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FAMILY SLAIN WHILE ASLEEP; HANGS SELF

(By Associated Press)
SACRAMENTO, Calif., Jan. 10.—S. Kawashima, age 38, Japanese, who recently came from Nevada, fatally stabbed his two children as they lay in bed this morning, and then probably fatally cut his wife.

Leaving his wife and children for dead the Japanese then hanged himself by jumping from the porch of his home with a rope tied around his neck.

MILES PERSONALS

Special to The Ledger:
MILES, Jan. 9.—Miss Elsie Schumm left Tuesday afternoon for Pecos City to visit relatives.

Mrs. Luther Anderson and baby left Tuesday for their home at Anthony, New Mexico. Mrs. Anderson came here a few weeks ago to be at the bedside of her mother who died a short time after her arrival here.

Joe Dusek and son were here from Rowena Tuesday afternoon.

J. L. Hubby and family, of San Angelo, visited friends here Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Horace Reasonover and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson were in San Angelo Tuesday.

Miss Floy Elser, of San Angelo, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Elmer Rumsey is here from Brownwood to visit relatives.

Mr. Pieser, of Rowena, was here Tuesday.

John R. Howse, representing the George Allen music house of San Angelo, was here Tuesday.

Miss Billie Hall, of San Angelo, is a guest of Miss Mayme Connor.

Miss Heatherly, of Richland Springs, was employed by the school board on account of increased enrollment to teach part of the third grade.

The Business Men's League has elected officers for the new year as follows: S. K. Young, president; A. H. Lewin, secretary; F. G. Rogers, Allen Dickens, H. W. Robinson, Sr., and S. F. Farmer, directors.

Joe Luce was over from Mereta today on business.

Judge A. K. Doss was able to be at his office Thursday, after being confined to his home for three or four days on account of illness.

A small want ad in The Daily Ledger often saves you money.

Stop Coughing

Don't let that cough tear and destroy the tender inflamed tissues of your lungs, throat and bronchial tubes.

A neglected cough often develops into a more serious complaint. You can't afford to take chances and let that cough wear itself out, maybe it won't.

OUR WHITE PINE AND TAR COMPOUND is a valuable combination for the relief of coughs and colds, loss of voice, hoarseness, bronchitis, and certain minor pulmonary disorders.

It soothes the irritated and inflamed tissues of the throat and upper air passages.

Get a bottle today.

Weeks' Drug Store

BALES GINNED IN WEST TEXAS

Jones county is the only county in West Texas, or Central West Texas which leads Runnels county in cotton production, and that county is in danger of losing first place, and will lose it when Runnels county gets a good crop. Runnels county would have exceeded Jones by several thousand bales last year if it had not been for the grasshoppers which wiped out certain sections of Runnels and cut her crop by at least twenty-five per cent.

The last government ginning report makes the following showing for Runnels and neighboring counties; the figures being for 1922 and 1923:

Counties—	1923	1922
Brown	15,722	14,943
Coke	8,073	7,020
Coleman	26,725	30,287
Comcho	8,884	6,355
Comanche	13,910	8,005
Jones	51,769	43,875
McCullough	11,699	16,656
Nolan	17,179	15,510
Runnels	44,782	39,976
Tom Green	5,231	5,660

The cotton crop was much better in a number of counties in Texas last year than in 1922, as is shown by the fact that Runnels county occupies twenty-first place in point of production, only twenty other counties in the state producing more cotton in 1923 than Runnels county, while Runnels county occupied sixteenth place in the 1922 report. Considerable new land is being put in cultivation in the county this year, and the largest cotton acreage in the history of the county will be planted. With a good crop, Runnels county will become one of the banner cotton counties of the state, and 100,000 bales is a possibility.

RUSSIAN TRAIN HOLD-UPS RECALL EARLY U. S. DAYS

(By Associated Press)
MOSCOW, Jan. 10.—Wild West days in the United States are having their Russian prototypes in certain thinly populated districts of the Ukraine and the Caucasus.

