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GERMANS PENETRATE THROUGH ALLIES?

Berlin Attack In 3 Weeks

EIGHT MILLION RUSSIANS

(By United Press)

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 27.—Russian plans contemplate that an attack on Berlin will be made within three weeks by the Czar's forces.

It was officially stated that eight million Russians are under arms.

The gigantic army is divided into four armies of two millions men each.

It is believed that the plan of action will be to have one army operate behind the other, with the rear-ward one filling the gaps in the other after each general engagement.

Report Paris Naval Fight Quiet Today

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The German cruiser Magdeburg was blown up in the Gulf of Finland by a superior Russian fleet, according to a wireless received at the embassy here. Most of the crew was saved.
A Norwegian steamer today struck a mine in the North Sea and sank. Twelve seamen on the ship lost their lives in the catastrophe.

RUSSIANS DEFEATED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Berlin dispatches received at the German embassy here stated that the Russian defeat at Krasnik was "caused by the attack of an irresistible Austrian infantry."
Defeat of the Russians along the front is expected as a result of the swift Austrian advance northward.

BELGIAN ARMY AGAIN AT FRONT

ANTWERP, Aug. 27.—The Belgian army which has taken refuge at Antwerp is operating today between Malines and Brussels.
It is harassing the German lines between these two points.
Communication from the front is to the effect that the Germans are using an enormous number of automatics.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—Fighting along the entire Franco-Belgian frontier continued today, but at some points the two great armies were twenty-five miles inside the French border.

The usual morning and noon announcements were not made today by the French war office. No confirmation can be secured of the report that the Germans are pushing into France.

Important centers on the events which are taking place along the frontier today.

The new French cabinet met today.

WOULD CUT OFF RETREAT

NISH, Aug. 27.—It was officially announced here today that the Servians are trying to cut off the Austrians' retreat and completely annihilate the invaders, following a four days battle along the front of the River Drina.

Two thousand additional prisoners were admitted to have been taken by Austrians.

The losses are enormous because they carried the Austrians positions by storm.

Miss Hester Padgett returned home Thursday from an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Frank Maddox and family of Lubbock.

British Sink German Cruiser

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Kaiser Wilhelm, der Grosse, was sunk off the West African coast by the British cruiser Highflyer, according to a message received here.

One was killed and five were wounded on the Highflyer by the effective fire from the Kaiser Wilhelm's guns, before she was sunk.

The Kaiser Wilhelm, der Grosse, was one of the great transatlantic liner of the Germans, converted into a German auxiliary cruiser.

BLOCKADE BY JAPAN

SHANGHAI, Aug. 27.—Japan's naval commander today notified the German government that Kiau Chau has been blockaded.

Among the several Americans who have decided to remain in Kiau Chau during the blockade and the possibility of more serious actions, is the United States consul.

ASQUITH THINKS PROSPECTS GOOD

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Premier Asquith today said in the House of Commons that the prospects for a favorably outcome of the great engagement along the Franco-Belgian frontier for the allied army was excellent.

"The British again were in action yesterday," declared Premier Asquith, "and they fought a superior force of Germans. The British acquitted themselves splendidly. The prospects for a satisfactory outcome of the conflict is excellent."

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Waide, of Paint Rock, returned home Thursday at noon. Mrs. Waide had been in the sanitarium in our city the past week or so and we are glad to report her able to return home.

AGAIN THE MIKADO SAYS HE WILL NOT EXTEND FIGHT FROM THE EAST

TOKIO, Aug. 27.—It was again reiterated here that Japan's participation in the general war of Europe will be confined to the Orient.

It was reported that Japanese warships were going to the Med-

APPEAL MADE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—As a lone neutral world power, the United States was today forced to do a delicate duty as the recipient of protests made by various nations now at war with each other, regarding alleged barbarities. Belgium made a strong protest against Germany while Germany made a counter protest.
General terms may be issued against the violations of the rules of civilized warfare.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bailey and children, of Ozona, who had been visiting his sister, Mrs. Scott Mack and family the past week or ten days, returned home Thursday. They came over in their auto but owing to the heavy rains ship ped their car and returned home on the train.

