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Price 5 Cents

WHY NOT BUY--A GOOD BUGGY

Moon Bros.
A NEW CAR JUST RECEIVED

SOLD EXCLUSIVELY BY

Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack
"Tell the TRUTH Advertisers"

RECRUITING ARMY TO FULL STRENGTH

By United Press
WASHINGTON, March 14.—The war department will provide 8,000 more troops for the Mexican border immediately. The administration is considering plans to ask congress for authority to recruit the army to the full war strength. It is known that this can be done without the aid of state militia or volunteers, and no call will be made for these at present.

FASHION DAYS FOR MELTON DRY GOODS

The remainder of this week will be Spring Opening season at the Melton Dry Goods Co. The dates for introducing the new hats and new gowns have been fixed for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and Ledger printing ink is being used to invite the ladies of this city and of this county to visit this store on the above dates and inspect the big line of new things to wear.

Each department of this store is ready for the big opening, and the display of new millinery as well as the ready to wear goods will no doubt attract many shoppers during the remainder of this week. The Melton Dry Goods Co., are quoting some attractive prices for their opening.

Watch the Fords Go By.

PRINCESS THEATRE
THURSDAY, MARCH 16th.

Emily Stevens, the eminent stage celebrity is presented in a Metro Wonder Play

"The Soul of a Woman"

Which probes the innermost depths of woman, and life. Dramatic moments in this picture will thrill you.

FIVE PARTS OF MOVING DRAMA
Admission 10c and 20c

VILLA SURROUNDED BY CARRANZISTAS

INFANTRY ATTACK ON VERDUN

By United Press
LONDON, March 14.—After thirty-six hours bombardment the long expected infantry attack has been launched by the Germans against the Verdun front. The French have withstood the heavy onslaught in a way that astonishes Europe.

Heavy Italian cannonading is in progress along the Isonzo front, and the loss on both sides will be enormous.

CONTRACT LET

The contract was awarded Monday to Charlie Eisenbuth for a two story rock addition to the First Baptist church. The building will be modern in every respect and when completed will cost about \$4,000. The work will be begun at once and rushed to completion.

By United Press.
EL PASO, March 14.—Gen. Gutierrez, of the Carranza government, arrived here from Chihuahua at noon today and declared that Francisco Villa was located in the Galena district, and was rapidly being surrounded by Carranza soldiers. Gutierrez stated that a battle between the Carranzistas and the Villistas was expected.

SEDUCTION CASE ENDS IN MARRIAGE

Just as court convened Tuesday morning and while the attorneys were preparing to select a jury to try the case of the State of Texas vs. Sam Smith, charged with seduction, the case was brought to a sudden end when it was announced that there would be a wedding.

Under the law governing prosecution in such cases the defendant can avoid prosecution, and punishment, if guilty, by marrying the girl he has wronged, provided she is willing to take him as her lawful husband. Acting upon the advice given him by his attorneys Judge M. C. Smith, the defendant took this course.

It will be remembered that Smith was tried one year ago for a crime he was charged with committing three years prior to the date of the trial, the child in the case being two years old when the case was called for trial. The case resulted in a hung jury. At the last term of court the case was continued on account of the absence of important witness. When it was called for trial Monday afternoon of this week the attorneys for defense made a motion for a continuance. The court overruled the motion and set the case for Tuesday morning.

When the case was called for trial one year ago Judge Smith made an effort to bring about reconciliation, the prosecutrix agreeing to settle the case by marriage, and manifesting a love for the man who had wronged her. The attorney for the defense was all smiles when he accomplished this end Tuesday morning, and stated that he had won his case.

With about a dozen witnesses present in the sheriff's office, including the parents of the young lady, District Judge Goodwin, District Attorney Early, District Clerk Miss Phillips, attorneys for the defense, County Judge Kleberg performed the ceremony that united in marriage Miss Leona Lewis, and Sam Smith, the ceremony being performed at nine o'clock. Those present at the wedding extended the hand of charity, and offered words of cheer to the newly married couple, and wished for them a life of happiness.

The case was erased from the docket, and all parties concerned left for their respective homes, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith with their three year old boy will go to Texarkana, where they will make their future home.

Completes Suspended Sentence.
A. K. Lewellen, of Concho county, convicted at Ballinger two years ago for forgery and given a two years suspended sentence, has served the two years under which

PREACHER ARRIVES FOR NAZARENE MEET

The revival which started at the Nazarene church last week is progressing under the most favorable circumstances. Dr. W. E. Ellis, of Hamlin, who has been doing the preaching was joined by his brother, Dr. I. M. Ellis, and the Ellis Brothers will have charge of the meeting, assisting the local pastor, Rev. Bost. Rev. Bost stated that last Sunday was a great day at the Nazarene church, and that while the meeting has only been in progress a few days much interest is being manifested and they are expecting an unusually successful revival.

