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German Provisional Government Overthrown

Wilson Says League Nations Necessary To Maintain Peace

London, Dec. 28.—President Wilson, while speaking in the historic Guild Hall in this city, declared that the conversations between him and the British statesmen reveal that a complete agreement has been reached that the mere items of peace "would be worthless unless there stood back of them a permanent concert of power for their maintenance." Mr. Wilson says that practically all the leading minds of the world are determined to perfect a league of nations.

IRA THURMAN BACK HOME

Ira Thurman, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Thurman of Glen Cove, arrived home Wednesday, having received honorable discharge from the service. After a visit with home folks at Glen Cove Mr. Thurman will go to Big Springs, where he will be employed in a National bank in that city.—Coleman Democrat.

Ira Thurman calls Coleman county home because his parents live in that county, but he can't get by without a visit to Ballinger before he goes to Big Springs. He will retain the friendship of Ballinger people. We will not stand for any such camouflage, and he knows it. The fact of the business is, Ira should have returned here for keeps.

Miss Irene Clappitt returned from a visit to relatives at Winters Saturday.

FORMER BALLINGER MAN'S BABY DROWNS

Friends in Ballinger have just learned of the misfortune which Judge Isham Wade, at one time a Ballinger lawyer, experienced two or three weeks ago. In a letter to his friend Elmer Shepperd, Judge Wade says:

"Don't suppose that you have heard that our only baby boy was drowned on Dec. 9th. We live near a creek, which is some 100 feet back of our house. 'Billie' and his Collie dog wandered down there and he fell in and drowned in water less than knee deep. Wife was sitting on the porch and he had only been gone four or five minutes when she found him floating. He was twenty-two months old and just beginning to walk. It has just broken us up. We was all we had and a father only knows how another loves his only boy. Our Christmas has been very sad. We were planning and telling him of Santa Claus coming and he did not, poor fellow."

Judge Isham Wade is a brother of Judge J. B. Wade, and practiced law here some time before moving to Cleburne, where he accepted employment in the general attorney's office for the Santa Fe railroad. He is living at Cleburne at present. His many friends here will regret to hear of his misfortune.

Ira Thurman came in from Coleman, Saturday and is here to spend a few hours with Ballinger friends. Ira will go to Big Springs to join his brother in a bank at that place.

SAY KAISER CAN'T BE EXTRADITED

London, Dec. 12 (By Mail)—Ordinary principles of extradition in no wise apply to William Hohenzollern, is the opinion of Sir Wiloughby Maycock, former head of the British foreign office extradition department, who discussed the Kaiser's situation in a prepared statement made public here.

Extradition, Maycock points out depends on two cardinal questions. These questions are:

"In what state has the Kaiser himself individually been guilty of an extradition crime?"

"Does his existing status render him immune from the process of the municipal law of the Netherlands?"

"Practically all extradition treaties" writes Maycock, "open with a preamble to the effect that the high contracting parties engage to deliver up to each other persons who, being accused or convicted of some crime or offense in the territories of the one party, shall be found within the territory of the other party. The crimes for which extradition may be granted are then set out in detail.

"It will be tolerably obvious to anyone who takes the trouble to peruse our own extradition treaty of 1918 with the Netherlands that the Kaiser has not individually perpetrated any of the offenses in this country which would warrant our demanding his extradition from the Dutch.

"The same difficulty presumably would be experienced by all the allied countries.

"Whether Germany could demand the Kaiser's extradition, even if she were disposed to do so, is another matter."

If abdication has been accomplished formally, Maycock declares

William Hohenzollern then becomes merely a private individual visiting in Holland. However, even if this is the case, there is nothing in Dutch law to prevent the Netherlands from according Count William all the right of a sovereign.

"Suppose they do so" says Maycock. "It may then be asked in what do such privileges consist?"

On this point Maycock quotes a recognized work on international law written by W. E. Hall, which states that a sovereign "cannot be proceeded against either in ordinary civil or criminal tribunals."

Maycock concludes that "unless the Kaiser has formally abdicated it would be up to him to claim in Holland the immunity enjoyed by sovereigns in a foreign state."

