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German Base Falls; 30,000 Prisoners Are Captured

THRIVES ON LEAD DIET.

London, July 19.—Brig. Gen. Carton de Wiart, the Human Verdun, has broken into the casualty list again for the tenth or thirteenth time. His latest wound caused the London papers to leave off positive statements and begin estimating how many times he has been a casualty.

General de Wiart is a Belgian in the British army. He holds the Victoria Cross. His latest photograph shows only four wound stripes, but if he wore all he is entitled to wear he'd be too conspicuous.

OMAHA WOMEN HAVE A MENDING UNIT.

The National League of Women's Service, New York, makes the following report concerning the Omaha branch:

"The Omaha branch of the League has organized a unit for mending. A call sent out for needle-workers met with an enthusiastic response and willing hands were set to work on the discarded winter clothes. Every article, from gloves to sweaters, has been mended and cleaned, and they have all been carefully packed away ready for next seasons cold weather."

Gottschalk Not Guilty; Kieffer Gets 7 Years

The case of Richard Gottschalk and Emil Keiffer, charged with disloyalty, were called for trial in Federal court at San Angelo Friday.

Keiffer was tried on twelve different counts, and convicted in seven of the counts, a sentence of two years in the federal penitentiary given in each of the seven counts. The sentences were made concurrent which in effect means that the convicted man can serve his term simultaneously and complete the 14 year term in two years.

Keiffer lived with his father in the Winters country. He was arrested during the early spring, charged with disloyalty, released on bond to await the action of the

grand jury which indicted him last week.

Gottschalk was acquitted. The attorneys for this defendant filed a general demurrer, admitting that while the allegations in the indictment were true, that under the law the defendant was not guilty of any offense, and the court so held.

The defendant was alleged to have made disloyal remarks which resulted in an altercation between he and Chas. Grant at Winters during the spring. He was arrested and placed under bond to await the action of the federal grand jury, and an indictment was returned by the grand jury last week.

CANDIDATE FOR LIEUT. GOV. HERE

Senator W. A. Johnson, of Hall county, candidate for lieutenant governor, was in Ballinger Friday forenoon, spending several hours here meeting friends and presenting his claim for the lieutenant

governor's office. Mr. Johnson stated that he had visited 155 counties in Texas and wanted to visit as many more as possible during the remainder of the campaign. He expressed himself in the most optimistic way over the prospects of his success, despite the fact that there are five anti-Ferguson candidates on the ticket for this office and only one Ferguson candidate.

Senator Johnson is recognized

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RANGER REPLIES TO ATTORNEY'S LETTER

To the Editor of the Ledger.

I wish to reply in a few words to the attack made on the officers of this county by Judge C. O. Harris of San Angelo, in his letter recently published in your paper.

He charges in effect that we have been guilty of persecution, and in arresting innocent citizens, that we have been over-zealous. Most of the arrests made on charges of disloyalty, have been made by me or under my direction, and in each instance, the affidavits supporting the charges are on file in the Federal Court at San Angelo. Only nine were put under bond, the rest being arrests pending investigations. Two of the nine were indicted. I have also arrested about 35 slackers, some of them from Tom Green county, and of this number 22 have been put into service. I have no doubt from information I have that I could go into Tom Green county and round up still other slackers with the help of the faithful of fiers there.

I am sincere in believing that Judge Harris wrote his letter as an appeal to the pro-German element of our citizens, as he must realize that a criticism coming from a private citizen in another county would be effective to our citizens, and to be as charitable as possible, could be nothing less than an act of marked discourtesy. I am confirmed in my belief as to the object of his letter by reason of inquiries made of me by the gentleman as to the ability of some of those arrested to pay a fee, and the expressed desire to be introduced to them, which occurred shortly after the arrests were made. It may be of interest to some to know that as a matter of fact his law firm were counsel for some of the parties whose cases were investigated by the recent grand jury.

In justification of my facts, I hope those who know me well enough to judge, will concede to me the honest intentions which have actuated me in trying to do my duty as an officer. My pay is so limited that I have investigated many cases at a heavy financial loss, and in all cases I have been looking for the traitor to our government and have not the least desire to persecute the innocent.

