

BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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BALLINGER, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1926.

Rooms Provided for Only 175 School Teachers

The housing committee in charge of securing rooms for the teachers who will be here from nine counties three days of next week, attending the Concho-Colorado Teachers Institute, report that they have only secured rooms to take care of 175, or about one-third of the teachers. Rooms must be secured today and tomorrow for 500, and that means that every home in Ballinger that has an extra bed must notify the committee that they are ready to take as many teachers as they have room for. Call 205, County Superintendent R. E. White's office and let the committee know at once how many you will take. The teachers will be sent to your house Sunday afternoon and Monday morning.

Ballinger cannot afford to not provide for a gathering of this kind. We are glad they are coming here and it means much in many ways to the town, but unless we can give them a place to stay, that they are willing to pay a good price for, we need to never expect them to select Ballinger as a meeting place again. It certainly will be bad advertising if we have teachers walking the streets here Sunday night looking for places to sleep, and that is exactly what is going to happen unless someone opens their homes and takes them in. Ballinger cannot afford to do anything but provide entertainment and good entertainment at that, for everyone who comes this way.

Three day sessions and two night sessions of the institute will be held beginning Monday morning and the meeting will be dismissed Wednesday afternoon. The visitors will not be in their rooms much, but they must have rooms. The session will be over Wednesday afternoon in time for many of the teachers to depart for their homes, so a majority of them will be here for only three nights including Sunday.

A deal was closed this week whereby G. G. Odum purchased a house on Tenth Street from Mrs. P. E. Truly, of Wichita Falls. Mrs. Truly formerly lived in Ballinger for many years.

Frank Cameron, who had been in Dallas under the care of an eye specialist, returned home Thursday night.

American Legion Cheer Fund

Previously Reported \$34.50

D. C. Underwood \$1.00
Ballinger Fire Dept. \$10.00
K. V. Northington \$1.00
A. B. Legate \$1.00

The American Legion cheer fund made a good advance yesterday, but still much money is needed for this work and very few people who are able to give have handed in their contributions. Every other town in West Texas has on a similar campaign and all are meeting with wonderful success. Abilene showed a total of \$298 in a single day, with several firms topping the list with \$25 each. The Ballinger fund, after running for over one week, amounts to \$34.50 and almost half of that amount came from the DeMolay boys. It is estimated that over two hundred dollars will be needed here to care for the campaign, if it is done, and someone is going to have to think about Christmas outside of their own homes if this work is accomplished.

If you intend to do anything for the poor, do it at once so that those in charge of the drive will not have everything to do at the last moment. If you do not want your name and the amount you give to be published in the paper, drop it in one of the money pots on the streets.

OFFICER SHOTS ANOTHER OFFICER

(By Associated Press)
MT. PLEASANT, Tex., Dec. 18.—City Marshal Ben Chapman, who was shot here last night, in front of his office, will probably recover, physicians said today.
W. N. Gann, a Titus county constable, was released on \$1,000 bond on a charge of assault on murder.
The cause of the shooting was not disclosed by the officers.

WIFE KILLER FOUND DEAD

(By Associated Press)
PINE BLUFF, Tex., Dec. 18.—S. A. McAdamas, of Sulphur Springs, a farmer, who late yesterday ran amuck, beat his wife to death and fatally wounded three other persons, was found dead today in a clump of woods a short distance from the Hilton home.

ANOTHER NAVAL INQUIRY STARTS

(By Associated Press)
BOSTON, Dec. 18.—A charge that the story told by Captain John Diehl, of the steamer City of Rome, in regard to the sinking of the United States navy submarine S-51 in a collision with his vessel off Block Island on September 25th, was wholly untrue, was made today by Lieutenant Commander Charles Lockwood, judge advocate, before the naval board of inquiry investigating the matter.

Summing up the session of the naval court which convened today at the Charleston navy yard, Lockwood said that the submarine was not at fault in any way for the collision with the City of Rome and that the City of Rome was entirely to blame.

ROBBER TAKE CHARGE CITY

(By Associated Press)
DOWS, Iowa, Dec. 18.—Making captives of the town marshal, the telephone operator, railroad telegraph operator, and severing all wire communications with other towns, a half dozen bank robbers invaded this village early today and wrecked the safe in the bank and escaped with cash and bonds. Total amount of the loot secured is reported at from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

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A Christmas Appeal

DO IT EARLY



MRS. AYCOCK IS SERIOUSLY HURT

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Aycock and Mrs. Emma Nash left Ballinger early Friday morning for Fort Worth in response to a telegram stating that Mrs. Will Aycock had been seriously injured in an automobile accident. The car she was driving was struck by a train and she was reported to be in a very critical condition.

Mrs. Aycock is well known here and has many friends in Ballinger who will regret to hear of the accident. The telegram received gave only a few details, and no other particulars could be obtained by The Ledger this afternoon.

This is the second crossing accident that Mrs. Aycock has figured in. Her grandfather, J. H. Routh, was killed near Ballinger a few years ago when the car in which he was riding was struck by a passenger train at a crossing in South Ballinger. Mrs. Aycock was in another car just behind the smashed car at the time and witnessed the accident that took the life of her grandfather and injured Billie Nash, who was driving the car.

FOUR BURNED IN ONE HOME

(By Associated Press)
HOLDEN, Mass., Dec. 18.—Four children of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoye were burned to death today in their home here.

Mrs. Hoye, her father, a hired man, and three other children escaped.

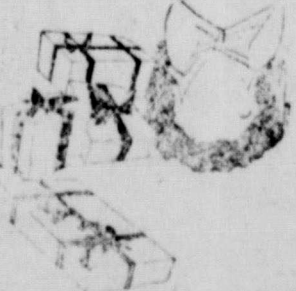
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Served Piping Hot at All Hours

Plenty of Christmas

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'Clean Fountain Service'

of pale rose, an overdrapery of purple, with a front panel and borders of modernistic flowers in a blending of all these colors.

Small Christmas Trees to be placed on your table, at L. B. Stubbs. Phone 93 or 94. 14-tfd

Get today's news today—read The Daily Ledger.

DECEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

Automobile speeding has been checked in a French town by the construction of shallow trenches in streets.

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FRIDAY IS EYE DAY

DR. B. KAHN, OPTOMETRIST

In the C. A. Dooze Building, Eyes examined, glasses fitted. We understand eyes.



