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BIG DAY SUNDAY

CLOSES REVIVAL

The Co-Operative revival which has been in progress here for two weeks will close with the services Sunday night. There will be only two services Sunday, Evangelist Evans preaching at eleven o'clock and at eight fifteen. Arrangements have been made for taking care of the large crowds Sunday morning and night which have so far attended the services. Increased shade will be provided for the big crowd Sunday morning, and increased seats will be provided for Sunday night's service.

The various churches have announced special services for ten-thirty in the morning, at which time new members will be received into the church. All those who wish to unite with the church are requested to be present at the church of their choice at ten-thirty, and you will be given an opportunity to join.

The singer, Mr. Bledsoe, left Friday afternoon, for Alto, Texas, and he will be joined by Evangelist Evans early next week, they will conduct a revival at that place. Considering conditions and taking all things into consideration, the revival here has been very successful, and the various churches have profited spiritually and the town is a better town by the meeting having been held.

Mrs. Joe Blagg came back from Brownwood, Saturday, where she went to be with her husband who left for the army Friday.

Americans Repulsed--Allies Nearing St. Quentin

20,000 Americans in Slight Wound Casualty

Washington, Sept. 7—Chief of Staff March, announced today that twenty thousand Americans were slightly wounded up to Aug. 20th. These were omitted from the casualty list because they were not considered dangerously wounded.

The war department has asked Gen. Pershing to forward the list of names by courier, and they will

BANK DEPOSITS SHOW MUCH MONEY

Bank statements being issued by the local banks make a good showing, notwithstanding that the condition of the country is worse than was ever known before.

The three banks at Ballinger have on deposit more than three-quarters of a million dollars, or more than \$50 for every man, woman and child in the county.

If the banks could distribute this money it would go a long way towards supplying the farmers and assisting them in financing another crop, but the money represents in the main deposits of individuals who do not care to advance their money without good security and this is something the men who need help worse are short on.

There is ample cash in America, and the problem confronting the drought relief committee is placing the cash where it will be available for the farmer who is not able to finance himself.

be released for publication when received.

The theory for holding them is that publication of slightly wounded soldiers might cause unwarranted anxiety on the part of relatives. This brings the total American casualties up to 46,930.

Ed. McCarver came in from Houston, Saturday, to visit his children.

DRILL WORKING IN OIL BEARING SAND

"Every stroke of the drill brings us nearer oil," is about the way the promoters of the Rannels County Oil and Gas Company express their optimism and bright outlook for striking oil in the well being put down near Rowena.

The drill has been operating in a strata of sand that is said to be first class oil bearing sand for several days and is now on a depth of 825 feet. A good well here at a depth of from 1000 to 1400 feet is a possibility but the company does not intend to stop drilling under 3500 feet unless a good flow of oil is struck before the drill gets down to that depth.

A sample of the sand in which the drill is now working was put on exhibit in Ballinger Saturday, and men who are familiar with oil sand says that they can see no difference between this sand and that in the oil bearing fields. It has the color and the odor characteristic to oil sand.

This company is capitalized for \$95,000. They own 40,000 acres, most of which is declared by geologist to be first class acreage. They are offering for sale a quantity of stock, having complied with all the laws governing the organization of stock companies and the sale of stock.

CABLEGRAM SAYS OUR BOYS ALL WELL

Mr and Mrs. W. B. Wood received a cablegram from their son Diaz, in which good news came that "alls well."

Diaz and Troy Simpson, of this city and Jack Ragsdale and Vaughn Ray of Brownwood, are members of the 21st Field Artillery Band. They had previously written that they were going into action and would throw in together and send a cablegram when they returned from the front and for the mother who received the cablegram to notify the other mothers. Mrs. Wood immediately phoned the Brownwood mothers when she received the cablegram.

The cablegram stated that the boys were back from the front, were in rest camp and were all well. Recent press reports from France indicate that the company in which these boys are working have been experiencing some real fighting, and have been participating in the drive which is pushing the hon off the map.

BALLINGER BOYS SAILING FOR FRANCE

September, 1st, 1918.

