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INVESTIGATION OF FERGUSON NOW UNDERWAY AT CAPITOL

AUSTIN, March 3.—The wildest confusion in the house since the present session of the legislature convened occurred today when Representative Davis, of Van Zandt, offered a resolution proposing a thorough investigation of the charges against Governor Ferguson, and making additional charges, which in substance is that at various and sundry times during 1915 and 1916 Mr. Ferguson misappropriated public funds in violation of the state constitution and in conflict with the plain decision of the courts.

Mr. Davis in detailing this charge included Gov. Ferguson's mansion deficiency. He charged that Gov. Ferguson misappropriated a large part of the appropriation made by the Thirty-fourth legislature for the payment of rewards and other necessary enforcement of laws. The resolution also charges Mr. Ferguson with violation of the state banking laws while an officer of the Temple State Bank. These were set forth in detail and charged that the commissioner of insurance and banking at Austin had been cognizant of all facts with reference to the governor's connection with the Temple State Bank.

The resolution provides that for public good that all officers concerned be given a fair and impartial investigation, and that the legislature may take such facts as develop as a basis for passing such laws as may be necessary to prevent a repetition of such transaction. The resolution authorizes the appointment of a committee of seven to conduct the investigation and make report of finding, if committee finds charges true in whole or in part, and if true specific charges be prepared as a basis for impeachment proceedings against Ferguson before the senate.

Mr. Davis made a lengthy speech before the house in support of the resolution, which he claimed was designed for the purpose of initiating impeachment proceedings against the governor who occupied a seat on the floor of the house.

Following the introducing of the resolution and the speech of Representative Davis, Gov. Ferguson addressed the house and made a bitter attack upon Senator Johnson, who he charged with being responsible for the renewing of the charges against him. Representative Raiden resented the governor's attack on Senator Johnson, and there was wild confusion in the house. Later Gov. Ferguson apologized for using

the language he had used in referring to Johnson, and invited an investigation of his official record. Representative Bagby moved that the consideration of the resolution be postponed until Monday at two o'clock so corrective amendments could be adopted and the investigation proceed. The motion made by Bagby carried, closing the matter in the house for the day.

This and the defeat of the submission question, it is believed will be the means of blocking important legislation for the remainder of the session.

AUSTIN, March 6.—Representative Davis of Van Zandt County, proponent of the Ferguson investigation resolution, this morning refused to furnish a list of witnesses to the prosecution until his attorney, Judge Crane of Dallas, arrived this afternoon. C. C. McDonald will assist Judge Hanger as counsel for the Governor.

Two stenographers have been appointed to take the proceedings of the impeachment trial, and are to receive \$10.00 per day each and fifteen cents a hundred words additional.

AUSTIN, March 6.—The Texas house yesterday afternoon decided to investigate charges against Governor Ferguson contained in the resolution introduced by Representative Davis of Van Zandt county. By a majority of one vote the investigation resolution was passed. Representative Hawkins of Rannels county was present and voted for the investigation on the grounds that the Governor desired a full publicity of all official acts.

Hawkins said he was a student in the university; had voted against the O'Banion resolution and would go to any extreme to keep any smirch off the good name of the governor; if there was anything rotten in the university he would join hands to make it healthy; he believed in standing by the governor and he would put every other issue aside and give no heed to time to clear the governor's name; it was one time to stick at a point of order, therefore he would proceed with the investigation.

While Hawkins was speaking the speaker gave notice that while he had permitted a rather wide range in the discussion, he intended to keep each member strictly to the question before the house, which was the point of order on constitutional grounds.

PRESIDENT HAS RIGHT TO ARM MERCHANT SHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 7.—A formal announcement was made shortly afternoon today that President Wilson will instruct Secretary Daniels to arm American merchantmen. It is expected that Mr. Wilson's instructions will go to the navy secretary within the next few hours.

It is known that the president has been told by the highest authority that he has the power to do this immediately. The orders to be issued by Mr. Wilson will instruct Mr. Daniels to command navy yards to issue guns, and have available in the meantime arrangements for additional armament to be rushed to completion.

This decision was reached shortly after a conference at the White House with a number of senators and Secretary Lansing, who was instructed with Attorney General Gregory to prepare for the president a formal opinion on whether he had the power to go ahead with armed neutrality plan and take steps to protect property and lives of Americans, despite the action of congress.

It is said that the president decided suddenly not to await the action of senate to change rules designated to eliminate unlimited debates. The senate rule committee this afternoon agreed upon cloture rule, and this will be reported at three o'clock at caucus of democrats and republicans. The agreement provides for a two-thirds vote of senate to limit the debate on any bill to one hour for each senator. Mr. Wilson has approved this proposed rule. It is said the republicans will accept the proposed rule and it will be presented to the senate tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—"Reasonable Cloture rule" has been agreed upon. This announcement was made following a conference between President Wilson and democratic senators this morning and the agreement is included in a formal proposition to be presented to the republicans as a compromise in modifying unlimited debate rules. If the compromise is successful Mr. Wilson is expected to call an extra session at an early date. As soon as the extra session convenes the armed neutrality bill will be reintroduced.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—President Wilson today called on his legal advisors to give him a formal opinion as to whether or not he has power to furnish armament for American merchantmen without the consent of congress. The president asked his attorneys to advise him within twenty-four hours. Upon the decision will depend whether Mr. Wilson will go ahead with supply guns, ammunition and gunners for American merchantmen despite the failure

ACKNOWLEDGES SENDING JAPAN-MEXICAN NOTE

BERLIN, March 3.—Germany admits that instructions were sent to German Minister Eckhardt in Mexico City, through a letter from Minister Zimmermann at Berlin, soliciting the aid of the Mexican government in war against the United States, and outlining the part the Mexican government was to play in the hostilities and the reward to be gained.

The admission was made today in semi-official statements by German officers, and was made public after Germany received information that the American administration was emphatic in stating that they had obtained authentic evidence.

Surprise is expressed that the South American governments also obtained the information. The source from which the admission of the sending of the note comes, expresses the belief that "apparently treachery has been committed on American territory."

TOKIO, Japan, March 6.—The United Press is enabled to inform American readers that the Japanese government will have nothing to do with the attempts of Germany to align Japan with Mexico as allies of the Central kingdoms. The following exclusive, official, statement given the United Press Tokyo correspondent, was cabled to the United States today:

"Japan knows full well where her true interests lie. We would be committing an act of sheer madness if we attempted to violate our plighted faith with the entente allies," said Count Terauchi, Japanese Premier this morning. The Japanese minister stated that nothing was farther from the thoughts of Japan than an alliance with Germany.

New York, March 3.—In United Press telegrams received from Guadalupe, Mexico, Foreign Minister Aguila denies that Mexico received any proposition for an alliance with Germany. This is the first official word denying that Mexico did not receive the note.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Millions of dollars have been sent to Carranza recently by Germans in the United States, the United Press correspondent learned today on high government authority. Some of the money went as

personal gifts to Mexico, while others sent cash to purchase smelter plants wherever available in Carranza's republic. The money has been sent despite the warnings of the United States that such loans would not have the support of this government, unless all details of arrangements between the contracting parties meet with the approval of the American government.

This is one of the countless developments that began coming to light following the discovery of the Zimmermann plot to align Mexico against the United States. It is known that the United States is ready to make other equally as startling disclosures at the proper time.

W. B. Ray, Jno. F. Currie and G. G. Odum left Tuesday afternoon for Tulsa, Okla., to look after their oil interests a few days.

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INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Flanked by thousands upon thousands of his countrymen, President Wilson was inducted into his second term today at twelve forty-seven o'clock. The spirit of the ceremonies brought back to memory the days of Abraham Lincoln. While the solemn and solemnity of war was stamped upon the simple Democratic ceremony a strain of peace also ran through the proceedings.

Standing with bared head before thousands of his countrymen Mr. Wilson accepted in a most solemn manner and with all seriousness the gift of the nation's destiny still at peace, but touched on all side by the flames of war.

Under the blare of martial music, and behind a patriotic clamor were great throngs in pomp and splendor of marching soldiers, marines, and civilians, and a war note rang out clear as the parade passed down Pennsylvania Avenue.

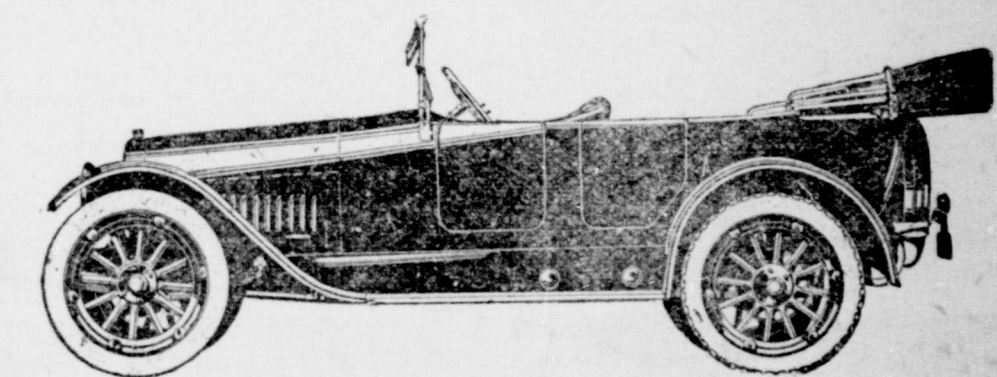
WASHINGTON, March 5.—In his inaugural address today President Wilson spouted a new doctrine of internationalism for world peace, but in the same breath he

warned that the United States must require "more immediate association with war than mere armed neutrality."

Mr. Wilson's speech appealed for unity in American thought and spirit of action, and voiced the view that this must be a nation of Americanism stepped in the world spirit instead of isolated national views as of the past. The principal plea for world peace spoken before thousands who turned out to attend the second inauguration of Mr. Wilson, called for equal interest and responsibility of all nations for maintenance of peace and equality of nations in all matters or right privileges.

The president advocated the destruction of "armed balance of power" indicating that no nation should be permitted to control other nations by armed force, and that the freedom of seas should be equal for all nations. Any attempt within a nation to organize or assist in a revolution against another nation should be crushed by the world. The president was given an ovation that was in keeping with the crisis that now confront the administration.

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BAD WEATHER DELAYS BUILDING

Work has been suspended on the two large stone buildings now under construction on account of the bad weather. During the pretty weather in February the masons made good progress on both the Lankford furniture store building and the Harwell garage building. J. A. Kelly is superintending the work on the Lankford building and Chas. Eisenhuth is on the job at the Harwell building. It will be sixty days before either of the buildings are completed, and will probably be the first of June before the Lankford building is ready for occupancy.

Headaches Start in the Liver.

Dizzy? Dull headache? Bilious? Muddy complexion? These are signs that your liver is back in its work and needs an assistant. Call in Po-Do-Lax, nature's remedy, derived from the may apple, it quickly stimulates a torpid liver to normal condition. The mildly laxative qualities will remove the impurities from the intestines and you'll soon be feeling fit. Po-Do-Lax will shorten your liver's working hours. Get it today at your druggist, 50c.

BALLINGER BOY UNDER COOPER-HEWITTS

The Ballinger friends of Jack Singletary will be surprised and pleased to learn that he is an entrant for honors in the theatrical world. It came about this way: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. S. Foster of the Foster Producing bureau of Denver, Colo., were in Waco, where Mr. Singletary now holds a position with a wholesale drug firm, and asked the former Ballinger young man to take a part in a production they were staging there. It is stated that Mr. Singletary shone forth with particular brilliancy on this stage debut, and press reviewers were very laudatory in covering the play. It is now rumored here that Jack will join the Vitagraph picture company, having received offers from that and other big film corporations.



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CONTRACT IS SIGNED FOR DEMONSTRATOR

At a meeting of fifteen or twenty business men held in Ballinger Friday morning a contract was entered into, properly signed and turned over to J. L. Quicksall, of the United States Agricultural Department, for a farm demonstrator for this county.

By the terms of this contract the business men of Ballinger, Winters, Miles and Rowena, or any private citizen who wishes to contribute to the fund, are to put up \$1200 annually and the agricultural department will put up not less than \$600 annually to carry on the farm demonstration work in this county. The agricultural department is to select just such a man as is needed for the work in this county and send him here at the earliest possible date. The department, according to Mr. Quicksall, has a man in view now that will be tried out during the next few days, and it is probable that a man will be on the job by March 15th. If the man in view does not fill the bill, Mr. Quicksall stated that a man would be supplied for the place just as soon as the department could agree on a man they thought would make good in this county.

In order to raise the \$1200 the citizens are expected to put a subscription list in circulation within a few days, and the business men of the county will be given an opportunity to contribute to the work. The proposition is a county wide affair, and for this reason the department has requested that the other towns in the county be given an opportunity to help in the work. The department will not singe out any one section of a county and support the work, but will only co-operate where the entire county gets behind the work and makes it a county-wide affair.

