

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

## The Huns Struggling To Hold Line

### BROWN COUNTY OIL WELLS NEED CLEANING.

A decline in the July production of seven of the shallow wells here is attributed to the fact that the wells need thorough cleaning after several weeks pumping. So far there is a lack of facilities for properly cleaning the wells of the fields, although several individuals have been engaged in this work. The producers who have had experience declare that cleaning is just as important as anything that can be done to the wells if the production is to be maintained and, it is hoped that there may be a general movement in that direction by all the shallow field operators.—Brownwood Bulletin.

### NEW PHONE RATES EFFECTIVE SEPT. 1ST

Elsewhere in this issue of The Ledger appears a notice from the West Texas Telephone Company, announcing an increase in rates, same to become effective September first. A little squib in The Ledger stated that the new rates would be effective August first, which is one month earlier than the new rates go on. Manager Britton called our attention to this and we gladly make the correction.

The present rates are \$1.65 for residences where the rent is not paid by the 15th of the month, and \$1.50 where it is paid by that date. The new rate will be \$2.25 and \$2.00.

The business phone cost at the present rate \$3.30 if paid by the 15th of the month and \$3.00 if paid before that date. The new rate will be \$3.50 and \$4.00.

The company has a rule to discontinue phones where the rent is not paid by the 20th of the month.

You will pay the old rate in August, and the new rate in September. The company explains in its notice to the public why they are making the increase.

Mrs. G. A. Beaumont and two children, of Coleman, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Tom Ward and family for a few days returned home Wednesday afternoon.

### 23 MEXICANS LEFT.

Twenty-three Mexicans who had been working in our county, left from this place Wednesday afternoon for Chico, Texas, where they have been engaged by A. C. Hoyl of Decatur to cut wood under a government contract.

Mrs. Mary Mitchell and daughter, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Erath county to visit relatives a few weeks.

Henry Greer made a business trip to Abilene between trains Wednesday and there contracted to deliver a big order for sand and gravel from Ballinger.

### RETURNED HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Howell returned home Wednesday afternoon from an overland auto trip to Arizona, California and many points of interest in the northern states. They had been gone two months and Mr. Harwell reports a very pleasant vacation. They were very much impressed with Portland, Oregon, and in fact many of the smaller cities of that state and Mr. Harwell says he hopes some day to make that country his permanent home.

Mr. Harwell left Thursday morning for Brownwood to look after his oil interests a few days. He owns considerable oil stock and lands in the Brownwood oil fields and they now have thirteen paying wells and quite a number of other wells being drilled on their property.

### NO SOLDIERS IN ABSENTEE VOTING

County Clerk McCarver informs us that he received forty-one ballots from absentee voters. Under the law the clerk must mail these to the election managers of the voting precinct of the respective voters on the third day before the day of election, and the ballots as filed with the clerk have been forwarded to the election managers where they will be opened between the hours of two and three o'clock on election day and where found in accordance with law, counted.

Mr. McCarver informed us also that none of the forty-one ballots cast were cast by soldiers, or men who were drafted into service last Monday and expected to be soldiers before election day. When it became known that these men would become soldiers before election day, and after filing their ballot with the clerk, it was held that their vote could not be counted, and several were so informed and did not insist on being allowed to file their ballot.

The clerk thinks that all the ballots cast will be found legal voters and will be counted when presented to the judges of the election. The votes cast represent twelve voting boxes, as follows:

Ballinger No. 1, 9; Ballinger No. 24, 6; Olfen, 1; Old Norton, 3; Benoit 1; Wingate 1; Wilmeth 2; Miles 3; Rowena 2; Marie 3; Pearce Shool House 2.

### VOTE FOR FERGUSON VOTE FOR GERMANISM

Dallas, July 23.—"No one fears James E. Ferguson will ever again be governor of Texas. We who are opposing him will fight for the very last vote in the state, not because we fear him, but because we must elect a loyal American undefiled by Germanism. We who have sons and brothers in France know they will feel each vote cast for this petted darling of the German Alliance will be a dagger driven into the hearts of our boys in France," said Mrs. Nannie Webb Curtis.

"Clyde Voorhies was killed in France on June 26. And his brother took up the fight in Texas, led on by the heroic spirit which winged its way heavenward from Chateau-Thierry. Under that guidance and inspiration he struck straight at James E. Ferguson as the friend and beneficiary of Germanism in Texas. Herschel Voorhies knows what anguish each vote for Ferguson will carry to the souls of American, of Texas boys who are in Europe to give their lives, if need be, to defeat the power there which sought to give this state to Mexico, and which favored Ferguson for governor.

