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WAR PREFERABLE PRUSSIAN DOMINATION SAYS BRITISH

LONDON, Jan. 11.—England and all the allies have reported to President Wilson in a message that they desire peace, and are ready for peace, but it must be peace. "War is preferable to Prussian domination in Europe," says the message to Mr. Wilson.

Lloyd George in a conference with Guild Hall this afternoon confirmed the message, and stated that England's position had been made clear in the note replying to Germany's peace proffer, but was made clearer still in the reply to the American note.

Washington Get Note.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The entente allies answer to President Wilson's note to the belligerent nations reached the state department at noon today. The message is being decoded preparatory to being presented to Secretary Lansing. It is expected that the contents of the note will be given out late this afternoon or tonight for publication in Friday morning papers.

WESTERN UNION PLANS TO TRAIN OPERATORS

The Western Union Telegraph Company has offered a bonus to about 1,000 manager-operators in small cities and towns for each junior operator such managers shall enlist and train. This unusual step arises out of the extraordinary growth in the use of the telegraph and the consequent need for competent operators to handle the company's business with the dispatch which its standards require.

Any person—man or woman—over the age of sixteen and with the requisite education and intelligence can become a junior operator. The company provides the necessary instruction free. When the junior grade is reached, employment is assured.

In the larger cities, telegraph schools are already maintained for teaching operators. These, however, have not been able to turn out a sufficient number of trained men and women to wholly meet the present demands. It is now sought to give persons in smaller places as well as the cities an opportunity to study telegraphy either by exclusive application or in conjunction with their other employment.

The big feed store at the old skating rink can supply your wants in the feed line. West Texas Grain Co. 11-3td

WOODMAN LODGE BUYS NEW HOME

A deal was closed this week in which the W. O. W. Lodge of this city buys from F. L. Harper one-half of the Opera House building for a consideration of \$3000. Mr. Mr. Harper purchased the entire opera house property some time ago, and he is in turn selling one-half of the property to the secret order.

In the deal the W. O. W. camp of this city gets the business house next to the corner—the second floor from the corner stand, which is now occupied by a second-hand store, and a half interest in the upper story. The secret order pays \$1000 cash and gets such time on the remainder that the payments can be made without any trouble, the rents from the business house below the lodge hall and the rents from other secret orders which have already made application to occupy the hall with the Woodmen, being almost sufficient to take care of the deferred payments and the interest on same.

The deal was put over by the auditors of the lodge, composed of F. L. Harper, Carl Dunn, J. R. Holloway, and the clerk J. R. Lusk. It was a good deal and we believe will meet with the approval of the 400 members of this secret order, a majority of whom, we regret to say, seldom attend the meetings, and perhaps new little, if anything of the transaction.

W. S. Harmon has been busy for several days calling on the members soliciting their aid in a financial way in making up the cash payment. The members have been contributing all the way from \$1 to \$10 each. An order was passed in the lodge levying payments, if this became necessary, in case the rents and general revenue of the lodge did not make up the sufficient amount.

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.

Old Fashioned Greenbacks of Civil War Time to Be Issued

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—A new issue of the one and two dollar greenbacks of civil war days, discontinued more than thirty years ago, will be put into circulation probably about Feb. 1, displacing similar United States notes of larger denomination to provide relief from the unprecedented demand for small paper money. The treasurer department announced last night that the issue had been decided on because silver certificates, the ordinary bills of one and two dollar denominations, could not be issued under the law in sufficient quantities to meet the demand. A limit of \$346,681,016 to the amount of outstanding federal notes was fixed by law in 1878 after the greenback had become an issue in politics and had resulted in the birth of a new national party backed largely by the farmers of the west and south. No greenbacks have been

issued since 1885, and the amount of outstanding one and two dollar notes of that variety now is slightly over \$3,000,000. There is, however, \$102,445,300 outstanding in United States notes of \$10 denomination and higher and a portion of these will be retired and cancelled to meet the new issue of smaller denominations.

"The demand for paper currency of the smaller denominations," said the department's announcement, "has always been regarded by the treasury as an index to business conditions. For many months there has been a constantly growing demand for one and two dollar bills until now it is impossible to meet the country's needs in this respect by means of silver certificates, which for more than thirty years have been the only form of paper currency in one dollar and two dollar denominations."

