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UNDER CROSS EXAMINATION GOV. PLEADS INNOCENCE

AUSTIN, Sept. 19.—Up to a late this afternoon the crucial period in the Ferguson impeachment trial had not been reached. M. M. Crane, conducting the prosecution, had not put the question of the \$156,000 loan up to Governor Ferguson and nothing had been brought out to indicate whether the question would be asked, or whether the governor would stand pat and refuse to answer.

Mr. Crane continued to interrogate the governor concerning the various charges, and the governor continued to make a denial of any intentions to willfully violate the law. Mr. Ferguson charged the "irregularities" to the bank with which he was doing business, or to his assistants who he claimed had charge of his private affairs.

There is much speculation as to what will take place when the \$156,000 loan question is pushed. The senate could take a recess until the governor should answer during which time he would be out of office and Acting Governor W. P. Hobby would be the chief executive. Contempt proceedings might be undertaken, and the question fixed up in court for an indefinite time. Mr. Crane may pass over the question and not push it, but it is not believed he will do this unless he thinks the senate will vote to convict the governor.

The senate will probably begin argument on the case by tomorrow afternoon and it is very probable that the whole matter will be settled before the end of the week, when the senate will either vote to oust the governor or reinstate him.

SOLDIER BOYS LEAVE THANKING BALLINGER

We will never forget Ballinger and her good people," said Willis Clifton Davis before entraining with the other soldiers here Wednesday. The boys were loud in their praise of the people for the kindness shown them here. They spoke in the kindest terms of the citizenship as a whole, but especially thanked Capt. Cohen, and the Business League, and H. O. Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes having given the boys the free use of his bath rooms.

Largest stock and lowest prices at Higginbotham's. J&W

LIBERTY BOND DELIVERY SET FOR SEPT. 26

Special to The Ledger.

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 19.—"We are today in receipt of the following telegram from Treasurer McAdoo:

"Treasury department circular No. 89, issued today, announces that deliveries of definitive bonds to subscribers to the first issue of the Liberty Loan Bonds will begin Sept. 26th by Federal Reserve Banks. Full instructions and copies of circulars being mailed tonight. Supply of circulars for general distribution will be forwarded tomorrow. Advise subscribers to the first issue of bonds to await receipt of official circular and your bank's announcement before taking any action to secure the bonds."

"J. W. HOOPES,
Deputy Governor."

STRIKE TO BE SETTLED IN 48 HOURS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—That the strike in the ship building plants on the Atlantic coast will be settled within forty-eight hours, was announced by the labor department today. Plans have been perfected for preventing a prolonged strike and tying up ship building and future strikes will be averted by the plans worked out by the labor department.

J. N. Harrison and wife of Miles, who had been visiting Mrs. Willie Stevens, returned home Tuesday.

Thousands Pay Honor to Men Drafted for Army

A more successful nor a larger attended meeting was ever held in this city than that held in honor of the departing soldiers on the court house lawn Tuesday evening. For this occasion extra lights had been spotted throughout the beautiful park, and with a large spot-light turned on Old Glory, which floated over the speakers stand, and with the country's colors draped around the pavilion and incircling the seats reserved for the soldiers, the setting for carrying out the program was most effective.

The program began with music by the orchestra, followed by the singing of "America" by the large concourse of people. The remainder of the program, as carried out, consisted of an address by Judge A. K. Doss, and an address by Rev. R. B. Morgan, a solo by Miss Ethelyn Morgan, a quartet by Misses Ethelyn Morgan and Lena Bell Doss and Messrs. Elmer Simpson and W. A. Bridwell, with orchestra music interspersed and following the program, while the crowd gathered around and told the soldiers good-bye.

Judge Doss spoke for about twenty minutes, paying tribute of praise for the men who had responded to the country's call from this county. Out of more than fifty men who had volunteered reports received here shows that without a single exception the men are making good and doing great credit to Runnels county. The speaker predicted as much for the men whom he was addressing on this occasion, and encouraged them in the work which they are about to undertake.

