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## VOLUNTEERS AUTHORIZED FOR TEDDY

WASHINGTON, May 15.—After a short conference of the senate and house committee today the conferees wrote into the selective service army bill an amendment authorizing the president to raise a volunteer force. The amendment is designed for the Roosevelt leadership, Mr. Roosevelt to have charge of the volunteer forces.

## IRISH ARE ANGRY OVER SLIGHT DELAY

LONDON, May 15.—Premier Lloyd George will transmit the terms of settlement of the Irish question as devised by the British government to the Irish leaders tomorrow. This announcement was made by Chancellor Bonar Law in the house of commons this morning.

What the government proposal of settlement are were not disclosed by Mr. Law. He stated that the premier would outline them in detail in a speech he is to make before the house of commons Monday. The Irish members of the house protested angrily at this slight delay in making public the exact concessions which had been determined upon by the government.

### QUARTERLY MEETING.

The commissioners court is in session this week, holding the regular quarterly meeting. Nothing special will come before the court at this time and the time will be devoted to the usual work, such as passing on accounts, reports, etc., and part of the week will be devoted to public road matter. The county recently purchased road machinery, and the respective commissioners will arrange for putting in operation the new machinery as soon as it arrives.

Lottie Farish and Jake Stubblefield returned to Ballinger Tuesday at noon from South Texas, where they had been looking after cattle interests the past several weeks.

## ENGINEERS STRIKE CONTINUES IN ENGLAND

LONDON, May 15.—The settlement of the engineers strike which was predicted for today failed to materialize. Strikers are out and refuse to work in munitions plants despite the appeals of the government from them to show their loyalty to the nation and return to work.

### 186 AUTOS REGISTERED THIS YEAR

The auto register continues to grow at a speed of more than one per day, average. Since January first of the present year, 186 cars have been registered with the county clerk of this county, running the grand total to 1349. Only a little more than one month and the new law will go into effect and the cars will have to be registered with the state, but it is probable that this work will be handled through the county clerk with the state furnishing the number.

It is not known whether a man will have an opportunity of choosing a number, as some have done in the past, or whether he will have to take what is offered him. Within the next month it is probable that some publicity will be given and the people posted as to the requirements of the new law.

## WINTERS TEACHER SUCCEEDS PREACHER

Rev. R. B. Morgan, president of the Goodnight Baptist College, who has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Ballinger, will be succeeded at Goodnight by Prof. Odie Minatra, superintendent of the Winters schools during the term just closing.

Rev. Morgan is due to arrive in Ballinger by the first of June, and Mr. Minatra will close his year's work at Winters on the 18th of this month and will go to Goodnight to assume duties of the presidency of the Baptist college.

Mr. Minatra has taught one year only at Winters, but he has been successful with his work at that place, and reports from that city say the patrons of the school regret to give him up. Prof. Minatra is a product of the Baylor University, Texas' leading Baptist college, and has taught several schools since completing his work at Baylor.

# Germany is Hurling Strength Against the Western Front

## 90 LIVES LOST ON BRITISH SHIP

NEW YORK, May 15.—Passengers arriving here from Europe today report that ninety lives were lost in the torpedoing of the British liner *Abosso* off Fastnet.

### BOUGHT FARM ON VALLEY CREEK

J. A. Watkins of the Valley Creek country, near Norton, was in the city Tuesday to close up a deal in which he sells to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Manley 82 1-2 acres of finely improved land at \$35.00 per acre. Mr. Watkins will remain on the farm until January 1st 1918, when he and his family will move to a place near Winters that he bought a few months ago, and Mr. and Mrs. Manley will move to their new home.

### Weather Forecast

Tonight and Wednesday, fair and warmer.

## LATE GARDNERS CAN'T GET SEED TO PLANT

If you put off planting your garden up to this good hour, you will probably put off a while longer. There is a garden seed famine in Ballinger. Local dealers have sold out in many of the most common lines, such as radishes, okra, butter beans, etc. Early gardeners thrived this year, and those who planted early are now living out of their own garden, and will save no small amount on the grocery bill during the next few months.

There is also a demand for tomato plants with no supply. Since the rain many have begun to realize the necessity of producing something to eat at home. A local gardener is in receipt of a letter today stating that there is a shortage of sweet potato plants, and those who anticipate planting out a potato patch should busy themselves towards getting plants. Seed and plant houses are being swamped with orders, and everything points to heavy planting with short seed supply.