Dear dad, mother and all:

We landed in camp near New York to be here for a week or so then will move again but do not by rail. Believe me we went some round about way to get here but I can't say just how far they do not want the way discovered but we came through Sweetwater and Abilene and I wanted to let you know about it but I ask the captain and he said that they would not even let him phone or send word abroad, altho I told a girl in one little town to phone you and let you know I was going thru any hour but don't guess you all was at either Sweetwater or Abilene. I know you wasn't at Sweetwater because we stopped there for a while but only stopped in Abilene for water. We went up as far north as the Great Lakes and ran along the banks of Lake Erie for a long way.

Delbert was on one train and I was on the other but we got together at every stop. The Red Cross girls gave us things to eat and good plunges in the Y. M. C. A.'s on our way so you see we had lots of fun. We will all be together from here on. Believe me I sure have seen some things that is worth seeing, but can't tell everything now, but will be wound up good when I get back from seeing all of it. It took us from four o'clock yesterday morning until late last night getting thru New York and out to Camp We crossed the Hudson and I saw the Brooklyn bridge while going under it. This is some nice little town. Our passes will start tomorrow so I am going to see all I can here before we leave here.

I was in a place where we got so much cheering in my life as when we were on our way here. Thru the big cities and small ones as far as we could see, the women were waving at us. Thru all the switch yards and factories, coal mines and all would blow their whistles as far as we could hear them. That sure makes you want to get a hold of the huns believe me.

Well I haven't time to write any more but will let you hear more about New York and every thing as often as I can as soon as you get this answer for we may be here long enough to get it before we leave, but if we are not here it will follow later and I will get it in France. Tell me lots for letters will be far between now I am getting along fine and having lots of fun.

Archie O'Kelley.

WARM WEATHER COMING BACK

The weather forecast for tonight and Sunday says, "Fair and Warmer." Monday and Tuesday warmer weather has been predicted.

J. O. Cline, who has been visiting relatives in Ballinger returned Brownwood Saturday, where he has a business.

Mr and Mrs. Bevy Demoville, came down from San Angelo, Saturday and are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Demoville.

C. A. Freeze is here from Eastland.

By The United Press

London, Sept. 7—The Franco-British forces are rapidly making their way to St. Quentin, crowding in close on the heels of the retreating Germans. Hancourt Wood has been taken by the British and successful advances made towards St. Quentin.

Gen. Haig's official report shows that progress is being made along the entire St. Quentin front and Sorrel, Le Grande, Matz-En-Cature have been taken by the British and Hancourt Wood penetrated.

Paris, Sept. 7—The French war office announces that new progress was made toward St. Quentin last night. Laferr and Laron have been captured and nine more towns taken by the French.

Having passed through Ham the French are nearing St. Simon, which is only eight miles from St. Quentin, while the nearest point to St. Quentin yesterday was 12 miles, making nearly four miles gain for the allies during the last day's fighting.

With the Americans, Sept. 7—The renewed attack made by the Americans northwest of Fishmes were repulsed. The enemy is making a desperate stand against the Americans and sacrificing many men to stop the advance of the American troops.

Mrs. Gertrude McMullen, who was injured in an automobile accident last week, is considered improved today an dattending physicians are hopeful for her speedy recovery.

W. B. Ray, who is here from Mississippi, went to San Angelo, Saturday.

R. R. CONSOLIDATION HERE NEXT WEEK

Auditors for the Santa Fe and Abilene & Southern are due here early next week to check up and throw the two local freight and passenger offices together and arrange for all trains to operate in and out of the same station. All the railroad business of this city will be conducted from the Santa Fe office.

The exact date for the change has not been announced, and Santa Fe agent Carringer says official notice will be given and the public notified when to come to the Santa Fe for A. & S. business, etc., and until that notice has been given the business will be handled separately by the two roads.

It is not known what changes, if any, will be made in the schedule. It is rumored that one of the trains on the A. & S. will be discontinued, but this is only a rumor, and must be verified before definite announcement is made.

Both the roads will send auditors here early next week to work out the change.

