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NIVELLE'S MEN FIGHT HARD ALL ALONG BATTLE LINE

PARIS, May 12.—Fighting all the way from the south of Laon to the Alsace-Lorraine region was detailed in today's French official report.

Gains were achieved by General Nivelle's forces in penetrating German lines north of Beson Vaux and at several points in the Amnertzwiler sector of Alsace.

Around Chemin de Dames the big artillery combat showed slight slackening. The French guns have blown up and demolished a munitions depot in this district.

Hundreds of Germans Taken

LONDON, May 12.—Hundreds of German prisoners were taken by the British forces in further advances this morning around Bullecourt. On the Arras-Cambrai road the fighting was particularly intense and to the north of Scarpe river numerous captives were taken, according to General Haig's official statement today.

GOOD USE FOR AUTOS

Tomorrow being Mother's Day and Go-to-Church Day, couldn't you make use of your autos by going for them, who otherwise could not come? Their gratitude would make the day sweeter for you.

Emil Spill, of Winters, was in the city Friday to be with relatives and friends, who were returning to their home in South Texas.

TWO APPROPRIATIONS COUNCIL OF DEFENSE

AUSTIN, May 12.—The bill appropriating ten thousand dollars for the first year and fifteen thousand dollars for the second year for a state council of defense, reported favorably by the House and Senate committees was expected to pass today.

J. E. HICKMAN LEAVES COLEMAN SCHOOLS.

J. E. Hickman, for fifteen years superintendent of the Coleman public schools, has resigned his position and has accepted the position of superintendent of the public schools at Ada, Okla. Mr. Hickman was the unanimous choice of the Ada school trustees, although there were twenty-five other applicants for the place. Ada has a population of 9,000 and there are 2,100 scholastics in the city. The position pays a salary of \$2,000 for the first year, and \$2,400 for the second year.

Mr. Hickman is well known and universally liked. He was one of the leaders in the organization of the Mid-Texas teachers' Association, serving as secretary of that organization and devoting much time to its work. His success in the Coleman schools has been well deserved, and the teachers of this entire section will regret that he is to leave.

AMERICAN SOCIALISTS SEND NOTE

NEW YORK, May 12.—American Socialists today sent word to their colleagues of Germany that "the Kaiser and Kaiserism must go—that the war against Germany must be continued until this result is achieved."

The message was cabled by the National Executive Committee of the Socialists in Stockholm, The Hague and Berne, with a specific request that the text of the note be forwarded to the German Socialists.

ENSORSHIP OUT OF ESPIONAGE BILL

WASHINGTON, May 12.—By a vote of 39 to 38 the Senate in a committee as a whole struck out of the Gregory espionage bill the section establishing censorship on the press of the United States.

Weeks Leaves for Convention

John A. Weeks leaves this afternoon for San Antonio to attend dual meetings of importance to Texas druggists—The Texas State Pharmaceutical Association and the regular meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy.

The Texas Pharmaceutical Association will convene at the St. Anthony Hotel, Tuesday, May 15, and will adjourn Thursday evening, May 17. Mr. Weeks is to respond to the address of welcome, and will also have part in the discussion of "the itinerant patent medicine vendor." The local druggist is also on several important committees of the T. S. P. A.

Other business as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy will hold Mr. Weeks in San Antonio for the remainder of the week.

COLEMAN COUNTY DEFEATS ROAD TAX.

With less than one-third of the qualified voters of Coleman county participating, that county voted 748 to 574 against the levy of a special road tax of 15 cents. The people of Coleman county do not deserve good roads if they have no more interest in the matter than to let a move for good roads go by default. Rannels voted the 15 cent tax more than a year ago and it is working wonders in road building. This county will soon have good roads and then the tax can be discontinued, and the regular maintenance tax will be all that is necessary.

FILIPINO ANXIOUS TO FIGHT FOR THE U. S.

LEON SPRINGS, May 12.—Rudolfo Fernandez, Filipino, and naturalized citizen of the United States, is attracting considerable attention at the officers' training camp, here. Fernandez' hope is that he may become an officer in the conscript army of his adopted country.

Born in the Philippines, the young man came to this country at the age of eleven. He has been a protegee of Brigadier-General Hulen of the Texas National Guard, and has been graduated from Rice Institute. He is a Spanish-Luzan ancestry.