"For these reasons we are actively supporting William P. Hobby for governor. He merits our support. His accomplishments, his work, prove him a loyal American. That, not fear of Ferguson, is the cause of our activity. Were the impossible to happen and Ferguson win the nomination, the result would be, not that he would be governor, but that strife would ensue, and some now unknown person would occupy the governor's chair.

"As Ferguson's election would damage the spirit of our army more than the loss of many men, and as each separate vote for him is a thrust at the soldier's heart and spirit, we will continue our fight to lessen those votes just as we fight to stamp out a malignant disease or insanity."

Mrs. Curtis wears a service badge and has a lieutenant son with the army of the United States.

### HOBBY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

### NOTICE TO WOMEN VOTERS.

All women who go to the polls to vote Saturday should carry their registration receipts. You must present your receipt or make affidavit, which will be furnished by the election manager, that you have registered, or your ballot will be marked "unregistered." The rule provides that all women, whether registered or not, be allowed to vote, if they are otherwise qualified, and that where they did not register their ballots are to be marked "Unregistered." Take your receipt with you, and save time and trouble.

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

Will Doose left Wednesday afternoon for Ranger and other points in the oil fields to look after business affairs a few days.

With Americans, July 25.—Fere En Tardenois is under fire from the Franco-American artillery and is being heavily bombarded by the allied aviators. The bombardment from both artillery and airplanes is seriously interfering with the movement of the enemy troops and material.

Fere En Tardenois is the most important railway and highway center of the Soissons-Rheims salient, and the loss of it would weaken the German lines greatly and cause the loss of thousands of German troops.

Heavy fighting is under way to clear the Riz forest, which will bring further important gains to the allies.

Paris, July 25.—Desperate counter attacks made by the Germans north of the Marne in the region of Dormans last night resulted in the enemy occupying the village of Chassins and the wood north of Treloup, but the French retook both of the places shortly afterwards, capturing German prisoners and inflicting severe losses.

As this is being cabled the war office reports that violent artillery is in progress south of Ourcq, west of Rheims, where the allies are driving hard against the desperate resistance of the Huns.

London, July 25.—The steady drive of the allies is narrowing the Soissons-Chateau-Thierry pocket. The German situation is growing more serious, and the Huns must stem the tide or they will be caught in a net that will cause the capture of nearly half a million Huns. The German machine gun and infantry are striving hard to save their men from being cut off in the pocket. The allies are gaining control of the railroad over which the enemy must retreat or be lost.

Washington, July 24.—Massed German reserves are holding open the jaws of the trap General Foch has sprung in the Aisne-Marne region, in a desperate effort to stabilize their lines without the crushing force withdrawing from the Chateau-Thierry and Marne salients. Official reports to the war department, however, show that the enemy has but a single railroad line remaining in his hands over which to get his heavy material out of the pocket into which he has been forced by the allied and American advances.

The situation was graphically explained by General March, chief of staff, in a mid-week conference with newspaper correspondents. For the last two days, General March said, the employment of probably fifteen divisions of fresh German reserves on the Soissons jaw of the trap has practically steadied the line there. On the eastern jaw front, however, the enemy has been crushed back more than a mile and a half on a ten mile front, further imperiling his whole position in the salient from which he is endeavoring to extricate his troops.

"The railroad running from Soissons to Chateau-Thierry now is either in our hands or under our fire," General March said, indicating the fronts on his war maps. The only way in which the enemy can get out now, or get supplies over the railroad, is by the remaining line from Nanteuil on the Ourcq, to Bazoches on the river Vesle.

"It was necessary for him, if he did not intend to be caught absolutely in a pocket or keep troops from advancing and cutting off this road, which would put him entirely at the mercy of allied forces."

General March did not indicate what development the continued battle all along the front of the

greatly reduced German salient might be expected to produce. Among other officers, however, the opinion prevails that General Foch was rushing forward masses of heavy artillery, which with airplanes would pound the interior of the German positions from three sides.

### Big Hun Losses Coming.

As these officers see the situation the very strength of the German lines now established will make his losses great from the concentrated fire of the allied artillery and aircraft. The enemy forces occupy a wedge the center of which is less than fifteen miles distant from the hard pressing lines of the allies at any point. All his communication lines are within gun range, once the "heavies" get up behind the allied lines.