Within a fortnight were reported three train hold-ups by large groups of bandits. Near Rostov-on-Don between the stations of Jernevo and Stansinkaya, a group of bandits robbed every passenger on one express train and killed one of them who resisted. Near Kharkov, where bandits stopped a train, armed guards opened fire and kept the bandits at bay until support arrived from the nearest station, but several passengers were wounded.

Near Vladikavkas an armed group of 50 mounted bandits attacked the station, Soldatskaya, with the intent of robbing the rapidly approaching mail train. The engineer saw them, however, and passed the station at great speed.

STAMP COLLECTORS PROTEST CANCELLING

(By Associated Press)
MUNICH, Jan. 10.—Stamp collectors here have been complaining of the careless way in which stamps are cancelled. As a result postal authorities have ordered all clerks to do their work with great care, so stamps will not be rendered useless to collectors by having ink smudged all over them.

QUAKE DISTORTED FLOOR OF OCEAN

TOKIO, Jan. 10.—The repairing of deep sea cables, severed by the earthquake of Sept. 1, has disclosed that at one point off Oshima Island the bed of the ocean has subsided 200 feet for a distance of eight miles. To the East of Oshima the damaged cable had to be fished up from a newly created abyss more than 4,000 feet deep.

Judge W. H. Gross, of Mineral Wells, is here spending a week or ten days on his ranch and looking after business.

Along the Concrete



TEXAS ROADS SHOW INCREASE

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Jan. 10.—Texas railroads received in passenger income during the 10 months ending October 31 last \$32,083,838, a gain of about \$2,700,000 over the same period of the previous year. The freight revenue for the same period was \$123,259,084, which was an increase of more than \$8,000,000 over the same period in 1922. These figures are shown in the monthly financial statement of Texas roads issued by the state railroad commission.

Total revenues from all sources during the 10 month period were \$166,878,911. The operating expenses in the same period were \$134,595,439.

POLICEMAN DIES RESULT SHOOTING

(By Associated Press)
CORSIANA, Tex., Jan. 10.—Vess Arp, age 25, policeman, died today as the result of pistol shot wounds inflicted last Friday while attempting to arrest a man on a charge of robbery.

A man and a woman are being held in connection with the shooting of Arp.

NOMINATION FOR U. S. MARSHAL SENT IN

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Nominations sent to the Senate today by President Coolidge included the name of Samuel L. Gross, for United States Marshal for the Northern District of Texas.

Ballinger Club Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Ballinger Club members tonight, at 7:30 o'clock, at the club rooms, in the Rape building. All members are urged to be present.

HARRY GARDNER, Pres.

Eugene Williams, of the Bronte country, was in Ballinger Thursday paying taxes. Mr. Williams lives in Runnels county, but his postoffice address is in Coke county.

Mrs. D. M. Baker went to Waco Wednesday afternoon for a visit to her sister, Mrs. Percy Willis.

INSURANCE CO. PHYSICIAN DIES

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, Jan. 10.—Dr. Matthew Smith, prominent physician and medical director of the Praetorians, an insurance order, died at his home here today after several weeks' illness. Burial will be made at Austin, where the deceased formerly lived.

Ledger want ads work for you

APPROVES PLAN MERCHANT FLEET

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—President Coolidge today gave final approval to the shipping board resolution, placing the operation of the government's merchant fleet into the hands of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. Mr. Coolidge, however, made his approval contingent on the board's co-operation.

The president, who called the board into conference, is understood to have expressed dissatisfaction with some of the details of the resolution, declaring that he would have preferred a greater grant of power to the fleet corporation.

ROOMING HOUSE OWNER IS SHOT

(By Associated Press)
BEAUMONT, Jan. 10.—H. J. Holloway, age 27, proprietor of a rooming house at Port Arthur, who was shot five times Tuesday, is reported today to be in a serious condition.

Thomas Burke surrendered to the police immediately following the shooting, but no charges have been filed against Burke.

MORE PROPOSALS FOR MUSCLE SHOALS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Secretary Weeks received still another proposal for disposition of the Muscle Shoals project today. Details of the new proposal have not been disclosed, but it contemplates the manufacture of nitrates for fertilizer.

CALL MEETING OF ROYAL NEIGHBORS

The Royal Neighbors will meet Friday afternoon at two o'clock to install officers and transact other business. All members are urged to be present and visiting members are welcome.