100 BILLS NOW BEFORE LEGISLATURE

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—Nearly one hundred bills had been introduced in the house up to noon today. The lawmakers convened at ten o'clock. The first report in the senate came from the finance committee which reported favorably a bill appropriating one hundred thousand dollars to rebuild the burned state school of mines building at El Paso. The finance committee also recommended the appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars each for the four state normals for the maintenance of summer schools.

Representative Holland introduced a resolution requiring both men and women lobbyists to register. The introducing of this resolution provoked a heated debate, and the time for considering the resolution expired before final action was taken and the Holland resolution will come up again tomorrow.

DIDN'T TURN OVER

Ross' "Dead Quick" Spray kills bedbugs, ants, fleas, vegetable and plant insects so dead, and does it so quickly, that people exclaim, "They didn't turn over." It puts mosquitoes out of business just as quick. Sold in Ballinger by Walker Drug Co.

A. P. Seratt of the Norton country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

MAKING READY FOR NEW BUSINESS HOUSE

The work of moving the old ware house off the lot where the Lankford new building will go up is well underway, and it is expected that dirt will be broken for the foundation next Monday. The material is being placed on the ground, a string of wagons hauling sand and stone. Mr. Lankford stated that he had closed the contract for all the material for the building and would let the contract for the work within a few days.

This building when completed will be the largest business house in Ballinger, covering a lot of 60x140 feet, and will be equal to a three story building, being two stories and double deck. Mr. Lankford stated that his business would be somewhat disturbed until the new building was completed, as moving away the old part of the house cuts down his room, but he is showing on display different lines of furniture and will fill orders out of his warehouse.

LEAK PROBE ACCOMPLISH NOTHING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The "leak" investigation came to an abrupt end this afternoon when the House rules committee defeated the second resolution introduced by Congressman Wood providing for further probe. The action of the committee in ending the investigation automatically purges Thomas W. Lawson of contempt charges.

1 Saxon Six, practically new, 5-passenger, in perfect condition, new tires for \$440.00. Ballinger Auto Co. 2-tfdw

J. M. Slaughter, the Maverick merchant, Claud Little, J. W. Borders and R. S. Bowden of the Maverick country, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Harry K. Thaw Attempts Suicide

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.—Harry K. Thaw cut his throat this afternoon and was rushed to a hospital in a dying condition. Thaw was in his room in a West Philadelphia apartment house when he ended his life.

WORLD WIDE DRY AFTER THE WAR

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Jan. 11.—An international conference for world prohibition, to be held temporarily and at the same place with the peace conference, whenever it shall be called for the settlement of the European war, was announced today by Capt. Richmond P. Hobson, national prohibition lecturer. "When the present war approaches its end and the time and place has been determined upon the peace conference, we will call a world conference on prohibition at the same time and place," said he. "All the great nations are taking progressive action against liquor and America will take the leadership toward making the whole world dry."

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

REPRESENTATIVE HAWKINS BREAKS THE ICE

It is generally understood that a new man in the legislature must get himself located and learn something of the "lay of the land" before he really gets into harness. It seems that the representative from this district, although perhaps the youngest member in the House, had no trouble breaking the ice, as is shown by a telegram which came to Mrs. W. E. Hawkins, of Winters, mother of Representative Hawkins from this district:

"Third man on the floor in nomination speeches of twenty minutes. Feeling fine. Wallace."

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The whereabouts of Harry K. Thaw, indicted here on a charge of kidnapping and assaulting 19-year-old Fred Gump Jr., of Kansas City, Mo., remained a mystery today to the district attorney and his corps of detectives who have been searching for him, although directly or indirectly the police of all cities have received notice that he is wanted here.

Unofficially the belief as expressed at the prosecutor's office that Thaw had made his way to his home in Pittsburg and there under protection of his family undoubtedly was being advised by competent counsel as to what course to pursue. The authorities here made detailed explanations as to how it happened he slipped through their fingers when they were "hot on his trail" both here and in Philadelphia, shortly before and after the indictment was found against him.

"GOOD NEIGHBORS" CLUB FOR DALLAS COUNTY.

By United Press.
DALLAS, Jan. 11.—Women of Dallas county today organized a "Good Neighbors Club." The announced purpose is to promote co-operation among rural women for the betterment of their every day life by the interchange of ideas, social gatherings, lectures, readings, etc. Members will be taught home economics, and be given advice about the marketing of their products.

Community clubs will be established throughout the county. The organization will be affiliated with the extension department of A. & M. College.