The speaker said a good word for Capt. Cohen, who had devoted so much time training the boys, and which was responsible for giving them a distinction in camp that no other drafted men enjoyed and he also defended the local exemption board against unjust criticism and told of the great task the board had undertaken in selecting men for the army. The prominent attorney's address was appropriate, to the point and well received and heartily applauded.

Rev. Morgan told of the opportunities confronting those who remained at home, as well as pointing to the opportunities of those going to the front. He emphasized the great fact that the battle can not be won in the trenches alone, but the people left behind have a great work to do in supplying the sinew of war. He quoted scripture to show that the people at home had a duty to perform in carrying on the war, and expressing his confidence in the men going to the front, stated that those behind would perform this duty even to the extent of giving their

life's blood to the cause. The speaker said the cause for which America was fighting was a righteous cause and was as great as that for which our forefathers battled. He said it was a cause in which God would help those who looked to him for deliverance from the hand of autocratic tyranny. Credit was given to the Red Cross for the noble work being done by that organization and the soldiers were told that they did not go to the front alone, but the support of a great army of workers was sending with them all the comforts and conveniences it is possible for money to send.

The remarks by Rev. Morgan were also fitting for the occasion, and from time to time hearty applause broke forth from the crowd. After the program had been carried out, the orchestra continued to play while the crowd lingered and spent some time mixing and mingling with friends and bidding the drafted men farewell.

J. McGregor was master of ceremonies. Mr. McGregor in introducing the speakers said that the impression prevailed among some people that the United States army was a pitfall for men to become immoral. He denied this and said that the man who went in to the army a gentleman would come out a gentleman, and that instead of the soldier's uniform being a disgrace to a man the man who did wrong after enlisting in the army was a disgrace to the uniform. He stated that the environment of a soldier was looked after by Uncle Sam, and it was no easier for a man to go wrong in the army than it was for a man out of the army to go wrong.

SOLDIERS GET A GREAT SEND-OFF.

At three o'clock all business was suspended in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon and the town turned out to wave a farewell to the soldiers as they entrained. Some of the men had been here for the past ten days doing preliminary training under Capt. Cohen. After the men had been drafted into the army by the local mobilization board at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Capt. Cohen took charge and carried them out for a short drill, and they were marched to the court house lawn at five o'clock where they were the guests of the Business League in a watermelon cutting. Ice cold melons were served.

The 68 men leaving here to go to Camp Travis, where they will be kept for a training of several months, and if the war continues they will be carried to France for further training before going into battle line and fighting for the defense of their country.

MOVING ALL CATTLE FROM WEST TEXAS

SAN ANGELO, Sept. 19.—One hundred and eighty-eight cars of livestock have been shipped thru and from San Angelo to market and grass since Sunday, being a portion of the heavy movement which has been in progress since connecting railway lines delivered 800 stock cars to the Orient upon order of the service car commission of the National Board of Defense.

Harris Bros. of San Angelo were among the heavy shippers, sending 1,282 head of two and three-year-old steers from Big Lake to Foraker, Okla. The consignment was a portion of about 4,000 cattle which the local people have sold to H. H. Stonebraker of Kansas.

Mrs. A. L. Alem of Austin returned home Tuesday, after visiting D. F. Taylor of this city for a while.

COLEMAN SENDS SLACKER TO ANGELO

SAN ANGELO, Sept. 19.—While Gonzalez, a Mexican, and Andrew Barnett, an Austrian, are in the Tom Green county jail, charged by federal complaint with failure to register under the provisions of the selective draft on June 5. Both men were brought here Tuesday afternoon from Coleman by John R. Bannister, sheriff of Coleman county. They will be given preliminary hearing in federal court Wednesday unless they should waive examination.

There are three other Mexicans in jail at Coleman upon charges of failing to register. They will be brought here some time the latter part of the week.

Mrs. J. W. Francis and Mrs. Max McCrary of Calvert returned home Tuesday, after visiting Mrs. Jack McGregor in Ballinger for a few days.