MRS. McKAY, Oracle.

J. C. Cline returned home Wednesday afternoon from San Angelo, where he visited his daughter, Mrs. Joe Haddon.

Read Ledger "wants" column
Read the ads and profit.

TRAILS GANG WHO KILLED OFFICER

(By Associated Press)
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 10.—Possemen are today following three trails in pursuit of members of the notorious Ashley-Mobley gang who made their escape following a gun-fight with officers yesterday. Deputy Sheriff Fred Baker and one member of the gang were killed in the fight.

COAST GUARDS NEEDED TO MAKE COUNTRY DRY

NO NEED TROOPS FOR BOOZE WAR

(By Associated Press)
MARION, Ill., Jan. 10.—The removal of state troops from Marion is in prospect here today as the result of a "peace meeting" with Adjutant General Black in which the citizens of Marion protested against maintaining military forces in Williamson county.

Representatives of the Ku Klux Klan left for their homes after almost nine hours continuous conference with the adjutant general. Sheriff George Gilligan had sent word to Adj. Gen. Black that he would approve the removal of the troops if the citizens of Marion would "assure me of their co-operation."

Leaders of the Klan and other local organizations said that they had given their word that "co-operation for law enforcement would be forthcoming at any time the sheriff gave honest proof that he wanted it."

The Klan asked Governor Small yesterday to remove Sheriff Gilligan from office, declaring that many raids had been made on bootleggers without the sheriff's assistance. John Whiteside, Klan leader, said that every Klansman who aided Glenn Young, prohibition enforcement officer, in raids, was a federally authorized special deputy marshal.

Sheriff Gilligan claims that he asked for troops to protect life and property, after a number of those taking part in dry raids had been arrested by the sheriff's department.

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SIX KILLED IN POLITICAL RIOT

(By Associated Press)
SPEYER, Bavarian Palatinate, Jan. 10.—Herr Heintz, separatist leader, and president of the autonomous government in Palatinate, was assassinated here last night. Later five persons were killed in a clash between separatists, whose headquarters are here, and the populace of the city.

COAST GUARDS NEEDED TO MAKE COUNTRY DRY

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Treasury officials still believe effective enforcement of the prohibition laws depends upon sufficient funds to guard the coast line against smuggling. Secretary Mellon has so informed the budget bureau, which is considering a program for expending \$28,000,000 in expansion of the coast guard.

Most of the liquor passing thru bootleg channels, Mellon believes, comes from without the United States, being smuggled in from other countries by rum runners. Secretary Mellon does not think it practical to employ naval craft in the place of the new coast guard ships which it had been proposed to build. The secretary pointed out that the naval craft which is available is too expensive to operate and too slow.

DRUG SMUGGLERS ARE ARRESTED IN GERMANY

(By Associated Press)
HAMBURG, Jan. 10.—The chief of a band of drug smugglers and 60 of his confederates were arrested here recently and officials estimate that in the last year or so drugs, chemicals and other pharmaceutical products worth \$12,000,000 have been taken out of Germany illegally.

The smugglers, posing as fishermen, had their own sail boats as well as motor launches, and plied about the coasts. Most of the drugs in this way were landed in Holland, later being "retailed," and then shipped in the United States, France, or wherever the prices appeared to be the highest.

Customs officials assert that several go-betweens who have turned state evidence claim that they were able to get 20 to 30 per cent more for their contraband goods whenever representatives of American customers were in the market, whether in Antwerp, Amsterdam or Hamburg.

U. S. NURSES TRAIN BRAZILIAN WOMEN

(By Associated Press)
RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 10.—Fifty-two American trained nurses are employed teaching Brazilian women the tricks of their trade in the hospitals of this city. They were brought here by the Public Health Department at the suggestion of the Rockefeller Foundation Commission.

For Men Only!

Special for Thursday, Friday and Saturday—

- 1 Palmolive Shaving Cream 35c
 - 1 Palmolive After Shave 25c
 - 1 cake Palmolive Soap 10c
- Total70c

All for Only—
50c

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The Associated Press is exclusively
entitled to the use for republication of
all news dispatches credited to it or not
otherwise credited in this paper and
also to local news published herein.

