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**TONIGHT  
BRUNK'S  
COMEDIANS  
TENT THEATRE**

**A Rural Comedy In  
Four Acts  
"A WISE  
FOOL"**

**New Vaudeville.  
Band Concert at Tent  
at 6:45.  
Same Popular Prices.**

**Let's Go**

## FRENCH WANT BRITISH PACT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Practical completion of a report to be submitted by the committee of naval experts to the naval committee of the arms conference, and an agreement of the sub-committee on a Chinese tariff of five percent effective basis, were the two important developments today in the arms conference situation.

CANNES, France, Jan. 4.—Premier Briand and M. Loucheur, at the head of the French delegation to the allied supreme council, arrived here today to confer with Premier Lloyd George. The question before the conference is a plan to save Europe from complete economic disintegration and the necessary steps to prevent the entente from falling apart. The premiers are undertaking the task of working out some plan for solving the questions. The train that brought Briand to Cannes also carried copies of newspapers quoting the French premier as favoring an alliance of France and England as the best possible solution of the European problems.

### STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company will be held in the directors' room of the bank at ten o'clock January 10, 1922. All stockholders are hereby notified to be present in person or by proxy at such meeting.  
FEB. McWILLIAMS,  
d-29-4-7 President.

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## Good News For the New Year.

The war tax is off  
Patent Medicines and  
toilet articles.  
Come and get your  
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**J. Y. Pearce  
Drug Co.**

Oldest—Biggest—Best.  
Free Delivery  
Telephone 38.

# Tentative Program for City During 1922 is Large One

## Fire Threatens Destruction of Wingate; Loss is \$15,000

A midnight fire at Wingate Tuesday night destroyed three buildings and for a time threatened to sweep the little village clean, causing a final loss estimated at \$15,000.00.

The fire originated in the postoffice, and spread to the Security Bank building, which was South, and to the W. L. Spruill merchandise store, which was on the North, destroying both of the adjoining buildings.

The cause of the fire is unknown. It was under good headway when discovered, the postoffice building being enveloped in flames, and the fire spread to the two adjoining buildings before a bucket brigade could be formed. Only by heroic work of fire fighters armed with all kinds of vessels for carrying water from nearby wells, prevented the fire from spreading to other buildings.

The water had to be pumped by hand or by windmills, and the strong arm power with everybody carrying water kept the flames from spreading.

Postmaster Rowland was in Ballinger early Wednesday forenoon making arrangements to reopen the postoffice. He stated that his loss was about \$800. The government's loss was light. Mr. Rowland stated that most of the articles in the safe were saved, but the heat was so intense that it melted four dollars' worth of pennies which he had in the safe, and he now has a chunk of copper which was worth four dollars before the pennies ran together.

W. L. Spruill is the heaviest loser. Mr. Spruill carried a stock of merchandise, and owned his building, and his loss is estimated at about \$8,000 with \$3,100 insurance.

The loss on the Security Bank building and fixtures is estimated at about \$2500. It was not known here whether the bank carried insurance or not, but no doubt had some. The vault was not damaged much, and the securities of the bank were not damaged. M. T. Hensley, Duncan Hensley, J. D. Dunn, John Q. McAdams, Dr. Dixon and James Baron, are among those interested in the bank.

It was announced that work on rebuilding the bank would be started as soon as possible.

Miss Winnie Trail left Wednesday morning for Houston, where she goes for a visit to her aunt.

### Can You Read Your Meter?

We have for distribution to the heads of family's having electric lights a limited supply of Beautiful Calendars on the back of which there are full instructions how to read your meter, with other valuable information.

**Ballinger Electric Co.**  
Phone 7 8th Street  
Quality and Service

## TOY PISTOL KILLS TWO BOYS; TWO INJURED

PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Jan. 4.—Lockjaw caused by wounds from toy pistols during the holidays, resulted in the death of two boys here today, while two other lads are in the hospital in a critical condition and may die.

## FARMERS HEAR COTTON TALK

DALLAS, Jan. 4.—The general cotton situation and the progress made under the co-operative marketing system, are under discussion here today at the second annual convention of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation.

While the speakers have not had time to go into details of the workings of the marketing system, it is declared that the farmers are well pleased with results, and that a brighter future is promised to the cotton growers of the state.