Miss Mary Phillips returned home Wednesday night from an extended visit to relatives in Louisiana. She attended the state district clerks convention in South Texas before going on to Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Gustavus returned home Wednesday night from Houston and Galveston, where he had been to buy fall and winter goods for his firm. Mrs. Gustavus left Thursday at noon for San Angelo where their little baby girl is visiting relatives during their absence to market.

iterranean Sea to help England and France against the Austrians. This brought out the denial that Japan would go beyond the Far East in her actions in the great war.

It was also denied here today that the Austrian ambassador has demanded his passports.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—It was unofficially stated here today that the Germans are penetrating the allies' lines between Montinedy and Longwy. It is believed if they are doing this, they have captured both of these points within the French boundary.

A heavy flanking force of Germans is operating against the extreme left, hoping thereby to force the withdrawal of a part of the allied forces from the center and thus weaken it.

If this is done, the German army can easily crowd through into the interior of France and push onward towards Paris.

There is much excitement in the French capital, doubtless due to the report that the Germans are penetrating the lines of the allies.

It is estimated that the German losses up to date have been thrice as heavy as those of the allied armies.

ALLIED ARMY IS GIVING WAY IN NORTHERN FRANCE

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The allied army is giving way in Northern France.

It is almost certain that the Germans are well within the French territory and are pushing rapidly on towards the capital.

The war office stated today that the British troops are within French territory, indicating that the Germans now control all of Southern Belgium and are now operating against the allies in Northern France.

RUSSIANS POISONED?

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 27.—The Russian soldiers in Eastern Prussia are reported to have been poisoned by supplies abandoned by the German army.

MARINES HELPING

LONDON, Aug. 27.—A large force of British marines are today aiding the Belgians at Ostend. England feared that if the Germans captured the seaport, she would convert it into a base of supplies and endanger England.

W. J. Elliott, of Grayford, Texas, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to Benoit to visit relatives a few days.

L. Cohen and J. H. Price left Thursday at noon on a short business trip to San Angelo.

Wheat Is \$1.25

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—May wheat today was a dollar and twenty-five.

SPAIN WILL TAKE PART

MADRID, Aug. 27.—Efforts of a certain political element to have Spain cast her lot with the allies against Germany will very likely fail.

For some time, there has been a clan working in Spain in an effort to force the government to join with France and England in fighting the Germans.

The king of Spain is strongly neutral.

Lillie Taken?

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The Ostend correspondent of the Express in a dispatch received today stated that Lillie, one of the best fortified cities in France, surrendered to the Germans. No confirmation of the story can be secured.

DANISH SHIP IS BLOWN UP

LONDON, Aug. 27.—A Danish ship is reported to have been blown up in the North Sea when it struck a mine. The report cannot be confirmed.

MILITANTS BREAK AND CAUSE RIOT

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The suffragettes of this broke a self-imposed promise not to use militant methods in advocating their cause when, led by "General" Drummond, they thronged the Home Office and demanded to see Secretary McKenna.

The police saved them from a mob which threatened to do violence when their plans became known.

Seventeen arrests were made.

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And, again we ask the question, what are they fighting about?

Ballinger melons are attracting the usual attention.

"It never rains, but it floods," says the farmer who is longing for a clear day.

Push the cotton market seems to be the desire of everybody—and the weather.

We are several miles from the site of war, but we are feeling the blunt end of the bayonet alright.

The new faces in Ballinger is an omen that time alone can bring true. Meet them with a smile of welcome.

Ten nations are now at war and others are arming and mobilizing. Is the world becoming more civilized?

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For I remember stopping down the row To watch a baker thumping his wet dough.

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now is the time we can show what the old county will bring forth. Let's do it.

The Ledger editor is in receipt of complimentary tickets to a number of county fairs. We trust the time is not far distant when we can return the courtesy and send out a few complimentary tickets to the Runnels county fair.

When a man arms himself and carries a gun every where he goes he generally finds what he is looking for. The same applies to a nation.

The public seems to appreciate our efforts in serving the latest news. It is costing us considerable to keep the paper up to the present standard. In fact the cost is more than the size of the town justifies, and indications point to more cost as the price of paper and other newspaper necessities advance. With the proper financial support we will deliver the goods. Without that support we will be compelled to curtail expenses. A hint to the anxious public should be sufficient. If you are not a subscriber get in. If you are, remember the important part of the game—the money.

