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United States Has No Hopes Averting War

GERMANS NOW BACK TO PERMANENT DEFENSE LINE

By Perry Arnold
Manager United Press
NEW YORK, March 30.—Official statements of the belligerent governments issued today gave fresh proof that the German retreat on the Western front has brought General Hindenburg's forces to their permanent defense lines.

The official French communique was contrary to previous days reports detailing scattered fighting over a considerable front, today merely saying that there is nothing particular happening. The British official statement given out by General Haig made no report of fighting on the British front, but press dispatches from London indicated a decreased usefulness of open fighting forces.

The German war office announced an admitted retirement of their protecting troops in face of superior British attackers Northeast of Peronne. Berlin also stated that indications are that the French will attack in mass in the Champagne sector.

Dispatches from Petrograd say Russians are engaging the enemy in continued violent fighting on the Northeastern front.

COMMENCEMENT FOR NURSES SCHOOL TONIGHT

Everything is in readiness and a large number of additional seats have been arranged in the library for the Ballinger School for Nurses commencement exercises tonight. The program is scheduled to begin at eight o'clock and it is expected that a large crowd will attend. Diplomas will be presented to two graduates of the school at the exercises to be held tonight, and a most interesting program has been announced as was published in this paper yesterday. Prominent out of town speakers are here for the occasion.

Mrs. J. B. Currie, who had been visiting at Santa Anna, returned home Friday at noon.

GERMANY'S FUTURE NOW IN DOUBT

AMSTERDAM, March 30.—For the first time since the start of the war, a note of doubt has been sounded in Germany's future as crept into the Reichstag through the speeches delivered before that body yesterday. Members are quoted as declaring in a debate following Bothmann-Hollweg's speech that they could only hope that Germany was prepared to fight the "new powerful foe." Socialist Noske most bitterly censured Secretary Zimmermann for sending the Mexican-Japanese note, and declared that the Prussian system and government in Europe must be abolished.

BABY BORN ON TRAIN

A baby was born Sunday night on the "California Special" to Mrs. Givan of Coleman, who was en route to Melrose, New Mexico. The birth occurred shortly after leaving Sweetwater. A physician was on the train and rendered assistance in bringing the babe into the world under unusual environments. — Coleman Democrat.

ONE U. S. CONSULAR OFFICER LEFT IN GERMANY

Washington, March 30.—Germany has freed all but one United States consular officer, who has been detained since the break of relations, but who is now expected to be released soon. New diplomats have been ordered to new posts in Turkey.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMING TO BALLINGER

The District Conference of the Brownwood District for the Methodist church is scheduled to convene in Ballinger Tuesday, April 10th and remain in session for three days, closing on the 12th. The members of the local church have formed an entertainment committee, and assisted by their pastor, Rev. J. B. Curry, they are hurrying around making ready for the big meet of Methodists and their friends. Presiding Elder Sam G. Thompson will be here to preside at the business sessions, and a program will be announced later that will appeal to the man out of the church as well as the religious people of the city.

On Wednesday night, the second night of the conference, Capt. Richard P. Hobson will be here to speak in the interest of "Dry America," and arrangements have been perfected for the address to be delivered at the Methodist church, and the visitors to the conference will have an opportunity to hear this prominent national speaker. The committee in charge of the Hobson speaking have announced that every available space in the church will be filled with seats and efforts will be made to take care of the large crowd that will come from surrounding country. There will be no charges for the Hobson speaking—it is free.

A LETTER FROM REV. JESTER

We are in receipt of a letter from Rev. Jester, former pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, and who is now in school at Fort Worth. We are glad to note from the letter that the good man is getting along nicely in his school work, and he says, "I am getting stronger all the time from the operation I underwent before leaving Ballinger, and I am gaining in weight." Mrs. Jester is doing good work as field worker for the training school, and everything promises a good year's stay in Fort Worth for the former Ballinger pastor and his wife.

CITIZENS MILITARY TRAINING AT DALLAS

A recruiting office has been opened in the Chamber of Commerce at Dallas for the enrollment of Citizens for the Military Training Camp to be held at Dallas June 16th to July 15th.

The object of this Camp is to instruct and train the citizens of the country in the use of arms and tactical use of troops to teach the military history and policy of the United States.

Entrants may also avail themselves of the opportunity of taking the examination for commissions in the officers Reserve Corps. Any white male citizen of the United States from the age of eighteen to forty-five may enroll. Entrance to this camp involves absolutely no obligations of any kind for future military service.

Transportation, subsistence, uniform and equipment will be furnished by the United States.

The Dallas Camp will be held at Trinity Heights, a beautiful well situated camp site, covering eleven hundred acres, with suitable drill grounds, target ranges etc.

