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LONDON HONORS OLD GLORY; CELEBRATE "AMERICA DAY"

LONDON, April 20.—This is "America Day" in London, and nobody here can doubt it. Flag maker's supplies were utterly drained to dress the city in stars and stripes. Red, white and blue hangs from all public buildings, and it is the first time in history that any foreign flag floated besides union jack over parliament, and today stars and stripes are waving a spirit of patriotism that is echoing from every street.

At St. Paul's formal ceremonies were held with their Majesties, other royalties, entire cabinet, Lord Mayor and other notables attending. American airs fill the ears of the Britishers, with bands playing Star Spangled Banner and voices resounding with America. It is America in London and Old Glory floats side by side in the hearts of the millions who are taking part in the celebration of "America Day."

BALLINGER TO HAVE ROOSTER DAY.

May 8th will be rooster day in Ballinger. An effort is being made by the Jeanes Produce Co., to ship a carload of roosters from this point, and thereby increase the infertile egg supply. Produce dealers are offering a better price for infertile eggs than for fertile eggs, and as the breeding season will soon be over roosters will be a nuisance on the poultry yard. The produce dealers urge poultry growers to arrange to supply the market with infertile eggs during the summer months and save thousands of dollars in waste, as fertile eggs will begin to spoil in a few hours in hot weather, while infertile eggs will keep for many days without being placed on cold storage.

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AMBASSADOR HAS DEADLY DISEASE

WASHINGTON, April 20.—American Ambassador Elkus to Constantinople has typhus fever, according to official cablegram to the state department today. It is thought that Mr. Elkus probably contracted the disease on a visit to the soup kitchens. The cablegram to the department says the case is mild, while another message received from Minister Morris at Stockholm said the Swedish minister at Constantinople had been informed that the American Ambassador was suffering with spotted typhus.

ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP OHIO CAPITOL

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 20.—That an attempt was made to blow up the state capitol building leaked out today, and was soon confirmed. A home made contrivance for setting off high explosives in the building was discovered. A man was seen crouching before the cellar window from where the explosive was to be touched off, but made his escape before the guards could surround him.

Max Zeebang, of the Jamison neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to keep coming to his address.

REVOLUTION IN BRAZIL IS GROWING

BUENOS AIRES, April 20.—Notwithstanding that an "air-tight" Brazilian censorship is on, reports continue to come from Uruguay that the German revolt in several of Brazil's provinces is growing. Reports received from reliable sources today declare that the revolt near the Uruguayan boundary was taking form of general battles.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 20.—Reports coming in that another Brazilian steamer, the Balem, has been torpedoed in the Mediterranean has aroused further excitement here, and added to the clamor for driving an aggressive campaign against the Germans.

SPANELL ARRIVES; READY FOR TRIAL

(Coleman Democrat)

Harry J. Spanell, whose case charging him with the killing of Col. M. C. Butler is set for trial in the District Court here next Monday arrived in Coleman from Waco Wednesday night. He was personally accompanied by Lee Huff, a special officer, holding a commission from the Governor, and also by Lud Williams of Waco, one of his attorneys. The parties were met at the station by City Marshal Turrell and Chief Deputy Sheriff Creek Brown, and by Walter C. Woodward, another of Mr. Spanell's attorneys.

While Mr. Spanell is on bond and will remain on bond during the trial, it is understood that on the advice of counsel, who are thoroughly familiar with the history of the case and existing circumstances, that he will go into the custody and under the protection of local officers and will likely occupy a downstairs room at the jail.

In conversation with Mr. Lud Williams Thursday morning The Democrat-Voice was informed that the defense was ready and would insist on going into trial when the case is called next Monday at 1:30 p. m. A special venire of 108 men has been ordered to appear Monday.

FOOD REGULATIONS TO BE INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Legislation to give the government a firm grip on food control will be introduced in congress this afternoon. Power will be asked for the government not only to supervise production but to deal with distribution to insure a fair supply of food to every part of the country at reasonable prices. Details of the administration plan have not become known but it is believed actual price fixing may have place in laws to be asked and it will be requested to establish a virtual food directorship if that becomes necessary.

The United States faces feeding not only its own population on a small food reserve and poor crop prospects, but supplying as far as possible, too, the allies.

The department of agriculture is building up an organization of states and county boards through which to reach both producer and consumer in every corner of the country. In this work it is calling on experts for advice and help and is reaching out through state agriculture department and agricultural colleges to set its purposes before the people.

Snow Covered Battle Fields In France Painted Red With Blood Makes Horrifying Scene

By Henry Woods.

