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RUSSIAN DEMOCRATS VOTE AGAINST KERENSKY'S PLAN

Petrograd, Oct. 3.—All Russian Democratic congress voted 813 to 180 against a coalition government. The decision hits Gen Kerensky and the provisional government, and it is feared will precipitate further trouble.

FOREST FIRE KILLS TEN IN CALIFORNIA

Fillmore, Okla., Oct. 3.—Forest fires are today sweeping the oil and mining region north of here. Ten persons are known to be dead and many others missing in the path of the fire.

SAN ANGELO SOLDIER ENDS LIFE AT CAMP.

Telegraphic reports from San Antonio tell of the suicide of Ira W. Morgan, age 22, of Company I, Fourth Texas Infantry. Morgan's body was found in the ante room of a San Antonio saloon, with a bullet hole through his heart. Military records at Camp Travis show that Morgan was drafted from San Angelo. Morgan's body will probably be returned to San Angelo.

Private Cuts His Throat

San Antonio, Oct. 2.—Private Herbert B. Webb, Battery A, 34th Field Artillery at Camp Travis, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor Monday afternoon in the battery barracks. It was given out at camp today. Webb was drafted into the army at Rusk, Texas. Several fellow soldiers were in the room, but were unable to prevent the suicide. Webb died within a few minutes.

RESOLUTIONS CONDEMN WOODWARD'S VOTE

The Democrats met in a mass meeting at Brownwood Monday afternoon and adopted resolutions condemning State Senator Woodward for voting to exonerate Governor Ferguson on the twenty-one charges filed against him in the impeachment investigation.

The meeting was called by County Chairman Grove on the strength of a petition with one hundred signatures. Mr. Woodward's actions in the senate were discussed by the various speakers present, and with one exception, all the speakers declared that the action of the senator from this district were not in harmony with the Democrats of the district, and he has been requested to offer some explanation for upholding Mr. Ferguson.

After some discussion the following resolutions were adopted with only one dissenting vote:

"Resolved, that it is the sense of this mass meeting that the action of State Senator Woodward in voting to exonerate ex-Governor Ferguson from every charge preferred against him at the late impeachment trial in Austin was not justified by any fact or facts known to this meeting, that such action does not reflect the conviction of this portion of his constituency, and we are wholly unable to comprehend his attitude in view of what we understand the facts to be.

"We do not wish to find any man without a hearing, but unless some explanation is forthcoming which embraces a discussion of the facts we shall be forced to say that his votes do violence to the record, and misrepresent the views of the great mass of good citizens of this state."

40,000 Made Homeless By Typhoon In Japan

Refugee from Submarined Ship Returns to Ballinger

R. E. Allen, who recently returned to Ballinger after an absence of five years, and after having had the experience of seeing the ship upon which he was a sailor sent to the bottom by a German submarine. Having reached the age of 86 years, Mr. Allen desires to seek a more quiet life than sailing the high seas and he is on the lookout for a place on a ranch, or in some private family as a cook. For 48 years he sailed the seas and was chief cook on various ships. He has seen most of the world, and he can keep one interested for hours at a time telling his experience, and especially is his account of the submarining of the Gulflight by the German U-boat 3 interesting.

Mr. Allen spent some time in Ballinger cooking for the local hotels and cafes about five years ago, when he decided to return to sailor life. He secured a position on the Gulflight, and oil tanker, and was chief cook on the Gulflight on the afternoon of Feb. 3rd when about four o'clock the vessel was attacked by the submarines and was soon a wreck of mangled steel lying at the bottom of the sea with its rich cargo of oil.

The destruction of the Gulflight is familiar with the reading public, the American government having called for a thorough report on the case and branded it as one of Germany's most brazen insults to the United States. The vessel was sunk off Kings Head light-house on Feb. 3rd of this year, and a few days after Germany had issued her submarine orders, violating all international law. The ship went down about 25 miles from where the Lusitania was destroyed. The Gulflight was one of the best oil tankers in commission. The ship was sailing from Tampico for Liverpool with a cargo of oil and would have landed in three or four days had she escaped the German sub.

"It was our fifth trip and we were sailing along at a good rate of speed," said Mr. Allen, "when all at once a shot from the German sub fell only a few yards short of the ship. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. Our captain ordered the engines stopped and the ship came to a standstill. By the time the ship was stopped the German sub was along side our vessel and the captain of the submarine and two other officers came aboard and ordered all the crew to get in life boats. We asked permission to go below and get some things we did not want to lose, including money. I had \$190 in my quarters but the Germans would not allow us to get anything, not even food. As soon as we got in our life boats and got away from the Gulflight, a torpedo from the submarine struck our vessel center and it was but a few minutes in sinking with her cargo of 12,500 tons of oil.

