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### HUNTING RABBITS WITH AUTO LIGHTS

Chas. Evans was in the city first of the week from the New Home community, and reported that the citizens of his community were killing many rabbits at night by taking their guns with them when they went out joy riding. Mr. Evans reported that 24 rabbits were killed Saturday night in the light of one auto. Some of the rabbits were caught by hand, the light blinding them so they could not get out of the way. Others were shot with a target.

Mr. Evans suggested that many rabbits could be killed in this way before the big drives are pulled off later in the season. It is fine sport, don't you know, to go joy riding at night and shoot rabbits in the light of the auto. Be careful that you do not shoot somebody.

### THIS IS THE LIMIT IN TECHNICAL LAW

(San Angelo Standard)

Because the letter "i" appeared in the wording of the indictment where an "e" should have been, charges prepared against Ralph Sweeney, negro, were dismissed in district court Monday morning. Sweeney was accused of having burglarized an automobile garage in which act it was alleged he stole a tire.

In the indictment, a phrase should have read "broken into and entered." Instead, however, one word was misspelled and the clause read "broken into and entered." The court decided that it could not try a man upon a charge on which he had not been indicted and dismissed the case.

We are glad to report that Arthur Giesecke, who was hurt during Christmas is doing very nicely at present and will soon be able to be about.

## FIGHT TO LAST OUNCE OF BLOOD

### HENRY HAS LEAK TALK WITH LAWSON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Congressman R. L. Henry, of Texas, held a conference today with Thomas W. Lawson, the man who charges that there is "always a leak" on important government matters, and after the Mr. Henry introduced his bill for the regulation of the stock exchange. Mr. Henry and Mr. Lawson were in conference for two hours and Mr. Henry introduced his bill immediately after the conference.

Congressman Henry is chairman of the House committee and he stated "if Mr. Lawson has information that is of value to the committee and we have the facts, we will use them." Mr. Lawson called for with Congressman morning.

1 Maxwell 1916 model, good value \$340.00. See at once for hand bargains in second hand cars. Ballinger Auto Co. 2-ftdw

### CALL MADE FOR B. W. BARK SHOW.

Washington, Jan. 2.—A call was made for all National banks to show their assets at close of business at 27.

### SENATE REFUSES TO PASS DORSE V. WILSON'S PEACE AGREEMENTS.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The Senate today refused to pass the peace agreements.

Found a \$100 bill, N. Y. L. S. used for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

### PERSHING COMING OUT OF MEXICO

EL PASO, Jan. 2.—Preparations are under way for the withdrawal of Pershing's punitive expedition from Mexico, according to statements made by army officers here today. All property of the expedition has been ordered to be packed and is being shipped to the United States as the army leaves Mexico. It is taken as a confirmation of report that Pershing is coming back to Columbus.

### GENERAL ROWENA TUESDAY.

Undertakers were called to the home of Mrs. Rowena Tuesday morning. She was an aged citizen of this city, who died of old age at eleven o'clock. She was 86 years old, and was born in the country for about 40 years.

One daylong Christmas day. Kab was sticken with parais, and lived for one week only without speaking. The heralvices were conducted by Catholics and the remains were buried in the cemetery at ten o'clock Tuesday morning. An epidemic of typhoid originated from ball water could play havoc before it could be stopped.

Roy Phillips who was arrested here Sunday charged with burglarizing the express office and stealing eight quarts of booze was carried to Brownwood by Sheriff Perkins Monday afternoon where he was scheduled to stand trial Tuesday on a similar charge. When the Brownwood courts are through with Phillips he will be returned to Ballinger and held pending the action of the grand jury. Phillips is a married man and his wife was with him in Ballinger when he was arrested for breaking into the express office.

### How to Check That Cold

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends shills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all druggists, 25c.

Clyde Fowler returned home Tuesday at noon from a visit to his brother Tom Fowler at Dallas.

### METHODISTS CAN'T AGREE ON UNION

BALTIMORE, Jan. 2.—The joint commission on unification of the Methodist Episcopal church and the Methodist Church, South, after a lengthy conference, failed to reach a decision looking to recommendation for union of the two churches. The commission adjourned without making a recommendation.

### BANDITS ARMY 12,000 STRONG

EL PASO, Jan. 2.—Five thousand and Villistas are within striking distance of South Chihuahua City, according to official reports made to the American officers here today. An unconfirmed report reaching Juarez says that the Villistas have already attacked Chihuahua and that the city will again fall in Villa's hands as a result of the desertion of the Carranza troops.

The American officers have received reliable information to the effect that Carrancistas everywhere in Northern Mexico are deserting to Villa, and the United States authorities at El Paso estimate that Villa's strength at present numbers more than twelve thousand men.

### SAYS BAD WATER SHOULD BE BOILED

A Brownwood chemist who was requested to make an analysis of Winters' water, has made an adverse report, and advises the people of that town to boil their water until the condition can be improved. The continued drouth has no doubt caused other water supplies to become contaminated, and it would be wise for the health authorities to keep a close watch on the water situation and advise the people accordingly. An epidemic of typhoid originated from ball water could play havoc before it could be stopped.