## DRAGS SMOOTHING DOWN ROUGH ROADS

Road drags are busy this week smoothing down the rough places on the public roads. The recent rain was the first to fall since several miles of new roads leading in to Ballinger were completed, and the rain made them pretty soft. As soon as the roads began to dry the commissioners called out their road drags and put them to work. The bad road problem in this country is solved with the adoption of the drag. Good grades can be kept in good shape by dragging after each rain, and only the low places will continue to be a draw back to easy traveling.

Each commissioner is eagerly waiting the arrival of new road machinery recently purchased. With the modern machinery in use roads will be built faster and made more permanent, and in time the bad roads complaint will be seldom heard.

## JUDGE CHARGES GRAND PETAIN IS NAMED GENERALISSIMO

(Brownwood Bulletin)  
A "hurry-up" charge was given the Brown county grand jury this afternoon by District Judge J. O. Woodward, upon convening of the May term of district court. The court called attention to the fact that grand juries cost money, and that everybody is busy now; "get busy and finish the work" was the final injunction of the court.

Judge Woodward gave his charge briefly, speaking without notes. He first called attention to the fact that the only way to try felony cases is through grand jury indictment, and urged the jury to take up first the cases which have been bound over by local peace officers. Forgery, theft, embezzlement and similar crimes are those most frequently recurring in this section, he said, with burglary one of the most common offenses.

"I can not account for this condition of affairs," said the court, "unless it be through an abuse of the suspended sentence law. This is a good law but it has been abused in every county in this district. Grand juries must wake up to this fact. It is ridiculous for a man to go steal his neighbor's cow, then come into court, plead insanity, and ask for a suspended sentence and go free. In cases of boys who are first offenders the suspended sentence is sometimes all right but it should not apply I think, to grown men."

His friends here today congratulated Judge Woodward upon the manner in which he presided over the trial of Harry Spanell in Coleman. They commended him warmly for the rulings Judge Woodward made in the case, which he said were calculated to eliminate the interference of public opinion in the trial of the case and to give both the state and the defendant a just trial under the law. "It was mighty hard to do sometimes, though," said the court.

Miss Juliett Miller returned home Tuesday morning from an extended visit to friends at Mayer, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellis left Tuesday morning for Brownwood to visit their son, W. L. Ellis, and family, a week or two.

PARIS, May 15.—General Petain was named today as Generalissimo of all the French armies in the field. General Foch, one of the heroes of the battle of the Marne, has been named to succeed General Petain as Chief of Staff.

## WARNS SOLDIERS AGAINST GERMANY

PETROGRAD, May 15.—A powerful appeal is being made to Russian soldiers not to be blinded to the fact that Germany is seeking the destruction of free Russia. The appeal calls for a revolution of workmen and peasants in Germany and Austria-Hungary. However, the appeal again voices the demands for the renunciation by the allies of any policy of a war for conquest. The appeal was issued by the workmen's and soldiers' council today.

## BALLINGER BOYS WAITING EXAMINATION

Relatives of the boys who signed up for training in the officers' reserve camp at Leon Springs are in receipt of letters from some of the boys. The letters fail to say whether any of the boys have been accepted or not, and state that they have only registered and are awaiting examination and before any man is accepted he must be capable of making good.

Reports from Leon Springs say that a cold rain has been falling there during the past few days, and the barracks have been supplied with stoves to keep the chilly shivering out. Ballinger has five boys at the camp, Judge J. H. Baugh, R. F. Sharp, LeRoy Nicholson, Ewing Taylor and Sidney Hale.

Hear Dr. Ada M. Gordon at First Christian church tonight, 8:15. 1tdpd

## Doctors and Undertakers Subject to Heavy Penalty

The new vital statistics law will become effective on June 19, and doctors, undertakers and cemetery sextons will be required to comply with the law or suffer heavy penalty. In some cases the failure to comply with the law is punishable by both fine and imprisonment and the fine is heavy. The old vital statistics law almost became a dead letter on the statutes on account of the failure of the law to carry penalty for violation, but those who violate the new law will be found in much trouble if they fail to comply with it.

Under the new law the attending physician is required to report all births to the county clerk, and the clerk is required under heavy penalty for failure to do so, to make his report to the State Registrar. Every undertaker must file certificate of death, and secure a burial permit from the county clerk.

The law forbids, with penalty of both fine and imprisonment,

the burying of the dead without a burial permit. The sexton or superintendent of cemeteries are forbidden to permit interment of a body unless a permit is filed with them, and they must keep a record of such permits and make reports to the clerk by sending the permits filed with the man in charge of cemetery. The law also forbids the removal of a body by shipping from one place to another without first securing from the county clerk a removal permit.

