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HOWAT THREATENED WITH JAIL SENTENCE BY JUDGE

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Federal Judge Anderson told Alexander Howat, the president of the Kansas coal miners, that unless the Kansas strike is called off immediately, he will "put him in the Marion county jail and keep him there."

Howat is the only official of the miners' union whose case was not continued indefinitely when the strike was recently settled.

Howat's case was continued another week.

WALKER-MATHIS.

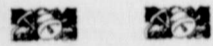
Burford C. Walker and Miss Thelma Mathis were married Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, West of Hatchel. Rev. Alvin Swindell performed the ceremony. The wedding was a quiet home affair, in the presence of only a few friends and the two families.

Both of the parties are children of two of the most prominent and representative families of the Hatchel country. They will make their home after the holidays in Vernon.

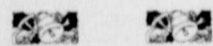
A. B. Lankford is at home for the holidays. He is attending Daniel Baker college at Brownwood.

Ledger classifieds bring results.

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A HERO IF IT WORKS— A "BOOB" IF IT DOESN'T

By HENRY FARRELL.
United Press Staff Correspondent
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Anything goes in football if you get away with it.

The rankest piece of judgment becomes clever strategy and great generalship when the play goes through.

The quarterback who violates all the unwritten rules of the game in trying to outwit the opposition is a hero when everything connects. But he's a hopeless boob, crowned with bone when the attempt fails.

Consider "Chic" Harley, greatest of western stars and one of the wonders of the modern game.

Harley had a habit of doing the things that the first lessons of coaches to green players said not to do.

But he got by with them in every case and he's the greatest of the great.

In the Michigan game with the ball on Ohio's fifteen yard line he called for a forward pass. The terrific chances taken need no enumeration. But he got away with it. He pulled similar stunts in every game until some critics accused him of not knowing any better.

One of the most notable examples of "taking chances" occurred in the Penn State-Pittsburgh game. It was the State's ball on her own three-yard line. Hess dropped back of the goal line for what according to the unwritten law of the game should have been a desperate punt out. But Hess didn't kick. He stood there with the ball in his hands dodging Pitt tacklers. Then Bob Higgins, the sensational State end, got loose and Hess tossed the ball to him. Higgins ran 90 yards for a touchdown. The play went through and both were heroes. What would have happened if the throw had been blocked and a Pitt man had fallen on the ball?

They don't always work it that way however. Sometimes the breaks go the other way.

Take the case of Herb Kempton, Yale quarterback, who took chances and when they failed he became the target of assault, from

the four corners. Early in the season he was touted for the all-American team; now he is called poor.

In the Princeton game, Kempton tried to pull a play that would surprise the Tigers. On Yale's 15 yard line, the blond quarterback called for a lateral pass—a complicated play involving a double pass and depending upon a pass to himself in full speed for its effect.

Neville took the pass from Callahan and tossed it wide to Kempton who was speeding around Princeton's right end. Kempton missed it, and Scheerer, the Princeton sub, snatched the ball from the ground and ran for a touchdown winning the game.

Again in the Harvard game, Kempton tried to outwit the Crimson defense and failed so badly that he was made to look stupid as a field general. In a march down the field, Braden and Neville had smashed through Kane, the Harvard tackle time after time until Yale advanced the ball to Harvard's one-yard line. Every play up to that time had been driven wedge-like into Kane and he was badly battered. Kempton evidently thought the Crimson would mass its secondary defense behind the weak place in the line in anticipation of another drive at the hole through which all the Yale advances had been made. Kempton thought he might take the enemy unaware if he shot Braden the big battering ram, through the center. He tried that and found the whole Harvard team piled up like a big red wall in front of the smashing Eli full back. He couldn't have gone thru with a tank. Kempton was out-guessed.

Officers of Ballinger were kept busy Monday on one of the most complex mysteries that has ever confronted them. The cause of the search was one gill of whiskey, in a pint bottle.

The one gill was owned by D. E. Moody, and one day last week he came to Ballinger and left it unguarded. On his return at night, he found the lock to his cellar broken, and everything topsy turvy. His house had been thoroughly gone through, but nothing further than the teacupful of whiskey was missing.