\$100 REWARD. \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co. Toledo, Ohio.

W. L. Ellis, the cotton buyer, had business at Talpa between trains Thursday.

Simmon's Liver Purifier. The mild and pleasant liver medicine is Simmon's Liver Purifier. It's actions is thorough, but pleasant. Does not gripe or sicken like other medicines.

Oscar Pearson, manager of the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., left Thursday morning for the east on a short business trip.

Sallow complexion comes from medicine that gives results in such cases is Herbine. It is a fine liver stimulant and bowel regulator.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

UNITED STATES COMMERCE WITH WARRING COUNTRIES

The part the United States plays in commerce with the countries involved in the European war is shown by the accompanying table. It will be noted that the countries now at war are far in lead both in selling to and buying from the United States.

Table with columns: Imports Dollars, Exports Dollars. Rows: Austria-Hungary, Belgium, France, Germany, Russia in Europe, United Kingdom, Japan, Total.

"VOLCANO" IS NOW A GOOD GEYSER

RED BLUFF, Cal., Aug. 27.—Having tried being a volcano for awhile, Mont Lassen today has resumed her old job of being a geyser. As a geyser it was something of a success before essaying the volcanic role. It began this experiment some weeks ago, throwing up hot stones as large, in some cases, as bushel baskets.

Good Reason for His Enthusiasm

When a man has suffered for several days with colic, diarrhoea or other form of bowel complaint and then is cured sound and well by one or two doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, as is often the case, it is but natural that he should be enthusiastic in his praise of the remedy.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Hillin of San Saba, who had been visiting their daughter and family in Taylor county the past few weeks passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home.

WAGONS! WAGONS! The old reliable, PETER SCHUTTLER, and STUDEBAKER Wagons. Always the best, now the cheapest, at HALL HARDWARE COMPANY.

Feb McWilliams left Wednesday afternoon for Coleman to join his wife on a visit to relatives at that place for a few days.

How the Trouble Starts. Constipation is the cause of many ailments and disorders that make life miserable. Take Chamberlain's Tablets, keep your bowels regular and you will avoid these diseases. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Turner of Denton came in Wednesday at noon and were met by their brother-in-law C. M. Doyle to visit with him at his home on Valley creek.

Mrs. Thos. Lilly and three children of South Ballinger, who had been visiting relatives near Brown wood the past week, returned home Wednesday.

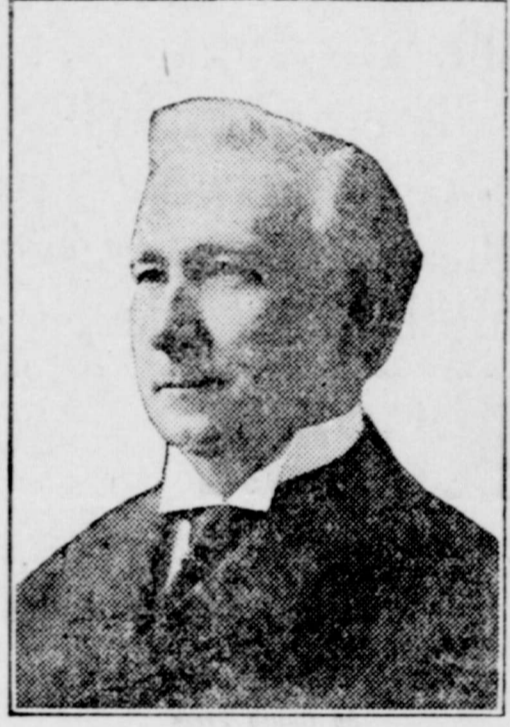
FEATURE BILL SECURED.

Four Bands, 160 Musicians, Will Furnish Music at Coming State Fair.

Dallas—An all-star bill for the Coliseum program at the 1914 State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17, is announced by the management. No effort or expense has been spared to secure the best in the world of music.

Four bands, the Don Phillipini Concert Band of fifty musicians, Edwin's Zouave Band, the Paul Harris Band and Victor Eades's organization, an aggregation of 160 musicians and instrumental soloists, will furnish music.

