

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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## Berlin Riot Endangers Americans

### MAN DEAD AT HOUSTON FORMERLY LIVED HERE

Only a few days ago The Ledger carried an account of the death of Dr. Herbert Lee McNeil, a former Ballinger boy who died in France. The father of the young man, Y. W. McNeil, who will be remembered by the old timers in Ballinger, died at Houston last Sunday. Mr. McNeil was a bookkeeper and lived in Ballinger several years about twenty years ago. He was prominent in church work and was superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School of this city while living here. The Houston Chronicle gives the following account of his death:

Y. W. McNeil, well known Houstonian, died at his home, 2612 Smith Street, on Sunday night, after a lingering illness. Mr. McNeil's only son, Dr. Herbert Lee, died of pneumonia while serving with the colors in France, on November 3. Grief over the loss of his son bore heavily upon Mr. McNeil, and is believed to have hastened his death. Dr. Herbert McNeil was a member of the State Medical College faculty and was among the first volunteers for overseas duties.

Mr. McNeil is survived by his wife, a sister, Mrs. Mary Price, is expected to arrive from Addington, Okla., in time to attend the funeral services at St. Pauls Church at 4 p. m. Tuesday. Burial will be at Thornton, by the side of the parents of deceased. A half sister, Mrs. Sarah Hyde, now in her seventy-eighth year, resides at Thornton. The funeral party will leave Houston Tuesday night, via the Houston and Texas Central.

Mr. McNeil has served as treasurer of St. Pauls since the organization of that church, more than a decade ago. When his health permitted he was marked by an attendance record of 100 percent at all church gatherings.

### WILL LEASE LAND ONLY FOR DRILLING

"I notice you say the speculators are blocking the game and preventing drilling in this county," said H. Giesecke, Wednesday. Mr. Giesecke had reference to the Ledger's comment on the lack of development in this county, when we said: "It is possible that the game is being blocked while the speculators tie the acreage up in such a shape that it will be impossible to block sufficient acreage to interest drillers, or does such condition exist at this time?"

"I have just refused ten dollars per acre for one thousand acres of the Wylie ranch," said Mr. Giesecke, "and I am refusing to sell any of the Paramore ranch six thousand acres, or the Wylie ranch of nine thousand acres, and we have ten thousand acres of the Russell ranch which we are holding strictly for drilling contracts, and the leases are not for sale with out a bonafide drilling contract."

Geologists have placed their O. K. on Russell's country as being first class oil "structure." If the geologists are right, here is a chance for oil companies or drillers to get in.

What The Ledger can't clearly understand is why every county, adjoining Runnels is pushing forward with test wells are trying to develop the field while the development in this county is lagging, or we might say at a standstill, and nothing doing.

There are fifteen wells going down in Brown county, thirty-eight in Coleman, while Concho, Tom Green, Coke and Taylor counties are being punctured full of holes.

The ten thousand acres of the Russell ranch which Mr. Giesecke says is subject to lease for drilling only, adjoins the land upon which the Russell well is located, and if the drillers want to do a

little wild cat work, they need not pass this county up.

### BOLSHEVIKIS CONTROLLING IS RUSSIA

Copenhagen, Jan. 8.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik war minister, has been proclaimed dictator of Russia and has arrested Lenin on charges of forming a coalition with Menshevik, the radical minority, according to Moscow dispatches received here today.

### FIRE COMPANY ELECTS OFFICERS

The local volunteer fire company met Tuesday night for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and transacting other business. The following officers were elected.

Sam Setzler, chief; J. C. Cline, asst. chief; W. S. Harmon, President; J. E. Witt, vice-president; C. S. Guin, secretary; R. E. Willingham, treasurer.

The boys report that they need new members. The membership is limited to thirty, while at present there are only thirteen active members here. This is an organization that should not be neglected. The men who are serving do so without pay, and they always respond and risk their lives to save the destruction of property when fire breaks out. The organization should have its full quota of members all the time, and as soon as there is a vacancy applications for membership should be on file ready to be acted upon.

