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TEXAS MILITIA WILL BE 200,000

By United Press.
AUSTIN, March 13.—The present organization of the Texas militia when recruited to its full war strength will be sufficient to meet possible Federal calls up to 200,000 men. This unit would likely be considered in case of a clash with Mexico.

MAY BE INCENDIARY FIRE AT MONTEREY

By United Press.
MONTEREY, Mexico, March 13.—The Caldes army headquarters building was damaged by a fire today, which destroyed records contained in the offices. Records in telegraph and telephone exchanges were also consumed in the flames which partially destroyed the building.
A possibility is being discussed that the fire was connected in some way with the present crisis in Mexico. An investigation has been ordered into the causes of the burning.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES BANK CALL

WASHINGTON, March 13.—A call was issued today for statements of National banks at the close of business, March 7th.

WANTED—Oats, call at Miller Mercantile Co. 13-14fd

ITALIANS RESUME HEAVY OFFENSIVE

By United Press.
ROME, March 13.—Reports reaching here from the Austro-Italian battle front, state that the Italians have suddenly become active along the whole front. Heavy artillery duels between detachments of opposing forces have recommenced with unusual violence.

Weather Forecast
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U. S. Troops to Cross Line

Carranza Has Reciprocal Privilege

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, March 13.—Secretary Lansing announced this afternoon that the state department had reached an agreement with General Carranza. United States troops will cross the Mexican border with the understanding that Carranza troops will have permission to cross into the United States. The reciprocal provision was the result of messages exchanged between the state department and Carranza this morning and last night.
Administration officials now believe that it is only a question of a few hours before United States troops enter Mexico for the purpose of running down Villa and his band of outlaws who swept down upon Columbus, N. M., Thursday morning.
The army department did not left Carranza's message of objections to troops entering Mexico deter mobilization, but instead steadily continued preparation for the movement.

Mexican Chief to Resist United States Invasion

By United Press.
MEXICO CITY, March 13.—A proclamation issued by General Carranza last night to the United States informs the American government that under no circumstances would Mexico grant to the United States the right to send armed forces into Mexico for the purpose of capturing Villa, and that before the United States troops could cross the border the United States must get the consent of the Carranza government and promise reciprocal privileges.
Such attitude of the Mexican government was made known in plain language and the orders were sent to the Mexican confidential agent in Washington with instruction that the American government be immediately notified to this effect.
In issuing the declaration Carranza says that the invasion of Villa has historical precedents, as in the years of 1880 and 1886, two parties of Indians coming from the United States invaded Mexico, committing crimes on the lives and property of Mexicans. It was then agreed between the two governments to permit the respective passage of armed forces, resulting in the extermination of the Indians, and Carranza wants the United States to pursue a like course in order to solve future difficulties should they arise.

General Funston Must Wait for General Carranza's Assent

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, March 13.—The United States desires to obtain the assent of General Carranza and complying with the policy of General Funston for preparedness before marching troops on Mexican soil are delaying the march into Mexico which was to have started this morning. The march on Mexico is now indefinite and may be delayed for forty-eight hours.
The administration is expected to grant requests made in statement received from General Carranza and will agree to reciprocity—permitting Mexican troops to cross Texas, or over the border when the occasion arises for them to do so in running down the bandit Villa and his army of 3000 men. At two o'clock this afternoon the cabinet is in session.
Embargo orders have been issued and shortly afternoon today an airtight embargo was placed on munitions into Mexico. This means that neither the Carranza government or the revolutionists can get ammunition from the United States.

BRUSH PILE FIRE ENDANGERS GARAGE

The Volunteer Fire Company was called to the home of C. W. Northington near the Methodist church Saturday afternoon to prevent the burning of Mr. Northington's garage. Some children touched a match to a pile of brush near the garage and the flames were scorching the auto house when the fire company reached the scene. Just a case of careless children playing with matches.
Duard Knox, who had been in the U. S. Navy the past several years returned home Saturday night from San Francisco, Cal., and reports quite an experience since he left home and is mighty glad to be back at home again.

STRANGER FOUND DEAD IN BED

J. T. Henry, age 75, of Austin, was found dead in his bed at the home of Mr. Thorp in the western part of the city Sunday morning. The remains were carried to the undertaking parlors of the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., and prepared for burial and were interred in the City Cemetery Monday afternoon.

Deceased came to Ballinger last Wednesday accompanied by his son. They were stopping with Mr. Thorp, an old friend, and it was hoped that a visit to this county would prove beneficial to Mr. Henry's health. He had been suffering with asthma. Death was sudden and the relatives and friends knew nothing of it until late Sunday morning.
Relatives came in from Austin Monday at noon to be present at the funeral.

BUYS CREAMERY

J. C. Cook and family of San Saba, moved to our city recently to make Ballinger their future home. Mr. Cook has bought from W. A. Bridwell the ice cream and creamery department of the Ballinger Bottling Works and will manufacture the Star Ice Cream at the same old stand. Mr. Cook is an experienced ice cream manufacturer and his cream will be known as the Star Ice cream. He comes to our city highly recommended as a business man of sterling worth and integrity.

MADE AUTO TRIP TO CISCO.