Those wishing to aid in the work and who are overlooked by the soliciting committee should phone their subscription either to E. D. Walker, chairman of the committee, or A. W. Sledge, secretary. The county is feeling the need of a good demonstrator, and it is for this reason that speedy work is being done in the matter of employing a man to carry on the work. Mr. Quicksall stated that wherever a demonstrator was employed the people could get the services of extra men from the agricultural department and from the A. & M. College free of charge, and at any time any particular crop was attacked my disease, insects, etc., that all that was necessary was for the local demonstrator to call on the department for help.

Mr. Quicksall told how the department was meeting with success in building sweet potato curing plants in East Texas, and assisting the farmers in preserving their sweet potato crops. He also told of how the department was co-operating with melon growers, poultry growers and other particular lines in different sections of the state where the county was maintaining a demonstrator.

The businessmen are enthusiastic in this matter and are determined to inaugurate the work in this county again, and every farmer in the county will be privileged to get whatever benefit they can from the department and from the local demonstrator. It is free service, (for the farmer) and why not profit by it. There is no question but what such work is not a necessity for real success in a county situated like Rannels county where diversified farming has become so popular.

M. F. Treadwell had business at Miles between trains Thursday.

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J. H. Allen, of Ovalo, came in Saturday to visit his son G. W. Allen and family a few days.

A. R. Holman, of Paint Rock, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

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LOCAL POWER PLANT TO SUPPLY MILES

The distribution system of the Miles electric light plant was purchased Thursday by the Interstate Electric Corporation of New York and the work of connecting it with the company's Winters-to-Miles transmission line was begun today.

Miles will begin receiving it's electric power from the new line within a few days, according to R. J. Irvine, manager of the San Angelo Water, Light & Power Co., who is in charge of installation.

The Miles plant was bought from S. A. Edwards and that portion of the machinery which is not used in connection with the new line will be dismantled. A manager for the Miles Electric Light & Power Co., as the new firm is to be known, will be appointed, according to an interview with Mr. Irvine, by a San Angelo Standard reporter.

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BOB PRATER'S FATHER DIES.

R. G. Prater of Brady, left Brownwood last night for Belton, accompanied by his wife, to attend the funeral services of his father, who died there yesterday morning at seven o'clock. H. T. Prater, moved to Belton from Tennessee in 1883 and has been a resident of that city since that time. He was 85 years old at his death—Brownwood Herald.

Walter Parker, who had been with the Ballinger flour mill for many years, left Saturday for Jutsonia, Ark., where he will manage the installment of a flour mill.

"Come on Over, See My Corn Fall Off!"

"I Put 2 Drops of 'Gets-It' on Last Night—Now Watch—"

"See—all you have to do is to use your two fingers and lift the corn right off. That's the way 'Gets-It' always works. You just put on about 2 drops. Then the corn not only shrivels, but loosens from the toe, without affecting the surrounding flesh in the least. Why, it's almost a pleasure to have corns and



"That Was a Quick Funeral That Corn Had With 'Gets-It.'" see how 'Gets-It' gets them off in a hurry and without the least pain. I can wear tight shoes, dance and walk as though I never had corns."

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OFFICERS ARREST WELLS IN OKLAHOMA

The strong arm of the law has again reached out and embraced O. C. Wells on a charge of having stolen \$1,500 worth of furs in Mineral Wells.

Wells was taken into custody here several weeks ago upon suspicion, having the contents of a small gent's clothing store in an automobile which he had stopped in an alley in the rear of the Mays building. It developed that the goods had been stolen in Blackwell and Wells was lodged in the Nolan county jail at Sweetwater, charged with theft.

He escaped in February and was next seen when arrested in Ada, Okla., on Monday. It is alleged that Wells stole valuable furs in Mineral Wells, took them to Ft. Worth in a one-horse shay and shipped them by express to Ada, Okla. When he called for them on Monday morning, G. W. Chapman, a Ft. Worth detective and one of the Mineral Wells hide dealers were in waiting.

Police Chief Nieh Snow happened to be in Ft. Worth on business at the time and identified Wells as the man who had been arrested here and transferred to Sweetwater upon the Blackwell theft charge.—San Angelo Standard.

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Critz & Woodward, attorneys of Coleman, have been retained to assist in defending Harry J. Spanell, charged with the murder of Col. M. C. Butler at Alpine, on July 20th, last year. The case it will be remembered, was recently transferred from Tom Green county to Coleman. Spanell was tried and acquitted on the charge of killing his wife. The case has been set for trial at Coleman on April 30th, and all papers in the case have been transferred to Coleman and filed with the district clerk of that court. There are about 150 witnesses in the Spanell case, an don account of the great expense to the state, it is believed the case will be disposed of at the coming term.

A good treatment for a cold settled in the lungs is a Herrick's Red Pepper Porus Plaster applied to the chest to draw out inflammation, and Ballard's Horehound Syrup to relax the tightness. You get the two remedies for the price of one by buying the dollar size Horehound Syrup; there is a porus plaster free with each bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

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With the publication of the third coupon in the weekly paper, the Banner-Ledger readers are making a rush on our supply of dictionaries, and daily readers who have not secured one of the dictionaries had better do so as soon as they can get three coupons together. The country people are calling for the new dictionary daily, and the first three coupons published brought many applications. We are now distributing the second shipment of this valuable dictionary and will not reorder when the present supply has been given away. This is your last chance.

The Pneumonia Season. The cold damp, weather of March seems to be the most favorable for the pneumonia germ. Now is the time to be careful. Pneumonia often results from a cold. The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger. As soon as the first indication of a cold appears, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. As to the value of this preparation, ask anyone who has used it.

SOLD TWO CARS HOGS.

J. H. Taylor returned home Friday at noon from Fort Worth, where he marketed two carloads of co-operative hogs and sold at \$12.50 per hundred, and thinks they will still go higher. He says good rains fell all along the route as far as Coleman this way.



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RABBIT DRIVE FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY

ROBY, Tex., March 6.—Fisher county will be thoroughly raked and scraped today for jack rabbits. Citizens have organized regular army "divisions under field captains and if one long-eared pest escapes, he is expected to leave the county of his own accord, for want of companionship. The county has been divided into about twenty districts, and two captains are in charge of each. Farmers estimate the saving will amount to thousands of dollars in grass for cattle this spring.

Mayor Tyra of Fort Worth has been offered the rabbits to be given the poor of that city. The mayor has accepted the offer, providing the weather is cool enough by shipping time to keep them. Mayor Tyra received about 600 of these animals from Wilbarger county recently and the demand from the poor people of the city exceeded the supply.

We All Want A. & M. College. Wendorf at the Busy Shoe Shop wants your shoe repairing. 1fdw

City Election Notice.

By authority vested in me, as mayor of the City of Ballinger, I now and here order an election for mayor and two commissioners for the City of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas. The election to be held on April 3rd, 1917, at the City Hall in City of Ballinger. The said mayor and two commissioners so elected to hold their office for the term of two years from date of election and qualification as provided by law. I hereby appoint J. F. Lusk as presiding officer to hold said election.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

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Pryor Mapes of the Pony creek country, came in Wednesday to accompany Miss Lowery, who was returning to her home at Goldthwaite after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mapes the past week or two.

"They Who Wish to Prosper Must Work and Save." —Scott

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"I have taken only one bottle of Tanlac and have gained nine pounds. Yes, sir, this Tanlac has done me more good than all the medicines I have ever taken. During the past fourteen years I have spent more than \$1,000 trying to get well of a complaint that was gradually sapping my strength.

"For the past four years I have lived almost entirely on milk and bread and finally that got so it went against me. I dared not eat meat or vegetables of any kind, and if I did, I would suffer for hours afterwards.

"I had chronic dyspepsia, so I was told, and nothing prescribed for me brought any relief. I rarely ever went to the table, because even the sight of food or to smell it cooking would nauseate me. I had a bad taste in my mouth and nothing I ate tasted right. I had always been healthy and a woman who looked after her household duties, but since having this trouble I got so weak I could not do my housework and had to have help.

"I would have awful pains in my back and was nervous and could not sleep well. When I heard of this Tanlac it sounded so good I thought I would try it, because I was ready to try anything that I thought would help me. I was never so surprised in my life; it helped me right from the start, the medicine seemed to take hold right at once and I could just feel myself getting better from day to day. Before I had finished my first bottle I got so I could eat anything put on the table and could hardly wait for meal time to come. I certainly bless the day I got this medicine, for I believe it has added years to my life. Oh! I feel so much better and sleep so much better and am not nervous like I was. Just think, I have actually gained nine pounds and feel strong in every way.

"My neighbors were as much surprised as I was and they are at my house every day, telling me how well I look. I counted up yesterday and fourteen of them are either taking Tanlac or will commence taking it as soon as they can go to Birmingham and get it. Tanlac is certainly a wonderful medicine and everybody out our way is talking about it. You can put this in the papers if you want to, because I know there are thousands of women in the same bad fix that I had been for so many years."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Walker Drug Co., in Winters by Owens Drug Store, in Miles by Jno. W. Crawford and in Rowena by Shiller's Pharmacy.

MORTUARY.

Costine McDonald.
Costine McDonald, the little 18-months old baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDonald, of West End, died Saturday night with pneumonia and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the City Cemetery Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. W. Milton conducted the funeral services.

The Ledger joins friends in condolence for the sad family in this hour of bereavement.

Jeanes Produce Co. advises you to keep oyster shells for your poultry. They have a solid ear just in. 15-d&w-tf

Mrs. L. E. Sanders of Santa Anna, came in Wednesday at noon with her little 12-year-old son and placed him in the Halley & Love Sanitarium for treatment. The little fellow had a lead pencil stuck in his spinal cord some time ago and is in a critical condition from spinal meningitis, so the mother thinks.

J. L. Atwell, of Miles, constable for his precinct, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

PETITION ASKS FOR NEW RURAL ROUTE

Bert Fletcher and several of his neighbors were here from the Maverick country Monday pushing a proposition to secure free mail delivery from the Ballinger office. The new route, it is believed, will be established if the public roads over which it is to traverse are put in good shape. The proposed route will serve Runnels County people living both north and west of Colorado river, and many of whom do not get their mail regularly, and while living within a reasonable reach of Ballinger, their county site town, it requires two days to get a letter from here, as the mail from Ballinger must go by San Angelo, Bronte and by star route to Maverick and Norton.

Mr. Fletcher called on Postmaster Erwin while here and secured the necessary blanks for making application for the route, and proper steps will be carried out, and with the co-operation of the citizens to be served and the commissioners court it is believed the route will be established.

Commissioner Craft has promised to provide a crossing on the Colorado river west of Maverick. This will make it possible for the mail carrier to deliver mail to many families living along the river on both sides, and the route will be one of the best patronized ones in the county. It is important that this route be established and the business men of Ballinger should get behind it.

"CASCRET'S" BEST IF HEADACHY, BILIOUS, SICK CONSTIPATED

Best for liver and bowels, bad breath, bad colds, sour stomach. Get a 10-cent box.

Sick headache, biliousness, coated tongue, head and nose clogged up with a cold—always trace this to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach.

Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

Cascarets immediately cleanse the stomach, remove the sour, undigested food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret tonight will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your head clear, stomach sweet, breath right, complexion rosy and your liver and bowels regular for months.

WILL B. READY SAYS HE WILL BE READY

St. Louis, March 5.—Although Shakespeare said "there is nothing in a name," Will B. Ready of 6033 Cates Avenue, this city, has proved an exception to the rule by offering his services as a fighter in the United States Marines.

Ready, whose name sounds like a slogan for national preparedness weighs 175 pounds and is over 6 feet tall. He is pronounced a marvel of strength by physical examiners, although a few months under the required military age. He was requested to obtain the consent of his parents or defer his enlistment.

Will B. Ready says he will be ready when his parents and the U. S. Marines say the word.

Required for Health and Beauty.

It is surprising that it is necessary to repeat again and again that the health and beauty of the skin require that the blood shall be pure. If the arteries of the skin receive impure blood, pimples and blotches appear, and the individual suffers from humors. Powders and other external applications are sometimes used for these affections, but will never have the desired effect while the causes of impure blood remain.

The indications are very clear that Hood's Sarsaparilla is the most successful medicine for purities and blotches, and giving health and beauty to the skin. It gives tone to all the organs and builds up the whole system. Insist on having Hood's Sarsaparilla when you ask for it. Don't take anything else.

If Your System Is Poisoned

with acids, you cannot know what it is to be healthy. Acids poison the blood and are the source of many diseases affecting the heart and arteries, skin and mucous surfaces, joints and muscles, and the brain and general nervous system. Some of these diseases are Rheumatism in various forms, Catarrh, Eczema, Pimples, boils, rashes, and other skin diseases, Malaria, Scrofula and general blood troubles. In order to restore yourself to a healthy condition, you must drive

these acids from your system and purify your blood.