Fire Marshal Pilcher presented a letter which he received from the State Fire Marshal complimenting Ballinger for the excellent condition the city is in from a standpoint of fire risk. The letter says:

From a recent inspection of Ballinger made by our Mr. Savage, and yourself, we are very much pleased to note that your town is in excellent condition. To keep a city or town free from fire breeding agencies is a matter of great importance, but it can be done with the proper effort and energy on the part of the fire marshal with the co-operation of the citizens of the town. Our experience has shown that where a large number of fire hazards exist, it is due to the fact that the fire marshal himself is not performing his duty, is not trying to enforce the Fire Marshal Ordinance, and in fact is a non-entity.

From the report on Ballinger it appears quite clear that you do not belong to such a class. Already evidence of your energetic work is everywhere apparent.

Yours very truly,  
S. W. English,  
State Fire Marshal.

Berlin, Jan. 8.—Rioters last night forced General Harries, head of the American mission in this city to haul down the American flag which was raised over the hotel to protect the entente officials.

Scores of people were killed in street rioting throughout the city.

Copenhagen, Jan. 8.—The Spartacides have spurned the government's proposals to arbitrate on the conditions that they disarm all their followers except sold-

iers, evacuate public buildings and surrender to the police. President Eichorn sent dispatches to this city stating that the Spartacides had refused to accept offers to arbitrate, and that fighting between the two factions continued.

Basal, Jan. 8.—An entire division of soldiers with artillery and machine guns are marching on Berlin and Potsdam to quell the revolt, says reports reaching here from German sources.

### IRISH REBELLION NIPPED IN THE BUD

The following account of a new Irish plot appeared in a recent issue of the London Daily Mail:

Revelations were made by a court martial at Cork when Chas. Hurley of Castletownhere, in the western extremity of County Cork, was charged with having in his possession in August last a manuscript setting out information as to a method of making an attack on the Royal Irish Constabulary barracks at Castletownhere, Bantry Bay, and on other property of the British and American forces in the neighborhood.

The Crown Solicitor stated that not only was Hurley charged with having in his possession plans for a series of diabolical outrages, but he had also plans for a rebellion in Ireland, the center and base of which was to be the town of Castletownhere, and the destruction of every Government, military, and naval building. The plans included the blowing up of piers, roads and bridges giving communication with this important naval base, the cutting of wires and the destruction of naval stores and sheds.

Provision was also mentioned in the document for encountering, by way of the sea approach to the harbor, reinforcements that possibly would come from the British Navy and the American forces. Hurley when arrested resisted violently. Besides the plans mentioned he had on his person a carbine and revolver ammunition.

Evidence in support was given by the police. Hurley, when asked if he had anything to say, replied in Irish; but the police informed the court that he spoke and understood English. He made no defense. The decision will be promulgated.

### 450 AUTO SEALS ISSUED TO DATE

Up to the close of business Tuesday, about 450 auto seals had been issued by Tax Collector Chastain. It is estimated that there are about one thousand cars in the county, and people living in other parts of the county are buying their seals as fast as they can get to the city. It is a violation of the law to display seals on your car except the one for the current year, but this feature of the law has never been enforced in this county, and some cars have as many as three seals, 1917, 1918 and 1919 displayed on their radiator. It is better to have too many than not enough.

### RUSSEL OIL WELL READY FOR DIGGING

Drilling will be resumed in the Russell oil well Thursday, according to statements made by parties who are keeping in close touch with the work, and workmen who are here from the well today verified such reports.

For some time the drillers have been working hard to clear the hole of three hundred feet of casing which blocked the drilling progress. It was necessary to drill through this casing, or by underreaming open up the hole. This has been done and the drill will be started to work again.