The submarine submerged and we did not see it any more. We were left to drift in the life boats without food or water. The wireless operator sent out a message that we were being attacked just before the Germans forced us off the Gulflight, and at seven o'clock the next morning the Rotterdam, sailing for Jamaica, picked us up and gave us something to eat. Some of our life boats had drifted ten miles apart, but the big ship coming to our rescue found them all. A patrol boat reached us after the Rotterdam had picked us up and there was some lively hunting for the submarine, but of course had disappeared. We suffered severely during the night we were in the open boats and it was extremely cold. Only four of our crew were lost.

"The Rotterdam carried us to port and we were turned over to authorities and put in the bull pen at Bresch, France, and later furnished sworn statements as to what took place. Mr. Gerard, the American ambassador to Germany, came to our rescue and we were sent to Hamburg and returned to America a short time before Mr. Gerard was given his passport. We came home by way of Jamaica, Havana and Galveston. I have many friends here, at Winters and Abilene and I came back here with the hopes of finding a home where I can spend my remaining days."

Mr. Allen says he does not drink or use tobacco, and attributes his good health and long life to the fact that he has always taken care of himself and has never dissipated. He has been to Berlin, and in fact, has traveled all over Germany and while he knows Uncle Sam is going to come out victorious, he thinks that America is going to have to furnish millions of men, and Germany must be crushed before the nation will give up.

The veteran sailor says the territory now held by the Germans in France will be left a bed of bombs when the Germans retreat and the allies will be committing suicide if they attempt to march over the territory. He says the victory must be won in the air. "If it had not been for Uncle Sam the allies would have been whipped before now", says Mr. Allen, "and this nation would have been in great danger."

POSTING LIBERTY BOND PICTURES

County Judge Parrish launched the Liberty Bond campaign in this county Monday posting the city with big colored posters and window display cards, urging the people to support the government by investing their money in liberty bonds.

Many stickers were placed on windshields of autos, in show windows, while the colored lithograph hangers are conspicuous over the city. The people will be reminded from day to day during the present campaign of their duty to the government with their money. If you can't go to the front you can put up money to help send a soldier.

The bonds will bear four per cent and are free from taxation, and are absolutely safe investment having the United States government back of them. It will require billions of dollars to win the war, and America must win regardless of the cost in both cash and lives.

Do Your Bit.

John Greenhill came in Wednesday from San Antonio. He has been working for Uncle Sam during the past six weeks, helping to build army camps. He says it is wonderful the way the United States is preparing to carry on the war.

PROMINENT YOUNG PEOPLE TO WED.

At the Queen Theatre Friday, Oct. 5, Miss Dan Moser will become the bride of Mr. Arch Crews. 1-d5t

METEOR FALLS NEAR HILLSBORO

Waco, Texas, Oct. 1.—A meteor weighing several tons fell tonight and completely buried itself on the farm of Harry James, two miles south of Hillsboro, Texas. Many persons saw the meteor, which was the size of an ordinary automobile, falling through the air and there was some excitement in the vicinity.

The above indicates that there was more than one meteor shooting around this globe last Monday night. The one seen by Ballinger citizens was not traveling towards Hillsboro, but was passing from east to west. There was either two meteors or the one passed entirely around the world and stopped at Hillsboro on its return.

TEMPLE SEES THE METEOR.

Many Temple people enjoyed the novelty of seeing a real live meteor Monday night and that they were not simply dreaming or suffering from a too free indulgence in hamburgers at the fair, was established yesterday when reports from Hillsboro stated that the piece of another world had fallen in a field near that city. The phenomenon was witnessed all over this section of the state and the scene is described as one of the greatest brilliancy not unminged with awe-inspiring features.

An incident indicating the brightness of the visitor from outward space is related by the trainmen of the incoming Santa Fe passenger train. At that hour the train was just pulling out of Lampasas and the porter, left to close the switch, was so blinded by the light that he could not find the train which had to be backed up to take him on.—Temple Telegram.

WARNING HANDS FOR CITY STREET WORK

Policeman Pileher is today warning out all men who are subject to street work under the new city ordinance, and who have not paid their three dollars in lieu of the work they are required to do. The hands are being warned to meet at the city hall at seven-thirty Monday morning, where they will be placed under charge of Horace Reasonover, the newly appointed street overseer.

As the hands are only required to pay sixty cents per day where they do not work, it is a foregone fact that very few will report for duty, but instead will pay the money and get released from the work, unless it is a few who we understand will contest the law, declining to either work or pay the street tax.

Mr. Pileher informs us that he has collected a little more than \$600 since the new ordinance went into effect, leaving only about fifty men within the age limit of from 21 to 45 who are subject to street work, and the most of these are paying when warned out for work.

Most of these expressing themselves do not object to paying the \$3 street tax if the money is properly spent. There is just as much art in building a street as there is in building a house, and a sufficient amount of cash has been spent on the streets of Ballinger during the past twenty years to complete a system of permanent streets throughout the city.