Among the special attractions are: Madam Susanna Lehman, world famous vocalist; the Wirth Family, acknowledged to be the greatest of all equestrians; Powers' Educated Elephants, for seven years a New York Hippodrome act, including the baby elephant "Baby Min" handled by Julia Powers; the Four Castors, an acrobatic act; the Tasmanian Van Diemens, six young ladies acknowledged to be the greatest dancers in vaudeville; Ramza & Arno, comedy act; the Real Quartet, and a big spectacular dancing act with twenty young ladies participating.



HON. WILLIAM I. YOPP, President of the State Fair of Texas.

W. I. Yopp, prominent in the cotton seed oil business of the state, and for years director in charge of the livestock department of the State Fair of Texas, is directing the destinies of the 1914 meeting which begins Saturday, October 17. To Mr. Yopp is due largely the change in policy this year which is resulting in a "Different Fair," not only in exhibits but in entertainment and amusement features.

DISPLAY OF FINE ARTS

Julian Onderdonk In New York Selecting American Masterpieces.

Dallas—There is now in New York a prominent artist, Julian Onderdonk, by name, who is visiting the studios of the greatest American artists, selecting the very best of their paintings to be shown at the 1914 State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17. A collection of more than one hundred masterpieces, marines, landscapes, portraits, still life subjects, worth a quarter of a million dollars, will be shown in the magnificent fine arts hall, one of the show places of the South.

Visitors of last year will recall the wonderful popularity of the loan art collection enjoyed. Visitors from New York, Chicago and Philadelphia declared that they had never seen so noteworthy a collection in their respective cities.

This fine arts exhibit is to give the art students of Texas and the art lovers of Texas an opportunity of seeing the best in American art, without being forced to go thousands of miles to accomplish this purpose. Hence its popularity.

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H. B. Hofman of the Olin county was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday and reports heavy rains lately but conditions improving at present.

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When Tired And Thirsty. Drop in at my store and get an ice cold soda. Candies, cakes, nuts and all kinds of confections. M. Rosenwasser. It Makes a Difference Who Does Your Work. A good shave, a neat haircut, adds a great deal to a mans feeling and appearance.

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E. F. ELDER & SON

Will Negro Prejudice Affect Cotton Picking In Runnels?

Editor Ledger: The Ledger says editorially that the nigger will be sent back when the bumper cotton crop, such as we have never seen before, is gathered.

I admire the flatfooted outspoken way in which the Sledgehammer came down last week on the problem of importing the bumper crop into the West.

That statement proves again that great minds will differ. I say that these "degenerated" sons of Africa are going to be kept to hoe cotton and help harvest the oats and pick cotton again and I say that the good citizens who are unthoughtfully bringing them are going to rent to them on halves and if I do not miss my guess Runnels County is going to be sorry. And the editor states boldly that the man who interferes with the coming of the nigger "should be dealt with according to law." Thereby hangs a tale. Our people are law abiding. They are a Christian, church-going people and they would not hurt a kinky hair on a sorry nigger's head. But the Ledger, however loyal to its readers and the best interests of the county, cannot deny that we are taking risks. Of course risks are reduced where there is police protection or officers on every street corner, but in a sparsely settled country I can't see how we can afford to jeopardize the safety of our families in the face of reports found in nearly every newspaper you pick up of the heinous crimes committed by the black brute. Of course I know that this bumper cotton crop must be gathered. But not at the hazard of our families. It is not so much the bringing of niggers, men, as it is the class of niggers that is being brought. Our goal citizens, farmers, go down East and the first thing they see when landing in a saloon town is a bunch of bum niggers and this is the class that Runnels County is being "stocked" with. I don't think it is best for the nigger, or us.

We can discuss this labor problem without feeling or malice and we can do the best thing for the greatest number. We could run every odoriferous nigger out of the country if we would. But we have respect for our neighbors and while they insult us by putting a nuisance under our nose we know that it is not done through malice. Our friends know that we have done everything in our power for our county and our community and they are bound to know that we are loyal to the best interests of the best people in the world. It is only a difference of honest opinion and I am honestly afraid that we are not looking far enough ahead.

