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## LOVE CONTENDS FOR RUNNELS COUNTY VOTE

In an interview at San Antonio, after the State Democratic convention had elected Wm. Poindexter as National Committeeman, from Texas, Tom Love stated that he had been counted out of the running illegally and that while the count only showed that he received 434 votes against 369 for Poindexter. Mr. Love claims that the votes of a number of counties that were for him were not recorded, because the calling of the roll was ruled, and on account of the confusion which prevailed, the delegates, although present, did not hear the names of their counties called, and their votes were not recorded. He claims the counties of Coleman with 2 1-2 votes, Cottle 1, Erath 8, Falls 6, Fannin 12, Henderson 5, Kent 1, Live Oak 1, Van Zandt 6.

Mr. Love is also claiming votes from counties that were instructed for him who bolted the instruction and voted for Poindexter, and these he says, five votes from Hopkins county, five from Houston county. He also claims that Poindexter was not entitled to the four votes from Runnels county and six votes from Limestone county, as these were cast for Poindexter through a trade between the delegates from the two counties.

In commenting on the way the prohibition vote from this county was traded off in the election of the national committeeman, Judge Baugh stated that he went to the convention uninstructed and had a right to vote as he pleased for national committeeman; and that Poindexter was a pro and suited him, and he traded the two votes he controlled from this county for national committeeman to Jack McGregor for the two votes that Mr. McGregor controlled on the adoption of the platform. In other words it was agreed between the two Runnels county delegates that Mr. McGregor cast the entire vote of the county for the national committeeman and Mr. Baugh cast the entire vote from Runnels county in adopting the platform, and Mr. McGregor voted for Poindexter for committeeman and Mr. Baugh voted against the anti platform.

Mr. Love stated that he would contest the election of Poindexter before the National convention at St. Louis. Unless he has better grounds from the other counties named than he has from Runnels county, he will not be able to gain anything in a contest, because no one will question the right of the two Runnels county delegates to trade votes, or vote as they pleased. They were uninstructed.

G. C. Jones left Friday morning for Brownwood to visit friends and spend a few days recuperating.

## Resignation of Lansing is Denied

**WASHINGTON, May 26.**—When his attention was called to the report of his intended resignation, Secretary Lansing was indignant and branded the report as a false rumor started to injure the administration. Mr. Lansing's official associates intimate that the report was started by German propaganda.

Washington, May 25.—Reports of a breach between Secretary of State Lansing and President Wilson and the possible retirement of Mr. Lansing from the cabinet are current tonight. The gossip is to the effect that Frank L. Polk, counsellor for the state department, will soon become secretary.

The latest talk about a split between the two officials is virtually a renewal of the rumor which was rife when Mr. Lansing went to Asheville, N. C., on a short vacation about two months ago. It is no secret among those on the inside of administration matters that there has been a lack of harmony in the views of the president and Secretary Lansing on several issues.

One complaint Mr. Lansing is reported to have is that the president has acted too independently in a number of instances and has not confided in him to the extent that he believed his position as premier called for.

Mr. Lansing has been indisposed for nearly a week and has not been at the state department. During his absence Mr. Polk has acted as secretary of state.

## ASSEMBLY IS COMING TO TEXAS

**ATLANTA, CITY, N. J. May 26.**—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church U. S. A., voted today to hold its assembly in May, 1917 at Dallas, The Texas city was one of quite a number that invited the assembly to hold its 1917 meeting with them, and Dallas was finally elected by a unanimous vote.

J. W. Norman of Paint Rock, came in Thursday to accompany his mother, who was en route to Brownwood and Houston.

## Bandits Make Attack on Ten U. S. Soldiers

**NAMIQUIPA, Mexico, May 26.**—May 26.—Twenty bandits attacked ten American troopers near Las Cruces yesterday, killing David Marksbury, expeditionary lance corporal and wounding two Americans. The Americans routed the bandits, after killing ten Cervantes, Gose Bencorne and Candler, Villista leaders. It is reported that the bandits killed

were participants in the Columbus raid. Gen. Pershing is sending a detailed report of the attack to Gen. Funston, stating that the killing of the Cervantes would no doubt have a good effect in clearing the bandit situation. The American cavalry followed the bandits after the first battle, and it is reported that inflicted further losses to the bandits.

## AMERICAN PACIFISTS HOLDING SESSION

**WASHINGTON, May 26.**—America's militant pacifists who, some unfriendly soul remarked, "intend to bring about international peace if they have to beat up the whole world to do it," convened here today for their first national convention, under the banner of The League To Enforce Peace, American Section. Ex-President Taft presided.

Mr. Taft will begin a series of speeches this afternoon on National Politics. George Grafton Williams of Harvard will discuss the Monroe doctrine. Entangling Alliances will be dealt with by Talcott Williams of Columbia. John Bates Clark of the Carnegie Peace organization will talk about European conditions.

Other speakers today: Thomas R. White, of Philadelphia, "The League"; Oscar Straus of New York, "Force, A Support of Law." Edward A. Filene of Boston, "The Soul of The United States," Hamilton Holt of New York, "Armament."

The effect of the League on American interests will be the general subject for discussion at the session this evening. Secretary of war Newton D. Baker, will be the principal speaker. Other speakers will be R. G. Rhett of Charleston, S. C., President of the American Chamber of Commerce; Samuel Gompers of the Federation of Labor, President Oliver Wilson of the National Grange, from Peoria, Ill., and others.

The convention will conclude with a dinner tomorrow.

## WILSON'S SOCIAL SEASON CLOSED

**WASHINGTON, May 26.**—The beautiful lawn of the White House today was the scene of a garden party tendered by President and Mrs. Wilson to several hundred distinguished guests, as the final formal function of the social season of 1915-16 at the Executive mansion.

It was a brilliant social affair, marked by the presence of the leading society women of the nation as guests of the President and the First Lady of the Land.

Justices of the Supreme court and their wives, leading members of congress and army and navy officers attended. The Marine band played during the afternoon.

H. B. Wm. and Emil Halfmann of Olin, came in Thursday to accompany their mother Mrs. Francis Halfmann and daughter, Miss Francis, who after a visit here, were returning to their home at Colorado, Texas.

## GERMANS MAKE SLIGHT GAINS IN VERDUN DRIVE

## New Mexican Conference is Proposed

**EL PASO, May 26.**—Another border conference will be staged if General Pershing is willing. The Mexican party to the proposed discussion is Gen. Gabriel Gaviro, commanding general of the forces of the de facto government of Mexico on the Chihuahua frontier. The officially announced purpose of the meeting between the two generals is "the avoidance of friction" in the joint patrol of the bandit-overrun borderland.

