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FERGUSON GIVES HISTORY LIFE; PLEADS IGNORANCE

AUSTIN, Tex. Sept. 17.—The Senate convened at ten o'clock this morning with Governor Ferguson taking the stand in his own behalf against the impeachment charges. Mr. Ferguson began his testimony by giving a history of his early life, showing how he worked his way from the bottom, and how he had always acted honestly with his fellow-man.

In direct testimony in answering the charge with reference to the \$5,600 item, Mr. Ferguson reiterated his testimony given in the house, and repeated upon oath that he had no knowledge of the \$5,600 being paid out of the account of "James Ferguson, governor," in the Temple State bank, to meet his personal note. Mr. Ferguson denied that his personal note was taken up with a check drawn on this account by his consent or knowledge.

MURDERED MAN BURIED AT GOLDBUSK.

The remains of A. D. Drake, who died here Saturday morning were carried to the home of the deceased at Goldbusk and the funeral was held at Goldbusk Sunday. Drake was brought to Ballinger from Coleman Thursday at noon and placed in the Halley & Love Sanitarium for medical treatment. He was shot by C. A. Jernigan on the streets of Coleman Thursday morning. Jernigan used a double barrel shot gun loaded with buck shot. This was the second time Jernigan had shot Drake, an attempt being made to kill the man last February. Family trouble was the cause leading up to the killing.

SAYS CREWS ROAD A GOOD HIGHWAY.

Capt. A. D. Tally was in the city from Crews Saturday. He says the road on the Ballinger end of the line coming from Crews is good, Commissioner Kirk having recently graded the road with his new machinery, and it is being kept smoothed down with road drags after each rain. The north end of the road is in Commissioner Meadows' precinct, and it is expected that Mr. Meadows will see that his road is as good as Kirks, if not better.

FAREWELL PROGRAM READY FOR RALLY

The citizens of Ballinger and Runnels county will meet on the court house lawn in Ballinger Tuesday evening, tomorrow) at 7 o'clock, where a program arranged in honor of the men leaving for the army will be carried out and a couple of hours spent in a farwell social meeting.

The program will be a short, but interesting one. The Red Cross will be in charge of a refreshment stand, where cream, cold drinks, etc., will be served, the proceeds from the sale of the refreshments to go to the Red Cross fund. You should come prepared to "set 'em up" to the boys who on the following day will say goodbye and leave for the training camp. The opportunity will be afforded you to help make the occasion a pleasant one for the soldiers and one long to be remembered.

Eighty-five men will leave Ballinger on the 3:55 Wednesday afternoon, and all business houses in the city will close at three-thirty and remain closed until four o'clock.

For the social entertainment to be given tomorrow night, J. McGregor has been selected to act as chairman or master of ceremonies, and the following program has been announced by the committee.

- Music—By Orchestra.
- Invocation—Rev. J. B. Curry.
- Song—"America."
- Address—Judge A. K. Doss.
- Solo—Miss Ethelyn Morgan.
- Address—Rev. R. B. Morgan.
- Quartette.
- Solo—Miss Miller.
- Music—Orchestra.

PASSUR GROWS AGAIN.

N. Passur, in carrying out his slogan of "Watch Me Grow", is installing this week a new and thoroughly up to date soda fountain. It is one of the largest and nicest fountains in Ballinger, and is already in operation.

Mrs. Henton and daughter of Valera were in Ballinger Saturday

Fifty Men Called for Examination Friday

The following named persons are hereby notified that pursuant to the Act of Congress approved May 18, 1917, they are called for military service of the United States by this local board.

The serial number and order number of each of such persons is shown below. They will report at the office of this board for physical examination on the 21 day of September, 1917, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Any claim for exemption or discharge must be made on forms which may be procured or the form of which may be copied at the office of the local board, and must be filed at the office of this board on or before the Seventh day after the date of posting this notice.

Your attention is called to the penalties for violations or evasion of the selective service law approved May 18, 1917, and of the rules and regulations which may be consulted at this office:

- 1604 Henry Wilson, Miles.
- 1571, Luther Watson, Ballinger.
- 780, Horace Ellis Judkins, Wintgers.
- 1183, Henry H. Ripple, Rowena.
- 267, Clarence Ernest Coats, Goldsboro, Route 1.
- 1550, Jesse Wilkins, Ballinger.
- 567, Phillips Harvey Gates, Wintgers.
- 1218, John Wm. Richards, Wintgers, Route 1.
- 421, John Houston Eagleston, Norton.
- 940, Clarence Odie Minatra, Wintgers.
- 1232, James Ellis Ray, Wintgers.
- 1254 Willie Yate Rogers, Miles.
- 169, Phillip Walter Brian, Wintgers.
- 1477, Richardson Thomasson, Miles.
- 396, William Duffy Dryden, Wintgers.

- 1633, Henry William Toney, Wintgers.
- 989, Emil E. Muska, Rowena.
- 1304, Frank Lucas Seals, Wintgers.
- 1107, Henry Psenick, Ballinger.
- 1270 Ben Sewertner, Ballinger.
- 862, Chester Lee London, Wintgers.
- 1406, Willie Franklin Shapp, Miles.
- 257, Roy L. Clayton, Talpa.
- 1109, Adolph Pospichal, Rowena.
- 155, William Robert Byers, Ballinger.
- 284 Arthur Earl Clark, Wintgers, Route 3.
- 133, Arthur Ballew, Wintgers.
- 807, Carl Emerson King, Ballinger.
- 867, Robert Fulton Lane, Ballinger.
- 436, John Gilbert Elms, Crews.
- 930, Wesley William Miles, Wintgers.
- 265 Thomas Homer Curry, Goldsboro, Route 1.
- 285 Lewis Henry Clark, Wintgers, Route 1.
- 1313 George Sledge, negro, Ballinger.
- 1602 Carl Baylor Ealdron, Miles.
- 1119 Thomas Larkin Payne, Ballinger.
- 1051 John Ira Neighbors, Norton.
- 560 Samuel Emmett Golden, Ballinger.
- 303 David Montressa Crockett, Ballinger.
- 563 Henry Ottie Green, Wintgers.
- 211 Frederick Owen Brown, Miles.
- 1163 Henry Parks, Wintgers.
- 146 Sam M. Bowman, Maverick.
- 843 George Walter Lowrie, Wintgers.
- 1050 Garland Younger Nunn, Ballinger, Route B.
- 1376 George Speer, Wintgers.
- 1379 Henry Leonard Sanders, Wintgers.