J. P. FLYNT.

as the militant anti-Ferguson candidate, as he was the first senator to spring the charges against Ferguson and was the author of the resolution which started the first investigation of Ferguson's crookedness. He says that the support of the anti-Ferguson forces are rapidly crystalizing behind him, and feels confident that if he fails to get a majority in the first election he will be the high man on the Hobby ticket and will defeat the Ferguson candidate in the runoff.

Mr. Johnson is the senator who Ferguson branded as a "nigger." When the resolution calling for an

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Washington, July 19—3:34 P. M.—Soissons has fallen to the allies. This news reached Washington through official sources late today, along with the tidings that 30,000 Germans had been captured. Details are unavailable at this hour.

\$5000 GIN FIRE AT PAINT ROCK

News of the burning of one of the Western Gin Company's gins at Paint Rock was received in Ballinger Wednesday night. The gin burned about seven o'clock Wednesday night, fire originating from unknown cause. The loss amounted to about \$5,000 fully covered by insurance.

R. A. Hall, of San Angelo, is manager of the Western Gin Company gins, and the San Angelo Standard quotes Mr. Hall as saying that the fire was believed to be of incendiary nature. The company owned two gins at Paint Rock, and this one had not been in use for two seasons, the new gin being able to take care of the short cotton crop. The fire had gained good headway when discovered.

WOMAN TO SPEAK HERE TONIGHT

If rain does not prevent Mrs. Hill DeWolfe, of Lampasas, will speak on the court house lawn here this evening in the interest of Jim Ferguson. In case of rain the speaking will probably be held in the court house. Please note the weather provisions.

Mrs. DeWolfe is due to arrive here in an auto some time this afternoon accompanied by her husband. Miss Mary Phillips who is to introduce the lady speaker arrived here from Brownwood at noon, was met at the train by a Ferguson committee and escorted to her home.

LOCAL MERCHANTS SHOULD ADOPT THIS

San Angelo, July 18.—The one-delivery a day plan, desired by the commercial economy board of the national council of defense, was inaugurated in San Angelo Tuesday by the thirty retail grocers who are members of the Tom Green County Wholesale and Retail Grocers' Association. Orders sent in until twelve o'clock noon were filled after 1:30 p. m. Most of the stores had supplied all their customers at seven o'clock, the usual closing time.

The object of the plan is to release men for military service and to conserve gasoline, which is greatly needed by both the army and the navy. Heretofore deliveries have not been restricted and delivery cars have traveled hundreds of miles daily.

When the grocers' association arranged the present schedule, the matter of morning or afternoon delivery was discussed and the majority decided that afternoon delivery was preferable. Since that time some of the retailers and many of the customers have become convinced that morning deliveries would be more satisfactory. Under this plan, groceries ordered each afternoon would be delivered the following morning.

(By United Press.)
The allies are pouring a steady assault on the German salient on the Marne, the assault being made from both sides of the river by the allies, while the Americans and French are driving forward on a twenty five mile front between the Aisne and the Marne.

The French and Italians are attacking on a fifteen mile front east of Chateau-Thierry from the Marne north eastward toward Rheims. The Franco-American offensive was resumed at four o'clock this morning after a lull through the night, and new progress has been made and a large number of additional prisoners taken.

The Germans are destroying important property before retreating. It is reported that they are destroying their base in Soissons preparatory to evacuating that city.

The French and Italians have taken two towns and two important woods, and increased the number of prisoners captured by them in the present drive by four hundred.

Paris, July 19—4 P. M.—The allies have taken the initiative on the whole front and the Germans are now on the defensive everywhere, says an official statement issued by the allies' high command this afternoon.

With the Americans, Campagne July 19—The Americans and French after organizing and counting up gains of yesterday and last night, resumed their offensive between Aisne and the Marne this morning. The allies also pushed forward behind a rolling barrage on the whole front from Soissons to Chateau Ehierry, driving the Germans before them, after killing, wounding and capturing many. At the hour this report is being cabled there is no definite report of extent of new gains obtainable, but great success is being counted at every point of the drive.