The state health department is responsible for this rigid law, and it is due to the failure of physicians to comply with the old law, and the health department has sent out a warning that the law will be enforced after it becomes effective on June 19th. It will be well for those who are affected by the new law to get a copy of it, and post themselves and be prepared to avoid trouble, because the violations will no doubt be a matter for coming grand juries to handle.

PARIS, May 15.—German forces this morning launched a violent attack against the French lines on a wide front near Bouvette, the war office announces. The Hindenburg attack followed a preliminary artillery bombardment.

LONDON, May 15.—Vicious German attacks against those portions of the Hindenburg line held by the British forces around Bellecourt, were repulsed last night, Field Marshal Haig reports.

LONDON, May 15.—Germany launched concerted counter attacks on both the French and British fronts today of such force as to suggest an almost general counter offensive movement. The attacks were stubborn and only partly repelled. Both the French and British were compelled to relinquish insignificant bits of grounds.

By Webb Miller  
WASHINGTON, May 15.—Members of the general army staff believe that Germany is planning one of the greatest offensives the Kaiser's forces have yet undertaken since the war started. The new offensive is to be hurled against the Western front with the strongest army that can possibly be assembled. Military men here say that all signs point to such a plan. Russia, they believe, is virtually eliminated from the great war as a military factor. Therefore Germany has completely switched her military plans.

New plans already are being carried into execution. The new plans call for thinning of Teuton lines on the Russian front and the massing of troops drawn from this front on the Franco-British-Belgian front. United States military men who hold this view include officers who have been official observers with the European armies. Germany, these men told United Press, serves more than one purpose in deciding not to carry out the offensive that was first planned against Russian lines, and that which included the drive on Petrograd.

With Russian and Teutonic soldiers fraternizing on the eastern front and the Russian internal situation becoming more and more chaotic, Germany in not driving against the Russian lines can better carry on her propaganda among her own soldiers and in Russia as well.

Berlin, May 15.—The German forces stormed and captured St. Berthe Farm, east fort of Malinazion near Monehy. This was announced in an official report today.

## A MISS IS AS GOOD AS A MILE

NEW YORK, May 15.—The official report of an attack made on the Baltic, the White Star liner, on April 19th, says that the torpedo fired by a German submarine missed the liner by bare ten feet. The torpedo was plainly visible.

Will Move to New Mexico.  
E. C. James, one of the valued citizens of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday and placed an order with the Ledger for fruit labels and will sell or ship his canned fruit to his new home in New Mexico. Mr. James recently sold his farm near Maverick to Marvin Grimes and will move soon with his family to New Mexico, between Clovis and Roswell.

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HELP FOR MOTHER.

There is a timely social service movement that has recently developed in one of the eastern states. A society of boys has given force to a propaganda that is worth while, and though there is no poetry in its purposes, there is so much that is practical and helpful that it should claim the instant attention of youth and their elders everywhere.

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What Has Gone Before.

William Montgomery Strong, a wealthy young clubman, falls in love with Beverly Clarke after rescuing her from kidnapers sent out by The Secret Seven, a band of blackmailers. Thomas Clarke, the girl's uncle, belonged to this band, but repented before his death and left his money to Beverly, whose father he had defrauded. The Secret Seven in trying to get hold of it has the girl seized and tortured, but Strong saves her, and then the powerful criminals ruin him financially. With part of the wealth left by old Thomas Clarke Beverly and her mother establish themselves in a palatial home. Dr. Zulph, arch conspirator of The Secret Seven, in trying to get hold of the Clarke fortune is particularly anxious about a paper containing a map of a mine in the Klondike, where he had known The Great Master, leader of the criminal organization. Jane Warren, a creature of Zulph's, makes up her mind to expose him. Bull Wh...



"GET THAT MAN'S FINGER PRINTS!"

ien, member of The Secret Seven, calls on Zulph to warn him, is trailed by Strong and arrested, but Detective Rodman Sears permits him to escape, even though it has been discovered that the first finger of his left hand is missing, a vital clue to the slayer of Chief of Detectives Ackerton.

CHAPTER XV. The Potion of Death. Beverly Clarke was in a state of the utmost distress. She had received an anonymous letter.

"You think a great deal of Mr. Strong," it read. "Do you know anything of his past life? Who were his parents? Ask him." An anonymous letter is worse than a serpent in the grass, because, while a serpent strikes only once, an unsigned letter stings continually.

Scourful at first of the insinuations in the missive, the girl finally became curious. Then she showed it to her mother. Mrs. Clarke said only one thing was to be done—that the letter should be shown to William without comment.

During this time Strong was "shadowing" Whalen. The Secret Seven member went straight to Zulph's headquarters.