E. L. Rasbury returned from Lampasas Wednesday, where he had been on business.

Tokio, Oct. 3.—A most destructive typhoon and flood swept thru this city. The storm is the worst in twenty years. Thousands of buildings were destroyed and 40,000 people are homeless. Railroads and shipping is paralyzed and property damage in Tokio alone is estimated at three million dollars. At least eighty people are dead, and hundreds injured. The storm broke Monday.

AMERICAN DESTROYER IN COLLISION

Washington, Oct. 3.—An American destroyer operating in European waters, was severely damaged in a night collision with a British naval vessel, the navy department announced today. There was no loss of life in the accident and the destroyer has since been repaired and returned to active service.

Mrs. Nance and Mrs. Jones of Thornton are the guests of Mrs. J. A. DeMerville of this city this week.

J. M. Miles of Winters was in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

LOWER LIMB BROKEN IN FOOT BALL GAME

The 12 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. George, sustained a broken lower limb while playing foot ball on the Central High school play ground Tuesday afternoon.

The boys of the central school, ranging in age from 12 to 14 years lined up for a game after school closed for the day, and it was while Louis was participating in the game that he happened to the accident. To tell how it occurred would necessitate going into details of the game and telling how the "knock downs" and "drag outs" take place and we are not familiar enough with the game to do this.

The boy was hurriedly carried to the sanitarium where the broken limb received medical attention and where he remained until Wednesday morning when he was carried to his home. The limb was broken just above the right knee, and while a very painful fracture the boy is resting as well as could be expected.

It is now expected that the school authorities will issue an ultimatum and match games of foot ball among boys of this age will hereafter be prohibited on the school grounds.

A number of witnesses in connection with the Winchester trial to be held in San Angelo next week, passed through Ballinger Wednesday on their way to San Angelo. Among those were M. L. Peters, W. E. Pippin, and Mrs. Winchester and daughter, mother and sister of the defendant. All of these were from Haskell, where Winchester lived prior to the killing.



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SOMETHING MONEY CAN'T BUY.

A few citizens of Anson have headed a subscription list to raise fund for Mr. Ferguson to use in his next campaign for governor. Unless the situation changes up a little the contributors could safely subscribe to such a fund without any likelihood of being called upon to pay those other people who have promised to raise a lot of money for the arrest of the kaiser. It is evident now that the ex-Governor will need a few citizen's rights given him before he can get his name anywhere about the ticket.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Ferguson's name should not be mentioned again. He has been convicted and punished and that should be sufficient, but he seems to be determined to keep up the fight in which he has already lost. While he has been "dethroned," and every political power suddenly taken away from him, he still has friends who are willing to put up their money for him. But there is one thing the money of Ferguson and his friends can't buy. He paid thirty thousand dollars for the governor's office, but the legislature of Texas has put him out of the bidding, and this is one time money will not talk in politics.

FREE SPEECH

Free speech is a good thing under reasonable limitations, but the right of free silence is also recognizable. When it gets so that nincompoops of every imaginable shade think they have the right to inflict their unintelligence on everybody without anybody's consent, it is time to call a halt.

The constitution was never meant to guarantee one man the privilege of keeping a whole city awake while he blew off. The ear deserves consideration as well as the tongue, and person-



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al liberty was never designed to compel a crowd to suffer for any orator's benefit.

We have had a good deal of slush poured on our unprotected heads during the past few months in connection with the "freedom of speech" and "freedom of the press" idea, but the most of it has come from those who couldn't get an audience without the help of police power.

The Chronicle yields to no one when it comes to protecting individual right, but the notion that free speech comprehends compulsory attention to something that we don't want to hear is too strong for us.—Houston Chronicle.

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TWO IN SAME FAMILY DIE ON SAME NIGHT.

Lampasas, Texas, Oct. 2.—C. N. Witcher and his daughter, Miss Myra Witcher, died here Monday night at about 9:45. The Witcher family is one of the oldest in this section. Witcher has been the owner of a theatre here for years and has many relatives in the community. The father was taken seriously ill Friday while the daughter has been sick for a long time. Witcher took an active part in community affairs in former years and is well known in the county. The deceased are survived by Mrs. C. N. Witcher, Dee Witcher, a son; Mrs. George Ziveley, a daughter and another daughter who resides somewhere in West Texas. H. C. Rasbury, a brother-in-law of Witcher is here from Temple and attended the funeral, which was held at 4 p. m. Tuesday at the family residence.

A WOMANLESS WEDDING

Don't fail to see the "womanless wedding" at the Queen Theatre Friday evening. Admission 25 cents. Proceeds for Red Cross.

