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## French Say Germans in Retreat are Barbarous

WITH THE BRITISH IN THE FIELD, March 23.—Germany has not only swept clear of homes and supplies that part of France she has relinquished to the allies, but in many cases has swept away its womanhood.

In some districts in Belgium and France, the German officials have forced the women between 15 and 50 to go back into the interior of Germany. Inhabitants left behind in the villages were given to understand the women were being forced to go to Germany to work for the central powers.

Lausanne, Switzerland, March 23.—Germany has sent many of her captives to the front of the battle lines, as reprisals, according to a statement made here today by the International Red Cross Society. The Red Cross organization is endeavoring to dissuade the Germans from further such reprisals.

## ALLIES RECOGNIZE THE NEW RUSSIA

PETROGRAD, March 23.—Ambassadors of England, France and Italy, followed the example of the United States today and formally conveyed their full recognition of the respective nations to the new Russian government. This was announced in Petrograd in an official statement.

The official government war review says after sixteen hours of desperate fighting the Russians succeeded in dislodging Turkish troops occupying Alibab near Kerinza, and that the Turks are in hasty retreat.

Prof. A. W. Cherry, of Norton, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Friday.

## REVOLUTION IN GERMANY IS DENIED

BERLIN, March 23.—There is no revolution in Germany. Rumors sent out from London, Holland and New York to the effect that trouble has been brewing in Germany are merely the result of entente allies wishes being father to the thought. German officials and German populace are amused at the circulation of such reports, declaring that Germany is united in confidence and that there is no sign of a revolution. The officers attribute the first nervousness of their enemies over the Russian revolution, which they claim is due to the failure of allies to make gains which might be construed as advancing entente's cause towards victory.

German officers claim that the promise of Bethmann Hollweg recently made before the Prussian Diet for the future liberties is a guarantee for the people of the future and there is no ground for a revolution.

## KAISER IN BAD HEALTH AGAIN

THE HAGUE, March 23.—The Kaiser is on the verge of a nervous breakdown and has gone to a Hamburg health resort, according to a private message here.

QUITTS CARRANZA CABINET.  
Mexico City, March 23.—Aguilar has resigned as a member of the Carranza cabinet and launched a campaign for the governorship of Vera Cruz.

## JUDGE GUION AT AUSTIN THIS WEEK.

Judge Jno. I. Guion left Thursday afternoon for Austin to attend a board meeting of the regents of the A. & M. College and to award the contract for some buildings for the college. Judge Guion will go to Stephenville before he returns home to pass on the title to the property of the John Tarleton College, which has been given to the state for a junior agriculture college.

## COURT TRYING ANOTHER CASE

After disposing of the Alexander incest case Thursday, District court went immediately into the trial of the case of the State of Texas vs. H. B. Freeman, charged with attempt to rape. The prosecutrix in this case is Freeman's nine year old step-daughter, and while the case may not be as disgraceful to the human race as the one just disposed of, this paper can not give the evidence in detail.

The state introduced as the first witness in the case, the prosecutrix, nine year old Tessie McGhee. Considerable time was devoted in counsel wrangling over points of law in determining whether the child witness was competent to offer testimony in the case. The court ruled that she was, but objections from the defense kept the court busy overruling and sustaining objections for a greater part of the afternoon session. Finally the court ruled that the manner in which the witness was answering questions propounded by the counsel for the defense indicated that she was incompetent to testify about matters which she was being interrogated, and he excused the little girl from the witness stand.

It began to look like the state was down and out and an abrupt end to the case was threatened when District Attorney Early announced that he would introduce the written confession of the defendant. The defense objected to the introduction of the confession, but the court overruled the objection, and the confession was read to the jury, after former County Attorney Shepherd was placed on the witness stand and testified that the confession was made to him, signed and sworn to by the defendant.

The confession in substance told of what the defendant did to the little girl, and closed by saying the devil was in him was the reason he did this. After hearing the confession the court instructed the sheriff to bring the little girl back to the witness stand, and she was permitted to testify concerning her step-father's treatment towards her.

Tessie, a beautiful little girl, with curly locks, stated that she was in the third grade at school. She said she knew right from wrong and realized what the result would be if she testified falsely on the witness stand. While confused at times and hesitated as though she did not know what to say, or how to answer questions propounded to her by the lawyers, she made an intelligent witness for the state, and the defense failed to confuse or cause her to contradict her testimony in the cross examination.