### OIL MILL TO RESUME OPERATION.

The oil mill at Winters closed down at Winters for the Christmas holidays and will not resume operation until about the first of March when the season's run of about one month or longer will be made. The crew who has been on duty at Winters has been transferred to Ballinger, at least part of the hands, and the mill will begin operation here Monday and complete the season's run at this place which it is estimated will require a couple of months time. From a standpoint of easy running the Rannels county mills have had a very successful run so far. No accidents have occurred, and the mills have made good time crushing the year's seed crop.

### ADAM HULSE HELD IN JAIL.

While he has done nothing that justifies the county locking him in a cell, Adam Hulse is being confined in the misdemeanor room of the local jail. This treatment is the best the county can give its weak in mind and dependents who must look to the county for a living. Hulse has been under the care of the county for several years. He recently became worse, and was for a time in a helpless condition due to paralysis, but has not gained strength and is able to get about and would be on the streets if he had his way about it, but the unfortunate man has lost his mind and is not capable of taking care of himself. There is no cure for him, and the county can not get him in the asylum, hence he must be kept in jail until death relieves him of his burdensome life. It is unfortunate that provisions can not be made for taking better care of the paupers and insane. Texas jails are housing people today that should be in the hospital where they can receive proper attention instead of being confined in jail.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—All hopes of peace have been abandoned. The Germans say that the note of allies is not deserving of a written rejoinder. The almost unanimous opinion of the Berlin press is that it is now "war to the last ounce of blood." The opinion of the German press also tipifies the opinion of the man in the streets of Berlin.

### JUDGE SMITH ATTENDS MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Judge M. C. Smith is at home from Brownwood, where he attended the memorial services held in honor of Col. G. I. Goodwin, father of Judge Jno. W. Goodwin. Judge Smith was one of the speakers of the occasion, and in the write-up of the memorial services the Brownwood Bulletin quoted as follows:

Judge Smith was one of the early members of the Brownwood bar association. Coming to Brownwood when the town was in its infancy, Mr. Smith met Col. Goodwin, then a young man striving in the practice of the legal profession, and during a number of years was in close intimacy with him. Often he worked with him in the court room, some times as an associate, other times adversely, but always, the Ballinger attorney said, the best of feelings prevailed.

### DIDN'T TURN OVER ROSS' "DEAD QUICK" SPRAY

Ross' "Dead Quick" Spray kills bedbugs, ants, fleas, vegetable and plant insects, and does it so quickly that people exclaim, "They're dead!" It puts mosquitoes and other pests just as quick. Sold by Ballinger by Walker Drug Co.

### MILES POULTRY SHOW DATES BEING SET.

Miles poultry growers and the Miles boosters are busy planning for the annual poultry exhibit to be given in that city on January 25, 26 and 27. Much interest has been worked up in poultry production in Miles and eggs and chickens are adding to the prosperity of that part of the county. Ballinger has two or three hundred dollars invested in poultry exhibit pens, but we haven't heard anything about a poultry show here.

### Moving To New Location.

I am moving my saddle and Harness and shoe repair shop to Eighth street next to Ballinger Light and Power Co., and I take this method of thanking my customers and friends for past patronage and hope they will find me in my new place and continue their liberal patronage. H. L. WENDORF. The Busy Shop.

### ENNIS SHEPHERD IN POLITICS.

E. A. Shepperd who recently requested to make an analysis of Winters State Bank and purchased the insurance and loan business of J. F. Holliday, has announced as a candidate for the office of city secretary of Winters. Mr. Holliday who sold his business to Mr. Shepperd, was in Ballinger Monday attending to some unfinished business preparatory to moving to Abilene, where he will be associated with a loan company. His moving had been delayed on account of the little Holliday having the numps.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Harnel of Burton, who had been visiting their brother-in-law, Ed Linderman and family, returned home Monday afternoon.

### WOULD HAVE MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE

Miss Bettie Miller, one of the active members of the Civic League, was a pleasant caller at the Ledger office Monday afternoon, and in talking about the plans of the league for the year, stated that it was the purpose of the civic organization to close the present year with a big municipal Christmas tree. Miss Miller stated that Mrs. Scott H. Mack, president of the league, had announced that they would begin early to plan for the big public Christmas tree and solicit the co-operation of the other clubs of the city and efforts would be made to make the occasion one of the greatest holiday events ever given in this city.

According to the announcement already made by the ladies, they propose to stage a big Christmas tree entertainment on the court house lawn. A program of Christmas carols will be arranged, and fun for the children carried out in such a way that will make all classes feel glad and rejoice. This is an early announcement.

### DR. J. L. ALLRED SERIOUSLY ILL.

The Ledger regrets to note that Dr. J. L. Allred, of Winters, is seriously ill. Dr. Allred is one of the pioneers of Winters. He has many friends in the county and is numbered among the Ledger's best friends. We trust he will pull through.

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F. H. Turbeville, of Gainesville, who joined his family here on a visit to her parents, Judge and Mrs. M. C. Smith, returned home Monday afternoon. Mrs. Turbeville and little son will remain a few weeks longer before returning home.