WITH FRENCH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, April 20.—It is battle of snows raging over forty twisting miles that the French are pushing in their great offensive front. The French artillery is turning the carpet of snow into cozy red spattered patterns through which the French are advancing, tramping through snow crimson with the blood of dead Germans. Trenches, dugouts, shelters everywhere are filled with dead German soldiers, many of whom died from wounds while others were killed instantly under the heavy fire from the French artillery. The scene is one of beggars of discription and is most horrifying to the steel hearted men at the front. Dazed Germans are being hauled from dugouts where they were hidden burrowed deep in piles of their own dead.

Uncle Sam Big Buyer In Market

CHICAGO, Ill., April 20.—

Uncle Sam is a busy buyer in the market today. Government representatives here today closed deals with packing houses for a quarter million dollars worth of bacon, and with shoe manufacturers for sixty thousand pairs of shoes and four hundred thousand coats were purchased from coat makers. Other big orders for supplies will probably be closed before the day is passed.

POPE HEARS OF GERMAN BRUTALITY

ROME, April 20.—The pope is "horrified" over the reports brought to him of Germany's plan to render fats and fertilizer from the bodies of their dead soldiers, according to article printed in the Informazione, a newspaper.

FIREMEN PRACTICE FOR THE STATE MEET

The local volunteer fire department is working hard getting ready to compete with the other teams in the state who will gather at San Angelo in the state meet on May 8-10. Ballinger expects to make it interesting for the winners this year, and will send the best team to the convention that ever left this town. Being close, the local team will be able to go through the country and put up a stronger fight for first place in the race.

W. M. Smiley, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Friday en route home from a business trip to Dallas.

LEGISLATURE TAKES STEPS FOR BIG CROP

AUSTIN, April 20.—Senator Lattimore introduced the memorial passed by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce requesting that Gov. Ferguson submit to the legislature the matter of organizing the state into farm units with army of workers, for the purpose of increasing crop production this year.

DALLAS SENDS MANY TO ARMY

DALLAS, April 20.—Dallas and vicinity has given its quota to the defense of America. 1123 young men have joined the fighting forces here since April 1. Of this number the navy gets 647 and the army gets 476.

PREACHING SATURDAY

Elder G. W. Newman requests us to announce that he will preach Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in front of The Hub. Subject, "The Three Salvations." Preachers especially invited to be present and bring your Bibles.

GERMANS DENY PEACE REPORT

LONDON, April 20.—A German wireless picked up by British radio station declare that no German socialists have been sent to Stockholm by Chancellor Holfweg and insist that no negotiations are under way there between the German and Russian socialists for separate peace. The German report denies the report that there is any move for separate peace with the Russian government.

GARAGES TO OBSERVE SABBATH DAY

The garages of Ballinger have entered into an agreement to observe certain hours on Sunday hereafter, beginning next Sunday. Heretofore some of the garages have maintained no certain hours, while some do not keep open on Sunday and will not keep open on Sunday in the future, but those which keep open for the benefit of the joy riding public have agreed to remain closed from ten to three o'clock on Sunday. Those needing service should govern themselves accordingly, as there will be no help from garages during the above hours.

MEASLES CLOSES SCHOOL

Miss Retha Chambers is at home from Millersview where she has been teaching school. The Millersview school was closed on account of an epidemic of measles, there not being enough children to escape the disease to keep the school going. Miss Chambers will return and complete the school as soon as the children recover sufficient to attend.

SEEKING HEALTH IN THE NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schuhmann of Rowena, passed through Ballinger Thursday afternoon en route to Rochester, Minnesota, where they go for the benefit of Mrs. Schuhmann's health. Mrs. Schuhmann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Voelkel of Ballinger.

ODDS ON TEDDY GETTING IN FRENCH TRENCHES FIRST

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Despite all of the administration's attempts to annihilate the move, the Roosevelt division idea is holding its trenches in congress. It is the most formidable obstacle in the path of the conscription bill. While the word has been passed out semi-officially at the war department that there will be no part of the Roosevelt idea.

From nameless hills I saw across the Champagne plains an endless maze of German trenches. These trenches represent three years of work with millions of men. The trenches are fortified with countless tons of barbed wire, numberless earloads of steel plates, and miles of concrete fortifications. Thousands of the trenches were made for bomb proof. Many of them fitted with electrical plants, equipped with the most modern conveniences. These the French are capturing in fact. The terrific hail from the French artillery, and the irresistible French infantry swept the German breastworks back and drove the German out of the fortified trenches, leaving thousands upon thousands of dead for the French to bury.