Annie McGhee, the seventeen year old step-daughter of the defendant, and a sister of Tessie, was the second witness placed on the stand. She testified that she was away from home at the time the alleged crime was committed. Her little sister Tessie, told her about it when she returned, and she in turn reported it to her mother. She also testified that her step-father whipped her on one occasion, and that she caused a complaint to be filed against him, and that he paid a fine for whipping her. She told of her step-father praying for forgiveness for the way he had treated Tessie, and that he asked Tessie and her mother, the defendant's wife, to forgive him.

In the cross examination the counsel asked the witness if it was not a fact that her uncle, Elgin Davidson, did not oppose the marriage of her mother to the defendant. She stated that she did not know that he opposed the marriage. She denied that her uncle told her to go see a lawyer and see what could be done to have the defendant arrested, but stated that she did talk to the county attorney about the trouble.

The state rested a few minutes. Continued on Page Four.

## A DRY AMERICA; A-SOBER WORLD



Capt. R. P. Hobson

It is announced in connection with the great campaign that is being conducted by the Anti-Saloon League of Texas, going to the four corners of the State, carrying the story of prohibition to approximately 400 towns and cities, that we will have as one of the speakers, Capt. R. P. Hobson, known as "the hero of the Merrimac," and a man who has sacrificed his life in the interest of prohibition, who presented a resolution in Congress asking for National prohibition. Capt. Hobson will address the citizens of Ballinger, April 10, 8:00 p. m., at the Methodist church.

The name of Capt. Hobson is known to every school boy and girl in our country, and those of us who are older remember very well the thrill that was sent thru the nation when Capt. Hobson, then a lieutenant in the navy, with a few like-minded comrades, sank the steamer "Merrimac," in the face of lead-vomiting guns from both the Spanish fort and fleet. Capt. Hobson is a man who dares to do things, and for that reason he has become the idol of the American people. He is one of the great foes of the liquor traffic.

There will undoubtedly be a great crowd to hear Capt. Hobson on this date.

## BAD BOMBS ONLY, SAVED MANY SHIPS

NEW YORK, March 23.—Only faulty construction of the bombs made by Captain von Kletit, to be placed on allied food ships, saved hundreds of vessels from destruction. This was testified at the trial today of six alleged German plotters by Detective Barth.

Barth said the bombs were taken aboard many vessels, but as they were improperly made, failed to explode.

Hundreds of these bombs have been found in holds of ships reaching France from the United States.

Private detectives have worked a year and a half to get evidence in these cases.

## SINKING OF U. S. TANKER SPEEDS UP PREPARATIONS

By Robert J. Bender  
WASHINGTON, March 23.—Germany's latest affront, that of torpedoing without warning the American tanker ship Healdton, and the fourth American vessel sunk by submarines lately, will be answered by the continued speeding up of preparations for actual war which is now regarded as inevitable.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing are convinced that Germany's present course is merely hastening an armed clash.

A cabinet meeting is being held today to consider developments in the international situation and discuss the progress made by all the departments in preparing for hostilities. Indications are that the President will augment his cabinet by one or more posts to cover the work of transportation, and possibly a portfolio will be es-

tablished for the handling of munitions making, after Congress defines the status between Germany and the United States on April 2nd. This plan, however, is only tentative.

The state department announced officially today that it had not received an offer of mediation to head off the war. Discouragement by Lansing and other officials was heaped on the project of arbitration yesterday, probably to prevent neutral countries from formally offering to mediate.

The navy has called into active service a large number of retired officers. Secretary Daniels announced that the utter inadequacy of officers in the personnel of the navy resulted in the above order, which closely follows an order advancing to graduation two classes of cadets at the Annapolis naval training school.

## BIG RETREAT MAY BE PLAY TO GET TIME

LONDON, March 23.—War experts see a play for time as the reason for Germany's retirement of the Western front, and it is thought this is also an attempt to husband Hindenburg's men and resources in hope of deferring the entente's big offensive.

In the meantime German leaders believe the submarine blockade will bring Great Britain and France to starvation, according to observations by allied militarists.