Walter Parker came in Sunday from New Mexico to visit home folks and Ballinger friends a few days.

### BREWERY SOLD FOR \$577,550 AT AUCTION

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 2.—The Lone Star Brewing Co., was sold at auction on the court house steps here today in compliance with an order from the court taking away the charter of this brewing company.

The Lone Star Brewing Co., was convicted of violating state laws against contributing to political campaign funds and the court ordered the charter cancelled and the brewery sold. Frank Gross bid the brewery in on a bid of \$577,550.

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ORDER FOR LADIES—DISORDER FOR MEN

The district clerk of Tom Green county is a woman, and hereafter there will be no smoking in the district court of that county during the trial of cases. There is to be "order in court" while ladies are present.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Why wait until a lady comes on the scene before restoring order. We know some men that second-hand smoke is obnoxious to, and if smoking in a closed crowded room constitutes disorder with ladies present does it not also constitute disorder when the ladies are absent. Rannels county also has a woman for district clerk and also has "order in court."

THE PRIDE IN POVERTY

The Ballinger Ledger avers that there was no suffering and want in that city on Christmas day, because a charity committee "with loads of food and clothing supplied the needy." A committee has been doing service in Brownwood for several weeks, and still there is want and suffering in dozens of homes. Charity committees can not find all the families which need help, because many such families are too proud to accept help from a charity organization. What they want is work, and when they haven't work to do they suffer in silence.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The pride in poverty is what hurts. Some people will steal or starve before they will beg. Others will beg before they will work. Hence there are at least two classes of poor people in the world.

NEWSPAPERS CUTTING OUT BOOZE

Beginning Jan. 1, 1917, The Star-Telegram will not accept any advertisements offering for sale intoxicating liquors of any kind.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Liquor dealers are liberal advertisers and never quibble about rates, but the time is near at hand when there will be no newspaper advertising for this class of business. In fact the best papers of the land cut it out several years ago. The Ledger is in the later class.

SOCIETY

A Charming House Party.

The five young ladies who were included in a house party given by Miss Nellie Kippe for the week beginning on the Friday before Christmas will long remember the days as very joyful ones and Miss Kippe as a charming hostess.

There was something doing all the time in keeping with the holiday season and the days sped on wings of mirth and merriment until Sunday noon when a delicious dinner was served as a happy ending to the week's hospitality.

The young ladies who composed the house party were Misses Winnie Trail, Lucille Powell, Anna Jean Sharp, Bettye Miller, and Kathleen Jones.

Christmas Breakfast.

Complimentary to her house party Miss Nellie Kippe gave a pretty nine o'clock breakfast, in four courses, on Christmas morning.

Following the perfectly appointed meal a Christmas tree was robbed of its beautiful and surprising gifts for all present.

Besides the house guests Messrs Claude Stone, Bruce Creasy, Willie Chamber and Eugene Kippe enjoyed the early festivities.

A car ride and kodaking trip in which Mrs. Vancil and her visitors, Mesdames Hugh Simpson and Mann and Miss Mann joined, completed the merry morn of Christmas.

Seven O'clock Dinner.

Another charming feature of the Kippe house party was a dinner on Wednesday evening.

The perfectly arranged table held a miniature Christmas tree for its centerpiece, the handpainted place cards added quite an artistic touch to the chaste appointments. The guest favors were fragrant carnations.

Between the courses of the dinner conundrums, descriptive of the various guests, were read and gifts were dispensed from the tiny tree.

The faultlessly served menu was as follows: fruit cocktail, cream of tomato soup, chicken with dressing, celery, cranberry jelly, olives, and sandwiches, cherry salad with whipped cream, wafers, plum pudding and whipped cream, after dinner coffee, cheese and mints.

The following young men enjoyed this hospitable dinner with the house party guests, viz, Messrs. Ira Thurman, Roy Sharp, Frank Pearce, Alex McGregor, Roy Simpson and Eugene Kipp.

Class Party.

The members of the Sunday school class party with a delightful entertaining party for

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them and their friends.

Several amusing forms of entertainment were provided and the evening was one of hilarious enjoyment from beginning to end.

Christmas charades, a question contest in which a forfeit was paid if the question required "yes" or "no" for an answer.

Cranberries were used to pay the forfeits and those who had most could bid highest on the Christmas packages auctioned off later. Another contest which tested the skill of the players was that in which they tried, blindfolded to throw a snowball thru a wreath of mistletoe. A Christmas gift was given as a prize to the successful pitchers. By blowing out Christmas candles the youngsters found how many single life remained for them. Perhaps the crowning feature of the evening was the Christmas tree from which the guests blindfolded picked their gifts—and then the fun began in earnest for the tree was loaded with horns, whistles and every kind of "shrieker" to be thought of. Refreshments were chocolate with whipped cream and cake.

The young people who enjoyed Mrs. Moser's hospitality were Misses Kathleen Baker, Frances Truly, Lora Lammitt, Mera Nicks, Olson, Maurine Weeks, Maudie Kipp, Lola B...

and Messrs. Robert Lewis Williams, Calvin Kirk, Bailey Mack, Bob James, Arthur Giesecke, Carl Nance, Tom Lankford, Roy Clampitt, Chas. Bailey and Jack Ransom.

