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RUSSIANS GIVING UP IMPORTANT TERRITORY

PETROGRAD, Sept. 3.—The Riga section, including Russia's foremost outer Baltic port, is to be abandoned to the Germans. This was made known today in an official announcement detailing Russia's position in this region. The Russians are evacuating the important section and Baltic port on account of the threatening situation in which Germany would capture many Russian soldiers.

BALLINGER MAN GETS OFFICE UNDER NEW LAW

Austin, Tex., Sept. 1.—In accordance with an act passed at the last regular session of the Thirty-Fifth legislature, Commission of Insurance and Banking Charles O. Austin this afternoon appointed J. C. Roots of Ballinger as general liquidating agent. The office of liquidating agent was created by this amendment to the state banking laws and one of the requirements is that the position must be filled by a bank examiner.

SOLDIER BOY HOME FOR VISIT

Frank Cameron came in from Fort Sam Houston Sunday to spend a couple of days with home folks and on business. He was fortunate in securing a two days furlough and made a hurried visit to Ballinger. Frank is in the signal corps of the U. S. army, and is one of half a dozen boys enlisting here at the same time, including James Skinner, Elmer Allison, K. V. Northington, Roy Reeder, Eugene Kipp. He says the Ballinger boys are well pleased with their places in the army and all send back to Ballinger friends that they are getting along fine. Before being transferred from San Antonio to France it is expected some of the other boys will be granted furlough of a few days and run home to say goodbye again.

Many Volunteer for First Drafted Army

When the local exemption board announced that the first call from this county for men to make up the drafted army would only require eight men there was a rush for the places to be filled, and about forty men called at the office of the board and requested that they be permitted to "go first." Many of those who had asked for exemptions, and some who had appealed to the district board, were among those to apply for places in the front rank. After learning that they would not be exempted from service a number expressed a desire to go and go quick, saying that to wait longer for call to colors would keep them in suspense. The board was instructed to draft with a view to getting good men physically and men capable of making good soldiers in the first

TEXAS BOYS ARRIVING ON ATLANTIC

HEMPSTEAD, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Six hundred Texas troops, commanded by Major Devine, arrived at Camp Mills today. Nothing was given out by the war department concerning the troop movements, but it is believed that these troops are part of the next expedition to leave for France.

BANKER, 34 YEARS IN AMERICA FILES CITIZENSHIP PAPERS.

After residing in the United States for thirty-four years, Francis George Lewin, Miles banker, has decided to become a citizen of this country. Before Jesse Crouch deputy federal clerk, Mr. Lewin Saturday afternoon filed declaration of intention papers.

He gave his age at forty-two years, having been born in the city of London, England, on December 3, 1874. He emigrated to America in 1883, arriving in New York from Liverpool on the City of Rome on September 9. In declaring his intention of becoming an American citizen, Mr. Lewin renounces "all allegiance and fidelity to George V. king of Great Britain and Ireland."—San Angelo Standard.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Judge J. M. Rieger, District Superintendent, will speak tonight at 8 o'clock at First Christian church. Everybody invited to attend.

Local Merchants Planning For Great Fall Style Show

Plans are underway for holding at Ballinger some time about the middle of this month a great style show. The exact date and full details with complete program will be announced later, and local merchants who participate in the big style event will use Ledger space in keeping their customers informed on what's what in fall style.

It is expected that people from every section of the county will be attracted here by this unusual style event. It is probable that the school children will have part in the program, and there will be living models in charge at the stores where the latest in fall gowns and millinery will be on display.

Short crops, war cries and hard times will be forgotten for this occasion, and it will not be a scheme for selling goods either. The style show will be held for the benefit of the ladies who want to dress in keeping with the times throughout the winter season. Of course there will be fine dresses on display, but there will be the medium price dresses—dresses priced down to where the women of this county can buy and dress in the latest style.

Local merchants have been to market. They have laid in a large stock of fall and winter goods, and in many instances profited on

deliveries made on contracts some time ago, and have announced that their customers will receive the benefit of the early buying. New goods are being received in Ballinger daily, and heavy shipments will be put on display for the style show.