F. W. Hale, of the Winters country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

## 2 GIRLS KILL SELVES; DEED UNEXPLAINED

PORTSMOUTH, New Hampshire, March 23.—Mystery surrounds the double suicide of Ethel Stanton, twenty-two, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Margaret Spaulding, eighteen years old, of Center, Massachusetts, who shot themselves last night at midnight in the Popular restaurant.

Not a word was left to tell of the disappointments and trials that led up to the killings. At the height of the revelry in the cafe the girls were eating a meal, when they suddenly stood up, faced each other, and sent bullets into their own brains.

## County Interscholastic Meet at Library Tonight

Contestants from the various schools in Rannels County and their friends will meet at the Library in Ballinger at 7:30 tonight to select representatives from this county to the district meet which will be held in San Angelo next month.

The contest tonight will be in the debate, declamation, spelling and essay. Judges will be appointed and the ones winning in the contest tonight will be delegated to represent the county at the district meet where delegates will be selected for the state meet. Every one is invited to be present at the library at the above hour and enjoy the program. There will be no charges, but a free will offering will be called for and the hat passed around to raise a small fund to defray incidental expenses.

**Athletic Meet Tomorrow**  
The County Interscholastic Athletic Meet will meet in Ballinger tomorrow. The contestants from other schools in the county will meet here and the best man in each event will be selected to attend the district meet at San Angelo. The meet will be held on the campus of the Central school.

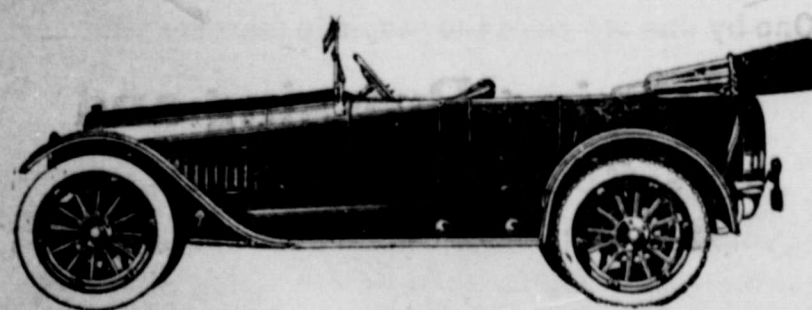
## SUNK WITHOUT WARNING.

London, March 23.—Thirteen members of the American steamer Healdton's crew have arrived at Ymuiden, Holland. They say the steamer was sunk without warning in the so-called "safe zone" and expressed the belief that nineteen men aboard the vessel were drowned.

## RURAL MAIL ROUTE

Bert Fletcher, W. A. Glenn and Earl Clinger, of the Maverick country, were in the city Friday. These gentlemen were here to see about getting a rural mail line from Ballinger to Maverick to serve patrons on both sides of the Colorado in their section and they feel hopeful of getting the line.

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TRAFFIC LESSONS.

City Manager Wells of San Angelo makes some street traffic observations that are applicable to any city and they are printed here in the hope that the people will take the time to read them. By so doing, an accident may be averted:

"We must remember that traffic rules and regulations are meant for all classes of vehicles, and not for automobiles alone. In many ways the traffic regulations



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that have heretofore been used by cars would very profitably be observed also by horse-drawn vehicles. Take the matter of signals in turning. There is a much necessity for the safety of a horse-drawn vehicle that its drivers should signal his intention to turn as there is for the safety of a car. Have a care.

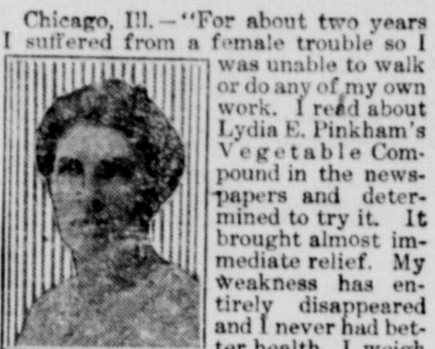
"Do not forget that it is against the law to travel as fast as a half time an hour where the conditions are such that such speed would be dangerous to persons or property. You are not entitled to travel at the speed limit unless the conditions are such that you can do so with entire safety. Speed is the cause of a great majority of automobile accidents. Most all accidents could have been avoided if we only had been moving a little slower. Reduce your speed at all street crossings and street corners and especially in emerging from alleys and garages and on bridges."