Mrs. John Potter left Wednesday morning to visit relatives at Santa Anna a few days.

Commissioners Assume Control of City Government

R. T. Williams and C. A. Doose, who were elected commissioners yesterday, took the oath of office at two-thirty o'clock this afternoon, and the aldermen retired, after wishing for the new commissioners success and pledging them their most hearty support in carrying on the city work. It was a pleasant and peaceable parting of the way, the two gentlemen just taking over the reins of the city government both making short speeches and assuring the retiring aldermen that they would strive to give the city a business administration, and asked for the support of the citizens in general.

Perhaps the last meeting of the city council to ever be held in this city convened at two o'clock this afternoon, when the board of aldermen met to canvass the returns of the commission form election held Wednesday and declare the result of same. It is probable that one more meeting will be held at which time the aldermen will retire and the commissioners take the oath of office and assume control of the city's affairs.

The campaign for the adoption of the commission form of city government proved successful for those favoring the change, and out of a total of 295 votes cast commission was adopted by a majority of 65 votes, 176 votes being polled in favor of the commission and 111 against commission. The results of the election shows that eight votes polled expressed no preference on the question, either scratching both for and against

or leaving both unscratched, and voted only to express a choice in the selection of commissioners.

R. T. Williams and C. A. Doose were elected commissioners. These gentlemen will serve with Mayor Powell until the regular April election, at which time an election will be held to name a board for a term of two years, either by re-electing these three men or electing three others to take their place. It will be the duty of the commissioners to employ a city manager, who will have charge of the city's work, and he will be the general superintendent serving under the direction of the commissioners and mayor. It is probable that the commissioners and mayor will receive no salary for their service, except the mayor will continue to get the fees of the office. The city manager and those he employs to carry on the work will draw a salary to be fixed by the commissioners and the mayor. It will be the duty of the manager to work out in detail the business of the city and this will be approved by the commissioners, or rejected, where the board does not approve of any plain submitted to them by the manager.

The men elected to serve as commissioners have made a success in life, and no one will challenge their ability to handle the city's interest with the same degree of success. They will enter upon their duties with the full expectation of being criticised, because there are people who do not like to see anything succeed. The

new commissioners crave and deserve the co-operation of the citizens. It is a well known fact that the city is in bad shape, and it will require time and hard work to make a showing of improvement, but we predict the improvement will come much faster than some believe and that the future of Ballinger is a bright one from a municipal standpoint.

The Ledger feels gratified over the adoption of the commission, we were instrumental in putting on foot the move for the change two years ago, and did not become discouraged and give up because the issue was defeated the first time it was presented to the people. It takes time to carry out such changes, and the change has been made without creating any ill feeling, and the vote shows that a majority of the people are in favor of the change—the majority should rule and have the support of those who opposed the change, at least until the new way of doing things is tried out. We are not afraid to trust the change for the better. Yes, the Ledger took the stand that we thought best for the city and its people as a whole.

Following is the way the people voted:
For Commission176
Against Commission111
For Commissioners:
R. T. Williams117
C. A. Doose153
Oscar Pearson112
J. S. Collins76
J. M. Garlington80

W. A. Nance 393 NIGHT PHONES Henry Jones 556

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BUYER EQUALLY GUILTY WITH SELLER.

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further than to know right from wrong, and we unhesitatingly say that from a moral standpoint the man who tenders his nickel for a cigar on Sunday is just as guilty as the man who accepts the nickel over his cigar counter.

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.

ARGUMENT COMPLETED IN ADAMSON LAW CASE

Washington, Jan. 11.—Final arguments over the constitutionality of the Adamson law were heard late yesterday in the supreme court, with Special Assistant Attorney General Hagerman closing the case for the government.

Sloan's Liniment for Stiff Joints.

Rheumatic pains and aches get into the joints and muscles, making every movement torture. Relieve your suffering with Sloan's Liniment; it quickly penetrates without rubbing, and soothes and warms your sore muscles.

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ANGELO VOTES MORE BONDS

While the citizens of Ballinger were voting yesterday on the commission question, the voters of San Angelo were passing on another \$25,000 bond issue to continue the street paving work.

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 effective for a hacking cough and for colds. After taking it a cough always disappears," writes J. R. Moore, Lost Valley, Ga.

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low the use of the "Prescription." All women require a tonic and nerve at some period of their lives. Whether suffering from nervousness, dizziness, faintness, displacement, catarrh in inflammation, bearing-down sensations, or general debility, the "Prescription" is sure to benefit.