FIRST ACCOUNT OF KERENSKY'S CLOSE CALL

AMERICAN ARMED SHIP SINKS SUB

LONDON, Sept. 19.—The Central News Agency reports today the sinking of a German submarine southeast of Shetlands. The report says the sub was destroyed by an American armed steamer.

SEVEN BILLION BOND BILL AGEED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The house and senate conference committee reached an agreement today for the eleven billion dollar bond issue of war bonds. The bill will go to the house and will pass with little opposition.

How One Man Built 16 Cities in Three Months

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Suppose Uncle Sam stepped up to you on the street today and said:

"Look here, son: I want you to build me sixteen cities. Put them in various parts of the country. Plan each one for a population of 40,000 men. Have heating, lighting, water, ventilation and sewerage systems perfect in all of them. Finish them in three months. That's your job, now go to it."

Would you know where to begin? Would it excite you at all to made meant perhaps fatal delay in the training of your country's armies for war?

That proposition was put up to one man by Uncle Sam. He and his colleagues shouldered the burden and did the job.

The man was Major T. A. Starrett, before the war an architect, now Chairman of the Committee on Emergency Construction and Contracts of the Council of National Defense.

No such task had ever been undertaken on a national-wide scale in that space of time.

"When this thing was first contemplated," Major Starrett told the United Press today, "the government provided a couple of army officers and stenographers to do the job."

Word had gone out that the work was going on and every contractor in the country was here. As a result, all those men did was to stand in front of the desk and shake hands all day.

We told the Munitions Board these people would have to be taken out and that the cantonment men would have to be let alone.

Accordingly the next morning the men were brought to the Munsey building, with their records. We immediately saw the need for the finest men we could get, so we reached into the big engineering organizations all over the country by wire and telephone.

We asked them to send big men. We got big men. I could name you a list of twenty five men we got who were worth \$15,000 to \$25,000 a year.

We said to those concerns: "You will have to give these people up. Then and there, over about two days and nights solid conference work with all these people we built a great organization under

Copyright 1917 by United Press. STOCKHOLM, Sept. 19.—At the moment when Gen. Korniloff's revolt in Russia was at its highest Russia's "peace-at-any-price" fanatics were in the saddle and controlled Petrograd. Gen. Kerensky, head of the provisional government, was virtually a prisoner in his winter palace, and armed mobs roamed the streets. The deliverance of the new republic into the hands of the pacifists is considered the greatest victory of the internal trouble, and is nothing short of a miracle.

This story was old today for the first time from a neutral port and authentically transmitted to the allies.

Roy Manley returned home Tuesday from Lawn, where he had been visiting.

Maek Guin of Hatchel was in Ballinger Tuesday.

We can save you money on your purchases. Higginbotham's d&w1t

S. D. Williams was a visitor to Ballinger Tuesday evening.

Colonel Little of the War Department.

Inside of four days we had the organization in skeleton. Everything was worked out with the object of speed and economy. That machine constitutes about 250 people occupying a whole building and working anywhere from 12 to 18 hours a day. We looked around to see what the Government had in the way of a register of contractors. It did not have anything for us. We asked the American institute of Architects, the chief engineers of all the railroads and big industrial establishments, who the reliable people were they had been dealing with. In ten days we had 1,800 replies, giving us a list of about 1000 contracting firms. We put the list in charge of Mr. McGibbon of the Chicago Fidelity and Guaranty Co. He determined that contracts throughout the country were doing \$5,000,000 a year business. There were about 100. These we separated and cross-referenced them geographically. This gave us sixty or seventy concerns based on their proximity to the sixteen military divisions of the country.

We considered our preferred contractors by these geographical groups. We got what the architects and engineers said about each man, and what each man said about himself and what others said about him. This when we came to the selection we had the available, competent firms and their respective records before us.

The applicants really selected themselves.

Secretary Baker sent us a communication saying all things being equal to pick the contractors from the locality in which the camp was to be located. That was common sense. We were in a position to do what he suggested.

"You feel then," it was asked, "that everything humanely possible was done to safeguard the interest of both the government and the public in the selection of these contractors?"