AN ESSAY ON EDITORS.

A country schoolboy was told to write an essay on editors, says an exchange, and this is the result: "Don't know how newspapers came to be in the world. I don't think the Lord does, for he ain't got nothing to say about an editor in the Bible. I think the editor is

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one of the missing links you read about and stayed in the bushes until after the flood, and then came out and wrote the thing up and has been here ever since. I don't think he ever died. I never seen a dead one, and never heard of one getting licked.

"If a doctor makes a mistake, he buries it, and people dassent say anything. When the editor makes a mistake there is big swearing and a big fuss, but if the doctor makes a mistake there is a funeral, cut flowers and perfect silence.

"A doctor can use a word a yard long without anybody knowing what it is, but if an editor uses one he has to spell it.

"If a doctor goes to see another man's wife, he charges for it, but if the editor goes he gets a charge of buckshot.

"Any old college can make a doctor, but an editor has to be born."—Cass County (Mo.) Leader.

"A SHAM AND MOCKERY"

The San Angelo Standard discusses a vital matter under the above heading. The point is made that it is better to teach boys and girls that "the cardinal principles of success lie in health and wealth, health alone being wealth," rather than teach them to expect a cure for their ills in legislation. The suggestion which the Standard offers is correct in principle. People should do right, be energetic, honest and thrifty because that is the best way. Children need to be shown the evil of sin and taught to live upright lives, not from fear of the law, but because doing right assures health and happiness and contributes to the good of society. The prohibition issue will be settled on that principle. It is no longer a disputed question that intoxicating liquors injure the human body, and as the coming generations are shown that fact, the issue will be settled. Much of the evil of which society complains would not exist if the proper teaching was done.—EX.

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

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. (Seal)

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"THE COMMON LAW," NEXT SUPER FILM FOR QUEEN.

The long heralded appearance of the popular Clara Kimball Young in the first of her own company's productions, "The Common Law," by Robert W. Chambers, is scheduled for the Queen Theatre next Tuesday, March 27th.

Though hardly a play to suit the exacting requirements for children, "The Common Law," is presented on a lavish scale, with no expense spared by Director General Albert Cappellani, who made the production. Among the distinguished cast of players are, Conway Tearle, Paul Cappellani, Edna Hunter, Lillian Cook, Julia Stuart, Edward M. Kimball, Lydia Knott, and D. J. Flannigan.

"Seven Deadly Sins," by the Triangle film corporation, is to be shown at the Queen at an early date. This is a series of seven five-reel features, each with two or more popular stars of the stage and screen. The last feature, the seventh is seven reels long, and all the players featured in the other six are in the cast. Watch for dates on these features.

"Fathers of Men," with Robert Edeson as the bright particular luminary, is the next Vitagraph feature, to be exhibited here on next Thursday. James Oliver Curwood wrote the scenario.

The next Selznick super-feature after "The Common Law," will be "The Witching Hour."

RETURNS HOME.

J. M. Jennings, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route home from Oklahoma, where he had been to attend the funeral of his mother-in-law. Mr. Jennings says this was the fifth death in the immediate family of his wife in the past seventeen months, her father and three brother and sisters having died during that time.

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Mesdames Will Dose Jr., and George Holman left Friday at noon to visit friends at San Angelo a few days.

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H. A. Rayburn left Friday overland in auto for Taylor and other points in that section on a business trip.

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J. W. Carr, of the Bronte country, and W. P. Vaughn of the Crews country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Acceptances (Cotton)	55,824.75
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The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.

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### BUYS RESIDENCE.

The deal was closed and papers passed Thursday in which Leon Ward bought the J. W. Francis residence on Ninth Street next to Judge Guion's home, now occupied by Prof. W. S. Fleming and family. The deal was a cash consideration of \$2,000. Mr. Ward bought as an investment and Prof. Fleming will remain in the home until next July at least. Mr. Ward secured a bargain and we feel sure his confidence in Ballinger property is not misplaced.

### Clear Your Skin In Spring

Spring house cleaning means cleaning inside and outside. Pull pimply skin is an aftermath of winter inactivity. Flush your intestines with a mild laxative and clean out the accumulated fates, easy to take, they do not gripe. Dr. King's New Life Pills will clear your complexion and brighten your eye. Try Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight and throw off the sluggish winter shell. At druggists, 25c.