Mrs. JULIA A. DOOS, of Paris, Texas, says: "I was in bad health, was suffering from weak and nervous spells, and tried several kinds of medicines but got no relief until I took 'Favorite Prescription'. I found that it did me more good than anything I ever took. It cured me."

HIGDON SELLS BUSINESS AT LAMPASAS

A. L. Higdon, at one time a member of the firm of Higdon, Melton, Jackson Co., of Ballinger, and for many years a prominent dry goods merchant of Lampasas, has sold his interest in the dry goods business in that city and retires from business.

Constipation Causes Bad Skin

A dull and pimply skin is due to a sluggish bowel movement. Correct this condition and clear your complexion with Dr. King's New Life Pills. This mild laxative taken at bedtime will assure you a full, free, non-gripping movement in the morning.

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.

Sacred Scarabs.

The sacred scarab, or beetle, of Egypt was the "tumble insect," which forms bits of manure into a ball for laying its eggs in. Two individuals, male or female, always roll the ball together, and they do this merely for the purpose of conveying it to a safe place and hiding it.

The Other Fellow.

"Mother doesn't think she'll go to the theater with us tonight, Albert." "Is that so? I have three tickets. What shall I do with the third one?" "Give it to the man you always go out to see between the acts. He can sit with us, and you won't have to go out to see him."—Exchange.

He Told Her.

"Why did I ever leave home and mother?" sobbed his wife. "Chiefly because your family was too stingy to take us in," he answered bitterly.—Life.

An Old Master, Anyway.

Miss Manyears—Yes, that was painted of me when I was a little girl. Colonel Bunt—is it a Rubens or a Rembrandt?—London Opinion.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

For Painful Feet. Those who stand all day while at work or those whose work obliges them to walk a great deal are very often sufferers from painful affections of the feet. The feet may be chafed and sore from walking over long distances.

Fearless.

"Why didn't Rastus marry dat Coopah gal?" "Oh, she dun funk at de last minute—wouldn't lend him a dollah foh t' git de license wif."—Boston Transcript.

FALL BREAKS SOLDIERS NECK

SAN ANGELO, Jan. 11.—William C. Hinrichs of Dayton, Tex., a corporal of Troop A, First Squadron Texas Cavalry, stationed at Ruidosa, Tex., was almost instantly killed Tuesday evening at 9:30 o'clock when he fell from the gallery steps of the Myers Hotel on South Chadbourne street.

The officer was in Angelo on a ten days' vacation when death came. According to the statement of F. J. Kinsley, a sergeant in Hinrichs' company, both men had been to a moving picture show last night and had started to enter the door of the Meyers Hotel when Hinrichs halted on the sidewalk, grasped at an awning post as if fainting, and fell headlong down the concrete steps before aid could reach him.

LAME BACK may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease.

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Rev. J. W. Milton left Wednesday afternoon for Brownwood, to attend the educational rally in that city this week.

Mrs. Jim Tom Lewis, nee Miss Bess Young, of Santa Anna, who had been the guest of Ballinger friends the past few days, returned home Wednesday.

G. A. Buchanan of the Pumphrey country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to Rowena on a short business trip.

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LOST—White Angora cat. Will pay reasonable reward for return to Miss Nellie Kipp, 808 Eighth street. 10-1fd

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G. A. DOOSE iw1*

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Buy your feed at the big feed store—the old skating rink. West Texas Grain Co. 11-3td

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...EAT FOR LESS...

There is only one way to "Eat for Less" in these days of soaring prices. That is by getting Better Quality for the Same Money. You get it at this store.

We can't promise to make you low prices, for such groceries today would not be fit to eat. They would be a menace to your health. And besides, we have to pay high prices ourselves. But we can and DO promise to give you the