FRANCE TO SUFFER YEAR'S FOOD SHORTAGE

Paris, Dec. 10. (By Mail)—Food will continue to be short in quantity and expensive in France for a year according to a report of the 1918 crop compiled by Boret, French food controller.

With the exception of the wheat crop which will be larger than that of 1917, all of the cereals will be short. Corn, barley, oats and beans will be especially scarce.

The potato crop is estimated at 7,500,000 long tons, although it has averaged 12,000,000 tons for 10 years.

A Londoner who recently entertained a party of nine at a medium-priced Paris restaurant was presented with a bill for 310 francs, nearly \$7 a plate. The meal consisted of soup, fish, chicken, coffee and a small portion of white wine for each guest.

Martin Friek, of Winters, had business in Ballinger Saturday.

The Hague, Dec. 28.—The Ebert government virtually has been overthrown, according to dispatches filed in Berlin Thursday night, and received here today.

The dispatches say that Schenidemann, one of the leaders of the Ebert government, has fled from the city. It is predicted that a new cabinet will be formed, and the new cabinet will include Dr. Karl Liebknecht and George Ledebour, and that the Central Soviet will be summoned.

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.—The work men's and soldier's central council has been summoned to meet with a view to reconstructing the government according to a Berlin dispatch to the Berlingske Tidende.

The action supposedly is taken for the purpose of including George Ledebour and Dr. Karl Liebknecht in the government.

The present German government or council of people's commissioners, is made up of six members, three majority socialists and three independent socialists, sometimes called minority socialists.

The majority socialists members are Ebert, Seidemann and Landsberg. The independents are Haase, Dittman and Barth. During the war the majority socialists supported the government while the independents were in opposition. Dittman being imprisoned on a charge of treason.

The Spartacus group of Dr. Karl Liebknecht, formerly was allied with the independents. The Haase group might be called radicals and the Liebknecht group ultra radicals. The Liebknecht followers are opposed to both the majority and independent socialists.

Comes From Beaumont To Talk With His Son's Comrade

Judge F. D. Minor, of Beaumont, arrived in Ballinger Friday afternoon to see Lieut. Roy F. Sharp, and learn at first hand as near as possible the details of his son's death in France.

Farral D. Minor was the only child of Judge and Mrs. Minor, of Beaumont. He enlisted in the first officers training school at Leon Springs, trained with Roy Sharp, and the two young men received their commissions as lieutenants at the same time, were sent to New York together, assigned to the Rainbow Division, assigned to the same regiment and same company, and fought the boche together in France.

Before being wounded Lieut. Sharp borrowed one of Lieut. Minor's watches. Most of the officers carry two watches. Two days after Sharp was wounded, Lieut. Minor was wounded, and died. Lieut. Sharp kept the watch he borrowed from his comrade, after returning to his home in Ballinger he wrote to the father of his comrade, Judge Minor and sent him the watch. In a few days Lieut. Sharp received a telegram from Judge Minor, asking how long he would be in Ballinger and

stating that he wished to come to see him. Judge Minor arrived in Ballinger Friday afternoon and returned to his home in Beaumont Saturday afternoon.

Judge Minor spent most of the twenty-four hours while here with Lieut. Sharp, and asked many questions about his son's last days on earth, and before leaving for his home the father of the young man who gave his life for his country, stated that it was a great consolation and satisfaction to him to talk with Lieut. Sharp, and to know that his son met the enemy bravely and died as only a hero can die.

Judge Minor is head of the Red Cross work in Beaumont, and he not only gave his only child for his country, but he has devoted his time and used his means for the success of the war.

He returned home feeling that he had been well paid for making the trip to Ballinger to talk to the man who fought by the side of his son, and who was with him during his last days on earth. The devotion to son and country is impressively exemplified in the life of Judge Minor.

BOOTLEGGING IS A THING OF THE PAST

After reporting the court the finding of twelve bills of indictment, eleven of which were for felonies, the Brown County grand jury says:

"We find that bootlegging in our county is a thing of the past, as no violations of this law has come to our knowledge.

"We again recommend to the Commissioners' court that the proper guide boards be placed on our public roads throughout the county, together with the milestones, as the law provides. We are aware of the fact, that our country roads being without these proper marks, are a great worry and hindrance to the traveling public. If we mistake not, the attention of the Commissioners' court has been called to this matter several times before by the grand juries and we are not suggesting this for the purpose of dictating to, or criticizing the Commissioners' court, but we do know that the majority of the people in our county insist on this being attended to."