A telegram addressed to General Pershing "wherever he may be found" was despatched by General Gaviro Thursday. The doughy commander of the Juarez garrison said in explanation of his message that his sole object in suggesting to General Pershing that they confer was to avoid friction between the American and Carranzistas patrol. If, however, General Pershing were willing to take up with him the general subject of withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico, General Gaviro said nothing would give him a greater pleasure than to meet General Pershing half way.

## EGGS BRINGING 84c IN LONDON

**LONDON, May 10.**—Give the hen a chance.

With eggs at seven cents each, Mrs. Lionel Guest, daughter of the late John Bigelow, American Ambassador to Paris, is urging a plan here today to turn London's public parks into poultry farms.

She is telling the authorities that every public park should have its chicken farm with a woman expert in charge to show the public how to get the best out of biddy.

Green park and St. James' Park near Buckingham palace; Hyde park and other expanses of public greensward have been selected by the American woman as the best locations upon which to try the poultry experiments.

Mrs. Guest declares she has proved her theories by successful poultry farming in Canada and emphasizes that British hens are equal to the task to providing sufficient eggs if enough people would become interested in hen culture.

She has expressed her willingness to keep poultry within the yards of her own house near the fashionable Marble Arch district, police regulations permitting.

Miss Lucile Spann, who taught school in our county the past year, after a visit to her grand father A. J. Spann and family, left for her home at Austin Thursday afternoon. She will return this fall to teach the Baldwin school.

## FEDERATED CHURCH SOCIETIES TO MEET

The regular meeting of the Federated Church Societies will be held at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at the usual hour.

This is a meeting of all the different societies of the various churches of Ballinger and is held regularly on the fifth Monday. For the coming meeting a program has been announced as follows, and all the ladies of the city are urged to be present:

- Hymn.
- Devotional.
- Subject: "Representative Women of the Old Testament."
- Miriam—Mrs. W. B. Ray.
- Piano Selection—Miss Velma Walker.
- Sarah, Rebekah and Rachel—Mrs. J. F. Montgomery.
- Piano Selection—Miss Hattie Miller.
- Deborah—Mrs. A. B. Iegate.
- Vocal Solo—Mrs. Harry Thompson.
- Ruth—Mrs. Edgar Ellis.
- Musical Number—Mrs. Harris.

## SOME WHEAT MATURING IN THIS COUNTY

Reports from the north end of the county indicate that considerable wheat will be made, notwithstanding that the impression had been created that the grain crop in this county was a complete flash. W. H. Rogers, of Winters was a business visitor to Ballinger this week and stated that he would make pretty good wheat and the Abilene Reporter, in commenting on the grain crop in that county and along the A. & S. towards Ballinger says:

Some wheat in Taylor county will produce as much as 25 bushels an acre of a good grade, in the opinion of Farm Agent S. A. Miner. The production will be from nono to 25 bushels, he says.

In the Tuscala, Bradshaw, Ovalo and Lawn sections, in the southern part of the county, and around the chains of mountains, the wheat looks pretty good, he stated. Oats are in a bad way and give little promise.

The farmers are about up with their work since the delay caused by the last rains. Weeds were given a big boost and got a few days ahead of the plow, but are not being attended to properly.

## DROUTH STRICKEN CATTLE TO BE SHIPPED HERE.

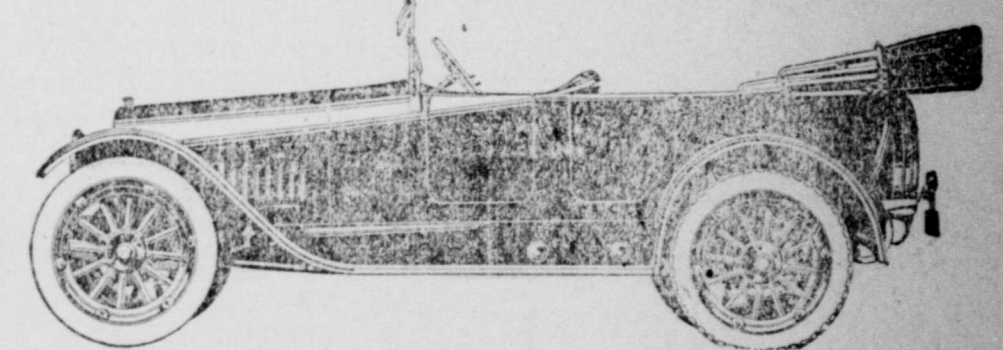
Charlie Taylor left this morning for Ballinger, San Angelo and other points west of here to spend a few days looking after business interests. Mr. Taylor and other local cattlemen are considering a trip to the Corpus Christi country to buy a trainload of cattle, the price along the coast having declined as a result of the drouth. The bumper grain crops and splendid range conditions here enable local cattlemen to realize a nice profit from feeding cattle brought in less favored sections. Mr. Taylor says his early oat crop is already made and that the yield will be about 40 bushels per acre. Another rain will help the late oats, which now stand waist high and are in good shape.—Brownwood Bulletin.

## SLACKERS TRIAL WILL BE IN TEXAS

**WASHINGTON, May 26.**—Gen. Funston sent a message to Washington today recommending that the court martial trial of the Texas militia slackers be held at San Antonio, submitting the names of army and militia officers before whom the trials are to be held. The department at Washington has not announced plans for the court martial, but this is expected within a few days.

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

The human race is suffering because the defective citizens of today is responsible for the unhealthy child of tomorrow. This is true of both mind and body.

Among the possibilities for Runnels county this year is a ninety thousand bale cotton crop, a fifteen cent price and a demand for autos that will work the factories overtime.

More cash is being realized in this county from the sale of pork and poultry products today than was realized from our entire resources twenty years ago, and our resources are not developed by a good deal.

It is claimed that a cow free from ticks will develop a third more in weight on the same amount of feed, in the same length of time, than a tick infested cow. This county is swatting the tick and pocketing the saving.

This is the season of the campaign year when political rumors are easily started and grow like a rolling snow ball. It seems that Runnels county is not immune to the evil and rumors are afloat that will either make or lose votes for somebody's candidate.

The United States has collected over eight million dollars from

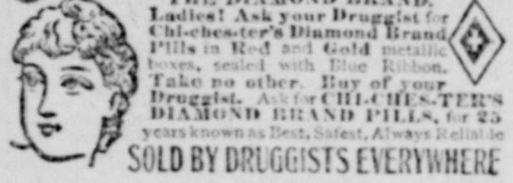
parties who it is claimed at first evaded the income tax law. This law has been in operation for more than two years and we haven't been touched. We must contend that it is a good law as long as we can escape.

**THE INDIFFERENCE OF POLITICAL PARTIES.**

Any political party that is indifferent to the inborn yearning of the homeless man to sit under his own vine and fig tree in indifferent to duty and opportunity. That was the thought of Bob Henry when fighting for his Rural Credits plan.—Waco Tribune.