Enrollment blanks and information can be secured by addressing:

One of Best Demonstrators In Texas Sent to Ballinger

D. F. Eaton, of Comanche, will arrive in Ballinger next Tuesday to take up the farm demonstration work here, according to a letter received Friday from J. L. Quicksall, of the department of agriculture. Runnels county is fortunate in securing the services of the man selected for the place, as is shown by the letter from Mr. Quicksall to A. C. Homann, chairman of the committee appointed to close contract with the department. The letter follows:

My Dear Mr. Homann—I am glad to report that we have succeeded in arranging for a man to take up the agricultural work for the Department and extension service for your county to begin work at once. The man selected by the College and Department is Mr. D. F. Eaton of Comanche, Texas. He is an educated gentleman in every way, well qualified to fill the position, has had extensive experience in the work and has proven himself to be one of the best county agents in the state. Mr. Eaton expects to arrive in Ballinger on Monday, April 2nd; his transfer will be made on April 1st. He will have to get busy in order to get the work organized as rapidly as possible. I will try and get out there myself about the 3rd and spend a day or two with him getting things moving. You can say to your citizens and people that they are exceedingly fortunate in securing this man. I consider him strong and will expect great results from his efforts.

I am very truly yours,
J. L. QUICKSALL,
District Agent.

WOMEN DAMAGE CHICAGO SHOPS

CHICAGO, March 30.—Mobs of angry women again attacked the Kosher meat shops at Maxwell street and on the North side district, that dared to reopen after last night's riot.

The markets were entered by furious women and damaged by kerosene baths before a hundred policemen arrived on the scene.

NEW PASTOR ARRIVES; WILL PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. J. H. King, the new pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, arrived Friday at noon and will begin upon his work at once. Rev. King will preach at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday morning and also at seven-thirty Sunday evening. There will be choir practice at the church tonight.

Rev. King's wife and two boys will visit with relatives until his household goods arrives, and then the family will be at home in the manse on Eighth Street.

DEMOCRATS IN BIG LOVE FEAST

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The Democrats in the House today caucused with thirty three members absent. All old officials were renominated. The whole caucus—according to members present, was a love feast and there were no signs of dissension.

SCHOOL CHILDREN SALUTE OLD GLORY

CHICAGO, March 30.—At the beginning of the exact hour Congress convenes in an extraordinary session April 2nd, three hundred and fifty thousand children of the Chicago city schools, and thirty-five thousand pupils of Denver public schools, will rise in their seats to salute the American flag and sing the National anthem.

MORE STATE TROOPERS MUSTERED OUT

Washington, March 30.—The war department this afternoon ordered out Battery A of the Geo-

By Robert J. Bender.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—

Only actual war talked, generally today. Those who held out hopes for developments that would avert war, see no chance to escape now. Bethmann-Hollweg's address before the Reichstag in Berlin yesterday clinched the situation and makes war the only recourse for the United States. A cabinet session will be held this afternoon at which time it is expected that the administration will shape the last details which will bring the United States into the great conflict, and congress will be asked for prompt decision in the matter when the special session convenes next Monday.

That the President is rapidly turning more strongly in favor of some form of universal military training, is the view of officials who have followed events closely. President Wilson himself made no comment on the subject. He passed up his usual game of golf today and worked throughout the morning in his study. It is understood the President is putting in tentative form a rather complete draft of his message to Congress. No visitors are allowed to hinder the President in this work.

The "pacifist" element in Congress will be swamped beneath a patriotic wave when the body assembles, according to unofficial canvasses. That Congress will uphold Mr. Wilson to the last ditch is now apparent.

RUSSIAN COUNCIL MAKES OATH

Petrograd, March 30.—The Admiralty Council today made formal oath of allegiance to the provisional Russian government.

PASSENGERS BRING NEWS FROM MEX.

GALVESTON, March 30.—Passengers arriving recently from some American port on the steamer Topila relate awful tales of reign of terror in Mexico. The refugees tell of the brutal killing of W. H. T. Buckingham and George Bannerman, general manager and cashier of the Agulia Oil Corporation in the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. Both of the men were British subjects. They were killed by Mexican bandits at Nacital on March 9th and their bodies hacked to pieces. Other outrages in the oil fields above Puctro, Mexico, were related.

The passengers arriving here declared that the vicinity of Minatitlan was disputed country between the camps of Carranza and Zapatistas and the country was kept in a state of constant terror. The passengers requested that their identity be concealed because if it became known that they had talked upon their return to this country, their friends in Mexico would be killed as a measure of revenge. One of the passengers said for the last seven months bandits had been entering the camps at Nacital and V. L.

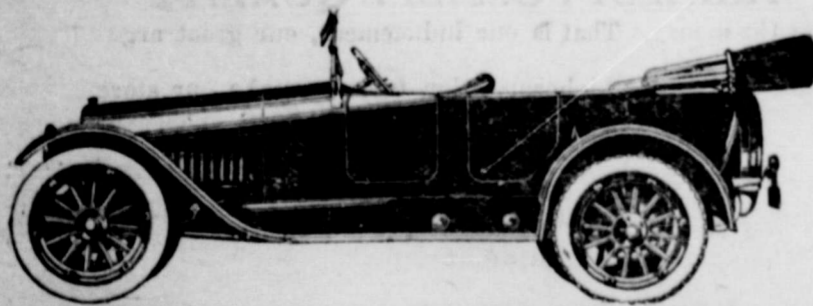
Mr. Lucey is a worker in the Christian church. For a number of years he was in evangelistic work and was a singer with one of the most prominent evangelists in America. He often preaches now when invited to do so in cities where he spends the Sabbath day. As editor of the Missouri Mule, Mr. Lucey has been dubbed as a "high kicker," and he some times uses this in his advertising matter. While in Ballinger he was a pleasant caller at the Ledger office and stated that the Missouri Mule was a high kicker, but that there was no high kicking in his entertainments.