Miss Winnie Trail returned from Winters Saturday, where she had been visiting friends.

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TWO OF A KIND

Villa's hand is at work in Mexico again. American property has again been destroyed. It will not be the last and about the only way to have peace in Mexico is for Uncle Sam to take a hand and straighten things out. Villa should be caught and hung, and old "whiskers" made to clean up his "gang" or get out of office. Mexico must get settled in order that the United States may enjoy peace.—Abilene Reporter.

Villa and the kaiser are two of a kind. When our Uncle Samuel gets through with the kaiser there will no doubt be a little reorganizing work done in Mexico. This country can not afford to lay off the job until that bunch of out throats at our back door have been exterminated. The world is a big place, but there is no room for devils like Villa and the kaiser.

Wonder where the farmers will find places to store the big yield they are going to gather next year? If the season now in the ground does not mean the biggest crop this country ever made, a lot of old timers are going to be badly fooled.—Stephenville Empire.

Every body out west is feeling good over the rains, and some of the old timers are even expressing audible regret that they did not locate in a "dry climate." It is confidently expected that the season now in the ground will warrant record breaking crops next year. Very likely the expectation will be realized. It is about time again for the West to come back with bumper yields and the East to be overflowed and washed away. Good years and bad years run in cycles everywhere. But it ought to be impressed upon West Texas during these days of surplus water that to impound and conserve this surplus is the only way under heaven whereby good crops can be absolutely assured. Western Texas ought to be an irrigated proposition. All these winter rains should be laid up like treasure in heaven. If West Texas will irrigate, it will prosper every year and all the time. If it doesn't irrigate, it will have about two bad years and one not very good one out of every five. It is the truth, and those who do not wish to face the truth will be the principal losers.—Dallas News.

The News is right. A little more common sense mixed with the natural advantages offered in West Texas would make this the greatest country in the world. Instead of spending millions of dollars trying to drain some frog pond down on the coast, and in the low

lands, to make the quag mire a fit place to plow, if the government would spend a comparatively insignificant sum to put over Col. Stanley's dream and make it possible to impound some of the flood waters of the Colorado River, and irrigate a few thousands acres of the fertile lands of this count, there would be no more crop failures due to lack of rain. There is sufficient water flowing down the Colorado River now, which if stored away for use when needed, would make millions of dollars for the farmers who know how to mix good soil, good seed, with water and elbow grease.

Stomach Trouble

"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and felt nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

WHITAKER THOMSON

A wedding, charming in its simplicity and one of surprise, took place Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott H. Mack, when Miss Myrtle Whitaker became the bride of Mr. Thad W. Thomson.

While the wedding was a surprise to their many friends, the pretty Mack home looked festive in Christmas decorations, and made a splendid setting for a holiday wedding.

The bride, gowned in light grey satin, trimmed in Georgette crepe, and carrying a shower bouquet of carnations, while the groom was attired in the uniform of his country, appeared before Rev. E. P. Bates, who in the presence of the members of the immediate families performed the ceremony.

The happy couple are at home at the Mack home, where the bride has been making her home while teaching in the Ballinger schools. Mr. Thomson will return to Camp Lumsden, where he is a member of a machine gun company in the army, about the first of the New Year and the bride will resume her duties as teacher in the local schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomson are well known in Ballinger, having lived here from childhood. They are popular with a large circle of friends, who join in best wishes for a long life of happiness.

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Within the next few weeks Ballinger people will be given an opportunity to eat Ballinger baked bread, according to L. B. Stubbs, who owns an already well equipped bakery.

Mr. Stubbs stated Friday that new pans, and an electric wrapper had been ordered, and that as soon as they arrive, the bakery would be overhauled, renewed and put in to operation.

"The wrapping machine we have ordered makes it possible to deliver the bread to the customer without human hands touching it," said Mr. Stubbs, "as the bread is wrapped in the most sanitary way just as it comes from the oven—whipped while hot, and is protected from dust until it is delivered to the consumer."