So many other candidates have the same thought when running for office, and write the planks in their platform. But, we are impressed more every day of the fact that platforms are only made to run for office on. The landless man and the manless land plank is a popular one, and Gov. Jim, Senator Morris used it to a good advantage, and comes Kiddle, Henry, Campbell and other who are ready and willing to give every man in Texas an opportunity to sit under his own vine and fig tree.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**



F. G. Hoelscher and daughter, Miss Lana, of Offin, passed thru Ballinger Thursday en route to Marlin to recuperate a few weeks.

Watch the Fords Go By.

**EQUALIZATION BOARD TO MEET TOMORROW**

As per notices received by the tax payers of the Ballinger Independent School District, the equalization board for the district will be in session tomorrow at the office of Ray-Penn Co. Several of the property owners have been notified to appear before the board and show cause why their renditions should not be changed upward a little. The board will probably have some visitors.

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S. P. Hale, of Talpa, had business in Ballinger between trains Friday.

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**NEW LIMIT ON POSTAL SAVING**

Larger postal saving deposits will now be accepted at the post office. This is made possible by an important amendment to the Federal Saving Act just approved by President Wilson. A postal saving depositor may now have an account amounting to \$1,000 upon which interest will be paid. Formerly \$500 was the maximum amount he could have to his credit. This enlargement of postal saving facilities will be very gratifying to thousands of depositors who have already reached the old \$500 limit and are anxious to entrust more of their savings to Uncle Sam. Another feature of the amendment that will avoid further embarrassment to the public and to postal officials is the doing away with the limit on the amount that could be accepted from a depositor monthly. Under the old law only \$100 could be deposited in a calendar month. The amendment abolishes this restriction. While the Postal Saving System has already proved a signal success as is shown by the fact that more than half a million depositors have over eighty million dollars standing to their credit still it has fallen short of meeting the full demands of the public because of the restrictions which have now been eliminated. Postmaster General Burleson and

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34 x 4 1/2	33.00	33.00	6.55
36	34.25	34.75	5.90
38	35.70	35.70	6.90
37	.....	36.60	6.30
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Mrs. Allen Currie, who had been visiting her friend, Mrs. M. C. Cobb and family the past few days returned home Thursday from San Angelo.

Mrs. T. J. Rosen and father Jacob Lowe, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route east to be at the bedside of a relative who is quite ill.

E. V. Bateman informed us Thursday that the Hardin & Bateman Lumber Co., had closed the deal for the Hatchel lumber business and now have yards at Ballinger, Winters, Bradshaw and Bronte and are in shape to serve their customers in a more "hostile" manner.

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### COUNTY JUDGE QUOTES TICK LAW

Dear Editor:

Pardon me for breaking into your sanctum sanctorum, unsolicited, with further matter pertaining to the work of tick eradication and to dipping of cattle or stock infested with ticks. The purpose of my assault is to apprise you of the contents of Section 7 of Acts 1913 Chapter 169. The contents of said section read ad verbatim ad litteratim as follows:

"Any person, company or corporation owning, controlling or caring for any domestic animals affected with or known to have been exposed to any contagious or infectious disease or the agency or transmission thereof, who shall fail or refuse to dip or otherwise treat such live stock at such time and in such manner as directed by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than fifty nor more than one thousand dollars."

If you desire to publish said section 7 as an item of news, you are at liberty to do so. I trust you can publish said section as an item of news without charge.

Yours truly,  
M. KLEBERG,  
County Judge.

### FREE PUBLICITY FOR BAND STAND DONORS

We are reminded that some of our friends believe strongly in printer's ink and feel that they have been seriously damaged by their names being omitted from the list of contributors to the band stand, as published in The Ledger Thursday afternoon. All the names of the contributors did not appear in the final report of the soliciting committee, for the simple reason that they had been published in a previous report made by the committee, and in publishing the final report we merely stated the total amount previously reported, and added the names of those who contributed and whose names had not been published. Some might excuse their names were not in the final report, and in order that every one may feel that he is getting his money's worth in free publicity, we are publishing below the entire list of contributors, which counts "two times daily and weekly," which we trust will suffice:

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Watch the Fords Go By.  
A. W. Turner of Winsboro, Wood county, came in Friday and will spend some time in our section prospecting for a school.

Co. \$5.00; Radford Grocery Co. \$2.50; Laxon & Long \$2.50; Mrs. R. A. Smith \$2.00; Ballinger Light & Power Co. \$10.00; J. Y. Pearce \$10.00.

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STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels:

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared M. Kleberg, County Judge; Feb. McWilliams, W. D. Meadows, J. D. Smith and C. N. Craft, County Commissioners, all of Runnels County, Texas, who being duly sworn, each on his oath, deposes and says: That he has fully complied with the provisions of Article 867, R. S. as set forth in said Article, taken in connection with Chapter No. 164, Acts of the 29th Legislature, 1905, known as the Depository Law, by having actually counted and inspected all the cash in the hands of W. L. Brown, County Treasurer of Runnels County, Texas, as set forth in said County Treasurer's Report for the quarter ending April 30, 1916, and find the same to be as follows:

First Class, jury fund, cash balance	\$ 841.57
Second Class, road and bridge fund, cash balance	5,079.40
Third Class, commissioners county fund, cash balance	6,219.33
Fourth Class, special fund, cash balance	4,427.27
Fifth Class, advertising fund, cash balance	231.32
Sixth Class, Court house bonds sinking fund, cash balance	2,212.50
Seventh Class, B. B. sinking fund No. 1, balance	2,270.88
Eighth Class, B. B. sinking fund No. 1, balance	2,193.75
Amount due County	\$23,482.02
By balance commissions due	\$ 84.13
By outstanding checks	44.50
To balance, April 30, 1916, as certified by depository	\$23,110.53
To amount included in report deposited since April 30, 1916	500.12
	\$23,610.65
	\$23,610.65

M. KLEBERG, County Judge, FEB McWILLIAMS, Commissioner Precinct No. 1. W. D. MEADOWS, Commissioner Precinct No. 2. J. D. SMITH, Commissioner Precinct No. 3. C. N. CRAFT, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

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# The Strange Case of MARY PAGE

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**SYNOPSIS.**

Mary Page, actress, is accused of the murder of James Pollock and is defended by her lover, Philip Langdon. Pollock was intoxicated. At Mary's trial she admits she had the revolver. Her maid testifies that Mary threatened Pollock with it previously, and Mary's leading man implicates Langdon. How Mary disappeared from the scene of the crime is a mystery. Brandon tells of a strange hand print he saw on Mary's shoulder. Further evidence shows that horror of drink produces temporary insanity in Mary. The defense is "repressed psychosis." Witnesses describe Mary's flight from her intoxicated father and her father's suicide. Nurse Walton describes the kidnapping of Mary by Pollock and Amy Barton tells of Mary's struggles to become an actress and Pollock's pursuit of her. There is evidence that Daniels, Mary's manager, threatened Pollock. Mary faints on the stand and again goes insane when a policeman offers her whisky. Daniels testifies that Pollock threatened to kill Mary and Langdon and actually attempted to kill the latter.