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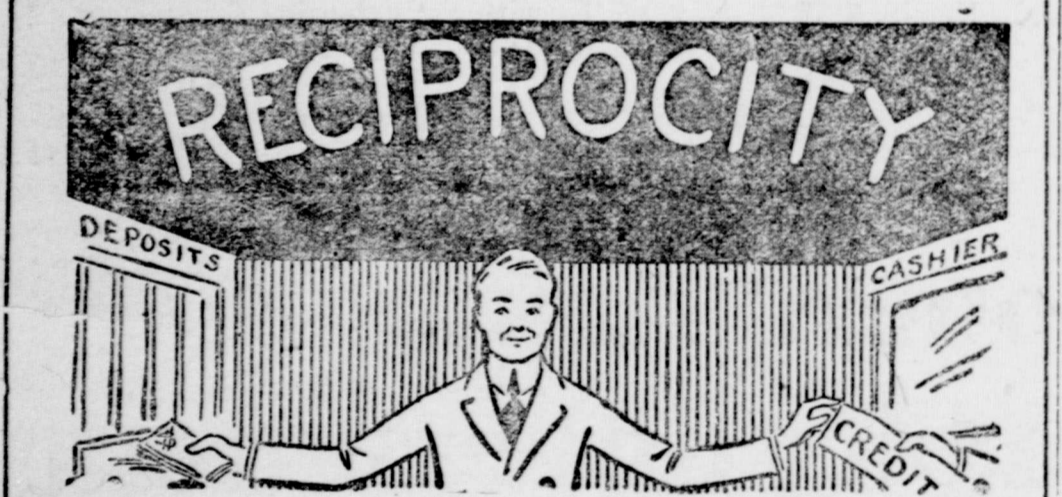
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"THOU SHALT NOT COVET" COMING WITH K. WILLIAMS

The Selig Polyscope Company in conjunction with Kleine-Edison-Selig-Essanay, Inc., will present on next Tuesday, the charming Miss Kathlyn Williams in "Thou Shalt Not Covet." This Selig Red Seal Play was originally released on the V-L-S-E service, but later events justified the placing of this feature thru K-E-S-E. Tyrone Power, who is well and favorably known here thru his

work in "A Texas Steer," "Where Are My Children?", and other Selig and Blue Bird productions assists Miss Williams in the new five-reel offering.

The following Tuesday, January 23rd, "God's Country and the Woman," the marvelous eight-part Vitagraph feature from the pen of James Oliver Curwood, is scheduled to show at the Queen. Nell Shipman, who is the author of numerous short stories as well as an actress of note, plays the leading role, and drives a big team of Alaskan dogs in several scenes of the drama of the Northwest woods. The story appeared serially in the Red Book magazine, and many thousands of readers were delighted with its primitive charm. Geo. Duncan and Wm. Holt support the star.

"The Misleading Lady," will follow the Vitagraph super-feature and will be shown on Jan. 30th. This photoplay is from the stage success by Charles W. Goddard and Paul Diekey, and stars Henry B. Walthall and Edna Mayo. This is enough to make most patrons of the picture look forward to the event with great interest.

A Metro wonder-play featuring "Broadway's biggest little star," Miss Viola Dana will be shown at the Queen next Wednesday.

Winter Brings Colds To Children
A child rarely goes through the whole winter without a cold, and every mother should have a reliable remedy handy. Fever, sore throat, tight chest and croupy coughs are sure symptoms. A dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will loosen the phlegm, relieve the congested lungs and stop the cough. Its antiseptic pine balsams heal and soothe. For croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial troubles try Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey. At all Druggists, 25c.

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EXAMINATION WEEK

All next week will be given to mid-term examinations.

Recently, in the University of Texas, about 300 out of 1200 students failed—perhaps because they were away from home restraint and influence.

The following High School schedule may help some parents in supervising their children's home-reviews:

Monday: German 11, History 10, Science 9, German 8, A and B. Afternoon: History 11, German 10, Mathematics 9, A and B, Math. 8 A, English 8 B. Tuesday morning: Latin 11, English 10, English 9, Science 8 A, Math. L. 8. Afternoon: Science 11, Math. 10, Science 9 (S), Latin 8, A and B.

Wednesday morning: Latin 10, History 9, English 8 A, Science 8 B. Afternoon: Math. 11, Latin 9 A, History 8 A, History 8 B. Thursday morning: Science 10. Afternoon: English 11, German 9, extras from German 8, A and B. Regular lessons begin Monday, January 22.

New pupils should report to their respective buildings at four o'clock Friday for classification and book lists.

Compulsory attendance law is effective January 22.

W. S. FLEMING,
Superintendent.

Bad Habits

Those who breakfast at eight o'clock or later, lunch at twelve and have dinner at six are almost certain to be troubled with indigestion. 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.

GET A BABY TO SPARE? MAIL IT TO DETROIT!

By United Press.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 11.—Prestige of the poodle suffered a blow here today when it was learned that the demand for babies in Detroit exceeds the supply.

