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## GERMANS PROTEST AS FRENCH OCCUPY RUHR

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—Thirty-eight trains, carrying French troops left Mayence yesterday for Essen, says the Essen Telegram today.

Arrival of heavy artillery is reported in the neighborhood of Neuss, near Dusseldorf, coming in advance of the French troops. A large technical equipment is also reaching Kettwig, near Essen.

The section of terrain between Dusseldorf and Essen is half covered with French military forces, according to private advices to Essen.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—The present French movement into the Ruhr district, involving Dusseldorf, will terminate at Essen, according to information received in British circles from observers in the Rhineland. The British maintain that they are without official knowledge of the French plans in occupying German territory.

The Reuter Telegraph Company's Berlin correspondent says that the German government is believed to be forming a formal protest to the signatory powers of the Versailles treaty regarding the proposed occupation of the Ruhr coal district by the French.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—The reparations commission today voted that Germany was in willful default in coal deliveries, according to agreement with allied powers. The vote was three to one. The British member of the commission cast the negative vote.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—No further advance of French troops is reported from any point into the unoccupied area of Germany early today. The troops which arrived last night at Mulheim, twenty kilometers Northeast of Dusseldorf, and at Speldorf nearby, have been withdrawn in the direction of Duisburg.

The first Belgian troops to be put in motion for co-operation with the French in occupying the Ruhr coal district, entrained at Brussels in four trains leaving for Aix la Chapelle, according to the Brussels Dispatch. The paper stated that the four trains were carrying eighteen hundred men.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The French foreign office officially and formally notified Germany today of the prospective seizure of the Ruhr district for the purpose of collecting reparations. It was announced that France would assume control of the Ruhr coal district tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The recall of Roland Boyden, unofficial American representative at the reparations commission, was demanded by Senator James A. Reed, democrat, of Missouri.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Withdrawal of all American troops from the Rhine was ordered today by President Harding. The state department said that the president deemed the time expedient for the recall of all forces at Coblenz.

There are about one thousand American soldiers stationed on the Rhine, and it was indicated that the order for their return would be carried out as soon as the American commander, Major General Allen could make the necessary arrangements for winding up the affairs of the army of occupation and close the camp. The date of the actual withdrawal of the troops will be left to the war department.

The transport St. Mihiel will leave New York today or tomorrow to bring the bulk of the Rhine force home. Secretary Weeks and Secretary Hughes attended the conference at the White House preceding the announcement that the troops are to be withdrawn practically at once.

COBLENZ, Germany, Jan. 10.—Orders for the withdrawal of the American troops from the Rhine, the news of which came through a dispatch from the Paris office of the Associated Press, caused

much excitement as it spread among the American soldiers here.

## SANTA FE TO RUN EXHIBIT TRAIN

For the purpose of encouraging dairying, poultry raising and pork production, the Santa Fe railroad will operate an exhibit and demonstration train over its system in the near future. The train is due to be at Ballinger on March 20th at 8:30 a. m.

The train will consist of seven cars, being made up of poultry cars, swine cars and cattle cars, especially equipped for exhibiting the pure bred stock and demonstrating the successful way for carrying on these lines of industry. There will also be a baggage car, a living car for those in charge of the train and a flat car for exhibiting livestock on and giving demonstrations.

This train will cost the railroad considerable to operate over its line, carrying a crew of experts in the respective lines who will address the people wherever the train stops and who will give instructions in the respective lines of industry which the train is supposed to boost.

The Santa Fe realizes that the operating of such a train will be a good investment, if the people along its system can be induced to raise more poultry, more pork and engage more extensively in dairying. There is a demand for cream and butter fats, and there is a demand for pork and poultry, and the more the people raise the more the railroads will get to haul to market.

The extension department of the A. & M. College is assisting in this work, and experts will accompany the train to give lectures and answer questions. C. M. Evans will have charge of the dairy cattle and dairying; A. L. Quard, swine and swine breeding; E. O. Edson, poultry and poultry raising; and in addition to these there will be other instructors from College Station.

The train will probably spend two and a half hours here, as it requires that much time to inspect the splendid exhibits carried and to hear the lectures. The train is due to arrive in Ballinger at 8:30 a. m., March 20th; Rowena, 11:10 a. m.; Miles, 12:55 p. m.; and Paint Rock at 3:50 p. m. A large number of farmers will no doubt gather here and at other places to attend the demonstration. The ladies are invited.

## MUST DIE FOR KILLING WIFE

AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—The death sentence against W. F. Aven, of McLennan county, convicted of the murder of his wife in July 1921, was affirmed in the Court of Criminal Appeals today. Aven is alleged to have given his wife poison while administering medicine.

## COTTON BELT MAY GET STATE RAILROAD

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—The sale of the state railroad to the Cotton Belt railroad will be the subject of a conference here late today between E. B. Perkins, general attorney for the Cotton Belt, and Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson, chairman of the board of managers of the state railroad.

Mrs. Stuart L. Williams left Tuesday afternoon for Pasadena, California, to be with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Cole. Mrs. Cole lost her sister last week, the sister dying at Pasadena. Mr. Williams accompanied Mrs. Williams as far as Brownwood Tuesday afternoon.

## Girl Says Deported By Klan

BASTROP, La., Jan. 10.—Addie May Hamilton declared on the witness stand in open hearing today, which is being held in connection with the slaying of Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards, that she was forced to leave her home near Mer Rouge, Louisiana, and was deported from the state by what she said was the "Ku Klux."

The girl named Dr. B. M. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, and "Pink" Kirkpatrick as two of a party of men who she testified came to her mother's home one night, took her away and put her aboard a train for Little Rock, Arkansas, the home of her sister. Miss Hamilton gave her age as seventeen.

BASTROP, La., Jan. 9.—J. L. Daniels, father of Watt Daniels, testified at the hearing today that he learned that subsequent to the kidnapping of his son and Thomas Richards, that four Mer Rouge citizens had been warned that they would have to leave the community, or be killed. Daniels said that his informant told him that Capt. Skipworth, the exalted cyclops of the Ku Klux Klan in the Morehouse parish, said "the men would have to get away."

Several men and two soldiers guarded the home of Addie May Hamilton, prospective witness, near Mer Rouge today, following anonymous telephone messages that an attempt might be made to kidnap the girl, who had been expected to testify, and was forced to leave the parish.

BASTROP, La., Jan. 8.—The state military forces in the Morehouse parish, which have been on duty in connection with the kidnapping investigation, have been reduced to two units. The Alexandria infantry company has been ordered to return home.

The condition of T. J. Burnett, the first man arrested following the investigation, and who is ill, is reported to be showing improvement. He is at Shreveport suffering with pleurisy.

BASTROP, La., Jan. 6.—Dr. Charles W. Duval and Dr. John A. Langford, pathologists, expressed the opinion today that the bodies of Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards were subjected to some "specially constructed device designed for inflicting punishment," in a report submitted in the open hearing against the depredations of a masked band in Morehouse parish.

## MAN AND WOMAN HANG IN LONDON

LONDON, Jan. 9.—Mrs. Edith Thompson and Frederick Bywaters were put to death in this city today for the murder of Mrs. Thompson's husband, Percy Thompson, last October.

Bywaters went to his death calmly, while Mrs. Thompson collapsed and had to be carried to the scaffold and supported while the noose was placed about her neck. Bywaters maintained that he killed Thompson by himself and that he did it in self defense and that the woman had no part in the murder.

## WHITE SOX COMING SOUTH TO TRAIN

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—The first squad of White Sox players, pitchers and catchers, will leave February 27th for Marlin, Texas, where they will be in short training. The detachment will then join the main squad at Seguin, Texas, about March 8th.

## ONE KILLED IN FAMILY TRAGEDY AT WICHITA FALLS

WICHITA FALLS, Jan. 8.—Major W. L. Culberson, National Guard inspector for Texas, and commander of the Pat Carrigan Post, American Legion, this morning shot and killed M. C. Lamar, a talking machine salesman, in the doorway of the latter's music shop.

Culberson is alleged to have said as he fired the shots which ended Lamar's life, "You have ruined my home." Culberson's wife is said to have filed suit for divorce several weeks ago. Culberson surrendered after shooting Lamar, and a formal complaint of murder has been filed against him.

The district attorney later advised officers and friends that no bail would be set until the grand jury which is in session investigated the case.

## LIQUOR LAWS ARE NOT IN CONFLICT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Appeals by Clyde Chandler and John Chandler against the State of Texas for dismissal of their convictions under the state prohibition laws, on the grounds that the state laws were repealed by the federal enforcement act, were thrown out today by the Supreme Court. The court affirmed the decision of the lower courts on the authority cited.

## TAKING STEPS FOR NEW CONSTITUTION

AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—A concurrent resolution providing for the calling of a constitutional convention to revise the Texas constitution was introduced in the senate today by Senator Doyle, of Teague, Texas.

The resolution provides for one member from each representative district, and specifically provides for the retention of the home-stead laws.

Other bills introduced in the Senate would repeal the Terrell primary election law for a substitute measure, and the abolishment of the control of the penitentiary by the present commission and the appointment of a manager for the penitentiary.

James E. Ferguson, former gov-

ernor, was accorded the privilege of addressing the Senate, after considerable discussion. Former Attorney General Looney was asked to address the Senate.