Christmas Party.

Miss Mildred Herring entertained a few of her girl friends on Tuesday evening of last week.

The guests being all of the fair sex here was an unconfined freedom of enjoyment of girlish chatter and Christmas pranks.

Music and dancing were indulged in.

Hot chocolate and cake formed a very refreshing accompaniment to the evening's pleasure.

Misses Norma Glass, Willie Hutton, Zula McKay, Lucille Bridwell, Virginia Wood, Nadine Currie, Eric Stewart, and Mildred Herring made up this happy party.

Dinner Party

Little Miss Ruth Nicholson was hostess to some of her girl friends at a very delightful twelve o'clock dinner on Wednesday of Christmas week. A dinner characteristic of the hospitable Nicholson home was provided and was thoroughly enjoyed by the guests on this happy day.

A musical program on the Victrola came after dinner and was followed by a matinee party.

The girls who thanked Miss Ruth for a very happy holiday were Melvina Skinner, Mary Fleming, Beatrice Nance, Eleanor Kirk, Kate Cockrell, Mamie Cahley, Nelle Futch, and Anna Currie.

Club Reception and Dance.

The Ballinger Club rooms presented a festive appearance on Monday night for the Christmas reception and dance which proved to be one of the most brilliant affairs in the club history.

Each room of the suite was elaborately decorated with the season's own colors in various tasteful arrangements. A lovely Christmas tree graced the reception hall and the dance hall was es-

pecially gay with the columns entwined in the d and green.

Mr. and Mi McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. H. Tuck, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gardner, Mrs. R. Lusk, Mrs. I. Vancil and Mlames Mann and Simpson, of Genville, composed the receiving ne. There were guests from S Angelo, Paint Rock, Winterand other neighboring towns.

Passur's ser-piece orchestra furnished spidic dance music for the occasi.

The grand wth was led by Mr. and Mrs. s.atham, followed by Mr. at Mr. U. P. Melton.

The progr. of sixteen dances and four exas ras lengthened to about their daces before the dancers wereac to bring an end to the lppocession. Several feature anc added beauty and variety t entertainment—a sparklerlars, a carnival dance, severatadances and the eighth danceas dinner dance during whic a ell appointed salad luncheo w served. Fruit during whic a ell appointed arrived.

Dancing Parto Coleman.

A party of dancing set motored over to tnan to enjoy the hospitalities the neighboring city in thannual Christmas dance on tuesday evening. A very deligttime is reported by the entirety, which was as follows: Dr. l Mrs. W. B. Halley, Mr. anrs. Q. V. Miller, Mesdames P. Melton, Frances Pear Misses ldra Sharp, Zelma M. Juliette Miller, Eunice Br Myrtle Whitaker, Edith Mi and Kathlee Jones and MessCusenberry, Sonora, OrbeckBruce Creas Thad Thomsongust McWilliams and Gradrring.

Attend San Ao Club Dan

Mr. and MrGeo. Holm, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wheeler, and Mrs. J. R. k, Mr. and s. Jas. Latham, t. H. H. Tison, Mrs. I. Vil, Mrs. l. h Simpson, Mrs. nu and dalters, of Green, Misses lleen Jones, Lo'rews, Floce Westbrook, EdMiller, Jete Miller, Nellie be, and Mrs. Alex McGregorClaude ne, Thad ThomsonBruce osy, Will Gross, Fr Pearce, yone Kippe and Deitt Undood composed theersonnel a party which mred overSan Angelo for thew Yearance on Monday evng.

Surprise Birthday Party.

Mrs. Robert Herring planned a pleasant surprise for her husband on last Saturday evening the occasion being a forty-two party in honor of Mr. Herring's birthday.

A number of interesting games were played and were thoroughly enjoyed by Messrs. and Mesdames U. P. Melton, G. W. Dunlap, J. H. Wilke, Ben Smith and Lonie DeMolive.

A palatable salad refreshment of cheese sandwiches, nut sandwiches, olives and coffee was served.

A very pleasant evening it was to all the guests as well as a happy surprise to the honoree.

Mr. Wilke presented a box of cigars which were thoroughly enjoyed by the gentlemen.

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Editor Kubela, of Rowena, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

LADIES' CAPUDINE TAKE FOR ACHE AND PAINS RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO IT'S LIQUID-NOT NARCOTIC

W. L. Hambricht and W. H. Roberts of the Winters country, were transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Children Cry for Fletcher's



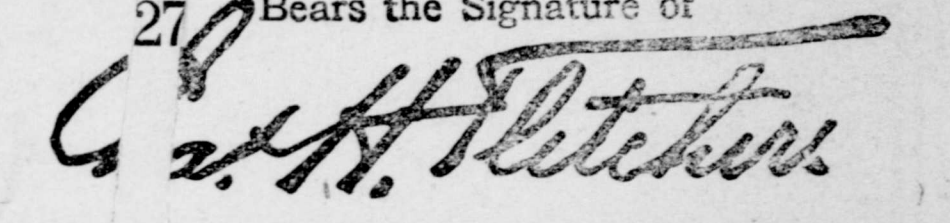
The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counts, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants: Children—Experience against Experiment.

