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Last German Defensives Torn to Shreds

THE MAN

who smokes is losing out unless he patronizes our cigar case.

WEEKS

Better smokes

POVERTY WOMEN

SENT TO BALLINGER

Banner-Ledger.

Dear Sir: I notice in Sunday's San Angelo Standard an article from your paper concerning the two Martin women and the little boy. You are true in your picture of poverty and unworthiness.

These people drifted in here sometime in the spring and were fed and clothed by Eldorado people, given all the work they wanted to do. They decided the altitude was too high for them and said they had friends at Ballinger and Coleman City where they claimed they had lived. They came here on foot, but we provided the donkey in good condition, the fairly good bubby, some money a good supply of groceries and let them go where they seemed anxious to go. Ballinger and Coleman.

Eldorado did her part and more by these most unfortunate people, and they were no more from Eldorado than they were from Ballinger and if they were true not as much for no one here ever saw them before.

Yours for the uplift of humanity,
C. H. Riddle, Baptist Pastor

Mrs. C. C. Thomas and son Jack and daughter Nora, returned Tuesday night from a visit to Hill county and other places.

Miss Francis Truly left for Abilene Wednesday morning, where she will enter a business college.

SENDING THE "CIVIES" HOME



Many a kid brother is sporting his soldier brother's Sunday silk shirts and best serge suits these days, and brother doesn't mind, because he is wearing the very latest style for men—khaki of the regulation military cut. The Army Y. M. C. A. helps the rookie soldier with his civilian clothes problem. "Y" furnishes wrapping paper, and a "Y" man is on hand to help with the wrapping, furnishes the twine, and assists with the addressing of the bundles of "civies" (military parlance for civilian clothes). These bundles are sent back home to be packed in moth balls until after the war, or worn out by the kid brother.

Here is a parcel post shipment of clothes to go back home a few hours after a bunch of Louisiana boys had reported for service at Southern Department camp.

\$100 PER ACRE PAID FOR OIL LEASES

The highest price reported paid for oil lease acreage since the oil boom struck this county, was paid Tuesday when a party of local capitalist and California capitalists leased 100 acres of land from Mrs. Tom Padgett adjoining the Russell land and only three quarters of a mile from the Russell well, at \$100 per acre.

Later in the day another track of 100 acres out of the Padgett land leased for \$100 per acre, and parties obtained an option of a few hours on a third block of 100 acres out of the same tract of land.

Several deals were made Tuesday in which \$50 per acre were paid for land four miles from the Russell in what is now declared to be the heart of that particular proven field.

\$10 and \$15 per acre seems to be the prevailing price for leases as far as eight and ten miles from the well, while \$5 per acre has been paid for land a considerable further distance from the well.

Land owners in and around Ballinger who had not previously leased their land are waiting further developments, and very little acreage is changing hands in the immediate Ballinger territory.

Wm. Shirtz, of San Antonio, who owns the Joe Routh old place just east of the city is here this week. Part of his holdings are under lease, and he has fixed a price of \$25 per acre on the remainder of this tract.

Many are of the opinion that Ballinger will prove to be the heart of the big oil field, an effort will be made to begin development here soon. A test well here will determine how far west the field extends.

Gibb Calloway, of Comanche, is here looking over the oil field with a view of investing.

Judge F. L. Snodgrass, of Coleman, was combing legal business and oil business in Ballinger Wednesday.

LABOR BOARD TO CLASSIFY YOU

The government is short a million men necessary to keep going her emergency war activities. It is hoped that this can be supplied from volunteer labor but if it cannot it must be supplied in some way, more drastic.

The time has come for the classifying of each individual in this section as to his regulation to essential or non-essential war work. The list of essential war work activities has been published so all now have a clear conception as to his duty.

The labor board together with representatives from various sections will meet soon to pass on each individual, giving their judgement, as to which of the two classes you belong to. After this is done you will be notified by the U. S. Employment Service of your classification if you have not gotten into essential war work of your own initiative.

If you wish to make inquiries for places suitable to your wishes and qualifications you can do so by applying to some one of the local enrollment officers named below who have been duly appointed by the U. S. Government to receive your name and application and refer same to my office. Upon its coming to this office it will be forwarded to state headquarters.