The hole is now 3430 feet deep, and it is the purpose of the company prosecuting the drilling to go to a depth of four thousand feet, and if oil is not found at that depth, another well, and probably two, will be drilled in that territory.

### K. OF P ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the K. of P. Lodge, held Monday evening, officers for the ensuing year were elected, and resolutions for the good of the order passed. Following are the names of the newly elected officers.

Don A. Swett, C. C.; Chester Cherry, V. C.; Frank Chapman, Prelate; Sam Baker, M. W.; A. J. Pogue, M. A.; E. F. Krebs, K. of R. and S.; J. W. Patterson, M. F.; David Holliday, I. G.; Ross A. Smith, O. G.

Commissioner Meadows returned from College Station, Wednesday, where he went to consult with the Extension Service of the Agricultural Department about the farm demonstrator work in this county.

Mrs. C. A. Doose returned home Wednesday at noon from Post City, where she had been visiting her parents.

### You Must Remember

There are new cases of FLU every day. The nose and throat are the germs' easiest route into the system, so let us send you up one of our ATOMIZERS and a bottle of ALKALINE SPRAY. Better be to be safe, than sorry.

### WEEKS

**Ballinger**  
**Baptist Church**  
**All Members Urged to be Present Thursday Evening 7 o'Clock**  
**Special Conference**  
**To Consider Calling a Pastor--You are Expected to Be Present**

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**OUR EDUCATION**

It is nothing short of marvelous how our schools have continued to go right ahead, training boys and girls to make good men and women in the face of the drouth, war, sickness and poorly paid teachers. The Ballinger school are making good time have suffered all the ills this country is heir to. The faculty has been kept up, notwithstanding that the county has suffered a shortage of teachers, and the pay has not been increased in proportion to the increased cost of living and in keeping with the increase in salaries in other lines of work. Such success has been made possible on account of the hard work and sacrifice of the faculty.

**PIONEER P. M. DIES**

J. W. Wright, aged about seventy years, for 25 years postmaster at Buffalo Gap, died at his residence at Buffalo Gap at 11 o'clock Sunday night. Prior to the time he became postmaster at Buffalo Gap, Mr. Wright served in a like capacity at Old Guion, near Lemmons Gap. —Abilene Reporter.

Miss Floy Laxson went to Hico, Tuesday afternoon, where she will attend school.

**ENDORSED AT HOME**  
Sure Proof as This Should Convince Any Ballinger Citizen

The public endorsement of a local citizen is the best proof that can be produced. None better, none stronger can be had. When a man comes forward and testifies to his fellow-citizens, addresses his friends and neighbors you may be sure he is thoroughly convinced or he would not do so. Telling one's experience when it is for the public good is an act of kindness that should be appreciated. The following statement given by a resident of Ballinger adds one more to the many cases of Home Endorsement which are being published about Doan's kidney pills. Read it.

W. F. Street, stock dealer, 1001 Tenth St., Says: "About a year ago I had an attack of kidney complaint. I had dull pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions passed irregular. I bought Doan's Kidney Pills from the Weeks Drug Store and they relieved all signs of the trouble.

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Iola, Kansas.—"I was a constant sufferer from female trouble for about a year. I had pains in back and stomach, in fact all over me, and was all run down. A friend of mine was cured of the same trouble by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I took it and it gave me health and strength and made a new woman of me. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too highly, and you may publish my testimonial as it may be the means of helping some other suffering woman."—Mrs. IRENE KING, 105 West Campbell Street, Iola, Kansas.

The great number of unsolicited testimonials on file at the Pinkham Laboratory, many of which are from time to time published by permission, are proof of the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, in the treatment of female ills.

Every ailing woman in the United States is cordially invited to write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential), Lynn, Mass., for special advice. It is free, ready to bring you health and may save your life.