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FOR SALE—Three Vendor Lien notes aggregating \$320.00, due Dec. 1st, 1917, 1918, 1919, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent secured by good four room house, two acres of land in the town of Maverick, good well and windmill, half cash was made at time of purchase and property sold cheap, safe investment for any one with some cash they want to be bearing them interest. Perfect title. Phone 60 or 161. Ballinger, Texas. tfd

FOR RENT—To rent my place on 12th street, J. M. Cordell. Phone 325. 2-5td.

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'Somewhere In France' Without a Smoke Do you know what it means to a soldier at the end of a hard day's work—without a smoke? You remember how often "at home" you were stranded, but think of your soldier friend at the front—what a 'smoke' would mean to him. Thousands of our boys are "somewhere in France" without their favorite smoke—they are fighting for you. Won't you contribute 25c to supply your soldier friend with a week's supply of smokes? The Ballinger Daily Ledger Tobacco Fund has just been started, to supply our boys with their favorite smoke. Will you help to make it a success? This has been endorsed by the Government. Through the efforts of this paper, arrangements have been made with a tobacco company to send 45c worth of tobacco for 25c. Here is what they will get: 2 packages of Luckey Strike Cigarettes, Retail at 20c 3 packages of Bull Durham " " " 15c 3 books Bull Durham Cigarette papers 1 tin of Tuxedo Tobacco, Retail at 10c 4 books of Tuxedo Cigarette Papers 45c A return post card is enclosed in each package, so that every contributor will receive a personal acknowledgement of his gift. You will treasure this message from the trenches. Everybody wants to give a little. Will you help make it a success by doing your bit. The Ballinger Daily Ledger's Tobacco Fund

JURY SAYS MAN NOT CRAZY.

J. W. Wilson, of the Miles country, was brought here this week and on Wednesday was arraigned before an insanity commission and tried for insanity. The charges were filed against the man by his son. After hearing the evidence in the case the commission declared the man to be sane and he was released and returned to his home.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Most Reliable.

After many years' experience in the use of it and other cough medicines, there are many who prefer Chamberlain's to any other. Mrs. A. C. Kirstein, Greenville, Ill., writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my mother's home and mine for years, and we always found it a quick cure for colds and bronchial troubles. We find it to be the most reliable cough medicine we have used."

M. E. Roberson and Miss Maxie Roberson left Tuesday for Cameron.

Jack Ramson returned Tuesday from San Angelo, where he had been for a few days.

Mrs. Smith Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have had more or less stomach trouble for eight or ten years," writes Mrs. G. H. Smith, Brewerton, N. Y. "When suffering from attacks of indigestion and heaviness after eating, one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets have always relieved me. I have also found them a pleasant laxative." These tablets tone up the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. If you are troubled with indigestion give them a trial, get well and stay well.

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

Mrs. Carl Dunn returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives in Miles.

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Traveling Men's Day October 20th. Saturday, October 20th has been designated as Traveling Men's Day at the State Fair of Texas, at which time it is expected not less than 5000 "Knights of the Grip" will be on hand for the occasion. Opening the day with a parade through the downtown business section, the traveling men will go to the Fair in a body. No set program has been arranged for these guests of the Fair, but the Committee in charge of arrangements for the day has announced that a number of novel and surprising stunts will enliven the time spent at the Fair Grounds.

Complete Milk-Making Plant. Complete in every detail a milk plant will be operated at the State Fair of Texas, October 13-23, in connection with the Dairy Demonstration work. The operation of this plant will be an innovation for the State Fair; heretofore only butter and creamery products have been demonstrated. The plant to be installed this year will demonstrate methods of producing and marketing pure milk.

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R. H. Smith and wife of Ratler passed through Ballinger Wednesday going to Miles.

GET IT AT Weeks DRUG STORE IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH

R. P. Carnes of DeLeon was in Ballinger Tuesday between trains going on to Brownwood.

PUBLIC WEDDING At the Queen Theatre Friday evening there will be a popular public womanless wedding. Admission 25 cents, including the picture show. 1-d5t

C. P. Nunn of Wingate was a visitor to Ballinger Wednesday.

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Advice to American Six Years of Age and Under

This is the first of a series of seven articles on "Helping to Win the War," written by George Ade. Six other articles will appear in this paper on the following dates: Oct. 11, 18, 25; November 1st, November 8, November 15. They are worth reading; don't miss a one.—The Editor.

Article I.

Can a mere child be of service to his or her country while we are trying to make the Kaiser behave? Undoubtedly, How?

By observing the conduct of weak-kneed, hysterical, and complaining adults and then being just as different from them as possible.

This war is neither a joke nor a protracted funeral.

You will notice that some of the older people refuse to accept it as a fact, while others move about in a blue funk, exclaiming, between sobs, that the U. S. A. is going to the how-works.

Let the very young children set their elders an example by remaining calm but determined.

If you pick up the morning paper and read that the U-boats bagged 17 ships instead of the customary 15 and the Canadians captured only one line of trenches instead of two, do not shake your head and declare that the Germans never can be licked.