S. S. S. has been purifying and revitalizing the blood of thousands for fifty years. It is a purely vegetable remedy, and is the most efficient agent known for cleansing the blood and building up the system.

Ask for it at your druggist's, and don't accept a substitute. For special medical advice write to Medical Department, Swift Specific Co., 308 Swift Building, Atlanta, Ga.

URGES USE SMALL FIRE FIGHTERS

At a meeting of the volunteer fire company, resolutions were adopted urging the citizens and property owners to provide themselves with small fire extinguishers. The fire loss can be greatly reduced by installing standard fire extinguishers in both business houses and residences, and in the course of time the insurance rate would be reduced and hundreds of dollars in cost of insurance saved annually.

Following is the resolution adopted by the fire company, and we publish it for what it is worth to the property owners:

"Whereas, we the Ballinger Fire Department, with all the interest in the welfare of this city, our experience has proven that the judicious distribution and use of small standard fire extinguishers are of inestimable value for the small incipient fires, and further helps to keep our insurance rate at a minimum.

The applies to the installation in all business houses and to all residences that feel able to provide the convenient size of about two and one half gallon capacity of standard construction extinguishers.

Further provided, that if any great quantity will be required by the citizens, we as a body will arrange with some local dealer to furnish same at a reasonable price."

TEACH CHILDREN TO CUT DOWN H. C. L.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—In interview today with Dr. P. P. Claxton, Commissioner of Education in the Department of the Interior, he made the following statement regarding the high cost of living and a partial solution of it:

"High cost of living" is on the lips of all people in all cities, towns, suburban communities, and manufacturing and mining villages in the United States. It is discussed in the editions of every newspaper and magazine. To millions of laboring people and professional people on small salaries it is a very real thing. To hundreds of thousands with large families of children to support and educate, it has come to be a fearful thing; to many, torture and death.

"For the high cost of living there are many causes. Two of these are the unusual lack of food, and the fact that most of the food is consumed far from the place of production, which makes the consumer pay the cost of storage and transportation, and the profits of the middleman, many of whom, in times like these take advantage of the wants of the people to make profits larger than they should.

"Is there a remedy? There is a partial remedy at least, but not wholly in investigations or legislation. This remedy is so simple and close at hand that, as it so frequently the case, it is overlooked. In the schools of the cities, towns, suburban communities, and manufacturing and mining villages of the United States there are approximately 6,000,000 boys and girls between the ages of nine and sixteen. Most of them are idle more than half the year. They are in school less than 1,000 hours in the year, and allowing 10 hours a day for sleep, are out of school more than 4,000 waking hours, more than an average of nine hours a day, not counting Sunday.

National and State laws make it impossible for most of them to do any profitable work in mill, mine or shop, and many of them are forming habits of idleness and falling into vice. Even during the vacation months only about 10 per cent have any profitable employment; only about 5 per cent of them go away from their homes except for a few days. Still,


they must live and be fed and clothed.

"For four millions of these there is access to back yards, side yards, front yards, and vacant lots, which might be cultivated as small gardens for the growth of vegetables and small fruits. Many live where space could be easily had for chickens, ducks, or pigeons. There are not less than 6,000,000 older boys and girls and adult men and women for whom an hour or two of work each day in a garden would be the best form of recreation and rest from the routine of their daily labor in office or shop or mill or mine, and who might easily find the time for it.

"With some intelligent direction, these school children and older boys and girls and men and women might easily produce on the available land an average of \$75 each in vegetables and fruits for their own tables or for sale in their immediate neighborhood; fresh and crisp through all the growing months and wholesomely canned and preserved for use in winter. This would add \$750,000,000 to the best form of food supply of the country without cost of transportation or storage and without profits of middlemen. The estimate is very conservative, as has been shown by many experiments.

"In addition to the economic profits, there would be for the children health and strength, removal from temptation to vice, and education of the best type; and for older persons, rest and recreation in the open air and the joy of watching things grow.

"This might all be attained at comparatively little cost by putting into the public schools for every hundred children between the ages of nine and sixteen, one teachers skilled in gardening and paid for all the year. One such teacher could easily direct the work of 100 children, and of the 150 older persons belonging to the families of these children or living in their community. Thus 40,000 teachers of this kind would be sufficient for the entire country. These teachers might easily be had for an average additional salary of \$500 or a total of \$20,000,000. There would be some cost for seeds and some for fertilizers and tools, but after the first year the cost of these last two items would be comparatively little. The proceeds would represent profits to a greater extent than in any other kind of production. The miracle of it is in bringing together idle land on the one hand and idle children and tired people on the other. Alone, neither is productive, but all would be benefited by the combination even if the vegetables and fruits produced had no value; the land by the cultivation, the children by the health-giving, educational labor, and the older people by the hours outdoors and the contact with the soil."



That seal, with all it means to the public, might well be put on every bottle that contains

PERUNA

No other remedy ever offered the American people has more friends after two generations of success; no other remedy is more generally used in the homes of the people; no other has been so enthusiastically endorsed by the thousands.

The reason is found in real merit. For coughs, colds, catarrh, whether local or systemic, and general debility following any of the above Peruna will be found effective, reliable and safe. For irregular appetite, impaired digestion and run-down system it is an invaluable tonic.

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A. W. Sledge, Editor

While the legislature wrangles the people pay the bill.

The H. L. C. is creating a good market for garden seed.

There are very few people out of employment in this city; hence the high cost of living is not pinching so bad as it otherwise would.

So far we have missed the big rain every one was wishing for, but we are nearer to it. That's some consolation.

Only one month until time to elect a mayor. The man to be elected should be in harmony with the commission form of city government recently adopted.

The city will be forced to build streets connecting the good roads leading into Ballinger. It will give Ballinger a black eye not to do so.

We can't help but take a pessimistic view of the world wide peace proposition at this time. The vortex seems to widen daily, and world wide war seems more certain.

Reports from Concho county say that Kansas and Oklahoma oil men are securing leases on Lipan Flat land with a promise to develop field. Somebody will strike it rich in this section of the state some day.

Villa is dead again. Now if he will stay dead it will give the bandits an opportunity to elect some one to lead them and the raid will continue. Villa had a bout run his course anyway, and his people were losing confidence in him.

We must give Zimmermann

two-ten-clip and will get the things she is working for. Maybe not all of them, but enough to keep the city growing.—Abilene Reporter.

Abilene already has enough to keep that city growing. Two good colleges and a big state institution. Abilene is a good little city, made up of good people, but it hasn't a ghost of a show to get the West Texas A & M. College, and it should do the neighboring thing and help Ballinger. An A. & M. here would be worth more to Abilene than it would at some other place we could name that is trying for the college.

A man at Childress went to Iowa and purchased a sow, paying \$550.00 for her. Johnnie Norman of our town paid \$140.00 for a heifer calf a few days ago and didn't go anywhere for her.—Killeen Herald.

The average man will give the Childress man the "hog laugh," and criticize him for paying such a price for one hog. But watch him; he will be supplying his neighbors with breeding stock for several years to come at fancy prices while others will be selling scrub stock at scrub prices. It pays to raise the best.

WORTHY

It seems that a number of good things are coming Ballinger's way all at one time. Commission form of city government, good roads, an agricultural demonstrator for the county, poultry growers association and increased interest in poultry raising, greater activity in civic matters, and now we are about to have an agricultural and mechanical college "thrust" upon us because of our wonderful natural advantages.—Ballinger Ledger.

So runs the tale. Every other town in West Texas can say almost as much—especially concerning its fitness for the A. & M. College. That locating committee is going to have a hard job deciding upon the location. With a hundred towns wanting the college with all their might it is going to be a difficult thing to decide. If Abilene does not get

WHEN RUN DOWN

Hood's Sarsaparilla, the Reliable Tonic Medicine, Builds Up.

The reason why you feel so tired all the time at this season is that your blood is impure and impoverished. It lacks vitality. It is not the rich, red blood that gives life to the whole body, perfects digestion and enables all the organs to perform their functions as they should. From any druggist get Hood's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel better, look better, eat and sleep better. It is the old reliable tried and true all-the-year-round blood purifier and enricher, tonic and appetizer. It revitalizes the blood, and is especially useful in building up the debilitated and run-down.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is helping thousands at this time of year. Let it help you. Get a bottle today and begin taking it at once. Be sure to get Hood's.

Some would rebel and not wait for the result of the election to be declared, and that's just what they would do. There'll never be any voting on whether we should protect our homes or not.

READY TO PAY THE WHOLE BILL

The business men of Ballinger want a government farm demonstrator in that county. They propose to pay one-third of the demonstrator's salary, leaving the Federal government and the county to pay the other two-thirds. A farm demonstrator was tried in Rannels county several years ago. It was also tried in Brown county, and there was an appreciable measure of success from the experiment in both counties. From the experience Brown county had demonstrated, it is observed, that the success of the thing hinges entirely upon the man. The farm demonstrator who is not a good mixer, or who poses as an "expert," is a failure from the start. The right kind of man in this position will succeed anywhere in spite of the opposition that the very name "expert" arouses a

law fixing a tax on dogs, but very few of the towns enforce the law. The dog tax bill is a good one if the legislature could only make it apply to city dogs. The man who considers his dog the best friend he has should not object to paying one dollar and fifty cents per year for his protection. As a rule, the poorer the family, the greater the number of dogs, and a tax might be the means of relieving the burden.

Order For the Election of County School Trustees.

By the authority invested in me as County Judge of Rannels County, Texas, I, O. L. Parish, do hereby call and order that the election for the purpose of electing three county school trustees from commissioners precincts numbers one, two and three shall be held at the same time, at the same place, and by the election officers, appointed by the district school boards to hold the election for trustee in common school districts and independent school districts which is the first Saturday in April, A. D. 1917, the same being the 7th day of said month, as provided in Section 1, Chapter 132, Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature.

Witness my hand and seal of office in Ballinger, Texas, this 3rd day of April, A. D. 1917. (Seal) O. L. PARISH, County Judge, Rannels County, Texas. 3-11dw

ROARK SAYS "IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE"

J. N. Roark is now a firm believer in the pulling power of Ledger want ads. A few days ago Mr. Roark was rather undecided whether to insert a want ad on a certain lot of feed he had on hand, but fortunately he took the plunge and is now sold out on a shipment of feed, and will have to order more. W. E. Allen of West Ward read the line advertisement and bought the feed immediately.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 20c.

EGG POURING OUT; CASH POURING IN

Egg season opened up with quite a rush on March first, and for the first week in the month two carloads of eggs were shipped from this point. E. A. Jeanes & Co. billed out a car of eggs from Ballinger and the Potter Produce Co., announced that they would have a car ready to ship by the end of the week, having concentrated eggs here from other points in the county.

To grasp the real importance of this "pin money" industry it is only necessary to say that it requires about 400 cases to fill a car, and eggs for the past week have been bringing about \$7.50 per case, making a clear pocketing of between five and six thousand dollars for Rannels county poultry growers from eggs alone for the week. All this and the egg season has just opened. It is expected that this will double within the next two or three weeks, and cash receipts from eggs alone will soon run up to the one hundred thousand dollar mark.

From year to year the people are realizing the possibilities of the poultry industry in this county, and the increase in poultry raising promises to keep up an increase in bank deposits and at the same time cause a big decrease on the mortgage records, all because many families are paying their grocery bills and living expenses from the sale of eggs.

The Ledger knows one good lady living less than two miles of the city who states that their entire grocery bill was paid last month from the sale of eggs. W. C. Wright sold one hundred dozen eggs to a local buyer Monday, receiving a check for \$23. It is needless to say that the big end of that check was clear profit to Mr. Wright, as he has a good range for his poultry, and the feed bill was a small item.

Old Friends Dr. King's New Discovery. Wagon through life together and whenever I've felt a cold coming on, Dr. King's New Discovery stopped it. The healing balsam soothes the irritated membranes, the mild laxative quality expels the cold germs, the raw cough—stained throat is relieved, the tight chest loosened, the rasping cough ceased, the cold is stopped. For nearly half century Dr. King's New Discovery has been the standard remedy for coughs and colds, for old and young. At all druggists.

LEFT FOR WINTERS

Mrs. T. F. Owens and children left Tuesday for the Winters country, where they will make their future home. It will be remembered that Mr. Owens died last week from pneumonia and they had only lived in Ballinger a few months. Mrs. Owens says the people were very kind to them during the illness and death of Mr. Owens and they will all have her thanks for the many courtesies shown them during their short stay in Ballinger.

Patrolize—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co. the largest leather establishment west of Ft. Worth. Buyers in jobbing quantities, manufacturers of all kinds of leather goods. Shoe work and general repairing. Compare our prices with others. E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.

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credit for settling all doubt as to the authenticity of his plot. Notwithstanding President Wilson's emphatic declaration that he had the proof, many people were inclined to doubt it. Zimmermann no doubt knew Wilson had the proof and the nearest way out was honest confession.