Washington, July 19—3:20 P. M. Thirty thousand Germans have been captured in the Franco-American drive, according to official announcement received at Washington today.

This is the biggest single bag of prisoners taken by the allied forces on the western front since the war began.

Washington, July 19.—The fall of Soissons seems to be indicated by the progress made by the Franco-American troops, according to the latest official dispatches received here, Secretary Baker announced this afternoon. There is no confirmation of the report that the city has fallen, however.

Note—Soissons is an important supply base for the Germans. Earlier reports stated that the Germans were destroying the base and preparing to evacuate.

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V. Sledge Editor

**MANY MINDS WITH THE
SAME THOUGHT.**

A lady voter from Kent county writes in to express her very natural resentment against a candidate for the high office of governor who appears so lacking in normal sensitiveness as to be guilty of professing to see an analogy between himself and Jesus Christ, and their alleged kindred persecutions. Of course the lady properly holds such utter lack of spiritual refinement to be abhorrent to all reverent minds. But it is somewhat astonishing that the lady should conclude her letter by saying, "We don't know what State Press thinks of such rot." "If S. P. had overlooked the duty of expressing himself upon the subject, probably it was because he felt a reluctance to delve into such depths of disgust, but you ought to have known, dear lady, what State Press thinks about it."—State Press in Dallas News.

State Press no doubt thinks with a great majority of the people of Texas who will vote on July 27th against such profanity. How any man with the least degree of conscience can get up before an intelligent audience and compare himself with Jesus Christ, and say that he had been crucified like Christ, is more than we can understand. It is just as much of a mystery to understand how a man can vote for such a candidate instead of spilling the last drop of his life's blood and drinking the bitter dregs of the cup to the bottom, as did the son of man. Ferguson bled the state treasury of several thousand dollars, was caught in the act, confessed to the crime, and has no better "gumption" than to think he can get the approval of the people by his profanity and fable telling.

S. P. Hale, of Talpa, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

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- ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- The Daily Ledger is authorized to announce the following candidates for offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1918:
- FOR SHERIFF: J. D. Perkins
 - FOR TREASURER: W. L. Brown
 - FOR ASSESSOR: J. N. Key, M. C. Boyd, Jack N. McKay, J. R. Holloway
 - FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY: S. C. Harris
 - FOR TAX COLLECTOR: M. D. Chastain
 - FOR COUNTY SUPT.: John J. Bugg, S. L. Bird
 - FOR COUNTY CLERK: W. C. McCarver
 - FOR REPRESENTATIVE 111 DIST: C. R. Stephens
 - FOR DISTRICT CLERK: C. C. Coekrell
 - MRS. L. H. BACON
 - FOR COM. PRECINCT NO. 1: J. R. Harris, R. P. Kirk

**MAY ASK FOR
REMISSION OF TEXAS**

There is some talk of putting on foot a move to ask the legislature to pass a bill remitting the taxes of the people in a number of the drouth stricken counties of Texas.

With the severest drouth in the history of the county, and three successive crop failures and high cost of feed, is working a hardship on the farmers in this section. Many of these farmers have a pride that cause them to oppose any steps asking that taxes be remitted, while others hold out that it is no worse to ask for the remission of taxes than it is to call for the passage of drouth sufferers bill as was done in the last legislature.

Representative Stephens is willing to take just such steps as the people of his district wish in the matter, and if petitions asking for the passage of such law is presented he will no doubt push the matter. The legislature will convene next January.

**WOMEN GO TO
FRANCE FOR TREASURY
DEPARTMENT.**

Miss Clara Greacen, of the Treasury Department, expert accountant and law clerk, is one of the latest of the government's women experts to join the force of the Comptroller of the Treasury in France. A cable just received announces her arrival.

The Comptroller of the Treasury has jurisdiction to decide all questions involving the right of any one to be paid money by the government, and this includes all legal questions upon which the right to such payment depends. The branch in Europe audits the accounts of the military establishments over there.