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Place of employment, Ballinger Texas. Place of examination, Ballinger, Texas. Date of examination, January 13, 1917.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on the date and at the place named above an open competitive examination will be held for the positions of clerk and city carrier in the post office at the place first specified.

Clerks in offices of the first class, second class, and carriers of the city delivery service, divided into five grades, the salaries of which are \$800, \$900, \$1,000, \$1,100 and \$1,200 per annum, respectively. Clerks and carriers at first-class offices will be promoted successively, a grade at a time, to \$1,100 and clerks and carriers at second class offices will be promoted in the same man-

ner to \$1,000. Promotions of both clerks and carriers will be made at the beginning of the quarter following the expiration of a year's service in the next lower grade. No promotion will be made except upon evidence satisfactory to the Post Office Department of the efficiency and faithfulness of the employee during the year. Clerks and carriers of the highest grade are eligible for promotion to the higher positions in their respective offices. Applicants must have attained their eighteenth birthday on the date of the examination. The age limits are waived, however, in the case of persons honorably discharged from the United States military or naval service by reason of disability, resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty. Eligibles resulting from this examination who were under 21 years of age on the date of the examination will not be certified for filling vacancies in the position of assistant postmaster.

Male applicants must measure not less than 5 feet 4 inches in height in bare feet. No male ap-

licant who passes the examination will be eligible for appointment either as clerk or city carrier who does not weigh at least 125 pounds without overcoat and hat. It will be inadvisable for male applicants whose normal weight is less than 125 pounds to enter the examination. Female applicants are not required to be of any specific height or weight. The Post Office Department has no objection to the admission that no person who has any of the following specified defects will be appointed to the position of carrier in the Post Office Service: Hunchback; defective hearing, sight, or speech; blindness in one or both eyes; asthma; loss of arm, hand, or leg; crippled arms or legs; flatfoot; hernia; congenital weakness of the abdominal wall, or such weakness caused by wound or operation. The defects will also debar a person from appointment to the position of clerk in the Post Office Service, except that deaf-mutes and persons with defective speech or hearing may be appointed to the positions of mail clerk, distributor, and director and forwarding clerk, and persons suffering from flatfoot or weakness of the abdominal wall may be appointed to any position of clerk the duties of which they are physically capable of performing. Applications from persons who are not entitled to appointment on account of physical defects will be canceled. Other physical defects may debar persons from appointment when in the judgment of the Commission such defects would render them unfit to perform the duties of the position for which the examination is held. Each applicant will be required to submit to the examiner on the day of the examination a photograph of himself, taken within two years, securely pasted in the space provided on the admission card sent him after his application is filed. Tintypes or proofs will be accepted. Married women will not be admitted to this examination. This prohibition, however, does not apply to divorced women. This examination is open to all citizens of the United States who meet the requirements. From the eligibles resulting from this examination it is expected that certification will be made to fill existing and future vacancies. For application blank (Form 1371) and "Instructions to Ap-

licants," address the secretary of the board of United States civil service examiners at the post office at the place of employment or the place of examination above, or the district secretary at the address below. No application will be accepted unless properly executed and filed with the district secretary in time for him to arrange for the examination. Secretary Tenth Civil Service District. Address room 330 Custom House, New Orleans, La. Issued Dec. 13, 1916.

### Stop That Cough

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected; your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sore all over. Relieve that cold at once Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams heal the irritated membranes, and the anti-septic and laxative qualities kill the germs and break up your cold. Don't let a cold linger. Get Dr. King's New Discovery today at your druggist. 50c.

### Notice of Election.

Whereas, I, J. W. Powell, Mayor of the City of Ballinger, have had presented to me a petition in writing, signed by more than ten per cent of the qualified voters of the City of Ballinger, requesting that an election be ordered in said City of Ballinger to determine whether said City of Ballinger shall adopt the commission form of government as provided in Article 1070, Vernon's Statutes of 1914.

And whereas, I, the said J. W. Powell, Mayor as aforesaid, did, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1916, order that said election be held as provided by law.

Now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said Article 1070, I, J. W. Powell, mayor as aforesaid, do hereby give notice by posting at three public places in said city of Ballinger, and by publishing this notice in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper published in said City of Ballinger, that an election will be held with in said city on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1917, being on a Wednesday, to determine whether or not the commission form of government shall be adopted in said City of Ballinger. At said election there shall also be two commissioners elected for said city, to serve until the first Tuesday in April, 1917. The polling place for said elec-

tion will be at the City Hall in said City of Ballinger.

Witness my hand, this the 9th day of December, A. D. 1916.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor of the City of Ballinger, Texas. 9-1mod

### Bad Habits

Those who breakfast at eight o'clock or later, lunch at eleven or twelve, dinner at six, and supper at nine, will find it difficult to digest before taking another meal. They do not allow time for one meal to digest before taking another. Not less than five hours should elapse between meals. If you are troubled with indigestion correct your habits and take Chamberlain's Tablets, and you may reasonably hope for a quick recovery. These tablets strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. Obtainable everywhere.