AUSTIN, Jan. 9.—The selection of a speaker of the House of Representatives was the principal work before today's session of the legislature, which convened at noon. The new members were sworn in and the election of a speaker immediately taken up. Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson presided at the opening session of the Senate and Secretary of State Staples presided in the House.

Read Leeger "wants" column.

## FRIENDS

There is nothing so valuable as friends, and nothing so necessary as to keep them. We desire to maintain co-operation with you during the coming year, and extend our wishes for a very

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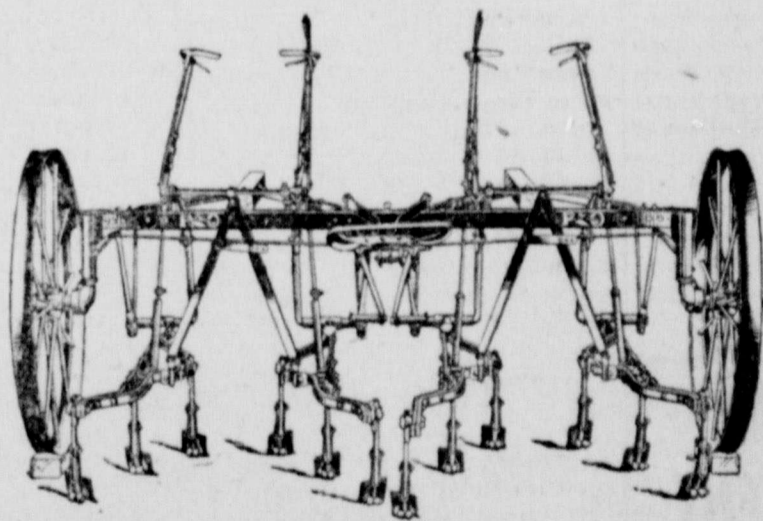
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**HOW LONG IRRIGATION DITCH LASTS, DISCUSSED**

EL PASO, Jan. 6.—How long a good, well built, irrigation ditch will last is hard to tell, according to officials of the United States Reclamation Service. Irrigation ditches have been used in the Rio Grande valley for centuries and are still good for many years more, they say.

Acquia Madre, the "Mother Ditch," or canal, near this city was built in 1680, and is still in use, according to L. R. Floek, assistant engineer of the reclamation service.

A score of other ditches a few miles from here have been in use for 200 years or more, and one of the main canals, which runs partly thru the residence district of El Paso is more than 100 years old.

Ditches in Juarez, just across the Rio Grande from here, which fills all the ditches, are just as old, and most of them are even older than the ones on the American side of the river," he said.

Ditches are named after saints and animals, as a rule. "Turtle," "Snake," "Cat," "Tree," are some of them. One group of ditches is called "The Three Saints."

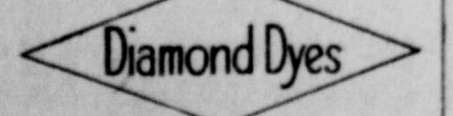
Aching joints, rheumatic pains, neuralgia, can be relieved quickly by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It is a powerful penetrating remedy. Three sizes, 30c; 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by John A. Weeks.

**MILES HAS BOY PREACHER**  
 Miles is claiming the youngest preacher in Texas. J. N. Tidwell, age 11 years, is attracting considerable attention as a preacher. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Tidwell, who live on a farm near Miles.

The boy preached to an overflow house at the Baptist church in Miles last Sunday evening, and is scheduled to preach again next Sunday night. He thrilled those who heard him, and plans are being made to put him in school and prepare him for the ministry. He has indicated for some time that he wanted to be a preacher and that God had called him to that service.

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**A.&M. BOOSTERS MEET JAN. 12TH**

Mayor E. R. Cockrell of Fort Worth, joined by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, has issued a call to the West Texas A. & M. College committee, and other West Texans interested in the creation of such a school to meet in Fort Worth on January 12th.

The meeting will be held for the purpose of harmonizing all of the interests which are at work on the proposition in order that unified action and a united front may be presented at this session of the legislature.

Ballinger is represented on the West Texas A. & M. committee by Secretary Williams of the Y. M. B. L., but it is unlikely that he will be able to attend this particular conference. However, the organization is assembling a strong committee to work for the location of the school in Ballinger after it has been created, and will superintend the revision of the brief to be presented to the locating committee. This city received favorable consideration from a part of the locating committee which visited this section when the school was first created by the legislature several years ago, and should be in far better condition at this time to receive favorable consideration from the new locating committee.

Pres. Bizzell of College Station and other leaders in South and East Texas favor the creation of the school, and its proponents feel certain that it will come into being this year.

**To Stop a Cough Quick**  
 take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

**DEPUTY INCOME TAX COLLECTOR RESIGNS**  
 N. Dow Chapman, for four years deputy revenue collector with headquarters at San Angelo, has tendered his resignation and will retire from the internal revenue department. Mr. Chapman has been visiting Ballinger since being stationed at San Angelo and checking up on delinquents and assisting tax payers in making out their returns. He will devote his time in representing individuals and firms in making out their income tax reports.

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**PECAN FINDS PLACE ON "ALL-AMERICAN" MEAL**

ABILENE, Jan. 6.—The pecan of West Texas probably will find a place on the "All-American" menu being compiled by the Sacramento, California chamber of commerce, according to Manager Whaley of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

"There are two conditions; first, the food product must be one that can be obtained anywhere in the United States any day of the year; secondly, it must be an all-American product," Mr. Whaley said.

**ONE HURT WHEN DODGE TURNS OVER**

Johnny Fox was considerably bruised up Friday afternoon, and a Dodge car owned by Lon Mapes was wrecked in a smash up on Eighth Street. The young man was driving on Eighth Street near the West Ward school building, when for some cause the car turned over. Fox was brought to town and later carried to the sanitarium where he received medical attention. The injuries are not considered serious.

A. E. Davis and W. P. Vaughn, of the Crews country, were in the city Monday.

**CORNS**  
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**SEVEN BILLS BY GRAND JURY**

While the number of indictments returned by the grand jury which adjourned Friday afternoon is a little above the average for Runnels county, the report of the grand jury speaks well for the county, and shows that crime here is held to a minimum.

The grand jury returned seven indictments, six of which were for felony charges. In its report the body says:

"We have carefully investigated all alleged violations of the law which have been presented to us by the officers and other citizens of the county. We have examined thirty-nine witnesses, and found seven true bills of which number six are felonies and one a misdemeanor.

"We have visited the jail and find same kept in a clean and sanitary way and no complaints were received from the prisoners as to their treatment. We find that there is some repair badly needed in way of making cells more secure and re-adjustment of cell openings, and we recommend that if possible, some means of heating other than the use of an oil stove be installed in what is termed the lunatic compartment, and that a suitable floor covering be provided for this compartment.

"We desire to compliment the custodian of the court house for his efficient service in taking care of the grounds and building which we find in very orderly condition.

"We find that our peace officers have been very diligent in the discharge of their duties and have spent much time in trying to curb violations of our liquor laws. They have met with many difficulties in regard to enforcing these laws and we want to urge our citizenship as a whole to lend their best efforts in assisting our officers in any way possible, that our county may in the future be free of bootleggers and their wares than it has been in the past.

"We have received a report from all of our county officers and desire to thank each of them for filing these reports promptly and in the good order they appeared.

"It has been gratifying to us to note the sincere interest and careful work of our county attorney, Mr. C. P. Shepherd, and our sheriff, Mr. Jim P. Flynt, in presenting matters before this body. These officers have saved us no little time and work by having the cases presented us in well prepared form.

"R. E. GEORGE,  
 Foreman."

**DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL WORK**

Only nineteen jurors out of the venire of thirty-six qualified for service this week when District Court convened at one-thirty Monday afternoon. Most of those excused were released from jury service on account of sickness, giving an index to the influenza situation throughout the county.

The criminal docket was called and Jack Cregg was arraigned for trial on a charge of automobile theft. The young man pleaded guilty and the usual form of fixing the punishment was passed up to the jury which will render a verdict later in the day. Cregg is charged with stealing a Ford car belonging to Joe Spoons here last September. The young man was apprehended at Fort Stockton and the car recovered. When arraigned for trial he offering no defense and the court accepted his plea of guilty after propounding the usual questions.

The criminal work of district court will be short this week, but a special venire has been summoned for next week when Paul Cates, charged with rape, will be arraigned for trial at 1:45 Monday afternoon. With the exception of three liquor violation cases, it is expected that the criminal docket will be cleaned up this week. It was clean when court convened last week, and the cases now being disposed of were docketed from the work of the grand jury last week.

**STOP CATARRH! OPEN NOSTRILS AND HEAD**  
 Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Relieves Head-Colds at Once.

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant relief. Ah! how good it feels. Your nostrils are open, your head is clear, no more hawking, snuffling, blowing; no more headache, dryness or struggling for breath. Ely's Cream Balm is just what sufferers from head colds and catarrh need. It's a delight.

**STATE TO ISSUE A NEW SURVEY**

AUSTIN, Jan. 8.—Surveys of agricultural products, transportation facilities and financial statistics of each county in Texas will be made and published each year under a plan announced today by Commissioner Charles E. Baughman of the State Markets and Warehouse Department. The surveys will be made by the marketing department and work already has begun on the first annual summary.

Commissioner Baughman proposes to review by maps of each county, the principal shipping points, area and population of the principal centers. The survey also will include all banks in the county with the capitalization and resources of each.