However, I am bound to say in justice to truth and past history that no bunch of good representative citizens have ever been convicted by a jury of their fellowmen for driving an undesirable element out of their midst if they went at it in a humane and intelligent manner. That's what I said.

Let's see if The Ledger will publish it. We need thousands of hands. Nobody denies that. Such a cotton crop has not grown out of the ground in fourteen years. I have 228 acres but not a stinking odoriferous nigger will ever stick his finger in a boll of it.

JOHN BALLEW.

Only yesterday I turned away a white man because of the want of a house. We feel that we are due the readers of The Ledger an apology for devoting space to the discussion of a question that will do all harm, and no good. And with the apology we serve notice that we will not accept for publication hereafter articles dealing with the negro question.

The discussion of the negro problem only adds to the flame that is burning in the minds of the negro hater, and will not bring us one step nearer the solution of the problem.

Uncle Johnnie throws down the challenge to publish his letter and we accept it as a closing chapter to the discussion of the question. While it is not our purpose to defend the negro, we cannot refrain from informing Uncle Johnny that the negro is not responsible for his presence in the South—a white man's country. Neither is the negro responsible for his presence in Runnels County—a white man's county in every sense of the word.

Uncle Johnny knows, and every other man who knows anything

about the cotton industry, knows that at the average price paid for cotton for the past ten years, it cannot be grown, picked and put on the market without employing negro labor, or keeping the white child out of school and in the cotton patch. As for our "Uncle" he may prefer to work his children, and the children of his white neighbor, robbing them of the time that is most precious to them in fitting themselves for the duties of life; but we prefer to let that over who is peculiarly fitted for that class of work—the negro have the job.

There is not a successful cotton country in the world that is not inhabited more or less by negroes and especially when cotton picking time rolls around.

Uncle Johnny says "these degenerated sons of Africa are going to be kept here to hoe cotton next year." Uncle Johnny admits that we have a bumper cotton crop, such as we have never seen before. We ask him what has become of that five hundred or more negroes that were brought here to help pick the crop of 1908? Are they still here? Uncle Johnny seems to be laboring under a delusion that something awful is going to happen. He seems to forget that we are living in a climate that does not breed crime. We have "white man's" counties in other parts of the state, where a negro is not allowed to stick his head, yet we stand ready to compare morality with them any day in the year, population considered.

Uncle Johnny says the risk of crime is reduced where there is police protection, or officers on every street corner. We differ with him there. The crime he refers to in every instance is committed in the thickly settled parts of Texas. One of the most heinous crimes ever committed by a negro was that of the negro Brooks, which was committed in the very business heart of Dallas, and for which the negro "swinged" from the Elks' Arch. A negro knows when he comes to Runnels County to help pick cotton that he is coming on a visit to a white man's country, and he realizes before he is here very long that he can not occupy a white man's place, but that he is a "nigger," and must stay a "nigger," as long as he stays here.

Uncle Johnny adds a P. S. to his letter, and says we need thousands of hands, nobody denies that, and then says that he turned away a white man because of the want of a house, at the same time saying that he has 228 acres of cotton that must be picked. Well, "Uncle," you are bound to admit that you are in a h-l-u-o-f-a-fix. We are still wondering how you are going to get that 228 acres of cotton, that will in all probability make over 150 bales, picked. You admit that you can't use white pickers, because you have no where for them to "live" and you know white folks must "live." I is different with a "nigger." A real cotton picking nigger will sleep any where and eat anything you put before him. Unless the insects strike the cotton of this county, the yield will be unreasonably large. It is hard estimate what the healthy weed will produce. As we see it the farmers are confronting a picking problem that never confronted them before. In 1908 when there was such a demand for pickers, there were a great many more transient or idle laboring people in the county than at present. The dry years since 1908 has caused most of them to leave here. The county must have pickers, not by the hundreds, but by the thousands. If we can get white people to come here and do the work, we agree with Uncle Johnny, and say that in the long run it will be better, but cotton pickers are what we want, and what we must have. Uncle Johnny does not seem to realize that white people can not pull up and move like negroes for a few weeks work, and they are not going to do it. Uncle Johnny knows that one man can raise more cotton here than three families can gather, and this will always be the case, and that being true we must depend on transient labor to do the picking when we have good crops.