Chickens are being "borned" in Ballinger today by electricity. Electric incubators are doing the work nicely, and the old hen can be kept on the job producing two-bit eggs. The poultry industry is adding wealth to this county, yet this industry is in its infancy.

It is high time for the United States senate to put an end to the one-man-rule by adopting rules that will deprive the filibuster of his power to rule or ruin. The American government has just been embarrassed and stands humiliated before the whole world all because one man has made it appear that Mr. Wilson did not have the support of his congress.

While not officially announced, it is reported from Austin that the A. & M. locating board will call on us early in April. The committee will find everything they are looking for when they get to Ballinger, but will no doubt visit the other towns pulling for this college, merely as a matter of courtesy, if nothing else.

The Zimmermann episode is proof conclusive that Uncle Sam's secret service squad is on the job. It was a lucky catch to corner Germany with the goods, and came in time to prevent a prolong wrangle in congress and the probable embarrassment of President Wilson. The incident will at least convince the Germans that the American government is not asleep.

Abilene is coming along at a

the college it stands ready to congratulate whatever town is lucky.—Abilene Reporter.

PEANUTS AND POLITICIANS. The peanuts is not the only product of Comanche county. There is Oscar Collaway, member of Congress.—Brownwood Bulletin. Surely the Bulletin would not insinuate that Oscar is a peanut politician.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE. Can the president of the United States declare war without the consent of Congress?

Answer—No; but he can begin war without a declaration, if he deems that course necessary for the protection of American rights.

Four counties in West Virginia are trying to secede from the mother state and there is said to be strong sentiment in Miles present for changing the boundary line of Rannels and Tom Green counties so as to place Miles in Tom Green.—Coleman Democrat.

Just a false impression gone out all on account of the statement of one man who it seems is not satisfied with his home. The Miles people are satisfied with their location, because Miles is in one of the best locations in the best county in Texas. There will be several moves before the county line is moved.

Congressman Callaway of Texas, introduced a resolution in congress last week which, if put into effect, war could be declared only by a vote of the people. In other words, if Mexico or Germany, or Japan were to land a hostile army on the soil of the United States there would be nothing doing until an election was ordered and the votes counted.—Sterling City News-Record.

And in the meantime your Uncle Sam would get licked to a frazzle, unless the true Ameri-

mong the farmers. This thing for Rannels to do, and for Brown county, should we try the farm demonstrator again, is to secure the right man.—Brownwood News.

The News is just a little in error. The business men of Ballinger have guaranteed \$1200 per year to help carry on this work, and the department has been called on to furnish the "right man"—a "mixer," and not one who poses as an "expert."

TAXING THE FARMER'S DOG One branch of the Texas Legislature has passed a bill placing a state and county tax of \$1.50 on dogs. One dollar of the money is proposed to go to the county road and bridge fund and 50 cents to the available school fund.

This bill, we think, should not become a law. More than any other class of citizens the bill would effect farmers, as every farm has a dog or two, and, to our mind, a farm without a dog would be a poor farm at best.

A country dog, as a usual thing, always stays at home—he looks after the stock, catches a chicken for dinner when called upon, and makes life hard for tramps. The country dog barely goes mad, and he more than pays for his own keep in faithfulness and affection.

A dog is a dog, but a dog on the farm is not a dead-head by any means, and besides, whatever failings a dog may have, wherever his home may be, he is not a failure as a companion. A dog is company. His heart is all gold and ever since the world began he has made life a pleasure to men and children.

A city tax on dogs is necessary because of the congested conditions, but a state tax on dogs would be altogether wrong and entirely without reason or justice.—Brownwood News.

Practically every incorporated town has on its statute books a

STOMACH AILMENTS THE NATION'S CURSE



There is no ailment causing more woe and misery than Stomach Trouble. Often Gall Stones, Cancer and Ulcers of the Stomach and Intestines, Constipation, Yellow Indigestion, Ayato-Intoxication, Yellow Jaundice, Appendicitis and other serious and fatal ailments result from it. Thousands of Stomach Sufferers owe their complete recovery to May's Wonderful Remedy. It is unlike any other remedy. It sweeps the poisonous bile and catarrhal secretions from the system. Soothes and allays Chronic Inflammation. Many declare it has saved their lives, and prevented serious surgical operations. Try one dose today. Watch its marvelous results. Contains no alcohol—no habit-forming drugs. Look on Stomach Ailments FREE Address Geo. H. May, Mfg. Chemist, Chicago. Better yet—obtain a bottle of May's Wonderful Remedy from Walker Drug Co., or any reliable druggist, who will refund your money if it fails.

SHIPS CARLOAD FEATHERS.

The largest shipment of feathers ever to be made from this city, and what was little short of a carload, was shipped by the Jeanes Produce Co., this week. The feathers represented the pickings from several carloads of poultry shipped by this firm during the fall and winter season. This is a source of revenue heretofore unknown in this city. The Jeanes Produce Co., maintain a poultry packing plant, and they are now conserving everything about the chicken except the cackle.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BEGIN DUTIES TODAY

Washington, March 6.—Senator Martin of Virginia succeeds Senator John Kern as Democratic floor leader in the upper house today.

The United States supreme court convened today after several weeks recess. A decision in the Adamson eight-hour law is expected soon.

CYLINDERS BORED

Call at the Central Garage to have your cylinder bored and magnet recharged. We do all kinds of auto repair work. Phone 643. 3-31d wtf

Mr. and Mrs. Price Maddox and little son, Master Jim, of Hatchel, were visiting and shopping in Ballinger Tuesday.

102 YEAR OLD MEXICAN DIES

Recarda Maraly, a Mexican woman died at her home in Knickerbocker last Sunday morning. Relatives of the aged Mexican claim that she was 102 years old. The woman had lived in Tom Green county and that part of the state for more than fifty years.

Sloan's Liniment for Rheumatism

The torture of rheumatism, the pains and aches that make life unbearable are relieved by Sloan's Liniment, a clean, clear liquid that is easy to apply and more effective than musky plasters or ointments because it penetrates quickly without rubbing. For the many pains and aches following exposure, strains, sprains, and muscle soreness, Sloan's Liniment is promptly effective. Always have a bottle handy for gout, lumbago, toothache, backache, stiff neck, and all external pains. At druggists, 25c.



PARABLES OF TRAVEL

There was a Certain Man who decided to travel. "I must have funds," saith he. So he went straightway to his bank and drew out a large sum in bank notes, putting them in his wallet. He bought his tickets, entered the Pullman, and settled down for a pleasant trip. Alas, that night he lost his wallet. Whether or not it was stolen, he never knew, but at any rate he never got his money back, and the loss spoiled his whole trip.

If this Certain Man had carried his funds in "A.B.A." American Bankers Association) Cheques they would have been entirely safe, because if he had not counterfeigned the cheques, he could have had them replaced upon proper application. These cheques would have been just as convenient as money for him to use in paying for hotel and Pullman service, tickets, and purchases at the stores, and he would have been protected against loss. Ask us for full particulars.

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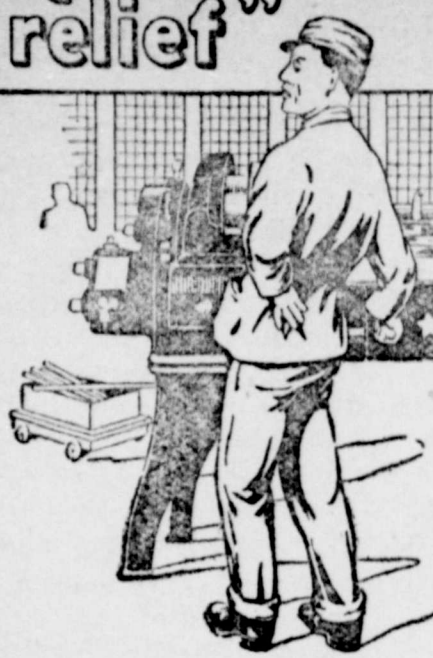
The constant strain of factory work very often results in Headaches, Backaches and other Aches, and also weakens the Nerves.

DR. MILES' ANTI-PAIN PILLS

will quickly relieve the Nerves, or Pain, while

Dr. Miles' Heart Treatment is very helpful when the Heart is overtaxed.

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SEVERE PAIN.
"I used to suffer a great deal with lumbago in my shoulders and back. A friend induced me to try Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills and I am only too glad to be able to attest to the relief that I got from these splendid pills. They form a valuable medicine and do all that it is claimed they will do."
LEWIS J. CUTTER,
Marietta, Ga.

SUDDEN DEATH CLOUDS BALLINGER IN SORROW

The remains of Mrs. R. T. Williams will be laid to rest in the City Cemetery Tuesday afternoon according to an announcement made from the Williams home shortly afternoon Monday. Rev. T. C. Jester will arrive here from Fort Worth late this evening, or tonight and will conduct the funeral services at the residence at one-thirty, and interment will follow immediately after the funeral services.

R. S. Allday, L. F. Allday, father and brother respectively, of Mrs. Williams, and two sisters, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Willis, of Atlanta, Texas, arrived early Monday morning. These parties came to Abilene on the train, arriving there at five o'clock Monday morning, and an auto from Ballinger was waiting to bring them to Ballinger. Tom Williams of Comanche, and Lee Williams, of Stephenville, brothers of Mr. Williams, arrived on the noon train Monday. Other relatives will arrive here tonight to attend the funeral.

Mrs. R. T. Williams died at her home on Broadway Sunday night at nine o'clock, after a brief illness covering only twenty-two hours. The announcement of the death of one of this city's most prominent women came as a shock and surprise to many of her close friends, and caused many heads to bow in sorrow. It was not generally known that Mrs. Williams was ill until the death angel had removed her from this world, the illness being of such short duration and death so sudden.

Apparently in the best of health, Mrs. Williams was about her usual affairs all day Saturday night up to the time she was stricken down with uremic poison. She was down town during the day and also in the evening, and with her daughter, Miss Hellen, and son Robert Lewis, and with friends, was in the best of spirit and life.

Mrs. Williams became ill about ten o'clock Saturday night, and her condition was pronounced serious by the physicians after a brief diagnosis. It was at first thought she was suffering with ptomaine poison. A more thorough diagnosis brought the sad announcement that there was no hopes for her recovery, and while skilled physicians worked faithfully, and loved ones watched prayerfully, the death angel removed from this world the good wife and mother.

No death has been so sudden and no death has caused as much sorrow in Ballinger in recent years, as the sudden taking away of this good woman. One of the happiest homes in Ballinger is in deep mourning, and while we submit to the will of He who doeth all things for the best, we can't understand why one should be so suddenly cut down.

Deceased came to Ballinger with her husband and two children seven or eight years ago. The family builded one of the prettiest homes in Ballinger, and there was perhaps not a happier home in the city. With the coming of this family to Ballinger the First Baptist church gained a strength that was most pleasing to its membership. Mrs. Williams was active in the work of her church, being a leader in the choir.

Rev. T. C. Jester, who recently retired from the First Baptist Church as pastor, bidding farewell to Mrs. Williams and other members of the church and friends less than a week ago, was notified of the death shortly after it occurred Sunday night and returned to Ballinger to conduct the funeral.

Many hearts go out in tender sympathy to this family in their sorrow, and many hands are willing workers to do what they can to lighten the grief through which they have been called to pass.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

W. A. Esmond, of the Valley creek country and Pryor Mapes, of the Pony creek country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

BACKACHE, SWELLING OF HANDS AND FEET.

Dear Editor: "I appeal to those of your readers who are bothered with backache and a constant tired feeling to give 'Anurie' a trial. It has been recently discovered by Dr. Pierce of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. I suffered from backache, swelling of hands and feet, too frequent excretion from the kidneys and many other symptoms. Was unable to work, but after taking just one box of 'Anurie' according to directions I am again able to perform my daily duties." (Signed) W. R. Buxy.

Note.—If you've never used the "Anurie," cut this out and send 10 cents to Dr. Pierce for a large sample package. This will prove to you that "Anurie" is 37 times more active than lithia in eliminating uric acid—and the most perfect kidney and bladder corrector, as well as relieving pains of rheumatism, lumbago, neuralgia. If you are a sufferer, go to your local druggist and ask for a 50-cent package of "Anurie."

IN WHAT CLASS WOULD YOU PLACE HIM?

The drouth will continue only four days and then will be exploded with a good rain. This is the official "dope" given out Saturday by Brownwood's official weather prognosticator. He said it as if he meant it, and those who remember other prognostications which he has given out in the past are willing to wager a dime to a peanut that it will rain Thursday.

"Don't try to get funny," said the weather man when asked what time Thursday the rain would begin. "I can't name the exact hour though you remember I missed that last rain only nine hours. It will rain some time during Thursday, and it will be a rattling good rain. That ought to be information enough for the public."—Brownwood Bulletin.

We only have two classes in which we place such men in Ballinger.

YOU CAN'T FIND ANY DANDRUFF AND HAIR STOPS COMING OUT

Save your hair! Make it thick, wavy glossy and beautiful at once.