Such entertainments as presented last night by Mr. Lucey is calculated to strengthen library work here and be the means of bringing other high class entertainments.

MEXICAN ENVOY HERE FOR FIRST CHIEF

Larado, Tex., March 30.—Ygnacio Bonillas, Carranza's en-

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1 new Case, 7 pass. \$1400 car, a bargain	\$1000.00
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THE DAILY LEDGER

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W. Sledge, Editor

There is socialism in religion as well as in politics.

The sentencing of eight or nine men to the pen from this place during the past two weeks does not reduce the population; we are just getting rid of some of the driftwood.

The attendance at the library Thursday night should be encouraging to those who have been working for high-grade entertainment along this line. There were about two hundred people present, and it was two hundred people well pleased.

The editor of the Abilene Reporter says, "Chickens have no sense, and hence it is up to owners to exercise that function, have a little regard for your neighbor and keep your chickens on your own premises." We don't agree with the Reporter editor. An old hen has more sense than some people. She knows where the best scratching can be found while her owner doesn't seem to realize

that the scratching should be confined to his own premises.

NO PROPHECY BUT GOOD JUDGMENT.

According to the Ballinger Ledger, Ballinger already has the West Texas A. & M. College grabbed, and new enterprises are locating in the historic city as a result of that city being the home of the great institution. The last information the Times had on the matter the locating committee had not held a meeting or organized. Possibly Bro. Sledge is gifted with prophetic powers. If such is the case and he will give the other applicants proof of this, it would save them lots of worry and work. Several other cities have the idea that they at least have an even break for securing this institution. And maybe a tip from him would also save the committee the trouble and expense of visiting all the cities applying for the College. They have let the idea percolate through the State that they had given the matter no thought so far, but would give it thorough investigation before making up their minds as to the best location. "We shall see what we shall see."—Abilene Times.

No, we are not gifted with prophetic power; it's just good judgment. We discarded all personal interests in the matter and compared Ballinger's natural advantages with the advantages offered by other towns pulling for the college, and realized very readily what the committee would do in making a choice. Why, Bro. Holford, you know yourself that Ballinger is the proper place for that A. & M. and being honest and true to a trust like we know you to be, you would have to vote for Ballinger, if the matter was left up to you.

For Your Child's Cough.
Here's a pleasant cough syrup that every child likes to take, Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. If your child has a deep hacking cough that worries you give him Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey, the soothing pine balsams relieve the cough, loosen the phlegm and heal the irritated tissues. Get a bottle today at your druggist and start treatment at once. 25c.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to summon S. Reid Graves and J. S. Graves by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof in Ballinger, on the first Monday in May A. D. 1917, the same being the 7th day of May

IDAHO WOMAN MADE WELL

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Did the Work. Nothing like it.

Aberdeen, Idaho.—"Last year I suffered from a weakness with pains in my side and back. A friend asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I did so. After taking one bottle I felt very much better. I have now taken three bottles and feel like a different woman. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best medicine I have ever taken and I can recommend it to all suffering women."—Mrs. PERCY FRISBORG, Aberdeen, Idaho.

Women who suffer from these distressing ills peculiar to their sex should be convinced by the many genuine and truthful testimonials we are constantly publishing in the newspapers of the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health. To know whether Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will help you, try it! For advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman, and held in strict confidence.

A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition in said Court on the 27th day of March A. D. 1917, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1158, wherein The Miller Mercantile Company, a private corporation, chartered by the State of Texas, is plaintiff, and S. Reid Graves and J. S. Graves, are defendants, said petition alleging:

The State of Texas, County of Runnels, ss

In County Court May Term, A. D. 1917.

To the Honorable County Court of said County:

Now comes your petitioner, The Miller Mercantile Company, a private corporation chartered by the State of Texas, F. C. Miller being the president thereof, engaged in business in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of S. Reid Graves and J. S. Graves, whose places of residence is to plaintiff unknown, hereinafter styled defendants; and for cause of action plaintiff represents to the court that heretofore, to-wit, on the 8th day of June, 1908, the defendant made, executed and delivered to plaintiff their joint and several promissory note for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, bearing date on the day and year aforesaid, payable to plaintiff, at Ballinger, Texas, and due on the 1st of October, thereafter, bearing interest from maturity until paid at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and providing for ten per cent additional on the amount of principal and interest then due as attorneys fees if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or suit is brought on same, whereby defendants became liable, bound and promised to pay to plaintiff the sums of money in said note specified, together with all interest and attorney fees due thereon according to the tenor and effect thereof. The plaintiff has placed said note in the hands of John I. Guion, an attorney at law for collection and has agreed to pay him the ten per cent stipulated in said note. That said note is now past due and unpaid, and defendants though often requested and have hitherto and do now refuse and fail to pay the same or any part thereof to plaintiffs damage five hundred dollars.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that defendants be cited by publication as provided by law, to appear and answer this petition, and that it have judgment for its debt, interest and attorneys fees and for such other and further relief as it may be entitled to.

JNO. I. GUION, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand, and the seal of said court, at office in Ballinger, Texas, this, the 27th day of March A. D. 1917.