Set a good example to your fathers and mothers and uncles and aunts by renewing your faith daily, in spite of an occasional setback.

Quote to them the words of Abraham Lincoln: Let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us, to the end, dare to do our duty."

You might remind your grown-up relatives that all during the Civil War the Northern States harbored a good many well-meaning people who went about moaning that the Union never could be preserved and we had better accept peace at any price.

These invertebrates (an invertebrate, children, is a creature with a string of macaroni where the backbone should be)—these spineless ones were willing to let certain states secede. The blacks were to remain in slavery. Our flag was to be lowered. Anything to avoid a fight to a finish.

Even after the battle of Gettysburg, when the fortunes of war began to favor the North, just as they are now favoring the Allies, every community had to put up with a few of the whiners and fault-finders who belittled each victory and magnified each reverse.

Your grandfather can tell you about these peace lovers who helped to prolong the war by failing to give united and loyal support to the soldiers at the front. If it should happen that grandfathers was one of these "peace-at-any-price" advocates, doubtless he will change the subject and talk about something else.

Even if you are less than six years of age, surely you can understand that the issues involved in this dreadful war must be settled and settled right before the world may hope for abiding peace.

Therefore, if anyone asks what you think about the war, reply as follows:

"President Wilson was right when he said that the world must be made safe for democracy. The American people have no desire to destroy Germany or prevent it from regaining commercial importance. They want Germany to restore the stolen property and go home in a chastened mood. They want to jam the knowledge into every close-cropped Prussian head that just because a man owns a high-priced automatic gun and has a lot of ammunition and a college education he has no right to go out and shoot up his neighbors. The American people are hoping to make it clear to the Kaiser and the Crown Prince and the various square-jawed Hindenburgs that it is highly improper to form a partnership with God for purposes of murder, and then treat God as a silent partner. As to the final outcome, the Battle of the Marne was the beginning of the end. For 200 years all the big events of history have marked an irresistible advance toward the establishment of democracy. When the Germans

failed in their mad rush of 1914, it meant that an All-Wise Providence and the laws of evolution were not to be thwarted by a military despot with bristling mustache. Germany can not win and therefore Germany must lose. The end of bloodshed and sacrifice and widespread terror will come as soon as the United States of America begins to strike aggressive blows. The more men we send to the front, the fewer we will lose. Our most needful watchword is Faith. We are going to end the war and then sit at the council table to repress greed and curb injustice."

Of course the foregoing will sound rather bifaluting to come from a six-year-old child, but it will be the truth, and the truth is needed in large doses at present, especially by people more than six years of age.

That will be all for today, children. You may run along and play.

Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomach and you may find it best to eat them out.

Notice in Probate

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Rannels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Rannels county, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the estate of W. A. Loveless, deceased, Mrs. W. A. Loveless has filed an application in the County Court of Rannels County, on the 28th day of Sept. 1917, for letters testamentary of the estate of W. A. Loveless, deceased, which 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 who are 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 28th day of Sept., 1917.

W. C. McCARVER, Clerk County Court Rannels Co., Texas.
By W. R. PUCKETT, Deputy.
1-421-1st St.

TEXAS STATE COUNCIL OF DEFENSE DAY

MONDAY, OCT. 16, SET ASIDE BY STATE FAIR OF TEXAS FOR MEETING.

EXPECT 1,500 DELEGATES

With Branch Councils in 210 Counties and Low Railroad Rates to Dallas a Large Attendance is Assured—Patriotism is Key Note.

Monday, October 16th, has been designated as the date for the meeting at the State Fair of Texas of the Texas State Council of Defense. The Texas Council is a branch of the National Council of Defense, and has been largely instrumental in making successful the work of this national organization.

The Texas Council has branches in 210 counties of the State of Texas, these county members being appointed by the County Judges. Seven delegates have been appointed from each of these counties, and it is expected that between 1500 and 2000 representatives of the Council will be on hand for the special meeting to be held at the State Fair. President R. E. L. Knight of the State Fair is a member of the State and National Councils, and is giving personal attention to arrangements for the meeting at the State Fair.

4%

that's 4 cents added to your dollar the first year, and 4 per cent of \$1.04 or 4 and 1-10th cent the second year, with 4 per cent of \$1.0816 the third year—and so your money grows.

Start a saving account with us today that your dollar may grow to the full.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS
BALLINGER STATE BANK TEXAS

Mr. Knight recently went to Washington to confer with officers of the National Association in an effort to procure one or more nationally known men to attend the State Council meeting and deliver addresses upon the present war situation.

At the meeting of the State Council plans for the future work of the organization will be outlined and reports will be made upon the activities up to that date.