Miss Greacen has spent 15 years in this branch of the Treasury Department and is a specialist as an investigator of difficult questions, giving special attention to those involving complicated naval tangles. She is a Michigan woman her home being in Kalkaska.

J. D. Mills, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Holland, Texas, to visit relatives a few days before he leaves next Monday with the Rannels county men for U. S. service.

B. Buford, of the Maverick country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Camp Bowie to resume his army duties after a short furlough spent at home.

Corporal Charlie Boyd, who had been spending a short furlough at home, left Wednesday afternoon for Camp Travis, but before he got as far as Talpa a message was received by Mr. Boyd extending Charlie's furlough 48 hours, and a message caught him at Talpa and he returned home to spend the extended time. He will be moved in a few days to the officers training camp at Camp Pike, Arkansas.

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Women**

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Mrs. J. S. Clark and three children left Wednesday afternoon for Lometa to visit relatives a week or two.

W. R. Puckett, who had been spending a short furlough at home left Wednesday afternoon for Austin to resume his army duties.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Akin and G. S. Akin, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Erath county where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Carl Honne, of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Coleman to visit friends a week or two. Her husband is now serving Uncle Sam in the Navy and had just returned to New York after a short furlough at home.

Mrs. W. A. Mathews and little daughter of Hanchock, Texas, who had been visiting her grand father A. J. Spann and other relatives in Ballinger the past week or two, returned home Wednesday afternoon.

Douglas and Maek Farnsworth, of Coneho county, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Dallas on a business trip.

J. E. Haley, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Hico and other points in that section on a prospecting trip.

Clement Hoelscher, of the Rowena country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Seeley to look after business affairs a few days.

W. H. Baker and son, of the Winters country, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mrs. Barrington, of Miles, who visited friends in our city a day or two, left Thursday morning for Brownwood.

Miss Beulah Burk left Thursday morning for Mason and several other points in that section to visit for a few weeks.

Mrs. A. F. Cook, of San Antonio, came in a day or two ago to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. P. Conn and family a few weeks.

H. K. Lilly and two daughters and Bob Mackey, of the Norton country and E. H. Voelke, of the Rowena country, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

Cap. Barnett, of the Valley Creek country passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home from a business trip to San Angelo.

**KEEP A BEE AND TRAIN
HIM TO STING HUNS!**

Washington, July 19.—The little busy bee improves each shining hour just like a Red Cross worker these days, and he's stinging the Kaiser quite considerably. About 250,000,000 pounds of honey are produced in the United States, the department of agriculture announces. This is an important contribution to the nation's food supply, particularly in these days of sugar shortage. The department urges an increase in honey production to at least 10 to 20 times the amount now produced. The available supply of honey nectar at present is only touched by the busy bee.

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**SHIPPED CATTLE TO
FORT WORTH.**

W. C. Jones and Claud Wilmeth shipped out Thursday two car loads of cattle, one each, to the Fort Worth market. Ed Jones accompanied the Jones cattle to make the sale.

D. J. Johnson, of Brownwood, traffic manager of the West Texas Phone Company, passed thru Ballinger Thursday en route home from Winters where he had been a few days in the interest of his company.

W. H. Rodgers, of Winters, and W. E. Harter, of Wilmeth, and B. F. Brown, of the Crews country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

RETURNED HOME.

R. H. Cherry and daughter, Miss Anna, of Wolf City, who had been visiting his brother, Chester Cherry and wife the past several days, returned home Thursday afternoon. While out fishing Wednesday Mr. Cherry had the misfortune to slip down upon a rock and fracture two of his ribs, however he was able to be up, we are glad to state, and was able to return home with no very great inconvenience.

Sid Oliver, of the Wilmeth country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to points east on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Corbet, who had been visiting his mother, Mrs. O. B. Corbet and family and Ballinger friends left Thursday afternoon for Georgetown where Pat will accept the position of agent for the American Railway Express Company.

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Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Fender and daughter, Miss Mary, left today in their car for Texarkana, where he has accepted the pulpit at the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. Dr. Fender has been pastor of the Austin Avenue Presbyterian Church for a number of years and he and his estimable family have endeared themselves to the Brownwood people who regret that they are leaving here.—Brownwood Bulletin.