Other topics covered in the summary will include: area and value of all farmlands, agricultural products, fruits, livestock and nuts; surplus agricultural products in each county; highways and conditions of good roads, and taxable values of farmlands. As a result of the survey, the four principal crops of each county will be determined.

**NOTICE TO AUTOMOBILE OWNERS**

Our 1923 auto license plates arrived January 8th, so you will please arrange to pay same within the next 10 day.

If you do not care to make a trip to Ballinger just pin your signed check to your last year's registration receipt and mail to me and I will issue license and mail to you.

Yours very truly,  
 W. L. BROWN,  
 8-1d-1w Tax Collector.  
 J. P. Knight, of Winters, had business in Ballinger Monday.

**FIRST 1923 SNAKE STORY A BIG ONE**

The first real rattling good snake story for the New Year comes from Coleman county, and is told by the Coleman Democrat-Voice in reporting the discovery made by a hunting party in the Burkett community. The Democrat-Voice says that A. K. Wesley, W. D. Burkett, C. G. Burkett, Oscar Burkett, Joe and Jasper Burkett, W. O. Harwell, H. J. McFerrin, John and Sam Arrowood, went hunting last Sunday, just to close the old year, and raided two snake dens. One of the dens delivered up 36 rattlesnakes and the other 98 rattlesnakes, and the job was handled without any snake medicine.

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**SHORT COURSE TO BE GIVEN AT TABLETON**

STEPHENVILLE, Jan. 6.—A short course in farming and farm life for men and women who are interested in rural life will be held at John Tableton College, located here, on January 11, 12 and 13, according to plans of Professor Neal Gearrad of the college. Noted agricultural and livestock men are expected to make addresses during the three day course.

Herbert Jones left for Pioneer Sunday afternoon, where he will probably accept work in the oil field.

W. P. Hawkins, of Winters, passed thru the city Sunday, en route to Houston on business.

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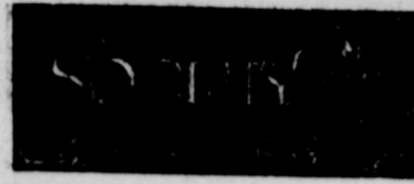
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**Ballinger Girl Weds Miles Boy**  
Quite a surprise reigned among her many friends here early last week, when it was learned that Miss Cleo Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, was happily married to Mr. Bert Hester of Miles.

Miss Cleo is well known in and around Ballinger, having lived in Ballinger most of her life. She grew from childhood here and is loved by all who know her—especially the "kiddies" of the communities where she has taught.

She graduated from high school here in 1919. She is also a student of the West Texas State Normal at Canyon and for the past three years has been a very successful teacher in this county. She is one of Ballinger's best, and we consider Mr. Hester very fortunate in securing her for life partner.

Mr. Hester is a very prominent, well-known young citizen of this county, having lived in Miles most of his life. He is very popular and has many friends who rejoice in his happiness.

The young couple is at home in Miles, where Mr. Hester is employed, and Mrs. Hester will also take up her school duties again after the holidays.

Their many friends of both Ballinger and Miles especially join hearts and hands in extending to the happy young couple their most hearty congratulations.

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Mrs. G. G. Odom is reported to be quite sick at the home of her daughter on Ninth Street.

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell, one of the teachers in the Ballinger schools, is off duty on account of the flu.

**TEXAS TO SEE SUN IN ECLIPSE**

There will be four eclipses in 1923, two of the moon and two of the sun, according to astronomers. An almost total eclipse of the sun will be visible to the citizens of Ballinger.

The first eclipse will be a partial eclipse of the moon on March 2nd. This will be visible at Ballinger between 8:30 and 10:30 p. m.

The second will be an annular, or ring eclipse, of the sun on March 17th. This will not be visible in the United States.

The third eclipse will be a partial eclipse of the moon on August 26th and will be visible at Ballinger between 3:30 and 5:30 a. m.

On September 10th, five-sixths of the sun's face will be under a shadow. This unusual eclipse will be visible in the United States, and according to the astronomers Ballinger people will observe the phenomenon about mid-afternoon. The eclipse will be first visible at 2:30, middle of the eclipse at 3:30 and the shadow will pass out about 4:30 p. m.

The astronomers declare that the solar eclipse comes in a series of 18 years and 10 or 11 days apart, according to the number of leap years. The above described eclipse is the same one which was visible in Kentucky on August 8, 1869, and also recorded again on August 30, 1905, when it was visible in total only in Spain. The eclipse will occur again on Sept. 20, 1941, and will be visible in some parts of the United States.

The eclipse of the sun this year will be total only on a strip of territory scarcely 100 miles wide running through San Diego, California, and thence Southeast into the Gulf of Mexico. Only about five-sixths of the surface of the sun will be covered at Ballinger.

**Constipation**

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

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellis have returned to Ballinger to make their home. They had been living in Brownwood for the past several months. The Colorado river water suited Mr. Ellis just a little better than Pecan Bayou water, and his friends will be glad to know that he and Mrs. Ellis are back at home.

L. C. Alexander is ill at his home on Eighth Street. Mr. Alexander has been in feeble health for some time.

W. P. Hearrell, of Bronte, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday, remaining over Friday.

**50 GOOD CIGARETTES 10¢**



**TO BUILD NEW DORMITORY AT SIMMONS**

ABILENE, Jan. 6.—Construction of the new men's dormitory at Simmons College, which will replace Cowden Hall, destroyed by fire May 14, 1922, will begin soon, with possible completion for the opening of the fall term next September, according to President Sandefer. The total cost of the building, he said, will be \$150,000. It will be constructed on the same order as the \$300,000 structure for men completed at Baylor University last year. The three floors will be divided into suites, he said, each suite having a shower bath and outside entrance.

**A TONIC**

Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

**Valley Farmers to Plant Cotton and Broomcorn**

BROWNSVILLE, Jan. 5.—The Rio Grande valley farmers will plant a big acreage of broomcorn this year, and the cotton acreage will be more than doubled. Planting of both cotton and broomcorn will start early in February. The broomcorn situation looks very bright for the valley farmers. The failure of the broomcorn crops in the Oklahoma and Illinois sections last year has resulted in a big demand and high prices, and as the valley crop will be ready for the market several weeks ahead of any other section of the United States, the farmers expect to "cash in" on the high prices. Valley cotton also is the first on the market every year, and the present prospects of a cotton shortage indicates that the first cotton will bring a high price, it is added.

**OUCH! RUB BACKACHE, STIFFNESS, LUMBAGO**

Back hurts you? Can't straighten up without sudden pain, sharp aches and twinges? Now listen! That's lumbago, sciatica, or maybe from a strain, and you'll get relief the moment you rub your back with soothing, penetrating St. Jacobs Oil. Nothing else takes out soreness, lameness and stiffness so quickly. You simply rub it on your back, and out comes the pain. It is harmless, and doesn't burn the skin.

Limber up! Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old honest St. Jacobs Oil from any drug store, and after using it just once you'll forget that you ever had backache, lumbago or sciatica, because your back will never hurt, or cause any more misery. It never disappoints, and has been recommended for 60 years.

**MANY OUT OF THE SCHOOLS WITH FLU**

The Ballinger schools have been crippled this week on account of the flu epidemic. Superintendent Skinner reports about twenty-five per cent of the enrollment absent, with six teachers out Tuesday, five out Wednesday and three out Thursday. Miss Virginia Mills, who went to her home near Houston for the holidays, is sick, and wired that she could not report for duty before the end of the week. Mrs. Low is ill at Waco, where she went to spend the Christmas vacation. It is believed however, that the epidemic has done its worst and that conditions will improve rapidly within the next week.

Miss Maurine Wylie returned to Sherman Wednesday afternoon to finish the term at Kid-Key College.

**WILL OPPOSE ANY NEW TAX BURDEN**

MARSHALL, Tex., Jan. 6.—Revision of the Texas tax system so as to lower present tax rates and measures to defeat the idea which he says is now current that the state treasury is an "unexhaustible grab-bag," will be favored by Cary M. Abney, representative of the 16th District, when the legislature convenes next week.

In a statement issued today, Abney declares himself opposed to a constitutional convention, to the separation of the insurance and banking departments, and to establishment of a West Texas A. & M. college.

"This is a time for rigid economy and no new offices or institutions should be created by the legislature," Abney said. "The state is now operating on a credit basis due largely to the fact that the people are unable to pay the taxes already levied against them. I am in favor of tax revision but the revision must be downward and not upward. I shall look with disfavor upon the creation of any new methods of taxation such as sales taxes or nuisance taxes as they are commonly called.

"I do not think this is an opportune time to re-write the organic law of the state. The people are obsessed with extravagant ideas, and everyone seems to regard the public treasury as an inexhaustible grab-bag. I should consider it a great misfortune if a new constitution was adopted which authorized a material increase in the tax limits fixed by the present constitution, and unless this is done, I believe those who want a new constitution will be greatly disappointed. I do not believe that the people would adopt a new constitution at this time."

**BREAK CHEST COLDS WITH RED PEPPER**

Ease your tight, aching chest, stop the pain. Break up the congestion. Feel a bad cold loosen up in just a short time.

"Red Pepper Rub" is the cold remedy that brings quickest relief. It cannot hurt you and it certainly seems to end the tightness and drive the congestion and soreness right out.

Nothing has such concentrated penetrating heat as red peppers, and when heat penetrates right down into colds, congestion, aching muscles and sore, stiff joints relief comes at once.