**IN THE ALLEY**

A WITNESS room, like an oceanliner, begets strange friendships in its enforced intimacy, and also has this in common with the great ships, that those who come on deck only toward the close of a stormy passage, find themselves unreasonably ostracized by their fellow passengers who have been daily sharing the excitement of the voyage. Thus the three newcomers among the witnesses in the trial of Mary Page were left sitting primly on a bench close to the door while the inconspicuous but friendly group of those who had already testified stood near the window.

The trio themselves were oddly conglomerate—a burly man in what were obviously his best clothes, with a collar a size too small and a buxom woman whose flushed face looked out from under a marvelous purple bonnet. Her hands were encased in very large white cotton gloves and she held back her skirts aggressively from contact with the short and elaborate gown of the over-dressed, tired-looking woman whose face was pasty with powder and hard with rouge.

All of the witnesses, for that matter, from the little bell-hop to Mrs. Page herself, surveyed this last comer with disapproval; and Amy declared succinctly that if "Mr. Langdon put THAT on the witness stand—it would be GOOD NIGHT."

Langdon, however, greeted her with a warmth that more than overbalanced their chillness, and his welcome to the other man and woman was equally enthusiastic. To him, the presence of these three was a triumph. It meant that he had succeeded where the police had failed, and that he had still another surprise to spring upon the jury in this most astounding trial.

Some hint of all this crept into his tone lending it a new, almost boyish note, when, at the beginning of the day's proceedings, he rose and said:

"Your Honor, and Gentlemen of the Jury: Ever since the beginning of this trial one point has remained a mystery. The state has admitted its inability to offer evidence on this mooted subject, and therefore I crave the indulgence of the court to digress from direct proceedings this morning, to show you where and how Mary Page spent those hours between the death

of James Pollock and her surrender to the law on the following morning?"

"What?" The startled exclamation was wrung involuntarily from the District Attorney as he half rose from his chair, but it was drowned in the stir of excitement that swept through the entire room. For this had indeed been a mooted question and a decidedly sore point with the Prosecutor—the whereabouts of Mary during those hours immediately following the murder.

"That would be good night!"

"Miss Page," continued Langdon when the Judge's gavel had restored order, "did not herself know exactly what was happening. As always follows an attack of repressed psychosis, the mind of the sufferer was like that of a patient coming out of ether—a flash of recollection and a stretch of blank unconsciousness; therefore, it is not until now that I have succeeded in piecing together the story of that night, and I shall call as my first witness, Kate O'Neill!"

Kate proved to be the buxom woman in the purple bonnet who gave her age as "round about thirty-five" and her occupation as "a cook, and a good one" to the delighted amusement of the spectators.

"Miss O'Neill," said Langdon after the preliminary questions, "you say you are a cook. Where were you last employed?"

"In the boardin'-house of Mrs. Watson," she answered with a strong Hibernian accent. "And the very odd divil of a job it was, too!"

"That is on the same street as the Hotel Republic, is it not?"

"Sure! and it's but two doors away, and what wud the dancin' and the music goin' on there, and the phonograph at the Club back. 'Tis never a quiet moment we had the whole night through."

"But your duties at the boarding-house kept you up pretty late, anyway, didn't they?"

"Sure an' they did then. What with hot bread two days a week, and me cake-bakin', I set up every night till 'most cock-crow."

"Now, Kate," Langdon's voice was very friendly, almost coaxing, in fact, "I want you to tell me if you ever went out into the alley or street that ran back of the boarding-house late at night."

"Go on wud you!" she retorted, bridling. "Didn't I tell you that?"

"I know you told me, but I want you to tell the court. You had a friend who was watchman for the block, didn't you? Denny by name?"

"He was not me friend, he was me finance!" she responded with dignity. "And some nights when it would be cold, and I had made myself a sup of hot tea or maybe coffee, I would take a bit out to Denny. It's weary work watching houses in the dark."

"Of course your mistress knew nothing of this?"

"Sure, and what would I tell that odd snoplin' divil for? It weren't none of her business!"

"On the night when James Pollock was shot in the Hotel Republic, you had been up late, had you not?"

"Yes, sor. I had set the dough for bakin', and seen' as how the fire was hot, I thought I'd fix up a bite for Denny when he made his rounds."

"Will you tell us please, what you saw when you went to the back gate with the—er—bite for Denny?"

"Well, then, it was this way. I shippied out and opened the gate, just a bit at a time, for sometimes it would get the odd Nick in it and squeak fer all the hard we put on it, and I took a look out fer Denny. There was a man standin' in the shadows so near I could have put my hand on him, but I knows it wasn't my man by reason of the narrow shoulders, so I stood waitin' fer him to move on."

"Did he seem to be watching for anyone?"

"Yes, sor. He was starin' up at the Hotel Republic, and I thought he was watchin' a man who was on the fire-escape. Then I decided it weren't a man I saw, but just a shadder, and suddenly a young lady, all dressed up in evenin'-clothes, climbs out of a window and starts down the fire-escape and the man says, 'Thank Gawd! She was slow enough!'"

"Were you near enough to recognize the young lady?"

"Not then, no sir. All I could see was the shimmer of her dress and the light on her face when she passed the windows. She was walkin' kind of queer and unsteady, like as though she might have been drunk or sick, and when she reached the street she just stood there dazed. She had no coat nor hat and she was drawin' her breath like a bit of a childer that's been cryin'."

"Did the man who was waiting speak to her?"

"Yes. He said, 'Where in — have you been? I been waitin' a good half-hour. And believe me, this alley is no cozy corner to lounge in.' But the girl didn't answer him. She just leaned against a wall and moaned like."

"At that he took hold of her arm and shook it and told her not to git cold feet, that he had it all fixed to git away safe. He called her Sadie, but she didn't seem to recognize the name and she wouldn't go with him. Then he took hold of her and dragged her along right past me, so near I could have touched her."

"Were you close enough to recognize her then?"

"Dennis Gallagher,"

Denny, whose collar seemed to have shrunk to even more torturing tightness during the interim of waiting, took his place on the stand with a face the hue of his fiancée's bonnet, and cleared his throat noisily between each sentence as if the linen band

"Yes, sor."

"Was it the defendant, Mary Page?"

"It was, sor. Though she looked terrible sick and different, and there was an awful lookin' bruise on her shoulder like somebody had hurt her bad."

"Could you see where they went?"