Pershing to Head First 10,000 Troops to France



Major General John J. Pershing. Man who went into Mexico after Pancho Villa, to be sent to Europe

ADDITIONAL RAIN FALLS IN COUNTY

Varying from two inches to light showers, a general rain fell over the section of country surrounding Ballinger and in nearly every community of Rannels County Friday night. Taken in connection with other rains received in the county during the last few days the precipitation last night was very beneficial. The fall at Ballinger was very satisfactory, being reported at 1 1-15 inches.

Following is the report furnished The Ledger by the West Texas Telephone Co.:

Abilene, 20-100 inch; Ballinger, 1 1-15 inches; Blackwell, one-half inch; Bradshaw, one inch; Brady, good rain; Bronte, three-fourth inch; Brownwood, two inches; Coleman 23-100 inch; Concho, one inch; Crews, one-half inch; Eden, one one-half inches; Ft. Chadbourne, light shower; Hatched, three-fourth inch; Lenday, one inch; Maverick, three-fourth inch; Menard, one one-half inches; Miles, one and one-half inches; Millersville, one inch; Norton, one-fourth Olfen, one-half inch; Ovalo, two one-half inches; Paint Rock, one inch; Pony, one inch; Rowena, one one-half inches; San Angelo three-fourth inch; Santa Anna five-eighths; Stacy, one one-half inches; Talpa, two inches; Truitt, one-half inch; Wilmett, good rain; Wingate, one one-half inches; Winters, three-tenths; Bangs, one-half inch; Sherwood, one inch; Elderado, one one-half inches; Robert Lee, one-half inch; Sterling City, good rain.

OUR STATE SENATOR PLANTS BIG PEA PATCH

Senator Scott Woodward, of this district, and who lives at Stephenville when he is at home, is carrying out the pleadings of the feeders for the people to help feed the world. Mr. Woodward has instructed the farmers on his place to plant five hundred acres of black-eyed peas. Erath county is said to be a good county for growing peas, and with the howl for more peas, beans and peanuts going up from every quarter Senator Woodward will no doubt pocket a good profit from his pea patch.

FERGUSON UNDECIDED ON SPECIAL SESSION

AUSTIN, May 12.—Governor Ferguson said this morning that he had not made up his mind whether to call a second special session of the legislature immediately upon adjournment of the present one.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN SANTA FE TRAINS

An important change in the Santa Fe time table will become effective tomorrow, and hereafter parties going from this section to points via Temple will have to change cars at Brownwood and lay over for fifty minutes in that city. The change in brief amounts to the annullment of the through train from San Angelo to Temple, known as train No. 78 and which for some time has been leaving Ballinger at three-fifty in the afternoon. This train will continue to leave Ballinger at this hour, but will only go as far as Brownwood and passenger will have to transfer and catch the California limited which passes through Brownwood for Temple fifty minutes later. The Angelo train will turn around at Brownwood and return to Angelo, leaving Brownwood at 8:55 instead of at 9:40 p. m. as at present.

Train 77 which arrives at Ballinger from Temple at 12:50 will continue on the old schedule, no change being made in this train. The morning train through Ballinger known as 76 and which operates as a local from Angelo to Temple will also continue to run on the old schedule.

For some time the east bound train has been running to Temple only about one hour ahead of the California limited which comes in over the cut-off from Sweetwater, and it is presumed that the change is made in order to eliminate the duplication of the night service between Brownwood and Temple. While it will work a hardship on travel from this section of the county in that it will necessitate a change, and a fifty minute lay over at Brownwood passengers will arrive at Temple on the same schedule and in time to connect with the main line trains.

W. T. Forbus of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and reports a splendid rain in his neighborhood, which was badly needed and puts things in fine shape for the present.

Bryan E. Beck, who represents Armour & Co., moved with his family to our city a few days ago and are now permanent citizens of our city and are located on Eighth street across from the Central Hotel.

FIRST PRELIMINARY STEP FOR CONSCRIPTION TAKEN

WASHINGTON, May 12.—The United States government took its first preliminary step today toward putting into effect the selective service system for raising an army of one million men. It is deemed certain that speedy action will be had on the army bill by congress, which came up for

NEW YORK, May 12.—Ten thousand American regulars under General John J. Pershing will be the first of Uncle Sam's fighting forces to go to France, according to a statement of plans which it is learned today are practically complete.