(Seal) W. C. McCARVER, Clerk, County Court, Runnels County, 430-6-13-20

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.

DICTIONARIES ALL GONE.

The Ledger announced that this would be closing week for our dictionary campaign, and we hoped that we would be able to supply all who called for one of the New Universal Dictionaries, but our hopes were blighted, and with two days of the week remaining we are without a dictionary. We will not be able to supply orders at present, and those who hold coupons have slept on their rights and must now wait until we make another distribution of this valuable dictionary. We announced in the beginning that the campaign would close on April first, and the demand for dictionaries has caused us to close it two days before the first. It is our purpose to put on another campaign of distribution, but it is probable that we will not do this until next fall, and will inaugurate the distribution of the books with the opening of the public schools.

A good treatment for a cold settled in the lungs is a Herriek'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.

J. P. Brooks, one of the prominent business men of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Friday.

Package Garden Seed — are pretty, but you pay a good price for the pretty picture; then why not buy your seed in bulk from Jeanes Produce Co. 15-d&w-tf

Library Benefit. A tea and candy sale March 31, from 3:00 to 6:00 o'clock at Carnegie Library. 28-3td

Charlie Hetrick, station agent

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FOR SALE—3 room house and bath-room, to be removed from lot. Call on F. C. Miller, Ballinger. 22-1td

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

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 RENT
FOR RENT—Two four room houses on Twelfth Street. Mrs. D. C. Simpson. 2td

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
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E. F. Krebs.
J. W. Powell
For Commissioners:
R. T. Williams
C. A. Doose.

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Elder Brothers

at the Santa Fe in our city, left Thursday afternoon to attend a meeting of the agents of the Santa Fe at Galveston for a few days.
Lindsey, of Miles, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.
Passengers called for and delivered to any part of the city. Phone 33 or 135. 12-td
Charlie Hanz, of Rowena, W. F. Buick of San Angelo, and E. E. Drug Co.
Take Herbine for indigestion. It relieves the pain in a few minutes and forces the fermented matter which causes the misery into the bowels where it is expelled. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

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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 **HIGHEST POSSIBLE QUALITY** for the money. That is our inducement, our great argument.
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We want to be proud of the confidence our customers have in us and assure you that we desire to faithfully earn this confidence by proving to you that **Our Cleaning, Pressing & Altering** is a good as the very best.
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Order it just as you like it—medium, rare or well done—and you'll enjoy every bite.
They're all full of flavor, served clean and appetizingly, and the price is moderate.

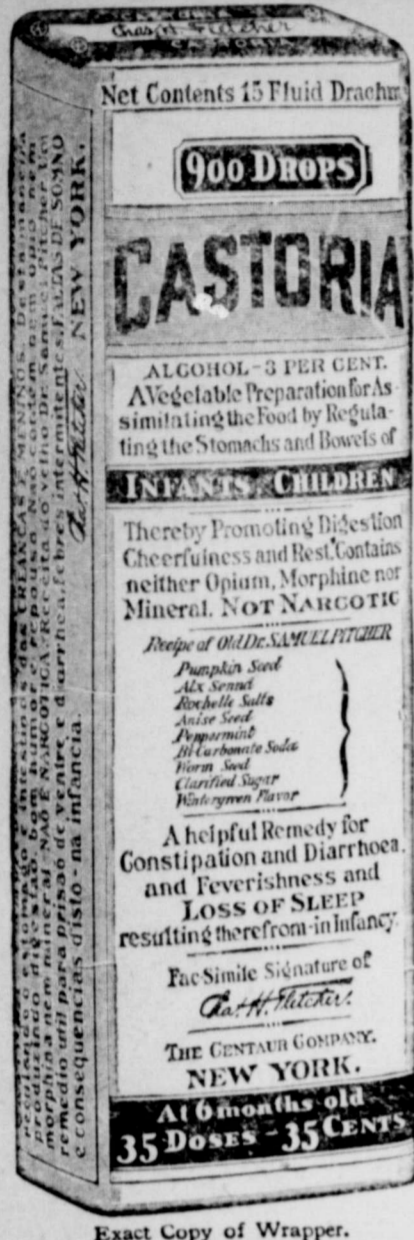
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We are here to handle your eggs, butter, cream, beeswax and any other produce you have.
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35 Doses - 35 CENTS

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**CAIN AND ABEL
BUILT THE ARK**

Two negro boys were arraigned in district court at Ballinger this week, having been charged with burglary and an indictment against them returned by the grand jury. Preliminary arrangements for disposing of the cases brought out the fact that the two boys were only fifteen years old, and while the court was directing what steps were necessary in complying with the law in giving the little nigs a fair trial, and it proven guilty, sent them to the reformatory, District Attorney Early said. "We'll send them down to Gatesville, where they make boys go to Sunday School."

"I goes to Sunday school," said little Rastus, who according to his step-father was seven years old when the step-father married the mother of the boy, and that was seven or eight years ago. That's the way the court had of getting at the boy's age.

"You do," asked the attorney? "Well, tell me who built the Ark?"

"Cain and Abel," promptly replied the juvenile prisoner, as he stood before the court feeling that he had gained a point in proving his innocence.