About that Telephone

What would be a more acceptable Christmas present to your whole family than a West Texas Telephone installed in your residence before Christmas. It will be a pleasure and convenience to the entire household.

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Cigar Holders
Parker Pencils

FOR HER
Pyralin Ivory Sets
Perfumers
King's Candy
Book Ends
Perfume Sets
Bud Vases
Incense Burners
Bath Salts
Imported Perfume
Cut Glass
Vanitys
Kodak Albums
Eobbie Sets
Decorated Candles
Manicure Rolls
Stationery
Parker Fountain Pens
Gold Fish Aquariums

Strain Drug Company
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According to exchanges burglars are working in practically every town in West Texas, and Ballinger's time may be any night. Brownwood, Coleman, Bradshaw, Wingate, Miles and San Angelo report stores robbed within the past week. We have not reported on them thus far but it is



Zion Lace on French Frocks
PARIS, Dec. 17.—Zion City laces for Paris gowns which Zion City would be far from approving, are the first American-made laces ever to be imported by a dress-maker here. Many of the dresses trimmed with the product of the little Illinois town will go back near home again. A big Chicago store has bought half of them.

fireworks down town. Children should be told this by their parents before the law takes charge of some of them.

Most colleges have announced their football schedules for next year, coaches have been employed and the team is almost lined up. As soon as these matters are attended to the course of study and annual catalog will be taken up by members of the faculty.

State Fire Marshall J. J. Timmons sounds a note of warning that no candle or other open flame lights be used in connection with Christmas trees or other decorations as they are most dangerous fire hazards we have to contend with during the holiday season.

Col. William S. Mitchell, who has been on trial for his criticism of the war and navy departments, has been sentenced to forfeiture of all rank, command and pay for five years. Of course the sentence has to be reviewed by the higher court, the secretary of war and President Coolidge.

Merchants of Ballinger are preparing for a big day tomorrow as it will be the last Saturday before Christmas and probably a large percentage of Christmas gift shopping will be done by the people from the rural communities. Local citizens can greatly assist business men and clerks if they will do their necessary buying early Saturday morning before the crowds increase.

with the proper co-operation from everyone this can be made just as large and perhaps larger than the Brownwood meet. We have the birds in Runnels county, if put up for exhibition, to compete with poultry from anywhere and that is the reason that the bars have been thrown down and competition opened to the world.

H. W. MORELOCK TO SPEAK HERE SUNDAY

H. W. Morelock, president of Sul Ross State Teachers College, of Alpine, will speak at the Methodist church in Ballinger Sunday night at the regular preaching hour. Dr. Morelock will use for his subject, "The Mystery of Human Suffering." The public is cordially invited to hear him.

A Japanese university has established a chair of alcoholic research.

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- All \$2.50 preserves \$2.10

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Safety Deposit Boxes

Insurance Policies, Notes, Stocks, Bonds, Mortgages and Heirlooms are rarely safe at home or in your office desk.

It would be costly to replace some of them—loss of others would be irreparable.

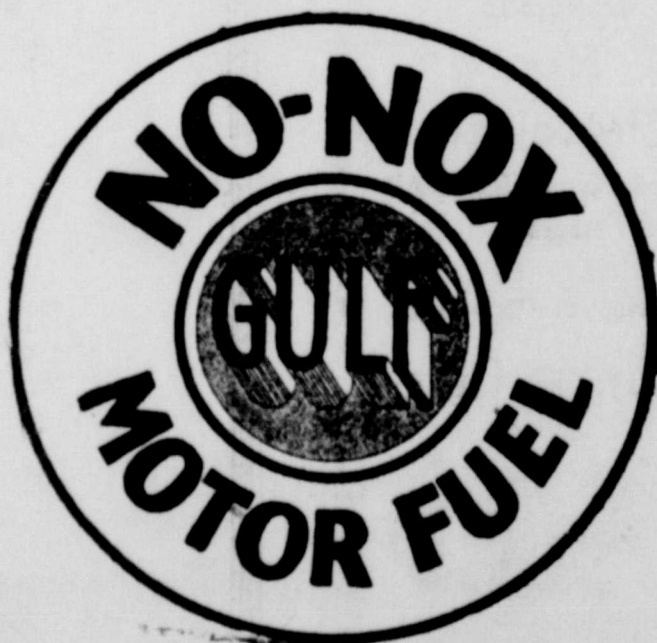
Our boxes are so constructed that two keys are necessary to unlock them—the owner's key and the master key held by our bank.

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Three Cents More Per Gallon But a Big Saving in the Long Run.

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- Urn Sets
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- Waffle Iron
- Boudoir Lamps

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Come in and look them over.



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Phone 7

G. P. Teague

MEMBER TEXAS QUALIFIED DRUGGISTS' LEAGUE



We have not counted the many different items in stock that are suitable for Christmas gifts but there must be as many as a thousand. Just think how easy it is to make selections when you have such a vast collection to choose from.

Weeks Drug Store

Phones 12 and 13

MEMBER TEXAS QUALIFIED DRUGGISTS' LEAGUE

Read the League's Message in Farm and Ranch and Holland's Magazine.

Exide BATTERIES

Has an average life of three years.
One year more than any battery in the world.
Our battery shop is the best in town.
Call 34 for service.

CAMERON'S GARAGE

BALLINGER,

TEXAS

PRINTS POULTRY SHOW-CATALOG

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Runnels County Poultry Breeders Association, turned in copy for printing of the Runnels County Poultry Show premium list Thursday, and printers are now busy on the pamphlet. About two thousand of these lists will be printed and distributed among the poultry men of West Texas.

The annual show will be held in Ballinger on January 13th, 14th and 15th, and it is expected that the affair, staged at this time of the year when very few people are busy, that the largest number of birds ever gathered in West Texas will be on display here. Many entries have already been made, and Mr. Motley stated Thursday that a diligent advertising campaign would be commenced at once and pushed as hard as possible to get a large crowd at the show for the three days.

Competition in this show is open to the world, and no breed of poultry is barred. Excellent premiums are being offered and it is thought the prizes will attract poultry raisers from all over Texas. The show will be held at the Runnels County Fair grounds.

PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How To Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more dullness, headache, no hawking, snuffling, mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

Tell your druggist you want a small bottle of Ely's Crema Balm. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, and relief comes instantly.