"Yes, I do," said Major Starrett. It is just like any other emergency work. You have to know as many facts as you can and be as you can, but you have to move and do something."

NOTE: Tomorrow there will be a story telling how Major Starrett kept graft and favoritism out of the work of building cantonments.

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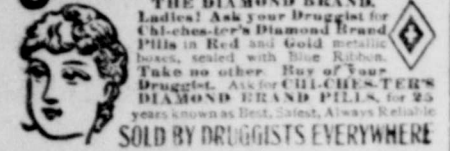
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E. W. Sledge Editor

TOM GREEN SENDS FORTY MEN.

Special.
San Angelo, Sept. 19.—Tom Green county's contingent for the national army draft was sworn in on the court house lawn at five o'clock Tuesday afternoon by R. A. Hall, chairman, and Milburn McCarty, secretary of the county exemption board. Forty men made up the contingent, which leaves on a special train over the Santa Fe railway late this afternoon. Mayor Bird and many leading citizens were present at the Tuesday ceremony, which was simple but impressive.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



Mrs. V. C. Overstreet of Benoit was in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

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Mrs. John Rumpy of Benoit was in Ballinger Tuesday.

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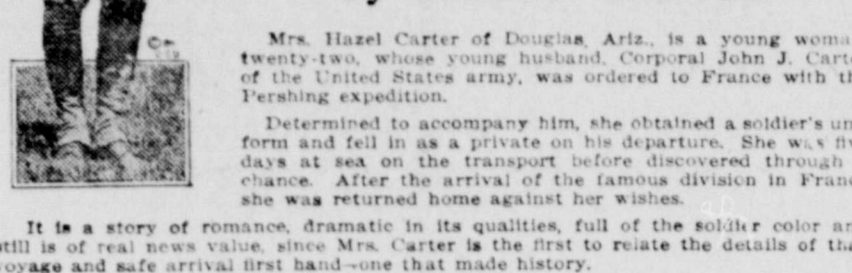
FARMERS URGED TO SAVE THEIR SEED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Home gardeners as well as truck growers who find seed of favored varieties difficult to secure or high in price would do well to save their own seed, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. The saving of seed from beans, peas, corn, peppers, okra, egg plants, squash, cucumbers, muskmelons, and watermelons is very simple, the chief requirement being to select seed from good plants. Obtaining seed from tomato, radish, lettuce, kale, cabbages, cauliflower, kohlrabi, beets, carrots, and mustard, while not so simple, is not beyond the ability of any amateur gardener. A newly published Farmers' Bulletin, "Saving Vegetable seeds for the Home and Market Garden,"—No. 884—which will be supplied free by the United States Department of Agriculture explains in detail how to gather and cure seeds commonly needed by the truck grower.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free. All druggists, 75c. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

The Girl Who Was A Soldier Boy

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



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CHAPTER II Right Among the Army "Dough-boys."

It may not seem far to most folks from a barge moored alongside a transport, over the side and aboard, but it looked like a long, tough journey to me. Three days and nights I toiled and sweated and worked on that barge until I thought I would drop, but all the time I was figuring and watching—watching for the chance to get aboard the big gun colored ship on which my husband and another piece of the Pershing expedition were to go to France. This watchful waiting wore on my tired nerves and weary body. From the time we left the train I hadn't seen my husband, and I began to think one look at him would be a great tonic for sore eyes. Continually I strained in vain for a single glimpse. On the barge I had no trouble concealing the fact I was a woman, because everybody was too busy loading supplies to pay attention to me, and I found a place to sleep off by myself, which was a comfort. At least I sneaked my uniform off—for a short time. Finally there was even more activity than on the previous days, and tugs began to bustle and cluster and fuss about us, so I knew if I ever were going to make a break it would have to be then. It gave me a good idea of how a soldier feels before he goes "over the top" for the first time.