MARCH ON JERUSALEM UNDER WAY AGAIN

LONDON, April 20.—General Murray has resumed his march on Jerusalem, achieving another victory over the Turks. This announcement was officially made this afternoon.

London, April 20.—The Eighteenth army corps of the Turkish army was completely routed today and another advance made by the allies on Mesopotamia and north of Bagdad.

RUSSIAN PEOPLE HELP LIBERTY LOAN

PETROGRAD, April 20.—The people of Russia are subscribing liberally to the Russian "Liberty Loan" which was first floated by the provisional government after the overthrow of Nicholas.

ESPIONAGE HANGS BEFORE CONGRESS

Washington, April 20.—Espionage legislation held the spotlight before congress today with little progress made in disposing of the bill.

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A. W. Sledge Editor

Work that little garden and thus help to feed the country by feeding yourself at home.

With hogs at 16 cents, hens at 17 1-2 cents and other farm produce at similar prices, why should not the tiller of the soil feel like he has come unto "his own."

This is a season of the year when schools over the country are coming to a close and the tendency and temptation is strong to quit school on the part of the young American, thus cutting off about one month of the year and crippling the years work so that a grade can not be made. This is a matter that should receive serious attention of the parent for the future of the child so often depends on little acts early in life. If there is any class of people in the world that is least account in the world it is a "quitter." The man that is always quitting his job, the man that is always wanting to do something "big" not satisfied to dig and toil and thus earn his promotion by slow honest methods, but is expecting by some master stroke to achieve fame and wealth is the man in nine cases out of ten that is a failure in life, and this thought is no better illustrated than in the words of the poet who says: "Tis fare better to pursue a frivolous trade by serious means than to purchase a sublime art frivously."



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What has become of the old time farm hand? This is a question that is often asked by many older people. It seems that every line of work is crowded except that of the farm laborer, but in this line there is a general complaint all over the country. Perhaps it is because of the general idea that there is little or no chance for promotion in this field of labor or at least most people think so. But now since all the powers that be in Uncle Sam's domain are calling for the utmost production of farm products, it seems that it is the opportune time for the man who can, to hunt the farm and engage in honest toil and thus help feed the world.

It is generally conceded that if there is any one extravagance that the American people are guilty of it is in dress and now that this is the season for the "sweet girl graduate" to make her appearance, it appears to be a splendid opportunity for her to set the pace in economy by adopting rule for simplicity and economy in dress thus making it easy for those in moderate circumstances to appear with ease and pleasure on the stage with the more fortunate.

To have a fine healthy complexion—the liver must be active, the bowels regular and the blood pure. All this is brought about by using Herbine. It thoroughly scours the liver, stomach and bowels, puts the body in fine condition and restores that clear, pink and white complexion so much desired by ladies. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

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The car begins to sing,
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Fit for any king?
Father's in the counting house
Working for the money,
Mother's at the steering gear,
No time for bread and honey.
We haven't any garden,
Nor scarcely any clothes,
Whatever shall become of us
I'm sure nobody knows!
—Genie Griffin DeWolf in Austin American.

Farmers and others who live at a distance from a drug store should keep in the house a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It may be needed at any time for cuts, wounds, sores, sprains or rheumatism. It is powerful healing and penetrating remedy. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

WHY THE KAISER WENT TO WAR.

S. A. Hackworth, presumably of Teutonic blood, tells the Houston Chronicle this: "Kaiser Wilhelm forced this fearful war upon the world, partly to suppress the growth of democracy among the liberty loving people of Germany. Just prior to the beginning of the present war, 4,000,000 German social democrats cast their votes against the Hohenzollern government, and as the great principle of democracy was growing by leaps and bounds in Germany, the Kaiser foresaw it was only a question of a few years when his government would be overthrown and a great German republic established in its stead. By forcing this war upon the world he hoped to suppress the growth of democracy and thereby perpetuate his government, and by destroying other nations to place his five sons upon thrones in all countries he conquered."

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GOAT TO LEAD SHEEP

H. Giesecke received a trained goat Thursday and carried Mr. Bell, out to his ranch where he will be used to lead the sheep. Ja Wilmett sent the goat to Mr. Giesecke from Del Rio. The goat is trained and comes in handy in loading or penning sheep. The goat will follow his owner when called and it is said that where one sheep goes the others will follow.

Wm. Gray, of the Crews country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

PROMINENT LITERARY LADY GUEST IN BALLINGER.