### MUNITION WORKERS OUT IN ENGLAND

London, July 25.—Two hundred thousand munition workers are idle as a result of the strike in the Coventry, Birmingham plants. Electricians are included in the strike and the latter city is in darkness, forcing manufacturing plants to shut down and throwing one hundred and fifty thousand out of work.

A conference between the government and labor leaders is scheduled for this afternoon, and it is expected that the grievances will be adjusted.

### ANOTHER FERGUSON SPEAKER TONIGHT

Judge J. F. Cunningham is due to arrive here from Paint Rock some time this afternoon and will address all those who will come out to hear him on the court house lawn at 8:30 this evening.

Judge Cunningham lives at Abilene. He is campaigning for Jim Ferguson. He spoke at Paint Rock this afternoon, filling engagements south of Ballinger, he is en route home. He spoke at Winters to what was reported an almost unanimous Hobby crowd a few days ago.

### HOW FERGUSON STANDS HERE

The man who contends that Runnels county will give Ferguson a majority may be long on nerve but he is short on good judgment. In 1914 Ferguson received 93 majority in this county, he having received 992 and Thomas Ball 899. In 1916 Ferguson lost the county by 93 votes, he having received 1,190 while Morris received 1,283. A strange coincidence that Morris defeated Ferguson exactly by the same majority that Ferguson defeated Ball, but the returns speak for themselves.

This has never been a Ferguson county. The "rotten" things dug up and circulated against the private life of Ball in 1914 caused many pros to vote for Ferguson, or for Leopold Morris, who was also a candidate in that campaign.

Hobby's enemies are claiming that Hobby ran into the lieutenant governor's office on Ferguson's coat tail. Judging from election returns, not only in Runnels county but in the state, Ferguson went into office on Hobby's coat tail, because Hobby received more votes in this county than Ferguson did.

Let us keep these figures 93 which balanced the boards in both 1914 and 1916 in mind and see what the increase anti-Ferguson vote this year counts for.

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725. For county superintendent, 1,745; Bird 944. or commissioner Ballinger pre-

The boxes yet to report can not change the result in the other county candidates.

The 'Astride' attacks

repulsed. In Vosges the enemy states. Street, druggist

claim that these were largely returns from the city precincts, where the voters were expected to

in bear out their of an overwh-

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After the election it will be Hobby.

After the war it will be Woodrow  
Wilson.

After the drouth it will be Runnels  
County.

Texas has been suffering with many  
isms for many years, but Fergusonism  
and Germanism are the worst isms of  
all isms. However, Texans are equal  
to the occasions and are successfully  
combating these isms.

Voters cannot carry copies of the  
ticket, newspapers containing the ticket,  
or any memorandum to assist them in  
making out their ticket, to the polls.  
We do not believe that any one would  
wilfully do this, and for the benefit of  
those who do not know better, we mention  
it.

Whether we agree with the gentle-  
men or not, we guarantee to Judge J.  
F. Cunningham a respectful hearing  
when he talks for Ferguson here to-  
night. We say this because our sym-  
pathy goes out to any man who under-  
takes to defend Fergusonism in Texas  
at this time. Judging from reports re-  
ceived here Judge Cunningham did not  
get a very warm reception when he ad-  
dressed the voters of Winters recently,  
notwithstanding that he had a fine lot  
of material to work on, and if his ar-  
gument is logical he should have made  
some converts. But he didn't.

The man who starts out to talk poli-  
tics on the streets should make up his  
mind that he is not going to get mad,  
or become insulted at the other fellow's  
remarks. If you can't stand the job,  
and must take everything said about  
your candidate as being a personal  
thrust at you, you had better fight shy  
of street corner political arguments.  
The man who gets mad sacrifices his  
friendship for the sake of some politi-  
cian. We had rather have the friend-  
ship of our home people than to elect  
any man, or be elected to any office.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Daily Ledger is author-  
ized to announce the following can-  
didates 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. Cockrell.

**MRS. L. H. BACON.**

**FOR COM. PRECINCT NO. 1:**  
J. R. Harris.  
R. P. Kirk.

**THREE CLEAN SHEETS.**

It has been discovered that there are  
three papers supporting Ferguson. The  
Comanche Chief, The Eastland Chroni-  
cle and the Baird Star. There are no  
doubt others, which the Ferguson  
speakers should be furnished a list of,  
so they can refer to them as "clean  
sheets," as they see fit to brand the pa-  
pers who oppose Ferguson as "dirty  
sheets," "yellow sheets," etc.