Try as you will, after an application of Danderine, you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair fine and downy at first—yes—really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment. A 25-cent bottle will double the beauty of your hair.

Albert Davis of the Hatchell country, R. J. Wood of the Mud creek country and A. C. Hopson, were among the number looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday and supplied themselves with one of the Ledger's dictionaries.

R. L. Ivers, who had been one of the state cattle inspectors in our county for some time past, left Monday at noon for Midland, where he has been transferred by the state department.

Spring Colds are Dangerous

Sudden changes of temperature and underwear bring spring colds with stuffed up head, sore throat and general cold symptoms. A dose of Dr. King's New Discovery is sure relief, this happy combination of antiseptic balsams clears the head, soothes the irritated membranes and what might have been a lingering cold is broken up. Don't stop treatment when relief is first felt as a half-cured cold is dangerous. Take Dr. King's New Discovery till your cold is gone.

TRAVEL NEW ROAD AND SAVE TIME

The Ballinger and Winters road north of Ballinger known as the Johnson lane is closed for repairs, and the public is requested to travel the new road crossing Elm Creek at the upper dam. This is according to a message sent to the Ledger office by Ben Smith who is in charge of the road work on the Johnson lane.

The new road leading out thru the western part of the crossing the creek at the upper dam and out by W. T. Routh place, has been put in good shape and travelers can save time and avoid trouble by going this way. Travelers from Crews should take the Winters road north when they strike the Johnson lane and cross the creek at the upper dam and come into the city over the new road.

It will require a week or more to put the Johnson lane in good shape, and attempts to travel the road while the hands at work not only makes rough traveling for the traveler, but hinders the road hands in their work.

A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relaxes the contracted muscles and permits ordinary bodily motion without suffering or inconvenience. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

LYNNS WILL HAVE A GOOD NEW HOME

H. W. Lynn this week let the contract to C. E. Woodrow for the erection of a modern 6-room bungalow on lots recently purchased near the Grimes and Dallas Hawkins homes on the west side.

Without asking further questions, we are assured that this will be a home of which any family could well feel proud and we congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Lynn on their new home.

Wish we had many more such as this one will be.—Winters Enterprise.

Seed Seed

You always pay a good price for the pretty picture on package garden seed, then why not buy your seed in bulk from Jeanes Produce Co. 15-d&w-tf



Cold weather aches follow exposure. Soothe and relieve them with Sloan's Liniment, easy to apply, it quickly penetrates without rubbing. Cleaner than musky plasters or ointments. Does not stain the skin.

For rheumatic pains, neuralgia, gout, lumbago, sprains, strains, bruises and stiff sore muscles, have Sloan's Liniment handy.

At all druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00.



WILL SPEND MONTH IN FLORIDA.

Paul Trimmer left Monday afternoon for Miami, Florida, where he will spend a couple of weeks or more and then accompany his mother-in-law, Mrs. Brown and his little daughter back to Ballinger, where they will spend the summer. Mrs. George Kearney, and son Dan Van Pelt and Miss Eunice Brown, arrived here last week from Be'on and will be at home at the Trimmer home until Mr. Trimmer returns.

Paper Shell Pecans

We have this year a choice lot of Soft Shell Pecan trees grown on our own grounds, warranted true to name, thrifty. Now ready for delivery and transplanting. Address orders to Kunnels County Pecan Nursery, S. B. Howard, 107 N. 12th St., Ballinger, Texas. 15-tfw.

A. E. Gentry of the Marie country; Fritz Bredemeyer of the Hatchell-Winters county; Ed Lehr of Rowena; John Louder, of Miles, and Bob Mackey of Norton, Elgin Davidson of Wilmeth and H. W. Henniger of the Winters country, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

COMMISSIONER KIRK to remember in and a most important orset will not fit in his room. Many means. In choosing an American Lady corset, a woman should choose the model individually right for "her"—not appropriate her friend's model, which may be, though perfect in itself, not at all correct for "her" particular requirements. There are American Lady corsets here in almost unlimited range of styles, a model s here for you. Every price \$1.00 to \$5.00

Wool and Silk Skirts popular in Spring because blouses. This season they er before. In wool, plain s, prices \$3.50 to \$18.50

Poultry Tuesday and Wednesday
CONKEY'S Poultry remedies and baby chicken feed are the best on the market. We have a full line in stock.
we are always in the market with the highest cash prices for your poultry, eggs, butter, cream and all other produce.

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All Dictionaries published previous to this year are out of date

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You will need lumber for making improvements around your home. When you think of building and painting think or
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There Is Money to Be Made In This Locality Selling Briscoe Cars

Four hundred Briscoe cars were sold in this territory by ourselves and our subdealers—a record to be proud of. These cars were all sold from Aug. 1 to Dec. 31, 1916.

Bigger sales are possible this year. The Briscoe car today is an easy seller. It has everything the motorist wants who takes pride in the car he drives—power, economy, fine finish and the looks and equipment of the most expensive high-powered, heavy-weight cars.

We are now ready to talk business with the man or firm who feels they can properly represent the Briscoe in this locality.

The opportunity for a good business awaits the person or persons who are in position to house, sell and give service on this famous line of cars.

Are we talking to that man or firm now?

Address your communication to Mr. Jerry Frey, our manager, and it will receive prompt attention.

Fort Worth Fat Stock Show March 17th—You are welcome to make our exhibit your headquarters—we have a surprise for you.

Tenison Bros. Saddlery Co.

2020 Commerce Street Dallas, Texas.

YOUNG MAN WINS ON DRESS ESSAY

Ulmer Bird gets a suit of clothes offered by Higginbotham Bros. & Co. for writing the best essay of one hundred words on "How Much Does Good Taste in Dress Influence Success?" Quite a number of essays were presented, and out of this number Ulmer was selected as the winner and will be awarded a new suit of Langham-High Clothes. Following the essay:

"Good taste in dress is an outward manifestation of culture. Consciously or unconsciously, men will form their opinions of you from your personal appearance, for 'Man looketh upon the outward appearance.'"

"Therefore, since it is with men that we must deal, we must consider good taste in dress as among the vital elements of success. It indicates good, common sense, it gives an impression of capability, it points to capacity for detail,

and shows discriminating thought. As a rule, he who uses good taste in dress combines also in his nature, energy capability, and sincerity. These four qualities make a gentleman.

"ULMER BIRD,
"Box 313, City."

AN ELECTRIC HEN

If you never saw chickens kicking out of the shell under the influence of electricity you should drop by the Ballinger Light & Power Co. office and see 'em hatching. An incubator operated by electricity is doing the work. The shells began to crack and the chickens began to kick out Tuesday, and everything points to a most successful hatch. The cost is light and the profit is great, because chickens are cash.

An unavoidable error was made in last week's "Calendizer" ad, in which The Fair advertised under the 3rd of the month. The ad read, "no charge for time," when it should have been "no charge for rimming." Remember the change.

IN FIVE MINUTES! NO INDIGESTION, GAS OR SOUR, ACID STOMACH

The moment "Pape's Diapepsin" reaches the stomach all distress goes.

"Really does" put upset stomachs in order—"really does" overcome indigestion, dyspepsia, gas, heartburn and sourness due to acid fermentation in five minutes—that just that—makes Pape's Diapepsin the largest selling stomach antacid and regulator in the world. If what you eat ferments and turns sour, you belch gas and eructate undigested food or water; head is dizzy and aches; breath foul; tongue coated; your insides filled with indigestible waste, remember the moment "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes. It's truly astonishing—almost marvelous, and the joy is its harmlessness.

A large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin is worth its weight in gold to men and women who can't get their stomachs regulated. It belongs in your home—should always be kept handy in case of a sick, sour, upset stomach during the day or at night. It's the quickest, surest antacid for the stomach in the world.

OUR SCHOOLS GET MORE STATE AID

County Superintendent E. L. Hagan received a check for \$6,500 from the million dollar rural school appropriation this week and placed same to the credit of twenty-three different schools in the county, according to the appropriation made by the state.

This fund comes in addition to the splendid help received by the schools of this county from the million dollar fund last year, and goes towards the maintenance of the schools sharing in the fund. The amount received by Mr. Hagan this week ranges from \$100 to \$500, and goes to the following schools:

Crews \$300, Content \$350, William Springs \$150, Bethel \$500, Wingate \$400, South Norton \$500, Center Point \$450, Pumphrey \$400, Puckett \$225, Cochran \$125, Mazeland \$500, Baldwin \$400, Antelope \$150, Harmony \$350, Lone Star \$325, Valley Creek \$200, Hatchel \$400, Poe \$125, Crockett \$125, Eagle Branch \$400, Midway \$100, Paramore \$125, Bell \$300.

FLOWER BANK MARKS HER RESTING PLACE

A long procession of autos, loaded with sorrowing friends, followed the remains of Mrs. R. T. Williams to the City Cemetery Tuesday afternoon, and while one of the largest crowds ever to assemble in the city of the dead of this city stood with bared heads, the last sad rites were performed and the remains of this good wife, mother and christian woman were tenderly laid to rest under a bank of beautiful flowers.

At one-thirty o'clock, the hour announced for the funeral, the business houses in Ballinger, without a single exception closed their doors, and all business was suspended until four o'clock. The funeral services were conducted at the residence, and when the hour arrived the home was filled to overflow with sympathizing friends of the family, who heard Rev. T. C. Jester, former pastor of the First Baptist Church, pay a beautiful tribute to the christian character who had so suddenly been cut down and transformed in to a brighter world where there is no death.

It was with the most tender and sympathetic words that Rev. Jester consoled the sorrowing hearts who gathered around the casket of their loved one for the last time. He pointed them to an all-wise God, who doeth all things for the best and it was with that christian fortitude shown in the life of the one who had gone before that made it possible for the father, brother and sisters, husband and children to stand up and see what was dearest to them taken away.

Members of the choir with whom she had been associated with since coming to this city, and a number of other friends, softly and gently sang those songs which were Mrs. Williams' favorite, and which she often sang. These were "Touch of His Hand on Mine," "Homeward," "Saved by Grace," "Will The Circle Be Broken." At the cemetery, while the remains were being placed away to await the resurrection, "Abide With Me" and "Nearer My God To Thee" were sung, and after building a mound, covered with flowers, the sad hearts turned away to return home and wait the call of duty to perform such sad rites as will continue to come in the life of man, until we hear the summons "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of the Lord."

Out-of-Town Relatives.

Mrs. Williams' mother, Mrs. R. S. Allday, of Atlanta, Texas, was not able to come here and attend the funeral. Mr. Allday and one son, L. F. Allday and two sisters, Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Willis, also of Atlanta, were here, and three brothers of Mr. Williams, Tom of Comanche; Lee of Stephenville, and W. H. and his wife of DeLeon, and a sister, Mrs. Elkins and Mrs. Herndon of Dublin, were here with the family in their sorrow. Mr. Willis, of Sweetwater, a friend of the family, and Mr. Higginbotham were also here to attend the funeral. Several of those coming to attend the funeral returned to their homes Wednesday while others will remain here with Mr. Williams and two children, Miss Helen and Robert Lewis for a few days.

PLANS UNDERWAY FOR NEW HOME.

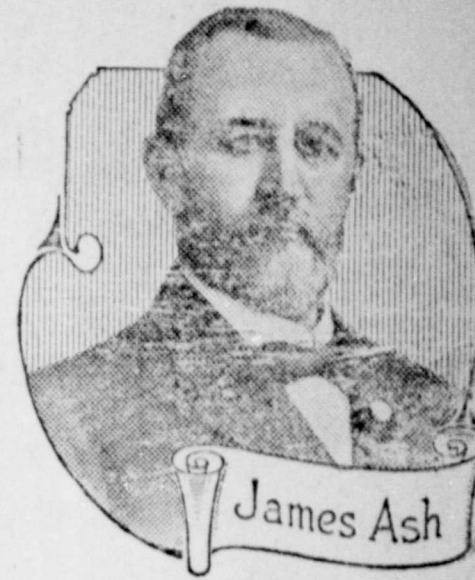
An architect from San Angelo was here Tuesday conferring with Scott H. Mack and submitting plans for the new home Mr. Mack will build during the Spring on lots recently purchased on Broadway. Dr. E. C. Baskin was also consulting the building designer with a view of adopting plans for a new home. Dr. Baskin moved to the Norris place on Broadway where he and his family are comfortably domiciled for the present. M. McGregor, who purchased Dr. Baskin's home, is making additions to the property and improvements preparatory to occupying the home.

Misses Maudie and Beulah Fields of Brownwood, came in a day or two ago and will be the guests of B. F. Jones and C. A. Rogers and families a few days.

Mrs. Wm. Storm and two children left Tuesday afternoon for New Mexico to visit her father S. B. Baggett, and family, a few weeks.

Simple Laxative Remedy Best for Constipation

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin Gave Satisfaction When Nothing Else Would.