Aboard at Last. They were getting ready to cast off the barge, and most of the officers were lining the rails of the transport stern when I made my try. Once I had my feet on that deck I decided to go below and stay as quiet as possible, so I lost no time in ducking into the first compartment I saw. Unfortunately for me, a second lieutenant happened to be ducking out at the same time, and we bumped hard. He reeled back and said: "What the devil are you doing?" I had come to attention at once and saluted. "I was going below, sir," I mumbled in my deepest voice. "Who are you?" "Carter, sir, K company." "Carter, be more careful about turning corners and going in and out of doors after this," he said touchily and moved off. "Yes, sir," I answered and saluted. When he had gone I was trembling all over, and I proceeded more carefully, you may be sure. It was the first time I had ever been aboard a big ship—the first time I had ever seen salt water, in fact—so I didn't know my way around very well. However, when I got downstairs I found that one of the transport's decks had been made into a big bunk room with the partitions knocked out and bunks in tiers of three each all around the sides. Luckily I spotted a couple of the boys from Company K and followed them to the section in which they were quartered. They looked like old home week to one lonesome girl, and I got to thinking of the nights down in Douglas when they used to come over and sit on our porch and spill close harmony all over the place. But they didn't recognize me, so I threw my outfit into a middle bunk that was empty. I was lucky to find one to spare, because they were using all the available space on that ship. The bunks were made out of canvas, stretched very tight, and they rode comfortably enough when we once got started. I could feel the ship getting under way, and I was a little sad, with no one to talk to and longing to get out of my clothes and stretch out my weary body on one of those bunks. I was so tired of inhabiting that uniform I knew I would give anything to feel a little soft lingerie next me and perhaps have on a petticoat again, although they tell me the girls down east don't wear any of them nowadays—only the old fashioned girls.

Under Way. The men were all around me, many I had known in Douglas, but they didn't bother with me, because I guess they were a little blue at leaving themselves, as anybody was bound to be at a time like that, and I suppose it was the sober atmosphere got me to longing for that lingerie there. You could have cut it with a knife. The old timers probably put me down for a sobby Sammy who had just joined. Finally I straightened myself up and thought: "Back up! You're a deuce of a soldier." I looked around. The old timers who had campaigned in the Philippines and some even in Cuba back in 1898, while most of them had been in Mexico, did not look sad, but I will say there were darned few of them grinning as we felt the ship slip out of that dock. The youngsters—the boys who had just come in the regiment on the border and had never been east before—showed it. They didn't know whether they would ever be back again, and they were thinking about it and about the little red house with the white fence back home and the girl and wondering why they joined the army and wishing they were in Arizona. But I don't want to pull any sob stuff. "This is a fine way to send us off," complained one boy who was not more than nineteen, a very pronounced rookie. "There are no flags, no bands, no cheers, no beer, nothin'—it's a great way to fight a war." "Wait till you get over there, kid, and you'll wish you were back here," remarked Private Smithers, a grand fighting man, but always a private, although an old timer in the army. His name is not Smithers, either. If I told his real name it might get him in bad. "But hold your head up, son. The worst you can get is to be killed, and you won't know about that," he concluded. The case of Private Smithers reminds me of an army story. "You object to your men drinking?" asked a friend of the colonel of a regiment on the border one day. "Why, Private Bill Jones has always been a drinker when on leave, and you say he is a fine soldier." "Yes, and he's always been a private," answered the colonel. This fitted Smithers' case exactly. He was a good soldier and a fine fighter, but cut from the pattern of a private and always intended for one. Pretty soon I noticed him staring at me closely, and I moved away, although I knew Jim Smithers wouldn't tip me off. However, I didn't want him to get on if I could help it.

To Be Continued) ANGELO GROCERS REDUCE DELIVERIES Special SAN ANGELO, Sept. 19.—Plans to systematize and, if possible, reduce deliveries in order to save gasoline and release men for military service has been taken up by sixty San Angelo grocers, it was announced today by the Merchants Board of Trade. The downtown grocery stores expects to award the delivering of their goods to one or two responsible firms and suspend the operation of all other machines. The suburban groceries plan to restrict deliveries to every home to two per day to make deliveries only at certain hours. The dry goods houses are discussing the adoption of similar methods. People Speak Well of Chamberlain's Tablets. "I have been selling Chamberlain's Tablets for about two years and hear such good reports from my customers that I concluded to give them a trial myself, and can say that I do not believe there is another preparation of the kind equal to them," writes G. A. McBride, Headford, Ont. If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They will do you good. Newest Creations in Millinery at Higginbotham's d&wlt Frank Hoelscher of Rowena returned home Tuesday from Fort Worth. More for the Money at Higginbotham's d&wlt CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of J. C. Hoelscher

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RESOURCES:

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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.