The state reformatory has been given the job of learning the two little negroes who built the ark that Noah floated in. The boys have been in jail some time and will remain in jail until the proper authorities transfer them to the reformatory.

Muscle Soreness Relieved.

Unusual work, bending and lifting or strenuous exercise is a strain on the muscles, they become sore and stiff, you are crippled and in pain. Sloan's Liniment brings you quick relief, easy to apply, it penetrates without rubbing and drives out the soreness. A clear liquid, cleaner than nussy plasters or ointments, it does not stain the skin or clog the pores. Always have a bottle handy for the pains aches of rheumatism, gout, lumbago, grippe, bruises, stiffness, backaches and all external pain. At your druggist, 25c.

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A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. 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.

John Morgan left Thursday afternoon for points in East and South Texas on a business trip.

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For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years

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

Mrs. Carter Haley and baby, of San Antonio, came in Thursday night from Cuero and will be the guests of her uncle U. P. Melton and wife.

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

C. Dornberger, of Brenham, landscape gardner for the Santa Fe Ry. Co., came in Friday noon to look after the Santa Fe park in our city a day or two.

Dependancy Due to Constipation
Women often become nervous and dependant. 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.

City Marshal B. W. Pileher left for points west Friday at noon on official business.

Leave your package at the Brooks auto station. We carry express, and deliver it to any part of the city. 12-tfd

**First-Year Shipper
Boosts Local Mkt.**



Sketch from life by "Hep" Blackman.

"I think this is the best market in the wide world like it is now," observed Charlie E. Wimberly, of Winters, Thursday.

Charlie played a two-time visit to the yards in the last couple of weeks, when he got the above expression off his chest. Last week, during the Stock Show, he disposed of a couple of loads of calves and stocker steers, a "jackpot bunch of stuff," as he describes it, and Thursday he piloted in another load of the "jackpot" variety.

Up in Winters they class Charlie as a farmer and stock-raiser, and he is experiencing his first year as a regular patron on the yards. When he started shipping stuff to market, however, he began billing his meat on the hoof to Fort Worth exclusively, and he hasn't missed one week as a customer here since last fall.

He buys most of his output, but now and then he grazes some of it, and his ambition is to own a place big and broad enough to fatten an extra-large flock of stockers so that he can ship them here and collect regular dividends.

Runnels County is out strong for the tick eradication movement, according to Shipper Wimberly, and this fact is attested by the numerous privately-owned vats already established there. "We are obeying the law," he says, "and we're so near clean now that all of us want tick eradication."

Wimberly has been making his home in Runnels County for the last twenty years. He is a native-Texan, and was born in Williamson County.

Right now he occupies the elective office of Constable of Precinct No. 2, but he is emphatic in the statement that he is not an aspirant for office. Runnels County is developing right along, according to the ideas of Wimberly. It is improving its roads each day, which is the direct result of the special road tax carried by the voters lately.

The only thing they are right badly in need of is a little moisture from the heavens, but aside from that everybody seems to be possessed of plenty of money.

Shipper Wimberly, if we are to take the word of D. Hinds, who was on the other day, but who sanctum later on per get drawn and interviewed, has made enough money in the cattle-brokerage game to afford a trip to Japan, there to take the cherry orchard and tea gardens in the hands of the Mikado and the Nipponese.

Fort Worth Livestock Reporter.

Plants, Plants—tomato and pepper plants, now ready for transplanting. Jeanes Produce Co. 15-d&w-tf.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAIN OINTMENT fails to cure any case of itching, itching, bleeding or protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. No diet application given. Ease and Rest. 50c

The boy's favorite
It's Easiest!
10¢ BLACK WHITE TAN 10¢

2 IN 1
SHOE POLISHES

FR. DALLEY CO. OF NEW YORK, INC. BUFFALO, N. Y.

Mrs. M. C. Sheffy came in from San Angelo Thursday to visit her son Clifford Sheffy and family.

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)

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

H. E. Petty, of Maverick and his father-in-law, J. M. Franks, of New Mexico, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Herbina cures constipation and re-establishes regular bowel movements. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Freeman, of Rowena, were visiting friends and relatives in Ballinger a few hours Thursday afternoon.

Lazy Liver Is Spring Fever
Same old symptoms—coated tongue, bad breath, headache, dizziness. Brighten up! Don't let a sluggish liver dull your brain. Po-Do-Lax, nature's liver regulator made from the may apple makes work easier for your liver. It stimulates the flow of bile and by its mildly laxative quality removes the impurities that clog your intestines. Clear up that muddy complexion, chase out that tired feeling with Po-Do-Lax. Get a bottle today at your druggist, 50c.

Constable Ben F. Allen left Thursday afternoon for Bell official business.

Excessive Perspiration

and unpleasant odors can be entirely obliterated with

Odo-ro-no

See our window.

We also carry in this line Mum, Nunspi and Spiro Powder.

J. Y. Pearce
Drug Co.

Pills Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAIN OINTMENT fails to cure any case of itching, itching, bleeding or protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. No diet application given. Ease and Rest. 50c

Mrs. H. H. Friar and little son, of San Antonio, who had joined Rev. Friar in our city the past two weeks, left for their home Thursday afternoon.

The Pneumonia Season.