It is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer needs. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable.

HOLD-UP MAN IS GIVEN SOUND THRASHING BY HIS WOULD-BE VICTIM

(Brownwood Bulletin)

E. V. Morgan of the Mt. Zion community, five miles South from Bangs, this morning had a fight and he won it.

As Mr. Morgan was coming into Brownwood from his home, he was stopped by a man about four miles from Brownwood who acted as if he wanted to ride to town. Mr. Morgan slowed his car and the man came up to the car with his hands under his overcoat. As he got to the car he brought out a sawed-off shotgun and a pistol and told Mr. Morgan to get out. Mr. Morgan got out on the running board and when he did his hold-up man said, "Now unbutton your overcoat."

Mr. Morgan followed instructions until the man started to reach into his pockets, and then he used his right foot to boot the man's arm, causing him to drop the gun.

A good fist fight followed and Mr. Morgan was the victor. He pounded his man around a few minutes and when he thought he was "out" he went back to his car to get some wire, which he usually carried along, to tie the man up and bring him into the city, but—

The would-be highway robber and hold-up man woke up suddenly and started off through the pasture from the road, after grabbing his guns. The man made no attempt to use the guns after Mr. Morgan had mauled him around in the road for a few minutes.

The attempted hold-up was about 6:30 this morning. Mr. Morgan is a farmer of the Mt. Zion community and was employed at a furniture store here during the holidays and was coming to Brownwood for his day's work.

Mr. Morgan came into the city and reported the difficulty to the sheriff's department. Mr. Morgan received a bruised right hand and scratches on his hands in the fight.

Ledger want ads pay.

How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of gripe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

COTTON POLICY RUINOUS ON PLAINS IS STATED

C. K. Watson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Lamesa, and also Dawson county agent, was in Sweetwater this week. He declares that Dawson county will make about 24,000 bales of cotton this year as compared with 58,000 bales last year, with low prices of low grade cotton hurting very much.

Mr. Watson says that a very promising pure-bred hog, dairy cow and poultry movement was in progress on Dawson county farms three years ago, but the high price of cotton caused farmers to abandon this program to their present sorrow.—Sweetwater Reporter.

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of head or chest are more easily treated externally with—
VICKS
VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

Real values in all lines of household goods, can be found at King-Holt. 10-cod

GETTING CAR BLOODED STOCK FOR CLUB BOYS

Bert Low, cashier of the First National Bank of Winters, and County Agent C. W. Lehmburg have just returned from a trip to South Texas, where they went to secure a carload of pure-bred Jersey cows and heifers for the club boys and farmers of the Winters territory.

These Jerseys are of exceptional high quality, coming out of cows with a high milk production record and sired by imported bulls, making them the most desirable stuff that can be bought.

These cattle will be shipped into the county right after the holidays and will be ready for distribution the first days in January. Nearly all these cattle are spoken for with the exception of a few head and anyone wanting any of these Jerseys should see Mr. Low or Mr. Lehmburg at once.

County Agent Lehmburg also has a plan under way by which he hopes to ship in a carload of brood sows to be distributed to the Club boys and farms in the county.

Mr. Low and Mr. Lehmburg are working hard on putting over a program of diversified farming in the Winters territory and Mr. Lehmburg says that the only successful way to do this is to follow the cow, sow and hen route.

The county agent says he wants to see four to eight good milk cows, two good brood sows and 500 laying hens on every farm in Runnels county in the next two years.

Mr. Lehmburg hopes to be able to interest the local bankers in a diversified program of farming for the Ballinger territory and

get their co-operation, in financing, if necessary, a carload of pure-bred Jersey cattle for the Southern part of the county.

Give us your order for Christmas Trees now, we'll save one for you. L. B. Stubbs Grocery, Phone 93 or 94. 14-tfd

Flowers and Noisy Colors Feature Pajamas' Revival (By Associated Press)

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Pajamas in the fashionable French haberdasher shops seem to run to flowers and are in extremely noisy colors. After a temporary fall from grace, they are being vividly revived and are becoming as popular as ever for boudoir wear. "Sold for Palm Beach" was the label tagged on one garment displayed in the main window of the flashiest and most expensive shops. "Les Roses Merveilleuses" was the title of another of the most gorgeous, a coat of brocade in designs of red, yellow, pink and gold, made upon a foundation of black velvet, and flaring smartly over trousers of gold.

The colors went to contrast in another model of exquisite delicacy called "Quelques Fleurs." They were of pale green, blouse of pale rose, an overdrapery of purple, with a front panel and borders of modernistic flowers in a blending of all these colors.

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Or an Extension Telephone

Upstairs or in the bed room adds much to the comfort and convenience of the home, and will save your wife miles of steps during the year. The additional expense (less than two cents a day) is negligible compared to the advantages.

AT YOUR SERVICE

WEST TEXAS TELEPHONE CO.



Cut As You Like It

We do not tell you how you should have your hair cut, unless you ask our advice.

We will cut the way you specify. And shampoo it the way you prefer.

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CASH AND TOTE STORE

Specials for Saturday

- Armour's Star Hams the pound 26c
- Compound Lard, White Cloud, Jewel Flake and Advance 8 pound bucket \$1.23
- Niagara Breakfast Bacon the pound 40c
- Dry Salt Bacon the pound 18c

Buy Now for Xmas

CASH AND TOTE STORE

M. D. Chastain, Prop.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

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Our business has now grown until some of the principles which we have had in force will have to be changed.

Beginning January First, 1926

ONE NEW PRINCIPLE WILL BE EVERYTHING STRICTLY CASH

This applies to work in our repair shop and all accessories. We ask that our customers please take notice and after the first of the year, please do not ask for credit. This rule will apply to everyone, so please spare us the embarrassment of denying you credit.

We will continue to sell cars on the monthly payment plan as heretofore.

HARWELL MOTOR CO.
Ballinger, Texas

Pat Williams Post No. 8 American Legion



Matinee and Night

“A FULL HOUSE”

A Farce-Comedy in Three Acts Seats Now on Sale at Weeks Drug Store High School

**BEAUTIFUL COSTUMES IN PLAYMA
LOCAL MERCHANTS TO FURNISH ALL SETTINGS JON**

**FUN MAKING
SPECIALTY
OF SHOW**

There will be no time wasted between the acts. As soon as the curtain has hit the floor after the acts a specialty will be ready to commence. The American Legion Quartet will appear in one of the best programs they have ever presented to the public of Ballinger. New songs that carry plenty of comedy, yet are full of harmony, will be rendered between Act I and Act II. This quartet has been working assiduously on this special program for the performance, and with their popularity already established they are striving to give the audience a surprise when they "strut their stuff" for your approval.