The information came from the headquarters of the Michigan Children's Home Society, where it was declared babies given over to the institution are taken away by women with an unsatisfied mother love, almost before they can be unwrapped.

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In Use For Over 30 Years

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When you are in need of carbon paper or second sheets, typewriting 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

Mrs. Egglestein, and sister, of

Miles, who had been visiting relatives at Wichita Falls, passed thru Ballinger Thursday en route home.

Found a Sure Thing

I. B. Wixon, Farmers Mills, N. Y., has used Chamberlain's Tablets for years for disorders of the stomach and liver and says: "Chamberlain's Tablets are the best I have ever used." Obtainable everywhere.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Evans returned to Ballinger Thursday at noon from a visit to San Saba.

Feed spot cash at West Texas Grain Co. 11-3rd

A dry, hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a healing balm that quickly repairs damage in the lungs and air passages. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

ENDOWMENT INCREASED

Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 11.—As a result of the campaign in the interest of ministerial relief, which came to a close today, the Southern Presbyterian church has added \$137,500 to its endowment fund for this cause and now has a total endowment fund of \$358,500, according to an announcement made here by Rev. Henry Sweet of Louisville, Ky., secretary of the de-

partment of relief of the Southern Presbyterian church. The interest from this fund, added to the annual contributions of the church, will place almost \$100,000 in the hands of the department of ministerial relief this year with which to provide for the support of the 75 retired ministers of the church, 146 widows of ministers and 64 orphan children of ministers. These children are under 14 years of age.

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.

Jas. F. Holliday of Abilene, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

Our Promises for the New Year

The shaken faith of a broken promise breaks friendships, weakens confidence and warps loyalty as fire warps steel. To be true to you and not to the few—to stand straight and not fall but be loyal to all—is a guiding principle in safe conduct of business at this bank.

We Promise Only What We Can Fulfill

During the coming year we shall bend our energies to better our best efforts of the past to please depositors. The service shall reach a higher standard every way. With our larger resources we shall be of greater helpfulness, we hope.

More attentive, more diligent to anticipate your desires by meeting them more closely. All of the above are the promises we make for 1917.

Happy New Year!

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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.

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WOOLEN MILLS

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Phone 97



The Most Famous Chef

could not prepare more appetizing dishes than you will find right here at our restaurant.

We cater especially to particular people—those who can appreciate the best of foods and the best of cooking.

We satisfy big appetites at small expense. And we're always ready to give quick and courteous service.

City Cafe

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First Spring Showing

Muslin Underwear
Children's Dresses
and Suits
Middy Blouses
House Dresses

Special purchase---Old prices will be made on this lot. Come and see this line it means a saving to you. All new advance styles.

D. REEDER

E. A. Jeanes, the produce dealer, had business West and returned home Thursday morning.

For all classes of photo work or Kokak finishing see W. E. Bartlett or phone 507. 5-1fd

Ivan Hamilton, the Winters confectioner, was visiting his par-

ents and attending to business affairs in Ballinger Thursday.

WILKINSON'S PILLS
THE BEST BOWEL REGULATOR
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Wilkinson's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold Metallic Boxes, packed with Blue Ribbons. Take one after every meal. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for WILKINSON'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS. For Sale everywhere in Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE



Bathroom Fixtures

We can undoubtedly save you money on your bathroom equipment.

Our stock of fixtures includes the best and most reliable makes. And it is complete in every detail—bathtubs, lavatories, sanitary closets, all kinds of water heaters, towel racks, soap dishes, tooth brush and tumbler holders, toilet paper holders and everything needed in bathroom fixtures.

We make quick, careful and thorough installation and are sure we can please you. Phone or call and talk it over with us.

E. C. Allison & Son
Phone 136

Get Your Bread at the Store---

Our bread wagon has been discontinued until the hot water.

Those holding bread tickets can bring them to store for bread or they will be redeemed in cash.

L. B. STUBBS

Inoculation For Love

By SADIE OLCOTT

Dr. Dinsmore had sent away the last patient from his morning consultation and was preparing to make his daily visits when his colored housemaid came in with a shamefaced look.

"What is it, Sue?"

"Mars Doctah," she said, "can you inoculate anybody with a sickness?"

"Certainly."

Sue looked in every direction except the doctor.

"Come," said the doctor, "there's something on your mind. Out with it."

"I hearn tell, Mars Doctah, dat lub is a disease."