### B. Y. P. U. Entertain.

Miss Cola Barbee entertained the members and friends of the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church at her home on Sixth St., last Thursday evening. Dainty invitations in red and green having been issued the previous week. The Barbee home, always faultless in appearance, was beautifully ornamented with all the brilliancy of Christmas trimmings. All who responded to the invitations were gaily entertained with various games for which Christmas packages were awarded as prizes. A high degree of pleasure manifested itself throughout the evening.

Miss Cola and her mother served a plate luncheon, consisting of chocolate, sandwiches, cheese straws and nabisco wafers.

### CHICHESTER'S PILLS

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

We were glad to see Uncle Johnnie Fox of the Pony creek country, in the city Tuesday, after a six weeks seige of lagrippe.

### CASTORIA

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

### RATES FOR Classified Ads

IN THE BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER. One cent per word for first insertion. Half cent per word for each subsequent insertion. For each subsequent insertion after the first, the rate is one cent per word. For regular advertising, the rate is one cent per word per line per day. For copy not ready for insertion, the rate is one cent per word per line per day. For copy not ready for insertion, the rate is one cent per word per line per day. Call Telephone No. 27.

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—My orchard and irrigated garden in South Ballinger. Also nine acres sandy land well located. See me for price and terms. E. M. Eubank, 2212w WOOD and COAL for sale. Ballinger Light, Power & Ice Co. Phone 312. 1-tfd

FOR SALE—scholarship for complete course of cotton classing, shorthand, or steno-typewriting, or bookkeeping, telegraphy, or business administration and finance, in Tyler Commercial College. First come gets scholarship at bargain. Ballinger Printing Co., Ballinger, Texas.

FOR SALE—Pianos, phonographs and records. Nice line late records and instruments on hand at my home 400 Broadway. Mrs. L. H. Bacon. 1-tfd

### LOST.

LOST—Gold watch with fob. Return to Ledger office and get reasonable reward. 1-5

LOST—One light colored full leather hand bag, containing wearing apparel, including pair of shoes. Lost between Tule and San Angelo. Return to Ledger office and get reward. 1-3

### TRESPASS NOTICES

POSTED—My place located 12 miles south of the river, known as the Blocker ranch, is posted. I will prosecute anyone hauling wood, hunting, camping and fishing. G. B. NIXON. 3mo-dw

All parties are hereby notified under penalty of \$500 that the fish gather place of the Ballinger Pool is otherwise trespass. Mott farm, or upon any other proprietors owned and controlled by me in this (Ballinger) County. C. A. DOOLEY



### ATEXAS WONDER

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, 238 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. c.

- \* FIRE INSURANCE \*
- \* The Best Companies \*
- \* PROMPT SERVICE \*
- \* Your business solicited. \*
- \* MISS MAGGIE SHARP \*
- \* Upstairs in old Fidelity \*
- \* Credit Co.'s Office. Phone \*
- \* 215. See Me. \*

Going to Winters?  
**BROOKS' AUTO LINE**  
One Way 75 Cents  
4 trips daily—2 big Studebaker's. Steam heat and foot warmer in cold weather.  
P. S. Callers called for and delivered to the city. Business appreciated.  
Phones 12 and 135

### CLEANING PRESSING AND REPAIRING



Our cleaning and pressing department is the best in the city. All of our work is guaranteed to be first class. When your suit, silk dress, sweater, portiers, rugs, gloves, satin or kid slippers, etc. need cleaning phone 97 and we will call. Free auto delivery.  
**Scotch WOOLEN MILLS**  
Paul C. Sulak Ballinger, Texas. Phone 97



Start the New Year Right!

The man who looks ahead will live in the sun-flushed valley of the land of no regrets. Regret brings remorse, unhappiness is unnatural. Start the new year right by the power of money—money is power—little savings make large fortunes. Where there's a will there's a way. An account with this bank will be the right start because our officers and directors are interested in your success.



**Supreme Court to Decide Whether We are at War With Mexico**  
Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—The Ohio Supreme Court tomorrow is to decide whether the United States is actually at war with Mexico. The court will hear the mandamus suit of Adjutant General Edwards S. Bryant to compel State Auditor A. V. Danahy to pay him full "war time" salary for his services as assistant adjutant general during part of last June and all of July and August.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams left Monday afternoon for Waco, to accompany their daughter, Miss Helen, who will attend Baylor college.

Nath Allen left Tuesday afternoon for points west on a business trip.

We must hand the auto the blue ribbon for claiming the greatest number of lives.

Fort Worth has our sympathy in failing to land the farm loan bank. You know there is not much difference between Fort Worth and Houston's murder record.

Miss Rosa Taylor of the Norton country, returned home Monday afternoon from a visit to relatives in East Texas.

COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Rummels.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared M. Kleberg, County Judge, R. P. Kirk, W. D. Meadows, J. D. Smith and C. N. Craft, County Commissioners, all of Rummels County, Texas, who being duly sworn, each on his oath, deposes and says he has fully complied with the provisions of Article 567 of the Constitution set forth in said Article, taken in connection with chapters 101 and 102 of the 29th Legislature 1905, known as the depositors' law, and that he has actually counted and inspected all the cash in the hands of the County Treasurer, R. S. McCarver, and that the same is as follows:

First Class, Jury Fund, cash balance	\$66.92
Second Class, Road and Bridge Fund, cash balance	440.22
Third Class, General Fund, cash balance	162.69
Fourth Class, Special Fund, cash balance	749.74
Fifth Class, Advertising Fund, cash balance	307.60
Sixth Class, Court House, Skg Fund No. 1, cash balance	1893.54
Seventh Class, B. B. Skg Fund No. 2, cash balance	307.31
Eighth Class, B. B. Skg. Fund No. 2, cash balance	1792.24
<b>Total</b>	<b>5630.26</b>

To amount due county	41.31
By balance commission due	44.00
By Outstanding checks	
By balance Oct. 31st, 1916 as certified by depository	\$5712.57
By amount included in report deposited November 1st, 1916	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5715.57</b>

- M. KLEBERG, County Judge.
- R. P. KIRK, 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.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of November, A. D. 1916. W. C. McCARVER, Clerk County Court, Rummels, Texas.

**Get Your Bread at the Store---**  
Our bread wagon has been discontinued until the hot weather.  
BAL...  
Opposite Court...  
P. S. second half cash.  
**L. B. STUBBS**

CO-OPERATIVE SERVICE BEGINS AT 7:30 P. M.

There was some confusion in the hour for the Co-Operative Services which are being held at the Methodist church this week, and part of the congregation was late and part early, or at least some had to wait, Monday night. The hour was announced for seven and for seven-thirty, when the proper hour fixed for the service to begin was seven-thirty. We have been requested to call attention to the time—seven-thirty each night this week.

Tuesday Night; Leader, Rev. J. W. Atwood.

Subject, "Relation or duties of Church members to each other," R. S. Briggs. "Relation or duty of Church members to the unconverted," Rev. E. A. Bedichek.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. Herbine is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Shields of South Ballinger are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy, born at their home January 2nd.

Eugene Riser, of Bonham, came in Tuesday at noon to visit friends and to look after business affairs a few days.

When you are in need of carbon paper or second sheets, type-writing paper, letter heads, and other such supplies, come to the Ballinger Printing Co.'s office. Printing and supplying your stationery needs is the other half of our mission. tfd

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Trammell and baby, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a visit to relatives in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Dremmon and baby returned home Tuesday morning from San Angelo, where they had been visiting relatives the past holidays.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Most Effective.

"I have taken a great many bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and every time it has cured me. I have found it most effectual for a hacking cough and for colds. After taking it a cough always ceases on business days."—J. K. Moore, Lost Valley, Ga. Obtainable everywhere.

Audy Gustavus, of the Farmers & Merchants State Bank, returned home Tuesday morning from a short business trip to San Angelo.

E. W. Gray, of the New Home neighborhood, was among the visitors in Ballinger Monday and had the date on his Banner-Ledger set up for another year.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by Herbine. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Edwin Skinner, who spent the holidays with home folks and Ballinger friends, returned to Abilene Monday, where he is attending Simmons college.

Miss Zelma Miller, after a pleasant holiday visit, left for Austin Monday afternoon to resume her school duties at the Junior high school in that city.

Pleurisy pains are located just below the short ribs. Lumbago affects the same region but toward the back. Ballard's Snow Lintment is the remedy in either case. If rubbed in thoroughly it eases pain, relaxes the muscles and the patient can move about freely and comfortably. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

S. J. Carmony, of Moody a former citizen of Ballinger, came in a day or two ago to look after business affairs and visit in our city.

Mr. and Mrs. Skaggs of Winters, came in Monday to accompany a crowd of young people, who had composed a house party at their home. Among the number were Misses Gladys Oliver, of South Texas, Eva Jackson and Elna Skaggs of Lometa. The latter two young ladies left for their home in the afternoon.

CHRISTMAS CLUB IN GREAT DEMAND

The F. & M. State Bank of this city continues its right to a piece among the progressive banks of the country. The popularity and success of its Christmas Club has been phenomenal. This Club gives everybody a chance to save regularly, for the bank is willing to accept small amounts. Even boys and girls are invited to become members, for it is a well-known fact that the saving habit needs to be fostered in this country. Once the youthful mind realizes how really easy it is to save and how pleasant it is to have money in bank, the saving habit will become life-long.

A large number of people, where their incomes are large or small, find it difficult to "get ahead" financially. They postpone the time when they will start saving to provide for the rainy day because they never seem to have enough spare money to start a bank account. The Christmas Club is a great benefit to the people in this way, for they don't need any more capital to get started than the first small payment, and after all, the start is the important thing.

Although the first Club payment is due December 26th, members may join before that time by paying in advance. The Club runs fifty weeks, so that each member will receive check in time for Christmas shopping. When payments are made regularly the bank allows interest on the account, which is always an encouragement to saving.