### Son of Leo Tolstoy in Vaudeville

County Llya Tolstoy, son of the late Count Leo Tolstoy, is scheduled to begin a tryout in vaudeville here day after tomorrow. If he is more successful in this than he was in his attempt to make a speech at Columbia University, he will receive \$1,000 a week for forty weeks on the circuit. He will have a try out of one week to see how he "takes" with the vaudeville patrons. The row the Count had with Dr. Butler of Columbia over his socialistic arguments, which resulted in his being forbidden to appear at Columbia, is what got him the vaudeville engagement.

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P. S. Hot Waffles for breakfast.

## BAD CHECK MEALER GETS COURT'S MERCY

After passing the fate of M. D. Freeman, charged with attempt to rape, up to the jury at two-thirty o'clock Friday afternoon, the case of the State of Texas vs. H. G. Broyles, alias J. C. Evans with forgery on three counts, was called. Broyles was brought into court accompanied by his wife, a frail little woman, and the mother of three children. Being without counsel the court appointed Judge R. S. Griggs to represent the prisoner. When the indictment was read a plea of guilty was made, the defendant completely placing himself at the mercy of the court, and the mere matter of form was all that was necessary in disposing of the case. The jury fixed the penalty at two years in the pen.

Before being carried back to jail Broyles stood up and heard the judge pass sentence on him. The judge asked the man if he wished to be sentenced immediately that his term may begin, or whether he preferred to take advantage of the two days allowed him before sentence was passed. He asked for the immediate sentence.

Standing before the court the judge asked Broyles why he had committed the crime, stating that it was a bad duty for him to sentence a young man. Trembling the prisoner said, "I was up against it and it was the only alternative." Judge Woodward told the prisoner to make a good prisoner and maybe some day he would be able to return home to his wife and children.

Broyles passed a number of bad checks on Ballinger merchants last fall, passing the checks in payment for merchandise, and bought quite a variety of goods. He was caught while passing bad checks at Stephenville, and was indicted on several counts in that county. He pleaded guilty to two indictments at Stephenville and was sentenced to two years in each case, and the sentence passed on him here gives him six years. The other two indictments pending here against the man will probably be dismissed, and he will be carried to Lampasas and Goldthwaite, where it is alleged that he passed bad checks.

This case presented a pitiful one in court. Broyles is a delicate looking man, and hasn't the appearance of a criminal. He was at one time a school teacher in Coke county, having a third grade certificate. For some cause he failed to get a school last year, and according to his story he was "up against it." He told the jury that he did not know that it was a penitentiary offense to sign a fictitious name to a check, and was under the impression that if caught he would only have to pay a fine. At present his wife and children, the eldest eight years, are living with the wife's father in McCulloch county, who is a poor man. The man has no relatives who could assist him financially in his trouble and the frail little wife was the only friend who was with him in court. She clung to his arm as he was brought into court and after sentence had been passed on him she accompanied him back to jail.

### Dependency Due to Constipation

Women often become nervous and despondent. When this is due to constipation it is easily corrected by taking an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

Mrs. H. C. Pain, of Tahoka, who had been visiting her brothers, Mitchell and F. F. Moore and families the past few days, left for her home Thursday.

A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Lintiment. It relaxes the contracted muscles and permits ordinary bodily motion without suffering or inconvenience. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Oscar Pearson of the Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill, returned home Friday at noon from a business trip to Dallas.

### DANGEROUS COMPANIONS FOR HEALTHY CHICKS

When White Diarrhea attacks one of your little chicks, watch out for trouble, because white diarrhea is contagious, spreads rapidly and often carries off the whole hatch. At the first sign of it, disinfect the entire equipment, move the chicks to new ground, put

### Conkey's WHITE DIARRHEA REMEDY

In the drinking water. Separate the sick chicks from the rest and treat them according to directions on the package. Better still, put Conkey's White Diarrhea Remedy in the water before the disease appears, then you'll not worry later. Packages 25c and 50c.

CONKEY'S GAPE REMEDY effectively kills chicks of gape worms. Unless treated, the chicks will choke to death. Results guaranteed. 25c and 50c.