F. W. Hunter, promoter of the Safety First oil well, is here from Douglass, Arizona. It is reported that drilling in the Safety First well will be resumed, or plans are being worked out to that end. The well is now about 2500 feet deep and offers a good showing.

Read the ads and profit

## ROPE AND BLACK CAPS ON SOLDIER'S BODIES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—were hanged in France without a trial. Hubbard declared that there was nothing in the coffins by which the bodies could be identified.

The bodies were identified by a cross on the outside of the coffin and black caps which had not been removed before the bodies were shipped to the United States," said Hubbard.

Witness Hubbard declared that there was too much hurry in the registration service, "and many sad mistakes of identification were made," said the witness.

There were many women in the room who had lost sons overseas, and heard Hubbard's story. They leaned forward and listened closely to his recital of the "careless way" the work of registration and identification was carried on, and tears came to the eyes of some of the women.

Hubbard in his testimony before the committee declared that the bodies were not properly identified when shipped to their homes as identified. He said that it was impossible to identify them, and it was his opinion that many mistakes were made in shipping bodies to the wrong places. He stated that he protested to Major Gunner against allowing the bodies of three soldiers who were hanged to lie on the ground overnight in the rain, but no efforts were made to remove them.

J. L. Lee and Claud Lee were among those from this county who went to Dallas Tuesday to attend the Farm Bureau meeting.

## HIGH UPS TAKEN IN BOOZE RAID

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Harold L. Hart, former Federal Prohibition Director of New York, was among the score of defendants named in a secret indictment recently returned by the federal grand jury in investigating enforcement of the Volstead act here, according to announcement made today by United States District Attorney Haywood.

Three high officials connected with federal prohibition headquarters in New York city, and two politicians and a number of fake drug concerns are named in the indictments.

Receipt Books manufactured by Ballinger for sale by the Ballinger Printing Co. tfd

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Ballinger gets as many date-lines in the state papers, and in the smaller papers of the state as any city of its size in the state, and more date-lines than many cities larger than this. Publicity has placed the city prominently before the outside world, and the county's natural resources make it possible for Ballinger to continue to occupy the prominent point on the map.

Looking to the future there is a tentative program which can be carried out if the citizens stand together, push together and co-operate, taking advantage of the opportunity to develop the natural resources.

Tentatively speaking the following projects should be perfected:

The creation of an irrigation district, voting of bonds and placing under irrigation 200,000 acres of as fine land as there is in Texas. This project can not be completed in a year, but the success or failure of the proposition will be determined before the year ends.

The development of the Russell oil field, the Safety First field, and the opening of an oil boom within fifteen or twenty miles of Ballinger which will make Ballinger the center of all trading.

The voting of \$500,000 county road bonds for building good roads, bridges, and the result in saving thousands of dollars in wear and tear on motor vehicles.

The production of a 75,000 bale cotton crop.

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Standing on the "ragged edge" of one of the worst droughts in the history of West Texas, the possibilities for rapid development in Runnels county, and the building of a great city upon the firm foundation already supporting Ballinger are far greater than even the most optimistic dreamer can picture.

The time to stick is when others are sliding. The time to buy is when others are selling. There is a better day not far ahead, and the man who can't see it is a chronic pessimist who would not appreciate it should some magic wand thrust upon him a Paradise for an abiding place.

At no time in the history of Runnels county did the future offer a brighter outlook for the builder who is willing to put his shoulder to the wheel and help push the band wagon. At no period in the history of Ballinger did the signs of the times offer more encouragement for the development of the county's natural resources which will push this city forward as the logical marketing and trading center for a large territory.

It is within the possibility of those who have in hand the development of the county's resources to carry out a program which will not only keep Runnels county in the forefront of all West Texas counties, but establish here what West Texas must have—a real commercial center.

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The production of a big feed crop, resulting in more hog and

livestock raising and dairying. The shipping of \$250,000 worth of poultry and eggs, and dairy products.

The building of a greater city water system.

The paving of streets in the business district and improving of all streets in the residence district.

The building of one hundred new residences.

The building of a new high school.

The building of a new Baptist church.

The building of a new Presbyterian church.

The harvesting and preserving of the largest fruit crop in the history of the county.