Two services each day are being held at the church just south of the court house, preaching at ten o'clock in the morning and at seven-thirty in the evening, and when the weather is favorable there will be a service on the streets in the business section of the city at three o'clock in the afternoon.

WILL BUILD SCHOOL HOUSE.

J. P. Whittington of the Toke country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and at a recent election for special school tax in his precinct, Mr. Whittington states the tax carried and now the old school building, one of the old landmarks of that section will be torn down.

A modern up-to-date school building will be erected at once. The old building, Mr. Whittington says, has stood as a church, school house and lodge hall for about 30 years, and is one of the oldest buildings in Runnels County.

he was held accountable to the court, and appeared before the court Monday morning and received his discharge. The young man left the court room feeling his liberty, and will no doubt profit by the experiment and will never go wrong again.

Negro Burglary Case on Trial
After disposing of the Sam Smith seduction case Tuesday morning the court excused the jury until one-thirty and passed on a few non-jury cases. At one-thirty Tuesday afternoon the case in which Charley Chase, a negro, is charged with burglarizing the St. Louis Store about one year ago, was called and went to trial.

Grand Jury Returns Seven Bills
The grand jury returned seven indictments Tuesday at noon, all felonies. This was the result of the first day's work. Most of the parties indicted are in jail, and it is probable the cases will be disposed of at the present term of court.

DANGER OF A BREAK IS NOW OVER

By United Press
MEXICO CITY, March 14.—Mexican newspapers which are known to be friendly to the Carranza government, publishes reports today saying that the danger of a break with the United States is over. The opinion prevails with the leaders of the people of Southern and Central Mexico that the United States and Carranza can work in harmony in exterminating the Villa bandits.

BALLINGER GAINS TWO NEW FAMILIES.

The Ballinger Marble & Granite Works is the name of a new enterprise in Ballinger and with it comes two families to make their home here. F. W. Wellhausen and E. S. Cornelius, of Bell county, have located here and will open a marble yard as soon as their material arrives. For the present, and until they can secure more room the two families are occupying jointly the E. C. Moore home. While they have not definitely secured a place for the marble yard, it is probable they will use the rock building north of the court house.

QUICK SETTLEMENT

W. G. Bair informed us that a settlement was made to him by the insurance company represented by T. J. Gardner of Ballinger, Monday, for his household goods that were burns just a week ago, and the settlement was entirely satisfactory.

Brooks Dozier and wife of Miles were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

RUSHING AMUNITION TO BORDER

By United Press
COLUMBUS, N. M., March 14.—Because the telegraph company was favoring commercial and press business today and delaying military telegrams, the war authorities seized the telegraph office and placed the wires under strict censorship.

This city is an army of camps and there are many blocks of tents. Freight trains are unloading tons of canned goods and supplies for the soldiers and great quantities of ammunition is being received here.

DR. JENKINS HERE FOR BIBLE INSTITUTE

Dr. M. A. Jenkins arrived at noon Tuesday to attend the Bible Institute in progress at the First Baptist church, and will be the principal speaker at the evening hour today. Dr. Jenkins was due here last night and was on the program for an address at 11 o'clock this morning, but a phone message from him late Monday afternoon stated that he missed the train at Abilene. Dr. W. F. Fry, who delivered two able addresses Sunday and also again Monday was prevailed on to remain over and speak Tuesday morning in place of Dr. Jenkins.

Monday night the attendance was good, and Dr. Fry delivered a most interesting address on the first few chapters of the book of Acts. He held the close attention of his congregation, and no doubt those who heard him have profited and will find this part of the New Testament more interesting to read hereafter.

Tonight at eight o'clock Dr. Jenkins will deliver an address. Preceding the address there will be a thirty minute song service.

Miss Bertha Rasbury, Lucile Powell and Nellie Kipp with Mrs. Vaneil as chaperone visited Abilene Saturday shopping. They report that college students added much to the volume of business in the leading stores.

PRINCESS THEATRE
TONIGHT
(Entire Change of Program)
Children 10c Adults 25c

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**Novelty Musicians and
Sweet Singers**

Introducing \$2,000 worth of instruments, bell ringers, cornetists, saxophonists, horn players, pianoplayers, drums, chime ringers, xylophonists, singers, electric marimba players.

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A spectacular 4-act drama of Mexican politics, relating closely to events now in progress below the Rio Grande.

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SECOND HAND CARS**

- 1 Brush, will run, \$40.00 cash.
- 1 Overland, dandy good car, tires all good, cost \$1100; will sell for \$350; \$200 cash balance \$12.50 per month. This car is worth \$500.
- 1 Auburn, 5 passenger, electric starter and lights, spare rim and tire, cost \$1850; will sell at \$450; \$250 cash balance next fall. A snap for some one on an up-to-date car.
- 1 new Ford will sell for \$15.00 off list.
- 1 4 passenger Metz, cost \$650 good as new, will take \$250 \$150 cash balance \$10 per month.

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