"Yes, sor. Sure and I slipped out the gate and followed them a bit to see where they would go. But they stopped just beyond me on the alley and the man gives a whistle. Just three notes, like it might have been the echo of the band at the hotel, but somebody was listenin' for it, and I heard a winder go up in one of the houses across the way."

"At that the man sings out in a whisper, 'I got Sadie down here, let it down quick!' Then I saw something comin' down like a bit of white on the end of a rope, and I could hear it slap, slapping the side of the house as it hit."

"Could you see what it was?"

"Not then, sor, except that it was something on the end of a rope."

"Did the man say anything that you could hear, to the girl—Miss Page?"

"Yes, he said, 'Larry is up there. He's all right, but don't blab too much.'

"When the girl had disappeared into Barker's, what did you do?"

"I joined Katie and says to her, 'It's goin' to be a big night, and that girl has jumped out of the fryin' pan into the fire.' And begorra, sor, I'd no more than said it, then I heard the signal blow and saw the bluecoats marchin' up the alley and across the street at the end surroundin' the place. 'Good night to Barker's,' says I; and we watched 'em batter in the door and march up stairs. It was then that I felt the other man tuggin' at me arm."

"The other man?"

"It was more an exclamation than a question and Dennis nodded."



"Then I looks up and I says nix, he's a gumshoe crook."

and don't give him a peep at the shiners. Keep close till I git back. I won't be long." At that the girl seemed to wake up, as if she was comin' out of a dream, and she clutched at his arm and began to cry. "James," she says, "James Pollock!" And the man he laughs. "So that's what's eatin' you, is it," he says. "Well, forget it. My Gawd, you ain't guilty just because you was in the hotel. They can't connect it up with you. I give you my word. 'Oh, thank God, thank God,' she whimpers, and begins to cry harder than ever, and the man shook her again. "Cut out the water works," he says angrily, "and get into this seat, unless you want the bulls to pull you in."

"What did he mean by 'this seat'?"

"Could you see?"

"Yes, sor. The rope that the man had let down had a sort of a swing at the end of it, and he made the girl sit in that, then he whistled again and the other man pulled her up and she disappeared in a winder."

"What did the man do?"

"He waited till she was gone, then he went on down the street and round the corner. Then I saw Denny comin' up the other way and I went to meet him, and I found he'd been watchin' too. That was why I couldn't see him when I come to the gate."

"That is all, thank you, Miss O'Neill," said Langdon; but the Judge leaned forward with an arresting gesture.

"And having seen all this," he said harshly, "didn't you read the papers the next morning? Didn't you see that a girl was missing, or connect her in any way with the occurrences you had witnessed?"

"Well, I ain't sayin' but what I had my suspicions," she admitted readily.

"Then why didn't you tell someone?"

"Huh!" she retorted. "And let that odd divil of a Mrs. Watson know I was meetin' Denny and maybe givin' him a bite, and lose me job? I guess not!"

"Then why," persisted his Honor, "have you told now?"

"Sure, and it's me that's bein' married this week, yer Honor, and I'm after leavin' Mrs. Watson last Saturday," she said amid a stifled gale of mirth from spectators and jury alike.

Even the prosecutor smiled, waiting his right to cross examine, for the moment at least; and Langdon, with a cheery and encouraging nod towards Mary, called the second of his three new witnesses.

"Dennis Gallagher,"

Denny, whose collar seemed to have shrunk to even more torturing tightness during the interim of waiting, took his place on the stand with a face the hue of his fiancée's bonnet, and cleared his throat noisily between each sentence as if the linen band

about his neck were somehow pressing his vocal chords.

He was, he admitted, a private watchman who had most of the block near the Hotel Republic, and he usually paid a visit to the back gate of the Watson boarding-house once or twice during the course of his rounds.

He verified all that the buxom cook had already told, since he himself had watched proceedings from a dark corner a little further along the alley, but his account was amplified and more definite as to detail.

"Did you," asked Langdon, "know who resided in the house into which the girl was lifted by means of the rope swing?"

"I did, sor," he answered. "It was Barker's, the gamblin' place, you know, sor. They kept it dark in the back and in the front, but it was bright enough inside, begorra."

"Were you watchman for that building?"

"No, sor. They had their own man to keep an eye out for the bulls, but it was that very night they were pulled. Tim, the policeman at the corner, had wised me up to it only an hour before."

"Stick around, Denny," says he, "there'll be big doin's soon. They're goin' to raid Barker's, sez he, 'and I'll bet we pull a few big bugs, or my name is mud!'"

"So I was kind of hangin' around waitin' when I see this other fellow posted in the alley. First off, I sez, he's a plain clothes man. Then I looks at his feet and I says nix, he's a gumshoe crook, and then the girl comes down the fire escape."

"When the girl had disappeared into Barker's, what did you do?"

"I joined Katie and says to her, 'It's goin' to be a big night, and that girl has jumped out of the fryin' pan into the fire.' And begorra, sor, I'd no more than said it, then I heard the signal blow and saw the bluecoats marchin' up the alley and across the street at the end surroundin' the place. 'Good night to Barker's,' says I; and we watched 'em batter in the door and march up stairs. It was then that I felt the other man tuggin' at me arm."

"The other man?"

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"Sure the feller that had been standin' some place in the shadows. 'Wot are the perlice after?' he says all hoarse like. 'Who are they lookin' fer—the girl? 'Not on your life,' says I, 'they're raidin' Barker's.' Barker's?"

he says, as if he'd never heard of the place. I—thought the trouble was in the hotel. I—heard a shot."

"Then," says I, "you've got one on me, fer with all these anttymbodies hangin' about the man that kin tell a bullet from a tire has some ears." "You're right," says he, "it was probably a tire." And he laughs; then he slunk away, as if he didn't like the perlice even if they weren't doin' anything but raid a gamblin' joint."

"Can you describe that man?"

"No. He was kind of fattish, and short. He looked like the sort of a feller that hits 'em up considerable, but I didn't take particular notice, sor."

"Did you and Miss O'Neill remain in the alley after he had gone?"

"Yes, fer the police had run up the shades and we could see right into Barker's place. Then I seen the girl again."

"Do you mean Miss Page?"

"Yes, sor; leastwise, I suppose it was her. She was standin' with her hands over her face, and one of the policemen jerks 'em down and turns to another one and says, 'Is this the girl?' I could hear plain even down in the street, but the other bull seemed puzzled. 'It looks like it might be,' he says, 'especially the glad rags, but she ain't got Maggie's ear marks.' Then he grabs the girl by the arm and says, 'Wot's your name? But she didn't answer, just moans, and at that he laughs and says, 'Playin' dumb, eh? Same old game. Now I'm dead sure you are Maggie Hale that bumps around the restaurants and looks the suckers. Well, if you won't talk to us, you can tell it to the judge!' And with that he marches her away where we couldn't see her."