SAYS FERGUSON WILL NOT CARRY BELLCOUNTY.

Thos. C. Hall, of Temple, is here looking after property interest. Mr. Hall owns considerable land in this county and some good cattle. He reports that it is pretty dry in Bell county and that crops are shorter than usual. When queried about the governor's race by a friend, Mr. Hall stated that Ferguson would not carry his home county. Bell county went against Ferguson about 800 votes in the last election.

J. S. Mills, of Miles, and H. H. Ratchford, of Paint Rock, W. O. Schultz, of Millersview, and R. M. Davis, of the Crews country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. E. R. Walker and little daughter, Miss Emma Alice, returned home Thursday afternoon from Garden City where they had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. B. C. Mann the past few weeks.

Bert King, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to Waco where he has accepted a position.

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The bonds are considered first class investment by bond buyers and they will bring a good price.

As soon as the \$75,000 is in hand road work will be put under way here. The state and federal appropriation of about \$40,000 will come in and be used in augmenting the road fund. The main highway in this precinct will be put in first class condition just as fast as the work can be done, and cross section roads will be improved, concrete culverts constructed

and a big viaduct across the Colorado river will take the place of the death trap steel bridge that has served so long.

After this road work has been completed the maintenance of the highways will be much less than at present, and a good part of the up-keep can be taken care of out of the auto tax money. Then the only rough place will be the streets of Ballinger, which so far as we have been able to ascertain can not be repaired without money, and that is something the city government is very short on.

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GOOD GERMAN TELLS WHY HE CHANGED

F. C. Weinert, for many years in public life in South Texas, and one of the most prominent men in that part of the state, delivered a speech at Lagrange, Texas, where a large crowd had gathered to hear Governor Hobby speak. Mr. Weinert said:

MRS. BARNES' LETTER.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur almost every neighborhood, and people should know what to do in like circumstances. Savannah, Mo., Oct. 12, 1916.

"I used a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy about nine years ago and it cured me of flux (dysentery) I had another attack of the same complaint some three or four years ago and a few doses of this remedy cured me. I have recommended Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy to dozens of people since I first used it."

I owe them a declaration as to where I stand in this great crisis I served under the appointment of Governor Ferguson and I was his friend. I did what I could for him because I considered him a friend in trouble, but when I heard his own testimony and when the Senate of Texas had declared him guilty I felt that I could go no farther. It is all right to pull your friend out of a mud-hole, but when he turns around and stubbornly goes back to the same mudhole I think it is not disloyal to leave him. He was convicted at the first investigation, but they suspended sentence. He was convicted at the hearing in the House and then he was convicted in the Senate. Now he has the nerve to come out and say he has never been tried. How many times does he demand to be convicted? He says the District Court of Travis County failed to convict him. No one knows better than he does that he was not tried on account of technical errors in the indictment. He could have had a trial if he wanted one.

"Personally I am glad for the sake of the good name of Texas that he was not again tried and convicted in the District Court because he has already brought enough disgrace upon the State we love. When I helped him during his early trouble I never dreamed that this day, in the face of the conviction by the highest tribunal provided for in the Constitution, he would be out asking

the people to reelect him Governor. He has no defense and he made none. He said he stood above the law. He does not promise to do right in the future, but he insults you who stand for honesty in private and public life by asking you to send him back to office to do wrong again.

"Do not let him prejudice you against the University of Texas. The whole story of the battle for freedom in the whole history of the world centers around the universities. In that greater and purer and braver Germany that was the birthplace of my mother, the battle of freedom in 1848 was inspired by university men. Learning and the demand for liberty have ever gone together. James E. Ferguson has a public record upon which he must stand. W. P. Hobby has a public record upon which he proudly stands. I endorse every act of his. I have a son and three nephews with the colors. I asked my son if these laws that Hobby stands for were necessary and if their effect was good, and he said: 'Yes, papa, they were necessary, and they have done good.' In the face of that testimony, in God's name where else can I stand except with the man who is trying to do his best for my boy and for your boys?"