Following the visit of the Franco-British commissioners to New York this week information was secured that the highest French and British military authorities desire only trained soldiers in the first contingent from the United States. It is also known that the plan to send General Pershing in command of the American division is in accordance with the allied authorities desires.

The troops General Pershing will command are seasoned men of the recent Mexican expeditionary campaign. They are hardened and ready for immediate field service in Europe following their long chase after Pancho Villa and the guarding of the Mexican border. They also had unusual opportunities for practice in the tactics of modern warfare while in Mexico and only a brief period of training will be necessary behind the firing line in France before they can take their places in the trenches.

Despite reports that General Joffre and other members of the French commission favored the Roosevelt division idea, it is positively known that the contrary is true.

The allied authorities do not regard the numerical strength of the first American contingent of great importance as the Americans are chiefly desired for the moral effect their appearance as an efficient fighting force from the United States will have on both the allies and the Germans.

Offered a Suggestion.

W. L. Cherry of Wolfe City, who attended the Fireman's convention at San Angelo and spent a day or two with his brother, Chester Cherry and wife of our city, left for his home Saturday. While here Mr. Cherry and his brother, Chester and Walter Tally spent Friday on the river fishing and Mr. Tally made a suggestion about refreshments and soon after Chester Cherry topped off a big rock into the river and got a good soaking and it was said by W. L. Cherry if the suggestion had been real there is no telling what would have happened. Mr. Cherry reports a very pleasant visit to our section and hopes to be able to return in the near future and enjoy some time fishing on the Colorado and Concho rivers.

Meeting of Eastern Star

Monday evening at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present. Election of officers for the ensuing year.

Georgie Parker, Sec.

Mrs. Bateman of Fort Worth, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Baker a few days, left Saturday for Brownwood, where she will visit a few days.

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R. W. Sledge Editor

Congressman Blanton of Texas has launched a plan for the government to turn over the sum of \$700,000,000 to \$100,000,000 known as the cotton tax fund, which has been in the Treasury ever since the Civil War to the Confederate Veterans of the South. His bill proposes to give each veteran or his widow a lump sum of \$500.00 and a pension of \$25.00 a month until the fund is exhausted. The fund was created by a tax of \$15.00 a bale levied upon the South in 1866. At every session of Congress bills are introduced to have it refunded to the people of the South. The Supreme Court recently dismissed a case brought by former slaves and

their descendants seeking to have the vast sum paid to them.

The soldiers who wore the gray, more than any others have borne uncomplainingly the burdens of the civil war. Their fortunes were lost, homes wrecked, and families decimated. Their heroism and valor still live and their sons and grandsons are going forth to defend the flag of the union. It would be a fitting recognition of their heroism and patriotism if congress would adopt the Blanton bill.—Coleman Democrat.

Nothing would please the old ex-Confeds better than to receive payment in the settlement of a just debt. The government should not quibble over the question of whether it had a right to take this money out of the pockets of the Southern farmer, but set an example for its subjects and pay off a just debt.

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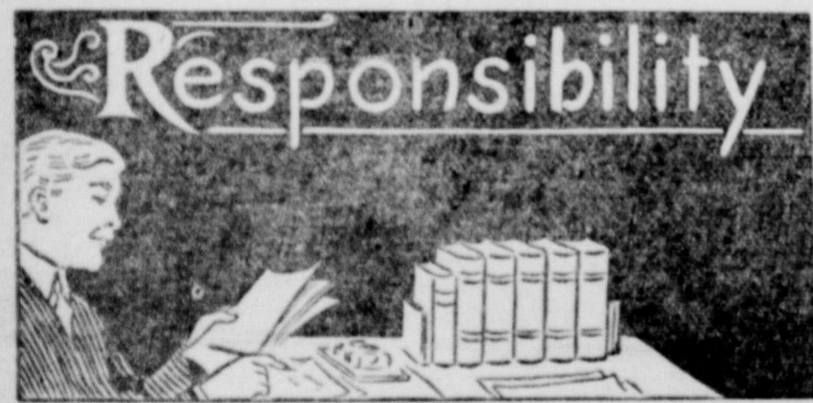
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WITH THE CHURCHES

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Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

There are two good reasons why you should attend church tomorrow. It is "Mother's Day," and thousands of our people all over the land will go to church in honor of mother. It is also Go-to-church-day for Ballinger, and all our people are urged to attend church somewhere. Do not be with the minority who stay at home unless you are compelled to do so. We invite you to worship with us. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

J. H. King, Minister.

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J. F. Montgomery, Minister.