The officers have not found who the guilty parties are, but every hunch is being followed up, and it is believed they have a clew that will lead to one arrest, and maybe more.

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HIGHWAY WORK IS PARTLY FINISHED

Work on the Ballinger-Rowena highway has been completed from Ballinger up to the cemetery, according to J. L. Dellis, county engineer. Two coats of gravel have been put on the road for this distance, and the remainder of the eight miles will be finished up as fast as possible.

Considerable delay has been experienced on account of the rainy weather, and it may be some time before the rest of the road can be finished. When completed this strip of road will be a hard, smooth, straight road to Rowena. The surface of the road is a little soft for the present, but will harden with use. Drags will be used after rains, and the road will gradually become hardened.

All the culverts on this road were finished before the actual work of road building was started. These are built of concrete, reinforced with steel.

The plans for the new bridge to be built across the Colorado River at Ballinger have been passed upon by the state highway department, and have been passed on to the federal department. This will be one of the most modern bridges in Texas. Two steel trestles will span the river, and the approaches to it will be of concrete. In addition, a walk for pedestrians will run along one side.

Mr. Dellis stated that after about a year of travel on the new road, a spray of oil should be applied. This will harden it, and make it resist the wear of weather.

OFFICERS SEARCHING FOR GILL WHISKEY

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WILL ASK MEXICO TO STOP OUTRAGES ON AMERICANS

DECISION ON 2 3-4 PERCENE BEER DELAYED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The decision of the Supreme court on the validity of two and three-quarter per cent beer has been delayed until January fifth.

OPERATORS TO HELP FEDERAL COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—All speculation as to the possible attitude of the coal operators toward the President's coal commission was ended today when the operators announced that they would cooperate fully with the commission.

It was reported that they would fight the findings of the commission.

SANTA FE STATION GETS CARLOAD COAL SUNDAY

A car load of coal was received in Ballinger Sunday night, and a part of it was unloaded at the Santa Fe station. The remainder of the car was taken on through to other points along the line.

This is the first coal the local station has had in two or three weeks, and the crowds at the waiting room have had to sit in cold. Employees of the railroad at the freight station have not had any fire for some time, but smoke began pouring out the flues Monday morning, and it is thought that the present difficulty in getting coal is past.

Professional Notice
Dr. Cheatham will be out of town until after the Holidays.
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E. S. Cornelius left Monday for Marble Falls, where he will make his home in the future.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Instructions have been issued to the American embassy in Mexico City by the state department of the United States to insist that the Mexican government immediately stop the outrages against American citizens in Mexico.

At the same time that this order was issued, the embassy was instructed to renew the request to the Mexican government that every step possible be taken to "arrest the bandits who recently kidnapped Frederick Hugo, an American ranchman, near Muzquiz."

CARRANZA CONTEMPLATES MEXICAN BORDER DRY ZONE
LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Mexican officials are contemplating the establishment of a "dry zone" along the U. S.-Mexico boundary line.

The newspaper Excelsior recently declared that the governors of five Mexican border states met with the minister of the interior to study proposed restrictions and means of making them effective.

American soldiers, the newspaper states, have crossed the border frequently and demanded the Mexicans sell them liquor, "because they cannot get it in the United States," while smuggling of intoxicants into the United States "has grown to alarming proportions of late."

The Excelsior says that in Tampico alone, more than four hundred Americans "confessed" they went there for the sole purpose of drinking.

Juarez, opposite El Paso, and Piedras Negras, across from Eagle Pass, are the homes of large stocks of liquors, consisting of whiskey, cognac and tequila, as recently discovered by Mexican officials, the newspaper further stated. These stocks, it is declared, were ready for smuggling across the Rio Grande.

School children, don't forget the Ballinger Printing Company can supply you with theme paper.

Just in Time For Christmas

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YOUR LAST CHANCE TO GET CHRISTMAS CARDS

We can accept no orders for Christmas greetings cards after Monday. If you want the best there is in this line you had better phone in your order that you will not be found wanting. Ballinger Printing Co.