Between Act II and Act III, George Wilkin, of Dallas, will entertain in a song of his own choosing. Mr. Wilkin is a real artist with popular songs, and has a personality and a voice that have made him a prime favorite all over the state. He agreed last year to fill this engagement for the local Legion post, and has notified the management within the last few days that he and his accompanist would be here for the production date.

There is no change of scenery or furniture in the entire show, and there will positively be no waits from the minute the orchestra goes in the pit at 7:40 p. m. until the final curtain on the last act.

Don't fail to make your seat reservations early as there are only a limited number for the night show left.

You can reserve seats at Weeks Drug Co.

Remember that your dollar spent for a Legion show ticket is going to be spent in Ballinger to help make this a better town.

Get your Seats Now!

IS IT WORTH IT?

Last year the Pat Williams Post American Legion raised considerable money and did a great deal of hard work to make the sick and the poor a little merrier at Christmas. A number of people have been asking was it worth the money and effort. Read what one man on the Santa Claus committee says:

"Christmas eve we visited one place in the 'flat' and found a woman suffering with tuberculosis; her husband just recovering from a six-week siege with pneumonia. They had a little girl three years old with ragged dress, stockings full of holes, and worn-out shoes. They were proud and did not ask for help, but when we investigated we found they had nothing in the kitchen and no fuel. That night we played Santa Claus and left enough groceries for one month, we sent medicine they were trying to do without, we took the little girl to town and dressed her in good warm clothes, shoes, stockings, sweater, cap and all; gave her a big bag of candy, fruit and nuts to take home. Fuel was left at this house to keep these folks warm, while some of the good ladies made cakes that the sick woman ate and liked. The next day we took a doll that 'Happy' Strain had donated, down to that little girl, which she hugged in her chubby little arms and rushed to her mother and said: 'Mother these are the best people in the world, 'cept you and daddy and God.' We leave it to you

IS IT WORTH IT?

The Legion doesn't beg for money and its living is made from this one show which is presented each year. The citizens has always patronized it liberally and the boys have always given a show that was well worth the money. Don't turn them down this year but start a merry Christmas by getting a good laugh at this show and help the cause along.

"Boys, beware! The vampingest vamp that ever vamped has taken the name of Mildred Butler," remarked the woman-hater of the town.

Dame Fashion's untiring energy and resourceful ideas have modeled real creations into costumes which will be displayed in "A Full House," the American Legion's headliner, to be presented in Ballinger at the high school auditorium on December 21st. The precious moments of many weeks have not been too valuable for her to spend in the formation of this apparel, and the result is style, completeness, appropriateness and altogether quite pleasing. Each character is to wear that which is most becoming and attractive for the role portrayed.

Rich, gorgeous fabrics were used in the gowns to be worn by the ladies. Tiny little fairies played happily with colors and designs and the materials are suggestive of Princesses. Special care was taken in decking the maid, and when she appears on the stage the audience will receive the sensation of the evening, as no detail in her make-up has been neglected. Instant admiration will be hers once the beauty loving public has the pleasure of feasting its gaze upon her, and she will be a feast in other ways as well. Her dainty ways and speeches are quite mirth provoking.

Naturally such well dressed ladies will be placed in harmonizing surroundings. A stairway, worthy of their dainty feet to tread upon, plays an important part in the play. When it became known that such a structure was needed, all master architects set to work, each eager to produce his masterpiece and excel all others—and thus place his name engraved with tacks and nails, in hammering headlights before the great Ballinger public, and on the stairway of success. Consequently many models were assembled, great dexterity was necessary to discriminate but the judges found the stairway of their dreams, and will display it with the first rising curtain of the play. You will find your gaze spell-bound upon this edifice many times during this play, wondering what next will happen to it or upon it. It supports many mysterious characters and it is well-chosen for the important part it takes.

Other features of interest make up the scenery for this occasion. Unusual sofas, telephones, hats, racks, will interest you—each quite different from the ordinary. Without mentioning all the

details, the audience will not be able to overlook the tall and short, conquering heroes in this production as they appear one by one, or at times in great groups, thus assuring you of a "Full House" from every point of consideration.

Elaborate furniture, rugs, pictures, electric lamps, hand bags and other material are being furnished by local firms and added greatly to the settings of the play. The room representing the New York apartment will compare favorably with any well furnished living room you have ever entered.

Minister—"Mr. Weeks, how can you allow your son-in-law to play the part of the lover in the American Legion shows?"

Mr. Weeks—"My dear sir, I am doing my best to develop the boy's one talent. And by the way, he is becoming more proficient every year."

Mr. Underwood says he has attended every American Legion play since 1492 and never before has he seen a show with a cast of such good-looking, sweet-voiced, lovable ladies.

Mr. Simmons remarked—"Every member of the cast is so suited for his role that the performance will require very little effort on the part of the actors. There is Miss Sharp, the old maid aunty; Jones, the thief; Motley, the butler; Mrs. Paul, the flat-skull."

Mr. Pilcher was heard saying: "Guess we will have a new police force next year. I hear Atkins, Cameron and Cohen are already training."

“Let's Go”

A One Act Drama in Three

SCENE I.
Time: Early evening on the 20th day of December.
Place: The Cheatham living room.
Characters: Mr. and Mrs. Cheatham.
(Mrs. Cheatham is seated before the fire-place gazing longingly at the fire. Charles is busily engaged in reading the latest edition of "True Story.")
Mrs. C.: "Charles, let's go to the American Legion play tomorrow night."
Mr. C.: "No, positively no!"
Mrs. C.: "But Charles, it is our duty."
Mr. C.: "Duty? Bah! Why should I go to see people I am with every day get up and play like a lot of foolishness? Let's go to the picture show. They are showing Earl Lloyd in 'The Freshman,' tomorrow. That will be a laugh from beginning to end."
Mrs. C.: (in tears) "Oh, Charles, will you never learn to appreciate anything besides such light, flippity things?"