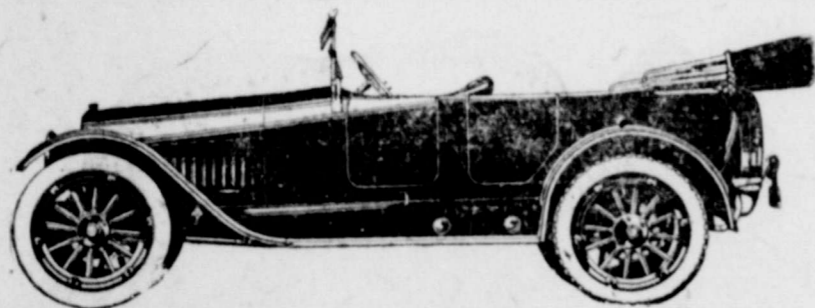
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WITH THE CHURCHES

First Presbyterian Church
Sunday school at 9:45.
Promptly at 10:30 an opportunity will be granted those who wish to unite with this church. If you are a member of a Presbyterian church at some other place and have not united with the church here, be sure to use this opportunity. All members of the church are urged to be present.

Let no one neglect to work and pray that tomorrow may be a great day for the Christian forces of Ballinger.

H. C. Bates, Pastor

Eighth Street Presbyterian
Sunday school at 9:45.
Promptly at 10:30 we will attend to the reception of members. All those who have given their names for membership in this church during the revival and all others who wish to unite with the church either by letter or on profession of faith are requested to be present at this time and every member of the church is urged to attend.

J. H. King, Pastor

Methodist Church
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
At 10:30 reception of members. Let all who wish to unite with the Methodist church please be present at this hour.

At eleven a. m. service at the tabernacle.

Let every one do their part in helping to make tomorrow a great day in Ballinger.

J. B. Curry, Pastor.

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hall's Catarrhal Medicine gets thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system.

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NC-136

NATIONAL GUARD MEN MUST REGISTER

The local board received a ruling Saturday requiring all men who are members of the National Guard companies recently organized, and who are within the draft age and have not heretofore registered, to register on Sept. 12th.

The opinion prevailed that men in the National Guard would not have to register, but officers of all companies are being notified to notify their men of the new ruling and instruct them to comply with the selective draft law requiring all men from 18 to 45 inclusive to register on Sept. 12th.

CATTLE RELEASED FROM QUARENTINE

Live stock inspector, Jack Pearce reports that he has just received notice from the sanitary livestock commission authorizing him to release from quarantine the cattle on the pastures of J. M. Giles, G. G. Odom, J. B. Parker, Tad Richardson, and Manuel Jaques. Mr. Pearce had reported to the commission that these cattle were now free of ticks and they were released on Sept. 4. Eighty seven herds of cattle were inspected during the month of August, there being 4470 head in the lot, and only two herds were found to be infected with ticks. There are nine herd of cattle still under quarantine in the county.

For a Weak Stomach

The great relief afforded by Chamberlain's Tablets in a multitude of cases has fully proven the great value of this preparation for a weak stomach and impaired digestion. In many cases relief has become permanent and the sufferers have been completely restored to health.

Miss Maggie Joyner, who several weeks ago was accepted as a Red Cross nurse, has received her call and will leave tomorrow for Carrothers Field, Fort Worth, for further instructions. —Brownwood Bulletin.

Rev. Geo. P. Howard, superintendent Home Missions for the Presbyteries of Amarillo, Abilene, El Paso and Brownwood, spent a couple of days here his week in the interest of church work. He was the guest of Dr. J. H. King while here.

Miss Sennie Padgett left for Lubbock Friday. She will teach in the Lubbock school again this term, and her school begins next Monday.

Rev. C. L. Ewing, of Brownwood passed thru Ballinger Saturday en route to Paint Rock, to preach Sunday.

A WONDERFUL VEGETABLE

O. Schawe, of Brenham, Texas, has in his yard a wonderful vegetable, a gigantic New Guinea butter bean. The bean grows on a vine, and attains a considerable size. The seed was planted late in the summer. The vine has now grown to the top of a large hackberry tree. The beans are said to weigh as much as ten pounds when fully grown. One was picked a few days ago which weighed more than six pounds. It was divided among five families. In flavor the bean resembles an egg plant and is prepared for the table in corn meal.