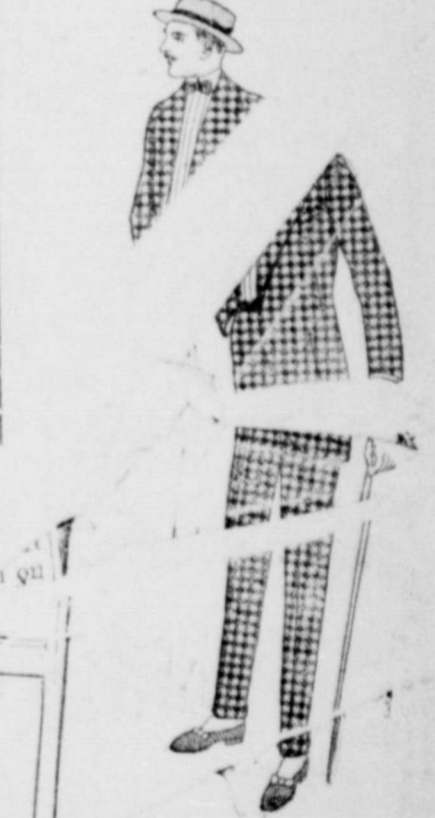
The cold damp, weather of March seems to be the most favorable for the pneumonia germ. Now is the time to be careful. Pneumonia often results from a cold. The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger. As soon as the first indication of a cold appears, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. As to the value of this preparation, ask anyone who has used it.

**Spring Suits---
For Men and Young Men**

Correctly styled, correctly tailored, perfectly fitting and made exclusively to your own individual measure for less than ready-made. Prices ranging from \$10 to \$30 with a special line of 1200 samples at

\$15

New models, new fabrics now on display and ready for your selection. 2500 patterns to select from. Fit and workmanship guaranteed.



Men's Furnishings

Our stock brings forth the latest and correct fashions of the spring season. Our Easter showing is at its best. Complete assortment of the swellest line of shirts, neckwear, hosiery, gloves, caps, felts, straw and Panama hats you ever saw, and at a most reasonable price too. Come in and see them.

Cleaning and Pressing
all work called for and delivered on the shortest notice. Auto delivery.



"The Red Front"
Paul C. Sulak Phone 97

We All Want A. & M. College. Wendorf at the Busy Shoe Shop wants your shoe repairing. tfdw

Auto Station next door to Schawe grocery store. 12-tfd

H. C. Roten and son left Thursday afternoon for Houston on a short business trip.

Persistence and Optimism Win Almost Every Battle

"Such and such a man is getting on in the world." The chances are ten to one that good old-fashioned thrift is the fundamental cause for this success.

He looks ahead—He opened a bank account—He stuck to it. Do likewise and you will find getting on in the world is not so difficult.

...The...
First National Bank
Of Ballinger

One-Half to Three-Fourths of your troubles are ended when you submit your Grocery Troubles to Us.

The getting ready of your daily meal is an easy task, indeed, when we are allowed to help you. Just think of what you want and phone us, we'll do the rest. Better still, when you come to town visit our store. Let us do your baking.

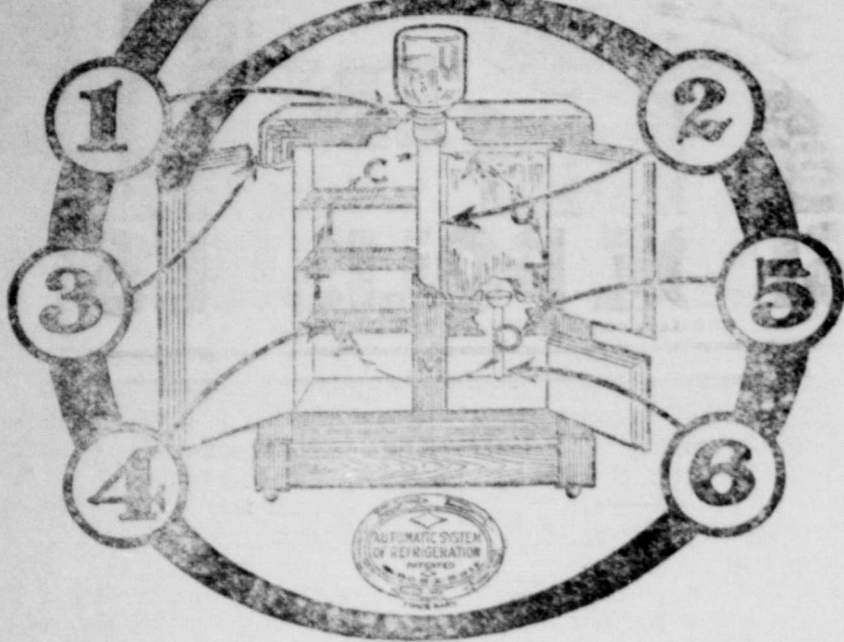
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Auto Delivery

6 Big Points of Goodness



In no other refrigerator can you get all of these big advantages. The **Automatic Refrigerator** is a leader in every sense of the word.