SCENE II.
Time: Morning of 21st.
Place: Strain's Drug Store.
Characters: The usual gang.
(The men are smoking, drinking and enjoying life in general. Charles enters.)

Claude: "I tonight?"
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Pat Williams Post No. 8 AMERICAN LEGION Presents its Fifth Annual "A Full House" A Farce-Comedy in Three Acts High School Auditorium Monday, December 21st—After Night

Cast as They Appear

Parks, an English Butler
Susie, from Sioux City, a maid
Otilly Howell, a bride
Miss Winnecker, the Aunt
Daphne Charters, Otilly's Sister
Nicholas King, a stranger
Ned Penbroke, Jr., an only son
George Howell, a bridegroom
Dougherty, a police sergeant
Jim Mooney, a policeman
Clancy Kearney, another cop
Mrs. Fleming, who owns the apartment
Vera Vernon, a show girl
Mrs. Penbroke, from Boston

The play is in three acts. The scene is the drawing room of Mrs. Fleming's duplex on Riverside Drive, New York city. Time, 10:30.

Costumes worn by Misses Copass and Mrs. Moody, furnished by R. E. Caldebaugh.

Specialties
ACT I.—American Legion Quartet
ACT II.—Geo. Wilkin, of Dallas

NOTE—There are two curtains on the closing act. Please keep your seats until after the second curtain.

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American Legion's Fifth Annual Show

"A FULL HOUSE" Monday, Dec. 21st

High School Auditorium Music By 12-Piece Orchestra Vaudeville Between Acts



SO MANY NEW FACES ARE IN CAST

AGNES JONES AND PAUL HEAVY ON COMEDY AGAIN

"Let's Go"

Drama in Three Scenes

Claude: "Hello, old boy. All set for the big show tonight?"
 Strain: "You know, I think that a man who lives in Ballinger and doesn't support the American Legion play should be horse-whipped."
 (Charles has look of "hit dog.")
 Marvin: "Of course, everybody understands that the money goes to benefit Ballinger and the boys who so bravely risked their lives for their country during the World War."
 Frank: "Yes, and besides the elevating purpose, it is good entertainment."
 (Jones passes in front of store.)
 Motley: "There goes one of our comedians now."
 (Charles stares at Jones and leaves the store.)

SCENE III.
 Time: Five minutes later
 Place: Charles' office
 Characters: The doctor himself. (He rushes in excitedly, throws hat to one side, takes telephone.)
 Charles: "279. Yes—Hello, Agnes, still want to go to the American Legion play? Well, we are going. I've just had a good look at the face of one of the comedians—I'm sure he'll be twice better than Lloyd if he does nothing more than stand on the stage and not say a word. So get ready! Let's go! Curtain."

For the fifth consecutive year the American Legion offers to the people of Ballinger its annual show. With many people this annual affair means that they are going. The principal reason for this statement is because for four years they have attended and each time they have enjoyed this show as they enjoyed no other event of the year in Ballinger. Another reason is because the Legion Show becomes better each year and the many public appearances of most of the cast takes them out of the amateur class and places them in the class of real entertainers.

Troy Simpson, who has directed all previous Legion shows, states that never before has a cast been assembled here that exhibits the ability that the cast playing "A Full House" shows. Many of the faces in the cast have been seen for the past five years, however, some new names will appear on the list this year who will stay in their first appearance.

The fact that the play is a farce comedy means that A. R. Jones, who has caused more people in Ballinger to laugh than any other twelve men, will be seen in the principal masculine comedy role. The part fits Mr. Jones like a glove and he will be presented in a side-splitting, character that will appeal to all ages and tastes. His ability and his part will make this year's show long remembered and anyone with a grudge will be greatly benefited before the first act ends.

Among feminine comediennees of the cast, Mrs. Vic Paul will hand out laughs faster than you can breathe. Playing the part of "Susie Sponge from Sioux City," she handles the funniest role that has ever been seen in a play in Ballinger. Her ability to act and her expression of the lines makes her one of the best bets of this year's show.

R. W. Earnshaw will again appear as leading man for the Legion show. For four years he has been assigned this part, and while handling a very comical role this year he is at home in his old role of a bridegroom. His misunderstandings and matrimonial mishaps will afford much merriment for the audience.

Miss Lucille Copass, leading lady, will be a new face in the show this year, but her personality will create a welcome for her almost from her first line. She is

full of life, expression, is pretty, and has every trait essential for a leading lady.

In the juvenile lead, Mrs. Ernest Moody will completely captivate the audience in the presentation of her clever part. Mrs. Moody is new to Legion show audiences, but has had much experience in theatricals and is capable of handling difficult roles.

Playing opposite her as a bashful young suitor is Harry Lynn. Mr. Lynn is the utility man for Legion performances, and has been seen for the past five years as negro, clown, English dude, old character, and comical old man. This is a new departure for Harry, but one in which he will be as much at home as in any other. The part is one of those that delights the spectators from the rising of the first curtain.

Miss Mildred Butler is playing a double role this year—that of an old lady in the first scenes, and later switching to the part of a famous show girl who annoys Ned (H. Lynn) very much. She adapts herself to the parts well and is one of the bright spots in the show.

Miss Anna Jean Sharp has appeared in every local Legion show and is now ranked as one of the strongest members of the repertoire. In the part of a meddling aunt of the "mother-in-law" type, she furnishes much of the fun for "A Full House," and thoroughly demonstrates that women are capable of handling men's affairs.

J. D. Motley, who is an old hand at the game, plays the part of Park, an English butler. His dumbness, and his dialect, in an exceptionally good part adds to the total enjoyment of the show.

Miss Patricia Reynolds is another

new character this year, and is to be seen as "Mrs. Penbroke." She portrays a wonderful part in a way that proves her real ability.

M. C. Atkins, as a police sergeant, handles a long, "hard-boiled" part which contains much comedy. Mr. Atkins started five years ago as property man for the Legion shows. Last year he was given the role of a butler, and appears this year in his first difficult role. Should he succeed in this part as he has with previous jobs he is slated for the leading man's part next year. He is single, good looking, and we expect to see him as "lead" in next year's offering.

Jim Mooney, a cop, portrayed by Frank Cameron, is another one of the funny spots in the show. Frank's army experience with "top" sergeants taught him much of hard-boiled tactics which he will use in the interpretation of his part.

