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RUSSIA'S ARMISTICE PROPOSALS

Zurich, Nov. 26.—Formal armistice proposals from the new Russian government were made to Germany and Austria today. The new Russian commander in chief General Krylenko sent the proposals to the supreme commands of the German and Austrian governments.

Would Release Million Germans.

Geneva, Nov. 25.—Commenting upon Lord Robert Cecil's declaration against recognition of Lenine's regime in Russia, the Journal De Geneve says:

"Lenine never acknowledged that Russia had any duties toward its allies and they must realize that Lenine rules at Petrograd. His proposal of an armistice with Germany is dangerous because if he can find even one Russian general to sign this monstrous treason with him, the agreement probably would result in the release of one million German prisoners against the allies."

The paper suggests that if Lenine is to be bought the allies should buy him.

MEAT DEALERS MUST CUT PRICE

Reports from Washington states that J. P. Cotton, chief of the meat division of the United States food administration, has announced that immediate steps will be taken to reduce the cost of meat to the consumer. The policy of the administration will be to cut out speculation and unfair profits. The plan will limit the earnings of the packers to nine per cent on their capital stock, and in no case can the packers profits exceed 2.5 per cent of the sales. Here's hoping.

Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Fowler and little son, motored over to Abilene Saturday afternoon, where they spent Sunday with Dr. Fowler's daughter, Mrs. Francis Holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ratchford, of Paint Rock, were trading in Ballinger Monday.

BLAMES ENGLAND FOR WAR

London, Nov. 26—A denial that there had been any secret meeting or private council in July 1913 in which the British advocated war with Germany was made in the House of Commons by Foreign Miniser Balfour today. Such a report was spread over England by German propaganda in an effort to make the nation believe that England was responsible for the war.

THREE AVIATORS KILLED AT FT WORTH

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 25.—Two cadet aviators are reported dead and a second lieutenant in the Royal flying corps is reported to have been killed following a series of accidents at the three aviation camps near Fort Worth in the past two days. Two others have been injured but will recover. The most seriously injured is Cadet Gish, said to be from Portland, Ore., who lost control of his machine and fell to the ground Saturday.

Cadet Biddle, stationed at Camp Taliaferro, is reported as having been slightly injured while trying to make a spinning nose drive during which he lost control of his machine and crashed to the earth Friday evening.

W. C. Alcock, cadet aviator of the Royal flying corps at Taliaferro field, was instantly killed Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock, when his machine crashed to the ground from a height of 1,000 feet. He was with a squadron making a flight in battle formation and apparently lost control of the plane and crashed into the machine ahead of him. The other flyer made a landing with only a few bruises. Alcock is an Englishman and enlisted in the Royal flying corps last summer at Toronto. He would have been among the first of the cadets to leave for France.

GERMANY IS FLIRTING WITH JAPS

Amsterdam Nov. 26. —It developed on good authority today that Germany had again attempted to align Japan against the United States. The German government made a strong effort to detach Japan from the allies, but the proposals of the teutons were refused.

POSTPONE HEARING AGAINST LAFOLLETTE

Washington, Nov. 26.— The time set for hearing charges against Senator LaFollette has been postponed . Senator Pomerene, chairman of the committee in charge, indefinitely postponed the hearing today.

FACES PRISON FOR UGLY CRIME

San Angelo, Nov. 26.—Sheriff C. A. Rector of Roswell, N. M., arrived here Saturday morning for Evan Hargroves, who was arrested Monday by Sheriff Allen. Sheriff Rector will return to Roswell with his prisoner Sunday. Hargroves is charged by the authorities at Roswell with "having a minor in his possession for evil purposes.' The minor was registered at a local hotel under the nams of "Mrs. K. Z. Hargroves" when Hargroves was arrested here. Sheriff Rector said that Hargroves lives in New Mexico and that he is married. He said the woman, Miss Kate Haynes, resided near Roswell and that he did not know if she is going back now.

Paul Sulak is at home from a visit to Waco, Dallas and other points.

PIONEER DIES AT MAVERICK

News reached Ballinger shortly after noon Monday of the death of J. C. Thaxton. Mr. Thaxton died at his home near Maverick after several days illness with blood poison. On account of the condition of the body the physicians and undertaker advised burial as soon as arrangements could be made, and the remains were sent to Ballinger, leaving the late home of the deceased about four o'clock and will be intered in the City cemetery as soon as they arrive at Ballinger, probably about five-thirty Monday afternoon.