The Ledger is a great believer in patronizing home industry, and we have been at a loss to know why this town had to depend on much smaller towns for its baked bread.

Ballinger supported a good bakery up until the war brought on food rules and restrictions that made it hard to operate any business on a safe basis, and the local bakery closed down until normal conditions were restored.

The public will be glad to know that the local bakery will return with the first sign of normal conditions.

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Miss W. Pehacke went to Brownwood, Friday afternoon, where she will be the guest of friends for a few days.

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REV. J. B. CURRY DOWN WITH THE FLU

We regret to note that Rev. J. B. Curry, pastor of the Methodist Church is ill with influenza. It has been announced that there will be no preaching at the Methodist church Sunday, but the Sunday school will meet at 9:45.

A BALLINGER BOY HUNG

Around his father's neck and begged him to have Moody save his "sole" that is the soles of his shoes. Moody can do the work and give satisfaction at the right price. He does general repair work and handles second hand goods, when in need of anything in his line call and see him. dtwf.

Sidney R. McDermitt, of Regan county spent Friday here as the guest of Miss Margaret Wooden, and went to Brownwood, Friday afternoon, to resume his school duties.

R. A. Nicholson left for South Texas, Friday afternoon, where he goes to resume his cotton business after spending the holidays with his family.

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The result of increased production and conservation efforts in the United States has been that with the cessation of hostilities we are able to return to a normal wheat diet. Supplies that have accumulated in Australia, Argentine and other hitherto inaccessible markets may be tapped by ships released from transport service, and European demand for American wheat probably will not exceed our normal surplus. There is wheat enough available to have a white loaf at the common table.

But last year the tale was different. Only by the greatest possible saving and sacrifice were we able to keep a steady stream of wheat and flour moving across the sea. We found ourselves at the beginning of the harvest year with an unusually short crop. Even the most optimistic statisticians figured that we had a bare surplus of 20,000,000 bushels. And yet Europe was facing the probability of a bread famine—and in Europe bread is by far the most important article in the diet.

All of this surplus had left the country early in the fall. By the first of the year we had managed to ship a little more than 50,000,000 bushels by practicing the utmost economy at home—by wheatless days, wheatless meals, heavy substitution of other cereals and by sacrifice at almost every meal throughout the country.

In January the late Lord Rhonda, then British Food Controller, called that only if we sent an additional 75,000,000 bushels before July 1 could he take the responsibility of assuring his people that they would be fed.

The response of the American people was 85,000,000 bushels safely delivered overseas between January 1 and July 1. Out of a harvest which gave us only 20,000,000 bushels surplus we actually shipped 141,000,000 bushels.

Thus did America fulfill her pledge that the Allied bread rations could be maintained, and already the American people are demonstrating that, with an awakened war conscience, last year's figures will be bettered.

Our exports since our country entered the war have justified a statement made by the Food Administration shortly after its conception, outlining the principles and policies that would govern the solution of this country's food problems.
"The whole foundation of democracy," declared the Food Administration, "lies in the individual initiative of its people and their willingness to serve the interests of the nation with complete self-effacement in the time of emergency. Democracy can yield to discipline, and we can solve this food problem for our own people and for the Allies in this way. To have done so will have been a greater service than our immediate objective, for we have demonstrated the righteousness of our faith and our ability to defend ourselves without being proscribed."

Sending to Europe 141,000,000 bushels of wheat from a surplus of apparently nothing was the outstanding exploit of the American food army in the critical year of the war.

GREATEST OPPORTUNITY WOMEN EVER HAD.

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PROMINENT MERCHANT CALLED TO HIS REWARD

A. J. Zappe died at his home in Ballinger Saturday morning, Dec. 28th, at four o'clock.

Mr. Zappe was stricken down with influenza and after suffering for about one week, he passed out of this world, and joined his son Arthur, who preceded him in the world beyond only a few weeks ago.

Mr. Zappe was born Nov. 6th, 1876, and was 42 years, 1 month and 22 days old at the time of his death. He is survived by a wife, two sons and one daughter.

Deceased came to this country in 1904 and engaged in business. He prospered here and acquired considerable property, owning at the time of his death one of the largest stone buildings in the city, a large stock of merchandise and considerable farm property, and other property interest. He devoted his time to his business and to his farm, and no man in Ballinger worked harder than he did.