L. Cohen, playing the part of an Irish cop, is going to bring the crowd down and stop the show. You've really got to see him in this character to believe it, is all we have to say here.

No synopsis of the play will be given in these columns as you should see the play as it progresses to get the full benefit of a humorous, exciting plot. The Legion is paying \$50.00 for the use of the script and guarantees it to be one of the best and funniest bills ever produced here.

There are still a few good seats left on the plot board for the night performance. Make reservations at Weeks Drug Store.

The local post American Legion post received a letter from Samuel C. French, of New York, this week that meant ten dollars. In response to a request from the post here Mr. French stated that he would be glad to subtract ten dollars from the royalty price of the script on "A Full House" on account of the matinee being given in the afternoon for the benefit of the 500 teachers who will be here attending the institute.

Seats on sale at Weeks Drug Store.

ORCHESTRA WILL MAKE A BIG HIT

The orchestra, under the direction of Ernest Moody, has done perhaps as hard work as those in the stage cast. For two weeks rehearsals have been proceeding daily, and the organization has succeeded in getting many of the popular tunes down to absolute perfection.

Appearance of the orchestra will be made precisely at 7:40 o'clock, and they will entertain you for twenty minutes before the curtain rises. If you like music it will pay you to find your seat early and listen to the music program which these young men have worked so hard on for the past two weeks.

Following is the personnel of the musical organization:
 Director, Ernest Moody
 Piano, Miss Rama Guin
 Violin, Miss Dorothy Chancey
 Trumpets, Wix Currie and Homer Carsey
 Drums, J. P. Rhuman
 Bass, Bob Carsey
 Banjo, Saxophone, Henry Moody
 Tenor Saxophone, Ernest Moody
 Clarinet, Joe Beck
 Trombone, Neal Eubank
 Alto Saxophone, Horace Gustavus.

When the Legion gets its new home all fixed up and open to the public it is going to be another place that the citizens of Ballinger will be proud of. Just how well they furnish the library depends on how many dollars they get next Monday night when "A Full House" is presented here. Invest a dollar with this cause. You will have five dollars worth of fun and your dollar will be spent in aid for Ballinger.

Get your Seats Now!

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"Full House"
 Farce-Comedy in Three Acts
 High School Auditorium
 December 21st—Afternoon and Night
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 Harry Lynn as Butler J. D. Motley
 Mrs. Penbroke Mrs. Vic Paul
 Miss Copass Miss Lucille Copass
 Miss Anna Jean Sharp Miss Anna Jean Sharp
 Mrs. Ernest Moody Mrs. Ernest Moody
 A. R. Jones A. R. Jones
 Harry Lynn Harry Lynn
 R. W. Earnshaw R. W. Earnshaw
 M. C. Atkins M. C. Atkins
 Frank Cameron Frank Cameron
 L. Cohen L. Cohen
 Mildred Butler Mildred Butler
 Miss Patricia Reynolds Miss Patricia Reynolds

The scene represents Mrs. Fleming's duplex apartment, New York city. Time, present.
 Written by Misses Copass and Butler and directed by R. E. Caldebaugh.

Specialties
 American Legion Quartet
 Geo. Wilkin, of Dallas, and Songs

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<p>"A FULL HOUSE" of Xmas Presents at L. R. TIGNER'S</p>	<p>"A FULL HOUSE" of Christmas Cards at the LEDGER OFFICE</p>	<p>For a Policy to Protect "A FULL HOUSE" see JOE M. SIMMONS</p>
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The GOLDEN RULE in PRACTICE

A series of articles by prominent leaders on the Golden Rule as a guide in International Relations.

AMERICA WRITES WORLD HISTORY

By SAMUEL McCREA CAVERT
Secretary of the Federal Council of Churches

Some future historian, writing the records of Europe and the Near East in these days when armies fought and won and lost, in this age when governments rose and fell, in this time when nations struggled madly with each other for economic mastery, will set down that the greatest influence of all in the final development of the problem, was the quiet work of the American relief organizations.

It is America which has introduced a new motive into international politics, the new-old motive of the Golden Rule. After nineteen centuries, there has come out of the West, from the youngest of the nations, a voice that speaks and a force that acts, from other motives than pure political selfishness.

The humanitarian and educational work of America in the Near East is more than just an emergency organization for saving human life.

It may become the great educational organization which more than any other force now existing will prove the turning point for building a new international solidarity based on good will and mutual understanding.

On Golden Rule Sunday, December 6th, our thoughts will be directed to these problems. It will be a day for meditation and thought on world affairs, not merely for compassion and pity, but with a motive of desire to rebuild a tottering world. Our foreign relief organizations are great agencies of international good will, interpreting to the world the better side of America.

In a day when a many of our people have provincial attitudes, so



provincial that many of them can glory in the slogan "America First" in its narrowest sense, we need this day to enlarge our vision and make us think of all nations and all men as members of one common family. At any moment we may be called upon to help in directing America's course in world affairs. Unless I am mistaken, they will gravitate as they have so often done, toward Constantinople, Thessalonica, Russia, Moslem Turkey, African and Asiatic tribes, and the white man are likely to assemble for momentous ends.

Golden Rule Sunday will be observed throughout the United States in December, on behalf of the Near East Relief. This series of articles, by prominent public men, who are supporters and spokesmen for this great philanthropy, is designed to call public attention to the background and purpose of the work and its need for general support.

ANNUAL REPORT OF NAVY GIVEN

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A considerable reduction in cases of desertion among enlisted men of the navy during the fiscal year ending last June 30 was shown today in the annual report of the Navy Judge Advocate General. The desertion cases totalled 1175, as compared with 1313 the previous year.

This is said by naval officers to be due in large part to the policy of giving more careful attention to the acceptance of recruits and to the establishment of recruit divisions on capital ships, where more attention can be given to the new men in the early days of their naval life.

During the year offenses of drunkenness totalled 1,470, most of which were handled by summary and deck courts, only 98 being sufficiently grave to require general court martial. Other offenses requiring general courts martial were restricted to fraudulent enlistment, totalling 45; and theft, totalling 61 cases.

The percentage of enlisted men in the entire naval service tried during the year was 2.18 appearing before the general courts

martial, 10.91 before summary courts and 7 per cent before deck courts.