CONKEY'S ROUP REMEDY—Used and recommended by practical poultrymen. Always have it ready this uncertain weather. Put it in the drinking water. It prevents as well as conquers roup. 25c to \$1.00.

E. A. JEANES & CO.

For hoarseness, inflamed lungs and irritating coughs, Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a healing balm. It does its work quickly and thoroughly. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Johnnie Hall of Winters, came down Friday and bought quite a number of smudge pots from W. A. Taylor, of South Ballinger, and says he is going to be prepared to save his fruit crop this season if possible.

# EASTER

is only 18 days away. You surely want your new suit for this big national dress-up day. Don't wait until the last moment, Easter comes on April 8th, this year. Come in and look over the line of latest novelty fabrics. 2500 beautiful styles to select from.

## Suits Made to Order

# \$15 and UP

We do not ask you a fancy price for a suit made to your individual measure just because we have the reputation of being good tailors. Our proposition is absolutely on the square, quality, style, fit and small profit.

### Furhishings For Men

Shirts; collars, ties, underwear, hosiery, hats, caps, etc. You'll find we have the very things for man who cares.

### Cleaning and Pressing

You have some articles of wear that requires cleaning or pressing that only can be done by an expert in this line. We have men who have given this department their life study.

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## SHOE POLISHES

**BLACK WHITE TAN**  
10¢

**KEEP YOUR SHOES NEAT**

F. E. DALLEY CO. of NEW YORK, Inc., Buffalo N. Y.

**REPRESENTATIVE HAWKINS MAKES GOOD.**

At the close of the legislature we are glad to note that Wallace E. Hawkins, representative from this district, and perhaps the youngest member of the lower house, has made good. We have been receiving the House Journal and in this way and through press reports we have kept pretty close tabs on Hawkins' voting record in the legislature, and he has been on the job in a faithful way, and his record is one that any representative should be proud of. On all measures coming before the house he has expressed himself, and we believe that his vote was cast as a majority of his constituents would have it cast.

The Ledger is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Hawkins in which he says "I can only hope that I have in no way betrayed the confidence of my people."

Mr. Hawkins will not return home at present, but will remain at Austin where he is studying law. He says, in referring to the A. & M. work, Ballinger should get busy and that he will be glad to do anything he can to serve in the locating of the school at Ballinger.

**Bad Cough? Feverish? Grippy?**

You need Dr. King's New Discovery to stop that cold, the soothing balsam ingredients heal the irritated membranes, soothe the sore throat, the antiseptic qualities kill the germ and your cold is quickly relieved. Dr. King's New Discovery has for 48 years been the standard remedy for coughs and colds in thousands of homes. Get a bottle today and have it handy in your medicine chest for coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all bronchial affections. At your druggist, 50c.

A. H. Van Pelt returned home Friday morning from a visit and business trip to San Angelo and was accompanied by Mrs. A. J. Marberry, of San Angelo, and they were met at the train by Misses Bertha Van Pelt and Eunice Brown, in their auto, the ladies left for Abilene to visit friends a few days.

**Jelly, Jelly, Jelly**

Cranberries 25 pounds for \$1.00—they are a "leetle" over-ripe, but will cook well. Jeanes Produce Co. 15-tfd&w

Our waiting station is ready for you. Catch the car here or leave your packages. W. E. Brooks, next door to Schawe's grocery store. 12-tfd

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I give you the best kodak finishing. A fair trial is all I ask.

Post cards 5c each, paper prints 4c each.

**Bartlett's Old Stand, Over Readers**

**GORDELL STUDIO**

**Queen Tonight**

**PICTURE PROGRAM**

**'THE SAINTLY SINNER'**

Bluebird Photoplay, story by L. H. Huton, scenario by Eugene Lewis, production by Raymond B. Wells with Ruth Stonhouse and Jack Mullhill in the leads. The tale of a victim of circumstances saved by a miracle from the electric chair.

**Cast:**

Ruth Stonhouse, Jack Mullhill, Henry De Vries, Raymond Whittaker, Fredrick Montague, Alide Hayman, Dorothy Drake, and Adella Ferrington.

**Children 10c Adults 15c**

**Court Trying Another Case**

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before six o'clock Thursday after-

noon in the Freeman case, and court recessed until Friday morning.