"Just a minute, Mr. Gallagher," interrupted Langdon. "Let's return to that fattish man in the alley. Did he come up the street with the police?"

"No, sor. He was alongside of me by that time."

"Then he came from the other end of the street?"

Dennis scratched his head.

"Not as I seen, sor," he admitted.

"Would you have seen him had he come from the corner beyond the Hotel Republic?" Langdon's voice was vibrant with eager excitement and the spirit of it swept through the courtroom in a shivering whisper.

"Yes, I'd a seen anybody comin' from either end of the street. I allus could when I stood at the gate with Katie, fer there's a big air light they have to pass under and you can see them plain as plain."

"One moment," Langdon swung about to the court clerk. "Read out the testimony of Kate O'Neill beginning with the question, 'Did he seem to be watching for someone?'"

"Question: Did he seem to be watching for someone? Answer: 'Yes, sir. He was staring up at the Hotel Republic, and I thought he was watching a man who was on the fire escape. Then I decided it wasn't a man that I saw but just a shadow, and suddenly a young lady all dressed up in—'"

"That will do, thank you," interrupted Langdon. "Now, Mr. Gallagher, if that was a man whom Miss O'Neill saw on the fire-escape, would you have seen him come down?"

"No, sor. I wasn't lookin' at the hotel."

"But that is the one place he could have come from when he joined you, isn't it?"

"No, sor. There's a servants' entrance to the hotel, just under the fire escape. He might have been someone from the hotel."

"Did he look like a waiter? What sort of a suit did he have on?"

"A check one, sor, and a red tie."

"Did you see anyone else while you were standing there?"

"Yes, sor. Me and Katie saw some people put their heads out of a windy in the hotel, then presently a policeman starts down the fire escape and Katie says, 'Let's get in the kitchen; I don't want to be mixed up in this.' And I says, 'Me neither. Besides, a sup of hot coffee will set me up after the excitement,' so we went in."

"That is all, thank you, Mr. Gallagher." But now the Prosecutor was on his feet.

"Mr. Gallagher," he said sharply, "having seen all this, didn't you realize that you should have testified to it before the police?"

"I didn't connect it with the murder of this man Pollock," said Gallagher in some indignation. "And I took it for granted the police had got all the evidence they wanted on Barker's place."

"And may one ask," said the prosecutor with honied sweetness, "just what influence was brought to bear to make you tell this story today?"

"Well, you see," said Gallagher, scenting no sarcasm or coercion, "it was like this. When the police come to the house Katie gits mad at their questions and she says she was abed and asleep. Then a few days ago along comes a young feller selling a thing to lift the covers off of bilin' pots. He came to the back gate and he talks to Katie, till she says she don't be waitin' one, because she's leavin' of a Saturday to git married. Then he kides her a bit about he bets she's marrin' a policeman, so she tells him who I am. Then he gits talkin' about this affair, and he has the night's doin's so mixed up Kate she corrects him. He bets her a hat she's wrong; she says she kin prove it all by me. And so she does; but then another young feller comes around and says as how we can help a young lady and clear up a lot of trouble if we tell it in court. And begorra, Kate got her hat at that!"

A shout of laughter rang through the court, and the Prosecutor sat down, far more discomfited than he would admit. It was such a simple subterfuge. The back gate peddler with his packet of gossip—and the police of course blundering in and bullying. His respect for Langdon not only as a man but as a lawyer was growing, and in the back of his mind there hovered a black phantom—the mysterious man in the checked suit who had been in the alley. Had Langdon this man up his sleeve? He frowned and shifted the papers on his desk uneasily, then looked up with a start of surprise as the door of the witness-room opened to admit the flamboyantly gowned woman, with the hard and tired eyes.

She gave her name as Agnes Keenan, but when the question came as to her occupation, she stared straight ahead of her with a sort of grim humor, then shrugged her thin shoulders.

"None," she said with the imitation of an English accent. "I live on my income."

The crowd grinned, but Langdon flushed, and his voice was a little hard as he said quietly:

"I am sorry, Miss Keenan, to have to ask you such a question, but were you not an occupant of a cell in the Fifteenth Street police station on the night of the raid of Barker's gambling rooms?"

"I was." Her tone was more quiet now. "I had failed to come across, and having had a drop too much I sassed the sergeant, and he locked me up to 'cool off.'"

"Had you a cell to yourself?"

"Well, at first I thought it was a private room, but a little later they showed a girl in."

"Was that girl the defendant—Mary Page?"

"It was. But she looked some different then."

"That is all—" began Langdon broke off in astonishment. There a commotion in the back of the cell and a man stood up, raising one as if about to speak. His face ashy, his jaw dropped. Then as dully as he had arisen he dr back out of sight into his chair. It was Daniels.

[To be continued.]



"And that girl was Mary Page?"

ent then. She was all doiled up in an evening gown, and hadn't even a cloak! I wondered what was up and tried to make her talk, but she seemed looney. I thought it was the d. t.'s at first, but when I found out she was plain batty, I got scared and called the guard. But he only cussed me out, so I got hold of her hands and tried to make her stop cryin' in that queer fashion. After a bit she began to talk. It was incoherent at first, about James, and the big house, and she wasn't Sadie or Maggie. Then she seemed to come to herself and asked who I was and where she was."

"Did she remain sane and conscious after that?"

"Not at first. She'd ramble, then she talked sanely. Finally she quieted down, and when I said that I was

sure to get off first thing in the morning, she asked me if I would take a note to her lawyer. And I said I would."

"Did you ask her her name?"

"No." She smiled a little, half whimsically, half bitterly. "It ain't etiquette to ask names under the circumstances, but I said as it was the first time, the best thing to do was to say nothing till she had a lawyer to do the talking for her."

"Whom was the note she gave you addressed to?"

The question seemed to surprise her. "Why, you know—" she stammered, then laughed, "Gee, I forgot. I'm tellin' the court. The note was addressed



"She was all doiled up."

to Mr. Philip Langdon and I took it straight to him. Then him and me beat it back to the police station and he had a conference with the Magistrate. Then he shook my hand and thanked me like a gentleman,—and that's all."

"One moment, Miss Keenan. You say that Miss Page would become sane, and then would lapse into a delirium again. Did she mention a particular incident—or ask you a strange question?"

"Yes. Once she said, 'He acts funny for a man who has just put on successful play.' Then suddenly; sat up and grabbed me and cried, 'Was it blood or—was it just a necktie—I saw it—' And I said, 'I saw it where?' And she said—sane she could be. 'It was the other n' outside—I couldn't see his face—the red—' Then she began to cry, went off again into delirium, or whatever you call it. Next time she opened her eyes, she asked if I knew where James Pollock was dead or if she dreamed it, and I said so far as I k James was about the livest thing ever bumped against in this old t. Then she sighed like a kid and went to sleep, but when she woke up seemed to know he was dead."