While the report says appropriations apparently will not permit new construction at certain of the naval prisons, "a plan is under consideration for the establishment of disciplinary barracks at several different points to which would be sent short-time offenders in less serious cases, reserving the prisons proper for those convicted of the graver offenses." Such a plan, it is added, "would serve to reduce the congestion at Mare Island and other naval prisons."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The engineering condition of the battleships of the United States fleet has reached such a "satisfactory stage," says the annual report of the Navy Bureau of Engineering that latest reports "indicated but one ship of the battle fleet needed more than five days to prepare for extended service."

The report, covering the fiscal year of 1925, is the last to be submitted by Rear Admiral J. K. Robison, as chief of the bureau, at the end of a four years' term. Steady progress made during the four year period as well as to the twelve months ending last June 30 was mentioned, the report declaring "the past year had seen the accomplishment of

many improvements, which have progressed throughout the last four years in pursuance of a set policy."

At Lehr Hall

Dance at Lehr Hall Saturday night, December 19th. Music by Ralph Britt's Orchestra. Come. 17-2td

MISSIONARY TO CHINA AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Miss Laura Coupland, one of the Southern Baptist missionaries to China, who is now at home on a furlough, has been invited to address the congregation at the local Baptist church here Sunday night.

Miss Coupland has worked in China for several years, and those who have heard her speak say she gives a most interesting address. Everybody is cordially invited to hear her. Miss Coupland's parents now live in Winters.

Christmas Trees for the table at L. B. Stubbs. Phon e93 or 94. 14-td

County Supt. R. E. White is at home confined to his bed with lagrippe. Mr. White has been very busy recently arranging details for the teachers institute, and his illness comes at a very crucial time for him.

SCHOOLS DISMISS FOR HOLIDAYS

The holiday vacation will commence for school children all over West Texas today when the public schools close this afternoon. Thirteen counties are coming here for the Concho-Colorado Teachers Institute, and all the schools in these counties will dismiss for Christmas this afternoon. In practically every case the schools will take a two-week holiday, starting back to their studies on January 4th, 1926.

Members of the "Turkey in the Straw" Band started their vacations this morning as they were excused from the last day of the school term to go to Coleman where the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is holding a district convention.

A few Ballinger boys and girls are beginning to arrive from the various colleges and universities, but the majority of these students will not begin arriving home for Christmas until next week.

The local Mexican school will also dismiss this afternoon and will have a Christmas celebration as closing exercises for the 1925 term. A Christmas tree and a short program will be presented.

LOCAL GIN IS SOLD HERE

The Runnels County Gin Company sold one of their gins here this week to W. F. Mason, of Wilmeth. The gin here known as the Towler gin, was purchased by Mr. Mason and he will take charge of the plant on January 1st, 1926. Mr. Mason has been operating a gin at Wilmeth for a number of years and is an experienced gin man in every particular.

Don Towler, who has been in charge of the Towler gin here, has purchased the Wilmeth gin from Mr. Mason, and the two gentlemen will exchange places.

Mr. Towler moving his family to Wilmeth about the first of the year. Mr. Towler has for the past three years been manager of the local gin and knows the gin business from the ground up.

The amount of consideration in each deal was not made public by the contracting parties.

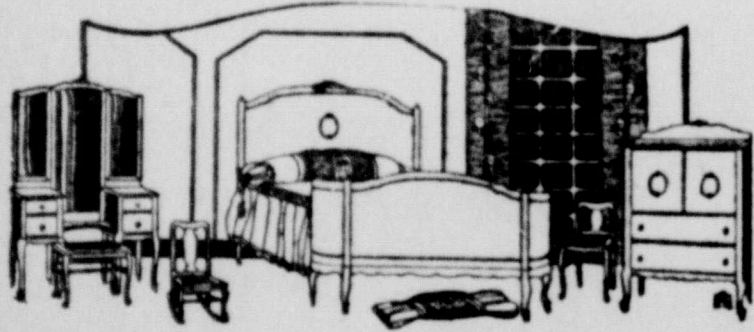
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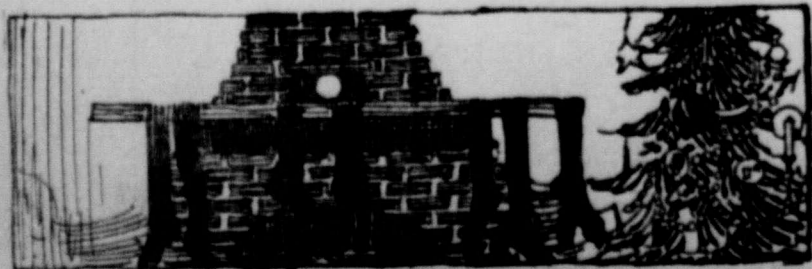
Among the memories of childhood none are perhaps more clear or better worth treasuring than the glinting of the firelight on the furniture towards Christmas Time, when that air of mystery was over the house. When we felt that tugly expectant sensation. When almost any fabled thing might happen in connection with the visit of Santa Claus. These flashes of light on the polished furniture were messages of mysteries that lurked in the shadows.



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Worn by Norma Shearer, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star, whose next production is "The Tower of Lido."

THINKS UNITED STATES HAS TOO MANY HOLIDAYS NOW

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—Fred D. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad, has little use for the person who always observes holidays.

In a statement he asserted that government employees are not entitled to holidays and attacked the custom of giving postoffice department employees a holiday on Christmas.

"Why is any one day different from another? Suppose all the locomotive engineers decided to take Christmas off? What would happen?"

"Somebody ought to say something about this subject of government employees taking a holiday. The postoffice should be in operation every day and night in the year."

"There is a proposal to make a holiday of the late Woodrow Wilson's birthday. If we do this often enough, when the nation reaches a certain age every day will be a holiday. Spain broke up because it had forty or fifty holidays a year."

"No day is better than any other. I have a great amount of fault to find with the fellow who exalts his birthday."

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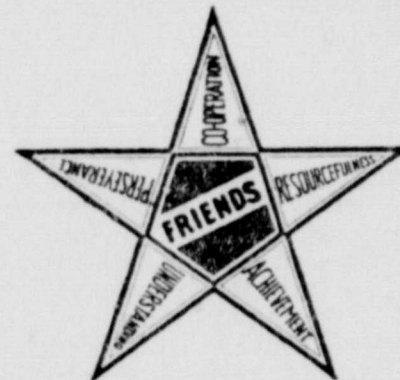
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GOOD CROWD TO COLEMAN

The "Turkey in the Straw" band and a delegation filling about fifteen cars left the city Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock for Coleman, where the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is being held. The Ballinger delegation was smaller than had been expected and the committee had a hard time securing transportation for all who desired to go. Coming so near Christmas with all hands busy here it was impossible to get the usual large representation Ballinger sends to affairs of this importance. The crowd, however, was swelled in the afternoon when the football team and rooters joined the delegation at Coleman.