The minimum fine for toting a
pistol is \$125. Fort Worth has a
Pistol Club. What next?

The race for governor in Louis-
iana is being run on the Klan
and anti-Klan tickets strictly.
Jack Walton is stumping the
state for the anti-Klan ticket.
The balloting will be next Tues-
day. In view of the fact that
Mer Rouge is in Louisiana, the
campaign is attracting more than
passing attention.

Congressman Blanton has in-
troduced in congress four bills
dealing with prosecution of gov-
ernment officials who are im-
plicated in any way with violating
the prohibition law. One of the
bills provides for the removal
from office and discharge from
government employment any of-
ficer, or employee, including mem-
bers of the judiciary, senate and
house, who purchase liquor from
a bootlegger, or who manufac-
ture, transport or conspire in any
way with any person to violate
the prohibition law. Why not?
It should be the duty of govern-
ment employees to help enforce
the laws.

Pay your state and county tax,
pay your poll tax, pay your city
tax, pay your school tax, pay
your auto tax, pay your dog tax,
and then if you have anything
left, pay your income tax.
President Coolidge is only a
brother-in-law to the church, so
we have been informed, but he
has said, "I profoundly believe
in the Sabbath and have always
recognized its sacred importance.
I feel that we should give atten-
tion not only to the physical as-
pects, but also to the moral and
spiritual phases of the Holy
Day."

Coughing
Tires the old, lowers their vital-
ity. The best standard family
cough medicine for old and young
**CHAMBERLAIN'S
COUGH REMEDY**
Good for every member of the family

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE
Seldom has the country wit-
nessed such a universal approval
of a tax reduction program as is
being voiced at this time.

The usual talk about tax reduc-
tion is confined to glittering gen-
eralities which will not embarrass
a political candidate or public
official with hard cold facts
which must be substantiated.

In this instance the people are
not going to be fooled. The can-
didate who goes out on the
stump and advocates a tax reduc-
tion, must go further and show

his plan for doing the reducing.
In other words, no candidate
can promise to put over big
things, and at the same time
promise to cut the cost. He must
show where he is going to do the
cutting.

If the tax reduction program is
actually pushed to final consid-
eration and passage, it will be
through the triumph of enlighten-
ed public opinion over the prefer-
ence of individual members of
congress to play personal poli-
tics at public expense.

It is one time the voice of the
people must make itself heard.

ROAD EXPOSITION

From the 14th to the 18th of
January there will be held in
Chicago, the greatest exhibition
of road machinery, materials and
methods ever staged in the his-
tory of road making.

It is difficult to estimate the im-
portance of such a great exposi-
tion, either from the standpoints
of the road builder or the road
buyer. The intimate contact thus
made possible between maker of
machinery and maker of material
can not but aid both to do better
work. The bringing together of
so many different ways of road
making must be of incalculable
value to the road buyer; the
county and state engineer; the
road supervisor and the tax-
payer.

But perhaps the greatest bene-
fit from this mutual contact of
the forces which are behind the
good road, is in the laying before
the country, the magnitude of the
effort involved and showing forth
to the world what progress has
been made in the hard surface
highway idea.

Twenty years ago, before the
automobile was more than a toy,
the road idea was dead. "We
didn't need roads. The roads we
had were good enough. To spend
money for roads was foolish. The
railroads gave all the transporta-
tion necessary. Roads were
merely an expense, a luxury, not
an asset!" Such arguments were
common. There were no road
builders, there was no road build-
ing industry. Today there are
thousands of engineers, hundreds
of firms making hard road build-
ing machinery and products for
hard road making, and there is
not a state uninterested in mod-
ern highways, nor a county which
isn't talking good roads, nor a
farmer who doesn't realize the
need of them.

This great road exposition is a
reflection of the times, and the
sentiment which is behind roads;
hard roads, the sort of roads
which minimize the hauling cost
and give the maximum of speed
and intercommunication.

The road exposition at the Col-
iseum, in Chicago, is more than an
exposition; it is a monument to
the modern idea of transporta-
tion.