The moment you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes the congested spot is warmed thru and thru. When you are suffering from a cold, rheumatism, backache, stiff neck, or sore muscles, just get a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub, made from red peppers, at any drug store. You will have the quickest relief known. Always say "Rowles."

**NEGRO ROAD HAND IS KILLED AT COLEMAN**

COLEMAN, Jan. 6.—J. L. Jackson, a negro road hand, was crushed to death Thursday afternoon at two o'clock on Ford's Creek on the Abilene crossing North of Coleman when a pit being excavated for a bridge caved in. The negro with other hands was working in an eighteen foot pit, when the foreman observed the danger and gave the warning of a cave in. All the hands escaped from the pit except the one negro. One other negro was caught by the avalanche of dirt and buried from his waist down. Had he been a second delayed in getting out of the pit he would have been crushed also.

**Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days**

"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It stimulates and regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

**WORKED FOR TEXAS FIFTY-TWO YEARS**

AUSTIN, Jan. 6.—The record of 52 years service with the state, accredited to C. M. Calloway, record and deposition clerk of the state land office, who died here recently, is said to be the best and longest ever made by a state employe. Calloway had served continuously with the state. George W. Beaver, Calloway's successor, also has an enviable service record. Beaver has been with the state office thirty-two years.

**IF SICK, BILIOUS! START YOUR LIVER**

Don't Take Calomel! "Dodson's Liver Tone" Acts Better and Doesn't Gripe, Salivate or Make You Sick—Don't Lose a Day's Work—Read Guarantee

Ugh! Calomel makes you sick. It's horrible! Take a dose of the dangerous drug tonight and tomorrow you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you are sluggish and "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour, just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it can not salivate or make you sick.

**TIES 100 NUPTIAL KNOTS IN BALLINGER**

Couple No. 100 stood before Dr. Alvin Swindell Wednesday afternoon about five-thirty and heard the words pronounced which will make them for better or for worse. The couple was C. L. Elms and Miss Flora Traylor. Mr. Elms resides on the Bruce farm South of Ballinger, where the happy young couple went to make their home.

The ceremony brought before Dr. Swindell his one hundredth couple since he began such work in the city, and made 200 people whom the Baptist pastor has sent on their way rejoicing since he commenced his ministry in this

city. "I was here about six months before I got a start," said Dr. Swindell in reporting his last wedding. Chas. Slaughter and Miss Theresa Jonas was the first couple and they are still living happily in Ballinger, indicating that Dr. Swindell makes a good job of his work in this line.

**Bilious Headache**

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

Read Ledger "wants" column.



**Keep this Door Open Too—Mr. Merchant!**

Would you lock one of your doors for the price of a telephone?

When your telephone is busy (with either incoming or outgoing calls) an important business-getting door of your store is closed and locked. Maybe the customer who wants to telephone you an order will wait until that door is open again—but maybe he won't!

If your present equipment is often in use, you might make a profit on another telephone or "trunk"—or on even several more; a good many merchants do.

We can list them all under the same number, using any of your lines that is idle when you are called. It will pay you to make it easy for your customers to reach you on the telephone. Think it over.

"At Your Service"

**WEST TEXAS TELEPHONE CO.**

**Which Is Larger the Sun or a Cent**

The sun is the largest but you can hold the cent so close to your eye that you'll lose sight of the sun. Don't let a cheap price or a big can baking powder make you lose sight of quality.

**CALUMET The Economy BAKING POWDER**



Is the quality leavening—for real economy in the kitchen, always use Calumet, one trial will convince you.

The sale of Calumet is over 150% greater than that of any other baking powder.



**THE WORLD'S GREATEST BAKING POWDER**

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We make loans running from 5 to 20 years, with any kind of option of pre-payment, at interest rates excelled by none. See us about your land notes.

We have to trade for Runnels County property, 100 acres in Hill County; 95 acres in cultivation, 1 1-2 miles from Abbott, on piked highway. Good old black land. If you want something in the best part of Central Texas let us talk with you.

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Ballinger, Texas.

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**LOOKING SHOES**  
you see on well dressed men and women may not be new at all. They may be footware that we have repaired. Every day more smart dressers are learning how our repairing machines make old shoes new in looks with the comfort of old ones. Send us a pair of your own as a test. Then we'll have another regular customer.



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## Only Few Changes Noted in Election Bank Boards

The stockholders of the various banks of Runnels county, whose fiscal year runs with the calendar year, met Tuesday and set in motion the activities of the financial institutions for another year. It was the annual meeting of the stockholders of most of the banks of the county, and a majority of the shareholders were either represented in person or by proxy at the respective meetings.

Without exception, the banks closed the year in good shape, and with brighter prospects than for many years. With the exception of two or three changes caused by death or removal from the city, the old boards were re-elected, and with perhaps one exception, the officers of the various banks were re-elected.

No changes were made in the line-up of the Ballinger State Bank. The old board and old officers were re-elected. No changes were made in the Miles National Bank.

The Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Ballinger re-elected the old board of directors with the exception of R. F. Spencer, of San Antonio, who succeeds R. R. Russell, deceased; and J. A. Zak, who succeeds H. Giesecke, Mr. Giesecke declaring his intentions of spending most of his time in San Antonio. Mr. Giesecke has been serving as president of the F. & M. Bank. The board of directors will organize and elect officers within a few days, or as soon as out-of-town directors can attend the meeting.

The First National Bank of Ballinger only makes one change in its official board, F. M. Pearce being elected to succeed R. A. Nicholson, deceased. This bank has a record of which it is justly proud. The sixty-eighth semi-annual dividend was declared at the meeting. The bank was organized in 1886, and a remarkable feature of the meeting Tuesday was the attendance of D. M. Baker for the thirty-sixth time. Mr. Baker never having missed a meeting since he had a part in organizing the bank thirty-six years ago, and he has served the institution as an active officer during the thirty-six years.

The banks enter upon another year's work with the following named men in charge of their affairs:

First National Bank—J. Y. Pearce, president; D. M. Baker, vice-president; A. J. Thorp, vice-president; R. G. Erwin, cashier; J. W. Patterson, asst. cashier; W. R. Bogle, asst. cashier; J. A. Walker, J. Y. Pearce, Gus Noyes, A. J. Thorp, J. McGregor, R. G. Erwin, F. M. Pearce, D. M. Baker, and W. W. Fowler; directors.

Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co.—R. W. Bruce, president; C. R. Stephens, vice-president; C. P. Shepherd, vice-president; N. K. Freeman, cashier; Sam Baker, asst. cashier; R. W. Bruce, C. R. Stephens, C. P. Shepherd, Sam Baker, N. K. Freeman, Wm. Halfmann, N. J. Allen, Feb. McWilliams, J. S. Cochran of Houston; directors.

Farmers and Merchants State Bank—G. G. Odum, J. F. Currie, E. D. Walker, J. A. Zak, J. L. Chastain, and R. F. Spencer of San Antonio; directors. The officers will be elected later.

Miles National Bank—R. W. Bruce, president; John F. Lacy,

vice-president; Ray B. Johnston, cashier; Frank Lewin, asst. cashier; I. A. Curry, A. P. Luckett, Julius Helwig, Fred Keichle, Jno. Simecek, R. W. Bruce, John F. Lacy, Ray B. Johnston, Frank Lewin; directors.

### Old Resident Given Up by Physicians

"Given up by five doctors, my only hope an operation. I rebelled not cutting me open, as I am 75 years old. A neighbor advised trying Mayr's Wonderful Remedy for stomach trouble. I got relief right away. I had not eaten for 10 days and was as yellow as a gold piece. I could have lived only a few days but for this medicine." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.—All druggists.

## 1922 RAIN FALL ABOVE AVERAGE

The yearly average rainfall at Ballinger for the past quarter of a century amounts to 22.15. The year just closed shows 27.45, or 5.30 inches above the average. This is almost as much rain as fell here in 1920 and 1921 combined, the rainfall for the two last mentioned years amounting to 14.77 for 1921 and 15.25 for 1920.

April and May were the wet months last year, with November claiming third place. More than half the total rainfall of the year fell in April and May, and it was the seasons of these months which produced the crop, a 1.50 inch fall in July adding to the production.

Crop production in this county cannot be attributed so much to the amount of rainfall registered for the entire year, but the yield is governed largely on what period of the year the rain falls. Good rains in April and May with showers in June and July generally does the work, and the largest cotton crops produced in the history of the county have been made on spring seasons.

It will be observed by the following record that rain to some extent fell here every month last year with the exception of December, when there was no precipitation:

January	.45
February	.20
March	1.25
April	7.80
May	6.25
June	.90
July	1.50
August	.45
September	2.25
October	2.20
November	4.20
December	.00
Total	27.45

R. M. Gabbert and son, of the Norton county, had business in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Gabbert is a new citizen in the county, moving to the Norton country from Coleman county and he begins right by subscribing for The Ledger.

## Sanitary Chicken Houses Vital To Success in Poultry Raising

Poor Policy to Wait Until Houses and Flocks are Infested Before Combatting Parasites.

By SETH W. SHOEMAKER  
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International Correspondence  
Schools, Scranton, Pa.

The careful poultryman must be constantly on the watch for parasites to prevent his fowls and poultry houses from being mastered by the insect vermin.

In fact to be successful in poultry raising a systematic warfare must be waged against the insects or enemies of poultry at all times, and to be successful the methods of killing these parasites must be intelligently carried out.