Those who have eaten the bean say that it is wholesome and can hardly be distinguished from an egg plant.

The plant has attracted considerable attention. The above O. Schawe, is my brother in Washington, county at Brenham. By A. Schawe.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds and croup and whooping cough, but is also pleasant to take which is important when a medicine must be given to children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been in use for many years and has met with much favor wherever its good qualities have become known. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement. Wm. Scrugy, Chillicothe, Mo., writes, "I have raised three children, have always used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and found it to be the best for coughs, colds and croup. It is pleasant to take. Both adults and children like it. My wife and I always felt safe from croup with it in the house. Chamberlain's Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic."

Edward Chambers passed through Ballinger Friday en route to his home at Abilene, after a visit to relatives and friends at Brownwood.

Mrs. H. H. Granger returned to her home at Winsboro, Friday, after a two weeks visit with her friend, Mrs. O. B. Corbett and family.

THE IDEAL WIFE

One of the most successful men of this country recently wrote "Whatever I am, and whatever success I have attained, I owe it all to my wife. She has ever been an inspiration and the greatest helpmate of my life." To be such a successful wife should be the ambition of every woman, but how impossible when dragged down by headaches, backache, dragging-down pains, nervousness, and the blues. Every woman in this condition should start at once to build up her system by a tonic of specific powers, such as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which for three generations has been restoring American women to health and consequent happiness.

Miss Marion Wooden went to Llano, Friday where she will teach school during the ensuing term.

Geo. P. Bledsoe, the singer, left Friday afternoon for Alto, Texas, where he goes to organize a choir and prepare for a revival to begin in that city Sunday. Evangelist Evans will go to Alto next week after closing the revival here Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Williams returned from a visit to friends at Brownwood, Saturday.

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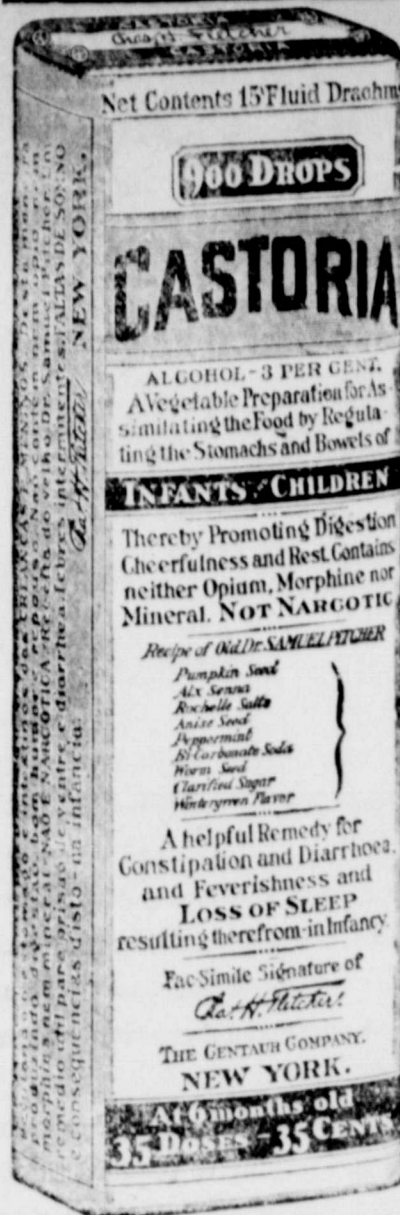
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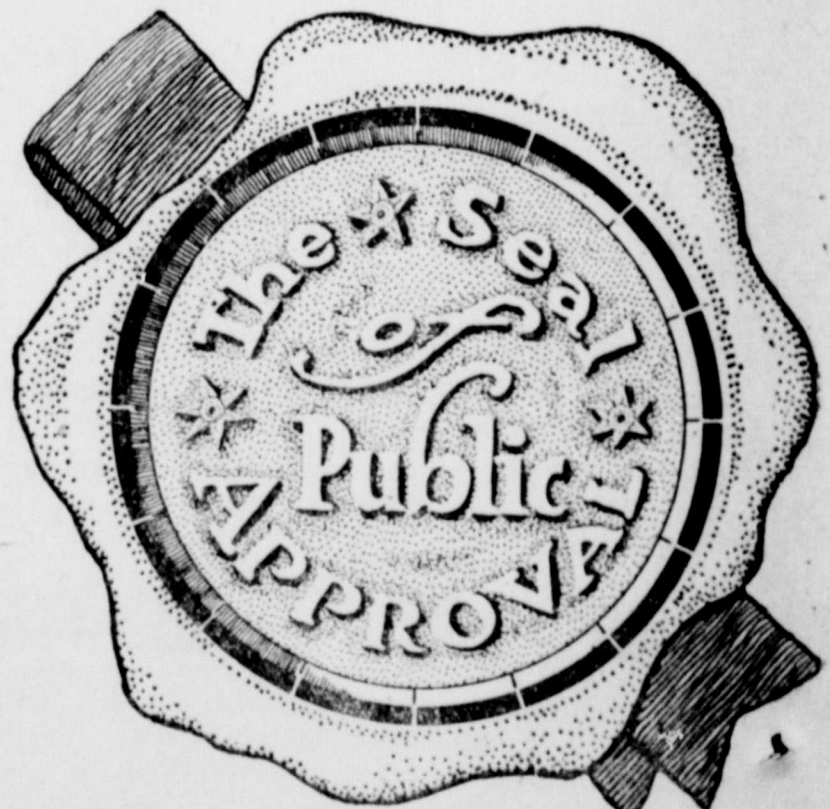
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Mrs. J. G. McAden left Friday afternoon, for San Antonio, and other places, to visit relatives and friends.