Mr. Zappe was one of the most prominent leaders in the Catholic church, and his death will be keenly felt by the local Catholic church.

He was devoted to his family and the death of his son while attending the S. A. T. C. at the A. & M. College a few weeks ago, was a great shock to him, and no doubt made it much harder for him to resist the ravages of the disease which caused his death. Mr. Zappe was recently called to South Texas, to bury his brother-in-law, and it was shortly after his return home that he became ill with the disease which caused the death of his son and his brother-in-law.

At the time of his death his only daughter, Miss Olga, was seriously ill with influenza, and remains in a serious condition. The family and their relatives have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their sorrow.

Arrangements have been perfected for the funeral, and at ten o'clock Sunday morning there will be Requiem Mass at the Catholic church, Rev. Father Goldbach preaching the funeral sermon. At three o'clock Sunday afternoon the funeral will be conducted from the residence, Rev. Father Crane, of San Angelo conducting the services.

Pall bearers are: C. S. Miller,

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Prof. U. S. Daniel returned to Beaumont, Friday afternoon where he is teaching, after spending the holidays with relatives in this county.

Joe Haddon came down from San Angelo, Tuesday afternoon, where he is baking bread, and spent Christmas Day with his family.

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ERROR IN NAMING SCHOOL FACULTY

In making mention of the opening of school, which is scheduled for next Monday, and in some changes which have just been made in the faculty, The Ledger made an error in stating that Mr. James had been elected to succeed Mrs. W. A. Bridwell as principal of the Central School. We should have said that Mr. James would succeed Mrs. Bridwell as teacher of the Seventh Grade, as Mrs. Bridwell has not been filling the principalship of the Central school.

Miss Myrtle Bridwell is principal of Central School, and the board is well pleased with the way in which she has been serving in that capacity. In addition to the duties of teacher of the Seventh Grade, Mr. James will have charge of the tablets of both the Central and High School.

During the epidemic which has been raging here and the shortage of teachers on account of sickness, and the resignations, Rev. H. P. Bates, has also been assisting in High School work, and the board and pupils are indebted to him for his efficient and faithful services.

BALLINGER GIRLS VISITING AT TALPA

Nine young ladies went to Talpa Friday afternoon, where they will be the guests of Miss Elizabeth Jones in a week end party. Those making up the party from here were Misses Eleanor Kirk, Mamie Cathy, Beatrice Nance, Mal Skinner, Nell Futeh, Anna Currie, Margaret Baby, Rena Butler and Ruth Nicholson.

Mrs. M. B. Singletary passed through Ballinger, Saturday en route from Belton, where she has been for some time, to San Angelo, in response to a message that her son-in-law, Mr. Whaley and daughter, Miss Georgia Singletary were both ill with influenza.

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Improved Paper Shell Pecan Trees, budded or grafted, \$1.00 to \$2.50 owing to size and age, roots 3 to 6 years old, also seeding Pecan trees from choice selected thin shelled nuts, 2 to 3 years old roots, 50c each. Fine healthy trees carefully inspected and so declared by State Inspector of Nurseries. Some of the nuts from which these trees were grown cost me from 50c to \$1 per pound.

S. B. Howard,
107 N. 12th Street
Ballinger, Texas.

HORSES MAY LOSE LAST DRIVEMAY

New York, Dec. 28.—New Yorkers have been doing some worrying recently about the city's \$4,000,000 "Lonesome Trail."

It is the Harlem river speedway famous a generation ago as a fashionable driveway, on which the obnoxious horseless carriages were not permitted to trespass. In order to assure the horses of perpetual immunity from gasoline odors a law was put through the state legislature, forever banning horseless contraptions from the speedway.

The speedway is a beautiful scenic driveway, extending for several miles along the Manhattan bank of the Harlem river. The cost of its upkeep is very considerable.

Recently an unfeeling citizen, having observed that the driveway was absolutely deserted, drove his motor car on it. He was arrested and fined. A supreme court upheld the sentence. Statesticians who have taken up lonely watches along the speedway assert that as many as three persons have been known to ride horse-back on the expensive roadway in one day, during the last year, while a horse in harness has been seen passing as many as 58 times within 24 hours. Most of these horses are racers, being exercised by their tenders.