- Come in and see the six big features
- 1 The bottle holding attachment (exclusive)
 - 2 The built-in water cooler (Patented)
 - 3 The eight honest-built walls
 - 4 The easily cleaned tinned wire shelves
 - 5 The Automatic circulation of cold air
 - 6 The non-clogging drain
- These six big features make it the biggest refrigerator value in the world

Hall Hardware Company

War Mules and Horses Wanted.
Mules from 14 hands to 15 hands 2 inches in height, from 5 to 10 years old. Horses from 15 hands 1 inch to 15 hands 3 inches, from 5 to 8 years old. See—
Street & Middleton,
At their barn, Ballinger, Texas, 28-2nd-ltw.

MAYOR POWELL ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION.

In offering my name as Mayor of Ballinger for the next two years, I first wish to thank the people for electing me to that office by a large majority vote, without any electioneering or soliciting on my part. I wish to say I have tried to make the city an obliging and efficient mayor. I refer to each alderman as to my courtesy, my promptness and my efficiency, during all these

past years. Please ask them. I favored a commission form of government, believing, I, with two good commissioners, could evolve a more efficient, economical, and prosperous city than we have had. With three members selected for two years, it is wisdom, I think, to have one member with knowledge of all the city's past and present obligations. I would be of aid to that body. I therefore submit my name as a candidate for mayor at the election, April 3rd.

Respectfully,
J. W. POWELL
21-104

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIABLO BRAND
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Each wrapped with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Sold Always Genuine. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Before you start out on that FISHING TRIP you should stock up with a new tackle.

Our assortment of dowgiacs, spinners, floats, casting lines, trot lines and hooks is complete.

Hall Hardware Company

Sunshine

Cakes, Candies Crackers and Delicacies of all Kinds Have fresh stocks arriving regularly, Fine for picnics

W.B. Wood & Son

Telephones 25 and 26

This is the hour of the THRIFTY MAN

The gold miners of the Yukon and the Rand—the diamond diggers of Brazil and South Africa promise paltry pittances compared with the illimitable fortunes which lie at every turn in any city.

Thrift has become a profession. How much time are you devoting to its study?
Herbert Kaufman

FARMERS & MERCHANTS

\$5.00 IN GOLD GIVEN AWAY THURSDAY MARCH 29...

Archie Crews representing the Walker Drug Co., boarded an automobile Thursday evening at 3:30 to go to the country to award the \$5.00 gold piece to some home that had the "Calendar" placed on the wall, the first home visited was that of our friend Mr. Albert Kresta, where the \$5.00 was not left for the reason that some of the children had destroyed the "Calendar" and in so doing they lost a bright shiny \$5.00 gold piece. The next home visited was that of Mr. J. B. Porterfield, Mr. Crews knocked at the door and asked the question, "have you a copy of Murphy's Handy Full Page Newspaper 'Calendar', hanging in your home?" Mrs. Porterfield did not understand at first but when it was made clear to her, she explained that she did not have it hanging up because she subscribed for the daily paper instead of the weekly, so on he went to the next home where he found no one at home. Opening a gate he got out into the road and the very next home was that of Mr. Wilde. Mr. Crews again asked the question, "Have you a copy of the 'Calendar' hanging up in your home?" Mrs. Wilde very promptly answered yes. Then Mr. Crews asked the next question, "Can you tell me whose advertisement is under today's date and what they are advertising?" Mrs. Wilde without a moment's hesitation, said "The Independent Oil Co., and told what they were advertising, thereby becoming entitled to the \$5.00 which Mr. Crews turned over to her—for 29 days she had prepared herself each day by reading and committing to memory the announcement under each day. No day has ever been selected, no home is selected in advance, prepare yourself, you do not know when a representative of the Walker Drug Co., will call at your home.

Who will get the \$5.00 in April? No one knows. It may be you. Everybody hangs it up, and keeps it.

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.

FINDS HOME FOR ORPHAN BOY

Rev. J. W. Best announced that he succeeded in finding a good home for the orphan boy he had been requested to look out for and a matter in which he called on The Ledger, to help him get a home for the boy. The boy has been placed in a good home on a farm near Winters, where he will be cared for and given an opportunity to get an education. Rev. Best states that the boy was placed in his new home before the paper containing the notice asking that he be given a home came out, but the paper was off the press only a short time before another application was made for the boy.

Big G is effective in treating urinary discharges; painless, non-poisonous and will not irritate. Relieves in 1 to 3 days.
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS.
Parcel Post if desired—Price \$1, or 5 bottles \$2.75.
THE EYAN CHEMICAL CO., CINCINNATI, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woodward, of Coleman, came in Friday at noon and Mr. Woodward will deliver an address at the graduating exercises of the Ballinger school for nurses at the Carnegie Library tonight.

LAMPASAS SHERIFF HERE TO GET PRISONER

Albert Maece, sheriff of Lampasas county, came to Ballinger Friday at noon to get D. G. Broyles, who is wanted in Lampasas county on forgery charges. Broyles was convicted here last week and given two years in the pen, after being convicted for forgery in Erath county and sentenced to four years. After Lampasas county gets through with the man he will be turned over to Mills county authorities where he is also charged with forgery. With the lowest penalty is each county Broyles will have at least ten years to his credit in the state prison when the penitentiary authorities call for him. After being caught in the act and with the goods on, Broyles began pleading guilty and begging for the mercy of the court, and he has received the mercy asked for, as in each place so far where he has been charged one or more cases have been dismissed and punishment meted out to him in one case only.