It is not contemplated that anyone will rashly quit their present job sacrificing their holdings but that they take time to make satisfactory adjustments without financial loss.

It is just as much an act of patriotism to get into essential war work as it is to get into the army for unless the munition plants can go the army and navy must be handicapped. Not only the government manufacturing plants must run but the army of food producers as well.

The enrollment officers are:
H. W. Robinson, Miles.
N. K. Freeman, Rowena.
Ed P. Esnon, Winters.
D. E. Diggs, Winters.
P. McGregor, Ballinger.
D. F. Eaton, chairman U. S. enrollment officers, Runnels County.

OIL COMPANY BUYS \$3000 LIBERTY BONDS

The campaign for the sale of Liberty Bonds in Ballinger is not progressing perhaps as fast as it should. This may be due to the oil excitement which prevails here since the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign opened. The oil gusher struck simultaneously with the opening of the L. L. Bond campaign, and the capitalist have been too busy trying to make money with which to buy bonds.

That Ballinger and Runnels county will go over the top with her full quota in face of the prosperous prospects we are now facing goes without saying. Volunteer subscriptions are coming in nicely and others have promised to place their orders for bonds soon.

The Ballinger State Bank reports sales as follows up to noon Wednesday:
Gulf Refining Co. \$3,000.00
Ballinger Lumber Co. 100.00
Scott H. Mack 50.00

The Ledger will do its best boosting for the Liberty Bond campaign. We have space for sale to those who wish to help in the boosting.

London, Oct. 2.—The British smashed forward yesterday and early today on a twenty mile front between Cambrai and St. Quentin, and tore the German defensives to shreds.

In some places the British penetrator to a maximum of two miles, according to Gen. Haig's report, and the Beaufort-Fonsomme line east of Cambrai and St. Quentin has been reached.

The Germans have been driven from Creve, Couer and Rumilly, and the British now occupy these places and high ground east of them.

Paris, Oct. 2.—General Berthelot's army, along the Vesle, made more progress today, and west of and driving of Rheims the French captured two additional villages, completing the conquest on St. Thierry Plateau, the French war office announces.

Reports from the front state that the Germans are still in possession of the south banks of the Canals at St. Quentin.

London, Oct. 2.—The British have occupied Damascus, it was officially announced this afternoon.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—Reliable news published here indicate great disturbances in Berlin on account of peace demonstrations.

Reports received through press dispatches say that the Germans will evacuate Belgium, the German army withdrawing to the border.

A copy of the Berlin Tageblatt, received here, reports that German secretaries of the Prussian country have resigned and the Prussian minister has tendered his resignation.

Peace demonstrations have been held in Berlin in which police intervention became necessary, some excesses were committed by the crowds, such as the tearing down of statues. The possibility of a cabinet crisis in Germany is indicated by the resignations of the imperial chancellor, vice chancellor and foreign minister.

In the recent fighting in France and Flanders the German losses in men killed or wounded and in guns captured have been enormous. To the Belgians the Germans lost virtually all their forward defensive artillery and some heavy naval guns. Many men were made prisoners. During September the British took 66,300 prisoners, 700 guns of all calibres and thousands of machine guns in addition to inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, and in August and September took 123,618 prisoners and 1,400 guns.

TO FARMERS

Those interested in the purchase of feed in any quantity or of any kind will meet in my office Saturday at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

D. F. Eaton, County Agent.

Wm. Shultz, of San Antonio, is here this week, looking after property interest and mixing with the oil men.

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WEEKS

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**MAKES AFFIDAVIT
OIL LEASES IS VOID**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned authority Mrs. L. R. Brookshire, a feme sole of said county and State, who first being duly sworn deposes as follows:

That she is the surviving widow of Sam Brookshire deceased; that he departed this life, in said county and state, on the 19th day of February, 1918; that he died testate having left his said last Will and Testament in writing, which has been duly probated in said Runnels County, that she is one of the devisees in said Will.