As the year 1917 is known as Foundation Year of the State Fair of Texas, it was deemed fitting that the meeting of the State Council of Defense should be held during the early days of the Fair, in order that delegates might be given the patriotic impetus. Every effort will be put forth during the Fair to improve upon the patriotic service to their country, especially at this time when novel plans have been arranged to carry this message of patriotism to the hundreds of thousands of people who will throng the Fair grounds, and so opportunity will be had to impress the message upon everyone who attends.

ing the color of the flags patriotic numbers. Flags of the Allies will be mingled in profusion throughout the grounds. Every building will be decorated with the flags of the United States and the Allied nations, and decorative of flags throughout the Fair will cheer the allied colors.

"It seems entirely appropriate that the Texas State Council of Defense should hold its meeting at the State Fair of Texas," President Knight said. "The State Fair has this year been dedicated to the service of the United States Government to be used in any manner which those in authority deem best and wisest. The Texas State Council of Defense has also given its services to the Government to aid the United States during this war. With missions wherein there is so much unity of purpose, it is fitting that the council should come together within the gates of the State Fair."

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.



THE VERY BEST OF ALL

Dairy products, whether it be milk, cream, butter, or eggs, can be found at the Johnson Dairy. We handle only the best and our sanitary arrangements are perfect and thoroughly up-to-date. Give us a call, look over our plant and leave your order for us to supply you regularly.

JACKSON DAIRY
Phone 5903

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.

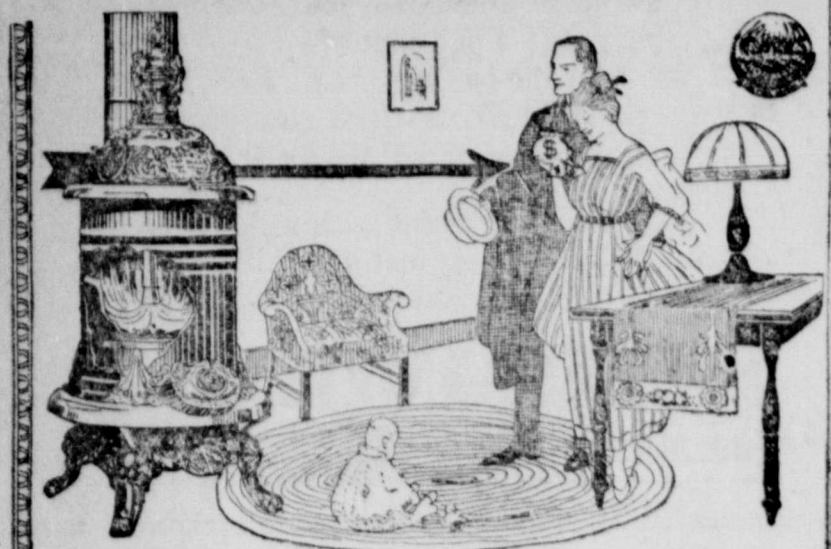
We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing---Phone 97



Auto Delivery

Higginbotham Bros. & Co.
of Texas
CAPITAL \$1,500,000.00



Everybody's Attention

has been called to the remarkable fuel saving secured with Cole's Original Hot Blast Heaters. Coal prices are soaring—why be a slave to an extravagant heating plant or stove that is a demon for fuel.

Join now in the great army of satisfied users who have found relief from high fuel bills with the great fuel saving

COLE'S Original Hot Blast Heater

Burns cheapest coal clean and bright. Uses any fuel

Everybody is searching for a way to save fuel and food. Here's your opportunity to cut your coal bills square in half and gain a perfectly heated home as well. Investigate now. Our Store is Fuel Savers Headquarters.

No. 112

A. R. Hoehn of Birmingham, who had been visiting his brother, Albert Hoehn, of this city, returned home Tuesday.

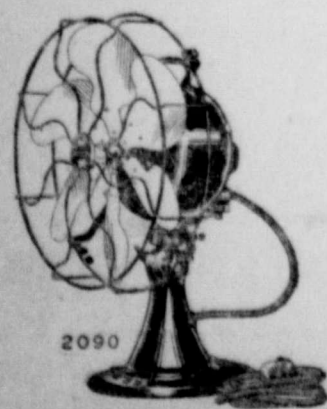
Vernon McMillan left Tuesday for Temple, where he will visit for a short while. He will also visit in Rogers.

For Cotton Storage

Let us store your cotton. We have the cheapest insurance in town. Hold your cotton for 30c per pound. Let us figure on your cotton storage.

Farmers Union Ware House
J. P. Booth, Manager

The Modern, Efficient ELECTRIC FAN



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

JACK RABBIT TO SAVE PEOPLE FROM HUNGER

Washington, Oct. 1.—The Jack rabbit to the rescue.

Ways and means for distributing the carcasses of the millions of jack rabbits that infest the fertile fields of the far west and consume much of the fine crops of the farmers are to be taken up soon by the department of agriculture with a view of increasing the supply and lowering the cost of meats.