Mrs. Fanny Chambers Gooch Iglehart, of Austin and San Antonio, is the guest of her nephew W. E. Chambers. Mrs. Iglehart came in several days ago to get a few days rest and to get away from routine work in order that she might complete one of the most valuable volumes she has ever written. This writer is one of the best known in Texas and also in Mexico where she spent considerable time compiling data for her work. During the winter months just passed she has been doing double duty at San Antonio, spending the forenoons in her literary work and the afternoon at the base hospital with from six to seven hundred soldiers, cheering them in their illness, and scattering sunshine in the pathway of those who are serving in defense of their country. Mrs. Iglehart has been a regular contributor to the Sunday San Antonio Express during the past several months, contributing illustrated feature stories that have attracted much attention where ever the Express is read.

This prominent lady visited Ballinger about three years ago and formed the acquaintance and made many friends while here who will be glad to know that she is here on another visit.

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The Ledger desires to carry all social events, and we will appreciate it, and it will be a favor to the society reporter if parties giving entertainments, or those knowing of social happenings of any kind, will phone 59 and call for Miss Fannie Wilmett. Miss Wilmett will take pleasure in reporting all social items which she can get.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.
"I have used Chamberlain's Liniment for pains in the chest and lameness of the shoulders due to rheumatism, and am pleased to say that it has never failed to give me prompt relief," writes Mrs. S. N. Fineh, Batavia, N. Y.

Chas. S. Miller, president of the Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co., left Thursday afternoon for San Antonio and will visit his sister while in that section.

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NATION'S CALL FOR TRAINED MEN

Organization of the Enlisted Reserve Corps has been started at headquarters, Southern Department, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The Enlisted Reserve Corps is composed of specially trained artisans from the various trades and vocations of the business world. To fill the allotment of this department, a great number of the above class of men are needed.

Recognizing the great number of patriotic young men, trained in various vocations in the business world who will answer the President's call, it is intended at this time to carefully select these men and give them rank and position now so that they will be able, in answer to the President's call, to give the Government their best service by performing that work for which they are best fitted and qualified.

The grades in the Enlisted Reserve Corps are from private to sergeant, and the pay varies from that of a private, fifteen dollars per month, to that of a sergeant, seventy-five dollars per month, with an increase of twenty percent in time of war.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States, or have declared their intention to become citizens, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, of good habits and be able to read and write the English language, and must be qualified by occupation and training for the position they apply for.

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LOCAL COTTON BUYER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Jack McGaughey, a prominent cotton buyer of Brownwood, is in a critical condition, at his home in Brownwood as a result of swallowing three tablets of bichloride of mercury on Wednesday afternoon, with suicidal intent.

The fact that Mr. McGaughey ate a hearty meal at noon Wednesday is said to be responsible for his survival of the actions of the poison.

As soon as it was discovered that he had swallowed the poison, a stomach pump was brought into use. A sister, Mrs. Chas. Blakeney of Stephenville, is at his bedside.—Brownwood News.

Mr. McGaughey is well known here, he having made Ballinger for the International Harvester Co., for many years.

Constipation and Indigestion.
These are twin evils. Persons suffering from indigestion are often troubled with constipation. Mrs. Robert Allison, Mattoon, Ill., writes that when she first moved to Mattoon she was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation. Food distressed her and there was a feeling like a heavy weight pressing on her stomach and chest. She did not rest well at night and felt worn out a good part of the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets corrected this trouble so that she has since felt like a different person.

Miss Edith Bandy, of Dallas, who had been in our city to visit relatives and to attend the McGregor-Jones nuptials, left for home Thursday afternoon.

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Michelin Casings are just as good as Michelin Red Inner Tubes, which are often imitated in color but never in quality.

Mrs. Emma Nash left Thursday afternoon for San Antonio to accompany her aunt Mrs. Smith, who was returning to her home at Austin, after a visit in our city.

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

Mrs. T. S. Estes, of Brenham, who had been here to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Howard and family, and to attend the 50th marriage anniversary of her grandparents that was celebrated this week, left for her home Thursday afternoon.

Miss Eunice Brown left Thursday afternoon for San Antonio and other points in that section to visit a month or six weeks.

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LEFT FOR FARMERS MEET

C. A. Dooze, president of the Central West Texas Farmers' Institute, left Friday morning for San Angelo to preside at a two-day session of that organization. The first meeting of this institute after its organization was held at Abilene and the second was held in Ballinger and has gathered momentum in each meeting and this third meeting at San Angelo is expected to be attended by a large delegation from all over the district.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brewer and children of Anadarko, Okla., who had been visiting relatives in Texas and spent the past few days with his brother Jas. E. Brewer and family, left in his auto Thursday afternoon en route home.