COMPANY H GETS ANOTHER FURLOUGH

The Ballinger members of Company H were allowed a furlough to stay at home over Sunday of this week. It had been thought that they were on their last furlough last week, but on account of sickness, some of them were not in shape to move to their new quarters in Fort Worth, and the company was kept at San Angelo for another week. They will probably move to Camp Bowie some time this week.

FIGHTING LIQUOR IN TARRANT.

Ft. Worth, Tex., Sept. 3.—The Tarrant county local option election probably will be held on Oct. 1, the county commissioners court has announced.

S. D. Williams of Hatchel left Monday for Fort Worth, where he will spend about a week or ten days on a vacation.

SHOOTING AT PAINT ROCK CLOUDED IN MYSTERY

A telephone message to The Ledger from Paint Rock at noon Monday, stated that a Mexican had shot and fatally wounded Chester Reed, the nineteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Reed of that city. Another message one hour later stated that the authorities had concluded that the young man shot himself, and the latest report leaves the tragedy clouded in mystery.

Chester Reed was employed in the grocery store of Earl Willis, and was delivering goods near the Santa Fe depot Monday morning when he claimed that while near a Mexican hut he was shot by a Mexican.

The young man was found in his buggy a short time after the shooting. He was able to talk when found, and claimed that a Mexican shot him with a pistol, and after shooting him picked him up and put him in the buggy. He was using to deliver groceries.

The boy furnished the officers with a description of the Mexican, and several posses were soon formed and sent out to hunt down the assassin, while officers in surrounding counties were notified. Sheriff Perkins, armed with his rifle and pistol, was ready to leave for the country between Miles and Paint Rock, when a phone message was received at The Ledger office stating that the officers had concluded that the boy shot himself, but at

the same time saying that there was considerable mystery surrounding the shooting.

Young Reed is suffering with a bullet wound over his heart, and there is little hopes for his recovery. The wound shows to have resulted from a bullet fired from a small calibre gun. In telling how the Mexican shot him and put him in the buggy, the boy's story did not connect up with the facts surrounding the scene of the shooting. There were no buggy tracks near where the shooting is supposed to have occurred, according to the story told by the victim, but buggy tracks were found some distance away, and behind a bush was found a target gun, property of the young man, and which had been freshly fired.

The young man enjoyed the very best reputation in Paint Rock and is not known to have had any trouble that would have caused him to take his own life. Why he should shoot himself and lay the crime at the door of a Mexican, is not known, and the tragedy is one that is puzzling the Concho county officers and the closest friends of the Reed family.

Dave Reed at one time lived in Ballinger. The family stood well with the people of Paint Rock, and the tragedy has cast a gloom over that town, according to telephone reports received at Ballinger Monday afternoon.

HOBBY NAMES REGENT; FERGUSON TRIAL BEGINS

LOSES IN AN ALL NIGHT SUB. FIGHT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The navy department received official report today of the sinking of the American schooner Cressy. The schooner was sunk on August 23rd after an all night fight with German submarines. There were too many of the U-boats for the schooner to fight off and it was destroyed after putting up a hard fight against the submarines.

CONSPIRACY CASES SET FOR ABILENE

The trial of fifty-four men charged with anti-draft conspiracy begins at Abilene next Tuesday, Sept. 10th. The men will be arraigned before Federal Judge Jack of Shreveport, La. Federal court convenes on Monday at which time the grand jury will begin to grind, but the cases will not be called until Tuesday.

The defendants were arrested during the spring and just before registration day when anti-draft propaganda was developed in a number of counties in this section of the state, including Tom Green, Coke, Taylor, Jones and Nolan counties.

WORM AND WEEVIL DAMAGING COTTON.

Weatherford, Tex., Sept. 3.—Reports from farmers near here indicates that the cotton crop is being badly damaged by boll weevil and boll worms.