"Some one on the inside is working against us," he said to the arch conspirator. "What do you think? This guy Strong arrests me. What's he doing trailing us?" Zulph, enraged and frightened, did not reply at first. Finally he exclaimed:

"I think I know the man. You be on the lookout. I'll attend to the traitor in our camp!"

Strong, having located Zulph's headquarters, made a report to Detective Sears, who temporarily relieved him from duty, and he went to see Beverly.

"William," she said, "I always believe in absolute truth. I am going to tell you what has happened. An anonymous letter has been sent to me advising that I ask you about your past life and your parentage."

"Do you not accept me for what I am?" he asked.

"I do," she cried. "I do not doubt you. I never have doubted you."

"My own darling," said Strong, "the questions in that letter stab me to the heart, for I know nothing of my parentage. But I am going to do the honorable thing. I will not ask you to marry me until every detail of my early life has been cleared up."

"Not that," Beverly began.

"There, there," interrupted Strong. "I have nothing to fear. Let us say nothing more of the subject." And he knew him well enough to obey his suggestion. At that moment Detective Sears appeared.

"Ah!" he exclaimed when he saw Strong. "I thought I would find you here. I have something that will interest you." And he handed him a letter from The Great Master, which stated that the leader of The Secret Seven could clear up the mystery of Strong's identity.

"We will beard the lion in his den,"

cried Strong. "Let's go see him at once." Just before he and Sears reached The Great Master's home Zulph's girl secretary left the leader of The Secret Seven. Zulph trusted her implicitly and did not suspect that she was Miss Sampson, a spy in the employ of The Great Master.

The purpose of her visit was to tell her employer that Zulph had called a meeting of three members of The Secret Seven for that evening to discuss plans for assassinating The Great Master.

"He believes you are plotting against him," she explained. The Great Master gave her a dictaphone, with instructions to hide it in Zulph's desk and take down in shorthand everything said at the meeting.

Then Strong and Sears appeared. Strong observed that something akin to friendship seemed to exist between Sears and the leader of The Secret Seven, and for the first time he began to doubt the sincerity of the great detective. He became even more perplexed when The Great Master said:

"Mr. Strong, you probably suspect me of having plotted against the lives of you and Miss Clarke. As to that, you must talk to Mr. Sears. But I can tell you this: I can help you in many ways in your efforts to learn something regarding your parents, and I will gladly do so at the proper time. We have more important matters to deal with now. Mr. Sears knows that Dr. Zulph is planning to kill me, just as he has actually killed one man and has planned to do away with you."

"I have just received a message that Zulph and others of his band have de-

creed that I must die. Their plan is to murder me at the first opportunity. One powerful move for outwitting them presents itself.

"Zulph must be led to believe I am dead. I have here two drugs. One produces a trance-like sleep that lasts forty-eight hours. If the sleep extends beyond that period death ensues. The other drug, if administered at the expiration of forty-eight hours, awakens the sleeper. I am going to take this sleeping potion. I want you to announce I am dead. Zulph will believe I am out of the way. But in forty-eight hours you must go to my burial place and give me the restorative. Needless to say if you are late my death will result."

"This is madness, or else it is worse," cried Strong. "Sears, this individual who is styled The Great Master has the effrontery to tell us of a plan by him to thwart Zulph, his chief aid in conspiracy and crime. Why don't you arrest him? Why risk further trickery on his part?"

"You are too impetuous," said Sears. "Impetuous?" Strong replied. "Do you not realize that this man has been responsible for the kidnaping of Beverly Clarke, for the monstrous plots to steal her fortune; that he and his band have decreed my death? And now here we are, with him at our mercy, and yet he would have us discuss a ridiculous suggestion that he take a potion. It is merely another plan on his part to elude us. I insist that we arrest him at once. The Great Master gazed at Strong and smiled quietly, confidently.

"My dear Mr. Strong," he said. "Do you not realize that I am acting in the interests of justice, that I am trying to trap Zulph?"

"I fail to see it," snapped Strong. "What are your views, Carson?"

"My views," replied the detective, "are that what this man says is true. I believe we should permit him to take the potion."

"Have it your own way then," said Strong. "You are an experienced detective. The entire matter is in your own hands."

The Great Master uncorked one of the phials which he had displayed. "Goodby," he said. "I am going to take a trip to the great unknown. And he drained the contents of the phial. Soon he lost consciousness. Then his features, paling gradually, took on an ashen hue.

"He's dead, Sears!" Strong cried. "The man is dead. He has outwitted us. He committed suicide when he realized he was within our grasp. Now what will we do?"