OVERWORKED MINISTER

Tells How Vinol Restored Strength and Vitality.

Ballinger people will realize that we could not publish such letters as the following if they were not genuine and truthful statements of facts. The Rev. Mr. Hughes, Holly Springs, Ark., says: "I am a Methodist Minister, and suffered from broken-down nerves, loss of appetite and sleeplessness. I was weak, my circulation was very poor, and I was not able to do my duty in my Parish as I felt I should. I had tried various remedies but did not seem to get any better. Through Mr. Gatlin of Bearden, Ark., I learned of Vinol, and it built me up. I regained my appetite, can sleep better and do more work."

There is no secret about Vinol, it derives its power to build up the overworked, broken-down, nervous system from beef and cod liver peptonates, and glycerophosphates, etc. which it contains. Anyone in Ballinger who wishes to try Vinol can do so with the understanding that we will return their money if they are not satisfied.

J. Y. Pearce, Druggist, City Drug Store, Ballinger, also at the leading drug stores in all Texas towns.

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL

Quite a number of cars left Ballinger today carrying sorrowing friends to the Spreen home east of Ballinger, where Rev. J. W. Atwood conducted the funeral service over the remains of Robert Spreen. After the services at the home the remains were carried to Pecan Springs where they were interred in the Herring burying ground.

Don't Let Your Cough Hang On.

A cough that racks and weakens is dangerous; it undermines your health and thrives on neglect. Relieve it at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. This soothing balsam remedy heals the throat, loosens the phlegm, its antiseptic properties kill the germ and the cold is quickly broken up. Children and grown-ups alike find Dr. King's New Discovery pleasant to take as well as effective. Have a bottle handy in your medicine chest for grippe, croup and all bronchial affections. At druggists, 50c.

HOLDING REVIVAL AT SAN ANGELO.

Revs. Geo. W. Feuder, of Brownwood and T. W. Davidson of Santa Anna, are holding a revival at San Angelo this week, and reports from there say they are having a successful meeting. Rev. Feuder was formerly pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church in Ballinger and Rev. Davidson held a revival here last spring, at which time twenty-two members were added to the church.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite for Colds.

J. L. Essley, 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."

The Ballinger Printing Co., can supply your wedding announce-



K-e-r-choo!

That's roup. And one rousy bird will quickly spread this deadly, contagious disease through your whole flock. Colds and roup come with damp, chill weather. Be prepared. At the first sign, put a measureful of

Conkey's ROUP REMEDY

in the drinking water and your birds will doctor themselves. No fuss, no bother for you. Use it as a preventive measure and save future trouble. Pkgs.—25c, 50c postpaid.



Conkey's POULTRY TONIC means vigorous red-blooded, healthy hens that lay high-priced winter eggs. A high grade medicinal—not a cheap filler. Buy it in pails, \$1.25. Packages, 25c, 50c.

Poultry Tonic brings Poultry Profits. Your money back if any Conkey Remedy ever fails.

E. A. JEANES & CO.



SEEKING QUARTERS FOR DEMONSTRATOR.

The Business League Committee will fit up an office and establish headquarters for the new farm demonstrator who will arrive here early next week. It is the purpose of the committee to utilize the business league office furniture, typewriter, etc., for the demonstrator, as this is not needed at present for the business league work. It is probable that temporary headquarters will be established in the F. & M. bank building, the first office at the head of the stairs on the second floor, and unless a better place can be secured this may be made permanent headquarters. At present the office is fitted up with the business league office furniture and is being occupied by Mr. Robert Lowrie, of Austin, who is doing some special work here.

If you have any printing why not let the home company do the work—we will appreciate the order. The Ballinger Printing Company.



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 to Dr. E. W. Hall, 208 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

FREE SOUL KISS FACE CREAM

To every purchaser of a box of the famous SOUL KISS Face Powder, we will present, with our compliments, a full-size 50-cent jar of SOUL KISS Face Cream.

SOUL KISS Face Powder is extremely Adhesive. It beautifies with a delicacy all its own. The exquisite scent of SOUL KISS Perfume enhances its charm. Always use it after rubbing in the Face Cream.

SOUL KISS Face Cream removes every vestige of impurity from the pores—tones up the skin and complexion—shields the face from the harmful effects of wind and dust. Try applying the Cream before going out-doors. The velvety smoothness it imparts to the skin will delight you.

This special offer can only be made for a limited time. Take advantage of it now!

The Walker Drug Co

S. A. Hartgraves, of Millersview, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

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

What your Tailor?

W. H. Roark
The Tailor

G. P. SHEPHERD
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
NOTARY PUBLIC
General Practice
Collections and rent property handled. Office upstairs in C. A. Doose Building, Ballinger, Tex. Phone 60

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

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Kodak Films Developed Free
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

CORDELL STUDIO

Queen Tonight

PICTURE PROGRAM

Bluebird Photoplays, Inc. introduce—

"THE BOY GIRL"

with Violet Mersereau Bluebird's daintest star. Play written by J. C. Bownell. Combining Fascinating Love interest with an adventure of gripping appeal to all lovers of sensationalism.

Children 10c
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