AUSTIN, Sept. 3.—Gov. Hobby sent the name of John Sealy, of Galveston, as regent of the university to succeed A. W. Fly, whose appointment was made by Gov. Ferguson, but rejected by the senate last week.

The senate convened at eleven o'clock this morning to take up the trial of Gov. Ferguson on the impeachment charge. The senate convened as a court and began at once to hear the reading of the impeachment articles, and this will be followed by Mr. Ferguson's answer to charges which will occupy much time. It will be late in the afternoon before the senate calls for testimony from witnesses summoned and who are present.

Gov. Ferguson released for publication yesterday a letter addressed to the people of Texas. In the letter he declares that he is conscious of no wrong intention to defraud the State of Texas, and he appeals to the democracy of Texas to stand by him and to protect him from misrepresentation.

"I have always tried to live an honest life and deal fairly with my fellow man," said Mr. Ferguson in his letter to the public, "and I am conscious of no wrong intention to defraud the state or anybody else out of one cent."

SWEEPING PROBE IS ON AT AUSTIN

AUSTIN, Sept. 3.—Representative W. M. Fly introduced a resolution in the house this morning providing for a sweeping investigation by the legislature of all state departments and institutions. The resolution calls for the appointment of a committee to make a thorough investigation and report back to the house.

The house convened with a quorum and got down to business with an even break with the senate. Shortly after convening Mr. Fly's resolution was introduced and will be balloted on at an early session.

T. M. Woodward of Winters, returned home Monday, after attending to some business here.



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WITH all its joys and care free pleasures—demands more clothes, more shoes, more extras. We have provided well for these growing children—the kind of merchandise that meet a call for service.

School Shoes

For the boy, for the girl, for the child—shoes that are built for service, with plenty of style, all kinds of leathers, Gunmetal, Plain Kid, Patents, also Tans. Let us show you—you won't be urged to buy.

School Pants

For all age boys up to 20 years. New worsteds, new Cheviots, new Serges, cut full and roomy, double seams, seams that won't rip, braded buttons that stay on, reasonable priced \$1 to \$3.50

Melton Dry Goods Co.
Everybody's Store

THE DAILY LEDGER

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E. W. Sledge Editor

Gov. Ferguson says all that he wants is a fair trial.

It is never too late for rain to do good in Runnels County

Ballinger is brighter today by smiles of almost a thousand school children.

An auto is cheaper to keep than a horse, provided you keep it locked up in your garage.

The Pope should do his work in Europe before talking peace to our Uncle Sam. Mr. Wilson has made himself clear on American aims in war, and there will be fighting until those aims are reached.

Tom Green County will vote on a quarter million dollar bond issue for road building to "give the farmers and his team something

to do." The big bond issue can of course serve a two fold purpose at this time—give employment to the unemployed and build good roads, but the men in charge should see that building good roads comes first. Don't spend the money just for the benefit of the needy. It will take a long time to pay off \$250,000 worth of bonds, and the men who do the work and get the money will be gone and not on hand to help make up the extra tax levy.

Ballinger people are going to give a big reception to the men who have been drafted for the national army from that city. San Angelo last night gave a big "feed" to the men of Company H, Sixth Infantry, recruited there. Brownwood will do nothing for the entertainment of Company E, Sixth Infantry, now at Camp McClelland, nor for the 149 men drafted for the first national army.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Why so unappreciative and indifferent! The boys are going to fight faithfully for you.

FIVE SONS IN THE FIGHT.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 3.—The Stricklands of Houston, Tex., are doing their "bit" for Democracy. Five sons of Mr. and Mrs. Clem H. Strickland have enlisted in the army. Clem, Jr. and Tate, are twins, 19, Oscar and Otha, also twins, are 25, Claude is 21. A sixth son is too young to "get in" but expects to "if the war lasts long enough."

People Speak Well of Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have been selling Chamberlain's Tablets for about two years and hear such good reports from my customers that I concluded to give them a trial myself, and can say that I do not believe there is another preparation of the kind equal to them," writes G. A. McBride, Headford, Ont. If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial. They will do you good.