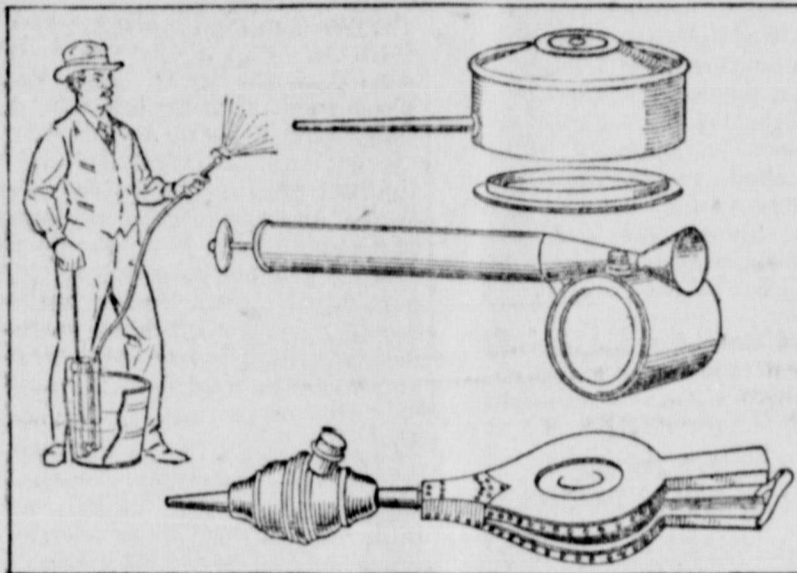
There are a number of kinds of insecticides used for this purpose including liquid, fume and powder insecticides. Liquid and fume insecticides may kill all kinds of parasites but the liquid insecticides are usually the most convenient to apply. Powder insecticides will kill some parasites in short order while other parasites will scamper away uninjured. Powder insecticides are usually not satisfactory when applied to poultry houses but are effective on the bodies of the birds.

Not only the fowls themselves

bag of fine lime and start at the end of the house farthest from the door, walk slowly backwards toward the door scattering the lime against the ceiling, sidewalls, nest boxes, etc. The air should be filled with a cloud of white dust. One half bushel of lime dust will answer for a poultry house 20 feet wide and 40 or 50 feet long. A thin cloth that the poultryman can the eyes, nose and mouth to prevent through should be tied over the lime dust from getting into them. The house should be closed again for twenty-four hours to allow the lime dust to settle.

The house should be brushed out and swept clean. All litter should be taken out and moistened with kerosene and burned. Any that will not burn should be buried deep in the ground.

**Using Liquid Insecticides**  
After it is cleaned, the house should be sprayed both inside and outside with some good liquid insecticide similar to Creosote. Purchased at different times and different places this will not always be of the same thickness or viscosity. It should be thinned, how-



TYPES OF SPRAYING APPARATUS.

but the poultry buildings must be kept free from parasites. This may be news to a large number of poultry raisers but it is a fact that the most serious of all poultry pests is the Red Mite that hides in the cracks and crevices of the house and attacks the birds only on the roost at night.

### Taking Preventive Measures

It is always poor policy to wait until the poultry house as well as the fowls are thoroughly infested with the parasites before taking corrective measures. The presence of such pests in a poultry house means that the vitality of the fowls has been sapped to a considerable extent. No matter how thick the parasites may be in a house they can be destroyed in a short time by practicing the proper methods but the vitality of the birds cannot be so easily restored. Hence preventives taken at the proper time are much more satisfactory than attempting to kill off the parasites after they have gained a good foothold.

The first step in preventing parasites is to keep the houses clean, admit plenty of sunshine and prevent dampness in the building so far as possible. After these conditions are assured liquid insecticides should be regularly sprayed over the interior of the building.

No amount of insect powder blown into the plumage of fowls will keep them free from parasites so long as they must live in a building infested with lice or mites.

To clean thoroughly a poultry house that has become highly infested with parasites or insects like lice or mites is a problem that requires drastic measures. The first step is to remove all poultry to other quarters where they should be thoroughly dusted with insect powder and kept in a sort of quarantine by themselves while the house is being cleaned.

### How to Fumigate

The next step is to fumigate either with sulphur or tobacco. Every crack, crevice and other opening should be stopped so that the fumes will not escape. If either sulphur or tobacco is used it should be burned in an iron pot or kettle to avoid fire. If these substances are moistened with alcohol or some other inflammable material they will burn more freely. The building should be kept tightly closed for twenty-four hours after fumigation is started.

Next, the house should be dusted with dry air slaked lime. To do this a person should take a

ever, so that it will spray easily through an ordinary sprayer, usually with two or four parts of kerosene. Another mixture consists of two and half gallons of Creosote, two and a half gallons of water and one pound of washing soda.

A second application of the liquid insecticides should be made to the interior of the house and nest boxes, roosts, etc., before the fowls are allowed to return.

The fowls should be thoroughly dusted with insect powder immediately before they are put back into the house. They should be returned at dusk with the powder in their plumage so that they can rest the first night covered with the powder.

After this treatment the house should be sprayed about once a month with some good liquid insecticide and kept as clean as possible.

The insects commonly attacking chickens that will be eliminated by a campaign of this kind includes the large chicken louse, the variable chicken louse and the common chicken louse and the red mite.

### THAT DULL ACHING

Don't worry and complain about a bad back. Get rid of it! For weak kidneys, lame and aching backs, your neighbors recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Ask your neighbor!

Mrs. R. A. Williamson, 205 N. 6th St., says: "I had kidney complaint and my back ached. I felt dull and languid especially in the morning and could hardly keep going. Dizzy headaches annoyed me and the action of my kidneys was irregular. I read of Doan's Kidney Pills and bought some at the Pearce Drug Co. Doan's benefited me, relieving all the symptoms of kidney complaint and strengthening my back."

### Lasting Benefit

Mrs. Williamson gave the above statement July 24, 1915, and on April 29, 1919, she added: "My opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills is as high as ever. Doan's relieved me from kidney trouble and I have had no occasion to use them since." 60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Bert Fletcher was in the city from the Maverick country Thursday. He said some of the folks in his community were pretty sick with the flu.

## MAKING RUSH ON Child-birth TAX COLLECTOR

Valuable Illustrated Book Sent Free

How thousands of women, by the simple method of an eminent physician, have avoided unnecessary miseries through many months and up to the moment baby has arrived, is fully explained in the remarkable book, "Motherhood and the Baby." Tells also what to do before and after baby comes, probable date of birth, baby rules, etc., and about "Mother's Friend," used by three generations of mothers, and sold in all drug stores everywhere. "Mother's Friend" is applied externally, is safe, free from narcotics, permits easier natural readjustment of muscles and nerves during expectancy and child-birth. Start using it today. Mrs. E. E. Kerger, Stuyton, Minn., says: "It pulled me through." Send for book today, to Bradford Regulator Co., RA-35, Atlanta, Ga. "Mother's Friend" is sold at all drug stores.



### PECULIAR ACCIDENT KILLS LITTLE BOY

BROWNWOOD, Jan. 10.—Woodrow Wilson, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Boulder Pilkington, of this city, died at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning as the result of a peculiar accident. The little fellow was riding a tricycle and had a toy balloon in his mouth. He fell from the tricycle and it is presumed that the fall caused him to suck a piece of the balloon down his throat, death resulting in a short while.

## FO-TO-SHO THEATRE

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in

## The Loaded Door

In the story of a young man who faced a whole flock of flying fists more bravely than he did the smiles of a pretty girl.

Lee Moran in

"Some Family"

A Century comedy

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We will handle your 4-3-4 per cent Victory Bonds.

Payment of 4-3-4 per cent Victory Bonds bearing letters A, B, C, D, E or F prefixed to serial numbers, will be paid December 15th, 1922, and interest will stop on that date.

Bring these Victory Bonds to us for payment and we will pay them without discount.

We will be glad to furnish our services, without cost, in the collection of War Savings Stamps which mature on January 1, 1923.

## Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co.

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N. K. Freeman, Cashier

## Nervous Break-Down

MRS. ANNIE LANGE, of R. F. D. 1, Burlington, Tex., writes as follows regarding her experience with Cardui: "Some time ago I had a nervous break-down of some kind. I was very weak and so nervous. I had fainting spells and suffered a great deal, but more from the weak, trembling, no-account feeling than anything else. I knew I needed a tonic, and needed it badly. I began the use of Cardui to see if I couldn't get some strength, as I knew of other cases that had been helped by its

use. I soon saw a great improvement, so I kept it up. I used seven bottles of Cardui, and can say the money was well spent, for I grew well and strong. Am now able to do all my housework and a great deal of work besides."

If you are weak, run-down, nervous and suffer from the ailments peculiar to women, it is very likely that Cardui will help you, in the way it helped Mrs. Lange and has helped thousands of others, during the past 40 years. Ask for, and insist on, Cardui.

# CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

## A Few Facts Regarding Ballinger Concert Band

The Ballinger Concert Band has been in existence now for about three months. Most of the boys started new and will have to learn from the ground up, but in this short time the band has made seven public appearances and played two complete concerts.