First Presbyterian Church
The Bible School wishes to extend an invitation to all the congregation to be present tomorrow. At 11 o'clock, subject of sermon, "Honoring Our Mothers." Services at 8 p. m. We appeal to every one connected in any way with our church for this day to be present and bring others. To the public generally; to non-church goers, especially to strangers and visitors in particular; our church offers a most cordial invitation and heartiest welcome.

J. W. Atwood, Minister.

Nazarene Church
Preaching tonight at 8:15. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Young People's meeting at 4:30 o'clock. J. W. BOST, Pastor.

Methodist Church
Go to Church Sunday and Mother's Day. Sunday School convenes at 9:45. At 10:45 the children of the primary department will give their program. Special children's day offering will be taken. Service for mothers at 11:00. Sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Curry. Subject: "When the Children Were With Mother." Every mother, especially of the church is urged to be present. The young people, too, are expected to attend to pay respect to these mothers. The young men and women of the town whose mothers are far away are very cordially invited to worship with us at this hour. Your mother will be glad you attended this service. Preaching at 8:15 by pastor. Subject, "From God to Babel." The church with the glad hand.

Church of Christ
Rev. E. A. Bediehek is to be out of town Sunday, and there will be no services at this church. Rev. Bediehek goes to his old home at Canadian, Texas, to preach the funeral services of a friend.

SOTHERN COMES TO BALLINGER THURSDAY

Edward H. Sothern, the most famous actor of the American stage now living, has retired from the stage. The team of Sothern with Miss Julia Marlowe needs no introduction here—for years they have been known as the foremost Shakespearean contributors to the stage. But now Mr. Sothern has signed a contract for three motion pictures for the Greater Vitagraph Co., of America.

"The Chattel," the first of the three plays Mr. Sothern appears in, comes to the Queen Theatre next Thursday. Miss Marlowe will not be seen with her husband in "The Chattel," but another very popular and charming little star, Miss Peggy Hyland, is the great man's foil.

Another preparedness picture showing American naval men in the making is to be shown at the Queen this afternoon and tonight. These pictures—six in all—are proving very popular in Ballinger, and good crowds are witnessing each film on Saturdays.

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J. N. Barbee returned home Friday from a short business trip to Waco.

Mrs. Baker, mother of Mrs. T. P. Calloway, left at noon for San Angelo to visit her daughter Mrs. Myers, for a few weeks.

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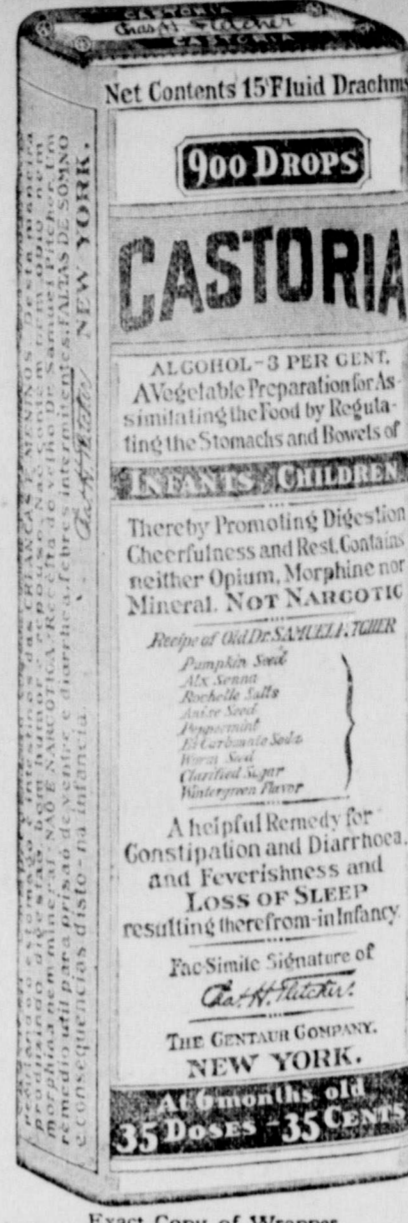
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BIG LOBBY OF FOOD GAMBLERS CHARGED

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Sensational charges that a lobby of "food gamblers, some of them men of immense wealth," already is at work in Washington seeking to defeat the administration food control bills were made last night in a formal statement by Assistant Secretary Vrooman of the department of agriculture.