Mrs. Sim Cottle went to Rowena Tuesday. Miss Ella Beard is visiting in Ballinger for a short time, before returning to San Angelo. Watch Me Go Bicycle Delivering. We do all kinds of repairing such as stoves, organs, bicycles and guns. At the Old Shooting Gallery. T. C. Robinson, Phone 399. 14-15tdpd

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SPRING HILL NEWS

Cotton picking is progressing nicely, what there is to pick. We are very sorry to say Mrs.

Hightower is sick and Miss Esther Hightower left with her Sunday morning for Waxahachie.

Mr. Dunn and family spent Sunday at Mr. Webb's.

Mr. and Mrs. Aycock, Mr. and Mrs. John Dean motored over to Mr. Compton's Sunday and spent the day.

Mr. Ott and little daughter of Wyoming are visiting Mr. Linley and family.

Mrs. Lipton is quite sick. Sunday school at 3:00 o'clock every Sunday afternoon; don't forget it. Singing on Sunday night and would be glad for every one to come and help.

MAY.

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."

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NEW AGENT FOR SANTA FE HERE

Joe J. Beck, of Brownwood, was checked in as Santa Fe agent here Tuesday, and succeeds Agent Wigle who was transferred to Sweetwater about a month ago. Since Mr. Wigle left O. R. Austin has been in charge of the work as substitute.

Mr. Beck is a brother of Bryan D. Beck, of this city. His family consist of a wife and eight year old son, and they come to Ballinger with the wishes of the best people of Brownwood, as is shown by the following from the Brownwood Bulletin:

"Joe J. Beck, chief clerk in the Santa Fe freight office here, has been promoted to the position of freight and ticket agent at Ballinger, and will leave for his new post of duty within the next eight or ten days, it is authoritatively announced today.

"The promotion of Mr. Beck to the Ballinger agency comes after eight years of faithful service for the Santa Fe here, and gives his many friends cause for genuine gratification, although all regret that he and his family are to leave Brownwood. He will be succeeded as chief clerk here by D. H. Simmons, the present cashier, and Dave Claitor will succeed Mr. Simmons as cashier.

"Mr. Beck began his service with the Santa Fe eight years ago yesterday, as baggage master at the passenger station. He has held all the positions from baggage man to chief clerk, his promotion being rapid and substantial. At Ballinger he will have charge of both the passenger and freight business of the Santa Fe, the position being combined there."

Mr. Beck is on the lookout for a house, and as soon as he can find a suitable one, he and family will be at home here. He is putting in spare time getting acquainted with the people, and we predict that he will find that his lot has been cast with a people who will welcome him to our city.

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.

JUNIOR RED CROSS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Organization of the Junior Red Cross among public school children throughout the United States has been warmly approved by President Wilson in a letter to Dr. H. N. McCracken, President of Vassar College, in charge of the organization of the new Junior Membership Bureau.

The President's message, which is to be read to all the twenty-two million school children being enlisted in the movement, is as follows:

"My Dear Dr. McCracken: I am very much interested to learn that you have taken up the work of organizing the junior membership of the Red Cross for work among the school children, and I write to express my deep interest in the movement.

"If you have an opportunity will you not bid the young people, whom you are assembling in this organization, a very warm welcome from me and give them a message of the heartiest good cheer as they enroll themselves among the servants of the nation and of the people everywhere who need help and comfort and encouragement?"

"I think they will all look back upon this work they are undertaking as a happy circumstance of their school days.