H. L. Mobley and family spent Saturday night and part of Sunday in Cisco. Leaving Ballinger Saturday they went to Brownwood, and from there across the country to Cisco, returning to Ballinger late Sunday afternoon, making the 250 mile trip successfully and report a very pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Roten of Bronte were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

VERDUN GUNNERS SHAKING GROUND

By United Press.
LONDON, March 13.—The whole region around Verdun is being shaken by the heavy artillery fire from the big guns. Terrific pounding of the Verdun defenses by the Germans is without parallel in the history of warfare. The struggle for the possession of the French city and trenches commanding access to same, is extending to a length of a fifty mile front to the southeast of Verdun.

MANY BOOTLEGGERS TO GO ON TRIAL

District court convened at one-thirty Monday with Judge Jno. W. Goodwin on the bench. The first work of the court was in empanelling the grand jury and starting that body to work. The charge from the court to the dozen investigators covered the usual charge with special attention directed to the violation of the local option law and the law governing the sale of tobacco to minors. Judge Goodwin instructed the grand jury to make a thorough investigation in such matters and where the evidence justified indictment that bills be returned against those guilty of violating such laws.
The grand jury is composed of Edgar Jayroe, foreman; Fred Machatka, H. Giesecke, W. A. (Continued on page 2)



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THE DAILY LEDGER

Published every afternoon except Sunday by the Ballinger Printing Company.

A. W. SLEDGE, Editor
J. P. SHEPHERD, Business Mgr.

John W. Baker has withdrawn from the race for state treasurer. J. M. Edwards, of Runnels County, will be the next treasurer.

The output of autos for the past year show a gain of forty per cent, and the count shows that on an average every ninth family in the United States owns an automobile.

It was an unfortunate day for Texas when the state was allowed to increase its representation in Congress. At least it was an unfortunate day when the state turned out at large Jeff: McLe-more and Cyclone Davis.

This is the season of the year when women are willing to do the church going. They want to see what kind of a hat Mrs. Fashion is wearing.

HAVE A HEART

The merchants of Ballinger have agreed to close at six-thirty in the afternoon. When they entered this agreement they supposed that six-thirty would mark the close of their day's work. But many of their customers thoughtlessly order goods at such late hours in the afternoon that they keep the long-suffering delivery clerks on the run for a full hour after other persons have closed shop and gone to their homes. Remember this, ladies, and send in your orders early enough for the delivery to be finished by six-thirty. It will not inconvenience you in the least, but it will mean a great deal to the delivery men.

DON'T LET YOUR CHICKENS BE TOO INDUSTRIOUS.

Ordinarily industry is a very commendable trait, even in chickens, but if you have any chickens don't let them show their industry by scratching out the flower seeds your neighbor across the fence has spent the afternoon in planting. Your neighbor may get peeved. Now, of course, we all believe in personal liberty, properly defined, and we are will-

ing to grant you the liberty of keeping chickens in town and would also like to grant your chickens the liberty of free range. But chickens are sadly deficient in the esthetic sense and the prospect of finding a nice juicy worm in your neighbor's flower bed means much more to them than any regard they may have for the flowers that might have grown there.

The great majority of the front yards in Ballinger are unfenced. Such is usually the case with towns which lay any claim to city manners. But this unprotected condition of other folk's yards makes them subject to the ravages of all the loose chickens in the neighborhood. Keep your chickens in your own back yard. By turning them out to annoy and exasperate your neighbors, you can do more in one week to set back the move for city beautification in your neighborhood than community effort can do in a month to promote it.

Rank Foolishness

You occasionally see it stated that colds do not result from cold weather. That is rank foolishness. Were it true colds would be as prevalent in midsummer as in midwinter. Microbe that causes colds flourishes in damp, cold weather. To get rid of a cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effectual and is highly recommended by people who have used it for many years as occasion required, and know its real value. Obtainable everywhere.

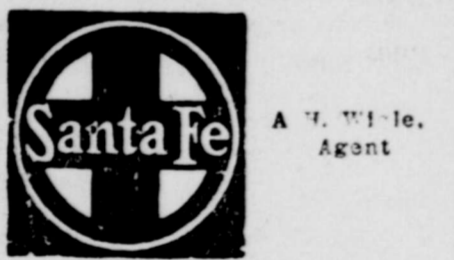
J. R. Crayton, one of the business and stockmen of Shep, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Thursday.

Tinker or Thinker—Which? "Get an Overland." O'Kelley & Walton.

J. T. Hardigree and son Herbert of the Crews country, S. R. Richardson of the Ethel neighborhood and R. L. Cotton of the Maverick country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

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TWO PHONES 66 AND 77

Many Bootleggers To Go on Trial

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Francis, John Bigby, R. W. Bruce Wm. Smiley, Dee Oliver, W. B. Ray, C. C. Carter, John Dean, and E. B. Walker. Jim Flynt was appointed walking bailiff, Leonard Wilkerson and John Henry Lewis riding bailiff, G. W. New-ma door bailiff.

No doubt the first work to come before the present term of grand jury will be the investigation and the probable indicting of seven or eight parties being held in jail charged with violating the local option law. All the parties held are negroes, except one, a white man, and the charges were filed in justice court and parties failing to make bond have been confined in jail for some time to await the action of the grand jury. Judging from the evidence upon which the charges were filed there is little doubt but what all the parties will be indicted, and it is probable that most of the cases will be disposed of at the present term of court.

Criminal Docket.