NAVY PLANES SCORE HIT FROM AIR

LONDON, Sept. 17.—British navy planes attacked German vessels between Ostend and Blankenbergh this morning. The navy air planes dropped many bombs and scored good hits against a large German destroyer and several trawlers in the air raid.

SIX KILLED IN FREIGHT COLLISION

AURORA, Ill., Sept. 17.—Six men were killed and six seriously injured at Barville, early this morning when two east-bound stock trains crashed in a rear end collision on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad.

SOLDIER BOYS GET FREE BATHING AT CITY SHOP

H. O. Rhodes, proprietor of the City Barber Shop has thrown his bath rooms open to the boys who are here training for the army and invited them to come and use his bathing outfit free of cost during their stay in Ballinger. Some of the boys are taking advantage of the City Shop's hospitality, and say they appreciate the kindness.

23,000 SHIP BUILDERS WALK OUT

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17.—24,000 iron workers walked out here this morning. The walk out began at nine o'clock, the hour set by the officials for the strike to begin. The men consist of the iron workers employed in the ship yards here and at Bay cities on the Pacific coast.

KIND WORDS FROM OUR SOLDIER BOYS

The good people of Ballinger possibly will never know how much the soldier boys appreciate the kindness they have received at the hands of Ballinger citizens. We feel grateful to all who have contributed to our welfare while here training, but especially do we feel grateful to Capt. Cohen for what he has done for us. He has taken a great interest in training the boys and we feel that the work we got and are still getting is well worth the time.

Wherever we go or whatever we may be called upon to do, we cannot forget those behind. There will always be in our hearts a true incantating feeling for Ballinger and Runnels county that we entertain for no other part of the earth. We hope and pray that after the smoke of battle has cleared away and the flags of democracy has replaced those kaiserism that we shall return to those whom we love and who love us. Runnels County Soldier Boys.

SOLDIER BOYS COME HERE AT FOUR P. M. TOMORROW

PUBLIC MUST HELP IN TROOP MOVEMENT

To the Editor:

At the instance of W. B. Scott, Chairman Southern Department American Railway Association Special Committee on National Defense, I am giving you the following authorized statement:

"The movement of approximately twenty thousand members of the Texas and Oklahoma contingent of the National or draft army, representing 40 per cent of the first draft, to Camp Travis, will strain the resources of every railway in the Southern Department and make serious demands upon their available equipment, that the movement be successfully carried out in all its perplexing details.

"The fact that all lines in the department be called on for special movement during the week of Sept. 19th to 23rd will demand every car possible and in order to supply these cars will be interchanged by the roads wherever needed irrespective of direction or carrier involved.

"To supply the equipment it is almost certain that it will be necessary to take cars from the main line and branch line trains running on regular schedules during the week in question, and it is also possible that some trains may be taken off their regular runs for a day or two. This will mean some inconvenience to passengers all over the two states, but the road management feels that they will receive proper aid from patrons who will realize that the war situation must be met, and duty to the government and people particularly supported by everybody.

"Another feature of the movement that should be considered by everybody at interest, is the enormous task of feeding the new soldiers along the prescribed routes. As an illustration of this may be mentioned the fact that on Sept. 19th Valley Junction will be compelled to furnish lunch and Austin dinner for 519 troops. On the day following both of these places will be called upon to feed 3500 men, furnishing the same meals—lunch at Valley Junction and dinner at Austin. Other points will also be called on to furnish meals and will be given due notice.

"This work will require the generous assistance of public organizations and public spirited citizens. There will be no demand for free meals, but preparations will have to be made in advance, that the movement may be successful and the new troops enabled to arrive at the army post at Camp Travis in good condition.

"The situation calls for patriotic co-operation and the railroad managements are satisfied that the public and the press will give the cooperation in the same spirit that all emergencies are met in which the interest of the people, and the government are concerned.

"At the same time the movement is being made in the Southern Department over 20,000 new soldiers will move from New Mexico and Arizona to Fort Riley, Kansas, and many cars will be used in this which can not be included in the southbound movement to Camp Travis."

F. S. COLEMAN...

RED CROSS OPENS SEWING CLASS.

All interested in sewing for the Red Cross, are requested to meet at the library Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, to formulate plans for carrying on the work in this department. The knitting classes will meet as usual at three thirty, at the library.