"Very sincerely yours
WOODROW WILSON."
Effective plans are now under way in cooperation with the boards of education of various states for launching junior membership campaigns. Schools are to be recruited as units with membership fees of 25c for each pupil.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Sept. 11th, 1917.

RESOURCES	
1. a Loans and discounts (except those shown on b and c) —	\$388,050.61
5. U. S. BONDS: (Other than Liberty Bonds of 1917):	
U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	25,000.00
c U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	1,500.00
f U. S. bonds and certificates of indebtedness owned and unpledged	5,000.00
Total U. S. bonds (other than Liberty Bonds and certificates of indebtedness)	31,500.00
6. a Liberty Loan Bonds, unpledged	7,400.00
7. BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC.:	
9. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)	3,000.00
10. a Value of banking house	20,000.00
b Equity in banking house	20,000.00
11. Furniture and fixtures	5,000.00
13. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	34,570.63
15. Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks	180,286.66
16. Net amounts due from banks and bankers, and trust companies other than included in Items 13, 14, and 15	1,201.95
18. Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than item 17)	951.51
Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18	182,440.12
19. Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items	1,250.00
TOTAL	\$679,365.89

LIABILITIES	
24. Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
25. Surplus fund	30,000.00
26. a Undivided profits	38,575.18
b Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	3,887.11
25. Amount reserved for taxes accrued	34,688.07
27. Circulating notes outstanding	25,000.00
29. Net amounts due to National banks	973.10
30. Net amounts due to banks and bankers (other than included in 28 or 29)	984.57
DEMAND DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE:	
31. deposits payable within 30 days)	
11. Individual deposits subject to check	468,076.07
32. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	2,625.36
34. Cashier's Checks outstanding	307.27
Total demand deposits subject to Reserve, Items 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38	471,008.70
TIME DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):	
39. Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)	14,202.69
41. Postal saving deposits	1,008.40
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 39, 40, 41, and 42	15,211.30
Total contingent liabilities	\$679,365.89

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of Sept. 1917.
(Seal) I, W. J. GUION, Notary Public.
CORRECT—ATTEST: D. M. Baker, J. McGregor, J. Y. Pearce, Directors.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts	Capital Stock
U. S. Bonds	Surplus & Undivided profits
U. S. Treasurer Certificates	Reserved for Taxes
Subscription Liberty Loan Bond	Unearned Interest
Banking House F. and F.	Circulation
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	Deposits
Acceptances	
Cash and Exchange	
\$679,365.89	\$679,365.89

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THE spirit that makes winners at the Fair is the desire to do a thing well, whether it's raising grain, stock, or fruit. You put the best you've got into it, not for what you'll get out of it, but because you like it, because you take pride in your work.

It's the same way in business; the winners are the ones who do a thing well because they like it, not primarily for what they are going to get out of it. We are in the clothing business because we can serve, because we can do something for you, because we want to do something for you. Of course, we expect to get something out of it, but that isn't our first thought; our first thought is you.

Because we feel that way, we carry Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes. They are all-wool. They wear longer and look better than other clothes. They cost a little more money, but they're really economy in the end. You know it cost a little more money to raise thoroughbred stock, but it brings greater returns in the end. Well, it's the same way with clothes.

Come in and look around. We have fine lines of furnishings, working clothes, shoes, hats, shirts, etc.

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BROWNWOOD TO FEED 735 SOLDIERS.

The handling of approximately 735 men through the local Santa Fe passenger station and the Harvey eating house tomorrow from 5:30 to 10:50 p. m. is going to be one of the biggest tasks the employees of the road here have undertaken in a long time. All arrangements have been made for handling the men and the trains, and the Harvey House has for

more than a week been getting together it supplies so that first-class meals may be served the men while here, but the Santa Fe people anticipate more or less difficulty because of the fact that the people of the city will interfere with their work by crowding around the station so that the movement of the men will be almost impossible.—Brownwood Bulletin.

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NO PRO ELECTION IN TARRANT COUNTY NOW.