If you have any printing why not let the home company do the work—we will appreciate the order. The Ballinger Printing

DISTRICT COURT AT PAINT ROCK.

Judge Woodward, District Attorney Early and other attorneys passed through Ballinger Monday morning, en route to Paint Rock, where they will be most of this week in district court. Court convened at Paint Rock Monday morning. The grand jury was put to work, but it is expected that there will be little to do and only few indictments returned. Judges A. K. Doss and M. C. Smith of the Ballinger bar, are attending the court.

The Ballinger Printing Co., can supply your wedding announcements as cheap as any house in Texas, engraved or printed.

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The Woman's Tonic

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SCOTT POOL HALL CHANGES HANDS.

The purchase by Jim Walker and A. B. Van Dyke of Harry Scott's pool hall at 122 South Chadbourne street was announced last night. The business changed hands Saturday. B. C. Alexander owns the building, a portion of which is occupied by Sam Jacobstein's jewelry and loan office, and Scott sold only his furniture and fixtures.—San Angelo Standard.

SICK WIFE'S STORY SURPRISES BALLINGER

The following has surprised Ballinger: A business man's wife suffered from dyspepsia and constipation for years. Although she dieted she was so bloated her clothes would not fit. ONE SPOONFUL buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adlerika relieved her INSTANTLY. Because Adlerika empties BOTH large and small intestine it relieves ANY CASE constipation, sour stomach or gas and prevents appendicitis. I has QUICKEST action of anything we ever sold. The Weeks Drug Store.

ALLEGED SLACKER RELEASED ON BOND

Pablo Rodriguez, Ballinger Mexican, who was arrested Friday upon a charge of having failed to register for military service, was released from the Tom Green county jail in San Angelo Saturday afternoon when he furnished bond in the sum of \$1000.—San Angelo Standard.



ANOTHER BALLINGER BOY TO MAKE PICTURES

Dear Ledger:—I have had quite a bit of trouble getting The Daily since mamma ordered it sent to me and the last one I got was not addressed properly. My correct address is Corporal Elmer C. Allison, care Depot Co. K., Signal Corps, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. Kindly see that the ones that are mailed out in the future have this address and I am sure I will get them alright.

I noticed in The Daily where Troy Simpson had written to you telling you I had transferred over to the 21st Field Artillery band, but for your information, I will say that at one time I intended transferring but before it went through a better opportunity opened up here so I have decided to stay where I am.

My opportunity came in the form of a chance to enroll in the photographer's school which will open in about a week. The school is for the purpose of qualifying men as camera men and movie operators, to be used to film the "War of 1917" as the war department has called it. All men who, at the end of the school, which will last about three months, can qualify as moving picture photographers, will be commissioned as first lieutenants in the signal corps, and as there are only a few that will get the chance at the school, I consider myself best to get all there is in it.

All of the Ballinger boys are getting along fine and all like the army life as far as they have gone. We all send our regards to The Ledger force and the rest of our Ballinger friends.

Very truly yours,
ELMER C. ALLISON.

RED LETTER

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Just Such Classified Ads Have Returned to Owners Thousands Upon Thousands of Dollars In Lost Goods

If you lose anything and don't advertise for it we both lose. People read classified ads more than any other class of advertising, because classified advertising is news. The classified columns tell of lost and found items and bargains to you in second hand goods, and numerous other items of interest to the bargain hunter. The Ledger's classified rate is one cent per word first insertion, half cent per word each subsequent insertion.

The Ballinger Printing Co.

Telephone 27

GOOD BANKING

means increased confidence of man in man. People have confidence in National Bank because they are directly supervised by the United States Government. A greater degree of confidence will be inspired in National Banks by the Federal Reserve Banking System, of which this Bank is a member.