J. C. Thaxton was one of the pioneers of this county. He came here in the early days and settled in the Maverick country, where he has lived for more than twenty years. Deceased was well known in Ballinger. He was here only a few days ago, and was a pleasant caller at The Ledger office, coming in to give us for publication a letter received from his grand son, Lawrence Boynton. Lawrence is in the navy. At that time Mr. Thaxton seemed to be enjoying as good health as usual and greeted his friends with a jovial spirit.

Among the relatives surviving is Mrs. Boynton, and Mrs. Clinger, daughters, who are well known in Ballinger. The friends of the family join The Ledger in sympathy.

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British are Drawing Nearer to Cambrai

With British Armies, Nov. 26. —Cambrai and Queant are both wobbling from the great crack made by the British in the Hindenburg lines, and the everlasting battling of the British.

Field Marshal Haig reports that the British have captured and are holding all the villages west of Cambrai, and the troops are occupying the outskirts of Queant. The Germans are removing military stores as the British push them back.

Camp Travis Men to Have Good Thanksgiving Dinner

W. A. S. Behringer, of Company C. 343rd Machine Gun Battalion, Camp Travis, has been appointed first class private.

In the recent appointments K. V. Northington of Ballinger, was appointed corporal in the 315th Field Signal Battalion of Camp Travis. He has been assigned on special duty as company clerk of Company C of that Battalion.

Edward Spill, who has been a clerk in Ambulance Companies Headquarters since his arrival in Camp Travis six weeks ago, is now acting as clerk for the Quartermaster Division of the Ambulance Section, Captain H. F. Ewing of San Francisco, in charge.

P. R. Deitz, of Company E, 315 Engineers Corps, has done the "left step" from Buck Private to First class private. Bill is now worrying himself how he is going to spend the additional three dollars per.

Corporal Charles L. Boyd, of Runnels county, returned November 19th from Ballinger, where he had been called to attend the bedside of his mother, who was very ill. Corporal Boyd reports that his mother was improving before he returned to his company.

Gen. Allen Sends Greetings to Folks Back Home

Major General Henry T. Allen, commanding the 90th Division National Army, composed of men of the selected draft from Texas and Oklahoma, sends the following Thanksgiving Greetings to the Folks Back Home:

"This fine division of Texas and Oklahoma selectmen has abundant reasons for being grateful at this Thanksgiving Time: For the wonderful advantages in climate and shelter that are ours, for the great progress we are making in our war preparation so evident on all sides, and for the superb support you are giving us.

"As its head, I take special pride in sending cordial greetings to the patriotic fathers and mothers, wives and sweethearts, brothers and sisters who are making continuous sacrifices that the men of the 90th Division may nobly and heroically represent them and the country in the great struggle for world liberty and for the preservation of Chirstian civilization.

"In behalf of all the members of this camp, I send affectionate greetings to the Folks Back Home who in a thousand ways are aiding the Government in the prosecution of this righteous war. No one has had more evidence of your trials and your devotion to the flag than the writer of this letter, for not a day passes that I do not hear directly from some of you.

"My responsibility to you for your BOYS is great, and I solemnly promise you to consecrate my utmost efforts to their training and leading to the end the greatest possible number may be returned safe and sound to you when they have loyally discharged their obligations to their country and to the world.

"Henry T. Allen,
Major General, Commanding 90th Division."

In undertaking the task of supplying healthy recreative [illegible] for the men of the 90th Division stationed at Camp Travis, the first point taken up was to promote that form of amusement which would enable the largest number of men to participate. Working along these lines, calisthenic drills were divided into disciplinary drills and recreative drills. The former teach precision and tend to make the soldier exercise his volition in the choice of games and sports. Under the head of sports in this division are found football, baseball, basket ball, volley ball, hand ball, soccer, tennis, swimming, polo, boxing and wrestling.