"Call a physician," was the answer. "Call a physician and let him pronounce The Great Master dead."

"Very well, I'll telephone my own doctor."

"No, you won't," said Sears. "We will call Dr. Zulph."

"What?" Strong shouted in his excitement. "Call Zulph? Sears, you are mad! I am going to call the coroner. We have a dead criminal on our hands and we are accessories before the fact to his death."

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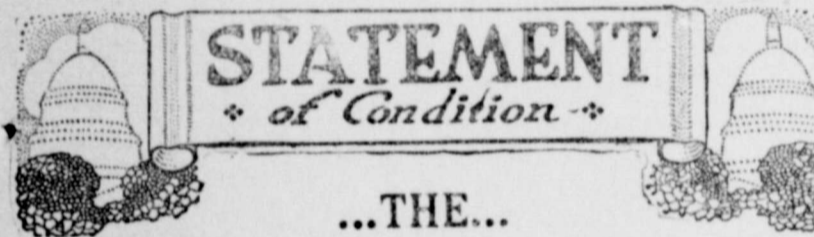
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Col. A. L. Bentley, of Abilene, who had been in our city and county the past several days on agricultural work, left Monday afternoon for Talpa and Coleman, where he will talk to the citizens for a few days.



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In the whole field of medicine there is not a healing remedy that will repair damage to the flesh more quickly than Ballard's Snow Liniment. In cuts, wounds, sprain, burns, scalds and rheumatism, its healing and penetrating power is extraordinary. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

**BALLINGER LOSES GOOD FAMILY**

In the removal of A. B. Legate from Ballinger to Wingate this city loses a good family. Mr. and Mrs. Legate have been citizens of this city for quite a number of years, and their friends here will regret to know that they are moving away, even though they are not going out of the county. Mr. Legate will continue in the rural mail service on a route of Wingate. He will be succeeded on Route A out of Ballinger by Ross Smith.

Dizziness, vertigo, (blind staggers) sallow complexion, flatulence are symptoms of a torpid liver. No one can feel well while the liver is inactive. Herbine is a powerful liver stimulant. A dose or two will cause all bilious symptoms to disappear. Try it. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

**LABORERS STRIKE AT SWEETWATER YESTERDAY**

Twenty-five laborers employed on the new court house went on a strike at noon today for higher wages.

The laborers now receive \$2.00 per day and ask for \$3.00. The company refused to grant the raise. Everything has been orderly since the men quit their jobs.

The foreman has given out no statement as to what the company will do in securing men to take the places of those who struck.—Sweetwater Reporter.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomiting. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic, pains and diarrhoea. McGee's Baby Elixir is a grand corrective remedy of babies. It is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

R. T. Williams left Monday afternoon for Comanche on a short business trip.

Hear Dr. Ada M. Gordon at First Christian church tonight, 8:15. Ttdpd

**A Flood of Cash Drawer Suggestions**

There will be a veritable flood of new suggestions in advertising and selling methods—a world of workable, worth while ideas—the kind that ring the cash register—at the great

**13th Annual Convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World at St. Louis, June 3 to 7**

—for this great gathering of 5,000 or 6,000 people who sell things will be a school, Mr. Business Man, for YOU. No bone dry theories, no indefinite assertions, but living facts. It is to be a school of applied ideas and it will have real money value to you, whether you invest \$200 or \$200,000 in advertising and selling campaigns. Bring problems—take home answers! Remember the slogan: "Advertising lowers cost of distribution."

Make your plans NOW to go! You don't have to belong to an advertising club to attend. For further information and literature address: Associated Advertising clubs, Indianapolis, or ask

**Ballinger Ad Club**  
A. R. Crews, Secy.



**ADVERTISING LOWERS COST OF DISTRIBUTION**

**GREAT DRAMATIC ARTIST THURSDAY**

Equalling the screen debuts of Sarah Bernhardt, Nat C. Goodwin, Edna May, Ethel Barrymore, or John Barrymore, is the announcement that E. H. Sothern is to be seen in a motion picture play. Few men have risen to the pinnacle of histrionic power as has Mr. Sothern. "Sothern & Marlowe" in the dramatic world means much more than "Mary Pickford or Charlie Chaplin" ever meant in the film world.

When J. Stuart Blackton, of the Greater Vitagraph Co., secured Miss Edna May's signature to a contract, the wise-heads began to murmur. And when the crowning achievement—that of signing E. H. Sothern—was accomplished, telegrams began to pour in for bookings on the feature plays to be enacted by the star.