"Did she make any other mention of the man with the red tie?"

"No. When I asked her, she was a blur, but it would come back later—she was sure of that. Sure else would have seen it too."

"That is all—" began Langdon broke off in astonishment. There a commotion in the back of the cell and a man stood up, raising one as if about to speak. His face ashy, his jaw dropped. Then as dully as he had arisen he dr back out of sight into his chair. It was Daniels.

[To be continued.]

The Skip in Dunderreary's Gs  
My father each year copied of own prompt books, or had the led, and then wrote in his most additions. I have many such books with most minute notes rections.

When I produced "Our At Cousin," nearly thirty years after death, these manuscripts were fact that I had no difficulty in ing every movement of all the ters. My father's genius was the genius of infinite pains, heard him relate that the little used in his gait in Dunderreary ed simply from his habit of t kept in step with my mother walked up and down at the stage arranging their lin skip and the stutler and other grew and grew from pertent performance.

As Jefferson says in his "I character of Dunderreary y pushed all the other characte the play—From "My Remem by Edward H. Sothern, in i Magazine.

Safe Refuge.  
"Say, Philadelphia is the which is immune from leap posals."

"Why so?"

"Because a fellow can p the city of brotherly love."—American.







# An Opportunity for Thrift

For the coming Week we offer some exceptional bargains in dependable merchandise

25c fancy plaid towels at 3 for .....50c  
 8 nickle handkerchiefs at .....25c  
 9-4 bleached sheetings, best quality, 35c  
 value .....27 1-2c  
 10-4 bleached sheeting, best quality, 38c  
 values .....30c  
 Magnolia canvass, 5 1-2c value, in 100  
 yard lots .....4 1-2c  
 Pure white cotton batts, quilt size, 75c  
 value for .....60c  
 6 spools American San Silk .....25c  
 Boys' Express stripe overalls, sizes 3 to  
 17, 75c values .....50c  
 Men's 75c Demin union suits .....50c  
 Boys' 35c Demin union suits .....25c

### NEW LACES

A big lot of new laces have been placed on our 5c lace table. Many of these are worth 8 1-3c to 10c, special value at .....5c

**A BIG SHIRT SALE**  
 All broken sizes in our \$1.50 and \$2.00 lines and a big lot of \$1.25 shirts, on sale for one week only .....90c

**LADIES' PUMPS AND OXFORDS**  
 At a Great Saving.  
 Broken lines in \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 low cuts, grouped on special table, at only \$1.98  
 Children's shoes, odds and ends in white canvas, patent, gun metal, at .....98c

**A FULL LINE OF PATENT MARY JANE PUMPS AT REDUCED PRICES**  
 Ladies' sizes, 2 1-2 to 8 .....\$1.79  
 Misses sizes, 12 to 2 .....\$1.35  
 Children's sizes, 8 1-2 to 11 1-2 .....\$1.20

# Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

"Quality First"

### FIELD SECRETARY TO PREACH HERE

Dr. Emmett Hightower, field secretary under the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., will preach Sunday morning and evening at the Methodist church. Dr. Hightower is a splendid preacher and expert Sunday School worker.

A Sunday School institute will be held Monday afternoon and evening. Miss Peterman, a splendid primary worker from Dallas, will be here Monday at 4:30 and also at 8:15 Monday evening. All are invited.

E. R. STANFORD, Pastor.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomiting. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic pains and diarrhoea. McGee's Baby Elixir is a grand corrective remedy for the stomach and bowel disorders of babies. It is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c, and 50c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Miss Kathrene and Ertoile Thomas of Talpa, who had been

the guests at the home of W. H. Seerest and family of South Ballinger, returned to their home at Talpa Thursday afternoon.

### The Aches of House Cleaning

The pain and soreness caused by bruises, over-exertion and straining during house cleaning time are soothed away by Sloan's Liniment. No need to suffer this agony. Just apply Sloan's Liniment to the sore spots, rub only a little. In a short time the pain leaves, you rest comfortably and enjoy a refreshing sleep. One grateful user writes: "Sloan's Liniment is worth its weight in gold." Keep a bottle on hand, use it against all soreness, Neuralgia and Bruises. Kills pain. 25c at your druggist.

W. A. Glenn, the Marie gin man, was greeting friends and supplying in Ballinger Thursday.

Prof. H. G. Seerest, closed his school at Talpa last week and will take his summer vacation at home. He was elected and has accepted the position of superintendent of the Talpa Public School for the next school year.

### WARNING TO DOG OWNERS.

Every owner of a dog in the City of Ballinger, after June 1st, 1916, must pay city secretary \$1 license and place on dog metal or leather collar with number of license on said collar.

City marshal shall take up every dog found running at large in said city, without said collar and impound same and kill same after three days posted notice, unless owner pays marshal \$1.00 and cost of care.

All owners of dogs running at large not muzzled with wire, so it can't bite or hurt people shall pay a fine not more than \$10.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

24-5td

In the whole field of medicine there is not a healing remedy that will repair damage to the flesh more quickly than Ballard's Snow Liniment. In cuts, wounds, sprains, burns, scalds and rheumatism, its healing and penetrating power is extraordinary. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

I. Tubbs, the fruit tree dealer, returned to Ballinger Thursday from a short visit and business trip to his home in Hunt county.

### ANOTHER ARREST FOR CATTLE THEFT

We must "hand it" to Sheriff Perkins for his clever work in bringing to time a young man wanted on a charge of cattle theft. Mr. Perkins left here Wednesday afternoon, declining to say where he was going, and Thursday night he returned with Luther Boatright as his prisoner.

Boatright was arrested at Pflugerville, on a warrant sworn out in justice court here charging him with stealing a cow and calf from O'Kelly & Walton, and it will be remembered that Charlie Hunt was arrested last Friday on a similar charge, and released after making bond in the sum of \$500.

According to the evidence upon which the charges were filed Hunt and Boatright are accused of stealing a cow and calf from O'Kelly & Walton and selling it to C. H. Ray. Boatright made a statement in which he claims that Hunt sold him the cow on a debt, and that he sold the cow to Mr. Ray.

Both of the young men live west of Ballinger and Hunt is a married man while Boatright has been living with his parents.