Immediately following the empaneling of the grand jury the criminal docket was sounded, and several cases continued or set for a later date at the present term. The case of State vs. Sam Smith charged with seduction, from Miles, was called, and will probably go to trial this afternoon.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Miss Norman, of Paint Rock, passed through Ballinger Sunday afternoon en route to Dallas to visit her brother a few weeks.

Mrs. Nancy Collins of the Hylton country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Brown wood to visit her two daughters near that place.

Mrs. Minnie Smith of Coleman, who had been the guest of Mrs. Joe Hadden and family over Sunday returned home Monday.

J. F. Easterwood of Concho County, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

S. T. Wood of the Mud Creek country, S. A. Mathews of the Hatchel country, and G. W. Sellers of the Wingate country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

A. T. Stokes, one of the prominent hotel men of Winters, came in Saturday at noon to visit his son, H. Grady Stokes and his other sons in this section for a week or two.

Prof. A. W. Cherry, principal of the Norton school and R. E. Dorsett of Norton, were in the city Saturday and Mr. Dorsett was here to meet his daughter Mrs. Burrell Wagon and husband of Sidney, Texas, who came in at noon to visit her father and family a few weeks.

Judge M. C. Taylor of Norton, was in Ballinger Saturday and informed us that he was making his arrangements to move to this place next week where he and his wife will make home for the present, having sold their home place at Norton to Tom Setser.

Will Currie of Concho County, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Davis and two sons, of the Crews country, were shopping in Ballinger Friday afternoon.

Clarence Woods of the Pony country, F. M. ... and W. B. Felsy, C. E. ... D. Miller, and ... Mrs. R. ... Ham-bright of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

Mrs. N. N. Lovell left Saturday afternoon for Granbury to visit her father and friends a few weeks.

J. A. Weathersbee of the Maverick country, H. B. Witt of the Valley creek country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Gust Johnson, one of the pioneer readers of The Banner-Ledger, who lives east of town, handed us a dollar Saturday evening to keep the paper coming another year.

Mrs. W. L. Brown returned home Saturday afternoon from a visit to relatives at San Angelo.

REVIVAL SCHEDULED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. E. R. Stanford returned from a trip to Waco and Fort Worth in time to preach Sunday. The Win-One Evangelistic Campaign was launched and many volunteers agreed to work faithfully to wine-one person or more during the campaign, which closes Easter Sunday. Five persons united with the church at the close of the morning service.

A revival meeting will begin next Sunday at the church. Rev. Henry Stanford, M. A., B. D. from Rogers, Texas, a cousin of the pastor, will assist in the meeting. Services will be held each day at 10 a. m., and 7:45 p. m. A large choir will render excellent music. All those who sing or play instruments are cordially invited. The public is invited to attend

REMEMBER
Clean-Up Week
March 8-15
The City Wagons Will Remove Your Trash.

these meetings from the first service. The team will be Stanford & Stanford. Lend your help, your prayers and your presence. The preaching service will begin next Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

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EARLY CLOSING AGREEMENT

We, the undersigned meat markets of Ballinger, Texas, agree to close not later than 7 p. m. except on Saturdays and first Mondays, during the months of March, April, May, June, July and August, 1916, and not to accept for delivery any later than 6:30 p. m. We further agree to not open on Sundays during the months named.

(Signed)
CASH MARKET,
1td STROBLE MARKET.

The Sunday closing of the meat markets is a much needed move and one which considerate customers will not object to. As it has been, the meat market men have been compelled to spend the greater part of every Sunday morning at work which was altogether unnecessary, and was but the result of the thoughtlessness of the public. Let us be considerate after this and give the butchers the Sunday rest which is the right of all men.
A. E. BURGESS,
Secretary Y. M. B. L.

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If your child has a cold, nose runs or coughs much get a small bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Its a pleasant Pine-Tar. Honey syrup, just what children like and just the medicine to soothe the cough and check the cold. After taking, children stop fretting sleep good and are soon entirely well. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c at your druggist.

Mrs. N. A. Kerby of the Crews country had been at the bedside of Uncle Jim Kerby, left for home Friday afternoon and are glad to report the old gentleman some better.

Mrs. Lon Mapes of Pony Creek who had been visiting at the home of George Mapes of San Angelo, passed thru Ballinger Saturday morning en route home.

Charlie Grant and W. H. Rodgers, of Winters, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Friday.

W. W. Farmer and his mother and father came in from Higgins Friday and will spend some time on their ranch near Ballinger for the benefit of his mother's health.

SECOND PRIMARY USELESS AND ABSURD

Mr. Editor:—What causes this agitation of a second primary? What benefit will be gained by it? Can any man, (without an axe to grind) give a just and sufficient reason why one primary will not suffice? Call to mind the lengthy campaign that the candidates have made and yet to make. It takes money to run for office these modern days, and let us not add any more expense and anxiety to those of our friends seeking office.

I am charitable enough to assume that any one running for office in this county is competent to fill such office creditably; therefore, we cannot be injured by electing any of them. We are thankful, for many good ideas we get from the east, among the sticks, but, on this question let us draw the line. This second primary idea is a product of that section, and let us drop it like a hot potato. We wish no second primary precedent to obtain in Runnels county. What's in your second primary? Nix! It's useless, extravagant and absurd. This community stands pat against it.
S. D. WILLIAMS.

Hatchel, Texas.

Tinker or Thinker—Which? "Get an Overland." O'Kelley & Walton.