The local exemption board has mailed out little pink cards to 85 men, calling them to the colors. 68 of the men will entrain here at three-fifty-five Wednesday afternoon. The notices call for the men to report to the local exemption board not later than four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, twenty-four hours before time for entraining. They will be kept here at the expense of the government. Following are the names of those selected to make up the second call in filling the draft:

- Ruper Conrad Oliver.
- Ivy Benson Jones
- William Burford Guy
- Miles Glaze
- Hans Gottschalk
- Enoch Johnson
- Ulysess Pendleton Davis.
- Gottlieb C. Fr. Heckler
- Millard Luther Wilkerson
- Archie Franklin Adams
- Henry Emler
- Scott H. Guin
- Jesse Elbert Smith
- Ellis Herman Edwards
- Joe Ben Hoelscher
- Ernest Marks
- Oscar Lee Smith
- John Francis Archer
- Creed G. Pierce
- Claud Thompson
- David Leroy Petty
- Odie Bethel Mills
- Henry Mazur
- Walter Lange
- Arthur Gustafson
- Gifford Campbell
- Chas. Albert Smith
- Edd Machn
- George Lester Ash
- John Weather Scoggin
- Sam Houston Holland
- Arthur N. Hoffman
- George Nelson White
- Paul Samuel Graham
- Robert Henry Wood
- J. D. Hamilton
- Robert Lee Sims
- Albert Palmer
- Isaac Massey Vaughn
- Jas. Alvin Huffhines
- Alfons Kriegel
- Horace Edw. Hoshouser
- Gray Hilliard McKown
- Frank Henry Hoelscher
- Roy E. Tyree
- Sam Furman Farmer
- Chas. Madison Sisson
- Paschal Rand. Dietz
- Willie Edgar Boswell
- Willis Clifton Davis.
- Hy. Rudolf Wiesepape
- Chas Eugene Conlee
- Henry William Prinzing
- Sherman Case Rogers
- J. H. Lindle
- Jos. Monroe Tedder
- Max Charles Keifer
- Joel B. Foster
- Adolph Rosenbaum
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Mrs. J. A. Witcheer of Lampasas is visiting Mrs. W. F. Street of this city for a few days.

Rev. R. B. Morgan spent Sunday in Brownwood.

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A. P. Penny of Brownwood passed through Ballinger Sunday, returning home from points north.

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Mrs. Walter Cordill returned Sunday from Winters, where she had been visiting.

Miss Mary Ryan of Leaday was in Ballinger a short while Sunday.

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The Girl Who Was A Soldier Boy

HOW I WENT "OVER THERE" WITH PERSHING'S DIVISION By HAZEL CARTER

Mrs. Hazel Carter of Douglas, Ariz., is a young woman, twenty-two, whose young husband, Corporal John J. Carter of the United States army, was ordered to France with the Pershing expedition.

Determined to accompany him, she obtained a soldier's uniform and fell in as a private on his departure. She was five days at sea on the transport before discovered through a chance. After the arrival of the famous division in France she was returned home against her wishes.

It is a story of romance, dramatic in its qualities, full of the soldier color and still is of real news value, since Mrs. Carter is the first to relate the details of that voyage and safe arrival first-hand—one that made history.

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CHAPTER I

I Decide to Go to France.

IT'S a long way from Douglas, Ariz., to "some port in France," but I made the trip rigged up as a dough boy, and I would go farther than that to be near my husband. However, the "old man," as every commanding officer is called in the army, sent me back on the same transport after I had spent five days in port within sight of my husband, but out of reach, and five nights walking the floor and without sleep.

I am going back again and pay my own way and get behind the lines and take care of the boys I know so well when they are hit. The income from these stories is going to help pay my fare, and then I won't have to fool the officers, as I did, with the regulation salute and "heels on the same line and as near to each other as the conformation of a man permits, knees straight without stiffness, body erect, from the hips inclining slightly forward; shoulders squared and falling equally, arms and hands hanging naturally, back of hands outward, little finger opposite seam of trousers, head erect, chin slightly drawn in without constraint, eyes looking straight in front, catching about fifteen paces forward. That is the position of a soldier." . . . I fooled them all right.

I think the authorities were mean not to permit me to land in France. As long as I was there, it seems to me, they might have stretched a point and allowed me to have had a look at the war. But they were firm. They said letting me by might set an example for other girls to follow and the first thing they knew Uncle Sam would have a troop of lady soldiers on his hands.

At that, I cannot see why I shouldn't be a soldier—and a good one too. My grandfather fought in the civil war. My father was a regular in the Seventh cavalry. I am the wife of a soldier, one of the bravest, best Sammles under the flag. He is over there now on the job, doing his bit to make the world safe for democracy, as they say. And I am over here praying he won't stop a German whiz bang while at it.

Exactly when the idea of posing as a "rookie" came to me I do not remember. My husband, John J. Carter, was a corporal in the Eighteenth Infantry, encamped at Douglas, Ariz. He belongs to K company. There was a lot of talk among the boys for a long time about being ordered out. None of them knew where the Eighteenth would be sent. They used to come to our house in Pritchville, right outside of Douglas, when they were off duty and do a heap of surling and guessing. Some of them thought they would be kept on the border to see that things remained quiet there and kid with the Mexicans. Others had a hunch they would follow Pershing to France. The old timers were pulling for the latter.

As I look back now I must have had the germ of the idea in the back of my head even then, though I never voiced it even to myself. You see, I was married only last December, and the thought of my husband going away and leaving me behind stirred my imagination. We went together for a year and a half before we dug up the parson. I wish I had that year and a half with him now.

One day Corporal Carter came home from the supply depot, where he had been on guard duty. The minute I saw his face I knew he had his orders. He was not excited, because he is an old timer at soldiering. He told me he was leaving the next day under secret orders. There was not much warning. The troops just packed up and left.

I did not tell him I was going, too, because he knows I always go through with anything I take a notion to do and it might have worried him. But I had determined to make a try at it anyhow. That evening and the next morning, while he was busy attending to the details of packing and getting off, I was pretty busy myself. I knew where there was a discarded khaki uniform, regulation army, that would fit me. By the uniform I mean the trousers, coat, shirt and campaign hat.

Ready to March.

Getting the rest of my wardrobe was easy. I bought shoes, boy's size, which looked exactly like the army shoes. Canvas leggings and boy's underwear completed the outfit. I was ready and eager to be on the march. I was twenty-two and full of health and boyish in appearance.