The season for community drives on the pests in the west is drawing near and it is hoped by the department to interest the masses in the food value of these animals, and the commercial opportunities that await the pioneer exploiters and shippers of this wholesome food.

Besides being a delicious and palatable game food in its natural and fresh state, it is claimed that the hams of the rabbit corned and smoked are equally as fine if not better.

The average weight of the dressed rabbit is three pounds. They abound by the millions over thousands of acres in the far western states.

ONE WEAK SPOT

Many People Have a Weak Part and Too Often It's the Back.

Many people have a weak spot. Too often it's a bad back.

Twinges follow every sudden twist.

Dull aching keeps up, day and night.

Backache is often from weak kidneys.

In such case a kidney medicine is needed.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for weak kidneys.

For backache and urinary ills.

Ballinger people recommend the remedy.

G. W. Newman, preacher, 906 Sealey Ave., Ballinger, says: "My kidneys were out of order. I suffered from dull, throbbing pains across my loins. I often had such sharp catches in my back I could hardly straighten. The kidney secretions passed irregularly and annoyed me greatly. Doan's Kidney Pills, which I procured from J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store, put my back in good shape and rid me of kidney complaint."

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

A. & M. HAS BIG ENROLLMENT

Judge Jno. I. Guion returned from College Station Monday at noon, where he went to attend a meeting of the regents of the A. & M. College. He reports that the college begins the term under the most promising conditions. The enrollment amounts to about 1100, and with the three hundred cadets who joined the army, the enrollment would have broken the record this year.

Judge Guion says he inspected the eleven buildings recently constructed and to which the college is indebted to ex-Governor Ferguson, and says the new improvements are the most modern and up-to-date in the Southwest.

"We did not discuss politics," said Judge Guion, "and I did not visit Austin."

G. F. STEVENSON

Scientific Masseur, is located in West Ballinger on 11th Street. Office at the Phillips Mineral Wells. We give cold and hot baths with the massage treatment. Come or phone 370. Free car service. 28-461-pd.

Mrs. I. K. Watkins of Winters was shopping in Ballinger Wednesday.

Hold your cotton for 30 cents per pound, and store same with the Farmers' Union Warehouse Co. Cheapest insurance in town. 1-6td. J. P. Booth.

Mrs. J. E. Carter returned home Wednesday from a visit to relatives in Wichita Falls.

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

Mrs. J. E. Salmon and Miss Ollie Bridges of Talpa were shopping in Ballinger Tuesday.

VINOL MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG

Positive—Convincing Proof
We publish the formula of Vinol to prove convincingly that it has the power to create strength.

It Contains: Cod Liver and Beef Peptones, Iron and Manganese Peptones, Iron and Ammonium Citrate, Lime and Soda Glycerophosphates, Cascarin.

Any woman who buys a bottle of Vinol for a weak, run-down, nervous condition and finds after giving it a fair trial it did not help her, will have her money returned.

You see, there is no guess work about Vinol. Its formula proves there is nothing like it for all weak, run-down, overworked, nervous men and women and for feeble old people and delicate children. Try it once and be convinced.

J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., City Drug Store, Ballinger, and the best drug store in every town and city in the country.

FOOT BALL SQUAD MUST PULL OUT

A misunderstanding, or confused schedule of games, has caught the local eleven of the Ballinger High School with two games on their hands for this week and the games must be played Friday and Saturday. It places the local squad in a tight place, imposing two games in succession upon them, but they will attempt to pull out of the tight place victoriously.

It was announced some time ago that Brownwood would send her team here for a game on Saturday of this week, but it did not become known until a few days ago that the schedule called for a game with San Angelo on Friday of this week.

The squad will leave here in autos about ten o'clock Friday morning, play San Angelo on the Angelo gridiron at three-thirty in the afternoon and return home after the game, and get ready for the coming of the Brownwood squad Saturday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid; and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

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

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Fresh Candy Received.

Just received shipment Loose Wiles Cream and fruit chocolate candy. J. P. Martindale. 2-d3t

Big G is effective in treating...
Prepared by THE EYANS CHEMICAL CO., CINCINNATI, O.

Miss Ura Lee Ellison of Temple was in Ballinger a few hours Tuesday visiting T. J. Stocks.



Fly pestered cows can't do their best—they suffer and you lose. Come in and get a Can of

Conkey's Fly Knocker

Use it 15 days and watch results. We'll refund every cent of your money if it fails to satisfy you. CONKEY'S is a high quality fly repellent you need in your business.

E. A. Jeanes & Co.

QUIT YOUR RUNNING AND GET A HOME

It is a well known fact that a number of families in this county have sold out at sacrifice, are pulling up and are running from the drouth. Such people may live to run another day, for drouths and other adversities are no respecter of countries.

What is today making inviting conditions at other places may pass away over season, and those seeking new homes may find themselves facing a condition they left behind while the conditions left behind may have given away to prosperity. Experience has taught us that one extreme follows another.