James Ash

Nearly every one, at one time or another, suffers from constipation, or inactive bowels, and one of the few conclusions upon which the doctors agree is that regularity of the bowels is an essential to good health.

In the family medicine chest of most well-ordered households will be found one or more of the various remedies recommended for the relief of constipation. In the majority of homes today the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is recognized as the standard laxative. Druggists everywhere report a constantly increasing demand for this splendid remedy which is sold for fifty cents a bottle.

Mr. James Ash, 102 Green St., Cumberland, Md., wrote to Dr. Caldwell that he found Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin the most effective remedy for

a mild laxative, and does not gripe or strain, but acts gently and brings relief in an easy, natural manner. Its freedom from opiates or narcotic drugs makes it the ideal family laxative.

To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes be sure you get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that a facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottles are packed. A trial bottle, charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 455 North St., Monticello, Ill.

W. T. Caudle of the Hatchell country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year and says he can't afford to do without the old reliable.

All-Wool Suits Made to Order

\$15

We challenge any maker or retailer of men's suits to duplicate our high grade, all-wool fabrics to equal our splendid tailoring, to match the style and fit of our garments for less than \$25.

We guarantee the same high-grade pure wool fabrics, the same satisfactory style and fit, and the same good service as always, in spite of the great advance in cost of woolsens.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

A wonderful assortment of new Spring styles in caps, hats, shirts, neckwear, etc. All the newest effects for Spring are here. Come in and see them.

Cleaning and Pressing

Our cleaning and pressing department is the best in the city, all of our work is guaranteed to be first class. Give us a trial. Auto delivery.

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Ladies Coat Suits and Skirts

**87 Samples of the Very Latest
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Saving of 25 per cent. to You.
See this lot early for your size
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**Special prices on spring suits for
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New spring dress goods are in.

**See our spring silks, worth \$1.75
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No advance in our prices of shoes

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Exquisite Showing of
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Lovely New Dresses.
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We are Showing the New Things for Spring and are Prepared to Meet Your Every Want



Charming Silk Dresses for General Purposes

Here you will find georgette crepe, crepe-de-chine, taffetas, and silk poplins, and sport styles in a wonderful range of styles and colorings, such as rose, wisteria, apple green, golds, sands, navy, blacks, Cadet blues and grays. A great range of prices, starting at \$10.00 for silk and on to

\$35.00

Select Your Corset Now;

One Thing to Remember

There is one thing to remember in selecting a corset, and a most important point, too, the corset will not fit every figure, by any means. In choosing an American Lady corset, a woman should choose the model individually right for "her"—not appropriate her friend's model, which may be, though perfect in itself, not at all correct for "her" particular requirements. There are American Lady corsets here in almost unlimited range of styles, a model is here for you. Every price \$1.00 to \$5.00



Lovely Hats

Things You'll Note In

Wool Suits for Spring

The popular tendency in coat suits is towards the tailored lines. In fact the extremely smart suits are extremely plain, relieved by pipings, buttons, braids, etc. Many coats are pleated and very smart, and chic. Skirts are somewhat narrower, some are in barrel effect; pockets are still a striking feature. Materials are serges, poplins, gabardines, twills, etc. In golds, navys,

apple greens, rookies, and grays. Prices \$12.50 and up to \$47.50



The Top Sport Coats Never So Popular as Now

Never in any Spring season has there been such a diversity of effects shown. These range from the short sport coats to the longer lengths to be worn over dressy gowns. Colors are very attractive, prices range from \$7.50 to \$35.00

Beautiful showing of Wickert & Gardner boots and pumps in whites and colors. All sizes and widths.

Grand Millinery Opening

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14TH AND 15TH

An Unrivalled Showing of New Creations in Spring Millinery

You are cordially invited to view this exhibit on one of the days, for seldom has it been our good fortune to assemble so choice a lot of wonderful creations, not only in beauty, but in variety, will this display surpass any showing of previous seasons. There will be hats both large and small, (and fashion has decreed that either is correct). Hats from Fisk, Frankel Frank, Elzee, Gold Metal, Finkelman, Adelson & Co., and other well known manufacturers—yes a thousand to choose from at \$2.50 to \$12.50

Wool and Silk Skirts

Separate skirts are always very popular in Spring because they can be combined with sheer blouses. This season they are even more popular than ever before. In wool, plain and fancy silks and sport styles, prices \$3.50 to \$18.50

Melton Dry Goods Co.
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EVERYBODY'S STORE

Beautiful Silk Blouses

Georgette again leads in blouses, and you will find a very choice variety of new shades. In the more tailored effects crepe-de-chine is a popular favorite, prices \$2.50 to \$10.00

Music Tuesday and Wednesday, March 14th and 15th. We welcome your coming

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One cent per word first insertion.
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Black face type double regular rate.

Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular open account with us.

Call Telephone No. 27.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Buff Orpington Eggs \$1.00 per setting. See or phone 5303. Mrs. Mae Norman. 23-Stwptd

OYSTER SHELLS—A solid car load of crushed oyster shells for your chickens at Jeanes Produce Co. 15-d&w-tf

EGGS FOR HATCHING—My S. C. White Leghorns that are bred to lay winter, summer, spring

and autumn. Eggs for sale \$1.50 15 eggs. Satisfaction guaranteed. Gus Nunn, Ballinger, Tex. Phone 3211. 1tdw

GARDEN SEED—A full line of bulk garden seed has just arrived. Jeanes Produce Co. 15fdw

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A No. 1 three-year-old black Jack, white tips. See him at City Wagon Yard. Off the market after March 31st. W. T. Nichols, Ballinger Route A. 17-1td4tw

FOR SALE—One Indian motorcycle, two 1916 model Fords, and one five-passenger Buick, almost as good as new. Bargains. Central Garage. 19-tfw

WHITE PLYMOUTH ROCKS—Eggs for setting; eggs from pen \$2.50 per setting 15; yard eggs \$1.50 per setting 15. Mrs. W. A. Guin, Hatchell, Texas. 26-6td2tw

LOST.

LOST—Large Navajo lap blanket, colored red, white and black. Finder please return to undersigned and receive reward. C. A. Doose. 5-3td1tw

LOANS

Farm Loans Wanted. Choice loans 6 percent to 8 percent interest. Quick service. Call on or write, McFarland & Cryer, Winters, Texas. 16-wtf

Best Loan proposition on any good west Texas land. Will buy vendors lien notes. We have the cheapest money and plenty of it. Have closed loans in less than one week from the time the application was taken. McFarland & Cryer, Winters, Texas. 16-wtf

TRESPASS NOTICES

All parties, friend or foe, are hereby warned not to cut wood or in any way trespass on my Wylie ranch lands or any lands owned by me in that section or they will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. R. R.

C. P. SHEPHERD

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

and

NOTARY PUBLIC

General Practice

Collections and rent property handled. Office upstairs in C. A. Doose Building, Ballinger, Tex.

Phone 60

Russell, per Max Russell. 16-4tw

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS—

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the land owned or controlled by the undersigned in Runnels and Conecho counties for the purpose of hunting, fishing, hauling wood, gathering pecans or working stock will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law—I mean it. GODFREY MASSEY, Paint Rock, Texas. 7-1-17

YOUNG LADY SHOT WHILE OUT HUNTING

Sterling City, Tex., March 7.—Miss Imogene Crawford, who was accidentally shot in the left breast over her heart at the family home here at about 6 o'clock Monday evening, was resting very well at 1 o'clock this afternoon, but is still in a very serious condition. However, hope is held out that she will recover.

Miss Crawford, 20-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Crawford, of this place, her father being a passenger conductor on the Sterling City-San Angelo division of the Santa Fe, went out Monday afternoon to shoot prairie dogs and returned home shortly before 6 o'clock.

Before putting away the 16-gauge single-barrelled shotgun she had been using to kill the dogs with, Miss Crawford began cleaning it. She thought all of the shells had been removed. While holding the gun with the muzzle pointing towards her it was discharged, a load of bird shot piercing her left breast almost over her heart. The charge of shot passed entirely through her body and penetrated the left lung.

Notice.

The Runnels County Hog Growers Association will hold an annual meeting Saturday, March 17, 1917, at the Court House at 2:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing officers and for the purpose of buying some breeding stock.

Let every man interested in hogs be there.

President,

J. H. TAYLOR,

Secretary,

F. T. RUSHING,

8-1td-2tw.

WONDERFUL STUFF! LIFT OUT YOUR CORNS

Apply a few drops then life corns or calluses off with fingers—no pain

No humbug! Any corn, whether hard, soft or between the toes, will loosen right up and lift out, without a particle of pain or soreness.

This drug is called freezone and is a compound of ether discovered by a Cincinnati man.

Ask at any drug store for a small bottle of freezone, which will cost but a trifle, but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus.

Put a few drops directly upon any tender, aching corn or callus. Instantly the soreness disappears and shortly the corn or callus will loosen and can be lifted off with the fingers.

This drug freezone doesn't eat out the corns or calluses but shrivels them without even irritating the surrounding skin.

Just think! No pain at all; no soreness or smarting when applying it or afterwards. If your druggist don't have freezone have him order it for you.

DISTRICT COURT CONVENES HERE MONDAY.

The March term of District Court will convene in Ballinger at one-thirty next Monday, March 12th. As far as Tre Ledger has been able to learn there will be little for the grand jury to do, but criminal week promises to be a busy one, and if all the cases should go to trial it would require a couple of weeks to dispose of the criminal business. There are a half dozen criminal cases, pending on the docket, which it is expected, will be disposed of at the opening term.

The first week will be criminal week, the second week non-jury civil docket week, and petit jurors have been called for the third week.

MEASLES HAVE RUN THEIR COURSE.

Practically everybody in Ballinger has had the measles, consequently health conditions are again becoming normal, and the

daily attendance at the public school is gradually climbing back to a respectable per cent of the total enrollment. For several weeks the mesales had the best of the situation and there were very few homes where there are children but what fell victims to this disease. With the measles, mumps and a few other ailments having run out of material, the remainder of the present school term promises to be well attended and successfully closed.

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WELLS PLEADS GUILTY; GETS TWO YEARS

(Ft. Worth Star-Telegram)

That the "ring" which for the past year is alleged to have successfully robbed mercantile establishments in nearly a dozen North Texas towns has been effectively broken up is indicated in dispatches received Tuesday by The Star-Telegram from Mineral Wells and Wichita Falls. At Palo Pinto Monday afternoon Oscar Wells, who police credit with escaping jail eleven times, pleaded guilty to a charge of burglarizing the hide house of Jacob Sobolsky at Mineral Wells and was given a two-year sentence. Immediately after his hearing he was taken to Jacksboro to stand trial on a charge of having stolen three bales of cotton. This cotton, Wells is said to have confessed, was expressed to Fort Worth, where Wells sold it to a cotton firm for over \$200.

Claim Others Admitted. Wells, according to local detectives, admitted having been implicated in several robberies at Burk Burnett, Kirkland, Ringgold, Sunset and other towns in which J. Wool and Mike Levine are alleged to have been his confederates. A dispatch from Wichita Falls said that Levine Monday pleaded guilty to two charges, burglary and receiving stolen property. He was given a four-year sentence and faces trial in another case. Last week J. Wool was convicted on the same charges and was given a three-year sentence. The charges against Wool and Levine grew out of the robbery of the store of W. W. Viles at Burk-

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TAKE IT IN TIME

Just as Scores of Ballinger People have.

Waiting doesn't pay. If you neglect kidney backache, urinary troubles often follow.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for kidney backache, and for other kidney ills.

Ballinger citizens endorse them. Mrs. S. C. Royalty, 1302 Thirteenth St., Ballinger says: "My kidneys were inactive. There was so much soreness across my back that I could hardly bend over and it was just as difficult for me to straighten up. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage. Doan's Kidney Pills rid me of all signs of kidney complaint."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Royalty had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

H. O. RHODES' FATHER DIED TUESDAY NIGHT

H. O. Rhodes, proprietor of the City Barber Shop, received a phone message shortly after nine o'clock Wednesday morning bringing the sad news of the death of his father at McDade, Bastrop county. The phone message stated that death occurred Tuesday night. The old gentleman had been in bad health for some time and Mr. Rhodes recently visited him. He left again Wednesday afternoon to attend the funeral. Mr. Rhodes' friends sympathize with him in his sorrow.