At the meeting of the band Wednesday night some of the needs were discussed and it was found that the most needed thing was money. Only about \$75 per month has been subscribed to the upkeep of the band so far and part of that by the band members. This amount is only sufficient to keep the band with a director on half time and leaves nothing to buy music with. Mr. Earnshaw stated at the meeting Wednesday night that he would start giving private lessons at the rate of \$2.50 per month for one lesson per week and \$4.00 per month for two lessons a week. This will give beginners a chance to learn much faster and practically all those men who have not played before are taking advantage of this opportunity.

The band must have a bass horn and the need for new music is increasing now until for a while it will take quite a sum each month to get a library started.

The band has about 36 active members with new recruits ready to come in at any time they are solicited. Below is a list of the members, the personal instrument, and the cost; showing what the boys have invested in the proposition:

- Cornets**  
R. W. Earnshaw, \$105.00; Marvin Atkins, \$105.00; Robert Lee Maddox, \$105.00; Oran Dean, \$105.00; Roy Hull, \$45.00.
- Clarinets**  
James Trail, \$40.00; Lee Hamilton, \$50.00; Coy Drennan, \$65.00; David Gregory, \$40.00; Ross Murchison, \$40.00; Durward Hill, \$40.00; Johnnie Fox, \$40.00; Leo Mapes, \$40.00.
- Piccola**  
P. C. Straley, \$25.00.
- Mellophones**  
N. Passur, \$65.00; Fred Atwell, \$65.00; Garrett Daugherty, \$65.00.
- Bass**  
Coy Drennan, \$65.00.
- Baritones**  
Billie Cordill, \$110.00; Owen O'Neil, \$50.00.
- Trombones**  
Rev. Jesse Mitchell, \$65.00; Fulton Lane, \$65.00; L. E. Bair, Jr., \$140.00; Chas. Boyd, \$85.00; J. L. Campbell, \$85.00; Mr. Carsey, \$85.00.
- Saxophones**  
A. R. Jones, \$127.50; Harry Lynn, \$145.00; Floyd Carr, \$145.00; C. B. Conn, \$145.00; Rev. Mitchell, \$145.00; Herbert Dean, \$175.00; Ernest Moody, \$75.00;

Delbert Vancil, \$100.00; Troy Simpson, \$197.50.

**Drums**  
Ed Meadows, \$45.00; Fritz Chaillette, \$65.00.

**Music Stands**  
30 music stands, \$60.00.

**Music**  
Music now in library, \$50.00.

**Grand Total**  
All instruments, etc., \$3,265.00.

These figures represent the investment that the members of the band have made and it is proof enough that those who comprise the band do not want it to die and if a few more of the citizens will get behind the organization Ballinger will have the best band in West Texas next summer to give weekly concerts and represent it at gatherings in this part of the state.

All merchants who have been called upon have contributed to the cause but there are many yet who have not been solicited and in the next few days an effort will be made to see everyone and if you want to make a monthly donation sign a card at the Young Men's Business League offices or see the committee, which is composed of Rev. Jesse Mitchell, M. C. Atkins and Floyd J. Carr.

### APPLY SULPHUR ON A PIMPLY SKIN

Apply Sulphur as Told When Your Skin Breaks Out.

Any breaking out of the skin on face, neck, arms or body is overcome quickest by applying Mentho-Sulphur. The pimples seem to dry right up and go away, declares a noted skin specialist.

Nothing has ever been found to take the place of sulphur as a pimple remover. It is harmless and inexpensive. Just ask any druggist for a small jar of Rowles' Mentho-Sulphur and use it like cold cream.

District Attorney Walter Early went to Brownwood Friday afternoon to spend Saturday and Sunday. He will return here to represent the state in district court next week.

Mrs. Lizzie Mitchell is seriously ill, and the physicians hold out no hope for her recovery. Mrs. Mitchell is growing old, and those who are watching after her declare that she is gradually growing weaker.

J. F. McMillan, of the compass, was among the boys again Thursday after a few days off with the flu. The McMillan family was pretty hard hit, and Mrs. McMillan and daughters are still ill.

## SPECIAL VENIRE ROAD CREW ON STATUTORY CASE IMPORTANT WORK

The court has ordered a special venire summoned from which to make up the jury to try Paul Cates, charged with a statutory offense, and the case has been docketed for trial Monday, January 15th.

The grand jury returned an indictment against the seventeen year old boy Thursday, charging him with assault on a young lady of about the same age, in the Wilmett community. The offense is alleged to have been committed on Christmas day near the home of the young lady. Young Cates was first carried to Abilene, but later brought to Ballinger and has been in jail here pending action of the grand jury. It was reported Thursday that attorneys would seek the boy's release on bond pending arraignment for trial. F. L. Snodgrass, of Coleman; and W. A. Wright, of San Angelo, it is reported, have been employed by the defense in the case.

The young man is a member of a prominent Bronte family, while the young lady is a member of one of the most prominent and well known families of the Wilmett country. There was considerable feeling in the neighborhood where the crime is alleged to have been committed following the arrest of the young man, but friends of the injured parties prevailed on them to let the law take its course in the case, and a speedy trial has been asked for. It is not known what the young man's defense will be, but the case will attract considerable attention, due to the prominence of the families.

**Colds Cause Grip and Influenza**  
LAXATIVE REGO-GUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. No.

### REV. TAYLOR URGES HIS RESIGNATION

"To the Eighth Street Church of Christ, Dear Brethren: "Having tendered to you my resignation, as your minister, may I ask you to accept the same at your next meeting? Resignation to take effect Feb. 11, at which time, I will preach my goodbye discourse. This gives the agreed upon thirty days notice. Let peace and harmony prevail among you and I pray you accept this in the spirit in which I present it. God bless guide and keep you in his love, is my prayer. "PLEASANT J. TAYLOR."

### MY APOLOGY

"First to the Church of Christ and to the decent citizens of Ballinger.

"I deeply regret taking part in the mud slinging contest staged at the court house Thursday night. I am not apologizing for defending the principals of the Klan for clean discussion between gentlemen always leads to a better understanding of the subject discussed, but when it comes to descending into the mud and slime you can't do it and come out clean. Slop is not argument and none but swine squeal and rejoice when it is poured out, and make manifest their joy.

"If in the largeness of your souls you will pardon me for this mistake, I will promise to be more careful in the future. "Your humble servant "PLEAS. J. TAYLOR."

Herbine corrects biliousness, indigestion, and constipation. It is a fine herbal medicine that drives out impurities and restores healthy conditions in the system. Price 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks.

W. W. Hall and J. W. Copeland, of Winters, who had been serving as grand jurors, returned home Friday afternoon, having completed their work in court.

Mrs. Fannie Johnson returned to her home at Bonham Thursday afternoon, after spending a few days with friends in Ballinger and looking after business.

### HOARSENESS

Swallow slowly small pieces—rub well over the throat.

## VICKS VAPORUB

Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

Lawrence Shields, of Wichita Falls, was in Ballinger Friday, spending a day or two here on business and shaking hands with friends.

J. M. Slaughter, of Maverick, was looking after business in Ballinger Thursday.

Commissioner Deens has his grading crew at work on the gap of the road between where the paving begins in the city and the Elm Creek bridge, and with the splendid grading outfit is throwing up a good grade which will form the base for putting that gap of the highway in good shape. As soon as this grade is completed the crew will be transferred to the South end and build the grade on Hutchings Avenue from Tenth Street to the Colorado river bridge.

The city will use the crushed rock material from Hutchings Avenue and Eighth Street in surfacing this road as far as it will go and it is probable that Commissioner Deens will complete the job with gravel, building a substantial road from bridge to bridge and connecting with the paved district.

These two gaps are the most important links in the highway of this county. They are the connecting links for every highway which passes thru the county, all travel from the North, South, East and West passing over this part of the road; the Abilene road turning North and the Coleman road turning South after passing thru the city, and the San Angelo road and the Brady and Paint Rock roads forking a short distance after crossing the river.

Commissioner Deens has one of the best grading outfits in West Texas, and the work is in charge of men who know how to build the grade. The engineer has set the pegs for the grade, and it is to be hoped that a good hard surface will be put on to cap the grade and make the work lasting.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

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

### FLU EPIDEMIC ON THE WANE

Considerable improvement among the sick folks is indicated by reports received at The Ledger office. Very few new cases have been reported during the last twenty-four hours, and those who have been down are reported to be recovering. It is believed that the epidemic which has been raging here for two or three weeks has about run its course and normal health conditions will prevail again soon.

"Ever Gloss," the latest improved Varnish, makes old Cars new, on sale at the following: W. A. Nance's garage; Jno. A. Weeks drug store; E. J. Cathey's saddle shop; W. A. Talley's garage. Price \$1.00. J. A. NICHOLS, Sole Agent for Runnels and Tom Green counties.