Jim Knight was among the citizens who came to Ballinger Friday to say good bye to the soldier boys.



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R. W. Henry, representing the Kirby Lumber Co. will be at San Angelo until Monday, September 9th, and can be found at the office of the department of labor, where he will be glad to give full particulars to anyone interested. Free transportation to men and their families. Attractive proposition to offer and it will pay you to investigate. Permanent work and good homes.

EASTERN STAR MEET MONDAY NIGHT

There will be a regular meeting of the Eastern Star Monday night, at eight o'clock. All members requested to be present at this time. Miss Georgia Singletary, Secretary.

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Theoretically, still more powerful explosives are conceivable; a trichlorate of glycerin should develop 3,000 calories, twice the force of nitroglycerin; and finally, a mixture of liquid hydrogen and liquid ozone, if it were practical, would give about 4,500 calories and would be the most terrible substance possible to obtain.

DADDY OF ALL FISH STORIES

Here Is One That Will Make Any Disciple of Izaak Walton Look to His Laurels.

A reader has asked us to retell the story of the sixty-five pound catfish, which appeared original in the column some six or seven years ago. We have always considered it the best fish story we know. We trust the community will permit us to repeat it.

As we used to tell it, the story ran something like this: We were fishing for bass under the old mill dam in the river, south of Grigsby City. Something took the bait and lunged away with it despite our efforts to hold it. We surmised, correctly, that it was a good-sized catfish or drum, and began working it backward and forward across the stream in the deep water under the dam. Eventually we headed the leviathan down stream and finally stranded it in the shallow "ripple" below. It could get neither forward nor back, and with the help of half a dozen other fishermen, who were watching the contest, we landed it. It proved to be a monster cat of the yellow or Mississippi variety, and weighed sixty-five pounds on the scales uptown.—New York Tribune.

Index Finger as Nut Cracker.

Nut crackers, which are based on leverage, make us suppose that it takes great strength to open a nut; and, in fact, everyone knows from experience that without such a little machine it is hardly possible to overcome the hardness of a nut. And yet one can open hundreds of nuts in a very short time without any implement and without any effort whatever merely with the aid of the index finger.