The writer trusts that Uncle Johnny will not get the idea that he is a "nigger lover." Far from it. We were born in a negro country, where there were about seven negroes to one white man, and we had our "black mammy"

but those were times when a negro was a "nigger."

This is not the opportune time to discuss the negro question. We are in favor of passing that question up to Kalamity Bonner. Let's get busy and pick cotton while the picking is good.

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.

R. W. Gilliam left Wednesday afternoon for Fort Worth to buy a carload or two of cattle to put on feed at his farm north of Ballinger and believes that is the best way to market his large feed crop.

E. A. Jeanes, the fruit and produce dealer left Wednesday afternoon for the apple belt of Colorado and California where he goes to arrange for shipments to Ballinger this fall and winter.

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

Mr. Scott of Lancaster, who had been visiting his daughter and family at San Angelo, came in Wednesday to visit his daughter, Mrs. L. B. Harris and family a few days before going on home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cates, of Augusta, Ga., came in Wednesday on a visit to her brother Frank Atwell and family for a few weeks and may decide to locate permanently in our section.

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. V. Menshew and little daughter of McGregor, who had been visiting relatives and friends here and at Paint Rock, the past few weeks left Wednesday afternoon for their home.

LOSING HOPE WOMAN VERY ILL

Finally Restored To Health By Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Bellevue, Ohio.—"I was in a terrible state before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. My back ached until I thought it would break. I had pains all over me, nervous feelings and periodic troubles. I was very weak and run down and was losing hope of ever being well and strong. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I improved rapidly and today am a well woman. I cannot tell you how happy I feel and I cannot say too much for your Compound. Would not be without it in the house if it cost three times the amount."—Mrs. CHAS. CHAPMAN, R. F. D. No. 7, Bellevue, Ohio.

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The one which she should most zealously guard, is her health, but it is the one most often neglected, until some ailment peculiar to her sex has fastened itself upon her. When so affected such women may rely upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a remedy that has been wonderfully successful in restoring health to suffering women.

If you have the slightest doubt that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

Gene Gressett returned to Ballinger Wednesday afternoon from the Sim ranch in Concho county, where he had been assisting in building several silos.

Bryan Lusk of Temple, who had been visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lusk and Ballinger friends on his summer vacation, left Wednesday afternoon for Coleman to visit his brother George a few days before going on home.

Hicks' CAPUDINE
The Liquid Remedy being used with very satisfactory results for

Headache

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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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Did you ever notice how a man usually gives close attention to a telephone conversation--especially if it is a "Long Distance" call? With the receiver at his ear, he is concentrating upon one thing--what the man at the other end is saying. Isn't that the IMPORTANT thing in a business transaction?

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LOCAL MANAGER.

BONHAM'S LOSS; BALLINGERS'S GAIN

Bonham is to lose Mr. E. D. Haden the landscape gardener. He goes to Ballinger, his former home, where he will take charge of a high school building. Mr. Haden has been doing the work of two men about the court house and the commissioners will look for a long time before they can find another man who can take his place.

It has been due to Mr. Haden more than any other man that our court house square has been as beautiful as it has been. The selection of trees, the grouping of the shrubbery, the arrangement of the flowers, the whole artistic effect was of his planning and his creation.

At first Mr. Haden was employed to fix up the court house lawn. He did this work from early morning till late at night. Later the job of janitorship of the court house was given to him in addition and never has the court house been better cared for than under his supervision. The district court room when he began the job was so filled with dirt that shovels had to be used in removing it. He did not leave it until every particle of dirt and dust had been removed and the way in which he kept it would have satisfied even the most fastidious housekeeper.--Bonham Favorite.

A. R. Holman, the new local manager of the Texas Oil Co., is unloading his household goods today into the Kipp residence on Eighth street and his family will join him in a day or two to make Ballinger their future home.

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THE DIAMOND BRAND. Throat Lozenges Druggists for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your druggist. Also at CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Suffer Always. Relieve SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

WHITE CITY

...To-night...

