARRIVE

The famous feature photoplay, "John Earleycorn" failed to arrive owing to a mistake by the distributing house, shipping the "Squaw Man" instead. As this latter picture has already been shown here it was decided by the management of the White City not to retain the same. The manager is very sorry that the famous picture failed to arrive but promises a fine regular program tonight, with music furnished by two of the best musicians in this section of the state.

You never heard of a \$10,000 man doing \$1000 work and you can't expect to get the designing and cutting of high-class artists in clothes that sell for "\$15-no-more-no-less." W. H. Roark, exclusive dealer for Ed. V. Price & Co., has proved this to all his correct dressers. See him for reliable and dependable tailoring.

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## Will of Pope Made Public; "Wished to Be Poor Always"

*By United Press*  
ROME, Aug. 21.—Pope Pius' will, the contents of which were handed out today, said "I was born a poor man and lived poor. I wished to be poor all my life. I ask for a pension of twelve dollars each month to be granted my two sisters."

The body was removed today from the vatican throne room to the sacristy chapel at St. Peter's

where the rich and poor alike may view the body.

His request changed the precedent that only the nobility view the body. It was also requested by the pope that mourners not kiss his feet.

Traditional funeral services are today in progress.

Today preparations for a conclave on the tenth day after the death is in progress, when his successor will be elected.

Bill Aams and sister Miss Ola of Hamilton, who had been visiting their uncle Jap Adams and family for several weeks left for their home Thursday.

Mrs. Will Francis and children returned home Thursday afternoon from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Sterling City, Midland and other points in that section.

Constipation is the starting point for many serious diseases. To be healthy keep the bowels active and regular. Herbine will remove all accumulations in the bowels—they are torpid. The fault lies with the liver and bilious impurities in the blood and remove all accumulations in the bowels and put the system in prime condition. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Sallow complexion comes from medicine that gives results in such cases is Herbine. It is a fine liver stimulant and bowel regulator. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Mrs. W. E. Branch of South Ballinger left Thursday to join Mr. Branch on a short visit to Coleman.

# THE HUB OF HEALTH

As the Hub is to the wheel, so our drug store to the community. It is the Hub of Health.

Ordinary ailments are cured quickly and at slight cost. Headaches, backachs, footache—every ache but a heartache yields to the druggist.

A few cents spent in drugs today will yield dollars in health tomorrow.

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SHORTY'S SACRIFICE—2 Reel Broncho

THE INTERCEPTED GETAWAY.—Majeetic

Admission 10c  
Reserved Seat 20c

**WHITE CITY**  
"GOOD SHOWS ALWAYS"

## WHEN ALL IS SAID—

and done your family comes first, doesn't it? Every day when you leave your home for the office or store

you like to feel that your family is supplied with every possible convenience for comfort and protection. You see to it that your house is comfortable and in good condition, that the plumbing is sanitary, and that the heating and lighting facilities are adequate. In fact, you like to believe you have furnished everything necessary for their welfare and happiness.

But stop a minute and think of one thing you may have overlooked, or thought of it in the light of a luxury—a WEST TEXAS telephone.

When you neglect to provide WEST TEXAS telephone service for your family you deprive them of a dependable means of communication when emergencies arise that demand immediate attention. A WEST TEXAS telephone in your home meets the emergency and commands aid almost immediately.

A WEST TEXAS telephone is not a luxury today. The telephone is a necessity, and by reason of our reasonable rates is within the reach of every one. See our local manager today.

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"The System Reliable"