The Tarrant county commissioners declined to order a prohibition election for seven of the eight precincts in that county, and on Tuesday voted three to two in turning down the petition presented by the pros. An election was held in Tarrant county just one year ago, and in order to call an election at this time it was necessary to cut out part of the county and order an election for a subdivision of the county. The pros cut out one dry precinct and petitioned the court to order an election for the other seven precincts of the county. The court declined. The pros says the action of the court only adds to their strength and a county election will be held as soon as the two years from the last election expires.

Seed Wheat.

Grayson County Seed Wheat, re-cleaned. See G. M. Vaughn or R. W. Bruce, Cash Grocery. 18—d5t—w1t.

A. M. Wylie and wife of Hatchel were in Ballinger Tuesday.

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

Those Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits—the All Wool guaranteed kind are ready for you at Higginbotham's. d&w1t



ATEXAS WONDER
THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 228 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. 2

PAVING WAY FOR BOYS TO RETURN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—A small army of American girls and women is being organized in France today to take the thorns from the poilus path when they start to the rear or home for the rest after hard fighting in the front line trenches.

This, the French government has told America, will strengthen the morals of the French people, and will be "one of the greatest services American women can render their ally."

The Red Cross announced today that it has appropriated \$700,000 to establish and maintain the work until the first of November.

Red Cross Commissioner Grayson M. P. Murphy has cabled from the front that there are plenty of women from American homes now at the front to get the work started and that as he needs more of them he will cable his call for volunteers.

So great has been the actual fighting strain on the French people that they have had neither time nor money to make the path pleasant for its battling men between home and from the rest stations in the rear to the mud and blood of the front line of defense.

The men come out of the trenches now filthy, weary, sometimes covered with vermin. They have no hot food when they get to the rear. Not even a place to take a bath, let alone a place to lie down and sleep at night. If they have to wait at a station overnight, they sleep on the platform, in adjoining fields or any place they can find.

WOULD CONNECT CHICAGO WITH NEY YORK.

The Type Used in One Year to Publish Endorsements of Doan's Kidney Pills.

Of the man remedies on the market today, none other is recommended like Doan's Kidney Pills. Fifty thousand benefitted people gladly testify in the newspapers of their own towns. Forty-five hundred American newspapers publish this home proof of Doan's merit. The type used in one year to tell this wonderful story would make a solid column of metal twice as high as the world's highest mountain. Placed end to end the lines of type would reach from New York to Chicago. These miles of good words told by 50,000 tongues sound glad tidings to any Ballinger sufferer who wants relief from kidney and bladder ills. Here's a Ballinger ease. Don't experiment. Use the remedy endorsed by people you know.

D. C. Claypool, contractor, 500 13th St., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order and I had soreness and dull pains across the small of my back. I used Doan's Kidney Pills which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they soon strengthened my back."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Claypool had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

BETHEL SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY, OCTOBER 1st.

We have been requested to announce that the Bethel school will open on Monday, October 1st. The Bethel school is one of the best rural high schools in the country and a successful term with a large enrollment has been predicted for the school.

Experience the Best Teacher.

It is generally admitted that experience is the best teacher, but would we not make use of the experience of others as well as our own? The experience of a thousand persons is more to be depended upon than that of one individual. Many thousands of persons have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs and colds with the best results, which shows it to be a thoroughly reliable preparation for those diseases. Try it. It is prompt and effectual and pleasant to take.

Mrs. M. E. McNeely of Clyde was in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

All Leather Shoes at Lowest possible prices at Higginbotham's, for all the family. d&w1t.

Walter Lange returned home Tuesday from Fort Worth.

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FOR SALE—For sale, trade or rent; one four-room house on Tenth street. See H. H. Hardin & Co. 17—6td-1tw

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FOR RENT—Two good, cool bed rooms, close in. Ring phone 179. tfdh

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend through this paper our sincere and heartfelt thanks and to express our appreciation to our friends, and everyone who so kindly helped us in deeds and words of sympathy during the illness and death of our husband and father. Especially do we thank those who contributed the beautiful flowers. You have made us feel that our friends are the best friends, and we sincerely thank you.

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