**WHERE OUR WEALTH IS STORED**

The program of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce which was organized at Fort Worth includes the conservation of moisture in the west by the forming of irrigation districts and the terracing of the lands of the west. After all that is the greatest task before west Texas. Her great oil fields will make many rich, splendid towns and cities will spring up and to larger proportions as a result of oil, but the thing that will make West Texas permanently great is conservation of moisture. The masses will never be benefited by oil development, except in a general way, but intelligent farming will make west Texas the garden spot of the United States and will make dependable conditions.—Abilene Reporter.

The farmer who is waiting for his farm to be converted into an oil field, will die a disappointed man. There may be pools of oil under every farm in Runnels county, but we don't believe it. Every farm in Runnels county will make a living for the owner, if we can get the moisture to mix with the soil. The Government has long since recognized the value of terracing and is paying men to assist the farmers in this class of work. Hence Runnels county farmers have had a farm demonstrator "forced" upon them. Our wealth is on top of the ground and not three thousand feet deep.

Let us order your Rubber Stamps. The Ballinger Printing

**CALL MADE FOR RED CROSS WORKERS**

Mrs. A. Schawe, director of women's work, has issued a call for those who have been assisting in the sewing to meet at the Library Thursday afternoon at two o'clock for the purpose of making the garments recently called for by the Red Cross Headquarters.

The material has arrived and it is the desire of those in charge to complete the quota allotted to the local chapter as quickly as possible, and all the workers are urged to be present promptly at two o'clock. It will not take long to fill the quota of garments if all those who have been helping will do their part.

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**TWO BABIES BURIED AT WINTERS TUESDAY**

The little infant of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Spill and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerhardt were buried at Winters Tuesday. The mothers of both the babies recently recovered from influenza which caused death.

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## 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 Theodor'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 Theodor's Black-Draught."

Theodor's Black-Draught will help you to keep fit, ready for the day's work. Try it! NC-131

Mr. and Mrs. Shine Phillips left for Baird Sunday afternoon where Mrs. Phillips will visit her parents while Mr. Phillips locates. Mr. Phillips has been with the Weeks drug store here for some time. He will engage in business for himself, and has several places in view. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips made many friends while here who regret to see them leave Ballinger.

Elgin Davidson, of the Wingate country, had business in Ballinger, Wednesday.

## CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Each box sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 85 year known as Best, Safest, A-ways Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

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FOR SALE—Partridge Wyandott Banthams. Also three oil stoves. Mrs. Frank Chapman dtf

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W. T. Hill, the Benoit postmaster, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and handed in his renewal and two other subs from his section to the Banner Ledger for the ensuing year.

Sam Bayer, of the New Home neighborhood, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

Messrs Palmer and Ray, of the Miles country, F. E. Clayton and son Roy of the Benoit-Talpa section, and C. N. Green, of the Hatchel country, were transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday and while here Mr. Green renewed the Banner Ledger for his father-in-law, A. Tidwell.

Mrs. H. A. Newby returned to her home at Brownwood, Tuesday after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Simpson, who was ill with influenza.

Mrs. P. C. Cobb, who came here to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Reese, returned to her home at Zephyr Tuesday afternoon.

## MASSACHUSETTS NURSE

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Wesley Reese returned to his home at Dallas, Tuesday afternoon. He came here to attend the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. John Reese.

Mrs. Ada Mullin and daughter who came here to be at the bedside of her mother, returned to her home at Dallas, Tuesday afternoon. The mother who was quite ill with influenza, is improving.

R. L. Harwell and R. P. Kirk were in San Angelo, Tuesday, on business.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

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Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Aug Ambrecht, of Winters, E. B. Warmock, of Oak Creek and J. S. Flanagan, of the Valley Creek country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

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## FELT SHE HAD "KICK" COMING

Woman's Resentment at What She Considered Overcharge Expressed in No Uncertain Manner.

Two women stared in a store window. Both had weather-beaten faces and hands that showed for work, and the woman who was talking had the loud voice of one used to calling across the open:

"Look at that plate, will you, only 10 cents, and I went and paid a quarter for the spit image of it at the church picnic last August."

