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Shoes with a soul for business—and soles. Modern business demands a lot from shoes—

That keen, alert, up-to-the-minute style that breathes ability, success— And the power to keep going through all weathers, till it's time to take 'em off for good.

It takes good shoes to meet the test—shoes with a soul for business—and soles.

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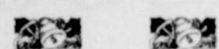
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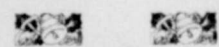
**BEACON** THE SHOES

**TO RECLAIM 100,000 ACRES**  
Winnipeg, Canada, Dec. 26.—Through a system of drainage 100,000 acres of fertile land forty miles east of here will be reclaimed. The cost will be small compared to the value of the land, which agriculturists say is of fine quality.

## Give Her



Johnson's  
Norris' or  
Elmer's  
Chocolates.



## Weeks

Drug Store  
Phones 12 and 13

## Gifts Worth While---

Tricycles Doll Buggies

Toddler Toys Rockers

Tea Carts Rugs

Children's Furniture

Cedar Chests Hoosier Cabinets  
*Natural and Ivory Natural and White*

Pathe Machines and Records

**T. S. LANKFORD**

The Store of Ideal Gifts

The Pathe plays all makes of Record

# Railroadmen Discuss Plan to Enforce Wage Increase

## American Correspondent Gives New View of Mexico

By RALPH H. TURNER  
United Press Staff Correspondent

MONTEREY, Mexico, Dec. 25.—Once famed as the leading manufacturing city of Mexico, Monterey today presents the appearance of a city still prosperous perhaps, but badly run down at the heels.

Revolution, responsible for most of Mexico's woes, tells the story of Monterey's decline. This typical Mexican town, six hours ride from the Texas border, still is classed at the head of the country's industrial districts, but its reputation as the "Chicago of Mexico" has received a severe setback.

The slump in prosperity is reflected in the depressing quiet of the streets, the stagnation in many business lines and in the decreased production of the industrial plants. In its efforts to revive industry, the Carranza government's chief obstacle has been encountered in the problem of transportation.

It is transportation—or the lack of transportation—that is retarding Monterey's struggle to regain her old life. Rolling stock is the issue. Were it not for the lack of cars and locomotives, it is not likely that the two American smelters would be operating at only a partial capacity; that a brewery, which formerly employed 2,000 men, would employ now less than half that number and that other industries would be closed altogether.

There are other difficulties, of course, by-products of revolution. Among these, as regards the smelters, is the fact that unsettled conditions have forced many mines to close. But were they all operating, the smelters would not be able to transport the ore. Existing conditions are illustrated by the practice of smelting companies in owning and operating a great many of their own cars, besides paying the regular freight rates to the Mexican national rail way lines.

This action, according to officials of the smelting companies, is necessary because of the shortage of government-owned cars. Six hundred and fifty-eight cars, it is stated, were burned in this section during the revolutionary activities of 1913. A brick manufacturer declared that he had been able to obtain only two cars

during the months of September and October.

Officials of the Carranza government are striving to correct this condition. Negotiations are being conducted for the purchase of 3,000 cars from the United States. Business men hope this is a sign of return to former times, when Monterey, besides her smelting and brewing interests, boasted of a steel plant, a cement factory, flour mills, cotton mills, and other enterprises, all operating at full blast.

When these times do return, Monterey will be faced with the urgent necessity of recruiting her labor supply, for in the past few years hundreds of Mexican workers have moved northward across the border, where they are employed today on the railroads, the cotton plantations and in other industries of the United States.

## FIRE CRACKER GETS IN ITS WORK

Notwithstanding that fire works were almost left out of the Holiday celebration for the 1919 Christmas, and the display was indeed a small one, the mark of the deadly fire works was left on one Ballinger boy.

Crews Alexander sustained an injury in one of his eyes while playing with fire crackers. The extent of the injury has not been fully determined, but it was necessary to take the boy to the sanitarium for treatment.

Crews is one of The Ledger's faithful carrier boys, and we hope that the accident will prove to be a minor one.

## TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

A special teachers' examination for State and County certificates will be held in my office on Friday and Saturday, January 2nd and 3rd, 1920.

JOHN J. BUGG,

County Superintendent.

Ledger classifieds bring results.

## Nunnally's or Mary Garden

Are Top Notch Candies.