THE First National Bank
ESTAB. 1886 OF BALLINGER TEXAS ESTAB. 1886

W. S. Mitchel of Winters returned home Monday, having been transacting business in Ballinger.

White Bermuda Onion Sets. Supply just received at E. A. Jeanes & Co. 3-ptd1tw

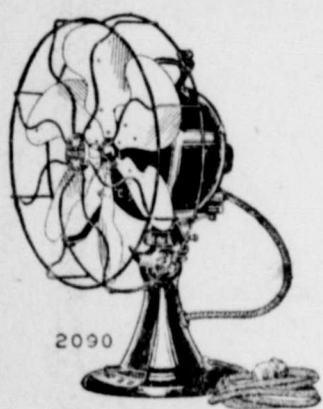


THE BABY'S TWO BEST FRIENDS

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Phone 31

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Phone 126

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F. Chapman, Proprietor

Phone Us For Your GROCERIES

We're as close to you as your telephone and we give you the same personal, courteous service that you would get if you came to our store yourself. We have but one price to all.

Ring us up next time you're in a hurry for groceries of any kind and we'll deliver promptly.

Miller Mercantile Company

Phones 66 and 77

FARM AGENT TO DO TERRACING WORK

To those interested in terracing work we wish to say that we are now ready to do this character of work. This work has proved its merits in this section so we do not have to spend time discussing its good features.

Already we have had several calls to survey out lines as soon as the land is clear of whatever growing crop may be on it. However, in some sections the crops are so meager that this kind of work could now begin.

Remember my services are free and the cost of construction is very low as most of this work can be done in this country with the equipment on the farm unless it be necessary to make a specially constructed V-drag for use in facilitating work of constructing terraces.

Our plan is to visit the various communities and each of these have a day for doing the work on some conveniently located farm to which all farmers interested in said locality may come and join in the various phases of the work for the purpose of learning to do the work themselves later on their own farms. This is necessary as it would be physically impossible for one man to terrace the 3000 or more farms that today need some work of this kind in this county.

It is my purpose to do as much of this individual work as time will permit so upon notice we will go to any farm in the county for this kind of work. Our only request is that you follow instructions relative to the work and be sure you are ready to do the work entirely when we are called to a job so that we will not have to double back too often.

D. F. EATON,
County Agent.

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

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FOR SALE CHEAP—Stoddard-Dayton roadster, or will trade for Ford. Car at Castor Bros. Tire Co. 25-tdpd

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two good, cool bed rooms, close in. Ring phone 179. ttdh

A DIAMOND DICK DIAMOND DISCOVERY

Out in Sterling county, where it has not rained in about two years, and where the cattle have all been moved out of the country, the citizens have found something else to do to keep the county on the map. The face of the earth in that country is like the face of a big fat man with a fresh shave, just just a few feet under the ground it is now said that millions of dollars worth of diamonds are waiting to be given a place dangling from the ears or neck of some beautiful woman. We can not agree with the San Angelo Standard in saying that the diamond mine just about to be discovered would be worth more than an oil well because diamonds will not push an automobile while cheap gasoline is more to be desired than diamond display.

The San Angelo Standard, in renewing the diamond discovery story, says:

"The never-ending search for oil and gas in West Texas bids fair to be superseded soon by the glamour of a new conquest!"

"In an old well, drilled thirty-one years ago in Skillet Hollow, on what was then the M. Z. Smussen ranch, twenty miles southwest of Sterling City, mineral experts believe a rich diamond bed has been discovered. Preliminary assays that have been made support this belief, and G. A. Kent of Boise City, Idaho, has secured the financial aid of Michigan interests for the purpose of further development."

Kent drilled unsuccessfully for water on the Smithson ranch in 1886. He was then a resident of Big Springs, Texas. At a depth of eighty-three feet he struck a hard stratum of stone, which for thirty-six hours he attempted to penetrate. The six-inch club chisel bit sank only eighteen inches and Kent quit.

Here the romantic element enters the story. Kent was a widower and had a family of four children to raise and educate. Consequently he left Big Spring in 1895 going to Kansas, where his brother-in-law, S. R. Wells, his mother and one sister resided. Three years later, the driller and farmer went west to Boise City, Idaho, and the move may prove to be the most fortunate Kent ever made.