If the farmers are going to
control the price of cotton by
holding down the production,
why not control the price of tur-
keys, and find out how many mil-
lion pounds of turks are on cold
storage before planting the 1924
crop?

A small want ad in The Daily
Ledger often saves you money

Praise - Criticism -
Suggestions - Contributions
**Letters
to the
Editor**

Editor Ledger:
"I am wondering if there is
any way to get protection for
the public buildings of our city
from abuse by thoughtless boys.
Any of our buildings serve as
targets for those who shoot air-
guns and "nigger" shooters, and
throw stones.

"The newest public building is
the Baptist church. The congrega-
tion erected it at considerable
sacrifice. They are not ashamed
of the building, for they believe
that it adds something to the ap-
pearance of our city. But before
the house was finished several
windows were broken, evidently
by airguns or "nigger" shooters.
And last week some one shot thru
a front door, breaking a large
glass. Air gun shot was found
on the floor inside. From the
fact that the shot went through
the center of the glass it appears
that the gunman was aiming at
it. Had these been art windows
of great cost the result would
have been just the same.

"We have nearly a hundred
outside windows and doors in our
building. And even if we should
go to the great expense of screen-
ing all these, we would be pro-
tected only against the throwing
of large stones. Air guns and
"nigger" shooters could penetrate
as before.

"This has been going on for

years. What encouragement is
there for any organization to try
to erect and maintain a worthy
piece of property, knowing that
they get no protection from such
abuse.

"There is no need of saying,
'How can you catch them?' Other
cities like ours handle such mat-
ters successfully and without de-
lay.

"Most any day, boys can be
seen shooting at birds with 'nig-
ger' shooters, apparently having
no regard for what might be in
the path of the shot. This should
not be permitted in the city, and
everybody knows it could be
stopped if we would just get at
it in an official way.

"I do not know whether we
have a city law that bears on this
or not, but if we have one, it
seems to be dormant. And if we
do not have one, is it not time to
make one and invoke its power?
It is time for somebody to make
a move, and naturally we look to
those who have such responsibil-
ities to make the first move.
"ALVIN SWINDELL"

MEXICO LAND

For Sale—30,000,000 acres of
Mexico land, 25 cents per acre
and up; also 500 Texas farms and
ranches. P. L. Crews, Real Estate
and Loans, 726 Brady Bldg.,
San Antonio, Texas.
2-Std-2tw

Charter No. 12415 Reserve District No. 11
**REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

at Norton, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec. 31st,
1923.

RESOURCES	
1. a Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with indorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c).....	\$50,035.55
Total Loans.....	\$ 50,035.55
5. OTHER BONDS, STOCKS, SECURITIES, ETC.....	750.00
6. Banking House \$5,109.72, Furniture and Fix. \$1,350.81.....	6,460.53
8. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	5,486.45
10. Cash in vault and amount due from national banks.....	19,144.69
Total of items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13.....	25,071.67
TOTAL.....	\$ 81,877.22
LIABILITIES	
17. Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 25,000.00
19. Undivided profits.....	78.77
c Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid.....	78.77
DEMAND DEPOSITS (Other than bank deposits) SUB- JECT TO RESERVE (deposits payable within 30 days)	
20. Individual deposits subject to check.....	56,798.45
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits subject to reserve, items 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31.....	\$56,798.45
TOTAL.....	\$ 81,877.22

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS, ss:
I, T. J. McCaughan, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly
swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and
belief.

T. J. McCaughan, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of January, 1924.
(SEAL) J. F. Mackey, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest: E. M. Setser, W. W. Mitchell, J. D. Good, Direct-
ors.

**STATEMENT
of Condition**

...THE...
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF BALLINGER
Dec. 31st, 1923**

RESOURCES:	
Loans and Discounts	\$482,114.88
Overdrafts	168.79
U. S. Bonds	30,546.13
Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc.	6,525.00
Banking House, F. and F.	26,995.00
Real Estate	17,500.00
Acceptances [cotton]	101,288.42
Cash and Exchange	382,975.69
	\$1,048,113.82
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	67,253.80
Circulation	25,000.00
Dividends unpaid	6,000.00
Rediscounts	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Deposits	849,860.02
	\$1,048,113.82

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.