At this time the division championship in baseball is being decided, and the division football team is being shaped to meet all comers on the gridiron. Boxing matches are held each Wednesday afternoon and at nights in the various organizations. Organization athletic fields have already been laid out, and are being improved by the various organizations assigned to them. These fields include football and baseball fields, and play grounds for each organization. The division athletic field is being prepared and grandstands, seating between seventeen and eighteen thousand people, are being built.

Once each week all athletic officers as well as all others who are interested in promoting athletics and all forms of amusement in this division, meet together for the purpose of exchanging ideas, discussing plans and co-operating in every way toward the accomplishment of the main end in view —bringing about the absorbing of the interest and participation of every man in this division, in some form of outdoor sport or game.

The only thing that will prevent the soldiers at Camp Travis having a real, old-fashioned "Family Thanksgiving Dinner" this year will be the absence of "the Family." There will be turkey galore and every soldier is urged to have a whetted appetite on that day. Barrels of celery, kegs of cranberries, oysters, potatoes, both Irish and sweet, and the goodness only knows what else will be found there on the various bills of fare.

Some of the companies are not only preparing a special menu, but are having these menus printed and engraved for the purpose of sending to the Folks Back Home.

The three months the men have been together at Camp Travis have resulted in ties of friendship and affection being cemented that will last as long as life lasts.

While there will be prayers and wishes for the loved ones at home, there will also be joy and happiness among the soldiers of Camp Travis. And they will have vast quantities of the most appetizing things to eat. That is probably more to the point; they will set down to their Thanksgiving dinner with appetites that millionaires would give fortunes to possess.

Frank Stuart, who has been buying cotton at Winters during the present season, came down on Brooks' jitney Saturday, and spent Sunday in Ballinger. Mr. Stuart says the cotton has about all been sold in the Winters country and that Winters will receive about 6000 bales. The Winters gins have ginned over 5000 bales this season.

I. W. W.'S WRECK FAST TRAIN

Henryetta, Okla., Nov. 25. — Three trainmen were killed and three passengers hurt this morning when the Frisco's express, the "Meteor," out of St. Louis, traveling at high speed, plunged into obstructions placed on the tracks ten miles south of here.

J. S. Robertson, Sapulpa, Okla., engineer of the train, stayed with his engine when he saw the obstructions—steel bars chained to the sides of the rails—and died as a hero. He put on emergency brakes in time to slow the train considerably so that the crowded passenger coaches held to the rails, and held to the throttle in the face of certain death.

The Mogul engine plowed into the trap at terrific speed, then toppled over a steep embankment and rolled twenty feet into a hollow. The engineer, a student fireman and the regular fireman were buried under the great machine.

The dead:

J. S. Robertson, engineer, Sapulpa, Okla.

W. H. Wyre, student fireman.

Bert Ford, fireman, Sherman, Texas.

Three unidentified passengers.

A posse of 100 sheriffs' deputies home guardsmen and state prison officials from McAlester, Henryetta, Ada and Holdenville searched the surrounding country all day and late into the night with bloodhounds for the men who caused the wreck, but late tonight had found no trace of them.

Officials who make a hasty investigation declared it their belief that the wreck was plotted and executed by I. W. W. men who have been active in this section of the state for weeks.

BARBECUED HOG AT WINGATE

A man by the name of Smith, living two miles east of Wingate, had the misfortune to loose his meat supply in a mysterious way last Saturday.

Mr. Smith went to town and when he returned home he found three big fat hogs he had in the pen and about ready to butcher, barbecued and ready to serve.

It all happened in this way, and yet just how it happened will perhaps never be known. Mr. Smith had his hogs in a pen covered over with old maize stalks, and floored with plank. In some mysterious way the stalks caught fire and the hogs were almost cremated.

There has been several reports of hog poisoning, but this is the first case of hog burning reported. It is not known whether the fire was of incindiary or not.

E. Shepperd was at Wingate Saturday and reported the fire to The Ledger.

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Editor Editor

The Congress of the United States at its last session enacted a unique and most important bit of Legislation. It is popularly known as The Soldiers' and Sailors' Insurance Law.

Every family in Texas is directly and vitally interested in the Army now in training and that will hereafter be mobilized. There is hardly a family in the State that has not one or more members enrolled under the Stars and Stripes as a soldier of freedom.