Mr. Weinert was overcome with emotion and stopped until he recovered his composure, then concluded:

"I like my glass of beer. I served the anti of Texas loyally, but what would I be now to fail in my duty to my country? Ferguson, I fear, was an anti for reward. He once threatened the brewers of Texas that if they did not help him politically he would have prohibition in thirty days. You who are anti, as I am, why can you not support the nine honest Senators, men you have known and trusted and who have served you for many years, who voted to convict Ferguson? He can not bring back your beer nor your whiskey. It is only a matter of days until the whole country goes dry. Hobby brought honor and glory upon Texas by having this State lead the way in patriotic sacrifice. In this campaign we must be American first and anti second. We must not divide our loyalty in any way.

"I am not ashamed of my German blood, but I thank God for a noble mother who sang her babies to sleep with patriotic songs and who told me when I stood at her knee that I was an American and nothing but an American. If you are anything else but American, if you have any divided sympathies in this solemn hour, in the name of all that is honorable and decent, go and register yourself as an alien enemy."

LADIES HOBBY CLUB CALLED TO MEET


All members of the Ladies Hobby Club will please meet at the Library next Monday or Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, select the day most convenient to you.

On these two evenings we will have with us a gentleman of our town who is familiar with the primary election laws to interpret and inform us on these days.

MRS. J. H. KIPP,
Chairman Hobby Club.

E. L. McAlpine, of the Hall Hardware Company, left Thursday afternoon for Austin on a short business trip.

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WINTERS CALLING FOR IMMIGRANT CARS

We learn through local railroad circles that an order has been placed for a dozen immigrant cars by farmers living in the northern part of the county. The orders call for the cars to be placed on the siding at Winters as early as possible.

Many people are leaving this county and seeking employment, leaving their families here, while others are moving for what they say will be "keeps." In only a few instances have the farmers sold their property, and with the return of prosperous times, which are sure to come, they will be found here helping to rehabilitate and bring the country back to the front again.

There is no more productive land anywhere than Runnels county land, but it has been thoroughly demonstrated that it will not produce a crop without at least two rain a year. Farmers should not sacrifice their land. The country is on the eve of an oil boom, and we feel the drought will soon break.

GIRLS SPLICE CABLES FOR AIRPLANES.

Girls are making themselves useful in airplane production, according to the section in industrial training for War Emergency of the Council of National Defense. Referring to the training department of a big manufacturing plant, H. E. Miles, chairman of the section, says:

"Each day there go from this department into the factory proper 30 new trained hands. The foreman were not particularly interested at first in this new work now, however, they want only operatives from the training school. In this training room girls learn in four days to splice wire cables for fuselage—the best the army inspector ever saw. Then they go into the shop and with the advantage of the exact training that they have had can splice 55 daily against a previous average of 40. Men operatives are now asking for night classes to enable them to take more highly skilled work."

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investigation was offered in the house, and while under debate, Ferguson appeared before the senate to defend himself, and branded Johnson as a 'nigger,' and during his speech before the senate he pointed his finger at Johnson in the attack, and said, 'he looks like a nigger, acts like a nigger and is a nigger.'

Church of Christ will begin a meeting tonight at Ninth Street Tabernacle. Clarence Teurman of Union City, Georgia will conduct the services.

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NEW OIL VETURE IN COKE COUNTY

San Angelo, July 19.—Lumber for the erection of an oil derrick on the Kearney Mayes place in Coke county was hauled from San Angelo Thursday to the site that has been selected, three and one-half miles south of Bronte. Eleven thousand five hundred acres of land in this vicinity have been leased by R. S. Huffman and Judge Irby Dunklin, of Fort Worth, from the Bronte Oil and Gas Company through Cal Huffman of San Angelo.

The North Texans plan to sink a test well to a depth of at least 3,500 feet. The derrick will be built this week, and the machinery which is now on the way from an Oklahoma point, should arrive within a few days. Drilling should be under way by August 1.

Lame Shoulder.
This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles. All that is needed is absolute rest and a few applications of Chamberlain's Liniment. Try it.

What shall I Get for Dinner?

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU ASKED YOURSELF THIS QUESTION?

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