Ferguson speakers admit that their  
candidate has not subscribed to the Red  
Cross fund in his home county, but  
claim that he has subscribed liberally  
in other counties, failing to name the  
counties. These "dirty sheets" which  
they are branded as poisoners of public  
mind, have not only subscribed liberally  
in dollars to the Red Cross, but they  
have devoted much space to the Red  
Cross and other activities of war work.  
Ferguson has a paper known as Fer-  
guson For-um, published at Temple.  
What has it done for the Red Cross in  
his home county?

**ALL HONOR TO THE STAYERS.**

We regret to note the wholesale  
movement of poultry and pigs from this  
county, but such steps are made neces-  
sary on account of feed crop failure and  
the high price of feed. Chickens and

pigs are a big item on the farm, and  
the farmer without pigs and poultry  
will find his living coming mighty high.  
However, present prices are very satis-  
factory.—Ballinger Ledger.

A farm without chickens and hogs  
isn't much of a farm, but there is no  
getting around the fact that many far-  
mers in Texas are finding it increas-  
ingly difficult to find feed for the pou-  
ltry and livestock. After nearly three  
years of drouth many farmers are on  
the ragged edge, but the majority of  
them are cheerfully "carrying on." All  
honor to them.—Abilene Reporter.

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cially for stomach troubles, bilious-  
ness and constipation. If you  
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them a trial and realize for your-  
self what a first class medicine will  
do for you. They cost only a  
quarter.

Mrs. W. T. Padgett and two grand  
children, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank  
Maddox, left Thursday at noon to visit  
Mr. Padgett at Rowena a few days  
before the children return home at  
Lubbock.



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**STOMACH TROUBLE**

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite  
a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would  
have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most  
disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with  
butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have  
regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but  
after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just  
seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were  
no good at all for my trouble. I heard

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recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured  
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**SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS. HELP YOUR GOVERNMENT.**

Mrs. Ed Harbour and children, of  
Brownwood, who had been visiting her  
mother, Mrs. T. O. Brown and fam-  
ily, returned home Tuesday she was  
accompanied by her sister, Miss Ruby  
Brown, who will visit in Brownwood  
and Bangs.

Jim Collins left Tuesday for Ranger  
where he will work.

Miss Grace Wooten, of San Angelo,  
is visiting her aunt Mrs. Ed Eubank  
and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Faust, of Fort Worth,  
are visiting Mrs. Faust's parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. J. W. Pipkin.

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

Frank J. Cheney makes oath  
that he is senior partner of the  
firm or F. J. Cheney & Co., doing  
business in the City of Toledo,  
County and State aforesaid, and  
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FRANK J. CHENEY.

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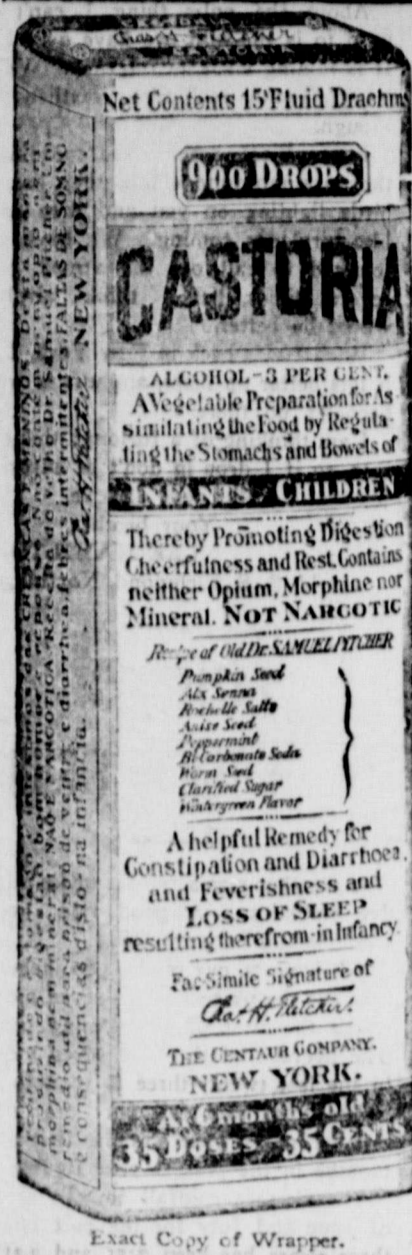
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## West Texas Telephone Company

GENERAL OFFICES

Brownwood, Texas, July 22, 1918.