We have them in fancy Christmas boxes. Girls lead 'em by our show window—Sale. Two souls made happy.



**J. Y. Pearce**  
Drug Co.

## CHRISTMAS FRUIT

The highest grade apples and oranges now ready for the Christmas trade.

**H. & H. MERCANTILE CO.**

66—Phones—67

## NEW LEASE ON LIFE FOR NEGROES

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 26.—The electrocution of six negroes who were condemned to die tomorrow for participating in the uprising at Elaine, Ark., last October, when a number of men were killed in race riots, has been postponed at least thirty days.

Postponement was caused by attorney, Black filing a notice of appeal to the supreme court. Six negroes who are condemned to die on January 2nd, are also given a new lease on life by the postponement which also stays their execution until the supreme court acts on the cases.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 26.—Arkansas was ready today to exact its toll for the race rioting and lawlessness at Elaine last October which cost the lives of twenty-two negroes and whites.

Those waiting today in the death chambers are: Ed Coleman, Ed Hicks, Rev. Joseph E. Knox, Frank Moore and Paul Hall.

The seven other negroes who were to go to the electric chair January 2nd, and who were convicted of first degree murder in connection with the rioting at Elaine, are:

Joseph Fox, Alfred Banks Jr., William Wordlow, John Martin, Alfred Giles, Ed Ware and Frank Hicks.

Electricians today completed an inspection of the electric chair at the penitentiary here. State prison authorities have announced everything in readiness for the electrocutions.

The electrocutions are expected to take nearly half a day. Authorities said they intend to speed up proceedings, but with five men to be executed, it is anticipated the formalities will take more than three hours.

The order of the executions has (Continued on last page.)

## FREEZING WEATHER

Tonight unsettled, colder, freezing. Saturday generally fair.

## BOY KILLS HIS BROTHER WITH GUN

Miss Elizabeth Jones, of Talpa, who arrived here Friday at noon to visit in the home of Prof. J. M. Skinner, brought the news of a Christmas tragedy near her home on Christmas Day, when Jack Brown, aged about thirteen, shot and instantly killed his younger brother Eddie.

The two boys were out hunting near Talpa when in some way the gun in the hands of the older boy was accidentally discharged and the load of shot entered the breast of the younger boy causing almost instant death.

Eddie was about nine years old. The mother of the boys is a widow and has been living at Talpa for some time.

The remains of the boy were laid to rest in the cemetery at Talpa Friday afternoon.

## 7 GERMAN LINERS GO TO BRITISH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Seven German liners which were interned here during the war and which are now held in New York harbor, will be turned over to the British as soon as arrangements can be made by the shipping board. These ships were allotted to the British by the peace conference.

The ships to be turned in do not include six more which are to be held by the United States shipping board.

## ARRESTED FOR CARRYING PISTOL

City Marshal Flynt arrested a man for carrying a pistol Thursday, and took the gun off the man. It seems to be a case in which the man violated the law without malice and aforethought. The man had started hunting and was wearing the gun with the handle exposed when the officer's attention was called to it. The cost will be about \$125.

London.—Harrod's, the huge London department store, is building a branch at Liverpool at a cost of \$5,000,000. The firm has a branch at Buenos Aires.

London.—Croydon smokers have formed a league to "strike" against tobacco trade profiteering. Members are pledged to down pipes, cigarettes and cigars, until prices are reduced and a standard of purity guaranteed.

Get your adding machine paper from the Ballinger Printing Co.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The heads of all railroad unions will meet here Monday for a conference and to decide what action to take in wage increase demands.

It was stated at headquarters of the American Federation of Labor that the railroad unions would present their claim for higher wages to the railroad administration and the conference to be held Monday is to determine how strong to make the demands for the proposed increase.

The officials of the unions will consider plans for enforcing their request for an increase in pay for shopmen clerks and other employees of the railroads. At this conference the unions will decide whether to enforce their demands now or wait until the roads are returned to private ownership.

## DRY RIDGE SCHOOL TO OPEN MONDAY

The trustees of the Dry Ridge school announce that their school will open Tuesday, Jan. 6th. Miss Durham, of Lampasas, will teach the school.

## SANTA FE OPERATES TRAIN NO. 78 ON TIME

The West bound Santa Fe arrived Friday, the day after Christmas, a few minutes late, breaking the record for running close to the schedule time. It was the first Santa Fe train to arrive here any ways near on time since the crop movement rush began.