"Well?" said the doctor, becoming interested.

"I hearn tell, too, dat long ago dey was lub potions and if any one took de potion dey was in lub. I been thinkin' dat yo' might gib de disease dat way somehow."

"You mean that you are in love and wish me to make the man you love love you?"

"It's about dat," Sue confessed in a voice scarcely audible.

"Whom are you in love with, Sue?"

"I don't like to tell dat. Can't yo' gib me de potion to gib to him?"

"No; I should have to manage the case myself. If you'll tell me his name perhaps I can do something for you."

"I reckon it's Sam."

"Mr. Trotter's Sam?"

"Yes, Mars Doctah."

The doctor's eyes expressed amusement, but he kept a straight face, although this was scarcely necessary, for Sue never once looked at him. Presently he went to a medicine case, took up a bottle and poured a little of its contents into a vial. Then, handing it to Sue, he said:

"The next time Sam comes to see you and asks for a drink of water or cider—in fact, anything to drink—pour some of this into it. It will make him sick. Appear to be much frightened and telephone for me."

"Yes, Mars Doctah, I do dat."

It was not long before the doctor was called upon to cure Sam of the effects of the dose Sue had given the man she loved. He examined his patient carefully and gave him something to settle his stomach, then, pricking his arm with a lancet, drew a little blood.

"Sam," he said, "I'm going to test this blood for the disease you've got. Come and see me tomorrow morning, and I'll tell you what it is."

The next morning Sam was perfectly well, but curiosity and fear drove him into Dr. Dinsmore's office. He was admitted in his turn, and when the physician had felt his pulse and tested his temperature with a mouth thermometer he looked very solemn.

"Sam," he said, "you've contracted a serious disease."

"Fo' de Lawd, Mars Doctah, is it gwine to kill me?"

"Not unless it drives you to suicide. In itself it is not fatal, but it sometimes drives persons to do very foolish things. It will on rare occasions throw the patient into a fever, a hysterical condition, in which he will act like a lunatic. You have a little of that feverishness about you now."

"La' sakes, Mars Doctah! What yo' call dat disease?"

"Amormania."

"How you know I got dat?"

The doctor took down a bottle from a shelf, put a drop of rainwater on a bit of glass, put the glass on a microscope and after adjusting a focus told Sam to look into the instrument. The dark saw a lot of monsters swimming about.

"Now, Sam," said the physician, "I don't wish to scare you, but you are looking at a drop of your own blood."

Sam collapsed, and the doctor held him up.

"All diseases nowadays, Sam, are caused by germs. Those creatures are the germs of amormania that have got into your blood. When a man falls in love with a woman they take possession of him and—"

"But I hain't in lub with any woman," protested Sam.

"I didn't say you were, Sam; at least you don't know it. The disease hasn't developed yet. When it does you'll find out that you are in love and no mistake. If there is no response to your love you'll suffer from a sort of lunacy."

"Fo' de Lawd!"

"There is a medical theory, Sam, that like cures like," continued Dr. Dinsmore. "I can take some of your blood and inject it into the veins of the woman you love."

"But I hain't in lub."

"Yes, you are, Sam; you're in love with a good girl. As soon as these monsters I have shown you develop—there's only a dozen now; in a few days there'll be a million—you'll have a regular attack of amormania."

"What I do den?" cried Sam, aghast.

"Unless your passion is returned you will act like a lunatic. They all do. Now, I'll tell you what I propose to do. I can inject some of your blood into the body of a nice girl. This will give her the disease and she'll love you desperately. Then we shall have a case of 'like cures like.'"

"Mars Doctah, you do dat right off," said Sam, baring his arm.

The next day Dr. Dinsmore called Sam and Sue together in his office and told them that they were both about to come down with a case of amormania and they had better get married at once. Sue needed no persuasion, and Sam thought a marriage with Sue far better than a term in a lunatic asylum.

11 STATES WANT BOUNTY ON COYOTES

By United Press.
SALT LAKE, Utah, Jan. 11.—Plans for the adoption of a uniform bounty law for coyotes seriously hampering sheep raising in the western range states, will be made at the three-day convention of the National Wool Growers Association, which opened here today.

A special committee will report a measure which it framed for the legislatures of eleven western states of Utah, Idaho, Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. A bounty of \$2.50 a head will be proposed.

An estimated investment of \$100,000,000 was represented by the 1,000 members from thirteen western states.