Mrs. D. Reeder left Sunday afternoon to visit her daughter Mrs. Frank Drews and family of Dallas.

Watch the Fords Go By.

* POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.
All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25th: Representative 111th District:

- WALACE E. HAWKINS.
- For County Clerk:**
W. C. McCARVER,
C. C. COCKRELL,
H. G. SECREST,
A. L. SPANN.
- For Tax Assessor:**
C. C. SCHUCHARD,
T. H. CURRY,
JOE TURNER,
WILLIE STEPHENS,
L. R. LITTLE
- For County Attorney:**
C. P. SHEPHERD
- For County Treasurer:**
W. L. BROWN
- For Tax Collector:**
W. T. PADGETT,
MIKE C. BOYD,
M. D. CHASTAIN,
JOHN BALLEW.
- For Sheriff:**
J. D. PERKINS,
E. F. (Earl) EDWARDS.
- For County Judge:**
O. L. PARISH,
C. H. WILLINGHAM
- For District Clerk:**
(Miss) MARY PHILLIPS.
- For County Superintendent of Schools:**
W. W. WOOTEN.
- For Commissioner Pre. No. 1:**
E. C. MOOR,
R. P. KIRK.

H. C. Fletcher left Sunday afternoon for Fort Worth to attend the Fat Stock Show and to look after business affairs a few days.

The Careful Man and his wife

put their money in the bank where it is safe from fire, burglars and their own temptation to spend it.

Husband and wife should both save money. What's the good for one to save and the other to spend? Just ask yourself today: "Who gets the money I earn?" Do I get it or does somebody else get it? You earned your money; it belongs to you. Keep it. Be a careful man and bank your money.

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(Continued from Yesterday)

SYNOPSIS.

Little Helen Holmes, daughter of General Holmes, railroad man, is rescued from imminent danger on a scenic railroad by George Storm, a newsboy. Grown to young womanhood, Helen saves Storm, now a fireman, her father, and his friends Amos Rhinelander, financier, and Robert Seagrue, promoter, from a threatened collision. Saboteurs employed by Seagrue steal General Holmes' survey plans of the cut-off line for the Tidewater, fatally wounding the general and escape. Her father's estate badly involved by his death, Helen goes to work on the Tidewater. Helen recovers the survey plans from Seagrue, and though they are taken from her, finds an accidentally made proof of the survey blueprint. Storm is employed by Rhinelander. Spike, befriended by Helen, in his turn saves her and the right-of-way contracts when Seagrue kidnaps her. Helen and Storm win for Rhinelander a race against Seagrue for right of way.

**NINTH INSTALLMENT
A CLOSE CALL**

Despite Seagrue's persistent opposition, Rhinelander secured the right of way to enable him to complete the Superstition cut-off, and unable to stop the Tidewater construction work, Seagrue resolved to try other methods to defeat his rival.

Helen Holmes was enjoying the taste of camp life that her trip to the front had brought. And after the excitement had died down attending the destruction of Cassidy's house, she found herself amused and interested in Cassidy himself, who was busy next morning trying to restore a much-battered stove to service near the wreck of his shack. Helen watched his dazed efforts until sympathy overcame her, and excusing herself, she walked over to where Cassidy was struggling to get a fire going.

Seagrue, who had been watching the scene from a distance, saw Helen join the old fellow, and deemed it his opportunity to make tentative advances toward the collective enemy. Sauntering over, accordingly, he joined Helen at a moment in which she sent Cassidy for water and was herself watching the fire starting in the stove.

Helen looked up in astonishment when she heard Seagrue's greeting. Indeed, she resented his intrusion so strongly that she refused all communication with him and for a time he spoke into deaf ears.

"You ought not to be too hard on me, Helen," he urged at length. "Any man will fight for his life against ruin. That's all I've done. Everything I have in the world is tied up in this Superstition cut-off. But more than once I said to myself, I would willingly sacrifice it all to regain your friendship."

He spoke slowly and looked so beaten and worried as he lingered in the penumbra of Helen's gaze that she began to feel a little more sympathetic.



"I Hate to Bring These Back, but I Can't Double-Cross Seagrue!"

gan to denounce him indignantly for his villainous conduct.

He took her stinging reproaches without resentment. "I admit," he said, "my temper carries me too far, sometimes."

"Sometimes!" echoed Helen. "A hundred and fifty!"

"When I do get angry," confessed Seagrue, "I lose my head. I stop at nothing. When it's all over, nobody is sorrier for it than I am. I have acted shamefully. I know that. And what hurts the most is that it should have cost me your friendship and my uncle's."

While the talk thus begun the two was going on in this fashion, Storm, who had been experimenting with

some new jacks, noticed what Helen was doing; and that the man standing near her was none other than Seagrue. Scarcely able to believe his eyes, the young constructionist called to Rhinelander to look. The latter disengaged himself from his new machines long enough to see what Storm had seen and putting another man in charge of the work, he hurried off, followed by Storm, over to Cassidy's zone.

They arrived together just in time to find Seagrue putting wood on Helen's fire. He turned from his peaceful role to greet Rhinelander, quite casually, with a good morning; Helen in good spirits, was stepping rapidly around preparing a meal. Rhinelander looked from one to the other in amazement, and striding forward, confronted Seagrue. "What does all this thing mean?" he demanded angrily.