Judge M. C. Smith had legal business at Miles a few hours Friday.

Edward Spill and Miss Tuttle, of Brownwood, came in Friday to visit in Ballinger a few days.

**CIVIL SERVICE
EXAMS. ANNOUNCED**

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced that examinations will be held at San Angelo on May 15th to fill stenographer and typewriter vacancies at salaries as follows:

General mechanic, May 15, \$1,200 year.
Assistant land classifier, May 16 and 17, \$1080 to \$1620.
Radio draftsman, May 15, \$3.04 to \$6 day.
Subinspector of ordnance, navy department, \$4.48 day.
Electrical assistant, May 16, \$1200.

Superintendent small arms-ammunition, \$5,000 to \$6,000 year.
Assistant superintendent, artillery ammunition, \$2500 to \$3000 year.

Assistant dairy manufacturing specialist, May 16, \$1500 to \$1740 year.

Draftsman, \$2200.
Mechanical engineers; \$2200 to \$3600, for 3 kinds work, optical instruments, experimental work and artillery ammunition, respectively.

Junior chemist, May 16-17, \$1,200 to \$1400.

Assistant in incubation and brooding, May 16, \$1200 to \$1800.
Assistant superintendent, brass cartridge cases, \$2500 year.

Metallurgical engineer, May 8, \$7.04 per day.

Entomological inspector, May 16, \$1400 to \$1740.
Assistant superintendent, small arms, ammunition, \$2500 to \$3,000.

Superintendent of equipment, \$2400 to \$2800.

Grain sampler, May 16, \$1000 to \$1620.

Seed warehouseman, Grade 2 May 16, \$840.

Superintendents of inspection \$25000 to \$4000.

Observer and meteorologist, June 20, \$1260 to \$1800.

Microanalyst, May 16, \$1200 to \$1440.

For further information apply to the local secretary, at the post-office here, or the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

FAMOUS CASE DISMISSED

Galveston, Tex., April 20.—In the Tenth district court yesterday afternoon the case of George Ryan accused of murder in connection with the death of William Black, an anti-Catholic lecturer, was dismissed on motion of the state. The defense promptly gave notice of appeal from the ruling of the court. Black was killed in Marshall in February, 1915. The cases against John Copeland, George Ryan and George Tier, which resulted from this affair, were transferred to Galveston.

John Copeland was acquitted by a jury during the October term of court last year. The Ryan case came up after having been continued several times. The state first moved for a continuance on the ground of the absence of material witnesses and yesterday afternoon moved for a dismissal.

The defendant insists upon being given a trial and counsel there fore appealed from the court's decision.

DID NOT PASS.

A telegram from Jamie Skinner at 2 p. m. stated that he failed to pass the physical examination due to a weak heart. This message was sent to his mother Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

Big Springs Has Storm.

Big Springs, Tex., April 19.—Several persons were injured, a number of houses removed from their foundations and several unroofed and windows broken promiscuously at Coahoma, ten miles east of here last night, during a severe hail and wind storm, which swept over this section.

Among the buildings damaged at Coahoma was the bank, which was moved from its foundation and unroofed. No damage was done here.

J. P. Wood of the Crews country; E. M. Burrow, J. R. Harris and F. F. Schmidt of the Hatech country, and J. D. Carleton of the Norton country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

**CONDEMNS PREACHER
FOR SIGNING BOND**

(Mrs. Dan T. Hanks in Ozona Stockman.)

Since I am a member of the First Baptist Church of San Angelo and since the minister of our church saw fit to sign a murderer's bond, it does seem to me that I have a right to publish to the world that I will not hold up his hands while he holds up the hands of a murderer. I have given him time to think this matter over and have begged him to come off the bond. I love my church and pity our minister for I believe he is a good though sadly mistaken man. I happen to know from bitter experience how terribly it hurts to have Christian people trample upon bleeding hearts.

Shrewd criminals, as soon as their deadly work is done, grab the bible and send for all the ministers. I have no patience with a man who can use the bible as a cloak to hide his own wickedness. The murderer stands a wolf in sheep's clothing. A great many people see only the clothing while others know the wolf is there. If the people of Texas are always going to take the murderers' word for it, they may as well quit trying murderers or a murderer will never say: "I am guilty; break my neck or send me to the pen for life." You may go on your knees and beg mercy for a murderer, but he will take your life. It is different, however, when it comes to saving himself. Life becomes very sweet to him then. The tears rain down his worn and haggard face, and he uses every art known to criminals in order to save himself.