The repairing of the A. & S. tracks and the inauguration of a respectable train service over that road.

The building of a large cotton warehouse.

To say nothing of the hundreds of minor projects which will naturally follow close on the steps of the launching of the more important work.

The 1922 program is the biggest one in the history of the county and city. Will you help to carry it out, or will you sit down and whine about hard times and wait for somebody to thrust prosperity upon you?

## LONG SESSION FOR CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—In the face of Southern opposition the House voted today to dispense with other business and plunge into a debate on the Dyer anti-lynching bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Congress is facing a mass of business that may keep it at work until late in the summer. This developed today when the lawmakers got down to work today on the 1922 program.

Along with the routing of the load of appropriation bills to be handled for the first time on the budget form, there confronted the Senate the probability of more or less protracted debate over the new international agreements, while the House faced important issues including the pending anti-lynching bill.

Robbins Released on \$2,000 Bond

Claud Robbins, charged with shooting Charley Stuart, an oil driller, at Millersview on Christmas eve, was released from the Ballinger jail last Saturday on \$2,000 bond, after waiving examining trial.

Stuart is still in the Halley & Love sanitarium, but is getting along as well as could be expected. The shooting cost him one eye.

## LABOR UNIONS ORGANIZE PARTY

WACO, Jan. 4.—The Non-Partisan Political Conference is the name of a new party organized here yesterday. Affiliating with the new party, according to official announcement, are the Farm Labor Union, the Non-Partisan League, the four railroad brotherhoods, and the State Federation of Labor Women's Auxiliaries. These organizations were all represented at the meeting and are declared to be the organizers of the new party, and it is expected that other labor organizations will come in.

Rubber Stamps.—The Ballinger Printing Co.

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**Bilious Headache**

When you have a severe headache, a disordered stomach and constipation, take three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They will correct the disorders of the liver and bowels, effectually curing the headache.

**CLEVER SYSTEM OF SIGNALS**

More Ingenious Scheme Than That Contemplated by Germans Probably Never Was Devised.

German war secrets are now being disclosed in scientific literature. At the close of the conflict the Germans in their laboratories were working on secret-signal lights of special character. To the ordinary observer nothing would be present to indicate that the light was sending out signals, but changes would be going on which would be apparent to an observer equipped to view it with a suitable optical device.

Different principles were employed for accomplishing this. In one of them polarized light was to be sent out by the signal, the character of which would change in accordance with the dots and dashes of the code. When viewed through properly fitted binoculars, the color would no longer be white but would alternate between red and green. In another method, a glass screen containing compounds of the rare element didymium was arranged to alternate in the beam of light with another screen of suitable shade. When the resulting light was viewed with binoculars equipped with prisms, a black line would appear in the yellow region of the spectrum formed whenever the didymium glass was interposed, permitting the signals to be read. Another method consisted in first breaking up the light at the source into a spectrum across which was placed one or more wires cutting off narrow regions of color, and these were arranged to be moved back and forth a short distance along the spectrum in signalling. The colors were then recombined into white light and transmitted. With binoculars provided with suitable prisms to re-form the spectrum, the signal was perceived in the motion of dark bands back and forth along the spectrum, corresponding to the movement of the wires at the transmitting station. One important application of this method of signalling would be at sea.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

**SECRETED HIS LITTLE HOARD**

Indiana Man Evidently Had Little Confidence in the Wearers of the Cloth.

After much persuasion, Mrs. Housewife, in Connersville, finally prevailed on her husband to let two ministers use their spare bedroom during a church conference.

A day or two later the telephone rang in the office of the factory where he worked and Mrs. Housewife insisted on talking to him. She was informed that he could be called to the telephone only on matters of sickness or death or of the gravest importance. She said it was all three combined, or words to that effect, and he was summoned.

Having difficulty in hearing on the telephone, the superintendent repeated the message.

"She says it is gone," said the superintendent.

"What's gone?" asked the puzzled husband.

"She says the money's gone," repeated the superintendent, after inquiring of the woman.

"What money?" inquired the puzzled husband.

"Why, the money in the spare bedroom," she explained, through the superintendent.

"Oh," he said, his face clearing, "don't worry about that. I took the money out of there and put it in the cowshed. I took no chances with them two fellers."—Indianapolis News.