Affiant further says, that heretofore, to wit, January, 5th, 1917, she and her said husband, Sam Brookshire, now deceased, signed two certain instruments purporting upon the face to be oil and gas leases on their lands situated in Runnels county, Texas, the said two instruments containing in the aggregate 6375 acres, one of said instruments being recorded in Volume 98, Page 628 of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas. The other of said instruments being recorded in Volume 98, page 631 of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, to which reference is here made more particular description of the lands described in said two instruments. That said two instruments purport to lease said lands to "The Kansas-Oklahoma-Texas Oil & Gas Development Co."

Affiant further says that said two instruments are wholly void and of no effect as oil and gas leases. That if they were valid that they are now null and void for this, if no other reason that by

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the express terms of each of said instruments it is provided that the rental payments to be made to prolong the life of said instruments should be made quarterly in advance, which payments were not so made, and that, therefore, said instruments have long since been forfeited, and are now absolutely null and void and are of no force and effect.

L. R. Brookshire.
Subscriber and sworn to before me by the said L. R. Brookshire, this the first day of October, 1918.
(Seal)

C. P. Shepherd,
Notary Public, Runnels Co. Texas
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

I, W. C. McCarver, County Clerk in and for Runnels County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument dated the 1st day of October, 1918, with its certificate of authentication, was filed for record in my office, this 1st day of October, A. D. 1918, at 1 o'clock p. m., and duly Recorded the 1st day of Oct. A. D. 1918, at 3 o'clock p. m., in the Records of said County, in Volume 105 on page 11 records of deed records.

Witness my hand and the impress of the seal of the County Court of said County at office in Ballinger, Texas, the day and year last above written.

W. C. McCarver,
Clerk County Court, Runnels Co. Texas.

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Can Now Eat and Sleep in Comfort

If troubled with indigestion or sleeplessness you should read what Miss Agnes Turner, Chicago, Ill., has to say: "Overwork, irregular meals and carelessness regarding the ordinary rules of health, gradually undermined it until last fall I became a wreck of my former self. I suffered from continual headaches, was unable to digest my food, which seemed to lay as a dead weight on my stomach. I was very constipated and my complexion became dark, yellow and muddy as I felt. Sleeplessness was added to my misery, and I would awake as tired as when I went to sleep. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and found such relief after taking them that I kept up the treatment for nearly two months. They cleansed my stomach, invigorated my system, and since that time I can eat and sleep in comfort. I am today entirely well."

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The strength of males increases rapidly from twelve to nineteen years, and at a rate similar to that of the weight, and more slowly and regularly up to thirty years, after which it declines at an increasing rate to the age of sixty years. The strength of females increases at a more uniform rate from nine to nineteen years, more slowly to thirty, after which it falls off in a manner similar to that of males. At eleven years females are weaker than males by 22 pounds, at twenty years of age by 36 pounds.

About Envelopes.
It is said that envelopes were invented during the early days of Louis XIV of France. In 1690 M. De Valley established a private post and placed boxes at the corner of the streets for letters inclosed in envelopes that were sold in offices established for that purpose. It seems likely, however, that envelopes were in use before this period because envelopes so used in France were special post-paid envelopes. But precisely what year is marked by the first invention of envelopes is unknown.

Sell Wood by Pound.
Circassian walnut is sold by the pound or the ton and not by the foot. As early as 116 B. C. it was introduced into Italy from Persia. Russia is the chief source of Circassian walnut. The logs are so heavy that they will not float, and are sold from the forest with their bark on. Only the heart of the wood is used, and it is the crooked, irregular logs that possess the best-figured wood. Even very old trees rarely have a clear length of more than ten feet.

Mushroom, First Plant.
The mushroom in form of a slime fold was the first plant to evolve on earth. The algae plants of the first seas thrust out a fungus on land to draw minerals from the overhanging rocks. On this primitive fungus lichens evolved and the three plants interbred each other, three hundred million years ago and today. Later, true mushrooms evolved, at first with small cups, forming the first food supply for the later arriving living creatures.

Fair Warning.
In the reign of Charles II a certain worthy divine at Whitehall thus addressed himself to the auditory at the conclusion of his sermon: "In short, if you don't live up to the precepts of the gospel, but abandon yourselves to your irregular appetites, you must expect to receive your reward in a certain place which 'tis not good manners to mention here."—Laconics.

Our Heroes.
Man's great actions are performed in minor struggles. There are noble and mysterious triumphs which no eye sees, no renown rewards, and no flourish of trumpets salutes. Life, misfortune, isolation, abandonment, and poverty are battlefields which have their heroes.