SPECIAL TRAIN

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Ft. Worth

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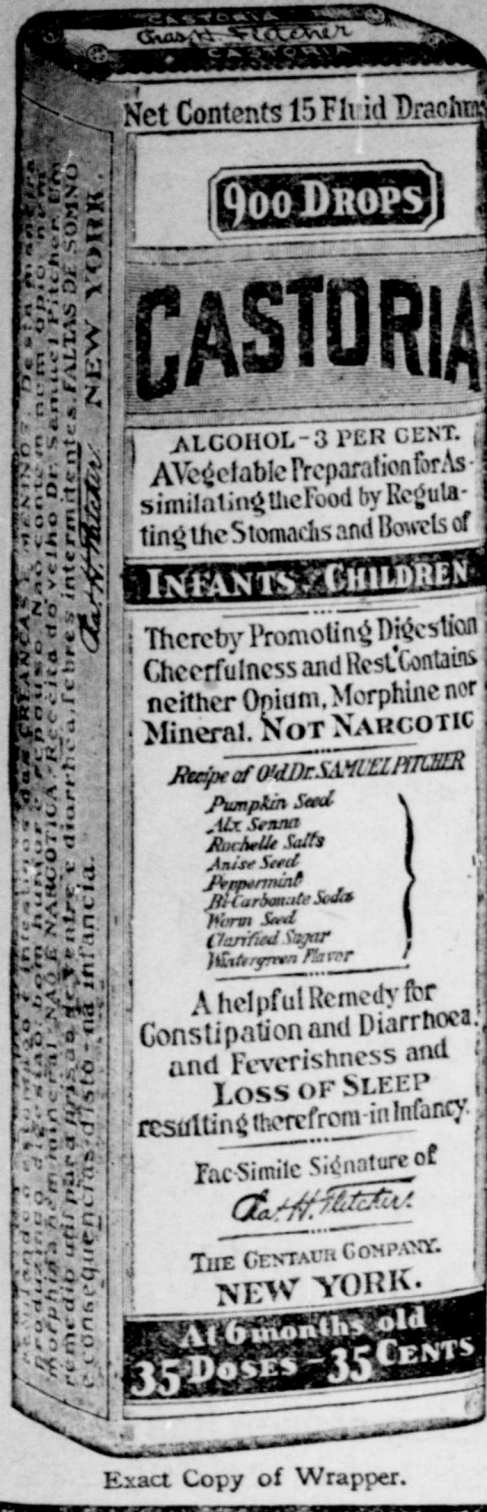


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FAT STOCK AND HORSE SHOW

Leave Ballinger 8:30 P. M.
Arrive Ft. Worth 7:30 A. M.

For Further Information Call on
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EGG CIRCLES GET BETTER PRICES

H. M. Eliot, Chief Rural Economics Diving, Extension Service A. and M. College of Texas, is receiving some flattering reports regarding the progress of Egg Circles which have been organized throughout the State, the one printed below being a fair sample:

Burnet, Texas, January 22, 1917.

Dear Sir:—

I am enclosing receipt cards for stamps Nos. 17 and 18.

Our egg circle is doing splendidly. Eggs were somewhat scarce for awhile, but are decidedly on the increase now. Our eggs were netting us 33 1/2 cents at last payment, January 13th, 1917. Since our organization, July 1, 1916, we have shipped fifty-five cases, netting us \$478.46. All are pleased with the circle.

Signed) Ira S. Field, Secretary.

The egg circles organized under the auspices of the Extension Service of the A. and M. College have been meeting with remarkable success. Scores of communities are selling infertile eggs at prices much above market quotations. A uniform grade is being established and patrons are learning that egg circle eggs are reliable and that they receive what they pay for. A dozen eggs means a dozen sound, uniform eggs that may be used by the housewife, and it is not necessary to throw away from one-half to two-thirds of them. Eggs marketed under such conditions are naturally more desirable than those marketed in a haphazard manner, and the egg circle stamp soon becomes a sign of quality and value.

Communities desiring to organize egg-marketing associations are invited to write to the Director of Extension, College Station, Texas.



MANY PEOPLE HERE FOR FIRST MONDAY

Despite the freezing cold weather Monday morning, the streets in Ballinger were soon lined with autos, many people coming here from different parts of the county to attend to business and mix with the first Monday crowd. Fine chickens, fine horses and quite a display of scrub stock were on the trading blocks for the day. Reports from over the county indicate that the farmers are well advanced with their farm work and are ready to begin planting when the season is favorable.

WHAT IS LAX-FOS

LAX-FOS IS AN IMPROVED CASCARA A DIGESTIVE LAXATIVE CATHARTIC AND LIVER TONIC

LAX-FOS is not a Secret or Patent Medicine but is composed of the following old-fashioned roots and herbs:

CASCARA BARK
BLUE FLAG ROOT
RHUBARB ROOT
BLACK ROOT
MAY APPLE ROOT
SENNA LEAVES
AND PEPsin

In LAX-FOS the CASCARA is improved by the addition of these digestive ingredients making it better than ordinary CASCARA, and thus the combination acts not only as a stimulating laxative and cathartic but also as a digestive and liver tonic. Syrup laxatives are weak, but LAX-FOS combines strength with palatable, aromatic taste and does not gripe or disturb the stomach. One bottle will prove LAX-FOS is invaluable for Constipation, Indigestion or Torpid Liver. Price 50c.

WILL NOT GO TO WASHINGTON UNTIL NEEDED.

The Hon. Thomas Lindsay Blanton, congressman-elect, will automatically become a Congressman full-ledged today (Sunday) at 12 m.

Congressman Blanton will spend the day quietly at his home here. He will not go to Washington just at this time, and probably will not go before next fall unless an extra session is called. It is not necessary for him to take the oath of office now or later, not until Congress is convened in extra or regular session. Automatically the new congressman take office at noon today and the old ones retire.

"Very likely we will not go to Washington until time to place the children in school next fall," said Congressman Blanton. "That is, of course, unless an extra session is called, in which case I shall hasten to the capital."—Abilene Reporter.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite for Colds.

J. L. Essley, Macon, Ill., in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says: "During the past fifteen years it has been my sister's favorite medicine for colds on the lungs. I myself have taken it a number of times when suffering with a cold and it always relieved me promptly."

NOT LOOKING FOR DROUTH IN TEXAS.

Within the next few days ground will be broken for the erection of a building to be occupied by a wholesale liquor concern. The building will be located just behind the National Bank of West, facing the Katy tracks, one story brick with plate glass front and will be modern in every respect. Mr. W. G. Huggins of Waco is putting up the building and when completed will be occupied by J. B. Ring & Sons of West, who will do a wholesale liquor business.—West Times.

Guion's "Top Notch" S. C. Reds.

Do not send your orders for eggs to the East this year. Give me a trial and place your order early. A guarantee of 75 percent fertility or extra setting for half price. Pen No. 1; headed by a full brooder to the 1915 First Chicago Cook. Pen No. 2; headed by Son of First Cockerell, Des Moines, Ia., 915. Mated to these are good ven colored hens and pullets of extra type and quality. Eggs \$2.00 per 15.

JNO. I. GUION, Jr.
Box 331, Ballinger, Texas.
23-4tw.

SANITARIUM TO DOUBLE CAPACITY

The Halley & Love Sanitarium will soon be in a position to care for all the business they are now having to refuse and postpone, and even take in many new patients when present plans are matured. The sanitarium will be doubled in capacity under specifications which have been decided on by Drs. Halley and Love.

An additional story will be added onto the red brick building now occupied, and something like twenty-five rooms will be available when the new building is completed, which date is not known at this time. Plans are being drawn by an architect. Electric elevators, centrally heated rooms, sanitary ceilings, floors, and walls, a cement driveway, an additional operating room, and other improvements will be included in the new hospital as well. Indeed the new sanitarium will be one of the largest and best appointed sanitariums in Texas.

Speaking of the crowded condition of the sanitarium to a Ledger reporter, Dr. A. S. Love stated that they had been unable to undertake any chronic cases from a distance lately. "Only a few days ago," said the surgeon, "we had inquiry from a patient near Big Springs, Texas, asking for accommodation and treatment in the sanitarium, which we were forced to refuse." By the new arrangement, more nurses will be employed to take care of operations.

Few people realize what a good thing the Halley & Love Sanitarium is for Ballinger. Actual figures on the books at this institution show expense account of over \$1,000 a month, not estimating at all the money left here by patients and their families. Besides this, valuable training is being given the young lady nurses in the training school department of the sanitarium.

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WINTERS MUST HELP DEMONSTRATION WORK

The business men of Ballinger are a progressive bunch. A few days ago they had a meeting and decided to secure a farm demonstrator for Rummels county. The business men themselves have agreed to pay his salary and they are now in communication with the department trying to secure the right man for the place.

This is a step which the end we can not see. It will mean untold benefit to the people of this county in every way from an educational standpoint as well as in dollars and cents.—Winters Enterprise.

Ballinger business men only invited the move, and guaranteed the \$1200 to carry on the work. This is a county wide work and Winters will be given a chance to help.

A. D. Gressett of Stamford, came in a day or two ago to visit with the Santa Fe at Temple, visited home folks and Ballinger friends and returned to his place H. Hamilton and family.



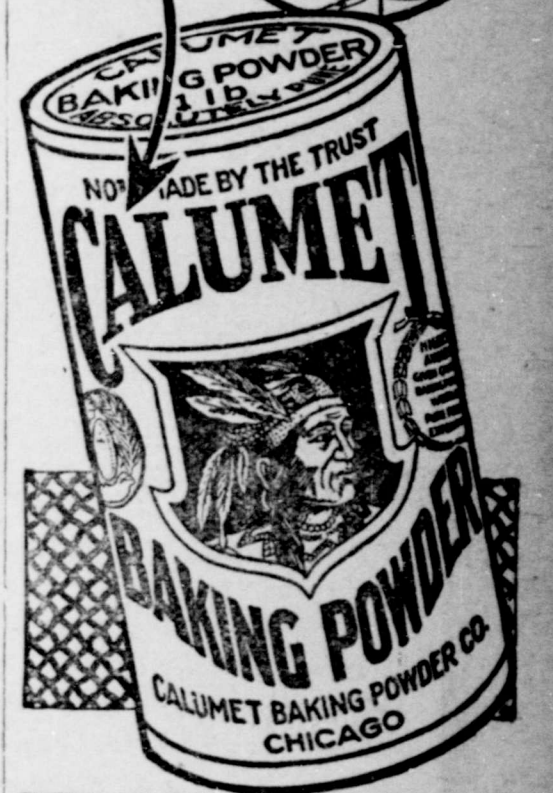
Experiments with Baking Powder are Costly

Millions of housewives know this is the truth—they realize the cost of a single bake-day failure. That's why they stick to Calumet.

Be on the safe side—avoid disappointments—use Calumet next bake-day—be sure of uniform results—learn why Calumet is the most economical to buy and to use. It's pure in the can—pure in the baking. Order now!

Received Highest Awards
New Cook Book Free—See Slip in Pound Can.

Be Safe—Use



Cheap and big can Baking Powders don't save you money. Calumet does—it's Pure and far superior to sour milk and soda.

WAREHOUSE AND MARKET-ING MAN TO SPEAK HERE

B. E. Sparks, representative of the State Warehouse and Marketing Department, is here and has announced that he will speak at the court house Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Sparks wishes to make the people more familiar with the warehouse and marketing law, and he will make it worth while for all the farmers who come out to hear him. Mr. Sparks has been here for several days in the interest of his work, and he will be glad to talk with those who are interested in this law.

A. H. Wigle, who is temporarily with the Santa Fe at Temple, visited home folks and Ballinger friends and returned to his place of business Sunday afternoon.

NEW PHONE DIRECTORY OFF THE PRESS

The new telephone directory of the West Texas Telephone Co., has just been turned off the press by the Ballinger Printing Co., and the binding of the book is well underway. The new directories will be delivered to the phone company by the end of the week, and will be distributed to the subscribers. The new directory is as near up to date as it is possible to make it. Manager Day announced that changes occurred daily and if he put out a directory that could be called absolutely complete, he would have to issue one every day. For instance, after turning the copy over to the printers for the new directory just printed, and before the printers could set the type, twelve additions and changes occurred, and the corrections were made right up to the time of going to press with the directory, but in a city where every line of business is growing and changes being made every day, it is impossible to list all the numbers. The directory shows a handsome increase in numbers over the last one issued.

White Wyandotte Eggs
Choice quality, rose comb birds, 15 eggs for \$1.00. 100 eggs for \$5.00. Phone or write me, West Texas Telephone.
MRS. Wm. HAVENHILL,
2-51w. Winters, Texas.

DR. WHITE OF TEMPLE DIES

Word was received in Ballinger Friday announcing the sudden death of Dr. R. R. White, of Scott & White, Temple, and one of the most prominent physicians in Texas. The report says Dr. White died of heart trouble. He had been ill for several days, but his condition was not considered serious.

Dr. White was for many years in charge of the Santa Fe hospital at Temple, and was perhaps the best known surgeon on the Santa Fe lines. A special train was sent from Galveston to Temple, carrying Dr. Randall to Dr. White's bedside. The train made the distance of 200 miles in four hours and a half, but the Galveston physician did not arrive in time to be of any assistance in efforts to save the life of Dr. White.