W. W. Farmer left for Dallas Tuesday afternoon, where he goes to attend the state meeting of the Farm Bureau.

Bad digestion robs the body of the nourishment it needs to maintain health and strength. To restore tone in the digestive organs there is no better remedy than Priekly Ash Bitters. It is the remedy that men use for purifying the stomach, liver and bowels. Price \$1.25 per bottle. John A. Weeks, special agent.

**FEW KILLINGS ON RANGER FORCE**

AUSTIN, Jan. 4.—Killing of Ben Joe Buchanan, Texas ranger, by unidentified Mexicans at a Christmas dance in Presidio county, was the first fatality in the state ranger force in nearly two years, according to records in the adjutant general's department.

While the duties of the rangers, especially along the border, are hazardous, few casualties have been reported since the Mexican revolutions. During a three year period beginning in 1913, the deaths in the ranger force were greatest, according to officers at ranger headquarters. Mexican bandit raids were responsible for most of the killings, it was said.

Since 1918, however, there have been few deaths in the state ranger service and the dangers have diminished considerably, officers say. Experience has helped make the men more secure from harm, officers believe, and carelessness has had a part in the more recent fatalities.

Cattle rustlers, thieves and smugglers, as well as liquor runners, are requiring most of the attention of the rangers along the Rio Grande, according to headquarters. The prices paid for cattle in Mexico, which are said to be much higher than in Texas, have furnished an incentive to smugglers who see large profits in the contraband transportation of stock across the river, it is believed.

The cattle situation, with the liquor smuggling, keeps the state rangers along the border busy and the federal authorities in enforcing the laws, as well as protecting the ranches from thefts of stock.

Revenge for activity in investigating cattle thefts was advanced as one theory for the murder of Ranger Buchanan. The ranger, who was formerly a cattle man, is said to have been active in investigating cattle thefts along the border in the Big Bend section recently.

**Largest Generator Built**

A 60,000-kva, 7,000-volt, three-phase generator, rated at 1,000 r.p.m., but designed to withstand 50 per cent increase in speed, has been completed by the Siemens-Schuckert works in Germany, according to the Electrical World. The largest rating provided in any generator previously built by this company was 21,500 kva, so that this order represents a big jump beyond all experience. The ability to withstand such overspeeding was also a severe requirement, owing to the utter lack of high-grade nickel steel at the time the unit was ordered. Owing to the size of the generator, special cars had to be built for the rotor and stator. The rotor gondola car had two ten-wheel trucks.—Scientific American.

**First Canadian Marriage**

According to Johnson's "First Things in Canada," the first marriage celebrated in Canada was that of Etienne Conillard and Marie Hebert, the ceremony being performed at Quebec on August 26, 1617. The three hundred and fourth anniversary of that event was celebrated at Quebec on August 26 last. Many descendants of the couple took part in the celebration.

The bride at that first wedding was a daughter of Louis Hebert upon whom history confers the honor of having been the first Canadian farmer.

**Unanswerable**

Mrs. Doolan's passion for fighting policemen makes her his majesty's guest at regular intervals.

"Halloo," said the prison visitor, resignedly, "you here again?"

Mrs. Doolan gazed at him with dignity.

"And wot of it?" she demanded.

"Wot I says to them coppers and the rest of 'em I says to you. If it wasn't for the likes of me wot would you all be doin' for a livin'?"—London Tit-Bits.

**Feminine Curiosity**

The marine camp at Quantico was visited on one occasion by a party of young girls from a Delaware town, friends of one of the officers of the post. The party exhibited much interest in everything pertaining to the routine of the camp.

"What do you mean by taps?" queried one of the young women.

"Taps is played every night on the bugle," answered the officer addressed.

"It means 'lights out.' They play it over the bodies of dead soldiers."

A puzzled look overspread the questioner's pretty face. Then she asked: "What do you do if you haven't any dead soldiers?"—The Leatherneck.

Theme Paper—25 sheets, full count; ruled and punched—10¢ the package. The Ballinger Printing Co.