"What are you up to now, Seagrue?" Seagrue met the wrathful greeting composedly. His answer was amiable and untrifling. "We have been talking over old times, Uncle Amos." He indicated Helen by the slightest nod. "I've told Helen, what you well know, that everything I have in the world has been tied up in this fight. But I've also told her I would sacrifice every bit of it to regain your good will and hers. I'm sorry for the lengths I've gone to. It's been a mistake. It doesn't reflect any credit on me, I know that. But can't we forget it? Forget everything, here and now, and work together, you and I, for the future instead of trying to cut each other's throats? Why not combine our interests, uncle, and take a fresh start?"

But Rhinelander, gentle though he was in disposition and forbearing to a degree that surprised his friends, was yet too old in the ways of the world to put his trust in assurances without deeds to back them. He regarded Seagrue firmly. "This fight," he said briefly, "was not one of our choosing, Seagrue. You forced us into it," he reminded his nephew. "We cannot compromise now when sure of success."

Seagrue, whether hopeless, or dogged in his attitude, took the rebuke hard. He did not resent it but he looked down and out. So much so that Helen felt sorry. She even made occasion, as he stood gloomily watching her, to go over to him and express her regret that Rhinelander did not feel, as she did, that it might be better for everybody to try to be friends once more.

Storm, who had stood apart and was churning inside at the situation, now intervened: "Come over to camp, Helen. That man doesn't mean a word of what he says. You're wasting time listening to him. Come along."

She resented the positive way in which the words were spoken. Her manner when she answered revealed some of her impatience: "I'll come," she said, with a suggestion of coyness, "just as soon as I get through here." Rhinelander detected her resentment. He knew better than anyone in the world that the spirited girl could not be driven and could not even be coaxed too far. He beckoned to Storm. "Let's go," he suggested in an undertone.

Storm seemed against the proposal. Rhinelander quietly urged it. "You can't do any good," he explained in a low tone. "I know what's best. Come with me."

Storm, angry as a schoolboy, at what he deemed the folly of giving the slightest countenance to Seagrue, followed his friend reluctantly. But having avowed she would not go, Helen, conscious herself now of the strain of the situation, turned to Seagrue and told him she must be leaving. He extended his hand. "I'm sorry the trouble has gone so far," he said hurriedly, as she shook hands with him to show she bore no irremovable ill will. "But I guess there's no help for the situation at present."

Seagrue watched her follow Rhinelander and Storm, who waited for her on the edge of the camp. The three went on together toward Rhinelander's outfit car still discussing the troublesome subject. Seagrue, however, realized he must do something, if not in one way in another, and he left Cassidy's to send for a local attorney who had already acted for him in right-of-way matters.

To him, when he arrived, Seagrue explained his present predicament for an outlet. "What I must know is," he said, "whether the city of Las Vegas will grant our people a right of way along here through city property?" The attorney shook his head. "I don't think that can ever be put over," Seagrue was told. "You've got to do it. There's no other way for us to get through. If you hold us up on it, we shall be compelled to abandon our line here."

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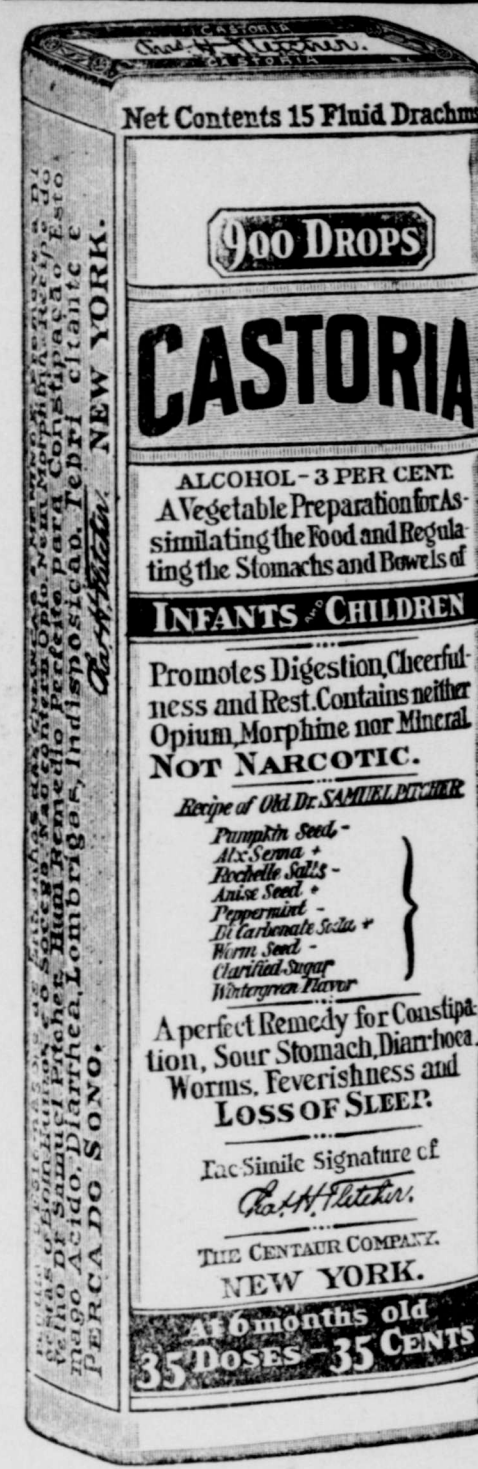
Shoes Wanted.

at Wendorf's Busy Shoe Shop Work done by the Champion shoe finishing machine, soles sewed on in quick time. Come to see us.