During the last two years the war has thrown heavy burdens upon all public utilities, especially the Telephone utility. Not only has there been a tremendous increase in material costs but labor has also required additional compensation, and taxes have increased abnormally.

We have done everything within reason in the operation of the Company to work economies and defer as long as possible any increase of rates. But the increase in our expense account has much more than absorbed the savings effected. Material increases in salaries and wages have already been met, but the constant increase in cost of living makes it imperative that an additional substantial increase in wages be given our employees.

Our present rates are not at all based on the conditions existing at this time, therefore it becomes vitally necessary that our rates for local telephone service be increased in order that the organization of the Company may be held intact and enable us to maintain and operate our plant efficiently and to furnish you with a reliable service.

The public generally is fully aware of the abnormal increase in expenses that every business establishment and individual is experiencing. The raise in rates is more than justified, and as the additional revenues go chiefly to the employees, we feel that it will meet with general approval.

Therefore, in accordance with a resolution passed by the Board of Directors on July 15th, 1918, the General Manager was authorized, beginning with September 1st, 1918, to put the following increases in rates into effect:

Main Line Business Telephones ..... from \$3.30 to \$4.00  
Main Line Residence Telephones ..... from \$1.65 to \$2.25

Main Line Business Telephones will be billed at \$4.00, but a discount of 50c will be allowed if the account is paid on or before the 15th day of the current month.

Main Line Residence Telephones will be billed at \$2.25, but a discount of 25c will be allowed if the account is paid on or before the 15th day of the current month.

Of the additional revenue derived more than 60 per cent will go to increases in salaries and wages, 22 per cent to increased taxes, and the balance to repair parts and miscellaneous items.

Yours very truly,

F. W. GREBER,

General Manager.

### BUCKWALD WANTS TO BE U. S. CITIZEN.

San Angelo, July 25.—Application for citizenship has been filed before Deputy Clerk Couch in federal court here by Ernest Carl William Buchwald, a music dealer of Winters, Runnels county. Buchwald is thirty-one years old, having been born on March 23, 1887, at Frankfurt, Germany.

He immigrated to the United States from Bremen in March, 1905, landing at Baltimore, Maryland, in March of that year. The trip overseas was made on the steamship Stuttgart.

Miss Ruth Skinner has just returned from a week's visit with her uncle, T. D. Shepherd and family, at Coleman. Her cousin, Miss Annie Marie Shepherd, returned with her to visit a few days.

Misses Lillie Mae and Annie Shelborn, of the Bethel-Pony Creek country, passed through the city Thursday en route home from Brownwood where they had been attending the State Normal School the past six weeks.

### CALL FOR PRECINCT CONVENTION.

In accordance with the law governing such matters, I hereby call for the Democrats of Ballinger voting Precinct No. 1 to meet at the Queen Theatre at ten o'clock Saturday morning for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention and attending to such other matters as may properly be brought before the convention.

C. R. CREWS, Chairman.

### CONVENTION CALLED FOR SATURDAY MORNING.

The Democratic voters of Ballinger Precinct No. 24 are called to meet on the east side in the district court room at ten o'clock Saturday morning, at which time delegates to the county convention will be elected and other party matters attended to. All Democrats are urged to be present.

EDWIN DAY, Chairman.

Mrs. C. M. Sheffy came in from Brownwood Thursday to visit friends and to look after their property in Ballinger a few days.

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### WOMAN'S DANGER PERIOD.

The period between forty-five and fifty-five years of age is said to be a crisis or danger period in a woman's life which tests her for her fitness to continue in the race. It is then that she suffers from such annoying symptoms as heat-flashes, nervousness, headaches, "the blues," or dread of impending evil, or some dormant disease in the system becomes active. When a woman is passing through this crisis there is one tried and true remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which after forty years of success is now considered the standard remedy for woman's ailments.

### WEATHER REPORT.

Tonight and Friday generally fair.

W. R. Smith, one of the extensive farmers of the Valley Creek country near Winters, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Brownwood Lampasas, and other points in the state on a business trip.