Reports from Coleman Thursday evening stated that every organization in that city was preparing to entertain a large crowd and ladies of the different organizations were arranging to serve turkey dinners to the guests at the churches Friday noon.

Most of the program will be held in the forenoon at the Dixie Theatre, and early in the afternoon the Ballinger crowd will stage their stunts and commence a hard fight for the next convention. This question will be settled at the afternoon session and before the football game which is scheduled for 3:30 p. m. at the American Legion Park.

To keep him from throwing ashes on the floor, we would suggest a smoke stand for Christmas. King-Holt. 10-cod

RUBBER PRICE GETS ATTENTION

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Charging manipulation of crude rubber prices by the British Colonial governments, Representative Tilson, of Connecticut, Republican leader, today introduced a resolution asking for an investigation by the House committee. As a result of the alleged manipulation, Tilson asserted that United States industries are paying \$700,000,000 more annually for crude rubber than is warranted.

Dr. M. Kahn is at home for a few days' visit, coming in from San Antonio Friday morning.

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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.

WANTED—Man or woman to sell Rawleigh Products in Ballinger. Write The W. T. Rawleigh Co., Dept. 14, Memphis, Tenn. 13-F-6td

FOR SALE—Good 1925 model Ford, used less than six months. See J. P. Flynt at once. 17-tfd

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FOR RENT—After Jan. 10th, two furnished rooms at Park Avenue and Thirteenth Street. Phone 415. 16-4td

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FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Apply to 811 Seventh Street or phone 319. 8-3td

FOR RENT—Good bed rooms, close in, modern conveniences. Phone 179. 21-tfd.

DISPUTE LEADS TO SHOOTING

A shooting affray occurred at the farm home of W. R. Horde, five miles South of Wingate Wednesday morning of this week that created considerable excitement, and about which many rumors have been afloat.

Besides the owner, W. R. Horde, Tom Horde and Lewis Horde live on the farm. Each are married and live on a part of their father's farm, residing about 300 yards apart.

A court of inquiry was held in Magistrate C. H. Willingham's court Thursday afternoon and the following report was furnished by the authorities.

It appears that the two brothers—Tom and Lewis Horde—have during the past year or two had many quarrels and disagreements, that finally culminated in the shooting Wednesday morning on the Horde farm. The immediate cause of the shooting, it is alleged, grew out of a dispute over the ownership of a partnership patch of cane, and other differences about this time.

On Wednesday morning, Tom Horde, with his brother-in-law, John Fulton, started to Winters from the farm in a car and over the road leading by the Lewis Horde place. When the two men reached the Lewis Horde house Lewis was out near the road and the trouble commenced between the brothers. Tom was armed with a repeating shot-gun and opened fire on Lewis, shooting at his feet, and later the wives of the two men arrived on the scene and they engaged in a personal fight.

Some twenty shots were removed from Lewis' right foot, which was about the extent of the injury to him, and from the doctor's opinion his wounds are not serious. Tom was uninjured in the fray.

Complaint for aggravated assault was filed against Tom Horde and the other three participants plead guilty in John Heck's court at Wilmett for fighting. Tom refused to plead guilty, and his case will come up for trial at the February term of county court in Ballinger.

The Horde family have resided in this county for a number of years and have not had any previous trouble.

NEGRO SAVED FROM GALLOWS

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Ninety minutes before he was to die on the gallows for murder today, Campbell McCarthy, age 19, a negro, was granted a stay of execution on the defense attorneys' contention that the youth has become insane.

Justice John McGorty granted the stay at his home here early today.

ODD FELLOWS HOME COMING

Odd Fellows from the Ballinger, Winters, Wingate and San Angelo lodges gathered here Thursday night at the invitation of the local I. O. O. F. lodge for a home-coming gathering. The business session was held at the lodge hall, where the crowd gathered about 8:00 o'clock, and after some talks and some work was put on, the Odd Fellows went in a body to the American Cafe, where more than 75 enjoyed a big turkey supper with the Ballinger members acting as hosts.

The local membership is enthused over the meeting and report that a great time was had by everyone present. It was about 11:00 o'clock when the banquet was finished, and after the social hour spent together and the work done at the lodge it is felt that new friendships and a closer brotherly feeling was formed by this occasion.

If you want your gifts to be useful and everlasting, do your shopping at King-Holt. 10-cod

SHULTZ FEEDS STEERS IN BALLINGER PENS

W. O. Shultz, of Paint Rock, has shipped from Pawhuska, Oklahoma to Paint Rock 900 four-year-old steers which he purchased from John T. McElroy of El Paso.

Between 800 and 900 aged steers also are being moved by Mr. Shultz from one of his ranches to Ballinger to be placed on feed.

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IS CONSIDERING EXTRA SESSION

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—In conference with Representatives Brown of Jacksonville, Raymer of Austin, and Sheats of Franklin, Speaker of the House Lee Satterwhite today deliberated as to whether Saturday he would call for a special session of the Texas legislature.

Satterwhite said these three representatives strongly favored such a session.

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—Speaker of the House Lee Satterwhite was called today before the Travis county grand jury which is investigating state affairs.

SAYS COURT MET TO GET MITCHELL

(By Associated Press)
Charges that ordinary military procedure was not followed in the court martial of Col. William Mitchell, and that the court convened in order to "get" Mitchell, were made today in a statement issued by Congressman Reid of Illinois, who was chief counsel for the air officer during his trial.

R. T. Williams received a message from relatives in Dallas Friday morning stating that his brother, W. B. Williams, had undergone an operation in a sanitarium of that city and was in a very critical condition.

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APPROPRIATION BEFORE HOUSE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The first high appropriation bill of the year was that of the treasury and postoffice departments and was reported to the House today. The amount was \$876,

\$52,000, which is 460,000 below the budget bureau's estimate.

Laundry guaranteed. Stella Campbell, 500 Sealy Avenue. 19-tfd

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