In rebuttal the defense only used one witness, Tessie McGehee, the prosecutrix was called to the stand by the defense. The defense questioned the little girl

concerning her step-father's treatment towards her. The child's story did not vary but little from that told in the direct state testimony. The defense rested with the testimony of the child, and the case closed with only two witnesses having been placed on the stand and with the introduction of the written confession of the defendant. The defendant did not take the stand in his own behalf.

After delivering his charge to the jury the court asked the counsel how much time they wanted to argue the case. The counsel for defense suggested that the case be submitted to the jury without argument, but the state would not agree and the court allowed two hours and forty minutes for argument. The argument closed at two-thirty Friday afternoon and the case went to the jury.

**Seven Pleas of Guilty Expected.**

Continuing the criminal docket the district attorney announced that an effort would be made to clean up the jail and dispose of a number of cases for which the grand jury had just returned indictments, and in which the defendants had expressed a desire to plead guilty. In all there are seven prisoners being held to appear before court. The parties were in jail when court convened, having been held to await the action of the grand jury. The cases consist of forgery and burglary.

**Grand Jury Returns 44 Bills**

The grand jury was still in session at four o'clock this afternoon and it was reported upon good authority that they had returned into the court forty-four bills, about one-half of which were felonies.

**Stop Left Over Coughs.**

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey will stop that hacking cough that lingers from January. The soothing pine balsams loosen the phlegm, heal the irritated membrane, the glycerine relieves the tender tissues, you breathe easier and coughing ceases. Don't neglect a lingering cough, it is dangerous. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is antiseptic and pleasant to take, benefits young and old, get it at your drug store today. Formula on the bottle. 25c.

**All Saints Church.**

Service and sermon tonight 7:30 subject, "Our Lord's Third Temptation in the Wilderness." Cordial invitation to all.

W. T. Allan, D. D., Priest in Charge.

**A Bilious Attack.**

When you have a bilious attack your liver fails to perform its functions. You become constipated. The food you eat ferments in your stomach instead of digesting. This inflames the stomach and causes nausea, vomiting and a terrible headache. Take Chamberlain's Tablets. They will tone up your liver, clean out your stomach, and you will soon be as well as ever. They only cost a quarter.

J. W. McCracken, of Palestine, Texas, who had been here to attend this term of the district court returned home Thursday afternoon. Mr. McCracken is the young man that was hurt in a gin at Rowena last year.

**We All Want A. & M. College.**

Wendorf at the Busy Shoe Shop wants your shoe repairing. tfdw

A good treatment for a cold settled in the lungs is a Herick's Red Pepper Porus Plaster applied to the chest to draw out inflammation, and Ballard's Horehound Syrup to relax the tightness. You get the two remedies for the price of one by buying the dollar size Horehound Syrup; there is a porous plaster free with each bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Next week will close our die-

**A. & S. BRAKEMAN HAS NARROW ESCAPE**

(Abilene Reporter)

Howard Turner, Abilene & Southern brakeman, had a miraculous escape from death Wednesday morning when he was thrown beneath a moving flat car and dragged several feet across the ties. His injuries, according to the physicians, were not dangerous unless some internal injury was sustained. He was resting well at noon.

Turner was clinging to the side of a car and it is supposed that in passing the scales he was brushed from the train by a projecting beam. He rolled under the moving car and was terribly mangled before the train stopped. Mr. Turner stated that the wheel passed over his leg, but this was regarded by company officials as impossible in view of the fact that no bones were broken. However, one leg was badly "skinned." Aside from that, his injuries were slight, the physician stated.

It is thought possible that a part of the break beam caught the brakeman and caused the injuries. Some of the buttons were torn from his clothing, and how he came out alive is a mystery. "It was a miracle," said Dr. Cash.

**CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years**

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

**THE DELINEATOR AIDS "BUY AT HOME" MOVE**

The "Buy at Home" movement in Ballinger has been joined by a mighty ally. Our local merchants and associations have been pushing it for years, with more or less success. And during an equal length of time out-of-town concerns have been bidding for local trade through advertising in the magazines, which go into the homes, and through the subsequent distribution of their own catalogues direct to Ballinger people.