The Government of the United States, under the Soldiers' and Sailors' Insurance Law proposes to insure its splendid soldiers and sailors against total disability or death while fighting the nation's battles. Insurance is offered by the Government to soldiers and sailors, which insures them against total disability and death, at absolute cost. Every man in the service has it within his reach to provide himself with insurance against death or total disability. This insurance is offered by the Government. The Government of the United States is the insurer.

Policies may be had for as small a sum as $1,000 or as much as $10,000.00, and at a minimum of cost. A policy for $10,000.00 will cost the soldier at the age of 25 the sum of only $6.60 per month. For younger soldiers the cost is relatively smaller and is, of course more for older soldiers.

If a soldier, who has equipped himself with a $10,000.00 policy should die in the service, the government will pay the beneficiary named in the policy and chosen by the soldier, the sum of $57.50 each month for 240 months. If the soldier, after so equipping himself with a policy, should become totally disabled, the government will pay him $57.50 a month.

Not only does our government offer insurance to its soldiers. But should any of its men lose their lives in line duty, it will compensate his wife, or his child or his widowed mother, for the loss they have thus sustained. Or should the soldier become either totally disabled or partially disabled in line of duty the government will compensate the soldier for his injury. This compensation is paid in addition to the insurance.

The same Law provides for all allotments of pay by the soldier, by which he can provide for his family out of his salary while he is away from home, and our government will pay such family in proper classes a like sum of money as an allowance. In other words, the soldier allots a part of his pay to his family and the government pays an allowance to them under restrictions contained in the Law.

By this Law our government proposes to see that the soldier is adequately taken care of in event of his injury or death in the service, and that his loved ones also are not allowed to suffer for want.

The Division Insurance Office of the Ninetieth Division stationed at Camp Travis, Texas, under the Direction of Capt. Luther Hoffman of the 359th Infantry Regiment, is giving to the press of this State a series of articles on the Soldiers and Sailors' Insurance Law, to the end that every man now in service and that may hereafter be in the service, as well as his relatives, may know what this splendid Law means to them.

This series of articles will appear each week in this paper in installments.

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The Ballinger Ledger's Tobacco Fund

MAVERICK PARTY ON HUNTING TRIP

W. A. Glenn, Bert Fletcher and Bud Borders, of the Maverick country, passed through Ballinger Monday enroute to the game region of Southwest Texas, where they will spend several days hunting. Mr. Glenn stopped in Ballinger and ordered the Ledger sent to his son, James, who is at Camp Travis. Mr. Glenn stated that they expected to visit San Antonio and the soldier boys before returning home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Hamann, of the Miles country, were trading in Ballinger Monday. They made The Ledger office a pleasant call.

Mrs. P. O. Stuchell Tells How She Cured Her Son of a Cold.

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Mrs. Jesse Freeman, of Abilene, is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlaw are packing up today and will begin moving to their farm in Concho county Tuesday. They are advertising their home in Ballinger for rent, and will spend next year on their farm near the Concho post office.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

In conformity of the laws of the State of Texas governing the disposition of Unclaimed and Refused Freight, notice is hereby given that the property described below will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the local freight depot at Ballinger, Texas, on December 10th, 1917, at 9 a. m. o'clock unless same is previously called for and all lawfully accrued charges paid thereon.

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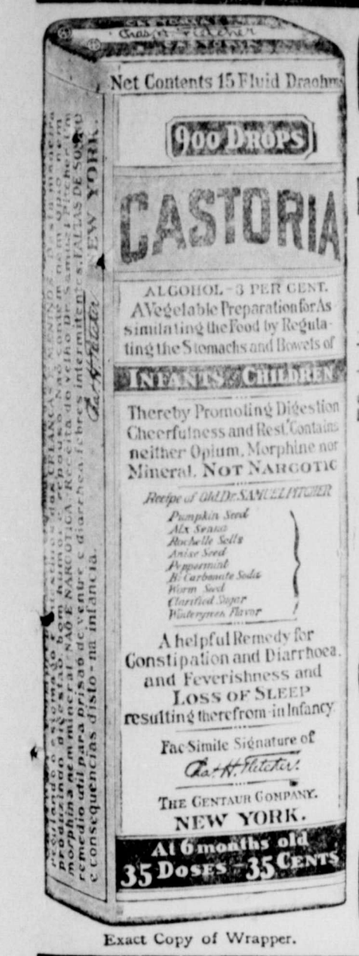
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San Angelo, Nov. 26.—El Love, a negro, was adjudged insane by a jury in the county court here Friday afternoon. It was stated that for some time Love's folks believed he was "a little off" and desired to have at matter investigated. Accordingly a jury was summoned Friday and his case submitted. The verdict was that he is insane. From discussions on the part of some of the officials Saturday morning it appeared that the jury was just a little doubtful as to the sanity of the negro. There had been quite a lot of testimony introduced which caused the belief that insanity existed, but it was when some of the stories said to have been told by the negro in Brown county were related that the jury's mind was fixed. One of the county officials declared that Love had said in Brown county that recently there had been several big rains in Tom Green county. That settled the question.