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GLYCERINE MIXTURE**

Women appreciate the quick
action of simple glycerine, buck-
thorn bark, etc., as mixed in
Adlerika. Most medicines act
only on lower bowel but Adlerika
acts on BOTH upper and lower
bowel, and removes all gasses
and poisons. Excellent for ob-
stinate constipation and to guard
against appendicitis. Helps any
case gas on stomach in TEN min-
utes. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

It is an unpleasant matter to
mention, but the state is five mil-
lion dollars in the hole. The only
chance to dig out is to stop the
legislature from convening for a
few years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For County Superintendent:
ROBERT L. WHITE
- For Tax Collector:
W. L. BROWN
- For Tax Assessor:
HENRY TODD
- For Sheriff:
J. P. FLYNT
- For County Judge:
PAUL TRIMMIER
- For County Treasurer:
MRS. JENNIE KIRK
- For Commissioner, Prec. No. 1:
R. J. DEENS
- For County Clerk:
W. A. FORGEY
- For State Senate (27th Dist):
WALTER C. WOODWARD
(of Coleman)

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you want something that appeals to your appetite
Let us tell you about our flour and pan cake flour.
Our pancake flour is compounded after a famous
recipe and all ingredients are carefully selected
and thoroughly mixed.

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NOTICE!

I have recently sold a half interest in
the Ballinger Marble & Granite Works
to L. E. Bair, for the sole purpose of cut-
ting out the agent's commission. Mr.
Bair will take the agent's place and will
be on the road practically all the time.
Buying our material in car load lots, tak-
ing our own orders and doing the work
right here at home enables us to make
closer prices than ever.

We use only the best Vermont Marble
and Llano Granite and guarantee satis-
faction in every respect.

F. W. Wellhausen

Announcement!

We have been designated
as the local represent-
ative of the Star En-
graving Company of Houston,
and Fort Worth, the south's larg-
est and most exclusive manufact-
urers of *Wedding invitations,
announcements, reception cards,
visiting and business cards, so-
cial and business stationery,
and greeting cards* x x x

Our samples are now on display
and we cordially invite your in-
spection. Engraved stationery
for social and business pur-
poses is a mark of distinction.

BALLINGER PRINTING CO.

Reward for the Rat

By CHARLES E. BAXTER

(© 1923, Western Newspaper Union)

SLOWLY Jean Passepartout studied the features of the photograph in the newspaper, and then those of the sleeping man.

"It's him, Marie," he said to his young wife. "And there's a reward of a thousand dollars for his capture." They looked at each other questioningly. Eight days before the Rat, wanted for the big holdup, had stumbled, frost-bitten and at death's door, upon the little isolated cabin where Jean and Marie dwelt. They had given him of their best, they had not spared themselves to nurse him back to life.

But—one thousand dollars! Never had they seen such a sum. And the temptation was almost unbearable.

The trapping season had been a poor one, Marie was expecting her first child in the spring, and there was grave danger. The country doctor had said that, had advised them to send her into Montreal to a hospital.

Suddenly the way to salvation seemed open to them. They discussed the situation in low tones.

"But we cannot betray one who has come to us for aid. God sent him, and He will be angry with us."

"A thousand dollars! Mon Dieu, a thousand dollars!"

The Rat, lying with closed eyelids in feigned sleep, heard. Since the holdup, three weeks before, he had been hunted remorselessly. He had been the tool of others. He had not taken a penny of it all. His friends had betrayed him, put the blame on him. Again and again he had been tempted to go back and give himself up to the law.

A few years in prison, and to start all over again! What queer thoughts for the Rat! Never before had he wanted to live straight. What had come over him?

It was the sight of the affection between Jean and Marie; it was their kindness to him; it was his first experience of a home.

If he had met a little woman like Marie at some earlier time his life would have run a very different course.

He opened his eyes and looked at Marie when they were alone. He could not bear to meet her gaze. He knew how she was suffering.

He smiled, and Marie turned away in confusion. The Rat was wise in his way. He knew the weakness of human nature. Although they had decided not to betray him, he knew that the temptation was likely to prove irresistible.

"I guess I'll have to be getting on," he said.