The first step toward clearing a criminal is to change the venue. If the lawmakers of Texas would pass a law that all criminals should be tried in the county in which the crime is committed, immediately after it was committed, there would be more convictions and fewer murders.

Nature Cures, The Doctor Takes the Fee.

There is an old saying that "Nature cures, the doctor takes the fee," but as everyone knows you can help Nature very much and thereby enable it to effect a cure in much less time than is usually required. This is particularly true of colds, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy relieves the lungs, liquifies the tough mucus and aids in its expectoration, allays the cough and aids Nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.

Mrs. O. L. Jackson and two little sons, of Talpa, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasbury and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bruce, returned home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Parks of Kennedy, came in a day or two ago to visit relatives and Ballinger friends. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tucker from their return to that section on a vacation trip.

A prudent mother is always on the watch for symptoms of worms in her children. Paleless, lack of interest in play, and peevishness is the signal for White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses of this excellent remedy puts an end to the worms and the child soon acts naturally. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tucker returned home a day or two ago from Kennedy and other points in South Texas and reports a very pleasant two weeks visit and no break downs or blow outs with their car on the entire route.

County Clerk Wade of Paint Rock and J. M. King and daughter of Concho, were shopping in Ballinger Friday.

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon S. Reid Graves and J. S. Graves by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the

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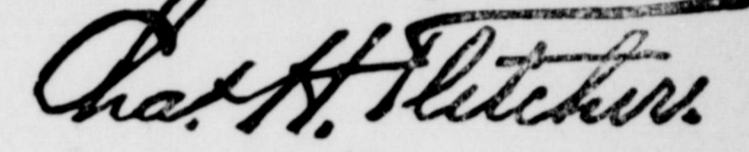
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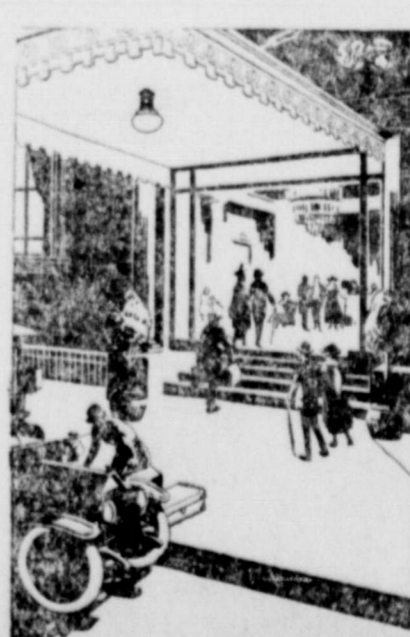
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WEST POINT TURNS OUT WAR MEN TODAY

WEST POINT, N. Y., April 20.—One hundred thirty-nine cadets graduated from the United States Military Academy today and took their places as lieutenants in the new army being formed to fight Germany.

They are the members of the class of 1917 which expected to be graduated in June next with all the pleasant features incident to a West Point "June week" ceremony. Instead the men marched to their auditorium, under the stern influence of discipline and the grim business-like, war-game atmosphere which prevails the school since hostilities with the Germans broke out.

Those hundred and thirty-nine are the survival of the fittest,—those who have been able to stand up under the constant grind of West Point severity and they are only a part of the class that entered four years ago next June to fill up nearly two hundred vacancies then existing in the Corps of Cadets. The rest of the lads have passed out, some forced out by examinations which were too much for them and others through resignations, voluntarily, when it was apparent they were unable to keep up with the pace.

The class of '17 is a representative West Point class drilled to the minute and ready to do its part in the big business now at hand. Undoubtedly most if not all men will be commissioned as first lieutenants.

The honor man of the class undoubtedly will be Cadet Harris Jones. Jones entered West Point from the new 3rd Congressional district of New York on June 14, 1913. His home is at Clayville, Oneida County. He is twenty-four years old. Jones leads his class by a good margin; in fact has been out in front pretty much all of the time since coming here from Harvard University where he spent two years.

Jones is a cadet-lieutenant in the battalion organization. Jones wears a gold star on his coat collar indicating his high class standing and is carried on the list of distinguished cadets in the regular Army Register, published by the government. He will have a chance to select any branch of the service he desires for appointment at graduation and will undoubtedly make the engineer branch his choice.

In athletics the class of '17 has been prominently identified. Such football men as big McEwan, all-American center; Butler, tackle; Meacham, guard; Redfield, end; Ford and Gerhardt, backs, will be missed when the army gets back on the gridiron in the fall. Teale, holder of the hundred yard dash record graduates with this class. Cole, basketball captain and Gerhardt, baseball captain will also be commissioned.