"On the streets of Boise City one day a cowboy, who introduced himself as 'Shorty' Brown, recognized Kent and imparted to him the startling information that a part of his while camping on the old well site years previously had picked up a stone that he had taken to Colorado, Texas, and had sold as a black diamond for a fabulous sum."

"The report of the 'find' easily appeared plausible to Kent, when he recalled the hard stone through which he had unsuccessfully attempted to drill and the peculiar pebble formation of the black and white crystals that he had removed from the well bottom. Despite the fact that he was one of the few who knew of the probable presence of a rich diamond bed near Sterling City, Kent was unable to take any steps toward investigation. He was without the money necessary for so large an enterprise."

"Years passed, and then in Seattle, Wash., one day the former West Texan made the acquaintance of J. E. Small, who worked in the validating office of the Oregon & Washington railroad. Small soon became interested in Kent's story and when he moved to Chicago in 1916 solicited the aid of a wealthy brother-in-law, Dr. Burtress, of St. Claire, Mich. The result was that in February of the present year the three men met in El Paso and perfected plans for mining Skillet Hollow."

"The leasing from A. H. Allard of Sterling county of four sections of land surrounding the old well has followed within the past few weeks. The lease is for a period of twenty-five years, and in case minerals or valuable natural products of any kind are obtained, Allard will receive one-fourth of the profits derived. Kent and his friends hold all the shares in the company, which may be made into a stock company at a date in the near future."

"A shaft six feet square is now being blasted into the ground and

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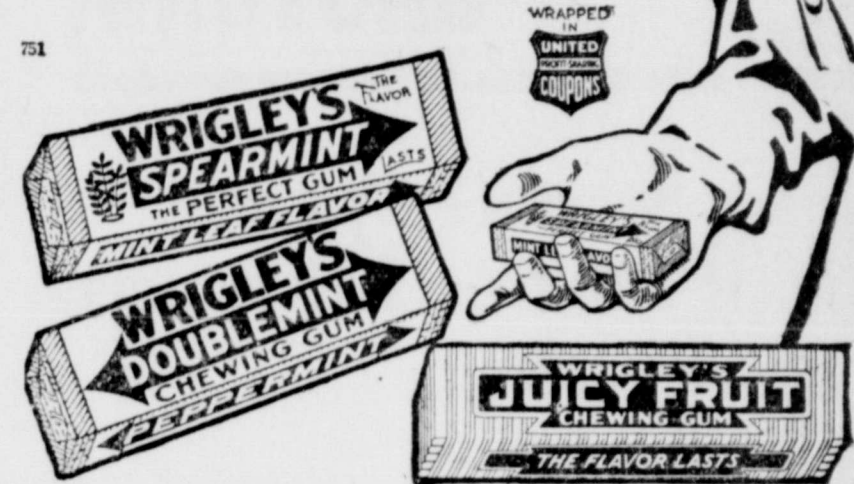
During convalescence, and when appetite lags

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brings to the hot, dry mouth a freshness and a soothing balm that coaxes back the enthusiasm of health.

Thousands of soldiers in Europe have cause to thank Wrigley's for its tonic effect.

The Flavor Lasts



all Sterling county is waiting with bated breath the striking of the eighty-three feet level, where Kent firmly believes lies a fortune. Diamond mines in the hill of West Texas will be worth more than innumerable oil or gas wells, he contends. The mine at present is only sixty-four feet deep and progress is slow because of the small size of the shaft and the lack of modern equipment."

Any thing from a wedding invitation to a visiting card can be handled by us. The Ballinger Printing Co.

Dr. R. A. Dickinson returned Sunday from Oakdale.

Big G Is effective in treating menstrual discharges; painless, non-poisonous and will not irritate. Relieves in 1 to 3 days. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS. Parcel Post if desired—Price \$1.00 or 3 bottles \$2.75. Prepared by THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO., CINCINNATI, O.