Chauffeur's Prayer.
Sick Chauffeur (to chauffeur friend)—"Say, bill, if I should die hire an auto hearse. And, Bill, I want you to drive it. And, old pard, on the way run it into a tree or something. I'd like to go in a manner fitting my position in life."

Talking Fire Alarm.
The phonograph and telephone are employed in a South Carolina inventor's automatic fire alarm that calls up a central operator and tells her just where the blaze is starting.

Thought for the Day.
The souls of emperors and cobblers are cast in the same mold. The same reason that makes us wrangle with a neighbor causes a war betwixt princes.—Montaigne.

Use for Thinness.
She (noticing individual in front)—"Good gracious! Seeing Mr. Meager reminds me I forgot to order the soup bones from the butcher."—Passing Show.

Reopen Norway's Mines.
The introduction of electrical processes has made it profitable to reopen lead and silver mines in Norway that have been closed more than 40 years.

Too Busy to Be Kind.
The trouble with the man who is just now too busy to be kind is that when he's made all the money it is too late.

Handicapped.
To be of noble parentage and not to be endowed with noble qualities is rather a defamtion than a glory.

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MAKING THOROUGH TEST IN COKE

Robert Lee, Sept. 2.—At the different oil wells over Coke county drilling continues, and indications at some of the sites are the very best, but the population is going through a period of watchful waiting which seems to have become necessary at this stage of the oil game.

At the Robert Lee Oil Well No. 2 on the Stroud farm, drillers have drilled down to 850 feet and are now putting in casing. They are working both night and day and are making good progress.

At the Tucker well on the Harris ranch, work continues both night and day, and now at a depth of 650 feet, the drilling has been in a hard rock formation for the last 200 feet.

It is reported here on good authority that the Burdett Oil Company, which is drilling on the May farm near Bronte has struck quick sand at a depth of about 400 feet and is casing the well against the quicksand.

At the Skinner well on the McCabe ranch, the owners have drilled about 300 feet, and Mr. Eams of Comanche who is now the manager has arrived and they resumed drilling.

Within the next six or nine months Coke county will be proved as a paying oil field, or it will be proved that there is no use to waste money by further drilling.

37 QUESTIONNAIRES FAILED TO RETURN

Out of 626 questionnaires sent out by the local board to registrants making up the class from 18 years of age to 36 all have been returned except 37.

Some of the 37 have been granted an extension of time on account of the distance the questionnaires had to go, but a majority of the 37 unreported have failed to communicate with the board, and there whereabouts and reason for not returning questionnaires unknown to the board.

Relatives and friends who know where the registrants are, should do them the favor of writing to them and putting them in touch with the board, or should notify the board. It is the desire of the board that no one be placed in the delinquent list, but there will be nothing for the board to do but report them delinquent if the questionnaires are not returned. The time has expired. Following named registrants have failed to return questionnaires:

John H. Lollar, Crews
Willie C. Middlebrook, Ballinger
Oral C. Beddo, Ballinger
Lennie E. Fowler, Winters
Horace Oliver, Ballinger
Merrett G. Chastain, Jacksonville, Tenn.
Walter A. Jackson, Ballinger
Emanuel Bulsterbaum, Wingate
Rudolph H. Haupt, Winters
James M. DeMotive, Camp Lee Va.
John M. Giles, Winters
Adolph Kloesel, Rowena
Howel A. Raburn, Ft. Worth
Victor H. Kineannon, Maverick
Robert F. Garrett, Tennyson
Robert Maxwell, Winters
Peter P. Ewald, Rowena
Kurt R. Walther, Priddy Mills, Texas.
Henry H. DeVore, Winters
Erwin R. Horton, Marie
Loren H. Halfman, Rowena
Victor H. Bright, Tokeen
William T. Holder, Wingate
T. B. Finchesm, McGirk, Texas
Henry C. Harter, Wingate
Ben H. Ergemeyer, Rowena
Fritz Hoehinghaus, Ballinger
Lewis P. Steokas, Rowena
Charles E. Puckett, Winters
Ramon Aleala, Ballinger
Charles Hutehins, Wingate
Elmer E. Batts, Somerton, Ariz.
Joseph M. Cox, Ballinger
Hazel K. Dickinson, Ballinger
Emil F. Gallas, Miles
Damsy Freeman, Bishop, Texas
Joseph J. Kvopil, Rowena

Audice Reese left Tuesday afternoon for San Antonio, where he goes on business for a few days.