"The Chattel," to be shown at the Queen Theatre Thursday night of this week, may be your only opportunity to see Mr. Sothern, and you should take advantage of the opportunity of a lifetime. Peggy Hyland, the charming little star of many Vitagraph features, is to be seen in support of Mr. Sothern. Charles Kent, who appeared in "The Enemy," is also in the cast with Sothern.

Frederick Thompson, who produced "The Christian," "The Eternal City," and "Poor Little Peppina," directed "The Chattel," a story by Paul West.

Tonight the Queen is offering the Thomas A. Edison photoplay, "A Message to Garcia," founded on Elbert Hubbard's essay of the same nomenclature. Mable Trunnelle and Robert Connors have the important roles.

**Proper Food for Weak Stomachs.**

The proper food for one man may be all wrong for another. Every one should adopt a diet suited to his age and occupation. Those who have weak stomachs need to be especially careful and should eat slowly and masticate their food thoroughly. It is also important that they keep their bowels regular. When they become constipated or when they feel dull and stupid after eating, they should take Chamberlain's Tablets to strengthen the stomach and move the bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

F. M. Woods of the Mud creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and says the recent rains at his place were hardly enough to put crops and the land in good shape.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Massey,

of Concho were shopping and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

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

**RED LETTER BIBLE COUPON BIG PRINT**  
ILLUSTRATED EDITION  
Distributed by the  
**DAILY LEDGER**

Clip three of these coupons bearing consecutive dates and present them together with our advertised price of \$1.59 at our office and receive your Copy of the BIG PRINT RED LETTER BIBLE.

**3 Coupons and \$1.59 Secures It**

**Description** Specially bound in genuine Lump Leather, overlapping Covers, red edges, round corners, gold lettered back, numerous beautiful colored plates, maps and biblical scenes, family record and many useful helps. **EVERY WORD JESUS SPOKE PRINTED IN RED.**

**MAIL ORDERS** Add for Postage:  
Up to 100 miles . . . . . 07  
Up to 200 miles . . . . . 10  
Up to 400 miles . . . . . 15  
Up to 1000 miles . . . . . 20  
For greater distances ask postmaster rate for 3 lbs.

**WILL BE FILLED**

**One-Half to Three-Fourths** of your troubles are ended when you submit your **Grocery Troubles to** **L. B. S' cubbs**

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 us, we'll do the rest. Better still, come to town visit our store.

**L. B. S' cubbs**

**For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing---Phone 97**



**Auto Delivery**

# 15 Days of Money Saving

Values In New Merchandise for Cash Buyers.

Cold weather makes it necessary to unload all our Spring stock.

**Silks**  
 36 inch Taffeta, all color, \$1.75 values - \$1.00  
 36 inch Jap, all colors \$1 val. 65c  
 Shirting and waisting, colors, values up to 75c at - - - - 35c  
 Silk stripe voile, colors, 40c val. 25c  
 Crepe de chine, colors, \$1 val. - 60c  
 Silk stripe crepe, colors, 25c val. 15c

All Prints, full assortment - - - - 5c  
 10c lawn - - - - 5c  
 40 inch white lawn, 15c values - - 7 1-2c  
 Cord Pique, 25c val. 15c  
 Limit 10 yards.

All Pearl Buttons go at Half Price.

**Boys Suits and Pants**  
 Big saving on suits from 50c to \$5.00

**Men's Sample Suits**  
 All new styles and sizes, Palm Beach sale price - - - - \$6.50  
 All new Kool cloth and serge, values up to \$12.00 - - - - \$7.50  
 Full line pants, \$1.00 to - - \$6.00

## Clean Up Shoes and Slippers

Mostly white and colored, all sizes, ladies' and children's, buck canvas, values up to \$5.00 choice

**\$1.00**

## Half Price to Clean Up All New Spring Styles

Skirts \$1.50 to - - - - \$18.00  
 Dresses \$1.00 to - - - - \$25.00  
 Sport Suits \$10.00 to - - - \$30.00  
 Spring Coat Suits \$7.50 to - \$40.00  
**Slaughtered at 1/2 Price**

20c Lawns - - - - 10c  
 35c Dimity - - - - 20c  
 35c sport style Poplin 25c  
 75c and \$1 Voile dress goods - - - - 50c  
 Full stock white goods. Great Values.

All lace and embroidery at Half Price.

## Ladies' Union Suits

40c grade - - - - 25c  
 75c grade - - - - 50c  
 \$1.50 grade - - - - 75c

\$2.00 silk Blouses, sale price \$1.25  
 \$1.50 Voile Blouses, sale price \$1.00  
 \$1.00 Voile Blouses, 1916 styles 25c  
 75c Middies - - - - 45c  
 \$1.50 Middies - - - - 95c

Complete stock at great reductions. See our values in Shirts, Underwear, Shoes and Hats. Sale price means from one-third to one-half saving. No charge tickets at these prices.