"Allies of the Kaiser—unpatriotic and disloyal—who should be made to feel the loathing and contempt of every patriotic American," are some of the characterizations applied by Mr. Vrooman to "food speculators, food cornerers and food gamblers," who, he promises, will in time be touched by appropriate legislation.

Mr. Vrooman's statement said: "Never in the history of the world have business men shown as much patriotism and unselfishness as have been manifested since the war began by the business men of America."

"However, this attitude has not been universal. There are food speculators, food cornerers, and food gamblers, some of them men of immense wealth and others of very small means, who are today taking advantage of war conditions to exploit their fellow citizens to the full extent of their ability. These men are allies of the Kaiser, and are doing their utmost to defeat the patriotic purposes of the nation. Wherever they are seen, in high places or in low, they should be condemned and made to feel the loathing and contempt of every patriotic American. These men will be taken care of in due

time by national, state and municipal legislation, but until such legislation can be enacted the only effective power that can be brought against them is the power of an outraged public sentiment and that should be used vigorously and mercilessly.

"I am told that some of these men are actually in Washington today conducting a lobby against the request of President Wilson that congress empower him and his cabinet to take the necessary means to mobilize the agricultural resources of this nation for victory."

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FORMING PLANS FOR SPENDING BILLIONS

WASHINGTON, May 12.—An international agreement under which there will be placed in the hands of a small commission, possibly of one man, the purchasing power of virtually every dollar of the billions to be lent the allies by this government and the additional billions which they will spend in this country out of their own income is at present in process of formation.

A draft of the proposed agreement has been left to Secretary McAdoo, who already has held a number of conferences with foreign envoys on the subject. Great Britain, France and Italy are understood to have signified their desire to enter such an agreement and other entente governments are likely to assume the same attitude.

Discussion of the proposed agreement has reached a stage where the chief beneficiaries of the huge American loan have agreed that it would be to the interest of all concerned to eliminate absolutely competition among themselves for American products, and have signified their readiness to pledge themselves to do so. The agreement, when drafted, would have to rits aim the attainment of maximum efficiency, both for the allies and the American government, for every dollar spent in this country for war purposes.

The plan involves no fixing of prices, however. First efforts will be confined to a program eliminating competitive bidding for the foodstuffs, steel, munitions, clothing and countless other articles which America alone can supply to the allies.

Were there no check on the efforts of the allies to satisfy individual requirements in this country it is realized that their united demands would send prices soaring, decreasing the effectiveness of the money to be loaned them by the United States. Repetition of this process, officials believe would minimize the effectiveness of American financial co-operation and seriously cripple the purchasing power of American money for military, naval and other needs of this government.

The program of making loans, it is believed, probably will remain unchanged until the proceeds of the first offering of liberty bonds are available, except with respect to Great Britain, to which additional loans probably will be made. Details of the mammoth task of receiving and distributing subscriptions received are under formulation by treasury and federal reserve bank officials. It is believed these details will be completed within a few days, the prospectus will be issued, and the nation-wide campaign for actual subscriptions will then gain headway.

There is little doubt that virtually every allied nation, large and small, will participate, to some extent, in the loan. Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium already have received loans.

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LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	56,117.13
Unearned Interest	9,000.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	428,460.51
	\$618,577.64

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.

...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

HIGHEST POSSIBLE QUALITY

for the money. That is our inducement, our great argument.

We have no higher ambition than to make our store known in every home in this section as The Home of Quality Groceries.

Miller Mercantile Co.

Phones 66 77

TEXTAN

The GOODRICH fibre sole for shoes

Outwears leather-comfortable-dressy-water-proof

Because of the great work involved tabulation of estimates of subscriptions has been discontinued.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Carl H. Pritchard*

LOCAL ADVERTISERS TO ATTEND EVENT

"Advertising Lowers Cost of Distribution," is the thought to be hammered home at the thirteenth Annual Convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs, of the World, which meets at St. Louis on June 3rd and lasts until June 7th.