My husband said his farewell about noon. He was pretty blue, because he thought it would be goodby for a long time, perhaps for always. But he is first, last and always a soldier, and he did it as a soldier should. I suppose he

wondered that I took it so calmly, but of course he thought it was on the level and didn't realize what I had decided—had no hint of it, in fact.

No sooner was he out of sight than I began to do some very tall hustling. I went to a lady barber and told her I wanted my hair cropped close to my head, soldier style. I had an unusually good head of hair, long, luxuriant and black. The barber almost wept when I insisted it had to go. She cut it so I could part it on the side. The only time during the operation I had a pang of regret was when she began shaving my neck. The razor made me realize I was in for something mighty big. I had a good laugh when I took my first peek in the mirror at myself as a boy. I wasn't bad. The lady barber did not laugh. The sight of such a sacrilege seemed to make her sad. She told me most folks wanted to grow hair—not lose it.

After the hair cut it did not take me very long to jump into my uniform. I have spent much of my life on a ranch, where I wore riding breeches or bib overalls, so the clothes were familiar to me and did not feel strange. I was right at home in them. I never was happier in my life than when I took stock of my makeup, a sure enough soldier and said to myself—very positively:

"I'm going with John and the troop." I left the house just as it was. It seemed a small matter to me at a time like this. Reluctantly, I had promised my husband I would go to his family in Kentucky and remain there until his return. Instead of this, I found myself in an automobile speeding for Douglas, where the troops were even then en-training. With me was "Tuffy," my bulldog. That was the only hurt, leaving Tuffy. I would have tried to get her enlisted in K company as a mascot, only they do not allow dogs.

Everything was confusion around the station. Soldiers and civilians were hurrying here and there. Girls were bidding their sweethearts clinging goodbys. Mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, friends—every one was there to give goodspeed. The soldiers themselves seemed to be in the best of spirits. They laughed and joked and acted like men who were going away on a big holiday although there was a strain of seriousness through it all that made a lump rise in your throat every now and then.

I did not linger long outside the train for fear I might be recognized, though it was difficult to single out any strange soldier, because there were so many raw rookies who had just enlisted and had not had time to get acquainted much. I figured that the cook car would be the safest place, because there I could be busy doing something, and it would be easier for me to get by unnoticed. So when the cooks came along I fell in with them and went into the car. They thought I was a new one and never paid any attention to me. Of course, my long connection with the army helped me, since I knew the regulations and customs better than most of the rookies.

Dog Almost Betrays Her.

Tuffy almost spilled the beans for me. She had given the chauffeur who was to take care of her while I was gone the slip and gone out on a still hunt for me. You can fool a man, but you cannot fool a dog. The minute she spied me she came on the run, with a yelp and leap. Quite a lot of the older men knew my dog, and I thought every minute they would notice her violent attentions. I tried to chase her away. She seemed to regard this as an invitation and barked happily. I grew cross and pushed her aside, ordering her home. She stood and looked at me in a surprised way. I could not seem too familiar with her and play my part. I had to treat her as a strange dog. As I was boarding the train she came after me with a bound. I pushed her away from the steps and walked up Poor Tuffy, she wanted to be a soldier the worst way. I hated to leave her. She was the only one to say goodby to me, and I had to treat her as a stranger.

There were some nervous moments before that train pulled out. I kept in the background as much as I could. After what seemed to me years there came a tense moment and a chorus of "goodby, good luck, God bless you." The cars began to move. We were on our way to join Pershing.

"Look out there, rookie, or the first thing you know you'll be fixing a mess of pig's knuckles and sauerkraut for some Germans."

One of the old boys from the camp, a man in my husband's company, whom I knew, was speaking. It was the first time I had been directly addressed. I

had to do something. It was now or never.

"Aw, quit your kiddin'!" I answered boldly. "No Fritz can get me a prisoner."

The soldier passed on. I had changed my voice and talked slow. It sounded good. My first danger was over. I had fooled a man who knew me.

Sleeping quarters had been assigned to the men. I did not know exactly what I was going to do, because I was an extra and nothing had been provided for me. I might have to sit up all night, hidden away. But soon I saw the lines were not so strictly drawn. In the confusion of getting settled I grabbed a place and acted as if it belonged to nobody but me. I was in a compartment. Two other soldiers were there with me.

We were well into New Mexico before I ventured forward into the troop cars. The men were having a great time, singing and talking and calling back and forth. You would never have guessed they had said goodby to those they loved only a few hours before. If there was any one among them inclined to weaken at their prospects he was too much of a man to show it. In one car where there was a number of good voices they were harmonizing on the barber shop chord. Some one struck a blue note. There was almost as much commotion as if it had been a dudum bullet. Soldiers always sing.

The men had eaten a hearty dinner. They were tired from the bustle and heart wrench of getting off. They began to drop off early. Once their heads hit the pillows they were dead to the world. You would think they had nothing more on their minds than a pleasant few weeks' outing, so peacefully they slept.

I began to feel like turning in myself. The prospect of bunking in a stateroom



Hazel Carter.

with two strange troopers did not frighten me. I was one of them. It was easy to avoid detection. We slept with all our clothes on but our hats and shoes.

In New Mexico, well out of Arizona, it was I first walked forward and passed my husband. I never gave him a glance, but he recognized me. I can't remember exactly what he said, but it was something like "My God, what are you doing here?" He was not as much surprised as I thought he would be. He did not scold me. He was not even angry.

"Now that you are on the train I suppose you might as well go as far as Chicago," he added. "But you will be a good girl and go straight home from there, won't you?"

I told him I would think it over, but I could not promise. I was doing this on my own responsibility, and it was not up to him to interfere. He was quartered three cars ahead of me. I used to sneak forward at night and try to reason with him about my going to France to join the Red Cross. I was still with the cooks. Whenever I heard any one coming I'd grab a dishpan or something and get very busy. If an officer gave me a suspicious glance I looked him square in the eye and stood at attention like the rest of the doughboys. Army officers are easy to fool.