Hutchins Avenue **D. REEDER** Eighth Street

## YOUNG MEN LEAD IN WINTERS CLASS

The commencement exercises for the Winters High school will be held the last of this week, the school closing a very successful term Friday, according to reports received from Winters by The Ledger.

Prof. Minatra, who has had charge of the work is busy arranging for the commencement, and completing his work here preparatory to going to Goodnight, where he will accept the presidency of the Baptist college at that place. Prof. A. W. Cherry and Miss Flossie McDowell have been Mr. Minatra's faithful assistants in the high school work.

The school has the distinction of turning out more young men graduates this year than girls, there being eight young men and only five young ladies in the graduating class this year, as follows: Paul Williams, William Skaggs, Jarrette Pace, Ralph Lloyd, Johnnie Horton, Howard Bryan, Lloyd Cook, and Cleva O'Quinn; Misses Rena Reid, Lucile Jones, Patsy Slaten, Ina Lou Zachary, and Peg Bartlett.

## CASTORIA

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

MARTINEC-DORECK.

Leo Martinee and Miss Anna Doreck, of the Olin-Rowena country, motored over to Ballinger Tuesday and Rev. Father Gorbach, the priest, spoke the solemn vows that made them man and wife.

The Ledger joins friends in best wishes for a happy and prosperous married life for the happy young couple.

## CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 CENTS. Sold by DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

## FIRE BOYS APPRECIATE HELP

The fire boys request that we state that they appreciate the help given them in the way of liberal contributions in making up the fund used in paying the expenses of the trip to San Angelo to attend the state firemen's convention. They wish to thank all those who contributed to the fund.

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. Doctors prescribed local 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.

## Notice

C. W. Towler & Co. will run their corn mill from the 16th to the 22nd of May, 15-1d-1w C. W. TOWLER.

## Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking the many kind friends for their assistance in waiting on and sitting up with our loved one during his long illness and death. Our hearts go out in gratitude for your sympathy and kind words and associations in this trying hour. May the good Lord bless you and your loved ones in our prayer.

MRS. H. JARVIS JONES and Children. 1tdw

## NOTARY PUBLICS CALLED TO QUALIFY

County Clerk McCarver is busy sending out notices to all those who have been appointed notary publics, calling them to qualify. The legislature appointed seventy-eight notaries from Runnels county. Of this number forty-three are in Ballinger, fourteen in Winters, and the remainder distributed at other points in the county. The complete list is as follows:

Baker, Sam, Ballinger; Baker, Franc, Ballinger; Barron, James, Wingate; Baugh, J. H., Ballinger; Bigler, H. W., Miles; Blumen-tritt, F., Miles; Brazelton, John C., Ballinger; Bright, Jas. W., To-keen; Boyce, J. Ward, Wingate; Case, W. Z., Wingate; Crosson, T. T., Ballinger; Chastain, J. L., Ballinger; Cobb, J. C., Wilmett; Cogdell, J. P., Winters; Doose, C. A., Ballinger; Doose, Wm. Jr., Ballinger; Doss, A. K., Ballinger; Diggs, D. B., Winters; Erwin, R. G., Ballinger; Freeman, N. K., Rowena; Franklin, W. E., Winters; Gardner, T. J., Ballinger; George, R. E., Ballinger; Gies-cke, H., Ballinger; Graves, Geo. S., Miles; Green, C. L., Winters; Guion, John L., Ballinger; Griggs, R. S., Ballinger; Guin, C. S., Ballinger; Garner, W. T., Norton; Harrell, J. O., Winters; Harris, S. C., Ballinger; Hillyard, D. M., Winters; Holliday, Jas. F., Winters; Hopkinson, Jno., Ballinger; Hawkins, Dallas E., Winters; Howell, B. F., Winters; Hes, John, Winters; Jennings, W. D., Miles; Josey, H. M., Ballinger; Johnson, J. E., Winters; Kirby, T. S., Miles; Luckett, A. P., Miles; Lynn, Harry, Ballinger; Maddox, R. L., Ballinger; McCaughan, T. J., Norton; McDonald, Guy T., Winters; McFarland, W. J., Winters; Miller, Q. V., Ballinger; Northington, C. W., Ballinger; Orbeck, C. A., Ballinger; Parker, Walter, Ballinger; Patterson, J. Whit, Ballinger; Patterson, Tom, Winters; Petty, H. E., Maverick; Powell, J. W., Ballinger; Pearce, Frank, Ballinger; Rainwater, J. W., Crews; Roark, I. N., Ballinger; Sehleyer, W. H., Ballinger; Schuhmann, W. A., Rowena; Shepherd, C. P., Ballinger; Shep-herd, E., Ballinger; Shepperd, E. A., Winters; Simpson, Elmer, Ballinger; Straach, Ewald, Bal-linger; Trimmer, Paul, Ballinger; Truly, R. B., Ballinger; Todd, Dr. L. L., Winters; Thorp, A. J., Ballinger; Tucker, J. Harold, Bal-linger; Todd, T. L., Ballinger; Van Doren, Anne, Ballinger; Wil-lingham, C. H., Ballinger; Wells, J. N., Ballinger; Underwood, L. C., Ballinger.