Misses Ruby and Hester Goss left Saturday afternoon for Abilene to spend Christmas at home.

Surgeons agree that in cases of Cuts, Burns, Bruises and Wounds, the first treatment is most important. When an efficient antiseptic is applied promptly, there is no danger of infection and the wound begins to heal at once. For use on man or beast, Borozone is the ideal antiseptic and healing agent. Buy it now and be ready for an emergency. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Mrs. H. B. Pittman is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Tyler.

Splendid Cough Medicine
As I feel that every family should know what a splendid medicine Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is, I am only too pleased to relate my experience and only wish that I had known of its merits years ago," writes Mrs. Clay Fry, Ferguson Station, Mo. "I give it to my children when they show the slightest symptoms of being croupy, and when I have a cough or cold on the lungs a very few doses will relieve me, and by taking it for a few days I soon get rid of the cold."

George Kirk came home Saturday from Waco, where he is a student in Baylor University, to spend Christmas.

Get your adding machine paper from the Ballinger Printing Co.

Mrs. Evelyn Gibson came in Sunday to spend Christmas at home.

MR. AND MRS. BRYAN BECK SEND XMAS GREETINGS

"Greetings of Yuletide to all of our Ballinger friends through you. Sincerely, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan D. Beck, Honolulu, Hawaii."

The above card was received by The Ledger. Mr. and Mrs. Beck went to Hawaii some time ago in Y. M. C. A. work. They are remembered in Ballinger by a number of friends.

Do You Enjoy Your Meals?
If you do not enjoy your meals your digestion is faulty. Eat moderately, especially of meats, masticate your food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals and take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and you will soon find your meals to be a real pleasure.

Miss Irma Dickenson came home Sunday from Dallas, where she is attending S. M. U., to spend Christmas.

DIES AT AGE OF 78 YEARS
Mrs. Mary Jane Osborn, of Leaday, died Saturday morning, at the age of 78 years two months, and twenty days. The remains were brought to Ballinger and shipped to Post City for burial. Deceased was the mother of Mrs. E. D. Stephens of Leaday.

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Making Merry With Others
By ELEDA LEDMAN
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MISS HOLLISTER glanced up from her paper. "That's pretty good advice," she murmured as she read the words once again. "The custom of forgetting oneself and making merry with others and for others is a wise and wholesome one." "I believe I'll stroll along the streets to see if I can't find someone equally lonely."

Suiting the action to the words, Miss Hollister donned her coat and left the house, calling to the maid, "Probably I'll bring home some guests for dinner."

Looking along the street for someone to share her loneliness she spied a young girl walking listlessly along, apparently without any destination, as if she had missed altogether the joyous meaning of the holiday.

"Merry Christmas," she said putting her hand forward. The girl paused a second, and then repeated, "Merry Christmas," adding, "It may be merry for you but not for me."

"Why are you so lonely on such a glorious day?" said Miss Hollister. "The air just seems to tingle with radiant light."

"It seems strange to tell one's troubles to a stranger, but I left home because I thought I could sing, and I have been unsuccessful in my attempt, and I am too proud to let the folks know. When I think of the tree at home—the turkey dinner, and only myself missing, I just can't bear it." Her big blue eyes filled with tears.

"Cheer up, girl! No one can enjoy a Christmas day alone. You can only have a merry Christmas if others share it with you. Let's celebrate together. I have a dinner already prepared, but no guests."

"Let's find one or two others equally lonely, and maybe we can all get together and have a good time. Maybe we have something in common. I left home years ago because I thought I could write something worth while. But the only real human interest is not in books and magazines, but all around us."

"But," questioned the girl, "can you go up to strangers just like that?" with a wave of the hand.

"Hardly. One must be moved by the Christmas spirit. Look at that man over there, staring at that doll in the window."

The man turned at the sound of her voice and asked: "Pardon me, do you know any little girl who would just love to have a doll? There must be hundreds of little girls just aching for one. That doll is the counterpart of a picture my partner has on his office desk—dark curls, blue eyes and all. That picture has been a mascot to me, and I would love to buy the doll. But I missed my train, and I am not acquainted in the city. Talk about a bachelor being lonely at Christmas! Why, Christmas in a big city alone—never, never again for me."