## AUTO SALES

Higginbotham Bros. & Co. delivered to Edgar Rasbury and to Leroy Nicholson each a Sensible Six lately. The young men came home from Eden to spend Christmas. They have been operating a gin and buying cotton and cotton seed at that place.

Just Received Delayed Shipment of

# Corduroy Suits

for Men, Too Late for Christmas and We are Selling Them for \$18.00

**Higginbotham Brothers and Company**

Ballinger's Shopping Center



**BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER**

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Good health is the best Christmas gift of all.

The man who picked cotton on Christmas day is a day ahead of the bad weather.

It begins to look like the school teachers will receive an increase in salary by the time the high cost of living takes a turn downward.

Christmas is over and train service should show improvement, but we have two months more of government control. Let us be patient and hope for the best.

Merchants begin taking stock after Christmas, but they will find the job lighter than usual. A few clean up sales now will clean up, as stocks are at low mark.

People have been too busy to think politics, but some are wondering what will be the line-up for county officers. It is time somebody's hat was in the ring.

Joe Bailey's movement in Texas is nothing but a feeler. If he gets sufficient encouragement he will try for the governorship of the state. He is opposed to prohibition, woman suffrage and Woodrow Wilson. It makes no difference what the faults of the present administration might be, we are not willing to accept Joe as a remedy. There are plenty of good men for the job.

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

Two years ago the women of Texas rushed to the tax collectors office and qualified for voting in the primary election. The political situation at that time was just a little critical and a concerted effort was made to defeat the Ferguson element. That same element is very live in Texas today, and those who held their nose in the Bailey campaign of a few years ago, are about to swallow him down. Every possible voter should qualify and help to keep Texas politics clean.

**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 catching 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.

Mr. and Mrs. Bevy Demoville returned to San Angelo Friday, after spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Demoville.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Rube McCamey, of Dallas, are visiting Mrs. McCamey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow, during the holidays.

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.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zuercher, of Houston, are here visiting Mrs. Zuercher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke.

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 snail. 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. John A. Weeks, special agent.

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**CENSUS TAKERS ARE BACKED BY LAW**

The following statement was issued Friday by A. W. Stedje, supervisor of census for the Seventeenth District:

"The men and women appointed to serve as enumerators of the Fourteenth Decennial Census are charged by law with the collection of all facts necessary to fill out properly the printed census schedules which each enumerator will carry when making the house-to-house canvas of the territory assigned to him. Each enumerator must visit personally each house in his district and make inquiries of the head or some other member of the family who is competent to answer the census questions.

"The Act of Congress providing for the Census gives each enumerator the right to enter every dwelling in his district for the purpose of obtaining the information required. Enumerators will carry with them at all times their identification cards, and also their written commissions from the Government which they will show whenever requested to do so. They are instructed to be always courteous and considerate, but in those rare instances where information necessary to fill out the questions is denied them, they are empowered by law to insist on correct answers. There are legal penalties for refusing to answer the census questions or willfully giving answers that are false.

"Each enumerator is prohibited by law from publishing or communicating any information obtained through the census regarding any individual or his affairs. This obligation to secrecy likewise applies to all persons connected with the Census. After the schedules are all filled out they are sealed up and sent to Washington, where the information is tabulated by means of machinery, names being discarded entirely. No person, therefore, need fear that his personal affairs will be disclosed or that the information given will be used to harm him in any way.

"It is expected that the work of enumerating the urban districts will be completed in two weeks and of rural districts in one month, except where severe weather makes it necessary to postpone activities."

The supervisor stated that enumerators for about one-half of

the enumerations districts in the Seventeenth district had been appointed and would be ready to begin work on January 2nd. There are 273 enumeration districts in the Seventeenth district. With the exception of the oil field counties the work is pretty well organized. A special agent is due here this week to confer with the local supervisor concerning the work in the oil fields. There are three or four vacancies in Rummel's county.

**BALLINGER PEOPLE PREVENT APPENDICITIS**

Many Ballinger people are using simple glycerine, buckthorn bark, etc., as mixed in Adler-ika. This flushes BOTH upper and lower bowel so completely it removes all foul, accumulated poisons from alimentary canal and prevents appendicitis. Adler-ika relieves Any Case gas on stomach or sour stomach. Often cures constipation. In one case of chronic stomach trouble One bottle produced wonderful results. J. Y. Pearcee Drug Co.