Place the nut upon a stone or a block of wood, but so that the joint stands perpendicular. In this position hold it fast with the index finger of your left hand, strike with the right fist hard upon the index, and the nut will at once break asunder. Light blows will not accomplish the feat. One must strike hard. It may happen that the nut will fly away, but this only proves that the joint was not held in a perfectly perpendicular position which is indispensable to success. The point of the nut should also be turned toward the chest.

NO RE-SALE OF EGGS WITHIN THE TRADE.

The United States Food Administration recognizes the following classes of dealers in fresh eggs: (1) Original packers and shippers. (2) Commission merchants and wholesalers. (3) Jobbers and suppliers of hotels and institutions. (4) Retailers. All trading in fresh eggs must contribute toward moving the eggs in a direct line to the consumer. Sales between dealers in any one of the classes mentioned are prohibited except as follows:

Sales between wholesalers in different cities will for the present be permitted where necessary to supply the reasonable requirements of the buyer's business, provided there is an actual shipment of the goods, and provided the movement between cities is in the direction of normal gross movement from producer to consumer. In addition thereto not more than two sales of any lot of fresh eggs between dealers in Class 2 may be made without obtaining the consent of the Local Federal Food Administrator if such sales are necessary to supply the reasonable requirements of the buyer's business, but more than two sales between dealers in Class 2 shall not be made without the written consent of the Local Federal Food Administrator. One sale, and only one, between dealers in the same class other than Class 2 may be made without obtaining the consent of the Local Federal Food Administrator if such sale is necessary to supply the reasonable requirements of the buyer's business, but more than one such sale shall not be made without the written consent of the Local Federal Food Administrator.

In no case shall a dealer sell fresh eggs to any dealer in a class higher removed from the consumer than the class in which the dealer is included, for example, a jobber shall not sell to a wholesaler, or a wholesaler to a retailer.

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J. M. Slaughter, of the Maverick country was a visitor in Ballinger country, Saturday.

R. M. Davis, motored in from his farm in the Crews country, Saturday. Mr. Davis has withstood the drouth so far and says he is here to stay.

W. J. Gardner, of the Winters country, was among the crowd at Ballinger Friday to see the soldiers off to the training camp.

C. J. Blackwood and son, E. M. were here from Winters, Saturday.

Judge C. O. Harris, San Angelo attorney, had business here Saturday.

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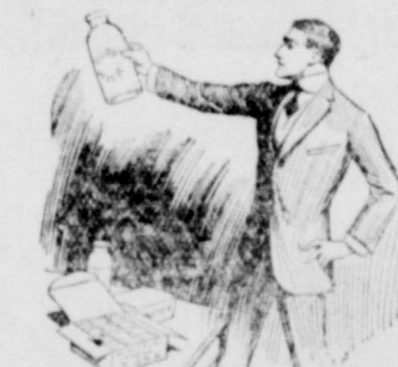
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BURNING OIL WELL ATTRACTS THOUSANDS

Paul Trimmer received pictures of the big oil well which was brought in near DeLeon Tuesday night, and which caught fire a few minutes after gas and oil began to shoot from the well. The well is attracting attention all over the country and thousands of people are flocking to Comanche and DeLeon. Rev. W. H. Doss, who is pastor of the Methodist church at DeLeon writes his son Judge A. K. Doss of this city, that excitement is running high and the country is on a great boom. R. T. Williams of this city is heavily interested in the well and several Ballinger people have gone to the scene of the gusher.

The Comanche Vanguard publishes the following report of the gusher, and tells of the fire which was placed under control Thursday night, after the well had burned for two days.

Excitement was at a high pitch on Tuesday morning when it was known as the Duke well on the Harvey people's lease, the first oil well in Comanche County, had blown in over night and was on fire.

The story had it that a man, together with the derrick, had been burned and destroyed at the Duke well.

The first word came to Mr. J. H. Slaughter, of the Comanche National Bank, from A. E. Hampton, attorney by phone, saying the oil well had suddenly blown in at 11, and to notify local people interested.

Practically every man interested who could get away left for the well and by noon 5000 people were on the scene, an excited mass of spectators to the biggest fire most of them had ever seen.