Sometimes we laid up as long as twenty-four hours in a town. Whenever we stopped the soldiers had to get out and exercise. It was this standing order that gave me my first close call. We had been put on a siding in some town, and the troops were off stretching their legs. I was sitting in a seat talking with a young sergeant when an officer came through.

"What are you two fellows doing here?" he blustered. "Why aren't you out at exercise?" I don't mean he was gruff. The United States army officers treat their men white.

We were on our feet and out of the car in a minute. I turned around and came right back. The "C. O." did not return. He probably thought we were a couple of lazy rookies. There were so many young men among the recruits—mere boys some of them. They had to obtain the consent of their parents before they could enlist. I passed for one of these boy soldiers.

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returned home Saturday from Abilene, where she had been attending school for some time.

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

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

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.

Frank Brown of Winters was in Ballinger Monday.

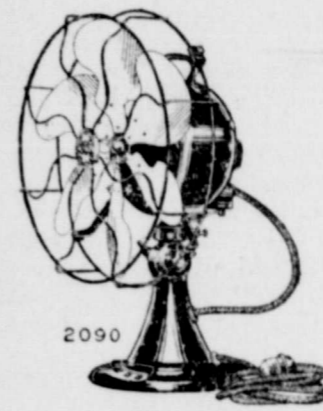
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The Home Comfort and Business Necessity.

Emerson Fans Make the Breezes Blow.

Last for Years.

Let Us Demonstrate Them to You.



Ballinger Light, Power and Ice Company

Phone 31



THE BABY'S TWO BEST FRIENDS

His milk—and his mother who knows the best milk for him to have. Of course this mother, knows Jackson's Dairy milk to be the very best obtainable; as, indeed, most mothers do know.

JACKSON DAIRY Phone 5903

The Oldest Yard Here The Ballinger Lumber Company is the oldest established lumber yard in this section of the state, and is known for the complete stock of high grade building material carried at all times. Our long life is due to our long way of dealing with our customers. We appreciate your patronage. Ballinger Lumber Company

Grocery Headquarters

We handle only honest groceries of first quality. And in addition to that, we consider each customer a personal friend and treat him as such.

Reach for the phone this morning, and we'll deliver your order in time for lunch

L. B. Stubbs Two Phones 93 and 94. Auto Delivery

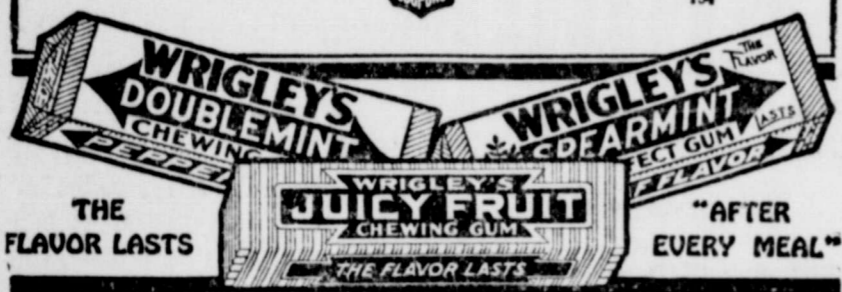
WRIGLEYS



Airmen in the great war are using WRIGLEYS regularly.

It steadies stomach and nerves. It is pleasantly lasting in taste. Teeth set firmly in WRIGLEYS make sure of achievement.

Our land and water forces are strong for it. And the home-guard finds refreshment and benefit in this economical, long-lasting aid to teeth, breath, appetite, digestion.



E. L. Rasbury left Sunday for points in North Texas.

GET IT AT
Weeks
IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH
DRUG STORE

John A. Weeks left Sunday for Dallas to attend a meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy.

Any thing from a wedding invitation to a visiting card can be handled by us. The Ballinger Printing Co.

Mrs. Don McLary of Rowena was in Ballinger Saturday.

The High Cost of Living is a serious question these days. You can help solve this question by trading with us. Fresh Meats, prompt deliveries and courteous treatment is our motto. Phone 126

THE CASH MARKET
F. Chapman, Proprietor

Phone Us For Your GROCERIES

We're as close to you as your telephone and we give you the same personal, courteous service that you would get if you came to our store yourself. We have but one price to all.

Ring us up next time you're in a hurry for groceries of any kind and we'll deliver promptly.

Miller Mercantile Company
Phones 66 and 77

M. P. COLLINS FUNERAL TUESDAY

M. P. Collins died at his home in Ballinger Monday morning shortly after nine o'clock. Mr. Collins has been in bad health for some time, and death had been expected for several days.

Deceased had lived to a ripe old age. He was known among his many friends as "Dad" Collins, and these friends will be grieved to hear of the death.

Mr. Collins came to this city several years ago. He was a carpenter, and assisted in building several houses after coming here, and later growing feeble he conducted a fruit stand. He was a member of the Methodist church, and the pastor, Rev. J. B. Curry, will have charge of the funeral services. The services will be held at the residence on Eleventh street Tuesday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock and the remains will be interred in the City Cemetery.

A wife and several daughters, a son and grand children survive. To these The Ledger joins the many friends in heartfelt sympathy.

NOW COMES THE FOOT SPECIALIST

This is certainly an age of specialization. Maybe that is why it is an age of such unprecedented progress.

The latest is the foot specialist, the man who makes a life study of the human foot and of how to correct and overcome the troubles that it is heir to. There is a college in Chicago, conducted by Dr. Wm. W. Scholl, the well known foot authority, where nothing but foot anatomy and the giving of foot comfort is taught.

The foregoing remarks are suggested by the announcement of Higginbotham Bros. & Co. shoe department, of this city, that a foot specialist from Chicago, trained personally by Dr. Scholl, will be at that store Sept. 17 to Sept. 19 to demonstrate the School Foot Comfort Appliances, to examine feet and give advice without charge. We perdiet a busy time for him.