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The Early Years of Life

Fame and fortune do not wait on the foot steps of old age, but always lurk in the foot steps of youth—the hour of opportunity and fate.

The door of financial independence can be opened by you now with an account in this bank.

We invite you to start your fortune today.

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Use
For Over
Thirty Years
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900 Drops
ALCOHOL-3 PERCENT
A Vegetable Preparation for
stimulating the Food by Regula-
ting the Stomach and Bowels of
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Public Schools Open With Good Prospects

On Monday morning at nine o'clock the public schools of Ballinger began another year of work with a good attendance. Everything possible had been previously attended to, so that the preliminary exercises consumed very little time.

The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. R. B. Morgan, who made a short talk on "power." Following this, Supt. Fleming spoke briefly about the work of the year. He announced a number of changes in plans, mentioning especially the discontinuation of term examinations and the adding of Spanish to the curriculum. The latter will in time raise the number of units of affiliation of the schools, and gives each student three different languages from which to select a course.

After the opening exercises, the teachers assigned the work to the respective grades, and the pupils were dismissed. Special examinations were given in the afternoon to the pupils of the last year.

It is confidently expected that this will be the best year in the history of the schools, as better

equipment and more teachers have been added, and the course of study has been raised. To this end, the co-operation of the patrons is necessary and urged.

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500 IN WINTERS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Judge Jno. I. Guion visited Winters Monday morning, where he addressed the patrons and pupils of the public school at the opening of the fall term. Judge Guion says the Winters school begins with a large enrollment, and it is estimated that 500 will be enrolled. A large crowd was present to hear Judge Guion and other speakers, and the school begins on the most promising prospects.

A. R. Jones and wife of Brownwood were in Ballinger over Sunday.

HOW MANY BONES IN YOUR FEET?

Most likely, you don't know. Few people do, and it is usually a surprise to learn that there are so many and that the foot is about the most complicated and delicately constructed part of the body. That is, perhaps, the reason why at least 75 per cent of all adults have some kind of foot trouble.

Dr. Wm. M. Scholl, of Chicago, perhaps the greatest authority on foot troubles and their mechanical correction, says that not one adult in one hundred has feet that are completely free from defects. He made a life study of the subjects, and has patented a great number of appliances for correcting defective conditions and giving comfort.

One of Dr. Scholl's personally trained assistants is to be in this city from Sept. 17 to Sept. 19 and will conduct a demonstration of the Scholl appliances in the store of Higginbotham Bros. & Co., each day while here. He will examine feet and give expert advice without charge.

Experience the Best Teacher.

It is generally admitted that experience is the best teacher, but would we not make use of the experience of others as well as our own? The experience of a thousand persons is more to be depended upon than that of one individual. Many thousands of persons have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs and colds with the best results, which shows it to be a thoroughly reliable preparation for those diseases. Try it. It is prompt and effectual and pleasant to take.

KING-HASH.

County Judge Parish performed the ceremony Saturday afternoon that united for life Miss Sallie King and J. P. Hash. Mr. Hash is fire truck driver for the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Department and left his post of duty long enough to add another member to the fire company. Miss King is one of the county's best young ladies, and Mr. Hash is to be congratulated for having won the hand and heart of one so worthy. Mr. and Mrs. Hash will be at home at the fire station.

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"I have a high opinion of Chamberlain's Tablets for biliousness and as a laxative," writes Mrs. C. A. Barnes, Charleston, Ill. "I have never found anything so mild and pleasant to use. My brother has also used these tablets with satisfactory results."

Miss Gann of Lenday left Monday for Abilene.

J. S. Proctor of Talpa left Monday for Fort Worth on business.

W. J. Kell of Winters was in Ballinger Monday on business.

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STOCK NEWS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Will Legg of Crews bought of G. W. Clayton eighty-six head of stock cattle, at private terms, and shipped them to Fort Worth Wednesday.

August Herring received from Kansas twenty-five tons of fine alfalfa hay, laid down here for \$31.

Diek Russell of San Antonio shipped from his Grape Creek ranch to Fort Worth twenty-four cars of beef steers.