L. R. Salvosa is a Philippine cadet who will graduate with this class. Each year a new Filipino comes to West Point. Salvosa is the fourth "little brown man" to graduate from the military academy in as many years. He excels in Spanish in which subject he came out No. 2 in the recent exams. He stood No. 98 in the class roll in January last.

Catarrhal 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.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free. All druggists, 75c. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

MAXIMUM SENTENCE FOR BURGLARY

(Sweetwater Reporter)

One of the most noted burglary cases ever tried in Nolan county came to an end late Tuesday afternoon when the jury in the District Court brought in the maximum sentence, twelve years, for burglarizing Tom Carhise's store at Blackwell last fall.

A number of officers from many counties in West Texas were here to testify in the case as the defendant had plead insanity. These officers had come in contact with Wells during the past ten or fifteen years at various times.

Also, one of the leading physicians of the State penitentiary at Huntsville had been brought here by the defendant to testify as to Wells' mental condition while the latter was a prisoner in the state penitentiary.

Wells' attorneys, Grisham and Grisham, put up a hard fight for him, but evidently they had a bad case as District Attorney, W. P. Leslie, was at his best and handled the witnesses in a very able manner, thus acquitting himself with credit to himself and to the laws of the State that he represents.

In his speech before the jury, Mr. Leslie asked that body to bring in the maximum sentence under the law for burglary and there by put their seal of disapproval on crime in Nolan county.

The case went to the jury about four o'clock and, within thirty minutes, that body returned a verdict of guilty and assessed the punishment at twelve years in the state penitentiary.

Wells waived his right of two days time before being sentenced and went before Judge Beall late in the afternoon and accepted the sentence without saying anything as to why the sentence should not be passed.

Judge Beall, in passing sentence on Wells, stated that, for some reason, he had failed to receive a record of the sentences under which Wells had already been indicted in other counties, and therefore was compelled under the law to make sentence from his court concurrent with the other sentences. Otherwise the Judge stated he would not do it.

Wells thanked the judge when he had finished the sentence and was then carried by the officers back to jail where he remained till midnight when Sheriff Dwight left with him for Childress, where he will stand trial on a felony indictment.

Before leaving with his prisoner Sheriff Dwight stated that when he was through with him, he would turn him over to the sheriff of Callahan county, who was in turn waiting for Wells. From Callahan he is to go to Brown county and then to Runnels on indictments pending against him.

It will be remembered that Wells has already been sentenced for burglary in Palo Pinto, two years; Jack county, two years; and Knox county, four years.

It is not known how long it will require him to stand trial for the remaining charges against him and just when he will be carried to Huntsville to begin serving his sentences there.

Well is 28 years old, small in stature and pleasant in conversation. District Attorney Leslie stated after the trial had ended that Wells was one of the most brilliant men he had ever tried on charges similar to the one Wells was convicted of here.

Bad breath, bitter taste, dizziness and a general "no account" feeling is a sure sign of a torpid liver. Herbine is the medicine needed. It makes the liver active, vitalizes the blood, regulates the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Asa Cordill and wife and Mrs. Kipp enjoyed a sumptuous basket dinner and fish-fry on Coyote yesterday, guests of Charles Grant and wife. Others present were Ben Koehler and family, Dee Young and family, Mrs. Owens, Willie Curry and sisters, Misses Jennie and Vida, and Harris Mullins, all of Winters.

PIONEER LADY CALLED HOME

Born November 9, 1846, died April 20, 1917, will be the dates inscribed on the monument marking the resting place of Mrs. Hattie Harmon, wife of W. S. Harmon. Mrs. Harmon died at her home 201 North Eleventh Street at one o'clock Friday morning at the age of seventy years, five months and eleven days. She had been ill for nearly seven months, five months of which time she was confined to her bed, and her death was due to a complication of diseases coupled with old age.

For about two weeks prior to her death Mrs. Harmon lingered in a semi-rational condition and death came as a sweet relief to a suffering that had been intense for months. For several days before passing from this world she begged for her husband to come take her home, saying "let's go home," and she died with that abiding faith that there is a home hereafter, and a few minutes before she passed away she feebly waved her hand as though she was bidding those around her bedside goodbye.

Mrs. Harmon was married to W. S. Harmon in Mississippi in 1879. They came to Texas, first stopping at Greenville, later moving to Brownwood and came to Ballinger ahead of the Santa Fe railroad, and were among the first people to stretch a tent in this city. Unto them three daughters were born, Mesdames R. J. McKinney, J. C. Clime and Willie Currie, all of whom survive and were with their mother almost constantly during her last days and throughout the months of suffering. Besides these three Mrs. Harmon was a good mother to several orphan children. Three sisters, Mrs. M. T. Carpenter, of this city; Mrs. E. R. Ford and D. M. Lott, of Mississippi; and three brothers, John and George Eskridge, of this city, and W. B. Eskridge, of Lillian, Texas, survive.