Several Ballinger advertising men will leave here for the big convention on June first, going via Dallas where they will join the "Dallas Special" and on to St. Louis. Claud Stone of the Melton Dry Goods Co., and Arch Crews of the Walker Drug Co., have announced their intentions of attending the admen's meet and are making strenuous efforts to secure additional delegates from the Ballinger Ad Club.

One of the subjects to be discussed at the national convention is that of the relation of advertising to the successful church.

Prominent church-advertising men will talk on this subject.

The Ballinger delegation will also visit the World's Salesmanship Congress at Detroit, Mich., which meets on June 10th, where a great deal of interest to the business map will be learned.

G. P. SHEPHERD

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

and

NOTARY PUBLIC

General Practice

Collections and rent property handled. Office upstairs in C. A. Dooce Building, Ballinger, Tex. Phone 60

Miss Maude Collins, an employe of the Eddystone munition plant, considers that she owes her life to the fact that she overslept the morning of the recent explosion, because of a rip to the theatre the night before, and so did not report for work.

Coal oil vs. Gasoline.

Get Rid of Your Rheumatism

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You will find Chamberlain's Liniment a great help. The relief which it affords is alone worth many times its cost.

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.

L. B. Stubbs



Preponderance in Your Favor

Overland

TRADE MARK REG.

Big Four
\$895
35 Horsepower

Light Fours
Touring . . . \$505
Roadster . . . \$550
Country Club . . \$725

Big Fours
Touring . . . \$825
Roadster . . . \$850
Coupe . . . \$1250
Sedan . . . \$1450

Light Sixes
Touring . . . \$1025
Roadster . . . \$1050
Coupe . . . \$1350
Sedan . . . \$1550

Willys Six
Touring . . . \$1425

Willys-Knights
Four Touring . . \$1305
Four Coupe . . \$1550
Four Sedan . . \$1950
Four Limousine \$1950
Eight Touring . \$1950

All prices f. o. b. Toledo
(Subject to change without notice)

The more serious the purchase of a car is to your family, the more seriously you should consider Overland.

Consider what a guarantee it is to own a car backed by a company with \$68,000,000 assets; with an army of workmen that would populate a good sized city; with acres and acres of modern factories, and more than 4,000 dealers and branches.

The magnitude of The Willys-Overland Company is due to its management; due to the practical policy of utilizing prodigious production as a means to higher quality and lower prices.

The Willys-Overland Company guards its obligation to the owners of its cars as seriously as a conservative bank protects the interest of its depositors, large and small.

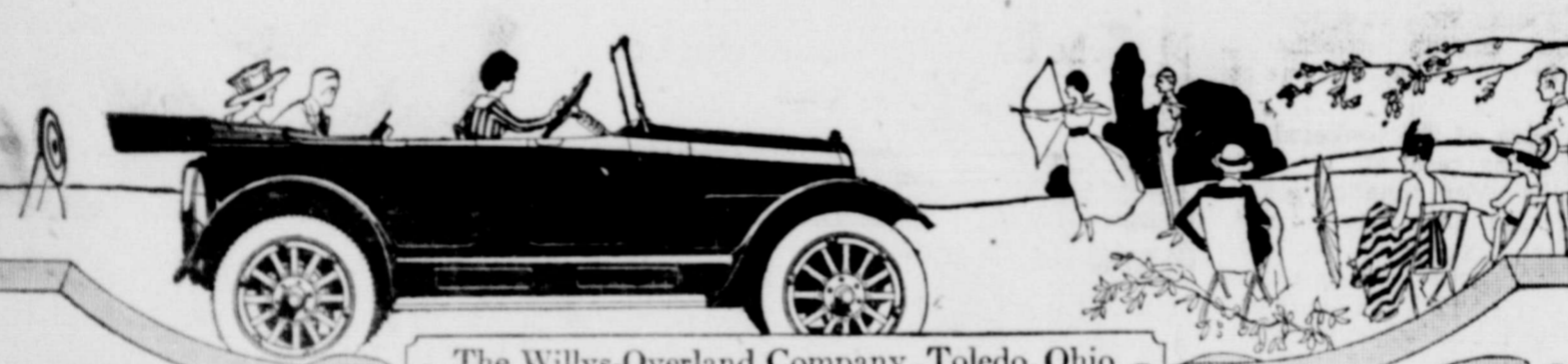
The Willys-Overland is predicated upon the need for cars of beauty, comfort and convenience in addition to long-lived utility.