A number of plans are offered and members may select one or more of them. In the uniform classes one may pay 25c, 50c, \$1.00 or \$2.00 weekly, the totals amounting respectively to \$12.50, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00. Another way is what is known as the progressive class, in which payment increases every week. One of these classes starts at 2c, next week 4c, and so on. The 2c progressive Club matures at \$25.50. Then there is a 5c progressive Club maturing at \$63.75. These progressive Clubs may be reversed, starting at the highest amount first and finishing with the lowest. The 5c reducing class starts at \$2.50 and works down to 5c, while the 2c starts at \$1.00 and comes down to 2c at the last payment.

Ordinary books are not needed in carrying the Christmas Club accounts. The Farmers and Merchants Bank is using a punch card system, in which the amount of payment is made by punching cards. This not only gives the depositor a receipt, but also shows exactly how much has been paid in to date, and does away with any possibility of error.

The demand for the Christmas Saving Club has grown so remarkably that it may now be looked upon as a regular banking department.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Hall's Catarrh Cure has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Cure for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Cure at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

W. F. Farmer, of the Valley creek country and R. L. Huddleston, of the New Home neighborhood, were among the number who renewed with the Banner-Ledger Monday, also Mr. Farmer sends the Banner-Ledger to his friend C. C. Jaco at Crenshaw, Miss.

**LADIES! TAKE CAPUDINE**  
FOR ACHE AND PAINS  
RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO  
IT'S LIQUID—NOT NARCOTIC

Will Mountz and Sam Weams left Tuesday morning for Santa Anna to finish up some carpenter contract work.



Some Banks Solicit Only Large Accounts.  
This Bank is equally the Bank of the laboring man, the mechanic, the business man, the house-wife, the child or the man of leisure. All accounts, large or small, will be given the same treatment. We are a bank for the people and extend to you a WELCOME.

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION  
**The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.**  
STRENGTH SERVICE

FOREST NOTES

During the fiscal year 1916, 795,872 acres of National Forest timberlands were estimated and mapped intensively, and 1,993,006 extensively. In all, 20,815,798 acres have been mapped by intensive methods and 47,291,660 by extensive methods.

The work of classifying and opening to homestead entry such lands in the National Forests as are chiefly valuable for agriculture is progressing rapidly. Already over seventy million acres have been covered by field examinations and the final reports acted upon.

Investigations by the Forest Products Laboratory, at Madison, Wisconsin, have resulted in the use of spent tanbark in the manufacture of asphalt shingles to the extent of 160 tons per week. The value of the bark has been thereby increased from 60 cents to \$2.50 per ton.

There were cut from the National Forests in the fiscal year 1916, 20,000,000 board feet of lumber and 1,000,000 board feet of poles and posts. The total value of the timber cut was \$1,000,000. The total value of the products cut was \$1,500,000. The total value of the products cut was \$1,500,000.

You Should Feel 100 Percent Today.

You cannot meet the day's work cheerfully feeling bilious. Dull headache, coated tongue, bad breath are signs that indicate your liver is overworked or loafing. In either case you need Po-D-Lax, Nature's liver regulator, derived from the May-apple. By stimulating the flow of bile, Po-D-Lax makes work easier for your liver, and by its mildly laxative quality removes the impurities that clog the intestines. At all druggists, 50c.

YOU ARE WANTED

Wanted? Who? You! Where? At the Civic League meeting Wednesday afternoon, January 3rd, at three o'clock. Meeting held at the Library.

The Habit of Taking Cold.

With many people taking cold is a habit, but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90 F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

F. F. Ernst of Rowena, J. P. Webb the Maverick blacksmith and A. J. Zaak, of the Spring Hill neighborhood were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

ROBERT LEWIS WILLIAMS SERIOUSLY ILL

Robert Lewis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams, is seriously ill at his home on Broadway. The young man was stricken with heart trouble late Monday afternoon and was carried to his home in a critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter, Miss Helen, left on the afternoon train Monday for Waco, where Miss Helen was going to enter Baylor University. Robert became ill a few hours after his parents had left and a telegram caught them at Mullen, just beyond Brownwood, where the west bound and east bound train pass each other. Fortunately Mr. Williams received the telegram in time to catch the train returning to Ballinger at midnight, and he and Mrs. Williams and Miss Helen all returned home.

The latest report from the Williams home Tuesday afternoon stated that Robert was better, his condition is still serious, and the physicians have announced that the young man must be kept in his room for two or three weeks.

Lame back may come from work, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Lintment. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

**Queen Tonight**  
PICTURE PROGRAM  
MATINEE Commenced at 3:00 p. m.  
Selig, presents the Famous stage star—  
**WILLIAM FARNUM**  
and Kathlyn Williams, and "The Ne'er Do Well" cast in REX BEACH'S Most Popular Novel—  
**"The Spoilers"**  
12 Parts, 3 Acts!  
An Alaskan story, with real men and women depicted as only Rex Beach and the Selig Polycope Co. can effect.  
Children 10  
Adults 25