Roy Sharp and Levi Starkey came up from Brownwood and spent Christmas with home folks, returning to their work in the afternoon.

Try Want Ads for results.

An ad a day keeps the wolf —!

**QUIET CHRISTMAS IN BALLINGER**

With all that any soul could desire in the way of weather, Christmas in Ballinger passed off quietly. The day was an ideal one, not too hot and not too cold, with baby bright sunshine appealing to the shut-ins to come out and enjoy outdoors.

The prosperous times prevailing left little for the charity committee to do, and notwithstanding the high cost of living, there were perhaps more Christmas dinners spread than for many years, and good cheer and the merriness of the occasion was written on the faces of all.

The afternoon was spent in joy riding while many attended the picture shows. The social event of the holiday was the Christmas dance at the club rooms. The members of the club and their friends in large numbers attended the dance and it was long after Christmas day had passed before the orchestra played "Home, Sweet Home."

So far as The Ledger has been able to ascertain, there were but few accidents, and whether prohibition prohibits or not, there were no drunks.



**COMFORTABLE IN EVERY DETAIL**  
are the bathrooms installed by us. We have every plumbing convenience and accessory that goes to make life more livable. We shall be pleased to submit an estimate for materials and work. You will be agreeably surprised to learn how little it will cost to transform your bathroom.  
**D. J. BREWER**  
The Plumber Phone 53



**THEY ALL COME FROM THE FARM**  
The milk and cream, and butter, and eggs which form a part of our daily food. Our creamery handles only the best of these farm products, and if you will leave your order with us you need never give another thought as to the freshness of what we send you.  
**JACKSON DAIRY**

**IT PAYS TO READ ADVERTISEMENT**

Advertisements are news.  
Good news—timely news—helpful news.  
News of the great world of business.  
News of the best places to buy.  
Heralds of the world's improvements — builders of homes.  
News of the latest styles.  
News of comforts unknown when father was a boy.  
News that is handy to your eye.  
News that you can't afford to hurry by.  
News that will save you money.  
Don't miss the advertisements.

**Children Cry for Fletcher's**

**CASTORIA**

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

**What is CASTORIA**  
Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

**GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS**  
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

**In Use For Over 30 Years**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought

*Just Received 'New Shipment'*

**American Beauty Flour**  
American Beauty Cream Meal

*It Cost More, But Worth It.*

**L. B. Stubbs**  
Phones 93 and 94

**Ford**  
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Imitation "Ford" parts are being sold by many mail-order houses and garages to unsuspecting Ford owners as "Ford" parts. But they are not Genuine Ford parts, made by the Ford Motor Company. They are made by concerns who have no connection whatsoever with the Ford Motor Company. These imitation parts are not even made from the same grade of steel, or under the same formulas used by the Ford Company. They are counterfeit parts. Tests have shown them to break when the genuine Ford parts didn't even bend and they generally are from thirty-five to one hundred per cent lower in quality.

The Authorized Ford Dealer is your protection. As such, we handle nothing but the Genuine Ford parts. They are made from the famous Ford Vanadium Steel and each part—according to its use—is heat-treated in the way that will give it the longest wearing qualities.

**Harwell Motor Company**

**Make your Home Attractive by its Lights**  
It Won't Cost much and helps the looks of any home.

Now that the school year is open and your children are studying at night, don't let them ruin their eyes studying by a poor light. A MADZA lamp gives you more and is smoother and restful to the eyes.

**Ballinger Electric Light, Power & Ice Company**



**THOSE WOMEN WHO DREAD MIDDLE-LIFE**

Houston, Texas.—"To a woman who looks with dread upon the approach of middle life, I would say there is nothing



whatever to fear if she will only take the right medicine just as soon as she has any of the distressing symptoms. I became so weak that I could scarcely get around to do my own housework, and I was just as miserable as one could be when I started to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. The first bottle made a wonderful difference and before I had finished the second bottle I was safely through the critical time in absolutely perfect health—no more hemorrhages, no heat flashes, dizzy spells or nervousness. I felt more than repaid for the cost of those two bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and would have been glad to purchase more, had it been necessary."—Mrs. M. M. Brooks, 4304 Center St.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a remedy that any ailing woman can safely take because it is prepared from roots, does not contain alcohol or narcotics. Its ingredients printed on wrapper.