The average family can participate in the luxuries of motoring because hundreds of thousands of other owners enable The Willys-Overland Company to distribute and bring down costs.

Such a car as the Overland Big Four would never have been possible at such a price as \$895 had it not been for over 300,000 similar Overlands which have already gone into service.

Come in and see the Overland Big Four and the most comprehensive line of motor cars ever built by any one producer.

O'KELLY & WALTON
Ballinger, Texas. Phone 33



The Willys-Overland Company, Toledo, Ohio
Manufacturers of Willys-Knight and Overland Automobiles and Light Commercial Cars.

BIBLE TAUGHT HIM TO PRAY FOR HIS ENEMIES

An English writer, James Sherliker, desiring to get the unbiased opinion of Tommy Atkins regarding the European war, recently visited one of the hospitals and interviewed a number of the patients. Among others, he found a workman who had enlisted and had an eye shot out.

"Ah don't mind admittin'," said the wounded man in response to a question by Mr. Sherliker, "that I prays occasionally that none of my shells will ever blow a German's eye out. Understand, ah'm no less a Britisher. Simply 'uman. Ah knows wat it is to lose an eye, see? And Ah can imagine what it'll be to lose two. Besides there's no 'arm in prayin' for your enemies. The Bible says as 'ow we should."

It would seem from this that the Bible is read and remembered in the trenches. That its teachings, especially those of the New Testament, will be a factor in the final arbitrament between the Nations, there is no doubt; for civilization is founded upon the Bible, and its teachings must prevail. The present war is simply a lapse, or perhaps, it was necessary in order to accentuate the need of Biblical Ethics among Nations as among individuals. This necessity has brought about a universal revival of Bible reading, and the Big Print Red Letter Edition offered by this paper meets a vital want. The coupon elsewhere in the paper explains the terms which make it almost a gift.

WOMAN'S HEAD is level and her judgment good when she puts her faith in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.



There is no beauty without good health. Nobody expects to become really beautiful from the use of complexion beautifiers. Bright eyes, clear skin, and rosy cheeks, follow 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, catarrhal inflammation, bearing-down sensations, or general debility, the "Prescription" is sure to benefit.

Mrs. JULIA A. DOON, 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 Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I found that it did me more good than anything I ever took. It cured me."

Uses Lambs For Lawn Mower; Wins Prize

COLEMAN, Tex., May 10.—There is something in the bleat of a lamb in Coleman that is suggestive of a lawn mower. It sounds strange but is true. Coleman really has animated lawn mowers.

Some time ago, Mrs. Lelia Johnson of this city, conceived the idea of having meek little lambs mow her lawn. She provided a pen about twelve feet square and placed two lambs therein.

Only a short time before had the lambs learned to eat grass—but they had learned so well that Mrs. Johnson had to keep moving the pen about the lawn each day. Eventually the entire lawn had been covered—and mown. The process was repeated.

Meantime, a civic club had offered a prize for the person having the best kept lawn at a certain date. Lawn mowers were feverishly pushed and pulled about the lawns of the contestants, but Mrs. Johnson had no such annoying labors in the sweltering sun. Her lambs worked well and she won the prize.

Similar prizes have been offered for a later date this summer and lambs are said to be in demand.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND
Ladies' Aid Year Druggists
Chichester's Diamond Brand
Pills in Red and Gold metal
cases, sealed with Blue Ribbon.
Take no other. Buy of your
Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S
DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, or see
package for full directions. Always Reliable.
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Walter Midgley of Paint Rock, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Friday.

Rev. Corbet of Santa Anna, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to the New Home neighborhood, where he will preach Sunday.

Ballinger Barber Shop.
You will find Hugh Griffin in first chair; Billie Storm, second chair and Perse Griffin and Mike Boyd in third and fourth chairs. We appreciate your business.
MIKE C. BOYD,
HUGH GRIFFIN,
9-12th 2tw Proprietors.