**Keep Your Animals Free from Flies**  
 Cows give less milk, horses do less work when tortured by flies. Keep your stock free from these disease breeding pests by spraying them with  
**Conkey's Fly Knocker**  
 Gives animals immediate relief and saves you money and trouble. Does not taint milk. Inoffensive to animals.  
**Try It 15 Days Money Back If It Fails**  
 to please you. Get a can now - Quart, 35c; Gal., \$1.00; 5 Gal., \$4.00

E. A. Jeanes & Co.

## MOVING TO TRULY HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller and daughters moved Tuesday to the Truly House, where they have secured rooms until their new home is completed on their old home site. D. C. Claypool has the contract to build the residence for Mr. Miller and began Tuesday with a force of hands to take down the old building and will rush the new house to an early completion.

The Truly House is undergoing some \$300 or \$400 worth of improvements in the way of painting and repapering by H. A. Neas. Jess McDonald, the carpenter and contractor, is also doing some remodeling and otherwise improving this splendid home, inside and out.

Pure Mebane Triumph cotton seed for sale by Jeanes Produce Co. 6-d&w-tf

## FREE FROM PAIN

And No Longer Nervous, Since Taking Cardui, Says Georgia Lady.

Trenton, Ga.—Mrs. Ellie Gifford, of this place, writes: "I have always suffered, but was worse after marriage. I would have... pains and misery in my stomach and hips. I would have a bad sick headache every time, which would generally last two days. I had always heard what a good medicine Cardui was, so I thought I would try it. I used two bottles and it helped me.

Fifteen months later I began to be nervous and was worse at my... But at these times I did not have any pain and do not now suffer any pain. But I was very nervous, so nervous that my hands would shake. Any noise would make me jump. So I took two more bottles of Cardui. I have never been nervous since... and do not have any pain. I think this is all due to Cardui and Black-Draught."

Cardui, the woman's tonic, is composed only of pure, vegetable ingredients, which have been recognized for many years by standard medical books as of medicinal value, in the treatment of many diseases peculiar to women. Try Cardui. NC-128

Mayor E. F. Krebs left Monday afternoon for San Angelo, where he goes to serve at this term of the federal grand jury.

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.

Hear Dr. Adm M. Gordon at First Christian church tonight, 8:15.

**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, 9-12td 2tw Proprietors.

Constable Ben F. Allen left Monday afternoon for Austin to accompany J. J. Richards to the asylum.

## CIVIC LEAGUE MEETS WEDNESDAY.

The regular meeting of the Civic League will be held at the library Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. Mrs. Scott H. Mack request that all the members be present and all the ladies who are interested in a cleaner city are most cordially invited to attend the meeting and help in the work. The meeting will be called to order promptly at four o'clock.

## 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. 12-3td

## FEDERAL COURT CONVENES IN ANGELO

San Angelo, May 15.—Federal court convened here at 11 o'clock this morning. Judge George W. Jack, of Shreveport, La., is serving in the place of Judge Meek, who is sick at his home. There are only five indictments on which arrests have been made and only four civil cases, the docket being a very light one.

**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.

**Magic Motor Gas**  
 King of Motor Power  
 Neutralizes carbon deposits, increases your mileage gives you increased horse power. :: :: :: ::  
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 See—  
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**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**

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

**Queen Tonight**  
 PICTURE PROGRAM  
 Thomas A. Edison announce Mabel Trummelle and Robert Carnes in—  
**A MESSAGE TO GARCIA**  
 A dramatic story based on the famous essay by Elbert Hubbard. In 5 parts.  
 Tomorrow, "The Great Secret"; "The Mutual Weekly"; "The Answer"; "A Cub Comedy "Nearly a Hero."  
**Children 10c Adults 15c**