**MEETS NEW YEAR FOR THE 37TH TIME ON SAME SPOT**

Abilene has a citizen who has stood on the same spot in that city for thirty-seven times and watched the old year go out and the New Year come in. In speaking of the historical event the Abilene Reporter says:

"Several hundred people gathered at South First and Chestnut Streets Saturday night shortly before twelve o'clock to accompany Chief of Police John J. Clinton as he watched the old year out and the New Year in for his thirty-seventh time in the same spot. This spot, which has become almost sacred to the Chief, is attracting larger crowds each succeeding year.

"Scores and scores of the crowd congratulated Chief Clinton and paid their compliments to him by shaking his hand and wishing him the pleasure of seeing many more new years on the same corner. Amid the shouting, shouting and noise the Chief was presented with a handsome basket of carnations by Tom Bledsoe, former county judge of Taylor county and a close friend and admirer of Chief Clinton."

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy**

This a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

Sid Garrett, who had been here visiting his family for a few days, left for San Angelo Wednesday at noon.

J. R. Lusk returned home Wednesday at noon from Dallas, where he went on business. He witnessed the A. & M. football squad clean up with the Prayin' Colonels.

Paul Kirk left Wednesday afternoon for Abilene, where he will continue his work in Summons College.

**BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING JANUARY 9**

The West Texas Baseball League will hold a meeting at Stamford on Monday, January 9th, at which time it is expected to perfect the circuit and get things in shape for the coming season.

President Northern is busy lining up the towns to complete an eight club circuit, or determine definitely whether the circuit is to remain a six club league.

At present Ballinger is a member of the league, and has a team under contract, and the necessary paraphernalia for starting the ball to rolling.

The salary limit has been reduced to \$2,000 including the manager's salary, and the league directors are working out a plan which it is declared will make it much easier for the clubs to finance the sport and make the league a success.

**CASTORIA**

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. H. H. H.*

**COUPLE WEDS AT THE COURT HOUSE**

Troy Stambaugh, a young merchant of Abernathy, Texas, and Miss Elvise Dahlgreen, of Rowena, were married in Ballinger Wednesday morning, the ceremony being performed at the court house by County Judge Triumpher. The bride and groom returned to Rowena for a brief stay before going to their home at Abernathy.

Harwell Motor Company will guarantee that a Gates Tire will run further than any tire made. 20-d & w-tf

Dick Eckert returned home Wednesday at noon from Bellville and San Antonio, where he spent the holidays.

M. J. Golden is here from Blythe looking after business. Mr. Golden moved to Blythe about two months ago.

**Ouch! Lame Back**  
Rub backache, Lumbago, Soreness and stiffness away - Try this!

Back hurt you? Can't straighten up without feeling sudden pains, sharp aches and twinges? Now listen! That's lumbago, sciatica or maybe from a strain, and you'll get blessed relief the moment you rub your back with soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil." Nothing else takes out soreness, lameness and stiffness so quickly. You simply rub it on and out comes the pain. It is perfectly harmless and doesn't burn or discolor the skin. Limber up! Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle from any drug store, and after using it just once, you'll forget that you ever had backache, lumbago or sciatica, because your back will never hurt or cause any more misery. It never disappoints and has been recommended for 60 years.

STATEMENT of Condition	
...THE...	
<b>FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER</b>	
Dec. 31st, 1921	
RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$429,254 75
U. S. Bonds	26,500 00
Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc.	6,525 00
Banking House, F. and F.	28,400 00
Real Estate	17,500 00
Cash and Exchange	161,875 97
	\$ 670,055 72
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000 00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	54,390 94
Circulation	24,700 00
Dividends Uupaid	6,000 00
Rediscoumts	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	484,964 78
	\$ 670,055 72
Not a dollar of interest bearing Public Money in the above statement.	
The above statement is correct.	
R. G. Erwin, Cashier	

**An Economy Hint**

Look over your things. You may find a garment--or a suit--that you intended to discard which we might clean, that will give you splendid service for another season.

*Clothes Care Saves the Expense of Buying New Things—Yet You'll Not Sacrifice Appearance or Comfort.*

**"ODERLESS"**  
NO GASOLINE

**South Side Tailoring Co.**  
CLEANERS AND PRESSERS  
Only complete cleaning plant in Runnels County  
Work called for and delivered promptly  
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BALLINGER, TEXAS

**Make Your Dollars Grow**

Like the proverbial acorn—your dollars can grow to surprising proportions.