S. A. McKie, of Brownwood, who had been looking after business for the West Texas Telephone Co., in Ballinger and this section, left for home Friday.

Tom VanDeventer returned home Saturday at noon from a business trip to points east.

That Exquisite Lasting
Fragrance

Garden Fragrance

We have these toilet
requisites in this delicate
odor.

Extract, the ounce \$1.00
Toilet Water a bottle 1.00
Face Powder a box 50c
Talcum a bottle 50c

The
Walker Drug Co.
Phones 12 and 13
The Rexall Store

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

Queen Tonight

PICTURE PROGRAM

"The Voice on the Wire"
featuring Ben Wilson and
Neva Gerber in 2 acts.
The American Film Corp.
presents Frank Borzage &
Anna Little "In Unlucky
Luke" in 2 acts.
George Overy in a Cub com
edy "On The Rampage."
And Uncle Sam's Boys on
The Border.
6000 Feet 10 and 15 cents.

Monday, Seven Deadly Sins
"Passion."

**Children 10c
Adults 15c**

A. Schawe left Friday afternoon for Houston to look after oil operations in that section for a few days. Mr. Schawe is selling oil sock and received a telegram stating that his company had just bought a 1000 barrel oil gusher.

Pure Miesane Triumph cotton seed for sale by Jeanes Produce Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zappe and his mother Mrs. Adolph Zappe, of Shiner, who had been the guests of A. J. Zappe and family the past few days, left for home Friday.

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



TEXAS WONDER

THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 256 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

Swat the Fly and Beautify

We can help you keep the fly out of your home with our screen doors and windows. We can help you beautify your home with our big line of De Voe paints. Little bills and big bills given the same attention.

Ballinger Lumber Company

THE YOUNG MAN'S OPPORTUNITY

Largest and Most Successful Cotton Classing School in America

There is a greater demand today than ever before for the young man who thoroughly understands the cotton business. Such as: classing, stapling, averaging, buying, selling, shipping, exporting, keeping of gin records, merchant's cotton records, warehouse records, cotton office stock books and other blanks necessary to the business. The representatives of the largest cotton concerns, as well as the merchants and warehouse managers, have highly indorsed our course of instruction. They say we are meeting a long felt want. Bonded warehouses, alone require hundreds of young men. We have expert instructors with practical experience in every detail of the business and have installed in this department a cotton exchange board with telegraph instruments attached. Here our students are taught to read price quotations as they come in from Liverpool, New Orleans and New York markets. They are also given the ginners' and Government reports on production and the probable effect on prices. Nothing is left undone to make our students efficient in the work. The cost of the above course complete is \$23.00 for tuition, and \$200 for books and material. Time for completing is from four to six weeks owing to the ability of the student. Students may enroll at any time. There is such a great demand for work of this kind, that we have large and enthusiastic classes of men and boys throughout the year. Enter at once. You may take bookkeeping and business training, shorthand, stenography, or telegraphy along with cotton classing if you like. Fill in blank, and mail today. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name

Address

Send me free particulars on course of Cotton Classing.

Henry J. Miller, the Blacksmith, has opened up a blacksmith shop next door to H. H. Hardin Lumber Co. All tools are new and ready for use. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction by me. Your patronage will be very highly appreciated.

HENRY J. MILLER,
13-4-4th The Poor Man's Friends

S. M. Cameron returned home Saturday at noon from Fort Worth, where he had been to market a carload of stock for Cameron and Laxon.

Sallow complexion is due to a torpid liver. Herbine purifies and strengthens the liver and bowels health to the cheek. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Will Enforce Sanitary Ordinance.

All parties hauling trash and refuse to the dump ground are hereby notified that such refuse must be dumped in the proper place. The dump ground is enclosed and a lock has been placed on the gate. Parties hauling matter to the dump ground must call at the City Hall and get the key and all matter must be dumped under the direction of the city scavenger in both business and residence district. The public is hereby notified that the dumping of trash and refuse in the streets and alleys is prohibited, and the marshal has been instructed to enforce this ordinance. Please take notice and avoid trouble.

E. F. KREBS, Mayor.
R. T. Williams, C. A. Doose, Commissioners.
12-3rd

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctor's prescribed ideal remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

G. G. Carlisle left Saturday morning for Brownwood on a short business trip.

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