CAR SKIDS OFF HIGH DUMP.

G. F. (Walt) Allen and Harp McFarland went over the Santa Fe crossing dump north of the city Sunday afternoon when Mr. Allen's new Buick roadster skidded on the slick ground after a shower and turned completely over and down the dump. The men were caught under the car but were not injured. The top, steering wheel and wind shield of the car was smashed.

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Minnie Lee Thomas by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive 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; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in October, A. D. 1917, the same being the 8th day of October, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1879, wherein Griffin Thomas, is plaintiff and Minnie Lee Thomas, is defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: Griffin Thomas, who resides in Rannels County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Minnie Lee Thomas, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, called defendant; and for cause of action plaintiff represents to the court that he is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas and has resided in the County of Rannels for the past six months preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 1st day of

September, A. D. 1908, in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma, plaintiff was lawfully married to defendant then a single woman by the name of Minnie Lee Copeland—that they continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about the 16th day of August, A. D. 1913, when for cause unknown to plaintiff defendant left his bed and board and since that date plaintiff has never seen nor heard from defendant.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, and for such other relief special and general as in law and in equity he may be entitled to and will ever pray.

S. C. HARRIS, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal, at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 5th day of September, A. D. 1917.

MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk, District Court Rannels County, Texas. d7-14-21-28

Citation. The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff or Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Will Flakes by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive 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; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, Tex., on the 2 Monday in October, A. D. 1917, the same being the 8th day of October, A. D. 1917, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1917, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 1878, wherein Lizzie Flakes is plaintiff and Will Flakes, is Defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: Lizzie Flakes, who resides in Rannels County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of Will Flakes, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, called defendant; and for cause of action plaintiff represents to the court that she is a bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas and has resided in the County of Rannels for the last six months preceding the filing of this suit; that on or about the 18th day of February A. D. 1913 in Tillman County, Oklahoma plaintiff then a single woman by the name of Lizzie Taylor was lawfully married to defendant; that they lived together as husband and wife for one day only when defendant was arrested and sent to the penitentiary for false swearing and from that day until this she has never seen nor heard from defendant.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays the court that defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, and for such other and further relief special and general as in law and equity she may be entitled to and will ever pray.

S. C. HARRIS, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness My Hand and Official Seal, at Ballinger, Texas, this 13th day of September, 1917.

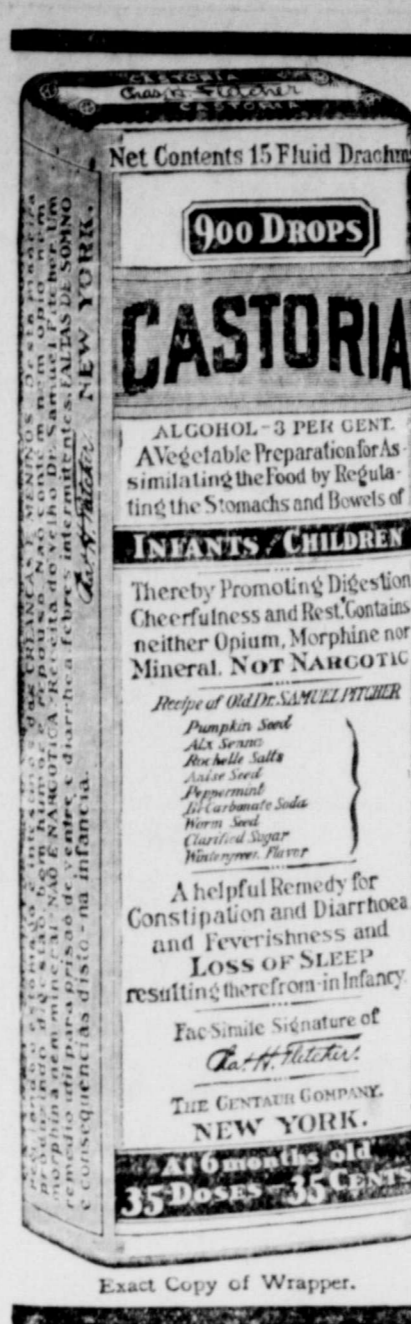
W. C. McCARVER, Clerk County Court, Rannels County, Texas.

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER.

Has been used for all ailments that are caused by a disordered stomach and inactive liver, such as sick headache, constipation, sour stomach, nervous indigestion, fermentation of food, palpitation of the heart caused by gases in the stomach. August Flower is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. 25 and 75 cent bottles. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System

The old standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 60c



CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria

Always Bears the Signature of

Dr. J. C. Hatcher
In Use For Over Thirty Years
CASTORIA

notice is hereby given that Mrs. Mary Matilda McKown, by her attorneys, Doss and Baugh, has filed an application in the County Court of Rannels County, on the 13th day of September, 1917, for probate of Will of said W. F. McKown, and for letters testamentary thereon, which said application will be heard by said court on the 5th day of November, 1917, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, Texas, this 13th day of September, 1917.

W. C. McCARVER, Clerk County Court, Rannels County, Texas.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on 11th day of Sept., 1917, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 17th day of Sept., 1917.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$134,711.68
Loans, real estate	19,997.50
Overdrafts	513.35
Bonds and Stocks	2,000.00
Real estate (banking house)	20,000.00
Other Real Estate	3,437.50
Furniture and Fixtures	4,226.85
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	10,303.34
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	352.07
Cash Items	1,507.14
Currency	6,272.00
Specie	1,121.01
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	3,314.84
Other Resources as Follows:	
Assessment Guaranty Fund	291.00
Live Stock	1,975.80
Bills of Exchange	106.04
TOTAL	\$209,934.42

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus Fund	11,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,840.25
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	6,407.75
Individual Deposits, subject to check	108,433.01
Time Certificates of Deposit	20,935.21
Due to Reserve Agents	993.20
Letters of Credit	300.00
Other Liabilities as Follows: Dividends Unpaid	25.00
TOTAL	\$209,934.42

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Rannels, ss We, Chas. S. Miller, as president, and C. A. Orbeck as assistant cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15th day of Sept., A. D., 1917.