The clever work of the sheriff comes in when without waiting to learn the whereabouts of Boatright, he boarded the train and went to Pflugerville where he had learned that the young man had some relatives. Shortly after the transaction for which the two men have been arrested Boatright left his home, and was supposed to have gone to Amarillo, but sheriff Perkins had a different suspicion and following that instinct some officers are gifted with he succeeded in landing his man in short order. Both Hunt and Boatright will be held under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

### Watch the Fords Go By.

Dizziness, vertigo, (blind stingers) sallow complexion, flatulence are symptoms of a torpid liver. No one can feel well while the liver is inactive. Herbine is a powerful liver stimulant. A dose or two will cause all bilious symptoms to disappear. Try it. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Hugo Schuchard of Menard arrived Thursday and joined his wife and children on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schuchard. Mr. Schuchard said he did not get off, but run off and he does not know how long he can stay away from his business at Menard.

Mrs. O. H. Graham, of Sterling City, who had been the guest of Mrs. S. P. Stone and other Ballinger friends, returned home Friday at noon.

Now is the time to clean-up, repaint and paper your house. We want to do your work.

### De Menville Brothers

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**FIRE INSURANCE**  
 The Best Companies  
**PROMPT SERVICE**  
 Your business solicited  
 Miss Maggie Sharp.  
 Upstairs in old Fidelity  
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 219. See Me.

### Ballinger and Winters Service Line

Makes four trips each way. Call for and deliver passengers anywhere in Ballinger or Winters.

Price: 75c One Way.

Leave Ballinger at—7:00 a. m. 9:30 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 4:00 p. m.  
 Leave Winters at—8:30 a. m. 11:30 a. m. 2:30 p. m. 5:30 p. m.  
 Phone Ballinger 135 Phone Winters 92  
 Good cars and careful drivers.

W. E. BROOKS

### BIG REVIVAL BEGINS NEAR RINK TONIGHT



Elder I. M. Ursery arrived here today and the series of meeting for the Church of Christ will begin at the skating rink at eight o'clock tonight. Members of the church are busy today providing seats for the rink and everything will be in readiness for the opening of the revival on time.

### CASTORIA

For Infants and Children  
 In Use For Over 30 Years  
 Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

L. B. Harris of San Angelo, was looking after business in Ballinger a few hours Friday.

Barbed wire cuts, ragged wounds, collar and harness galls heal up quickly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is applied. It is both healing and antiseptic. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Clarence Hinds and little son, of the Pony creek country and Bert Fletcher and two son of Maverick, were transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Because they contain the best liver medicines, no matter how bitter or nauseating for the sweet sugar coating hides the taste. Dr. King's New Life Pills contain ingredients that put the liver working, move the bowels freely. No gripe, no nausea, aid digestion. Just try a bottle of Dr. King's New Life Pills and notice how much better you feel. 25c at druggists.

Theo. Schuhmann of Rowena, was in the city Friday to be at the bedside of his wife who is at the Halley & Love Sanitarium threatened with typhoid fever, we are sorry to report.

### Watch the Fords Go By.

**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.

### FOR SALE

**GOOD HOMES**—One on Ninth street and one on Eighth street close in, good terms and bargains, if sold quick. C. W. Northington. 23-5tdltw

**FREE**—Call at the City Barber Shop, get a free bath and Mahdeen tonic. It will give you a free bath ticket with each one dollar cash worth of barber work at any one time, and with each fifty cents will give you a tonic, or a shine. Our workmen are as good as any in the city. H. O. RHODES. 4-d&wimo

**FOR SALE**—American Adding machine, in good shape. Price \$25. The Ledger. dlf

### FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—furnished rooms for light housekeeping, telephone 262, Mrs. Clara Ransom. 15-dtf

### GOOD WORK FOR SICK WOMEN

The Woman's Medicine Proved Its Worth.

When Lydia E. Pinkham's remedies were first introduced, their curative powers were doubted and had to be proved. But the proof came, and gradually the use of them spread over the whole country. Now that hundreds of thousands of women have experienced the most beneficial effects from the use of these medicines, their value has become generally recognized, and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the standard medicine for women.

The following letter is only one of the thousands on file in the Pinkham office, at Lynn, Mass., proving that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is an article of great merit as shown by the results it produces.

Anamosa, Iowa.—"When I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I suffered with a displacement, and my system was in a general run-down condition. I would have the headache for a week and my back would ache so bad when I would bend down I could hardly straighten up. My sister was sick in bed for two months and doctored, but did not get any relief. She saw an advertisement of your medicine and tried it and got better. She told me what it had done for her, and when I had taken only two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound my head began to feel better. I continued its use and now I don't have any of those troubles."—Mrs. L. J. HANNAN, R.F.D. 1, Anamosa, Iowa.

### FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR FIRE

Judge Jno. E. Guion received a message Friday morning stating that a fire occurred Thursday night at the Prairie View College in which the dormitory and bath house were destroyed and the loss will amount to about \$5,000.00.

The best reason for buying an Overland is what Overland owners say. Ask an Overland user. Phone 33. 15-d

### Watch the Fords Go By.

## WEEK END EXCURSION TO GALVESTON

**SATURDAY MAY 27**  
 Tickets on sale for train 5 and for connections arriving P. M. of May 27 also for trains No. 15 and 17 and connections arriving A. M. of May 28.  
**LIMITED MAY 29, 1916**



### QUEEN THEATRE

## TONIGHT

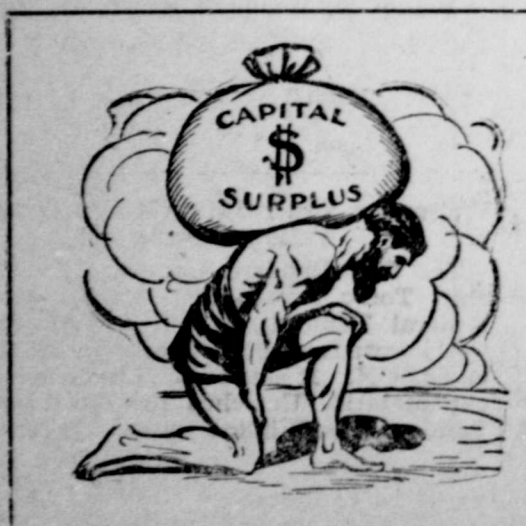
### TODAY'S PROGRAM

Blue Bird Photoplay presents, Dainty Ella Hall and handsome Bob Leonard in the entrancing photoplay—  
**"THE CRIPPLED HAND"**  
 a story of love, jealousy, vengeance, retribution, passion, bound together by strands of fairy fantasy.

Tomorrow—"Peg O' The Ring," "The Eyes of Fear," "How Tunes Do Change" and "Love Spasms."

**Admission 10 CENTS**

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 Successors to The Hall Hardware Company in  
**Plumbing Goods and Plumbing Supplies**  
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 Let us demonstrate to you the best car on the market for the money.  
 Prices and Specifications Gladly Furnished



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 are the strong men which direct the affairs of this bank. They have provided ample capital and surplus for all emergencies and conduct the bank's affairs cautiously as well as progressively. This is a good bank with which to have connection. An account here is an asset in itself.  
**The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.**  
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