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DALLAS MAN AFTER BIG OIL LEASE

Robert Lee, Texas, Nov. 24.—Fifty thousand acres of land lying along both sides of the Colorado river north of Robert Lee are wanted by L. A. Stemmons and R. C. Corsey of Dallas for oil development purposes. So far between 35,000 and 40,000 acres have been leased.

The men propose to test the field thoroughly and their contracts speeify that drilling is to begin within a year. It is understood, however, that the sinking of the first well will be begun not later than January 1st.

C. J. von Rosenburg, of LaGrange, is here visiting his granddaughter at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Q. V. Miller.

Herman Clements of Austin, who had been in Ballinger for a few weeks attending to some business, returned home Saturday afternoon.

P. C. Sulak returned Monday from a ten days trip to Waco, Dallas, and Fort Worth. He says he traveled over eleven hundred miles, and did not have even so much as a puncture.

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THE GREAT QUESTION ?

PART I.

What is my duty; what is the most sensible and profitable course for me to follow in my private and business affairs during the continuance of the war?

This is the great question confronting every American citizen.

Here is a common-sense reply:

Before we can settle the matter in detail we must grasp those elementary principles which govern national affairs.

This does not involve great learning or research, for economic knowledge is little else than common-sense applied to big subjects.

The war will be won by the Nation which can place the greatest number of men, the greatest amount of material in the field, and produce the greatest amount of foodstuffs to supply its military and civilian forces. This fact is so generally recognized that it is not necessary to bring forward elaborate arguments to prove it.

We are a wealthy Nation, and the question arises as to whether or not we can win the war by throwing our surplus wealth into the struggle.

We cannot.

Why? Because our savings, as a Nation, amounted to about 5 Billion Dollars annually before we entered the war, and our war estimates for the first year's operations call for an expenditure of about Eighteen Billion Dollars, or over 3½ times as much as we have saved ever before in one year.

Now, there are three courses open to us. We can endeavor to produce 3½ times as much wealth this year as ever we did before. We can endeavor to save 3½ times as much money as ever we did before. We can lie down on the whole proposition, and let Germany win.

Having described this article as a common-sense reply to a great question, we will eliminate the last mentioned possibility.

We cannot produce 3½ times as much wealth this year as ever before. It will take several years to adjust our affairs so as to produce such results.

To save 3½ times as much as ever we have before is quite possible, but would mean actual hardship for millions of our people.

The most sensible solution of the problem is to aim at a combination of production and self-denial which will find us at the end of a year at least 3½ times wealthier as a nation, than ever before.

The method indicated has been followed by our Allies with results that have astonished the world. After 2½ years of physical and financial strain, England raised recently a loan of 5 Billion Dollars, equivalent to Ten Billion Dollars in this Country, owing to the fact that we have about double the population. England has speeded up her production of wealth, denied herself so much that despite the fact that millions of her finest specimens of human material are fighting, despite the fact that she had raised previously about a like amount of 5 Billion Dollars in loans, and is paying 2½ Billion Dollars yearly in taxes, she was able still to produce this enormous amount in a 30 day campaign.

Germany is speeding up her production along the most scientific lines, and is starving herself. That is the sole reason Germany exists today.

Are we super-men that we can do things differently to others?

Let us forget this talk of "Uncle Sam soon cleaning up the Germans when he gets there." The Germans will not be "cleaned up" by talk, or even by bravery alone. They must be fought with their own weapons, hard work and self-denial—the things that win wars.