P. M. Caudle, a citizen of this county for several years, has moved to Eastland.

OIL LEASES AND ASSIGNMENTS

The Ledger office can supply your wants with oil leases, oil lease assignments, etc. Special form printed on short notice. Use our standard form and save trouble. dtf.

T. O. Rowland, the Wingate gin man, had business in Ballinger Tuesday.

J. S. McConnell, former sheriff of Tom Green county, was here Tuesday, mixing with the oil scouts.

WANTED—RAGS—good, clean white cotton rags wanted at the Ledger office. Must be clean

Mrs. Ella Fleming, of Wingate, went to San Antonio, Tuesday to join her husband who is working at that place.

Mrs. J. M. Graves, of Wingate, passed through Ballinger Tuesday, en route to Hillsboro, to visit relatives.

Sincere Gratude

Mrs. William Bell, Logansport, Ind., writes: I deem it my duty to express my gratude for the good Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy did for me when I had a severe attack of diarrhoea three years ago. It was the only medicine that relieved me.

W. R. Bogle returned from Fort Worth Wednesday at noon, where he had been to make application for a place in the army. Mr. Bogle has volunteered and will enter the army if Uncle Sam accepts him.

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SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food rules require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

Mrs. Leslie Baker and little son, came in from Brownwood Wednesday at noon. Mrs. Baker's mother will probably move to Ballinger from Brownwood, if she can get a suitable home.

Coal bills are a large part of your living expense—reduce them by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters.

J. N. Barbee came in from Corsicana, Wednesday, and is here for a few days on business.

Loney Muncy returned from Houston Wednesday, at noon where he has been working in the ship yards.

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ADMINISTRATOR PEDEN IN MESSAGE TO HOUSEWIVES OF TEXAS ON SECOND YEAR OF FOOD ADMINISTRATION ASKS THEIR HELP IN KEEPING PRICES FROM SOARING "SKY-HIGH."



To the Housewives of Texas:

At the approach of the second year of my service as Federal Food Administrator for Texas I wish to thank you for your hearty co-operation in the cause of food conservation. The splendid results achieved justify the sacrifice you have made in conforming to the novel and frequently difficult demands which the war has placed upon the dinner table. I have no doubt that you will continue as civilian soldiers to comply faithfully with the rules and requests of the Food Administration, by wasting no food whatever and by saving as much as possible of the essentials for our brave boys and allies across the Atlantic.

There is still another service—a service of great value—that you can render to our country at this time. It is highly important that prices be held down as low as legitimate business can bear. Profiteering is a familiar vulture in every war. Selfish greed is always ready to take advantage of its opportunity. For this reason the United States Food Administration will punish dealers who charge for licensed commodities more than a reasonable advance over the cost of the particular article. I am happy to be able to say that the larger number of dealers have not offended against this rule. But some have offended and more will offend if the guilty are not detected and punished, until speculation and profiteering will upset business and increase the cost of living to an insufferable degree.

To meet this condition, the Food Administration has created Price Interpreting Committees, composed of representatives of the wholesale and retail trade and of consumers. These committees will fix and publish at intervals maximum and minimum prices at which commodities should be sold by retailers. The minimum price is to be paid by the customer who pays cash and carries the purchase home. The maximum price is to be paid by the customer who buys on credit or when the merchant makes delivery. Any dealers charging more than the maximum price is profiteering.

The profiteer will be punished, even to the extent of being prevented from handling licensed commodities during the period of the war. But the Food Administration can not regulate profits by punishing profiteering unless informed of violations. Upon you must largely depend for reports of such offenses. With your help I can and will keep profiteering down and even prevent it entirely. As a public official, entrusted with the serious work of leading Texans in carrying out the food program of war activities, I am now most earnestly asking you, collectively and individually, to voluntarily accept the position of honorary agents of the Food Administration with the following duties: Carefully read and familiarize yourselves with the published prices of the Price Interpreting Committees of your community; check your purchases by such lists, never pay exceeding the maximum price fixed by the committee, and report to the local Food Administration or to my office the facts concerning any excessive price charged or demanded by any retailer of you or of any person within your knowledge.