Miss Hollister's face beamed with pleasure. "You are just the person we want. We will form a triple alliance of 'has-been' lonelies. You just come along to my place, it's only around the corner, and share my Christmas dinner. Christmas is really the children's day, so let's just pretend we are children again and don't need any introduction. Just 'come on over.'"

"My name is Merton, and I think you must be Mrs. Santa Claus."

"No, I'm not; I'm Miss Hollister, and this is Miss—"

"Aiken," interrupted the girl. "Why, my partner's name is Aiken, and I was on my way to join him at his mother's house."

"You mean, Thomas Aiken?"

"Sure enough!"

"Oh, he is my brother."

"Well, I declare! Then surely I must buy that doll for your sister. Doesn't it look like her?"

"I haven't any little sister. That must have been my picture when I was a little girl."

"I don't understand why you are here, Miss Aiken, but you are going to take the next train with me to your mother's home. You have lost that 'baby-doll' expression. How strange that the little picture girl and you should be the same. Why, one of the inducements that Jack offered me was that his sister would be home for Christmas. I'll run in and buy that doll, and then we will proceed to Miss Hollister's."

As they entered Miss Hollister's apartment, they uttered a cry of surprise, for standing in the middle of the room was a child.

"Why, here's just the one we are looking for. Here's a beautiful doll for you! Look, little one!" said Miss Hollister.

"Boys don't want dolls," cried the tot; "they want soldiers and guns, and steam cars, and—"

"But why are you dressed like a little girl?"

"Because my father don't know any better. He left me home all alone on Christmas, so I just came in here—the turkey smelled so good."

Suddenly a voice was heard, full of anxiety, asking: "Is my boy here?"

"Yes," said Miss Hollister; "come right in."

"John!" she added in great astonishment.

"Yes, Mary," said the man; "to think I have found you after all these years. My wife died last year, and this is all I have," he said, pointing to the boy.

"Mary, is it too late for you to take both of us for a Christmas present?"

"How wonderful! This Christmas was so lonely, and now it is so full of happiness. I had always hoped for a chance to explain everything, but when I heard you were married, I thought there was no chance."

"Come! Let's all go in to dinner and talk it over."

"Yes," said Mr. Merton. "I was just telling Miss Aiken that when we know each other better, maybe I will give John's sister something better than a doll."

"Take it from me, Miss Aiken," said Mr. Merton. "The best is yet to be, and Christmas bells as well as wedding bells, may ring out the same merry tune for all of us."

Should Be Quarantined
Many physicians believe that anyone who has a bad cold should be completely isolated to prevent other members of the family and associates from contracting the disease, as colds are about as catch ing as measles. One thing sure—the sooner one rids himself of a cold the less the danger, and you will look a good while before you will find a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to aid you in curing a cold.

Miss Trixie Mullen of Winters, was in Ballinger Saturday, on her way home from Waco, where she had been attending Baylor University.

If you have a bad taste in your mouth, if your tongue is coated; and you have spells of dizziness, the trouble is in your stomach, liver and bowels; they are clogged with bilious impurities. Prickly Ash Bitters clears out the obstruction, and restores healthy conditions. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

Miss Rose Schooner left for O'Donnell Sunday afternoon, where her mother and family recently moved. Miss Rose has been teaching in the Ballinger schools, and resigned to accept a position in O'Donnell and to be with her mother.

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COME HERE TO GET MARRIED SATURDAY

G. W. Herndon, of San Angelo, and Miss Ella Osburne, of Clyde, were married in Ballinger Saturday afternoon. The couple drove to the home of Judge A. K. Doss where Rev. W. H. Doss performed the ceremony, and the happy young folks went on their way rejoicing.

At the Methodist parsonage Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, Rev. J. B. Curry tied the knot which united for life J. R. Millsap and Miss Susie White, of Rowena. The father of Mr. Millsap and one or two other relatives were present.