"But you are not well enough. You must stay till you are strong. We do not mind you being here—we like it. It is company for Jean and myself."

"Oh, well, I guess I'll have to be getting on," answered the Rat.

"Go, in God's name, then!" she chided, turning away in sudden confusion.

Early the next morning, when the sun was just coming up over the snowy wastes, the Rat appeared with his bundle on his shoulder.

"I am going," he said briefly.

They stared at him and at each other. "But thou must have coffee first," said Jean.

They gave the Rat his breakfast. They shook him by the hand. Marie was crying. Neither of them could bear to meet his look. The Rat knew that as soon as they had given him a decent start they would telephone the police, from the priest's house, twelve miles away.

As he stepped out into the snow the Rat did some of the hardest thinking that he had ever done. He knew his capture was almost inevitable, unless he chose to die in the snows.

And he knew that all their lives they would repent the act of treachery inspired by their pressing need.

And he felt again that old longing to make his peace with society. Out in a few years, an honest life, a little wife like Marie.

His life was forfeit to theirs. They had saved him. And he must save them from the shame of the deed they were planning.

Early that afternoon the Rat limped up to the priest's door.

A few words to the kindly old man, who understood very soon.

"It is well, my son. It is the best way," he said.

"You will see that the reward goes to Jean and his wife?"

"I will see to it, my son," answered Father Lechane, picking up the telephone.

Mother-in-Law Knew It All.

The country doctor was driving along a mountain road when a man came out of his house and hailed him. "Say, doc, has that man up the creek got smallpox?"

"Well, I can't say just now—I'm not sure."

"My mother-in-law says it's smallpox."

"Really! Has your mother-in-law seen the case?"

"Naw."

"Well, has your mother-in-law ever seen a case of smallpox?"

"Naw. But that don't make no difference to my mother-in-law!"

Empty-Headed.

She—Do you believe in phrenology? He—Not now. As an experiment I once went and had my head read and I found there was nothing in it.—Boston Evening Transcript.



"HER FATAL MILLIONS" IS FULL OF SURPRISES

In her newest Metro starring vehicle, "Her Fatal Millions," which comes to the Fo-to-sho Theatre Friday (tomorrow) only, Viola Dana plays the role of a girl who posed as a millionaire to prove to an old sweetheart that fortune had smiled on her too. But she went a bit too far when she told him she was the wife of the wealthiest man in the town, because when her "borrowed" limousine was wrecked and her "borrowed" finery lost, Fred took her to her "husband's" home. And then there were complications galore.

Here is a role that fits the versatile, vivacious little Miss Dana like a corset a prize-fighter. It provides her with a rare opportunity to display her distinctive charm and youthful vigor. The story provides plenty of laughs, and thrills, and the dainty little star races thru the whole range of entertaining situations in her best style. She is a comedienne par excellence.

William Beaudine, the director, has shown his high ability in taking full advantage of every situation, and the production is well rounded.

"Her Fatal Millions" was written by William Dudley Pelley and adapted by Arthur Statter. It was photographed by John Arnold.

The notable supporting cast includes Huntly Gordon, Allan Forrest, Peggy Brown, Edward Connelly, Kate Price and Joy Winthrop.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Aycock left for Fort Worth Wednesday afternoon, where they will spend several days visiting Mrs. Aycock's sister.

OLIVER MOROSCO'S ENTRY TO FILMS IS A SUCCESS

Putting thousands of dollars into a venture that is new and untried is a matter requiring mature deliberation; and it was because of this reason that Oliver Morosco, noted theatrical producer, waited many years before he entered the motion picture producing field. That he would eventually do so has always been assured by the valuable rights to plays and productions that he has retained over a long chain of years.

That he has now decided to enter motion picture production can be regarded as conclusive proof that, in his opinion, screen artistry and mechanical perfection has reached the stage where the finished product can now be calculated in advance with some degree of certainty, instead of looking upon it as a mere gamble, as was formerly the case.

Mr. Morosco's first venture in the film field is "The Half Breed," the current First National attraction at the Maeroy Theatre, which closes tonight. It is a stirring drama of Western life, presenting a vital problem of the red man. Wheeler Oakman plays the title role, with Ann May and Mary Anderson as feminine leads.