The man who owns a home at this time will find it more difficult to pull up stakes and leave than the man who does not own a home. That's where the home owner has the advantage, and where the home owner is worth more to his country.

It was Gov. Hogg who urged the people to own their homes, and in part Mr. Hogg in address to the people on this subject says:

"For many years my advice has been, is yet, and will continue to be, that every man in this State either in the country or city, should acquire a home.

"Aside from the advantage of investment, it is nature's obligation a man's solemn duty, the implied promise he makes when he takes unto himself a wife to get a home in which he and his family can live as citizens of the Government. Nine out of ten promise their wives before marriage that they shall have a home. This is often the leading inducement for women to accept a man's hand in marriage.

"Any healthy, industrious man in this state can procure and pay for a home in either the country or the city easily enough. When a man fails to buy a home he stands in his own light; he inflicts a cruel wound upon his own family; brings on himself severe burdens of distress, loses the opportunity of better citizenship and fails to educate and refine his children.

"In times of sickness and when rents come due and can not be paid, he may not find neighborly indulgence and sympathy, but instead thereof the cold hand of a heartless and avaricious landlord. At this moment of his darkest gloom, threats of dispossession and snarls of bill collectors take the place of neighborly visits and the night song of cheerful friends. These suggestions must unfold to the mind on the one hand the many pictures of horror and distress that must hover over the unsettled tenant and on the other hand they should furnish the pictures of contentment, happiness and prosperity that light up every well regulated home.

"Home, the center of civilization. Home, the pivot of constitutional Government. Home, the ark of safety to the haven of rest in old age, where the higher elements of better manhood can be taught rising generations by the splendid examples of settled citizenship. Every man should own his home."

Economy is the War Cry.

Our President tells us that we can do our "bit" in winning the war by practicing the most rigid economy. Dig up those old high top shoes, and take them to Wendorf for repairs and help carry our Great President's policy. We challenge comparison in the class of work we turn out.

W. L. Laey, of the Winters country, was here Wednesday and called at The Ledger office to have some resolutions, passed by the I. O. O. F. Lodge at Mazeland, published. The resolutions were passed in extending sympathy and offering help to Jesse Elms in his trouble. It will be remembered that Mr. Elms' wife was recently burned to death when the Elms home was destroyed by fire, and a complaint charging Elms with the death of his wife was filed.

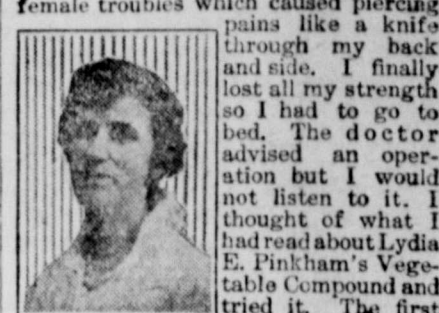


Will Whitehead of San Saba county, returned home Tuesday after visiting Dee Oliver and family here a while.

PAINS SHARP AND STABBING

Woman Thought She Would Die. Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Ogdensburg, Wis.—"I suffered from female troubles which caused piercing



pains like a knife through my back and side. I finally lost all my strength so I had to go to bed. The doctor advised an operation but I would not listen to it. I thought of what I had read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and tried it. The first bottle brought great relief and six bottles have entirely cured me. All women who have female trouble of any kind should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

Mrs. ETTA DORRIS, Ogdensburg, Wis. Physicians undoubtedly did their best, battled with this case steadily and could do no more, but often the most scientific treatment is surpassed by the medicinal properties of the good old fashioned roots and herbs contained in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If any complication exists it pays to write the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for special free advice.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Mrs. P. P. Holton, who had been visiting her son in Brownwood, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown and children of Winters, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. E. D. Jackson.

Ed Eubank who had been in South Texas the past few months, came in Friday, and left Monday for Fort Worth on business.

Mrs. Power of Hesse, Texas, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bob Davis.

Miss Hester Sutton, of Bell county, who had been visiting her cousin, Miss Maydell Rushing, has returned home.

We were glad to have the Gospel Team with us Sunday afternoon. They made some splendid talks and gave some encouraging testimonies.

Our school is progressing nicely while the enrollment is small so far. We feel very fortunate in having such splendid teachers.



J. F. Mansker returned home Wednesday from Winters, where he had been visiting for a few days.

Croup.

If your children are subject to croup get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and when the attack comes on be careful to follow the plain printed direction. You will be surprised at the quick relief it affords.

QUEEN Tonight

PICTURE PROGRAM

Triangle Plays—Enid Bennett in

"A PRINCESS OF THE DARK."

Also

Keystone Comedy—

"WHEN HEARTS COLLIDE"—in Two Acts.

4 Minute Talk by Prof. Fleming.

Children 10c
Adults 15c