We are unloading a car of choice Alfalfa. Buy it from the car and get it cheaper. West Texas Grain Co. 22-2nd

Charles Bailey arrived home Sunday from Austin, to spend the holidays. He is attending State University.

Miss Elizabeth Alexander, teacher in the city schools of Abilene, is at home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Alexander.

Bill Henderson has returned from Brownwood, where he is attending Howard Payne college, to spend Christmas.

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Towner Dickinson is at home from S. M. U., at Dallas, to spend Christmas.

Too much sweet stuff puts the stomach out of order. A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters corrects the trouble, restores appetite and good digestion. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

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DEATH CLAIMS

MISS MARY VORBECK

The news of the death of Miss Mary Vorbeck brought sorrow to the many friends of this popular young lady Sunday morning. Miss Mary died at ten o'clock Saturday night after suffering for one week with pneumonia. It was reported Saturday that she was improving and the news of her death a few hours later came as a surprise to her many friends.

Deceased was twenty-six years, four months and two days old. She was one of the popular employees of the West Texas Telephone Co. and was on duty when she was stricken ill one week before she died. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Vorbeck. Pneumonia coming a few months after she had recovered from a serious attack of fever, she could not overcome the disease and despite the best medical attention and close watch and nursing of loved ones, death proved the victor.

Sunday afternoon, Dr. Alvin Swindell, pastor of the Baptist church, conducted the funeral services, and the remains of Miss Vorbeck were laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for indigestion and constipation. They tone up the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. They act gently on the liver and bowels, thereby restoring the stomach and bowels to a healthy condition. When you feel dull, stupid and constipated, give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with their effect.

Miss Lois Crews, who has been teaching kindergarten in Oklahoma, is at home for Xmas with her father, C. R. Crews.

W. A. Gressett of Wichita Falls, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gressett and children, arrived in Ballinger Saturday night to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gressett, and other relatives.

**'BILL' COULD PREACH—
'LUCKY' BALDWIN.**

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Present day crooks are all pikers. That is the opinion of "Lucky" Baldwin, one time horse thief, train robber, pick-pocket and all-present "among those who have come back."

"Fearless crooks? Why, you don't read of one in a year," Lucky told the United Press. "The only one I have read about in months is 'Bill Carlisle.'"

"And then they had to stop him," he added with a tone of regret in his voice. "I would like to get a hold of Carlisle. He would make a wonderful preacher. He wouldn't be afraid to preach the gospel."

Baldwin, whose right name is C. J. Balfie, but who is known to inmates of the Chicago workhouse where he has been chaplain for seven years, as "Lucky," knows crooks from A to Z. He was one himself for twenty-five years but was converted at the McAuley Mission in New York City in 1908.

For the last eleven years he has been one of the most successful mission workers in Chicago, due to his knowledge of the underworld and its people.

"Fifty per cent of the inmates of the prisons of the United States should never be put behind bars," he declared. "The other fifty per cent should never get out."

"Take the 'dips.' They wait until some poor girl starts to get on a car—and then they grab her purse with a few nickels and run."

"The day I was converted, I started to lift the roll of a guy in the Bowery in New York. Only silver fell from his pockets. Do you think I would pick it up? Not Lucky Baldwin."

Nine men who Baldwin picked up from the streets are now preaching the gospel. He speaks of them with pride, and a smile which shows the row of gold teeth replacing those knocked out by the butt end of an Arizona sheriff's gun, lights his face.

CHRISTMAS ACTS AS TONIC

Happy and Exhilarating Mental Spirit Has Good Effect on People, Declare Medical Observers.

Close observers in the ranks of the medical profession have noted one very interesting fact concerning the Christmas season—that it generally has a good tonic effect upon their patients. In explanation of this the London Lancet says that since Christmas has come to be regarded as a time for good cheer, a universal feeling of contentment and happiness is engendered at this time of joyousness, routine is for a while relieved, a certain freshness is given to the daily round, differences of opinion are sunk, and a charitable spirit prevails. Is it, by the way, hoping for too much that the season of good fellowship should leave some lasting effect upon the manners and methods of all?