Motorists want the speedway opened to motor traffic, like any other parkway or drive. They claim the city is not getting its money's worth for its \$5,000,000, and that the road menders, almost the sole moving figures along the long stretch of highway, are having entirely too easy a life. They are planning an appeal to the legislature.

Few Escape

There are few indeed who escape having at least one cold during the winter months, and they are fortunate who have but one and get through with it quickly and without any serious consequences. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and observe the directions with each bottle, and you are likely to be one of the fortunate ones. The worth and merit of this remedy has been fully proven. There are many families who have always used it for years when troubled with a cough or cold, and with the very best results.

First Presbyterian

Sunday school at the usual hour. There will be no preaching as the pastor is out of the city.

Wm. Zappe came in from Shiner Saturday and is here to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, A. J. Zappe.

Mrs. Isley's Letter

In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as a laxative and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.

Miss Robie Brown is the guest of Mrs. Ed. Harbour, at Brownwood this week.

H. L. Norred returned to Eagle Lake, Friday afternoon, after spending Christmas with his parents.

TERRIBLY SWOLLEN

Suffering Described As Torture Relieved by Black-Draught.

Rossville, Ga.—Mrs. Kate Lee Able, of this place, writes: "My husband is an engineer, and once while lifting, he injured himself with a piece of heavy machinery, across the abdomen. He was so sore he could not bear to press on himself at all, on chest or abdomen. He weighed 165 lbs., and fell off until he weighed 110 lbs., in two weeks.

He became constipated and it looked like he would die. We had three different doctors, yet with all their medicine, his bowels failed to act. He would turn up a ten-cent bottle of castor oil, and drink it two or three days in succession. He did this yet without result. We became desperate, he suffered so. He was swollen terribly. He told me his suffering could only be described as torture.

I sent and bought Theford's Black-Draught. I made him take a big dose, and when it began to act he fainted, he was in such misery, but he got relief and began to mend at once. He got well, and we both feel he owes his life to Theford's Black-Draught."

Theford's Black-Draught will help you to keep fit, ready for the day's work. Try it!

BOYD NICHOLSON

News has been received in Ballinger that Miss Vanita Boyd and Hobart Nicholson, of this city were married at Coleman Thursday afternoon.

Miss Boyd left Ballinger Thursday afternoon, presumably for a visit at Brownwood. Mr. Nicholson, who preceded her, joined her at Coleman and the ceremony which made them man and wife was performed, and the happy couple went on to South Texas, where Mr. Nicholson is associated with his father in the cotton business.

The young people are members of two of Ballinger's most prominent families and they have many friends here who will wish for them a happy married life.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than in all other diseases put together and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine manufactured by J. F. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials.

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Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vancil and son passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to their home at Winters from a visit to Comanche.

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W. H. Baker, of the Winters country, was a visitor to Ballinger Saturday.

WHEAT PRICES BEFORE CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 27.—Legislation to make effective the wheat price guarantee for the 1919 crop and at the same time safeguard the government against losses was recommended to congress today by the department of agriculture and the food administration.

A memorandum sent to Representative Leever, of South Carolina, chairman of the house agricultural committee made the following recommendation:

1. Extension by congress beyond June 1, 1920 of the date for the government purchase of the 1919 crop.

2. Continuance of the food administration's grain corporation, or creation of a new agency to buy sell and store 1919 wheat that may be offered to the government, and

3. Possible legislative provisions to protect the government against wheat flour brought in from other countries during the period of effectiveness of the guaranteed price and also to protect buyers of such wheat as long as the wheat is in this country and not consumed.

The memorandum was compiled with the approval of President Wilson.

Secretary Houston, in submitting the memorandum said:

"The government has made a guarantee and it goes without saying that it must be made effective."

Miss Vida Jones returned to her school work in Dallas, Friday af-

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Tonight

Vitagraph Blue Ribbon
Feature

Corrine Griffith

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The Clutch of
Circumstances

ter spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones

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Rev. H. P. Bates went to Paint Rock Saturday, where he will be during the coming week in a revival with Rev. Ewing.



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