One incident will portray something of this. The auto of an oil man racing to the Duke well from Ranger broke down. Behind him was an old car coming lickety-split. The oil man stopped the car and jerked out; "what will you take for your car?" "Six hundred dollars." "Get out, here's your money." And away he went. Multiply this by 5000 people and you can feel something of the joy crazed bunch.

At noon Sam Todd's bunch and that of J. B. Chilton Jr., Mr. Slaughter and Jim Eause returned first. Then it was known that the Duke well, Comanche County was the biggest thing in the shape of an oil well that lays out doors in this whole territory. Bigger than the Brewer well—and that's the biggest thing in the Ranger oil field. Hats went up for old Comanche county.

At about 11 o'clock Monday night, the Harvey people's drill was down 2700 feet which is 680 feet shallower than the Brewer No. 1 well at Ranger.

Their drill had struck a hard grey rock and soon entered the sand. One story, believed to be authentic, is that the bit had only pierced the sand three inches, when the driller stepped away for a moment. Nearby a helper was sharpening a drill bit, when without warning, and with the tools

and cable still in the hole, the well broke out in a volume of gas, which ignited from the forge and there was a flash and the well was on fire, spouting fire high into the air. In about 45 minutes the well casing 2,700 feet long, was flooded with crude petroleum and when gas pressure below overcame its weight, up into the air it shot, a fiery mass of blazing flames Sam Todd says estimated at 200 feet high and as big as the court house and the sight of your life.

At intervals of 45 minutes, at first she shot a geyser of fire and burning oil, and when she did, spectators ran, and did not stop for hundreds of yards.

These intervals became more frequent during the morning and at noon oil was filling the 2700 feet of casing every 32 minutes.

From this, experienced oil men estimated that the Comanche county well has the best of the Ranger field skinned 50 per cent. They estimate the flow variously from 6,000 barrels a day to 10,000 barrels, a day, with the latter figures more approximately correct on report at 10:00 o'clock, Wednesday morning.

Vivian Colburne returned from Milam county, Saturday, where he had been at work, and was met here by his father, E. H. Colburn, of Winters.

Daily Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—Wheat straw, baled with three wires, for sale in car lots. Prompt shipments. Would buy car young work mules. Emory Holland, Midlothian, Texas. 7 d3t-pd.

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W. L. Ellis is here from Brownwood visiting relatives and looking after business.

L. Dougherty is moving back to Ballinger from Winters. Mr. Dougherty has been engaged in the tinning business at Winters. He will probably continue in the tin and plumbing business in Ballinger.

No. 508 OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Farmers and Merchants State Bank

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st, day of August 1918, published in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 7th, day of September 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$276,305.60
Loans, real estate	24,610.00
Bonds and Stocks	12,600.00
Real estate (banking house)	30,000.00
Other Real Estate	5,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,000.00
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	113,776.51
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	3,947.03
Cash Items	3,643.52
Currency	9,512.00
Specie	5,800.00
Interest and assessment Depository's Guaranty Fund	4,824.99
Other Resources	993.40
TOTAL	\$496,103.71

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	8,324.36
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	6,508.48
Individual Deposits, subject to check	284,603.06
Time Certificates of deposit	4,928.60
Cashier's Checks	1,070.21
Bills Payable and Rediscounts	75,000.00
Other Liabilities	60.00
TOTAL	\$496,103.71

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss:
We, H. Giesecke, as president, and J. L. Chastain, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
(Seal) H. GIESECKE, President.
J. L. Chastain, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6th, day of September, A. D. 1918.
C. W. Northington,
Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.
CORRECT—ATTEST: J. F. Currie, E. D. Walker, H. Giesecke, Directors.

RECAPITULATION RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$300,915.60
U. S. Bonds	12,000.00
U. S. Treasury Certificates	993.40
Banking House and Fixtures	35,000.00
Other Real Estate	5,000.00
Depositors Guaranty Fund	4,824.99
Cash and Exchange	136,769.60
Total	\$496,103.71

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	23,324.36
Bills Payable	75,000.00
Deposits	297,779.35
Total	\$496,103.71



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