Sudie defended the picnic with a like far-reaching voice:

"You couldn't expect to buy the same plate for no 10 cents down yonder, after the managers had to pay their way up here and pick it out."

"Shub, the church paid their way up. One thing, you don't catch me paying no thrubble price for any plate again—not if I live to be a hundred. Next time I go to a church picnic, I'm going to pay my 50 cents for the dinner, same as ever, because the shote and goslin is worth it, but when any of them women behind them tables undertake to make me pay all that money for a plate that isn't worth nair more than 10 cents, I'll up and tell 'em I know what's what, even if I do live in the pines. I'm no mean woman and I want to do right by my church, but it seems audacious to have a hard-working woman like me pay a quarter for a plate that's only worth 10 cents."

Especially when she finds it out.—Washington Star.

The question of the doings of the ouija board was discussed recently by several women. All declared it had told them the very things they wanted to know, and that it was a wonderful invention. And the only man in the party put a damper on the talk by saying that the ouija board came under the head of phrenologists, fortune-tellers, palm readers and spiritualists. "When Charles M. Schwab was a young man he was told by a phrenologist," said the man. "You will never be a leader in initiative. You lack trust in your own powers. You should never try anything big, or anything that requires leadership. Keep well in the ranks and you will be safe."—New York Tribune.

### QUICK RESPONSE.

"They must be waiting for cases at the hospital."

"What makes you think so?"

"I called it up this morning and in the next second I heard some one answer, 'Operator.'"

### HOME TOWN COMMENT.

"How are things going in this town? Had much of an influenza epidemic?"

"Mister, there aren't enough people in this town to have much of an epidemic."

### THAT WALTER RALEIGH STUFF.

Yankee Soldier (gazing at his equipment)—Gosh, if we could just lay all this stuff on the ocean and walk on it we wouldn't need any transports to take us over.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Halfmann of the Olfin Rowena country, were shopping in the city Tuesday and took occasion to renew with the Banner Ledger while here.

Ben Taylor and Bob Crockett, of the Norton country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday and while here Mr. Taylor ordered the Banner Ledger to go to the address of his sister, Mrs. Levina Seal at Temple

Sid Oliver, of the Wilmeth country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday, a few hours.

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RESOURCES:	
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U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
U. S. Treasury Certificates	15,000.00
Liberty Loan Bonds	30,000.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Interest earned but uncollected	3,148.54
Acceptances (cotton)	5,611.80
Cash and Exchange	92,620.62
	\$554,188.90
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	56,885.72
Interest collected but unearned	8,267.89
Circulation	25,000.00
Reserved for Taxes	2,232.86
Dividends unpaid	6,000.00
Deposits	355,802.43
	\$554,188.90

The above statement is correct.

R. G. Erwin, Cashier

We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

### MEXICO GIVEN REPLY

Mexico City, Jan. 7.—While neither the American embassy nor the Mexican foreign office has yet made public the note addressed to the Mexican government by the United States regarding oil legislation, it was learned today that the Mexican government was framing a reply which probably would be handed to Ambassador Fletcher on Thursday. Nothing official has been given out here concerning the American note or the Mexican reply.

### Quick Cure for Croup

Watch for the first symptoms. Hoarseness and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at once. It is prompt and effectual.

### TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

Pinole, Cal. Jan. 7.—Four men were killed here today by the explosion of 15,000 pounds of dynamite gelatine in a mixing plant of the Hercules Powder company. There were no others in the building. The detonation was heard for miles. The damage was estimated at \$10,000.

### COTTON SEED

Good planting seed is scarce and hard to get. We have secured one car of McKean & McNeals high grade re-cleaned Mebane Triumph seed. This is the very best seed to be had and it will be to your interest to see us at once and secure your seed before they are all gone.

E. A. Jeanes & Co.  
Ballinger, Texas. d&wlt



## Your Every Need

THE kind of a store that deserves your steady patronage is the one that always has exactly what you want whenever you want it.