Send 10c for trial package of Favorite Prescription tablets to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

Lester Dietz, of the Crews country, was here Christmas Eve, and made himself a Christmas present by buying The Ledger for a year.

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.

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

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Motor Hearse and Ambulance

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The Best Companies  
**MISS MAGGIE SHARP**  
Your business solicited.  
Upstairs in old Fidelity Credit Co.'s Office. Phone 115. See Me.

**The Biggest Stock of**

**Candy**

in West Texas

**N. PASSUR**

Watch Me Grow

**Second Hand Goods.**

Bought and Sold Guns Cleaned, Oiled and Repaired. Bicycle Repairing a Specialty.

Phone 31  
**SMITH'S**  
SECONDE HAND STORE

**POSTOFFICE HANDLES XMAS MAIL ON TIME**

All packages and regular mail was up in the boxes, or already carried out, and all out-going mail had been sent away from the local postoffice on Christmas morning. Everything had been cleaned up and the postal clerks only had to wait for other trains to bring in more mail.

The clean condition of the office was due mainly to the fact that most people mailed their packages and Christmas mail earlier this year than usual. People, as a rule, were afraid that their Christmas mail would be delayed, and consequently began mailing their presents earlier. The heaviest run of mail, of course, was on the three days before Christmas day, but the rush was nothing compared with what would have been had not early mailing been the slogan.

Some held the idea that large numbers of packages were lying in the local postoffice, and that the postal clerks were unable to handle the volume of business. Such was not the case, however, as the mail was made up from each train as it came in, and none was held over, excepting a few packages whose owners had not called for them.

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.

Joe Blagg came up from Brown wood Christmas Eve and spent Christmas with his wife and baby, who are visiting Mrs. Blagg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilmet.

**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 Stree, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggist.

Beverly Bigham, of Eden, was here Friday conferring with the census supervisor and arranging to take the census in Conecho county.

Mrs. H. A. Bradley of the Crews country, went to Coleman Tuesday to spend Christmas with relatives.

**GET READY FOR "FLU"**

Keep Your Liver Active, Your System Purified and Free From Colds by Taking Calotabs, the Nauseless Calomel Tablets, that are Delightful, Safe and Sure.

Physicians and Druggists are advising their friends to keep their systems purified and their organs in perfect working order as a protection against the return of influenza. They know that a clogged up system and a lazy liver favor colds, influenza and serious complications.

To cut short a cold overnight and to prevent serious complications take one Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea, no griping, no sickening after effects. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified and refreshed and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please—no danger.

Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Every druggist is authorized to refund your money if you are not perfectly delighted with Calotabs.—(Adv.)

Ed McCarver is here to spend Christmas with his children, who are making home with their grand mother, Mrs. O. B. Corbett.

**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 Elizabeth Coulter is at home from Daniel Baker college, Brownwood, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Coulter.

**BLISS NATIVE OIL**

**THE FAMILY AND FARM LINIMENT**

A crick in the back, a bruised finger, Muscular Pains, or any soreness caused by over exertion, strenuous exercise, or exposure to inclement weather quickly yield to the application of Bliss Native Oil—the family liniment. Does not Blister or Stain. A splendid aid in the treatment of Rheumatism, sciatica, Neuralgia, Toothache. Made by the Alonzo O. Bliss Medical Company, Washington, D. C. Price 50c and 25c per bottle.

**NOTICE OF SALE Personal Property.**

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels;

By virtue of authority provided in Article 7293 Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, providing for the sale of impounded stock, I will on the 3rd day of January, sell to the highest bidder the following described animal which was found roaming on the premises of one Louis Martin, near Talpa, in precinct No. 1, Runnels County, Texas, and concerning which an affidavit has been made before Paul Trimmer, a Justice of the Peace in and for Precinct No. 1, Runnels County, Texas, and on file with the County Clerk of Runnels County, Texas, for inspection, one black cow about 8 years old branded D. J. (connected) on right hip and M. on left hip and swallow fork in each ear. This animal may be seen on the premises of the said Louis Martin about 15 miles from Ballinger, near Talpa, in said Precinct No. 1, Runnels County, Texas, and on the said 3rd day of January A. D. 1920, in Ballinger, Texas, between the hours prescribed by law for sales of this kind and character, I will sell said animal and after paying all damages and costs of this proceeding, will apply the remainder, if any, as the law directs in such case, made and recorded.