(Seal) SAM BAKER, Notary Public Rannels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: C. A. Dooe, N. J. Allen, E. A. Werner, Directors.

RECAPITULATION	
RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans & Discounts	Capital Stock
Bonds & Stocks	Surplus
Real estate, banking house	Undivided Profits
Furniture and Fixtures	DEPOSITS
Other Real Estate	
Interest in Guaranty Fund	
Cash & Exchange	
\$209,934.42	\$209,934.42

For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing---Phone 97



Auto Delivery

Scholl Foot Expert Here Now Gives His Services Free

The Scholl foot expert now at this store has helped many people to overcome their foot troubles, to obtain genuine and lasting foot comfort. He is here for a short time only and we urge you, if you have foot ailments of any kind whatsoever, to come in at once and let the expert inspect your feet. Absolutely no charge whatever for the Scholl foot expert's services and you will be under no obligation either to him or us. You will not be asked to buy anything nor need you be a regular customer of this store. The expert will be here



Until Wednesday, Sept. 19th

When this store closes on that date the expert's visit in this city will be at an end. After that date it will be impossible for you to see him. So come in at once, if possible, and come early in the day to be sure of his best and most thorough attention.

Tell Him Your Foot Troubles

If you have corns—callouses—bunions—sudden cramps in the toes or just back of them—weak ankles—weak or fallen arches—pains in the heels—pains in the ankles or limbs—tired, aching feet—any foot trouble at all, come and see the Scholl foot expert and let him show you how to get quick relief and lasting comfort.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co.
Ballinger's Greatest Store

LEGISLATURE SLAPS ABILENE PEOPLE

The action of the citizens of Abilene in condemning its representative for voting for the impeachment of Gov. Ferguson, has placed that town in an embarrassing light before the people of Texas. Abilene did what it did because Mr. Ferguson favored that town as a location for the A. & M. College, and instead of returning a favor to the governor such tactics are calculated to injure the governor.

The legislature is almost unanimous in endorsing the Taylor county representative, as is shown by the following report from Austin:

"Mr. Beasley introduced a resolution that there be placed in the journal of the House, an editorial in yesterday's Austin Statesman praising Eugene De Bogory, representative from Taylor County, for voting his convictions, despite fear of withdrawal of local patronage." Mr. De Bogory lives at Abilene, where the new West Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College was located by the board of which Governor Ferguson was chairman. Mr. De Bogory voted for impeachment of the Governor.

"Mr. Mendell opposed the resolution, declaring that the permanent records of the Legislature should not be burdened with newspaper editorials. Mr. Sallas also opposed the adoption of the resolution, stating that the editorial was a lecture to all the members who voted against the impeachment of the Governor.

"Mr. Smith of Scurry County vigorously urged the adoption. He knew that citizenship of Taylor county, he said, and he believed it would support Mr. De Bogory in his doing what he conceived to be his duty.

Then was read, at Mr. Smith's request, an editorial from the Taylor County Times, severely arraigning Mr. De Bogory as an "ingrate" because he refused to help Governor Ferguson, who, the editorial stated, had been Abilene's staunch friend. The editorial said that Mr. De Bogory had not represented the people of his district. "Mr. Smith said, Mr. De Bogory had received letters threatening personal violence and warning him not to return to Abilene. Of the 2,000 voters in Abilene nearly 1,900 had signed a statement criticising his vote. Mr. Smith related, and said that a petition asking his resignation was being circulated in Taylor county.

"We should uphold the hands

Conkey's POULTRY TONIC
For Molting Hens

builds up their tired-out, run-down organs and makes feather-growing easy.

There is no cayenne pepper or any other harmful ingredient in Conkey's Poultry Tonic; it is just good medicine that helps nature do its work.

Get a Pailor Package and see for yourself. Money back if you are not satisfied.

E. A. Jeanes & Co.

AVIATORS DROP FLOWERS ON CASKET OF COMRADE

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 16.—A rain of fresh flowers from the sky was the beautiful tribute paid a dead aviator, Lieutenant Allen Floyd House, late assistant adjutant of Kelley field aviation training camp, who was killed in a motor car accident, by his comrades today. A fleet of fifteen war planes maneuvering over the funeral cortege as it moved from the post chapel to the Southern Pacific depot, dropped roses and lilies from the airplanes onto the caisson bearing the flag-draped casket. The warplanes, each occupied by two lieutenants, hovered above the procession, representing all branches of the service, stretched out in the four-mile route from the chapel to the depot. The body was taken to Lake Charles, La., for interment.

School Days are Here.

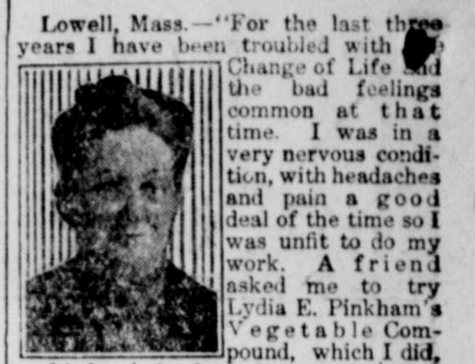
Hunt up those old shoes and have them half soled and otherwise repaired. Leather is high and it will pay you to do this. Wendorf will do your work and guarantee satisfaction.

Give him a trial. d&w-tf

M. L. Crosby of Leaday was in Ballinger a short while Sunday.

WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

Mrs. Quinn's Experience Ought to Help You Over the Critical Period.