Again, the man who cries, "Let the rich man pay," has not grasped the elementary facts of the situation. The rich man IS paying, and WILL pay, for the Government already is calling for as much as 50% of his profits in the shape of Income and War Profit Taxes.

It is true that the Government is not taking away the rich man's capital, but neither is it asking the less wealthy producer to part with his capital. All alike must retain their capital in order to run factories, farm the land, build ships, equip armies, and provide wages.

It would be an entirely mistaken policy to attempt to use the capital wealth of the Country to finance the war. What you need, what the government needs, what the whole world needs, is an increase, a very great increase, in the INCOME of rich and poor alike.

You farmers must produce more, must work harder; the uncultivated land of this Country is a standing reproach to us. You working-men, must work over-time. [illegible]

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FOR RENT—The O. L. Parish residence on Eighth Street. Apply to R. P. Conn. 24-3td.

FOR RENT—or Sale—the Truly Hotel, Ballinger. E. Shepperd, agent.

FOR RENT—My place on Eighth Street. M. B. Wardlaw. 23-4tdpd

FOR RENT — Furnished rooms, close in. Also five room cottage. Phone 148. dtf

R. J. Irvine, general manager for the company furnishing Ballinger with electric power, was here from San Angelo Monday.

As a general rule all you need to dois to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and to keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets.

Guy McDonald, an insurance and real estate man of Winters, was in Ballinger between jitneys Monday.

CHICHESTER S PILLS



THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.

SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Ed Schubard, Q. V. Miller and C. J. von Rosenburg, the latter of LaGrange, left Monday morning for the game region of the San Saba country, where they will hunt for a few days.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED FOR THANKSGIVING

Up to date there has been no concerted action on the part of the merchants of Ballinger to observe Thanksgiving by keeping their places of business closed on that day, but several of the business men have voluntarily announced that they will close. The banks and postoffice will observe holiday hours, the banks remaining closed for the day and the postoffice opening only thirty minutes after the noon train.

It has been the custom in years past for all business houses to close on Thanksgiving, and it is hardly probable that this year will be an exception to the rule. Following up the old set custom, the town will be closed for the day, and there will be no business transacted here.

The Daily Ledger will fail to make its appearance on this date. The entire force will be released from duty and given liberty to observe the day in such way as they may choose.

The annual Thanksgiving service will be held at the Christian church this year. It will be the usual union service, and Rev. J. B. Curry will preach the sermon. A special musical program is being arranged for the occasion, and there should be large attendance.

An Old Man's Stomach.

As we grow older and less active, less and less food is required to meet the demands of our bodies. If too much is habitually taken the stomeah will rebel. When a man reaches the advanced age 85 or 90, youwill find that he is a light eater. Be as careful as you will, however, you will occasionally eat more than you should and will feel the need of Chamberlain's Tablets to correct the disorder. These tablets do not contain pepsin, but strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. They also euse a gentle movement of the bowels.

Don't give that sales slip order to a stranger, let us have it. We spend our money with you. The 27. We can handle it for you.

A TREATMENT FOR NERVES

Woman Tells How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Helped Her.



West Danby, N. Y.—"I have had nervous trouble all my life until I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for nerves and for female troubles and it straightened me out in good shape. I work nearly all the time, as we live on a farm and I have four girls. I do all my sewing and other work with their help, so it shows that I stand it real well. I took the Compound when my ten year old daughter came and it helped me a lot. I keep it in the house all the time and recommend it."—Mrs. DEWITT SINCEBAUGH, West Danby, N. Y.

Sleeplessness, nervousness, irritability, backache, headaches, dragging sensations, all point to female derangements which may be overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

This famous remedy, the medicinal ingredients of which are derived from choice roots and herbs, has for forty years proved to be a most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism.

Walter Neely was here from Winters Saturday, coming in to pay the taxes on some land he had just sold. Mr. Neely has not sold out, but only sold a part of his land holdings and is only getting better fixed for living in Runnels county.

GET IT AT **Weeks** IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH DRUG STORE

AT YOUR SERVICE.

I am now back in Ballinger and would be glad to do your carpentering work, painting or repairing. Write or phone me. Tillie Carter. 24-1tw 6tdpd

Sales slips did you say. Call



Get Christmas Cards Now!