It may not be easy to trace exactly why this sense of exhilaration and well-being comes with the advent of Christmas, for the psychological factors concerned are not simple. But the main point is that the mental state does everybody good, and the annual festivity is just as excellent a substitution as the prescription of the physician which gives tone and vigor to the struggle in life's race. There is no need nowadays, thanks to the good sense of the people and the counsels of their medical advisers, to moralize about the evils of a stupid indulgence in food, alcohol and tobacco on a festive occasion such as the present. Practically everybody realizes the great physiological advantages of being wise on a merry occasion and the disadvantages of being a fool.

Many more persons than formerly feel where use ends and abuse begins, and they act sensibly accordingly; and so far from it being a crime to make the season festive by enjoying, on a little extended scale perhaps, the creature comforts of life, some decided good is done to both the mental and physical health of the individual.

The festive season may, therefore, be welcomed which brings cheer to thousands, which induces the generous and charitable to brace the mental and physical functions of the community at large, giving it the opportunity of relinquishing its business and its worries for a time, to start again refreshed and ready for "the trivial round—the common task." The prescription "A Merry Christmas" is sound so long as the "signature" of good sense is observed.

London.—The use of euss words, is "due to the slight nervous convulsion momentarily destroying self-control and releasing subconscious interest, which are normally suppressed." Fact, Prof. Gilbert Murray says so.

Stone Mountain, Ga.—This village is taking on city ways. It's new mayor, Carl N. Guess, announced he will propose a bond issue of \$50,000 to build a water-works system, install electric lights and improve the streets.

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The most energetic workers feel lazy and low spirited at times. This condition is caused by impurities in the stomach, liver and bowels, which should be gotten rid of before they bring on a sick spell. A few doses of Prickly Ash Bitters, the remedy that men use, cleanses the system and sends new life and vigor to every part of the body. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

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what pleasure can be derived from a new pair of Glasses, accurately fitted. For Mother, Father, Aunt, Uncle, Sister, Brother, Grandmother, Grandfather or Friend; you would buy them a pair for Christmas.

Call and let us explain how you can do this in a manner that will be a perfect surprise.

Dr. McGuire, Optical Specialist, F. & M. Bank Bldg. will be in the office every day except Tuesday at Winters during the Holidays. Phone for engagements. Residence phone 446, Office phone 40.

Our Wish

'Tis Christmastide and nearing a new year. So we wish you a Merry Christmas, and a Happy, Prosperous New Year, and may you gather Force and your Light cast its beams further along your chosen pathway before another year shall have come to pass.

Yours for Better Eyesight,

DR. MCGUIRE

Optometrist
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**40c Per Pound
for Your Cotton**

We will accept cotton at 40c, middling basis in trade for Cleveland Tractors at the new price of \$1,435 delivered here

Until January 1st, 1920.

All farmers who need machines will save \$240 on the tractor and get more for their cotton. January 1st positively the last day--- Everything not sold then will be shipped to other dealers

**West Texas
Motor Co.**

Ballinger, Texas

Chas. S. Miller, Jr., has returned from College Station to spend Christmas at home.

Exclusive territory open for dealer or distributor to handle out guaranteed Blue Bird typewriter ribbons and carbon paper. We have a number of dealers making big profits and want a live wire distributor for this territory. Every business office your customer. The Mann Ribbon & Carbon Co., Dealer Dept., Dayton, Ohio. 17-4td-1tw

Wade Guion is at home from El Paso to spend the holidays at home.

Deep seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of Ballard's Horehotad Syrup you get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a Herrick's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest, free with each bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Mrs. A. P. Luckett came in Monday from Miles to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rashbury.

Ike Hoeng is in Ballinger this week attending to some business.

Cattarrh Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Cattarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Cattarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Cattarrh 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 Cattarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props, Toledo, O. All Druggist, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Annual Stockholders Meeting.