J. A. DeMOVILLE, Constable, Precinct No. 1, Runnels County, Texas. 23-d-dec 23 '20.

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.

PARIS—Two ice-creams was the price realized on a stolen \$10,000 pearl necklace by two hotel page-boys. The boys took it without any idea of its value, and failing to get an offer of \$2, they traded for the creams.

OSWEGO, N. Y.—Sunday indoor baseball games may be arranged for Oswego this winter. It is understood efforts have been made to obtain the local armory to stage the games.

**CASTORIA**

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*



**Printing Brings Clients**

Not every business has a show window. If you want to win more clients, use more printing and use the kind of printing that faithfully represents your business policy. You save money and make money for your patrons. Do the same for yourself by using an economical high grade paper—Hammermill Bond—and good printing, both of which we can give you. If you want printing service and economy—give us a trial.

ST. CLOUD, Minn.—A rush for citizenship is on here. Twenty-nine applicants for naturalization appeared before Judge Roeste recently. Only those whose first papers had been issued at least 2 years before the war was declared were considered.

Use Ledger Classifieds.



WE DESIRE TO THANK OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS FOR ALL BUSINESS ENTRUSTED TO US, MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO RENDER A MOST SATISFACTORY STATEMENT.

"Make Our Bank Your Bank"

**THE First National Bank OF BALLINGER, TEXAS**

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**THE BANK OF DEPENDABLE SERVICE**

Send the school children to Ballinger Printing Co. for their paper.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jones came up from Coleman Christmas Eve, and spent Christmas in Ballinger with relatives.

Used 40 Years

**CARDUI**

The Woman's Tonic

Sold Everywhere

**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."

W. W. Allen was down from the Bradshaw country Friday, conferring with the county attorney on business.

**Authentic Investment Information**

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**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 east its beams further along your chosen pathway before another year shall have come to pass.

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**STOMACH TROUBLE**

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

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recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

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**MAN ADMITS PASSING 3 BAD CHECKS**

A young man giving his name as W. T. Adams, is in the Ballinger jail begging for the mercy of the courts. He informed the sheriff that he was guilty as charged by complaint filed in the justice court, and made a statement to the county attorney later which amounts to a plea of guilty.

Adams was arrested at Winters while in the act of drawing some money from the bank on a good check, and after being recognized as a man wanted for passing forged checks. He was committing no offense when arrested as the check he was presenting to the bank at that time was a good one.

According to the facts in the case, or what are alleged to be the facts, and verified by a statement by Adams, the man came to this country to pick cotton, coming here from Madisonville. He picked cotton for Hugh Campbell, and Mr. Campbell paid him with a check. It was with this check that Adams learned to write Mr. Campbell's signature so perfectly that checks which he later forged got by the bank.

The first bad check passed by Adams was given to Rosenwasser & Co. in payment of goods purchased and amounted to \$26. This was some time ago. Adams went to Brownwood and deposited another check bearing the forged signature of Campbell for \$76. A few days later he appeared at the bank and drew out \$40.

Going from Brownwood to Madisonville Adams deposited another "Campbell" check for \$200, all the checks being drawn on a Ballinger bank. A few days after depositing the \$200 check he drew out \$164 and returned to Runnels county, and in the meantime the forgeries here had been detected and the officers were working on the case. When Adams appeared at a Winters bank with a perfectly good check he had earned after coming back here, he was apprehended, and readily acknowledged that he was the man wanted.

So far little of the money obtained on the bad checks has been recovered, and the parties who honored the bad checks are out the cash. Adams found it easy to get money on Campbell's checks, and copied Mr. Campbell's signature so perfectly that the paying teller at the bank could not detect it until Mr. Campbell's attention was called to the fact that the bank on which his friend was checking was running a little below the red line. Fortunately the man did not check on the bank where Mr. Campbell kept his big account.

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

Altoona, Penna.—Twin stacks 220 feet high are being erected by the Pennsylvania railroad company.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holliday are here for a visit with Mrs. Holliday's father, Dr. W. W. Fowler.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Largest Sale in the World  
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Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Nicholson came in Christmas Eve, and are spending the holidays with home folks.