### How About Your Family's Future?

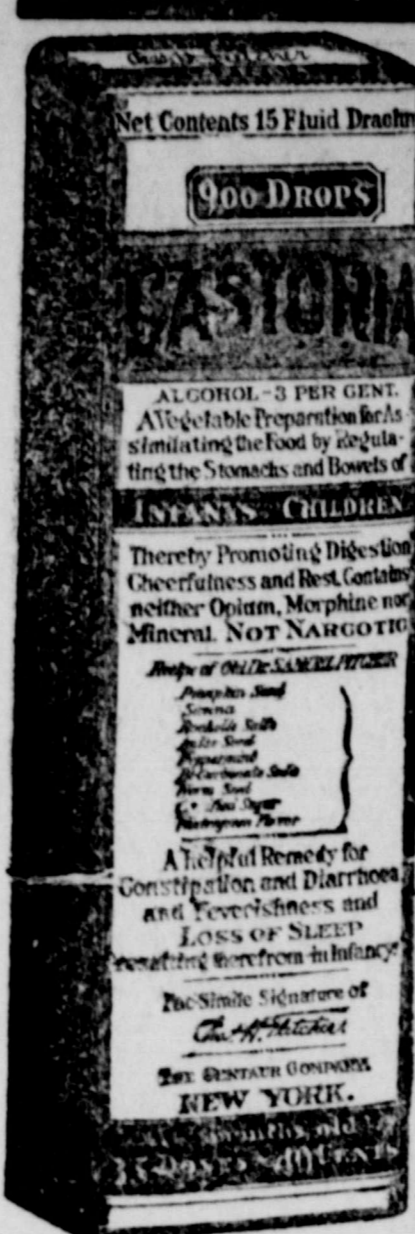
One sees instances of the eternal tragedy every day. The breadwinner dies—the widow—inexperienced in financial matters—is easily persuaded into speculation by some unprincipled broker—and then Poverty!

You owe it to your family to provide for their future happiness—for you may be the next to go!

We have a plan which is as simple as it is efficient—come in and talk it over today.

American Central Life Insurance Co.

R. J. Wheeler, Agt. Ballinger, Texas.



# CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria

Always Bears the Signature

of *Dr. J. C. Hatcher* In Use For Over Thirty Years

# CASTORIA

### IN JAIL FOR BURNING HIS BROTHER'S BARN

TALPA, Jan. 5.—George Broyles is in jail at Coleman, and has confessed to setting fire to his brother's barn. The barn of Andy Broyles, three miles East of here, was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning, together with a Ford car, considerable feed, harness, three pigs and other stuff.

The two brothers lived near each other. In his confession it is alleged that George Broyles said he set fire to the barn through spite, he and Andy Broyles having had trouble over a business settlement. Both men are married and have families. The accused man is a lay-preacher and frequently preached at small churches.

George Broyles was one of the first men to reach the scene of the fire and took a hand in fighting the fire. It is said that his brother accused him of setting fire to the barn and the two men engaged in a fight. Later the sheriff of Coleman county placed George under arrest on suspicion and he made a confession.

To drive out worms that are eating away the strength and vitality of your child, use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels the worms without injury to the child. Price 35c. Sold by John A. Weeks.



## Fordson Often Does More In a Day Than Six Horses

- The Fordson substitutes motors for muscles.
- The Fordson substitutes tractor wheels for the legs of man and horse.
- The Fordson takes the burden off flesh and blood and puts it on steel.

It allows the farmer's energy to be devoted to management, and not merely to operation. It gives him time. It cuts his producing costs.

There's a big story of savings made possible by the Fordson. Let us tell you. Write, phone or call.

## Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas

## Dean Brothers Tire & Battery Station

(Successors to Holmes)

### Exide Batteries, Seiberling Casings and Tubes.

Let us do your vulcanizing and battery charging. If you get down, telephone 118.

Blackheaded TWO YEAR TERMS Pimples Quit IN THREE CASES With S. S. S.

Why? Pimple-Poison Goes When Red-Blood-Cells Increase S. S. S. Builds These Red-Blood-Cells.



That is what you need when you see pimples starting at you in the mirror. Black-headed pimples are worse! Eczema is worse yet!

WEDS FORT WORTH LADY VISITING HERE

Rev. Alfred Orager performed the ceremony at two o'clock last Sunday afternoon that united in wedlock H. C. Brunson...

Mrs. H. C. Marlow returned to her home at McGregor Friday afternoon. She had been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Carlton...

W. H. Wilde went to Colorado county Sunday afternoon, and will visit his mother for a few days.

Treasurers' Monthly Financial Statement

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS.

Before me the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Paul Trimmier, County Judge; R. J. Deens, D. W. Yeager, Geo. W. Miller and I. A. Curry, Commissioners; who after being by me duly sworn, state on their oaths that they have fully complied with the provisions of Art. Nos. 1448 and 1449...

Recapitulation table with columns for item and amount. Total: \$67,606.25

Paul Trimmier, County Judge. R. J. Deens, Commissioner Precinct No. 1. D. W. Yeager, Commissioner Precinct No. 2. Geo. W. Miller, Commissioner Precinct No. 3. I. A. Curry, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

PUT STOMACH IN ORDER AT ONCE "Pape's Diapepsin" for Gas, Indigestion or Sour Stomach

Instantly! Stomach corrected! You never feel the slightest distress from indigestion or a sour, acid, gassy stomach, after you eat a tablet of "Pape's Diapepsin"...

S. Tucker did not get as much money as the negro boy, but he drew the same sentence. Tucker was charged with passing a check for twenty-five dollars and some cents on a dry goods store at Winters.

The Cates case is also a new one and is fresh in the minds of the readers of this paper. The young man was indicted by the grand jury last week charged with assaulting a young lady in the Wilmeth community about dusk on Christmas day.

V. Weinberg will leave Sunday afternoon for Oklahoma, where he goes on business and will be gone several days.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 29th, 1922.

RESOURCES table with columns for item and amount. Total: \$857,910.30

LIABILITIES table with columns for item and amount. Total: \$857,910.30

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RECAPITULATION table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Total: \$857,910.30

9,598,907 BALES COTTON GINNED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Cotton ginned prior to January 1st amounted to 9,598,907 running bales, including 165,281 round bales, 28,498 bales of American Egyptian cotton and 5,065 bales of Sea Island cotton...

For the same period last year the ginnings amounted to 7,882,356 running bales, including 123,348 round bales, 30,240 bales of American Egyptian cotton, and 3,106 bales of Sea Island cotton.

Runnels county is leading all Central West Texas counties in the number of bales of cotton produced last year, according to government ginning report.

Table showing cotton ginnings by county: Runnels (39,976), Coleman (20,237), Coke (7,020), Brown (14,493), Comanche (8,005), Concho (6,355), McCulloch (16,656), Nolan (15,510), Tom Green (5,660), Taylor (29,330)

Take a dose of Herbine when you are bilious or constipated, or your stomach is out of order. It is a marvel of promptness in correcting these conditions.

John Heck, of Wilmeth, spent a few days in Ballinger this week on business.

JUDGE HARRIS' BROTHER DIES FROM OPERATION

Judge C. O. Harris, of San Angelo, a former Ballinger attorney, passed through the city Monday afternoon en route to Waco to attend the funeral of his brother, W. O. Harris, who died in that city following an operation.

Deceased was an engineer at an oil mill in Waco. He is survived by his widow and four daughters and one son. Three sisters and a brother also survive.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Farmers and Merchants State Bank

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 29th day of December, 1922, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published in Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 8th day of January, 1923.

Financial statement for Farmers and Merchants State Bank, showing Resources and Liabilities. Total: \$673,433.04

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: W. H. Giesecke, as president and J. L. Chastain, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CORRECT—ATTEST: J. F. Currie, G. G. Odum, E. D. Walker; Directors.

RECAPITULATION

RECAPITULATION table for Farmers and Merchants State Bank. Total: \$673,433.04

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 29th day of December, 1922, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 5th day of January, 1923.

Financial statement for Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co., showing Resources and Liabilities. Total: \$377,580.75

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: We, R. W. Bruce, as President, and N. K. Freeman, as Cashier, of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D., 1923. Rufus J. Wheeler, Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: C. P. Shepherd, C. R. Stephens, Sam Baker, Directors.

RECAPITULATION

RECAPITULATION table for Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co. Total: \$377,580.75

A COLD GONE IN FEW HOURS

"Pape's Cold Compound" Acts Quick, Costs Little, Never Sickens!

In a few hours your cold is gone, head and nose clear, no feverishness, headache, or stuffed-up feeling...



C. H. Midgeley

A large crowd of sorrowing friends gathered in Evergreen Cemetery at four-thirty Sunday afternoon to pay the last tribute...

Mr. Midgeley died Saturday night following a lingering illness from cancer. He patiently waited the final summons, realizing that death was near...

Deceased was one of the pioneers of this country. He came here many years ago and settled with his father on the Concho river...

A wife and seven children survive to mourn the loss of a good father and husband...

George Brewer

George P. Brewer, age 44 years, died at his home on Twelfth Street Sunday evening, from pneumonia...

Deceased had been a citizen of this county for quite a number of years. He was born in Burnett county...

Mr. Brewer married in 1909.

RHEUMATISM PAINS ARE NOW IN SEASON

Says glass of Salts helps to overcome Rheumatism acid.

Rheumatism is easier to avoid than to cure, states a well-known authority. We are advised to dress warmly, keep the feet dry...

Rheumatism is caused by body waste and acids resulting from food fermentation. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this poison from the blood...

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week...

Jad Salts is inexpensive, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used with excellent results...

and he is survived by a wife and three children. A few months ago the family moved to Ballinger for the benefit of the public schools here.

The funeral procession left the residence at 11:30 Monday morning, and the remains were carried to the Barnett cemetery ten miles Northwest of Ballinger...

S. Prentiss Gregg

After many months illness, S. Prentiss Gregg passed out of this life at 9:15 o'clock Sunday evening, death coming to relieve him of the life of an invalid...

Prentiss Gregg was 40 years and 18 days old. He came to Ballinger when in his teens, and for the greater part of his life had resided here...