I realize that my request imposes an added and a disagreeable task upon the army of Texas women. But it is a task which you alone can perform and I am sure that you who have so cheerfully given your brothers and sons to the cause of victory or death will not withhold from that cause this further contribution of war service.

Respectfully, E. A. PEDEN, Federal Food Administrator for Texas.

Mrs. M. B. Singletary went to San Angelo, Wednesday, to visit her daughter.

"Food Will Win the War"

We keep our stock complete, and are ready to help you fight the battles of life with pure, fresh, wholesome food. We can assist you in selecting substitutes for the articles of food our Government is asking you to conserve. You are not urged to eat less, but are at liberty to eat more different kinds of food, and conserve the food that will win the war.

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We are co-operating with the Food Administration in conserving

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Don't call for more than you are allowed.

TEACH YOUR CHILD TO BE THRIFTY

Then you will never have cause to blush for it

Few parents hearts have ever ached over the misdoings of a thrifty child.

Guide your boy and girl out of the path of the spendthrift.

Start an account for them in our bank and teach them the importance of saving.

If you follow our advice you will always be thankful.

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BIBB CASE ON TRIAL AT ANGELO

San Angelo, Oct. 1.—The trial of H. M. Bibb, charged with murder in connection with the killing of Ed W. Stokes here in December 1917, is proceeding in district court. Witnesses who were absent when court opened Monday morning arrived on an afternoon train. The selection of a jury had been completed and the taking of testimony began at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Sheppard of 15 East College Avenue were among the first witnesses. They testified relative to events immediately following the shooting their home being only about fifty yards off Chadbourne street near the place where Stokes was shot to death. Mrs. M. A. Gaskins, proprietor of the Three Sisters hotel on East College Avenue in December, 1917, was also a witness. Mrs. Bibb was standing at her house on night of the killing, and Bibb sat on the front steps of the hotel until officers arrived to take him into custody.

Other witnesses Tuesday were Tom Williams, pawnbroker and jeweler; H. Marks, local shoe man, and A. S. Williek. Williams testified that he rented a double barrel shot gun to Bibb on the day of the shooting. Williek owned a fruit stand and confectionery on the corner of Harris avenue and Chadbourne street, and he and

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Philadelphia, Pa.—"I was very weak, always tired, my back ached, and I felt sickly most of the time. I went to a doctor and he said I had nervous indigestion, which added to my weak condition kept me worrying most of the time—and he said if I could not stop that, I could not get well. I heard something about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound my husband wanted me to try it. I took it for a week and felt a little better. I kept it up for three months, and I feel fine and can eat anything now without distress or nervousness."—Mrs. J. WORTHLINE, 2842 North Taylor St., Philadelphia Pa.

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Marks were among the first persons on the scene after the shots were fired.

It was stated at noon that the examination of witnesses will not likely be concluded before Wednesday morning. There is a possibility that the case will go to the jury late Wednesday evening.

Bibb is to be tried a second time for murder in connection with the killing of Ed Stokes on the night of December 6, 1917. In the first trial last summer he was convicted and given a life term in the penitentiary. His case was appealed and reversed and a new trial granted.

DOUBT DISAPPEARS

No One in Ballinger Who Has a Bad Back Should Ignore This Double Proof.

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INTERESTING TALKS AT DEFENSE MEET

The Woman's Committee of the Council of Defense held a very interesting meeting at the Library Tuesday afternoon, this being the regularly monthly meeting.

Matters of interest to the community were discussed, especially interesting was a talk on child welfare by Miss Van Doren, who told of the great good accomplished in Belton by the physical examination of every child in school. Defects undreamed of by the parents were discovered and helpful advice given by the nurse and physician. The necessity of physical fitness in the coming generation was stressed.

A very interesting talk on the causes of the war, German treachery and advancement made to the Allies was given by Mrs. Frank Miller, who illustrated her talk with a map and quoted from government bulletins. Patriotism was stirred to new depths.