President Frank J. Hagenbarth, in his annual report this morning, predicted continued high prices for wool, declaring that adverse legislation, the reduction in ranges the foreign outlook, and bullish conditions generally have resulted in a large reduction in the size of flocks.

BALLINGER ASTONISHED BY SIMPLE MIXTURE

Ballinger people are astonished at the INSTANT action of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc. as mixed in Adler-ka. ONE SPOONFUL removes such surprising foul matter it relieves almost ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas. Because Adler-ka acts on BOTH lower and upper bowels, a few doses often relieves or prevent appendicitis. A short treatment helps chronic stomach trouble. Walker Drug Co.

Tom Lively of Killeen, who had been prospecting in this section, left for his home Wednesday afternoon. He is a friend of County Clerk, W. C. McCarver of our city.

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.

S. D. Williams of Hatcher, J. N. Wells of the Winters country, and W. E. Puckett of the Wilmeth section, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Plenty of feed at wholesale or retail at the old skating rink. West Texas Grain Co. 11-3td

Saved Girl's Life

"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.

"It certainly has no equal for la grippe, bad colds, liver and stomach troubles. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had the measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she has had no more trouble. I shall never be without

THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT

in my home." For constipation, indigestion, headache, dizziness, malaria, chills and fever, biliousness, and all similar ailments, Thedford's Black-Draught has proved itself a safe, reliable, gentle and valuable remedy.

If you suffer from any of these complaints, try Black-Draught. It is a medicine of known merit. Seventy-five years of splendid success proves its value. Good for young and old. For sale everywhere. Price 25 cents.

FATHER GOLLBACH'S PRIDE IN HIS CATECHISM CLASS

The last Sunday of the old year was a busy day for the young people of St. Mary's Parish of Ballinger. It was the close of a contest in religious studies. Besides regularity, good deportment during the year, fifty-two pages of the big Catechism were required in order to have a right to a reward medal. 1-100 point lost on the average.

The Pastor had provided for Second and Third medals but became puzzled when he found that all the contestants ranked in the First Class.

Miss Olga Zappe had given all her pages without missing a single word and by this she was entitled to the first premium. Miss Lillian Pechacek followed her very closely with an average of 99 22-26. John Castor reached an average of 99 11-26. Frances Fowler gave twenty-four pages consecutively without missing and made an average of 99 7-26, while Oscar Zappe captured his premium at the last moment of the closing hour. Master Henry Raske received the gold medal of the Junior Class. Others would have had a chance had the hours of contest been prolonged.

The premiums were distributed on the First Sunday of January, with impressive ceremonies.

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.

BASKET BALL

The B. H. S. basket ball team is now in good trim and have dates open for any challenge from any town in the West. The local team will have a game with the Winters High on Friday, Jan. 11, at 4 o'clock, on the local campus. This is the first game for the Ballinger High school boys this season. Come and watch the local boys win.

Painful Coughs Relieved.
Dr. King's New Discovery is a soothing, healing remedy for coughs and colds that has stood the test of nearly fifty years. For that cough that strains the throat and saps the vitality try Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams and mild laxative ingredients soon drive the cold from the system. Have a bottle on hand for winter colds, croup, grippe and bronchial affections. At your druggist, 50c.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Deaton, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Deaton, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Branch of South Ballinger, left for their home in South Texas, Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. E. C. Baskin left Wednesday afternoon for East Texas, to be at the bedside of his brother who is reported seriously ill.



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, 228 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. 9

STATEMENT of Condition

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER
December 27th, 1916

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$336,578.55
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,800.00
Acceptances (Cotton)	97,997.55
Cash and Exchange	320,323.35
	\$792,599.45

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	58,313.69
Unearned Interest	9,000.00
Reserved for Taxes	1,000.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	599,285.76
	\$792,599.45

The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.
We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

Queen Tonight

PICTURE PROGRAM

101 Bison feature, Marie Walcamp in a special 3 act production, "A FIGHT TO A FINISH." Supported by a great cast.

"THE DECOY," featured by Miss Lois Wilson, Wm. Garwood, Ed. J. Brady, Wadsworth Harris, Jack Conley, and Frank McQuarrie.

"IN THE HEART OF A SHELL," with Baby Early and Elsie Albert.

5,000 feet of good clean picture, with Violet Merserou

Tomorrow—Blue Bird feature, with Violet Merserou in "The Honor of Mary Blake."