Lowell, Mass.—"For the last three years I have been troubled with Change of Life and the bad feelings common at that time. I was in a very nervous condition, with headaches and pain a good deal of the time so I was unfit to do my work. A friend asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which I did, and it has helped me in every way. I am not nearly so nervous, no headache or pain. I must say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best remedy any sick woman can take."

—Mrs. MARGARET QUINN, Rear 253 Worthen St., Lowell, Mass.

Other warning symptoms are a sense of suffocation, hot flashes, headaches, backaches, dread of impending evil, timidity, sounds in the ears, palpitation of the heart, sparks before the eyes, irregularities, constipation, variable appetite, weakness, inquietude, and dizziness.

If you need special advice, write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass.

W. C. Harding of Winters was in Ballinger Monday between trains.

Great Faith in Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy was used by my father about a year ago when he had diarrhoea. It relieved him immediately and by taking three doses he was absolutely cured. He has great faith in this remedy," writes Mrs. W. H. Williams, Stanley, N. Y.

The West Texas Grain Co. have in stock plenty seed wheat, seed oats. Rye and Barley to arrive in a few days. Also have the largest stock of feed in Rannels county. 15-3td

L. J. Thomas of Houston passed through Ballinger Monday going to San Angelo.

O. H. Douglas and John Thomas returned Monday from Winters, where they had been visiting.

MERCHANT'S WIFE ADVISES BALLINGER WOMEN.

"I had stomach trouble so bad I could eat nothing but toast, fruit and hot water. Everything else soured and formed gas. Dieting did no good. I was miserable until I tried buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-ika. ONE SPOONFUL benefited me INSTANTLY." Because Adler-ika empties BOTH large and small intestine it relieves ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas and prevents appendicitis. It has QUICKEST action of anything we ever sold. Weeks Drug Store.

Miss Grace Dewitt and Elois Allison left Sunday for Denton, where they will enter the C. I. A.



TONIGHT

PICTURE PROGRAM

Wm. S. Hart in a Western picture—
"THE DEVIL'S DOUBLE"
"The Village Vampire."
in 5 parts.
Also Keystone Comedy—

Children 10c
Adults 15c

FARMER MOVING TO ARKANSAS

W. T. Crockett is another good man who will make his home in Arkansas, for awhile at least. Mr. Crockett loaded out last Saturday and shipped for Van Buren, Ark. He is not burning the bridges behind him, and of course will return with the good seasons.

While quite a number of families have left Rannels county during the past week or two, the most of them are leaving good homes here and are moving only for the winter, expecting to find feed for their stock, and employment until next crop time, when they will return and help to make bumper crop here next year.



F. H. Paschal returned Monday from Winters.

The Ballinger Printing Co., can supply your wedding announcements as cheap as any house in Texas, engraved or printed.

John Meyers of Tennyson, who had been in Ballinger a short while, left Monday for San Angelo.

R. H. Richardson of the Valley creek neighborhood, left Monday for Miles.

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 25¢ or 3 bottles \$2.75. Prepared by THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO., CINCINNATI, O.

S. C. Harris was in Rowena Monday, on business.

J. N. Barbee was in Rowena Monday between trains on business.

Has a High Opinion of Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have a high opinion of Chamberlain's Tablets for biliousness and as a laxative," writes Mrs. C. A. Barnes, Charleston, Ill. "I have never found anything so mild and pleasant to use. My brother has also used these tablets with satisfactory results."

Frank Brown of Winters was in Ballinger Monday.

At the rally to be held at the court house lawn Tuesday evening at seven o'clock, ice cream cones and soda pop will be sold, the proceeds to be given to the Red Cross chapter. ttdh

Misses Beatrice Kipp and Pauline Van Pelt left Sunday for Denton, Ga., where they will enter Agnes Scott College. Miss Van Pelt attended this school last year.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Farmers and Merchants State Bank

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 11th day of Sept., 1917, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 17th day of Sept., 1917.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$239,494.28
Loans, real estate	24,510.00
Real estate (banking house)	35,000.00
Other Real Estate	5,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	36,918.45
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	51,154.72
Cash Items	2,510.85
Currency	11,880.00
Specie	3,501.73
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	4,108.10
Other Resources as follows:	538.21
TOTAL	\$419,425.34
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	10,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	10,035.32
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	4,973.21
Individual Deposits, subject to check	260,952.54
Demand Certificates of Deposit	6,010.68
Cashier's Checks	884.49
Bills Payable and Rediscouunts	25,000.00
Other Liabilities as follows:	38.00
TOTAL	\$419,425.34

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Rannels, ss:
We, H. Giesecke, as president, and A. C. Homann, as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
H. GIESECKE, President.
(Seal) A. C. HOMANN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of Sept., A. D. 1917.
FRANC BAKER,
Notary Public Rannels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: J. F. Currie, J. L. Chastain, E. D. Walker, Directors.

RECAPITULATION	
RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$264,104.28
Real Estate B. H. Furniture and Fixtures	40,000.00
Interest in Guaranty Fund	4,108.10
Other Real Estate	5,000.00
Acceptances	538.21
Cash and Exchange	105,674.75
TOTAL	\$419,425.34
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	20,035.32
Total Deposits	273,490.02
Bills Payable	25,000.00
TOTAL	\$419,425.34

STATEMENT of Condition

...THE...
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER
Sept. 11th, 1917

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$379,745.77
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
U. S. Treasurer Certificates	5,000.00
Subscription Liberty Loan Bond	7,400.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances ()	8,304.84
Cash and Exchange	223,515.28
	\$679,365.89
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	55,688.07
Reserved for Taxes	1,500.00
Unearned Interest	9,000.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	488,177.82
	\$679,365.89

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.