This organization has for its object the welfare of the community and of the nation, and should have the loyal support of every woman in Ballinger.

Secretary.

Bronchial Trouble

Mrs. A. E. Sidneberder, Rockfield, Ind., states: "For an attack of bronchial trouble which usually assails me in the spring I find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only thing that gives me relief. After using it for a few days all signs of bronchial trouble disappears."

LET'S SEND THEM HALEY'S REPLY

At Houston a Liberty Bond salesman paused at a hamburger joint for physical reinforcements. And while he stood there watching the little pats of ground meat sizzle in the bubbling grease he got a \$2000 subscription. Here's a tip for salesmen, you never know where they are coming from.

When the Liberty Loan train pulled from the station at Groesbeck, a citizen who had been unable to make up his mind to buy bonds, was suddenly seized with a patriotic inspiration. Racing after the departing train he caught at a rail of the rear car, and at the risk of his life clung with one hand while he pitched into the car a \$20 bill shouting his name and address. The last the men in charge the train saw of him he was picking himself up out of the cinder along the track and grinning.

At another point along the route traveled by the Liberty Loan train yesterday, a man had been saving his money for medical treatment, reconsidering and he subscribed for bonds to the full amount of his savings. "It may not help my ailments," he said, "but it will cure the kaiser of his fits." Can you give him a dose of the same medicine?

A stenographer in a Liberty Loan committee office in a prominent Texas city, self supporting and with an invalid mother, who had just undergone an operation, bought a \$100 bond. "I thought I bought all I could, she said, but when I see these wounded boys coming in the office and realize what it all means, I just feel I must buy another bond, although I will have to do without some things I need awful bad."

At a downtown office building in El Paso, a negro girl is employed as an elevator boy. She was very excited over her purchase of a "Liberty," and was fumbling in her pocket for the first payment. The elevator was filling up with people, and the negro girl feeling that she owed her passengers an apology for delay, said "dis yeah liberty loan done got me mesmerized." How about you man of money; have you become mesmerized?

Sergeant Haley, one of the wounded American soldiers, who is traveling with the war relief train, which is due in Ballinger on the morning of October 9th at nine o'clock, said that when his company first joined up with the French, there was some little doubt expressed as to whether the "doughboys," being new, could hold a certain position. A French Poilu said to Haley: "can you hold them?" "H... yes," was Haley's reply. The Germans are wondering whether the Americans are behind this war with their dollars. Lets send them Haley's reply.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo.

Lusas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for cash and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Frank J. Cheney.

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RUSSELL WELL "CUTTING UP" AGAIN

The work at the Russell oil well has not advanced far enough to prove the value of the well as an oil producer. Just when the well will be given an opportunity to prove its value, and a test made, has not been made public, and the oil development is still in a speculative stage.

The well put on a show for a few spectators who were present Tuesday afternoon, and considerable gas and oil spouted from the well for about fifteen minutes. Earlier in the day the well threw out oil, indicating that the gas pressure was stronger at times than others, or that it accumulated in the well.

The workmen were still placing casing in the well Wednesday afternoon, and it was rumored that operations would be suspended waiting orders from headquarters after the well had been cased in, while other reports has it that the well will be cleaned out, and if it fails to gush, drilling would be resumed.

New supply National Bank Bond letter heads and envelopes, Ballinger Printing Co.

S. A. T. C. STILL OPEN

The war department announces that the S. A. T. C. at the various colleges teaching military branch, will be open to young registrants who can meet the requirements until Oct. 15th. Those who wish to take this military training and college work are allowed practically the same pay as a private, with all equipment furnished, and can enter if they can pass the physical examination and meet the regular college entrance requirements.

WANTED—Unskilled labors for the Air-Nitrates Corporation at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, to en train at Ballinger Friday Oct. 4, at 4:20 p. m. 30 cents per hour with time and a half over time. Transportation and meals free to place of work from Ballinger.

Board and lodging \$5.25 per week, free hospital service for employees when sick. This is urgent call for help and men engaged in non-essential work will soon be notified. Better go now before being drafted. Volunteers for this work should report to D. B. Diggs, Winters, or H. W. Robinson, Miles or N. K. Freeman, Rowena, or P. McGregor, Ballinger, and get ready to go Friday afternoon.

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