Thrift is the guardian of fruitful labor—without it one cannot remain permanently successful.

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**CREAM CLEARS A STUFFED-UP HEAD**

Instantly Opens Every Air Passage—Clears Throat Too.

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed because of nasty catarrh or a cold, apply a little pure, antiseptic cream into your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage, soothing and healing swollen, inflamed membranes and you get instant relief.

Try this. Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Your clogged nostrils open right up; your head is clear; no more hawking or snuffling. Count fifty. All the stuffiness, dryness, struggling for breath is gone. You feel fine.

C. S. Miller left for Dallas Monday afternoon, where he will look after business and attend the Farm Bureau meeting.

Rev. S. W. Hampton returned to his home at Penile Tuesday afternoon, after a visit to his sons here. Rev. Hampton was formerly pastor of the Nazarene church of this city. He is now serving the Nazarene church at Penile.

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

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by druggist, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

Morris Nicholson returned to T. C. U. at Fort Worth, Tuesday afternoon, after spending Christmas with home folks.

**BRUNK'S PLAY "A WISE FOOL" TONIGHT**

The attendance at the tent of Brunk's Comedians for each night indicates that the clever company of players are maintaining the reputation established by their former engagements in Ballinger. The tent theatre's audience is increasing every evening.

"The Editor's Romance," or "The Angel of the Mountains," was presented Tuesday night, and the large crowd spent two hours between merry mirth and tear shedding. The play was filled both with pathos and comedy. The intra-aet vaudeville eliminated all possibility of a dull moment throughout the program, and kept something going on the stage all the time.

Harley Sadler, the West Texas comedian, grows better as he grows older, and his originality makes make-believe appear as a reality. He is surrounded by a strong cast, most of whom have worked with him for several years.

"A Wise Fool," a down-on-the-farm comedy, is the bill announced for tonight, and a warning has been sounded against parties who can't laugh attending the performance tonight. It has not been announced who will be the "wise fool" in the play, but Harley no doubt will prove to be the "wiseheimer."

The local post American Legion is receiving a per cent of the receipts, and report that they are well pleased with the take-in up to this time. The Legionnaires urge their friends to attend whenever possible and help swell their part.

If you want to occupy a seat in the bleachers, the whole show will cost you only 35 cents. If you want a reserved seat the whole show will cost you 60 cents. The music begins at 6:45 for an hour's band concert, and the curtain rolls up at eight.

**Constipation**

Constipation of the bowels is a stoppage of the sewerage system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the waste pipes of your home be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Largest and most popular  
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Take no other. Buy of your  
Druggist. **CHICHESTER'S**  
**DIAMOND BRAND PILLS**, for 25  
years known as Best. Always Reliable.  
**SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE**

Mrs. Fannie Johnson returned to Ballinger Tuesday night from Moody, where she was called to attend the funeral of her nephew Leonard Hill, who was killed in an auto accident at Waco on New Year's day.

Misses Marthyle Bridwell, Ora Starnes, and Lola Eubanks returned to their school work at Belton, where they are attending Baylor College, Tuesday afternoon.

**Worth Considering**

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Editor Ledger:

"I wish to give my experience and show the profits from one hundred Rose Comb White Leghorn hens during the year just passed, as it may help some farmer's wife in the future who is now worrying over short crops, dry weather, and no money to spend.

"Cash returns from my flock was \$285.75. The feed cost \$59.10, leaving a clear profit of over \$200. I am not giving the hens any credit for the eggs and fryers we used at home, or for the 875 eggs which were incubated.

"Owing to dry weather and no green feed for my hens, the profits are less per head than for any previous year since I have been raising chickens.

"Anyone who gives one hundred hens the proper care can count on handling \$200 in twelve months' time, and they will always have a little spending change, and will not have to quarrel about the hard times and be always calling on hubby for money. Instead hubby will be coming to wife for money in short crop years like 1921.

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W. A. Francis spent last Saturday at Brownwood attending a meeting of Walker-Smith managers. He returned home Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Wright returned to her school duties at Brown-

wood Tuesday afternoon, after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright, near Crews.

M. C. Bright, of the Tokeen country, served his country as a grand juror this week.

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