Help to make Christmas merry for friends and scatter sunshine by sending a Christmas card.

We can supply your wants in both printed and engraved.

Big line to select from and the prices are no higher than last season.

Let us show you our samples.

All orders must be in by December first, or we cannot deliver the goods.

The Ballinger Printing Co.
Telephone 27

STATEMENT of Condition

...THE...

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF BALLINGER

Nov. 20th, 1917

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	$336,868.05
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Liberty Loan Bond	10,000.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances (Cotton)	87,602.92
Cash and Exchange	271,732.90
	$761,603.87

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	69,016.33
Reserved for Taxes	1,500.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	566,087.54
	$761,603.87

The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.

We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.

BETHEL RAISES NICE Y. M. C. A. FUND

The citizens of the Bethel School community were very successful in an entertainment given last Friday night for the benefit of the school and the army Y. M. C. A. work. The two committees in charge of the work co-operated in the entertainment, giving a box supper. $86.40 was received from the sale of boxes, and this amount was equally divided between the school and the Y. M. C. A. fund, each receiving $43.20. Aside from the financial success the entertainment was a social treat for those who attended.

Certain Cure for Croup.

Mrs. Rose Middleton of Greenville, Ill., has had the experience in the treatment of this disease. She says, "When my children were small my son had croup frequently. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always broke up these attacks immediately, and I was never without it in the house. I have taken it myself for coughs and colds with good results."

J. B. Poole, of the Winters country, was in Ballinger Monday, coming here to close up a deal for some vendor lien notes which he was purchasing.

Miss Katharyn Barnett returned Monday at noon from Abilene, where she had been over Sunday.

$100 Reward $100

The readers of this paper will glad to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

A. J. Lee, of the Divide country west of Ballinger, made his annual visit to The Ledger office Monday. Mr. Lee was here most of the day on business.

DOOSE MADE CHAIRMAN OF SAVING CAMGAIGN

The administration is organizing its forces and preparing to launch a campaign for selling war saving certificates. The full details of the plan for selling have not been made public, but it is known that the certificates will be issued in small denominations and placed within reach of the man with small means. It is reported that the $5 certificates will bear four per cent interest, compounded quarterly, to run for five years, redeemable at any time with accrued interest.

The plan for raising war revenue makes the investment attractive for the small investor and the man who wants to do his bit to help in the war, but who is not able to buy a fifty dollar Liberty Bond. Mr. Doose has wired for full instructions, and it is expected that the campaign will be launched in this county simultaneously with the launching of the campaign throughout the nation. So far the following telegram to Mr. Doose and his reply is the only official announcement made of the work:

"Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.
"C. A. Doose,
"Ballinger, Texas.

"Upon the endorsement of Louis Lipsitz, Director for Texas the Secretary of Treasury has appointed you chairman of Runnels county organization for sale of two billion dollars issue war savings certificates, campaign being directed by Frank A. Vanredlip, of New York. At this critical moment in our country you have an opportunity to render patriotic service of great value, and I earnestly hope you will make whatever sacrifice is necessary to cooperate in this highly important work. Please write Louis Lipsitz, Dallas, who will give you further information, also wire acceptance here, care of Treasury Department.

"Fred W. Fleming,
"Federal Director."

"Ballinger, Tex., Nov. 25.
"Col. Fred W. Fleming,
"Federal Director,
"Care of Treasury Department,
"Washington, D. C.:

"In reply to your wire twenty-forth instant, you are advised of my cheerful acceptance of the Chairmanship of the Runnels county organization for the sale of two billion dollar issue War Savings Certificates in accordance with the campaign as directed by Frank A. Vanderlip, of New York.

I have written to Mr. Louis Lipsitz, of Dallas, Texas, as requested by you.

You may rest assured that it affords me great pleasure to cooperate with you in this and all other patriotic campaigns to the end than victory may be our reward.

"C. A. Doose."

GIRL BURNS TO DEATH IN BATH ROOM

San Angelo, Nov. 26.— Jennie Lou Burns succumbed to her injuries at one o'clock Sunday morning. The body will be sent Sunday afternoon over the Santa Fe to Center, Texas, where Mill Burns was born and resided until two and one-half years ago.