Up to now, the "Buy at Home" movement has been conducted solely along community lines. It has had no aid from national sources. It is therefore particularly cheering news to learn that The Delineator, sold through Higginbotham Brothers & Co., local agents for the magazine and for Butterick Patterns, has thrown the full weight of its tremendous influence on the side of the local merchant—the man who pays taxes, here, employs neighbors, and friends, and helps build up the town generally. Beginning with the April issue, on sale March 10th, The Delineator eliminates from its advertising columns the announcements of all mail-order houses.

It is understood that this step has been taken at a loss to the publishers of hundreds of thousands of dollars, a sacrifice that works in the interest of the local merchant, who will directly benefit through The Delineator's sending customers into his store rather than to distant mail-order houses. We therefore believe that the tendency in this town will be to support The Delineator heartily. The only way the magazine can recoup any part of its loss in revenue is through more local subscriptions and more advertising from national manufacturers. Such support, we believe, will be readily forthcoming. Reciprocity is necessary to insure the prosperity of each.

Passengers called for and delivered to any part of the city. Phone 12-161

**John Schrank Who Shot Roosevelt in Milwaukee, Says He Forgives "T. R."**

Oakbrook, Wis., March 23.—In his cell at Waupun hospital for the criminally insane here today, John Schrank, the man who shot and tried to kill Theodore Roosevelt as he was making a campaign speech in Milwaukee in 1912, declared that he has "forgiven" "T. R." and even feels kindly toward him. Schrank has no relatives and no friends. He is desirous to remain here while he lives. He is a house painter by trade. He imagines he is a great philosopher and that he will die famous.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite for Colds.**

J. L. Easley, Macon, Ill., in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says: "During the past fifteen years it has been my sister's favorite medicine for colds on the lungs. I myself have taken it a number of times when suffering with a cold and it always relieved me promptly."

We were glad to see W. A. Tally on the streets Friday after a two weeks confinement at home with throat trouble.

If you intend to get a 98c dictionary you had better get it this week as our supply will all be gone next week.

**RATES FOR Classified Ads**

IN THE BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

One cent per word first insertion. Half cent per word each subsequent insertion.

Black face type double regular rate.

Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular open account with us.

Call. Phone No. 27

**WANTED**

WANTED—Men of good character to write Accident & Health Insurance. Monthly payment plan. Peerless Casualty Company, 707-708 Canal Bank Bldg. New Orleans, La. 23-3td

WANTED—A married man with small family to work on farm. J. J. Pope, Phone 6611. 23-3tdpd

**FOR SALE**

FOR SALE—New Schultz piano bargain if taken at once. Call Central Hotel. 23-3td

FOR SALE—Selected mebane cotton seed for planting. Sold only in two bushel sacks. Price \$2.00 per bushel terms cash. Louis Westbrook, Lorena, McLennan county, Texas. 23-12d 3tw

FOR SALE—5 room house and bath-room, to be removed from lot. Call on F. C. Miller, Ballinger. 22-tfd

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

FOR TRADE—Nice residence, close in, will take some trade. Apply C. W. Northington. 22-3td.

FOR SALE—two year old Jersey with heifer calf. O. L. Parish. 21-3td.

WOOD and COAL for sale. Ballinger Light, Power & Ice Co. Phone 312. 1-tfd

**FOR RENT**

FOR RENT—Two four room houses on Twelfth Street. Mrs. D. C. Simmon. tfdh

**"The Light That Failed"**

never was hooked up to a Gould Storage Battery or it would not have failed without due warning. The starting-lighting system of your car depends on the battery. We guarantee every

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to give satisfactory service for one year. Be safe. Get the battery you can depend on and you will be free from the discomfort and the expense of poor battery service.

We can supply a Gould Battery to fit the battery box on your car.

Ask for a copy of "The Armored Car", the thrilling war story that escaped the censor. Free to motorists.

**Elder Brothers**

**The Light of Elegance**

One of the most pleasurable, convenient and elegant appointments of a home is an EXTERIOR LIGHT on the porch or in the front yard.

Both the lamp and the cost of operation are easily controlled by a switch.

Estimates of cost gladly furnished.

**Ballinger Light, Power and Ice Company**

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**Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching**

in to buy Nyals Hot Springs Blood Medicine. This is the time to clean the blood and purify the system.

**Hot Springs Medicine**

Will do it thoroughly.

We recommend it. So will you after using it. \$1.00 the bottle at

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**Something New In Casting Lines**

See our complete assortment of fishing tackle before you buy.

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