Willard Reese, of the Benoit country, and Ira Turner, of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

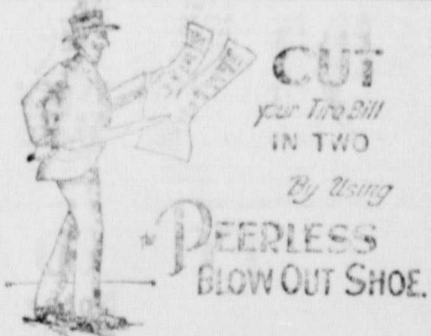
Aug Herring, one of the pioneer stockmen of the Talpa country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday.

Commissioner C. N. Cootts, of Miles, and Commissioner J. D. Smith, of the Wingate country, were in the city Thursday.

Charlie Duke left Wednesday afternoon for Dallas where he goes to find a position for a few months.

Presenting tire troubles and looking after the wants of our customers is our business. We study it. We can handle any kind of a job...

**Gaster Tire & Battery Co.**  
PHONE 650.



## What shall I Get for Dinner?

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU ASKED YOURSELF THIS QUESTION?

Day after day, week after week, it is a problem that is continually confronting you. When you can think of nothing else, then think of a nice juicy steak or an appetizing roast. We sell them.

**The Cash Meat Market**

For county superintendent, 1,745; Bird 944. or commissioner Ballinger pre-

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### All Third Liberty Loan Bonds Subscribed Through Our Bank Are Ready For Delivery

We have for sale at all times a liberal supply of War Savings and Thrift Stamps and we will be glad to handle your subscription.

We have arranged in our Fire-proof Burglar-proof Vault a special file for Liberty Loan Bonds and W. S. Certificates and will be glad to care for yours without charge.

We have on file in our Bank pledge cards for W. S. Stamps but each subscriber is expected to make the purchase in person or by representative.

We will soon have FIVE STARS in our Service Flag but with your co-operation we will endeavor to give you 100 per cent banking service and every facility of our Bank is at the disposal of our GOVERNMENT with out charge.



### Daily Ledger Want Ads

WANTED—242,752 lbs. good fat hens.  
Std 1tw R. P. CONN.

#### MRS. BARN'S LETTER.

Here is a letter that is certain to prove of interest to people in this vicinity, as cases of this sort occur in 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."

Rev. L. Overman, of the Mazland country, came in Wednesday to meet his grandson, who had been visiting at Mareta and was en route home.

Miss Fannie Harvey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Harvey, left Wednesday afternoon for Temple, where she will take a course in nursing for a few weeks.

Bruno Black, of the Offen country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to Waco where he will accept a position.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Blue Boxes. Take one every Day of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

### FOUND AT LAST

Note the Prices:

- Ice Cream, only 5c.
- Milk Shake, 5c.
- Grape Juice, 5c.
- Lime-ade, 5c.
- Ice Cream Soda, 5c.

—The best that can be made; pure and clean. Made by people that knows how. Don't forget the place.

**Hamilton Confectionery Co.**

#### NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels county—Greetings:

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 Runnels County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN the estate of Henry A. Cady, deceased, notice is hereby given that Oscar Pearson, by his attorney M. C. Smith, filed an application in the County Court of Runnels County, on the 18th day of July, 1918, for the probate of the Last Will and Testament of said Deceased, and for Letters of Administration thereon with Will annexed, no Executor having been named by Testator in said will, which said application will be heard by said Court on the 5th day of August 1918, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

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

Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, Texas this 18th day of July 1918.

W. C. McCARVER, Clerk,  
County Court, Runnels County,  
Texas.  
d 18-25.

#### NOTICE OF CONSTABLE'S SALE.

(Real Estate)  
THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Runnels,

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION Issued out of the Justice Court, Precinct No. One, Runnels County, State of Texas, by Paul Trimmier, Justice of the Peace for said Precinct, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1918, and directed and delivered to me as Constable of Precinct No. One, Runnels County, Texas, I have levied upon and will offer for sale at the Court House door in Runnels County, Texas, on the 6th day of August, A. D. 1918, same being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the following described property, to-wit: Lots No. 6, 7 and 8 Block 12 Original town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, also lot 8 block 4 Original town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

The above real estate is levied upon as the property of Emma Braden and will be sold to satisfy a judgment rendered in the Justice Court of Precinct No. 1, Runnels County, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1918, in favor of R. P. Conn and against the said Emma Braden for the sum of fifty-one and 48-100 dollars, principal, with interest at the rate of 10 per cent, per annum from June 24th, 1918 and the further sum of four and 15-100 dollars, costs, and all costs accrued by virtue of said suit.