H. L. WENDORF
dtt Hutchings Ave.

Mrs. M. L. Patterson and daughter, Miss Vera, of Winters, were visiting relatives and Ballinger friends and doing some shopping in town Saturday.

We are ready with a stock of good healthy tomato plants, good variety. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 9-11w



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Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria

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J. M. Johnson, E. F. Edwards, Wm. Smiley, W. H. Rodgers and Judge J. P. Cogsdell, of Winters were among the number attending district court in Ballinger Monday.

Adolph Wilke received word from his wife at Austin stating that her mother died in that city Sunday and Mrs. Wilke would return home in a few days.

Take Po-Do-Lax in Spring

In winter our blood gets thick, our pores close, we feel tired and dull when hot days come. What we need is a spring liver tonic, something to rid our system of winter's accumulated waste. Po-Do-Lax will do it. It stimulates the bile, empties the bowels. The organs become more active and in a little while you feel like new. Don't neglect cleaning out your system. Take Po-Do-Lax and you will feel fine. 50c at your drug gist.

Rev. C. L. Ewing, of Brownwood, and Rev. D. M. West of Belton, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Col. C. L. Morgan and daughter, Miss Alice left Monday afternoon for Coleman and take a two weeks fishing trip while gone and we expect report of some big Bass catches when the Colonel returns home.

Notice

As all chemicals, paper, dry plates and in fact almost every item of stock used in making photographs, have advanced in price to such an extent, and that I have to pay cash in advance for these goods, that it compels me to discontinue the credit system, and from this date I will collect for all photos, kodak finishing, etc., before the work leaves the studio.

W. E. BARTLETT,
11-3td Photographer

Joe Spill spent Sunday with his family and left Monday for Winters, where he is clerking in the Spill Brothers furniture store.

J. F. Stuart spent Sunday with home folks and returned to Winters Monday morning, where he is buying cotton this season. He is a prospective candidate for the office of tax assessor of Rannels county.

W. W. Holliday, who with his family, came in from Artesia, N. M., a few days ago, returned to that place Saturday to ship out his household goods to Rannels County to make his home again.

Miss Bertha Van Pelt left Saturday afternoon for Belton to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Geo. Kearney and family a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Boon Coulter and little son of San Angelo, came in Saturday afternoon to visit his brother, J. D. Coulter, and family, of West End, a few days.

MODERN FIXTURES FOR BIG STORE

Five sections of modern hardware cases have just been installed in the hardware department of the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co. The new cases add greatly to the hardware department and the various lines are displayed in a most attractive way, the goods are protected from dust, Aside from the splendid display being enclosed in the glass cases, while the cabinets furnish room for the big line of screws, bolts, nuts, nails, locks, clamps, hinges, etc.

The grocery department of this store is also to undergo valuable improvements, two big sanitary grocery cases having been purchased and are now en route to Ballinger, and will be installed as soon as they arrive. A big auto delivery truck will also be put on at an early date, the auto delivery to be used in delivering goods for every department of the store.

When to Take Chamberlain's Tablets.

When you feel dull and stupid after eating.
When constipated or bilious.
When you have a sick headache
When you have a sour stomach.
When you belch after eating.
When you have indigestion.
When nervous or despondent.
When you have no relish for your meals.
When your liver is torpid.
Obtainable everywhere.

LOW RATES TO FT. WORTH



FOR THE BIG **FAT STOCK SHOW**

MARCH 11th TO 16th

RARE EXHIBITS OF FINE STOCK AND LARGE LIST OF SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT FEATURES.

YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS IT.

See local Agents for special rates on certain days, train service, etc., or write,

A. D. BFLL, GEO. D. HUNTER,
Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Gen. Pass. Agt.
DALLAS, TEXAS

Feed the Cow that Feeds You.

Trico Mixed Feed for cows, cotton seed meal for cows, bran, chops, oats, chicken feed, hay, etc. We deliver feed for man and beast in any quantity.

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Grocer and Baker
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Fat Stock AND Horse Show Ft. Worth

MARCH 11-18
\$4.25 Round Trip \$4.25
Tickets on Sale March 15
and for trains arriving Ft. Worth morning March 16
LIMITED MARCH 17

\$7.30 Round Trip \$7.30
Tickets on Sale March 10 to 17
LIMITED MARCH 29



BALLINGER LOSES ANOTHER NEGRO CITIZEN

Sheriff Perkins, acting upon authority given him in a warrant received from Williamson county, arrested one Lorenzo Odom, a negro, Monday morning and placed him in jail to await the arrival of officer from Georgetown, and the negro will be carried back to Georgetown to answer to gambling charges. Lorenzo came to this county last September, but he armed himself with a poll tax receipt and declared the full rights of citizenship, and when told a short time ago that he would not be allowed to vote on a poll tax receipt issued in this county replied to the advice given him by the officers by saying that "all the Gods in Heaven and the devils in hell could not keep him from voting." He didn't vote in the recent election.

Sign of Good Digestion.
When you see a cheerful and happy old lady you may know that she has good digestion. If your digestion is impaired or if you do not relish your meals take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach, improve the digestion and cause a gentle movement of the bowels. Obtainable everywhere.