At a late hour Saturday night the life of Jennie Lou Burns, fifteen-year-old daughter of John B. Burns, local broker was despaired of by physicians as the result of a blaze which at three o'clock had terribly burned her body almost from head to foot.

Miss Burns was alone in the bath room of her home at the corner of West Harris avenue and North Bishop street in San Angelo Heights when her clothing caught fire. She was preparing for a bath and had lighted an oil stove. In some unexplained manner the flame flared up to an unusual height and her light dress was swept into it.

The girl partly smothered the fire with garments in the room and ran screaming into another part of the house, where Mrs. Burns and other members of the family were sitting. Mrs. Burns completely extinguished the blaze by throwing a quilt over the form of her step-daughter, but not until the fire had deeply burned the girl's lower limbs, waist and breast.

Three doctors were immediately summoned but from the first they expressed little hope that Miss Burns could survive. Every effort was made to relieve the patient's suffering, and the physicians continued to work as the afternoon drew to a close and night set in.

The Burns family has resided in San Angelo about two and a half years, coming here from Center, Texas. J. B. Burns is associated in the loan and realty business with Wood Hassel and has offices in the Trust building. His daughter has not been attending the public schools, but has been studying music.

NOTICE ON ANNUAL EXHIBIT IN ESTATES.

THE STATE OF TEXAS—
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of twenty days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Runnels County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS—
To all Persons interested in the Estate of Frank Block, Deceased.

Frank Block, Executor of said Estate, has filed in the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, an Annual Exhibit of said Estate for the year ending on the 1st day of Sept. 1917, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in February 1918, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said Exhibit, should they desire to do so.

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

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this, the 24th day of November 1917.

W. C. McCARVER,
Clerk County Court, Runnels County, Texas.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting—

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Runnels County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS—

To all persons interested in the Estate of Mattie A. Stevens, deceased. W. M. Stevens has filed an application in the County Court of Runnels County, on the 9th day of November 1917, for Probate of will of Mattie Stevens, deceased, and for Letters Testamentary which said application will be heard by said Court on the 4 day of February 1918, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all pearsons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said application, should they desire to do so.

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

Witness my hand and official seal, at Ballinger, this 9th day of November 1917.

W. C. McCARVER,
Clerk County Court, Runnels County, Texas.
By W. R. Puckett, Deputy.

A true copy, I certify
J. D. PERKINS,
Sheriff, Runnels County.
By J. A. Demoville, Deputy.
d10-17124

H. M. Josey, who has been with a Belton abstract company for the past several months, came in Sunday to spend a few days with home folks.

No. 14

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 20th day of Nov. 1917, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 26th day of Nov., 1917.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	$117,083.37
Loans, real estate	17,750.00
Overdrafts	714.68
Bonds and Stocks	3,950.00
Real estate (banking house)	20,000.00
Other Real Estate	3,437.50
Furniture and Fixtures	4,226.85
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, nec	26,058.27
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	1,381.32
Cash Items	4,066.25
Currency	6,742.00
Specie	1,694.93
Assessment Guaranty Fund	294.00
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	3,729.27
Other Resources as Follows:	
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	14,878.17
Live Stock	695.55
TOTAL,	$227,693.66

LIABILITIES

Captial Stock paid in	$ 60,000.00
Surplus Fund	11,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	2,618.01
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	1,768.66
Individual Deposits, subject to check	133,444.04
Time Certificates of Deposit	18,412.35
Letters of Credit	300.00
TOTAL,	$227,693.66

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss

We, Chas. S. Miller, as president, and C. A. Orbeck as assistant cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CHAS. S. MILLER, President.
C. A. ORBECK, Asst Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 26th day of Nov., A. D. 1917.
(Seal)
SAM BAKER,
Notary Public Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: C. A. Doose, C. O. Harris, E. A. Werner, Directors.

RECIPITULATON

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans	$136,243.60	Capital Stock	$ 60,000.00
U. S. Bonds	3,950.00	Surplus & Undivided Profits	13,618.01
Banking House, Furn. & Fix.	24,226.85	Deposits	153,985.05
Other Real Estate	3,437.50		
Int. in Guaranty Fund	4,024.17		
Cotton Exchange	14,878.17		
Cash and Exchange	40,842.77		
Total	$227,603.06	Total	$227,603.06

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