WITNESS MY HAND this 11th day of August, A. D., 1918,

J. D. Perkins,  
Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas.  
11-25-18-25.

#### 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.

### SAYS BOYS IN BLUE DESEVE SOME CREDIT

Lee Hamilton, a Ballinger boy, who joined the navy forces early last year, writes to his sister from Norfolk, Va., where he is stationed. The letter comes to Mrs. N. H. Evans, of Coleman, and in part is as follows:

Dear Sister:  
Guess you are wondering how I am liking the navy. That is easily explained—you see we have plenty of recreation, plenty to eat, plenty of sleep, and not much work to do, (I mean hard work) and as far as steam boating is concerned, I am "right there" and it just suits me.

We get in some "close" places tho, with ferries, river tugs and ocean liners, transports "Battle wagons," torpedo boats, "sub chasers" and submarines (not the Hun variety tho) and others too numerous to mention, some people think the navy isn't interesting. Well, they are "off there." We have the navy yard here, and they 'do things.' Just launched a new type of torpedo boat. They do all kinds of repairing and building, they also have a school for training musicians, machinists, carpenters, plumbers, painters, copper-smiths blacksmiths and others.

Some people say, "Aren't you afraid of submarines?"

Well, now, that's interesting, we don't see any more "subs" than they do here, but if we are given sea duty, we will make it hot for them. I think the people on the out side don't realize what the navy is. They are always praising the boys "over there," and the "boys in khaki," and never mention the "boys in blue."

How is it the "boys in khaki" get "over there?" How do they get supplies? Some never think the sailors are raising "all" on the high seas for the "boys over there."

You would ask me: "Well, you are doing shore duty, why do you deserve any praise?"

It isn't me, it is the boys that have sea duty, and I had just as soon be at sea doing my "bit" as being here. We had some experience a short time ago, there were several ships sunk off the Virginia Capes, guess you heard of this before we did. Most every one is wanting sea duty now. Transports coming in with their return cargo, (usually dirt or crushed rock and gravel), and unload here, the "boys are always in good spirits and like all the foreign ports

fine.  
About the only thing I can't get used to is the rain, we have over here. It is raining most all the time. We are having some real nice weather now though.

Lots of sea breeze, and mosquitoes, they are mosquitoes too, they are like birds lighting on you and they sound like airplanes coming. We have been tempted to call out the armed guard several times, but I think airplanes would be better.

Wish I was back in New York, I like it lots better up there, am sure it would be cooler up there.

I am thinking of a furlough this summer, so if I drop in don't be surprised.

With lots of love,  
Your brother,  
LEE HAMILTON,  
U. S. S. Richmond, Norfolk, Va.

### DRY STATISTICS IN THESE FIGURES

The weather man's figures make mighty dry statistics. A good rain report would make better reading.

We have to our credit 4.60 inches of rain for the present year—seven months up to the first of the coming month. The average of the first seven months in the last twenty-three is 12.90 inches.

The total rain fall for the seven months in last year and the first seven months in the present year figures 9.19

The average rainfall for the months of June and July for the past twenty-three years has been 2.55 and 2.31 respectively, making a total of 4.86 for the two months covering a twenty-three year period. For the months of June and July this year the rainfall has been .90 of an inch for June and nothing for July.

For the year 1917 and 1917 up to date the total rainfall at Ballinger amounts to 15.21. This is for a period of 19 months, while the yearly average for the past twenty-three years, as shown by the weather record kept by the government amounts to 23.22, or 35.67 for 19 months.

C. F. Ernst, of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route home from San Angelo where he had been to attend the Farmers Union District meeting the past few days.

### For Spring Building

It's time to think about starting the new and repairing the old. We have a fine stock of sheeting, siding, bill stuff, shingles, sash, doors, lime and cement, waiting your needs. Let us figure your lumber estimates and show you where we can save you money.

### Ballinger Lumber Company

### Fresh Vegetables

With the advancing of spring comes the desire for fresh vegetables. The winter diet of canned goods has by this time become an irritating monotony and the freshness, the crispness of spring vegetables right from the garden is what appeals to one's palate

Come and see the supply of fresh spring vegetables we receive daily, the sturdiest, the most solid and hardy garden products you ever saw

### L. B. Stubbs

Two Phones 93 and 94. Auto Delivery

For Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing Phone 97



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