Tomato Plants.
We have a good variety of healthy tomato plants ready for transplanting. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 9-11w4td

WE'RE AHEAD OF TEXAS, SAYS VISITOR

West Central Texas, particularly that part in the Ballinger territory, is far ahead of any other section of the state, according to M. Oppenheimer, a business man of Temple, who is attending district court in Ballinger today. Business conditions in this part of Texas are flourishing in comparison to those of other sections, Mr. Oppenheimer thinks.

Although Runnels County is suffering from a slight drouth at the present time, Mr. Oppenheimer believes that the prosperous times of the preceding two years offset any temporarily adverse condition which may be confronting the farmers of the county. Apparently the drouth which is being felt slightly in West Central Texas at present is also being considered in other sections of the state, in some parts with even alarm. Bell county had rain the first part of the year, Mr. Oppenheimer said, but another fall would be appreciated by not only farming elements but also by the business men who depend upon the agricultural section for their livelihood.

Mr. Oppenheimer is accompanied on the trip by Express Agent Kelley of the Wells Fargo Express Co., of Temple, who is also a witness in district court here this week.

"Bell county is making rapid strides in scientific farming," said Mr. Kelley. "The business men of Temple have done more for the farmers of Bell county than any other set of men, having employed a farm demonstrator—one of the highest priced in the state—a canning club demonstrator, and inaugurated numerous other movements tending toward improving the agricultural resources of the county. Bell county farmers are learning to farm in the right way and the best results ever attained by any county in the United States are being reaped now. Temple is proud of the pace she is setting for Temple is in the heart of a farming country and upon the agriculturists depend the welfare and prosperity of the county metropolis."

The two Temple gentlemen expect to return to their home Tuesday afternoon.

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RATES FOR Classified Ads IN THE BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

One cent per word first insertion. Half cent per word each subsequent insertion.
Black face type double regular rate.
Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular open account with us.
Call Telephone No. 27.

WANTED

WANTED—Oats, call at Miller Mercantile Co. 13-4fd

WANTED—some one to place an advertisement on my water wagon. Apply to A. T. Campbell. 11-3td-pd.

BORROW NOW—Funds will be scarce in midsummer. Describe security and state how much you want and what for. Address the W. C. Belcher Land and Mortgage Co., Fort Worth, or J. B. Goodnight, Abilene, Texas. 9-19td 4tw

HOGS WANTED—Will pay highest market price for stock and shipping hogs. Phone 3302. J. H. Taylor. 9-4tdltw

WANTED—To trade for or buy a small house. Jewell Cunningham. 4-dtf

WANTED—A girl or married lady, without children, to do general house work in family of three. G. T. L. Bryan, Md. Box No. 174, Bradshaw, Texas. 28-4td

SEWING WANTED—By Mrs. Garner, 505, 11th street, Ballinger. 12-dtf

FOR SALE

BARRED ROC KEGGS—Per setting \$1.00. H. A. Cady 13-2td

TOMATO PLANTS—Good variety, ready for transplanting. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 9-11w4td

1000 FEET 1 to 3 inch galvanized pipe, one 80 barrel water tank, in good condition, for sale cheap. Geo. M. Vaughn. 10-11w 6td.

WILL GIVE YOU FORTY DOLLARS—In order to quickly introduce to the people of Ballinger the famous hundred dollar guaranteed latest model, visible and silent, durable and artistic, Woodstock typewriters, I will give to the first twenty purchasers a forty dollar credit draft, balance payable three dollars per month. To see this machine and get further particulars, call on A. Lee Boyd, Zappe building. 4-26td

FOUND

FOUND—Raincoat, owner can get same by calling at Ledger office and paying for this notice. 13-1tdltw.

ARCADE TO MOVE TO NEW QUARTERS.

The building formerly occupied by a barber shop next to the Schaw grocery store, is being put in shape for occupancy again, and the Arcade racket store will move into same in a few days. The Arcade is at present located in the Wooden building on Eighth Street.

Colds Quickly Relieved.
Many people cough and cough—from the beginning of Fall right through to Spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tissue-tearing cough, heals the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take. Antiseptic and Healing. Get a 50 cents bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand" writes W. C. Jessemann, Franconia, N. H. Money back if not satisfied.

Watch the Fords Go By.

BIBLE INSTITUTE ATTRACTS CROWD

The second annual Bible Institute began at the First Baptist church Sunday morning, at eleven o'clock when Dr. W. F. Fry of Fort Worth, made the opening address to an audience that filled the house.

Quite a number of out of town delegates arrived Sunday and were assigned homes, and others arrived today, and it is expected that the out of town attendance will increase from day to day.

The service for 2:30 Sunday afternoon was called in and Dr. Fry filled the pulpit again Sunday night. Preceding the Sunday night service the choir held a song service for thirty minutes, and a large crowd gathered early to hear the songs.

The institute met at 9:45 this morning and a fifteen minute song service was held and Dr. Fry spoke again at ten o'clock and the program was carried out as announced. At eight o'clock tonight Dr. Fry will deliver an address, and it is expected that a large crowd will be present to hear him. The usual thirty minutes song service will be held before the speaking, beginning at 7:30.