We try to anticipate all the needs of our many customers and then supply quality goods at the most reasonable prices possible.

### For Men, Women and Children

This store is for all—and everybody is welcome always no matter how small the purchase. Pleased customers become regular customers. That's why our business grows.

WE SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY

## Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

## THREE DIE IN ONE FAMILY

H. Beimers, who lives south of Ballinger, was here Wednesday, on business. He reports that his family had just passed through the flu epidemic, after giving up three of his children.

At one time every member of the Beimers family were down sick at one time, and within the last two or three weeks three of the children have died. The third to die was buried Tuesday of this week, at Rowena.

Many families in the country have been stricken down with the influenza, every member of the family being ill at one time, and unable to get help to wait on them.

The Denton family, of Norton are now recovering. Relatives are now receiving help, relatives having arrived to look after them. Mr. Denton and several members of the family are still quite sick.

### Cured at a Cost of 25 Cents

"Eight years ago when we first moved to Mattoon, I was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation," writes Mrs. Robert Allison, Mattoon, Ill. "I had frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and there was a feeling like a heavy weight pressing on my stomach and chest all the time. I felt miserable. Every morsel of food distressed me. I could not rest at night and felt tired and worn out all the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets cured me and I have since felt like a different person."

W. A. West and E. Schuman, of Miles, were visitors to Ballinger, Wednesday, having business with the farm demonstrator.

### A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment; and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggist.

### PHOTOGRAPHING BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 7.—Lieut. Arthur Sutton and Private McCauley, Sues and Masten, of the United States signal corps, arrived in Berlin today from Coblenz. They will take photographs of happenings in Berlin and vicinity.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Before using this preparation for a cough or cold you may wish to know what it has done for others. Mrs. O. Cooke, Macon, Ill., writes, "I have found it gives the quickest relief of any remedy I have ever used." Mrs. James A. Knott, Chillicothe, Mo., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cannot be beat for coughs and colds." H. J. Moore, Oval, Pa., says "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on several occasions when I was suffering with a settled cold upon the chest and it has always brought about a cure."

### HOW ABOUT YOUR READING? —CLUB WITH US

The Ledger can save the reading public money on any paper published, and you should see us for clubbing rates. We have special rates on daily, weekly and monthly publications. Get in on the January Bargain Days. tfdw

When you want adding machine paper, we ask that you come here and see the stock we have. Guaranteed 200 feet of paper to the roll and the price is lower than you can buy it for elsewhere. As much or as little as you want. Ballinger Printing Co.

Mrs. W. H. Hill returned from a visit to her parent, at Dallas, Wednesday.

## HOW TO USE VICK'S VAPORUB IN TREATING SPANISH INFLUENZA

**The Influenza Germs Attack the Lining of the Air Passages. When VapoRub is Applied Over Throat and Chest the Medicated Vapors Loosen the Phlegm, Open the Air Passages and Stimulate the Mucous Membrane to Throw Off the Germs.**

In Addition, VapoRub is Absorbed Through and Stimulates the Skin, Attracting the Blood to the Surface and Thus Aids in Reducing the Congestion Within

**CALL A PHYSICIAN—GO TO  
BED—STAY QUIET—  
DON'T WORRY**

**There is no Occasion for Panic—  
Influenza Itself Has a Very Low  
Percentage of Fatalities, Not Over  
One Death Out of Every Four  
Hundred Cases, According to the  
N. C. Board of Health. The Chief  
Danger Lies in Complications Arising,  
Attacking Principally Patients  
in a Run Down Condition—  
Those who Don't Go to Bed Soon  
Enough, or Those Who Get UP too  
Early.**

Spanish influenza, which appeared in Spain in May, has all the appearance of grip or la grippe, which has swept over the world in numerous epidemics as far back as history runs. Hippocrates refers to an epidemic in 412 B. C. which is regarded by many to have been influenza. Every century has had its attacks. Beginning with 1831, this country has had five epidemics, the last in 1889-90.