August Herring sold last week on the Fort Worth market 250 muttons at \$9.00. This week Mr. Herring shipped to Fort Worth twenty-two year-old steers.

Chas. Roemer shipped to Fort Worth Monday 250 muttons. Haywood Miller and J. L. Williams sold last week to Navasota buyers two car loads of horses.

Hinnad and Dodds sold to Sam Brookshire 253 muttons at \$7.50 and to Will Jones of Shield, 630 ewes, at \$10.00. Mr. Jones will stock his Runnels county ranch with these sheep.

Arch Benge of Concho county has bought the Feb. McWilliams stock of sheep in Runnels county and leased the McWilliams ranch for a term of years. The sale of sheep included 1500 ewes at \$10 and 1000 lambs at \$5.00.

Twenty-five car loads of cattle cows and calves, and some steers, were sent to market Monday off the Russell ranch in Runnels and Coleman counties.

J. Tom Padgett marketed a load of silt cows at Fort Worth Monday, which weighed in at 750 and brought \$5.75.

J. P. Maddox of Novice had two loads of stocker steers on Monday's Fort Worth market, which weighed 661 and brought \$7.40.

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CASH MARKET F. Chapman, Prop.

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Joim Thurnan came up from Santa Anna Saturday night and spent Sunday with his brother, Ira, and Ballinger friends.

NEW COURT GETS BEAUPRE TRIAL

Waxahatchie, Tex., Sept. 3.—The fall term of district court and the first term under a law passed by the thirty-fifth legislature creating a separate judicial district out of Ellis county convened here today with Judge R. H. Hawkins on the bench.

Beginning with this term four terms a year will be held in the county. The opening day was devoted to organization of the grand jury. Tomorrow and Wednesday will be devoted to the trial of divorce cases.

Two important murder cases and scheduled for trial at this term. The case of O. P. Deapre, Dallas, which has been pending this court for several years, is expected to be finally dispensed of at this term. The probabilities are that the case never will be tried and that Beaupre will soon be a free man. This is freely predicted here.

During the long time the case has been pending the witnesses have scattered to the four corners of the earth, and at the last term of court continuance had to be granted because of the absence of a number of material witnesses for the state. In granting a continuance Judge Hawkins announced that the case would be tried at the next term regardless of whether or not any witnesses were present. This was taken by court officials and attorneys to mean that the case either would be tried or dismissed from the docket.

Beaupre is charged with the murder of his wife in Dallas. He was tried here a few years ago and given twenty-five years in the state penitentiary. Upon appeal to the court of criminal appeals, the verdict of the trial court was reversed and the case remanded for a new trial. Before Beaupre could be re-arrested he disappeared and it was only a few months ago that he was located in Los Angeles and brought back to Waxahatchie. In the meantime he had crossed the continent once or twice and then went to England, saw service in the Dardanelles campaign, later returning to the states and drifted to Los Angeles where he obtained employment as a barber. It was while working there that he was located by the authorities.

The other case is that of the Sapp Brothers from Angelus county. They are accused of the murder of two men who were alleged to be witnesses against one of the defendants in another case. The bodies of the men were found buried in shallow graves in the woods. Subsequently Ed and Lou Sapp were indicted and since then their case has been moved to four different counties on changes of venue.

Catarrrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

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NEW SAILOR ARRIVES.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nicholson Monday morning, a fine boy, Robert Leroy, Jr. He has five grandfathers and five grandmothers living, of which one grandfather and one grandmother are on the mother's side, and four grandfathers and four grandmothers are on the father's side.

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Miss Carrie Flynt left Monday for Garden City, where she will attend school this year.

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D. R. Tindle of Winters had business in Ballinger Monday.

Roy Manley left Monday for Lawn, where he will visit for a short time.

Louis Tigmer returned Sunday from a visit to his parents at Lovelady. He also visited different parts of South Texas.

Mrs. R. W. Bruce went to Talpa Saturday and returned Sunday.

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