Dr. M. A. Jenkins will be the principal speaker for Tuesday, speaking at 11 o'clock and at 8 o'clock. Other announcements will be made tonight and from

ABILENE GRAND JURY BREAKS THE RECORD

(Abilene Reporter)
In district court here Saturday morning Special Judge W. P. Mahaffey set a new record for the quick dispatch of business. Four felony cases were tried and verdicts rendered in three hours and twenty minutes' time.

During the day six cases were tried and as many convictions secured. Only one sentence was suspended out of the six. All were pleas of guilty, four for burglary, one for forgery and another for horse theft.

The grand jury adjourned and brought in a record-making report. In a session of only eleven days, the grand jury returned sixty-nine bills of indictment, thirty-eight of which were for felonies.

In making its report to the court the grand jury said in part: "We find that some of our young men are making a practice or habit of buying whiskey or other intoxicating liquors from boot-leggers. We recommend to the young manhood of the county to cease such practice for two reasons: (1) The habitual use of intoxicating liquors may lead to a drundard's life; and (2), it encourages some one else to violate the law and have to suffer the penalty by going to prison. We recommend to the fatherhood of the county a careful oversight of the manner in which their young sons

SUGGESTIONS TO SICK WOMEN

How Many Are Restored To Health.

First.—Almost every operation in our hospitals performed upon women becomes necessary through neglect of such symptoms as backache, irregular and painful periods, displacements, pain in the side, burning sensation in the stomach, bearing down pains, nervousness, dizziness and sleeplessness.

Second.—The medicine most successful in relieving female ills is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It regulates and strengthens the organism; it overcomes disease.

For forty years it has been making women strong and well, relieving backache, nervousness, ulceration and inflammation, weakness, displacements, irregularity and periodic pains. It has also proved invaluable in preparing for childbirth and the Change of Life.

Third.—The great number of unscientific testimonials on file at the Pinkham Laboratory at Lynn, Mass., many of which are from time to time published by permission, are proof of the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, in the treatment of female ills.

Fourth.—Every ailing woman in the United States is cordially invited to write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass., for special advice. It is free, will bring you health and may save your life.

SIDNEY CASKEY RETURNS TO FIRST LOVE

Sidney Caskey, who quit the barber trade about one year ago and accepted a position with Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack, returned to his old trade Saturday morning, having accepted a position with the City Barber Shop. E. V. Rhodes, brother of H. O. Rhodes proprietor of the City Shop who has been here with his brother, has resigned his position with the City shop and left a day or two ago for Temple where he will engage in business for himself. Mr. Caskey will take the place made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Rhodes.

Tinker or Thinker—Which?
"Get an Overland."
O'Kelly & Walton.

C. N. Craft and Rev. W. J. Hicks of Miles and Fred Machotka, of Rowena, and R. R. Fields of San Angelo, and Tom and Dick Trail, of Paint, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Watch the Fords Go By.



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2205 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. e

QUEEN THEATRE

TONIGHT

TODAY'S PROGRAM

101 BISON Western drama "Buck Simmons Puncher." This is a romantic and exciting story of a cowpuncher's love for a girl who is infatuated by the suave manners of a gambler. The scenes are full of humor and pathos and the story is intensely dramatic.

Nestor comedy "Flivers' Famous Cheese Hound."

Universal Animated Weekly.

Tomorrow, Liko comedy feature "Mr. McTotos Assassination." "A Sea Mystery" and "Shattered Nerves."

Admission 10 CENTS

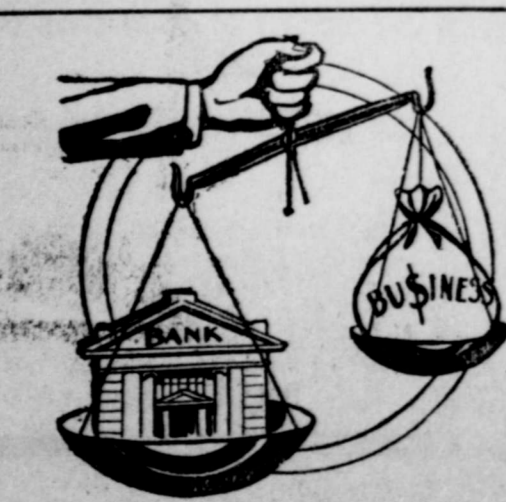
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of your life should provide for your declining years. The co-operation which we extend to our customers enables them to feel well satisfied with their future.

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time to time, and the program for the entire week promises to be a good one.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

NEW MAN AT DRUG STORE

J. M. Pyburn, formerly with the J. Y. Pearce Drug Store here, has accepted a position tendered him by the Walker Drug Co., and began work today. Mr. Pyburn is an experienced pharmacist, a registered man, and Ballinger people will be glad of his decision to make his home here permanently. This makes three registered druggists at the Walker Drug Co., and will relieve considerable of the pressure of the prescription work.

WANTED—Oats, call at Miller Mercantile Co. 13-tfd

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are allowed to conduct themselves. We believe that some minor offenses, if not grave ones, would not be committed, if people would keep out of bad company. We find that personal influence is a potent factor in shaping the life of a young man."

How to Prevent Croup

When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an overloaded stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptom—hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse. Obtainable Everywhere.

Five pounds good Pea Berry Coffee for one dollar. Roten's Grocery Store. Phone 101. 13-tfd

BIG BUILDING LITTLE PATCHING

We can supply the material for your big building job or the little patch work around your home. You do yourself an injustice if you fail to let us figure on your lumber bill.

Ballinger Lumber Co.