Take Herbine for indigestion. It relieves the pain in a few minutes and forces the fermented matter which causes the misery into the bowels where it is expelled. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

J. R. Taylor, Bob Crockett and O. Yarnell of the Norton country, Ed McAulay, J. P. Huffacker and W. A. Glenn of Maverick, and Charlie Waldrip of the Crews country, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

MAMMA! DON'T YOU SEE YOUR CHILD IS SICK, CONSTIPATED

Look at tongue! Move poisons from liver and bowels at once.

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver, and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ill; give a teaspoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile, and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative," and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown ups are plainly on the bottle.

Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look and see that it is made by the California Fig Syrup Co."

COLEMAN OUT FOR BETTER ROADS.

Petitions are being circulated in Coleman county and will be presented to the commissioners' court, asking for an election for the purpose of voting a special road tax of 15 cents on the one hundred dollars. The petition will be presented at the regular March term of commissioners court. The county commissioners of Rummels county are doing splendid work with the fifteen cent tax voted here more than a year ago, and in the course of time good roads will form a network in Rummels county. We are glad to note that Coleman is to profit by our example.

We want you to visit our millinery department and see our Spring line trimmed hats. We will save you money. The Fair, 3-d&w1t.



No Ambitious Man

is without a bank account. Its possession shows you to be a man of

Method, Caution and Thrift.

The people with whom you deal have more respect for you if you pay by check instead of currency. As a matter of prudence as well as ambition, open your account with us

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION
The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
STRENGTH SERVICE

The Quinine That Does Not Cause Nervousness or Ringing in Head

Because of its Tonic and Laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. It removes the cause of Colds, Grip and Headache. Used whenever Quinine is needed.

—but remember there is Only One

“Bromo Quinine”

That is the Original
Laxative Bromo Quinine

This Signature on Every Box

E. W. Grove
Used the World Over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Maker also of the Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic

AUTO HITS CENTRAL GARAGE

A Marion automobile driven by J. T. Brandon, Saturday afternoon smashed into the Central Garage with damaging effect. Whole the car was only slightly damaged by the radiator being burst. The building will need a new plate glass window, a new awning post and a new sidewalk bench. Mr. Brandon stated that the car skidded and turned too far to the left.

Dependancy Due to Constipation

Women often become nervous and despondent. When this is due to constipation it is easily corrected by taking an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

FORMER CITIZEN DIES AT SAN ANGELO

William Forrester died at his home in San Angelo Friday morning. He was about his morning chores around the home when he was stricken with acute indigestion at 7:30 and died one hour later. Deceased was at one time a citizen of Ballinger. He came to this country 25 years ago, locating at Fort McCavett, later moving to Ballinger and then to San Angelo. Mr. Forrester was born in Kentucky in 1857.

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILLI TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

See our line Spring millinery will save you money. The Fair. 3-d&wt.

LOCAL MEN GET CONTROLLING INTEREST IN OIL COMPANY

W. B. Ray and Col. G. G. Odom are at home from Tulsa, Oklahoma where they spent several days inspecting the properties of the Early Bird Oil Co., and in closing a deal in which they become controlling owners of the property. R. G. Ray, a brother of W. B. Ray, who also went to Tulsa to test out the wells now in operation and make sure they were paying, remained on the field, having been elected one of the officers of the company, and is in full charge of the office.

After acquiring a controlling interest in the company, the capitalists from Ballinger were given prominent places on the board of directors. Both Messrs. Odom and Ray were elected directors and Mr. Odom was elected president of the company, and R. G. Ray treasurer. The gentlemen are enthusiastic over the investment they have just made, and are taking steps to develop the field further, and add more producing wells to the string of wells that are now producing oil in paying quantities as will be shown by the affidavit of R. G. Ray, who superintended the testing out of the wells before the Ballinger parties placed their money in the company and made affidavit to the result.

After spending a short time at home, Messrs. Odom and Ray expect to return to Tulsa, where they will give their personal attention to making further developments and enlarging the oil output. Their lease covers an acreage that promises some big wells, and these will be put down as fast as the work can be carried.

The following affidavit speaks for itself, and shows that the gentlemen have not bought a “gold brick,” but made a thorough investigation before taking over a controlling interest in the oil company:

AFFIDAVIT:
State of Oklahoma, County of Tulsa:
Before me, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared R. G. Ray, to me well known, and who after being duly sworn, did depose and say that he was appointed by W. B. Ray and G. G. Odom, of Ballinger, Texas, as their representative to test and make a gauge of the oil wells on the properties owned by the Early Bird Oil Company in Tulsa county, Oklahoma; and that he began this gauge at ten o'clock on Tuesday morning, February 20, 1917, and from ten o'clock A. M. February 20, 1917, to ten o'clock A. M. February 21, 1917, they produced eighty-four and one half (84 1/2) barrels of oil, and from ten o'clock A. M. February 21, 1917 to ten o'clock A. M. February 22, 1917, they produced seventy-seven and one half (77 1/2) barrels of oil, and from ten o'clock A. M. February 22, 1917, to ten o'clock A. M. February 23d, 1917, they produced ninety-eight and three-fourths (98 3/4) barrels of oil, or a total of two hundred sixty and three-fourths (260 3/4) barrels of oil, being an average for the three days of eighty-six and nine-tenths (86.9) barrels per day; and that he had complete charge of this property during the time and that this production can be duplicated at any time.

R. G. RAY.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of February, 1917.
(Seal) **NELL DUNCAN,**
Notary Public in and for Tulsa County, Oklahoma.
My commission expires Dec. 23, 1920.

For hoarseness, inflamed lungs and irritating coughs, Ballard's Horehound Syrup is a healing balm. It does its work quickly and thoroughly. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

JOE THIELE BUYS BANKRUPT STOCK

Carter T. Dalton, referee in bankruptcy, sold the stock of goods of George Weber, former baker and grocer of Miles, and who filed a petition in bankruptcy on Feb. 12th, to Joe Thiele this week. The goods were appraised at \$225 and sold under the hammer for \$170.

Herbine cures constipation and re-establishes regular bowel movements. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

PABLO
Non-Alcoholic



The Happy “Hoppy” Drink

Here is a real treat that you will enjoy. A cold bottle or two of PABLO, cheese, crackers and some sandwiches. PABLO added to the lunch or dinner means more happy fellowship. Its delightful, “hoppy” flavor adds a snap and zest that everyone enjoys. Get PABLO, ice cold, at any place that sells drinks—or by the case from your grocer. You'll like PABLO. It is healthful and refreshing.

Made by Pabst at Milwaukee

“JUDGE” DICTIONARY SETTLES DISPUTES

In case of doubt concerning the meaning of a word the dictionary is the court of appeal to which the average individual must resort.

When Dr. Johnson compiled his celebrated dictionary, offered to the public in 1755, it represented a movement initiated by Swift, Addison, Pope and other noted English writers of that period to compose a dictionary that would fix forever and unalterably the English language in one perfect form. But the lapse of years has demonstrated that fashions in words change with the times and that a dictionary to be authoritative and accurate must be up to date.

A popular demand for such a work has been answered by the offer The Ledger is making to its readers of The New Universities Dictionary in which thousands of words not found in any other dictionary are fully defined. Many of these words have been brought into general and proper use by the great strides made in science, business, religion and the various arts.

Specialized activities, such as aviation, golf, baseball and other forms of sports have also given currency to many new terms and definitions of which will be found in one or the other of the twenty-five supplementary dictionaries that have been incorporated in The New Universities Dictionary.

Bad Colds from Sudden Changes.

Spring brings all kinds of weather and with it comes colds and the revival of winter coughs and hoarseness. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey will head off a new cold or stop the old one, the soothing balsams relieve the sore throat and head the irritated tissues. Get a bottle today and start treatment at once. At your druggist, 25c. Formula on the bottle.

Wesley McCracken of Elkhart, came in Monday to spend a week or more with friends here. It will be remembered that Wesley was seriously crushed in a press of a cotton gin here while at work. When taken away in a critical condition it was feared he would never be able to come back to Rowena again, and his friends are glad to see him up and able to be about, even though he is very weak.—Rowena Review.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAGO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Aching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c.

Cai Proctor, of Midland, who had been looking after business interests and visiting in the Wilmeth and Winters country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home.

ORGANIZES \$60,000 PEACAN CORPORATION

Mr. H. A. Halbert, expert peacan and seed culturist of Coleman, has formed a corporation with two brothers, R. F. Halbert, banker of Eldorado and L. N. Halbert, ex-lawyer of Robert Lee. The corporation will be capitalized at \$65,000 and chartered under the name of the Halbert Peacan & Seed Company, with home office at San Angelo.

Listed in the stock of the corporation is the established seed business of Mr. H. A. Halbert and his 320 acres of developed peacan groves. Besides this the corporation will take over 300 acres of irrigated land on the Coneho river and 440 acres of fine land including natural peacan orchard on the Colorado river near Robert Lee.

The contract of incorporation calls for the beginning of business on or before January 1st, 1918. Mr. H. A. Halbert of Coleman will be president and general manager of the firm and the duties of the office will demand his removal from Coleman to San Angelo. Mr. R. F. Halbert will also move from Eldorado to San

Angelo where he will be actively identified with the corporation.—Coleman Democrat.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. (Seal)

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mrs. J. P. Pogue left Saturday afternoon for San Antonio to visit her sister and family a few weeks.

NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 percent interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on

H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

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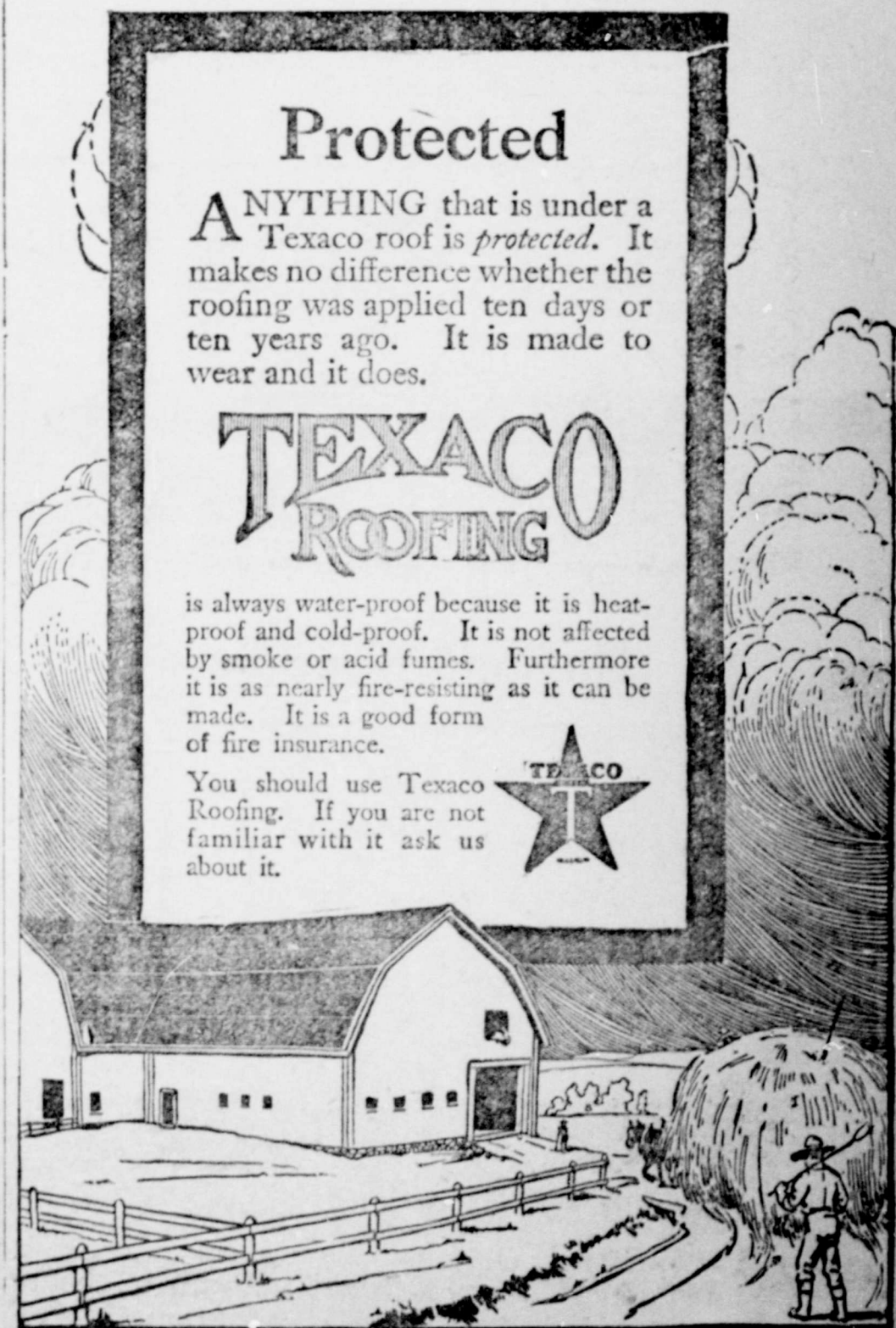
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