Of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company, will be held at 10:00 a. m., on Tuesday, January 13th, 1920, in its Directors' room. Chas. S. Miller, Cashier. 20-3td-3tw

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, 25¢ per box, known as Best, Safest, Always Effective. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

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First Cost

We can't compete for battery business on price. Willard service does cost more, so does a Willard Battery. But isn't it true that if you hire a real engineer, or architect, or contractor, or carpenter, or mechanic, or doctor, or lawyer, that it saves in the long run?

We're in business to do the job right the first time—and that costs more than to fix it so it has to be done over again soon after.

When we sell a Willard Battery with Threaded Rubber Insulation we charge more for it, but it doesn't come back for re-insulation with a big bill to you. It stays on the job till it has delivered all the service you bought—and generally a lot more than you'd believe possible.

Try it once—and you'll feel the same as 99% of all who own Willard Batteries with Threaded Rubber Insulation.

Drop in, glad to see you.

BALLINGER AUTO CO.
Opposite Court House Law
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Production Oil Company

(Unincorporated Joint Stock Association)
225-26-27 Oil Exchange Building

Wichita Falls, Texas

Financial Statement

Capital Stock - - - - \$1,000,000.00

Properties:

Production and Storage 400,000.00

Undeveloped Leases - 43,100.00

Treasury Stock - - - 556,900.00

1,000,000.00

Available cash assets 55.7 per cent of capitalization

COMPANY'S PRODUCTION

5 acres, lot number three (3) in Tidwell, Subdivision in Block 98, Northwest Burkburnett Extension. The Company owns a one-half interest in this lease. There are two wells drilled into the sand, and are now being standardized, another well drilling at about 1500 feet, and the fourth well contracted for; a total of four wells.

1.2 acre, being in the North part of lot number eleven in Tidwell's Subdivision in Block 98 (adjoining the above 5 acre lease on the South). This well is now making about 500 barrels, daily production.

UNDEVELOPED LEASES

1 acre in lot eight (8 of A. A. Durfee Survey, being 600 feet from the Burkburnett well in the bend of Red River. Our lease is on the bank of the river just outside the litigation area. This lease is subject only to a 1-8 royalty to the land owner. We are moving machinery on lease this week, and expect to bring in a well the latter part of the month.

10 acres in the Kemp-Munger-Allen district, on the same structure with the strike made by the K-M-A on November 8th. This well is variously estimated at from 500 to 1500 barrels. Derrieks are going up thick on this section. This opens up an entirely new oil field.

40 acres in Callahan County, an excellent geological structure, located on the same ranch with Empire Oil Company's deep test, and completely surrounded by drilling wells.

160 acres in Fisher County about 1 1/4 miles of the Ashton well, which is beginning to drill on good geological structure.

50 acres in Hardeman County, just South of Red River, and West of the Burkburnett Oil Field. Numerous tests are being made in the vicinity of this acreage.

5 acres in Block 97 Northwest Extension Burkburnett. This lease is about 2,000 feet from production, and it looks favorable for a good producer. We expect to drill on this lease early in the next year.

1,000 acres in Persimmon County. This acreage is near a deep test well now drilling.

10 acres in Section 29-4-15 Tillman County, Oklahoma, lying just across the river from the General Oil Company well which came in a big one the latter part of November. This lease is fast becoming valuable, and there is now much activity on this side of the river.

60 acres in Northwestern Tillman County, Oklahoma, near deep tests, being drilled. Nothing startling so far has shown up in the vicinity of this lease.

STORAGE FACILITIES

On the 5 acre lease in Block 98 we have a battery of storage tanks with 2,500 barrels capacity.

On the half acre lease we have 2,000 barrels capacity of storage. Other storage is contemplated in the near future.

MARKETING

We have closed contracts with the Sinclair Pipe Line Company to purchase all our oil at the posted market price, which at present is \$2.50 per barrel. The Sinclair is connecting up their lines to our properties this week, and will begin running all our oil at once. The same company is under contract to purchase all our casing-head gas produced from our leases.

SALE OF STOCK

We are offering 200,000 shares Treasury Stock at par value of \$1.00 each for the purpose of erecting additional storage, telephone lines in the field, for acquiring additional production and proven acreage, and extending drilling operations.