Entire Change of Program



Coming Friday
Mary Pickford
in
"Tess of the Storm Country"---5 parts

EXPERT INSPECTS BURSTED SILO

A. E. Stenciliff, representing the Texas Portland Cement Co., of Dallas, was here first of the week for the purpose of inspecting the silo on the old Routh farm east of town. The bursting of this silo was reported to the company, and they very promptly sent a man here to ascertain the cause and report on same.

Mr. Stenciliff is an expert silo man, as well as being a cement expert. He investigated the trouble occurring here and in his report to the company he will say: "The cause of the cracking of the silo owned by H. Giesecke, at Ballinger, was due to a continuous door opening, and the reinforcing rods, or hooks, placed in the walls, were not continued far enough into the cement on either side. This crack will cause a very small loss of ensilage."

In a statement Mr. Stenciliff stated that he would send H. Giesecke a complete report after he reached Dallas.

The account of the bursting of this silo published in various papers over the state, has caused Mr. Giesecke to be flooded with letters and telegrams from silo people, wanting to replace the silo with different kinds, and even parties have wired him offering to rebuild a cement silo.

No doubt silo companies will use the bursting of this silo as a boost for their silo, but the fact that this silo gave way will not effect cement silo building in this country.

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.

G. G. Odum, who had been spending a few days in Ballinger since his return from Hot Spring, left Thursday for San Angelo en route to his Coke county ranch.

I. Olsak, of the Shristoff school community was in the city Thursday and was buying a few mares to raise.

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

J. L. Hall of Abilene, of the Hall Music Company, passed thru the city Thursday en route to Brownwood in the interest of his company.

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.

Weather Forecast.

Unsettled tonight and Friday; probably local thunder showers.

"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.

Miss Nell Johnson of Childress who had been visiting her friend, Mrs. W. L. Brown the past few days, left Thursday morning for her home.

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.

County Clerk O. L. Parish and Paul Trimmer returned home Thursday at noon from a short business trip to Eastland county.

Rev. Jester left Thursday for Miles and will preach at that place tonight.

WAGONS! WAGONS!

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

Mr. and Mrs. A. Levy and two children, of Sweetwater, came in Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenwasser a few days.

Skin disease Cured.

Sold under the positive guarantee to refund the money, Hunt's Cure has become the standard remedy for skin diseases. You run no risk in giving it a trial, because it is guaranteed. Ask your druggist.

J. W. Ernest of San Marcos who had been looking after his farming interests in the Moro mountain country, the past week, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home.

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C. C. Schuchard left Wednesday afternoon for Brownwood on a short business trip and will visit his old home at Menard before returning home. Mr. Schuchard took his gun along with him and said if he did not find a job in Texas pretty soon, he would go over to Germany to help fatherland "fight the French."

Stop That Rheumatism.

Get a bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil. This is the remedy that everyone is talking about because it stops the pain so quickly. For neuralgia and headaches there is nothing better. Ask your druggist.

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ASKS GOVERNMENT TO AID FARMERS

That the farmers of the South hold the key to the cotton situation, there is no doubt in our mind. As has been stated more than once in these columns, the world must be clothed. The South has the job and can keep it. It is up to the farmers to fix the price of cotton, regardless of war times or times of peace.

Yet, at this particular time the farmers and the entire commercial interest of the South are facing a crisis, due to the fact that preparation were not made to handle the cotton crop before the European trouble broke.

We believe that the outcome of the present trouble will be for the great good of the cotton growing country. If the United States government, or the money power can be called in to handle the present cotton crop, the farmers will learn a lesson that will be the means of establishing a stable market for cotton, and in the future the cotton crop will not be dumped on the market at any price the speculator and the mills see fit to pay, but a sufficient quantity will be reserved from each crop to guarantee a stable market.

Never before in the history of the cotton industry have the Southern people been so aroused in working for the success of the backbone of commerce of the South.

The convention of cotton men, farmers and bankers, held at Dallas recently, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, cotton is the staple product of the South, and is the controlling factor in the prosperity of the South, and

"Whereas, the prices brought about by the European conditions comes at a time when the deposit of our banks are at their lowest and the strain upon the banks is the greatest, and

"Whereas, the National government in the realization that conditions brought about by the war, is bending every effort to cope with the situation, the Texas division of the Southern Cotton Association recommends:

"1. That the Federal government by the enactment of legislation and the consideration of further laws having expressed its willingness to provide the necessary funds to care for the handling of our cotton crop, and in the providing of such funds will name the methods to be employed in their distribution, and the conditions under which they will be furnished, is entitled to the royal support and co-operation of every citizen interested in the general welfare of the country.