Deceased was a member of the First Presbyterian church of this city, having been converted and joining the church in girlhood. Rev. J. W. Atwood conducted the funeral services at the home of the deceased at four o'clock and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the City Cemetery.

Many friends with wreaths of flowers gathered at the home told of the sorrow caused by the death of this pioneer lady, and to the grief stricken husband and children, brothers and sisters, the sympathy goes out.

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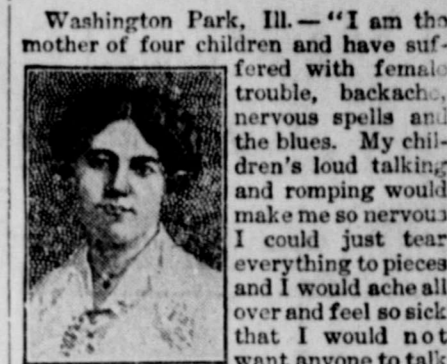
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NERVOUSNESS AND BLUES

Symptoms of More Serious Sickness.

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—Mrs. ROBT. STORIEL, Sage Avenue, Washington Park, Illinois.

If you have any symptom about which you would like to know write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for helpful advice given free of charge.

BIG LAW SUIT IN WOOD CO.

A big law suit at Quitman in Wood county, is being tried this week wherein W. J. Shelby an elderly blind man has sued the Wells Fargo & Co., Express for \$10,000.00 damages for alleged injuries said to have been received in Ballinger in the latter part of the year 1914.

It is alleged in the petition in the suit that while here in Ballinger that Mr. Shelby was leaning against a truck of the Wells Fargo Co., and it was jerked from under him by an employee and thus he received permanent injuries to his spine which is urged in the suit.

Several Ballinger witnesses will be used in this suit.

For the stomach and bowel disorders of babies McGee's Baby Elixir is a remedy of genuine merit. It acts quickly, is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Mrs. B. F. Bennett left Thursday afternoon for Goldthwaite to be at the bedside of her father, who is seriously ill.

Spring Has Opened up and now is the time to get your saddles and harness. Also auto top repairing, at the Busy Shop, H. L. Wendorf, Prop. 16-17d

J. A. Walker of Brownwood, who had been looking after business interests in Ballinger the past day or two, returned home Thursday.

Queen Tonight

PICTURE PROGRAM

Bluebird Photoplays, Inc., introduce Louise Lovely and Rupert Julian in—

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OFFICERS WATCHING WITH SUSPICIOUS EYE

Every officer may not be a federal officer, but every officer who is a true American and believes in protecting life and property against anarchy and traitors, is keeping a close watch for suspicious characters and people who are drifting from place to place apparently without any particular object in view.

We are glad to note that the Ballinger officers are not asleep and if any thing goes wrong here it will not be due to the fact that our officers are not sleeping with one eye open. No stranger can stop in Ballinger long without making his business known, or at least identifying himself in some way. This was proven Thursday when three men, strangers in the city, acted as though they did not seem to be interested in anything or anybody. Two of the strangers were under the direct grilling of the officers while the third was investigated in such way as to never be put wise to the fact that he was under suspicion. We are glad to note that neither of the cases revealed any plot or spy work, and we trust that nothing of the kind will develop here.

Two men were seen prouling around one of the important railroad bridges leading into the city Thursday. Their action created no little suspicion and they were

taken in charge by the officers and later released, and left the city. No evidence could be found that would justify holding them.

However, every man who acts suspicious is not guilty of crime, or even contemplated crime, and the officers should be careful and not cause the innocent trouble. In this work the old adage "be sure you're right and then go ahead" should be made to apply.

Some Good Advice
"Don't think too much of your own methods. Watch other people's ways and learn from them." This is good advice, especially when bilious or constipated. You will find many people who use Chamberlain's Tablets for these ailments with the best results, and will do well to follow their example.

WHOSE NEXT?
Judge C. H. Willingham says he has two neighbor widow ladies that have the premium gardens of the city and that Messrs. Guin, Doss and Griggs will have to take a back seat. "The Judge suggests that the best way to establish beyond quibble the relative merits of the gardens is to bring in a fairly good size, (emphasis on the size), sample from each garden and let the Ledger force test the same and render a decision.

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