A wife and two children, a boy and girl, are left to mourn the loss of a good husband and father. The other immediate relatives are the mother, and two brothers...

Deceased was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of this city, and in the absence of a pastor for that church, Dr. Alvin Swindell, a friend of the family, conducted the funeral services...

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blood, bleeding or protruding Piles...

CHRISTIAN CHURCH ELECTS OFFICERS

Last Sunday the First Christian Church on Broadway elected officers, and the newly elected officers will be ordained and installed next Sunday morning...

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness to us during the illness and death of our husband and father...

LET'S SWAP

Will trade young Red Poll Cow and Heifer calf for good Jersey Cow. I desire a cow that will separate from calf...

FOUR IN FAMILY HAVE PNEUMONIA

Four members of the family of G. Ocker, residing ten miles South of Ballinger, are ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Ocker and three grown children, one son and two daughters, are all ill...

Mrs. C. H. Willingham, who has been very ill for several days, is reported to be some better today. John McKay is numbered among the flu victims who are convalescent.

MOTHER! MOVE CHILD'S BOWELS

"California Fig Syrup" is Child's Best Laxative



Even a sick child loves the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup." If the little stomach is upset, tongue coated, or if your child is cross, feverish, full of cold, or has colic...

Millions of mothers keep "California Fig Syrup" handy. They know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages...

GUTTER CREW DRIVING DOWN HUTCHINGS AVE.

The curb and gutter crew of the street paving force is making good headway, driving down the South side of Hutchings Avenue. The curb and gutter has been completed to the corner of the Farmers & Merchants Bank on the South side...

By the end of the week more than one-half of the curb and gutter work will have been completed and next week it is expected that excavation for paving will be put under good headway. The curbs and gutters on Broadway from Hutchings to the Santa Fe have been completed...

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF RUNNELS COUNTY

Be sure you have sufficient money in the bank before offering your check for taxes, as your taxes are not paid until your check is paid.

Unless so many returned checks for lack of funds is stopped at once I will be compelled to demand that every one pay cash for taxes, as I haven't time to write from one to a dozen letters every day notifying you that your check has been returned.

If payment is made through your bank, as soon as you receive your receipt, note the amount on the back of same, and if you are not sure the money is there see to it at once.

I had rather handle checks but they must be good. Yours truly W. L. BROWN, Tax Collector.

Making Bad Things Worse

Winter, as it were an evil spirit, seems to take delight in making bad things worse. Rheumatism twists harder, twinges sharper, catarrh becomes more annoying, and the many symptoms of scoufula are developed and aggravated. These are common diseases, and it is a wonder that more people don't get rid of them.

Hood's Sarsaparilla has been very successful in the treatment of these complaints. It is easily obtained, and there is abundant testimony that its effects are radical and permanent.

In cases where a laxative or cathartic is needed, it is well to supplement Hood's Sarsaparilla with Hood's Pills, which are gentle, thorough and effective.

N. K. Freeman is recovering from the flu. He has been confined to his bed for several days and was able to sit up Wednesday.

MAY RECOVER ON FREIGHT CHARGES

The Young Men's Business League has recently completed arrangements with a freight revising bureau in Ft. Worth to make a re-check of all freight bills paid by local concerns since February 28, 1920.

The freight bureau maintains a staff of rate and traffic experts and has been instrumental in saving tens of thousands of dollars for their patrons throughout the Southwest. They revise every bill that is turned over to them, regardless of how large or how small and where an overcharge appears...

The Y. M. B. L. has addressed letters on this subject to about sixty Ballinger concerns that receive shipments by freight, and will handle freight bills for any member of the organization on the above basis. The league expects the move to be worth several hundred dollars to local business houses, if they take advantage of it.

W. A. Bridwell was able to be back on the job Thursday, after spending three or four days tussling with the flu.

J. B. Carlton was in the city Wednesday from the Maverick country, and reported the flu working good in his community.

W. A. Tyson and family are confined to their home with the flu.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—Good Mules, broke and unbroke. Also some good Horses and Mares as good as the best. Will weigh 12 or 14 hundred pounds. Broke gentle. Will sell for cash or good notes. See this stock, 2 miles West of Millersview, Texas. J. M. Farnsworth. 12-4w

FOR SALE—383 1-10 acres of well improved land, 200 acres in cultivation, 2 good houses, 2 wells and windmills, cattle, horses, and hogs, plow, tools, feed; all go at a bargain, possession at once. 1-2 mile West of Norton. C. C. Carter, Norton, Texas. 12-3w

FOR SALE—Mammoth Bronze Turkeys, Toms \$6 and Hens \$4 each. Mrs. Lon Muncy. Phone 4413. 5-4w

FOR SALE—Lot 6, Block 12, Bowden Addition, owe \$160.00. What will you give for equity? Quit claim deed. J. H. Hamlett, Snyder, Texas. 29-3w

FOR SALE—320 acres of land, 275 in cultivation, two sets of improvements, \$50.00 per acre. Two miles West of Drasco, phone No. 2440, Winters, T. P. Massingale, Bradshaw, Texas. 24-tfw

FOR SALE—Mammoth Bronze Turkeys, prize winning strain. Toms \$8. H. A. Moore, Route B, Box 131, Ballinger. Phone from Crews. 22-4w

WELL DRILLING—See me if you are figuring on drilling wells. Willard McMillan. 213d-4w

ESTRAY NOTICE—One Black Horse Mule, three years old, left hind foot crippled, strayed four miles North of Ballinger. Any information as to whereabouts will be appreciated by J. N. Tindall, Phone 333. 29-2w

WANTED—To hear from owner of good farm for sale. State cash price, full particulars. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 6t-cow

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Reds—Cockrells and Hens. Price right. C. W. Evans. 9-1td-1w

FOUND—One accident policy, made to Elmer Bryan and issued by Continental Casualty Company. Owner can have same by applying at the Ledger and paying for this notice. 2-dtf

A. & S. AGENT AT BRADSHAW DIES

Undertaker C. R. Crews was called to Bradshaw late Tuesday afternoon to embalm the remains of L. E. Robbins, whose body was found in the station at that place about three-thirty o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Robbins was agent for the Abilene & Southern Railroad at Bradshaw, and was apparently in good health. When the North bound train arrived from Ballinger, members of the train crew found the man dead in his office, the body on the floor, face down. He had been dead but a short while and the physician declared that death was due to apoplexy.

Deceased was sixty-five years of age, and had been agent for the A. & S. at Bradshaw for some time. The body was removed to the home in Bradshaw, prepared for burial and will be laid to rest at Quannah, former home of the deceased.

DRY GOODS STORES PAYING LOW WAGES

AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—Approximately 300 dry goods stores making employment reports to the State Bureau of Labor statistics for the past year, employed a total of 13,915 persons, according to a report just announced by State Labor Commissioner Joseph S. Myers. Wages paid these employees during the fiscal year ending August 31, 1922, amounted to \$9,474,591, the report states.

Of the 13,015 persons employed in these establishments, 8,718 were women workers. In wages, 4,219 men and 4,609 women workers received more than \$15 a week; 978 received less than \$15 a week; 568 received less than \$12 a week; and 297 less than \$9 a week. More than sixty three per cent of the employes of such firms are thus shown to be receiving more than \$15 a week for their services.

PHYSICIAN WINS IN DESPERATE BATTLE

Bringing fifty years of experience and research to bear on the subject and working night and day in his laboratories, Dr. Barbee, of Seymour, Texas, has won a battle against one of the most dreaded diseases to which suffering humanity is subject and announces the product of his labors in the form of a guaranteed cure for Psorrhoea. What this means to the world can be understood only by those suffering from this malady. Dr. Barbee's remedy has been on the market for several months and hundreds already bless his name. For sale at your druggist's.

LIGHT COMPANY IS SETTING NEW POLES

The Ballinger Light, Power & Ice Company is setting new poles on Hutchings Avenue, complying with the city's requirements which provide for the poles to be set further out with the extension of the sidewalks. The light poles on Eighth Street will also be moved over.

Among the men workers, 4,190 received less than \$15 a week; 2,194 received less than \$12 a week; and 788 less than \$9 a week. The report is a portion of Commissioner Meyers' biennial report to be filed with the governor.

DRS. WATSON & LASATER

Physicians and Surgeons • General Practice • Glasses Fitted • Office over Pearce Drug Co. Ballinger, Texas.

DR. F. J. BROPHY

Dentist • Office over Winters State Bank. Winters, Texas.

Mistletoe Creameries. I wish to announce that I am again in the market for your cream. Will pay the highest market price at all times. Will be glad to have my former customers call again. I want your cream. Weldon M. McKinney at Potter Produce Co.

STATEMENT of Condition. THE... FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER. Dec. 29th, 1922. RESOURCES: Loans and Discounts \$409,572.45 Overdrafts 299.34 U. S. Bonds 28,500.00 U. S. Treas. Certificates 25,000.00 Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc. 6,525.00 Banking House, F. and F. 27,735.00 Real Estate 17,500.00 Acceptances [cotton] 19,005.13 Cash and Exchange 323,773.38 \$ 857,910.30 LIABILITIES: Capital Stock \$100,000.00 Surplus and Undivided Profits 68,882.69 Circulation 24,600.00 Rediscounts NONE Bills Payable NONE Deposits 664,427.70 \$ 857,910.30 We Carry No State, County or Municipal Interest-bearing Deposits. We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted us, making it possible for our bank to render this most satisfactory statement.