**NEW LEASE ON LIFE FOR NEGROES**  
(Continued from first page.)

not been determined. What method will be pursued in determining the first to take the chair, has not been announced.

The five negroes will have separate death marches, according to present plans for the execution.

Penitentiary officials have taken steps to prevent possible demonstrations in connection with the electrocutions. For that reason no definite time has been set.

Guards about the penitentiary will be reinforced. Extra precautions will be taken by the officials when the electrocution takes place.

Few witnesses will be admitted, according to present plans. Those instrumental in the arrests, a few visiting county authorities and press representatives only will be admitted to the death chamber, it was indicated.

In the death-chamber seventy-five negro accomplices of the five electrocution victims will chime. They are serving sentences of from one to twenty-one years for their part in the insurrection. Among them will be Sam Wilson, sentenced to twenty-one years in the penitentiary for the murder of Corporal Luther Earls of the Fourth Infantry, Third Division, and Clinton Lee, another soldier. Eight others are serving twenty-one year sentences with Wilson.

Dave Reed, negro, is serving one year. Reed is the sole survivor of a negro detachment that attacked a machine gun held by soldiers from Camp Pike.

Cornelius Morgan, negro, is the only one of the indicted negroes acquitted.

The twelve condemned men and those serving prison terms here are alleged members of the Progressive Farmers' Household Union of America. The union was widely organized. Members were heavily armed. All preparations were completed for an uprising against the whites. Wholesale massacres of whites at a signal were planned, testimony in the trial developed.

**ST. CLOUD, Minn.**—A painting, the work of a Minneapolis art firm, has been received at the high school here and dedicated to the memory of St. Cloud boys who lost their lives in the war.

**LONDON.**—The postman's federation has decided to refrain from the "degrading and pernicious system of collecting part of our wages from the public in the form of Christmas boxes."

**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 an institution 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.

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**FOR SALE**—Schultz piano, practically new, cheap if sold at once, will trade. Phone 18, Ballinger, Texas. 26-2td-1v

**FOR SALE**—One 1917 D-45 six cylinder Buick; one 1918 90 Four cylinder Overland. These cars are in A-1 shape and right prices. Also one new one-ton Oldsmobile truck, the best light truck on the market. See M. F. Ward, at Central Hotel. 26-1fd

Deep seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of Ballard's Horehound 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.

**Daily Ledger Want Ads**

**FOR SALE**—New Ford with starter, and second hand Ford in good condition. C. M. Gibson, Benoit. 26-5d-2w.\*

**FOR SALE**—Hogs from one pound to whole hog, dressed or on foot. N. J. Wardlaw. 26-6d

**FOR SALE**—Bundle cane and maize and Feterita. Close to Ballinger, see or telephone me at 4912 Rural, J. P. Clifton. 23-5td-1tw.\*

**FOR SALE**—Brand new Ford. See A. O. Bartlett, Santa Fe station. 24-1d

**LOST**—Auto casing, inner tube and rim to Hudson car, on the Johnson lane. A. H. Van Pelt. 24-2td

325 acres 6 miles North of Winters for sale at \$20 per acre if sold now. 90 acres in cultivation. All mineral rights go with land. See Chas. S. Miller. 23-7td

**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.

**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. 18-1fd

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

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**POOL HALL NOT OPEN HERE YET**

Notwithstanding that a Federal judge issued a writ granting a stay in the pool hall case which is pending on appeal before the supreme court, and attorneys for the pool hall men of Texas, advised them to open for business and continue to operate until Jan. 25th, G. W. Dunlap had not opened his pool hall in Ballinger up to late Friday afternoon. Mr. Dunlap stated that he did not want to violate the law, and if the courts had any doubt about the question he preferred to wait and get reliable authority for opening.

Reports received here stated that pool halls at other places were operating as of old, acting upon advice sent out by their attorneys.

The federal court recently upheld the constitutionality of the pool hall law, and the case was immediately appealed to the supreme court, and pool halls closed. A motion was made before the supreme justice asking that the law be held inoperative until the supreme court passed on the constitutionality of the law. However, the attorney general holds that if the supreme court should uphold the law pool hall men who

are operating their halls will be subject to one year in jail and a heavy fine for every day they operated.

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