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JONES COUNTY MAN CAUGHT AT PAINT ROCK

Sheriff Bob Miller and Deputy Sheriff Bob Morris, of Paint Rock, were in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon, coming over to bring a man by the name of John Harrison, who is wanted in Jones

county on a felony charge. The man was arrested at Paint Rock on advice from the Jones county sheriff, and brought to Ballinger, and an officer from Jones county came to Ballinger and carried Harrison back to Anson. It was not learned on what charge Harrison was wanted further than

the phone message stated he was charged with a felony.

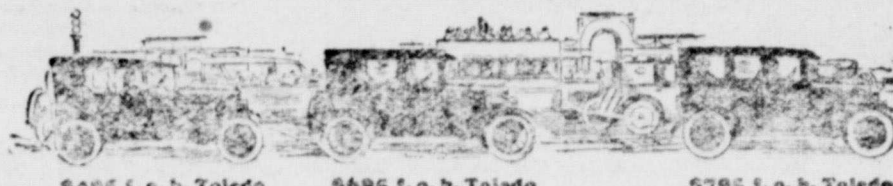
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WANT ADS 25c up to 12 words, over that 2c per word first insertion. 1c per word each additional insertion. All want ads are cash.

FOR RENT—Furnished room. 704 Eighth Street. 10-4d

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms. Phone 261. 10-3d.*

FOR SALE—300 acres in two farms, small improvements on each; 80 per cent tillable, about half now in cultivation, more can be put in cultivation, 2 miles from Rowena. Best bargain known, \$20.00 per acre, terms. Write Wm. Galbra, Miles, Texas. 10-1td-1tw.*

WANTED—To rent 25 to 100 acres land on shares by colored man. Carl Manson, 1117 Strong Avenue, Ballinger, Texas. 9-2td.*

FOR SALE—Two baby beds. Phone 652, Mrs. R. G. Erwin. 9-3td

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms completely furnished. Phone 179. 31-tfd.*

FOR SALE—Mesquite Cord Wood, \$6.00 a cord or 2 cords \$11.00, delivered in Ballinger, Phone 94 or 385 or see L. B. Stubbs. 26-tfd

TREES—I am now ready to take your order for all kinds of Trees and Shrubs. Roses and Pecans a specialty. Mike C. Boyd, Phone 237. 26-26td

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—Mrs. ANNA SMITH, 541 W. Norwood Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The important thing about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is that it does help women suffering from the ailments common to their sex.

If you are nervous and run-down and have pains in your lower parts and in your back, remember that the Vegetable Compound has relieved other women having the same symptoms. For sale by druggists everywhere.

HAVE MANY CURIOUS HABITS

Negrillos of the Philippine Mutilate Themselves in Belief That It Makes Them Beautiful.

Many of the Negrillos of the Philippines point their front teeth, but not by filing them, as is commonly supposed, says the Detroit News. A chip of wood is held behind the tooth to be operated upon, and the point of a bolo is placed in such a position as to slant across the corner of the tooth to be removed, and a sharp blow on the bolo chips a piece from the tooth. The opposite corner is similarly operated upon.

The Negrillos are generally considered to be the true aborigines of the Philippines, and are racially sharply distinct from most other numerous tribes of the islands, and their intelligence is of an exceptionally low order. They ornament their bodies with scar patterns, produced by cutting through the skin with sharp pieces of bamboo, and rubbing dirt into the wounds thus formed in order to infect them and make good big scars. Men frequently shave the crowns of their heads "in order to let the heat out."

Notice in Probate THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Runnels County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To all persons interested in the Estate of F. Andrae, Deceased, Mrs. Minna Andrae has filed an application in the County Court of Runnels County, on the 10th day of January, 1924, for Letters Testamentary in said Estate, which said application will be heard by said court on the 4th day of February, 1924, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said Estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, Texas, this 10th day of January, 1924.

(Seal) W. A. FORGEY, Clerk, County Court, Runnels County, Texas.

10-17-d

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It doesn't pay to hurry when parting with your money. You can easily lose in a minute the savings of a whole year.

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