"2. Resolved: That the secretary of the treasury be requested to deposit at once available funds with banks in the cotton states, said funds to be special funds to be used for the purpose of making loans on cotton, and the banks holding such deposits to be required to report daily or weekly the amount loaned on such cotton and to whom the loan is made.

"3. We recommend to the careful consideration of congress such action as in its judgment may utilize the resources and credit of banking institutions operating under the state characters, to the end that such institutions may contribute in connection with the national banks to the amelioration of the present situation.

"4. Resolved: that in order to give immediate and material relief to the producers of cotton it is essential that the amount of emergency currency that may be issued by the government on commercial paper under the Aldrich-Vreeland act should be increased to at least seventy-five per cent, and that our senators and representatives in congress be requested to co-operate in the effort to secure this relief without delay.

"5. Resolved: That we urge congress to pass such laws as will permit of free and unrestricted co-operative association among agricultural producers. That as a matter of safeguarding the interests of the consumers we suggest the prices set on farm products by commission for that purpose.

"6. We further recommend that the cotton states in their efforts to contribute to the relief of the present conditions are urged to reaffirm their policies and acts to the measures already advanced and those under consideration by the federal government, to the end that the utmost harmony may prevail between states and nations and the specific provisions of the states directed toward emergency relief should be to supplement the

NOTICE

We have purchased for the FREE use and benefit of all and more especially the farmers, a

SCIENTIFIC COTTON GRADER

containing the 9 grades of cotton as established by Act of Congress. Learn to grade your cotton. We also have Cotton Pickers Records for farmers. Don't fail to ask for one.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK
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agencies created in advance by the federal government.

"7. Resolved further: That the government of Texas be requested to submit to the legislature now assembled such changes in the state banking laws as will permit state banks that are eligible to join the national reserve association and especially that the reserve be reduced in accordance with that law, thus enabling them to increase their loaning capacity.

"8. Resolved: That we recommend every grower and handler of cotton to hold his cotton from the market until the federal government has promulgated the approximate value of cotton and which, in the opinion of this convention should not be less than 12-1-2 cents per pound basis middling.

"9. Resolved: That we pledge our friendly co-operation to all other organizations that are now or may hereafter be organized for the purposes for which this conference has been called together and organized.

"10. Resolved: That we urge upon our farmers, aided by the towns and cities, to build at once warehouses to carry out the policies herein contemplated.

"11. Resolved: That the state legislature now in special session be urged to pass such warehouse bill as will meet the requirements of the national government in loaning money on cotton stored in such warehouses and upon cotton warehouse receipts.

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COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vincent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C.--"I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadful pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, I would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I firmly

***** SPRING HILL NEWS. *****

The feed crop is needing sunshine; also the cotton needs dry weather. Cotton is growing very rank and there is some uneasiness regarding damage from insects. However, there is not much indication at present of any pest, and if not, there is going to be a big crop of cotton raised. There is a great cry for help to pick cotton. Some wants negroes, some don't.

Miss Jessie Seccrest visited Mr. and Mrs. Colburn.

Miss George Dean, is home from the sanitarium. She is getting along very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Walker, of Ballinger was visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Davis last Sunday.

Mrs. Owen Aycock spent last week with home folks in Ballinger.

Mr. Wheelis is back from Dublin, after a visit to his father.

Mr. Vanlaningham is back from Abilene.

Rev. Elliott of Miles, conducted a meeting at Spring Hill the past week with good results. A number of people from the Baptist church in Ballinger attended.

"KNOX."

I have for sale one 3 room residence that can be moved to the country. Phone 347-J. McD. 19-1td 1tw tf.

Miss Boone of Brownwood, who had been visiting her friends Miss Helen Sherrell of Winters, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home. Miss Sherrell accompanied her friends as far as this point.

believe I would have died if I hadn't taken it.

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like another person altogether."

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentle-acting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale, sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write for Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-6