POLICY OF COMPANY

The policy of the Production Oil Company is to make money out the production of crude oil, and to build up a large dividend paying organization by a continuous drilling program on close-in acreage, and by the purchase of production.

DIVIDENDS

Our policy is to declare quarterly dividends from the earnings, at the same time using a part of the profits for development, thus continually enhancing the Company's assets.

SUMMARY

Our part of estimated initial production is 1200 barrels daily from the three wells we are now completing; production of wells already producing, 500 barrels daily.

One other well commencing to drill this week.

One well to commence drilling in a few days.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees of Production Oil Company are T. E. Lipe, of Vance, Mississippi, large planter and oil operator.

W. I. Brashears, Wichita Falls, Texas, large oil operator lumber merchant and cotton dealer.

F. O. Harrell, Wichita Falls, Texas, oil operator in the Oklahoma and Texas oil fields.

Each of the Trustees are active in the Company's affairs and have in the Company's employ only skilled oil workmen.

I will be in Ballinger about January 5th to sell Stock in this Company. In my absence J. A. Freeman will be glad to give you all desired information

F. F. Moore

Wichita Falls, Texas

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Miss Myrtle Wright returned Saturday, from Brownwood to spend the holidays.

M. D. Chastain had business in the western part of the county Saturday.

Sickly children need White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Miss Mary Page is at home from Sterling City, where she is teaching this year, to spend the holidays with her parents.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. Ballard's Harehound Syrup loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Ledger classifieds bring results.

Daily Ledger Want Ads

JUST RECEIVED—Stock of electric irons. Don't fail to see me for all kinds of electrical work. G. P. TEAGUE, Phone No. 7. Ballinger Electrical Co.

POSITION WANTED—as typist, assistant bookkeeper, or clerk. Can give references. Call 605. 22-2td.*

NOTICE—This is to notify the public that I do not want any more wood taken from my pasture without my special permission. Anyone who takes wood without my permission or tears down my fence will be prosecuted. W. E. ALLEN. 20-2td-1tw.*

FOR SALE—25 shares of Runnels county oil stock. Write me your best price. E. F. Melburn, Otto, Texas. 20-3td-1tw

FOR SALE—At a bargain, nice residence on 8th Street. For information phone 650 or 163. 20-3td.

LOST—Somewhere between the First National Bank and Hartman's store a razor strap and razor. Finder please return to Ledger office and receive reward. 20-2td-2tw.*

WANTED—Furnished rooms for light house-keeping. See W. A. Weeks at Passar's Confectionery. 20-1td.*

LOST—Boy's overcoat somewhere in the business district of Ballinger. Finder notify me, or leave at Ledger office. R. W. Uecker, Ballinger, Tex. 19-3d

FOR SALE—320 acres of land, well located on public road, close to school and gin, 125 acres in cultivation, well improve, good building. Price \$25.00 per acre. For particulars see W. B. Page, Ballinger, Tex. 19-2td-2tw

FOR SALE—Maxwell car, 1916 model, in good shape, good castings, new Willard battery, runs like new car. See me or phone 5611 Rural E. J. CARROLL, R. A, Ballinger, Tex. 19-3td

WANTED—Cash register—must be a bargain. Phone Ledger. 19-5td.

FOR SALE—Sewing machine in good condition at a bargain. Phone 27. 18-4td.**

FOR SALE—Wire screen for heating stove and wire screen for fire place. Protects children from danger of burns. Phone 161. 18-4td.**

WANTED—Lady or young girl to do general house work in small family. No children. Good salary. Phone 142. 18-1td

WANTED—Helper at Rock Hotel, good wages, home like accommodations. Phone No. 12 collect, Winters, Texas. 17-1td

WANTED—Man to cut and haul wood. Work close to town and good pay. Apply at Ledger office. 11-1td

SEWING—For plain and fancy sewing see Mrs. R. J. Newton, 203 Eighth Street.

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that we sell from now to Jan. 1.

We will give you an inner tube free.

Complete stock of Goodrich, Pennsylvania and Brunswick Tires.

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