### The Symptoms

Grip, or influenza, as it is now called, usually begins with a chill followed by aching, feverishness and sometimes nausea and dizziness, and a general feeling of weakness. The temperature is from 100 to 104, and the fever usually lasts from three to five days. The germs attack the mucous membrane of lining of the air passages—nose, throat and bronchial tubes—there is usually a bad cough, especially bad at night, often times a sore throat or tonsillitis, and frequently all the appearance of a severe head cold.

### The Treatment

Go to bed at the first symptoms, not only for your own sake, but to avoid spreading the disease to others—take a purgative, eat plenty of nourishing food, remain perfectly quiet and don't worry. Quinine, Aspirin or Dover's Powders, etc., may be administered by the physician's directions to relieve the aching. But there is no cure or specific for influenza—the disease must run its course, but nature herself will throw off the attack if only you keep up your strength. The chief danger lies in the complications which may arise. Influenza so weakens the bodily resistance that there is danger of pneumonia or bronchitis developing and sometimes inflammation of the middle ear, or heart affections. For these reasons, it is very important that the patient remain in bed until his strength returns—stay in bed at least two days or more after the fever has left you, or if you are over 50 or not strong, stay in bed four days or more, according to the severity

of the attack.

### External Applications.

In order to stimulate the lining of the air passages to throw off the grip germs, to aid in loosening the phlegm and keeping the air passages open, thus making the breathing easier, Vicks' VapoRub will be found effective. Hot, wet towels should be applied over the throat, chest and the back between the shoulder blades to open the pores. Then VapoRub should be rubbed in over the parts until the skin is red, spread on thickly and cover with two thickness of hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck as the heat of the body liberates the ingredients in the form of vapors. These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carry the medication directly to the parts affected. At the same time VapoRub is absorbed through and stimulates the skin attracting the blood to the surface and thus aids in relieving the congestion within.

### How to Avoid the Disease

Evidence seems to prove that this is a germ disease, spread principally by human contact, chiefly through coughing, sneezing or spitting. So avoid persons having cold—which means a voiding crowds—common drinking cups, roller towels, etc. Keep up your bodily strength by plenty of exercise in the open air, and good food.

### Keep Free From Colds

Above all, keep free from colds, as colds irritate the lining of the air passages and render them much better breeding places for the germs. Use Vicks' VapoRub at the very first sign of a cold. For a head cold, melt a little in a spoon and inhale the vapors, or better still, use VapoRub in a benzoin steam kettle. If this is not available, use an ordinary tea-kettle. Fill half full of boiling water, put in half a teaspoonful of VapoRub from time to time—keep the kettle just slowly boiling, and inhale the steam arising.

**NOTE:** Vicks' VapoRub is the discovery of a North Carolina druggist who found how to combine, in salve form Menthol and Camphor with such essential oils as Eucalyptus, Thyme, Cubers, etc. are liberated in the form of vapors so that when the salve is applied to the body heat, these ingredients VapoRub is comparatively new in New York, New England and a few western states, where it is just now being introduced. In other sections of the country, it is the standard home remedy in over a million homes for all forms of cold troubles—more than six million jars were sold last year.

It is particularly recommended for children's croup or colds, since it is externally applied and, therefore can be used as freely as desired without the slightest harmful effects. VapoRub can be had in three sizes—30c, 60, \$1.20—at all druggist.

## FOR SALE

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.

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C. Jack Green, who had been visiting in Ballinger the past few days, left Wednesday afternoon, for Abilene where he has accepted a position on the Reporter. His wife and two sons will join him at that place later to make their future home.

C. R. Hightower, of the Winters country, and F. Blumtritt, of the Miles section, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

M. E. Harrell, and Wm. Davenport, of the Hatchel country, were among the business visitors in the city Wednesday.