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War Talk in France May Delay Wilson's Return Home

Paris, Feb. 12.—Whether the obstructionest will gain temporary victory by blocking the final adoption of the league of nations constitution prior to President Wilsons departure for America, as well as the further stirring up of Paris with war scares, will be determined within the next six hours. The league committee is scheduled to take final action tomorrow on the constitution to be adopted.

FAVORS FIX PRICE FOR COTTON CROP

Austin, Feb. 12.—The house consumed all the forenoon session today in debating the resolution calling on the Texas members of the National Congress to use their influence to have the government stabilize the price of cotton. The House goes on record as favoring a fixed price for cotton.

FARMERETTE OF 73 IS MICHIGAN'S CHAMPION

Battle Creek. Mich., Feb 12.—Michigan boasts of being the home of the champion farmerette in the country and is ready to back her against all comers—irrespective of age, weight or new fangled agricultural schooling.

Experience has her only tutor. She is Mrs. Anna Simonton, 73 years old, owner of a large farm near here, who jumped into overalls and got behind the plow when farm help became scarce. She is planning to work the farm this year.

Here is a table of her accomplishments for last season.

Worked 20 acres of her farm;

Shocked and haulded in five acres of corn, eight acres of rye, two acres of oats and cultivated a two-acre truck garden.

Cared for an orchard and several acres of berries.

Raised 100 chickens, made eight pounds of butter daily, cared fro five head of cattle and besides did the repair work, sewed, cooked cleaned house and did all the other domestic work and farm chores.

BROWN COUNTY FARMERS GET HELP

About fifty farmers in this county met the Drouth Relief committee at the court house Saturday afternoon and made application for loans. Forty of these farmers will receive fifty dollars each, though several were compelled to cancel their applications as the funds were exausted. This will be the last aid the farmers will be able to obtain this season.—Brown wood Bulletin.

THE OLDEST BABY IN RUNNELS COUNTY

T. E. Brown, who divides his time visiting his children, is here with his sons, R. E. and T. P. this week. He came up from Browncounty first of this week. Mr. Brown is only eighty-six years old and says he is the baby of a family of sixteen children. His brother who died in Brown County not so very long ago was 101 years old. Mr. Brown lived in the Crews country, where he served as justice of the peace and carried the mail from Winters to Crews in the days before there was any such conveniences as rural mail delivery.

WEST TEXAS GRAIN CO.,

now receiving several cars alfalfa Rhades grass, prairie hay, cane hay, Johnson grass, etc. Also oats, corn, corn chops, barley chops, cowfeed etc. We are in position to offer special prices on track, also to you who are due the half rate, can save you $30.00 to $125.00 car. We invite your inquiries for anything in the feed line.

West Texas Grain Co. 11-2d1w

LITTLE DOUGLAS DIED FEB. 5th, 1919.

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister P. C. Carter and taken from them their little son Douglas. He was tenderly laid away in the Wilmeth cemetery, Feb. 6th at 3 p. m. Was very sad indeed.

None of the family could go to see him laid away. While we will never see his little face on earth any more, yet the great consolation to the father and mother is to know, that little Douglas is sweetly resting in Jesus, and if they will only continue to live by the book of all books they some day will meet with their little one again.

Brother, Sister, Friend and neighbor, let not for get our duty to mankind at all and especially in this sad hour.

A. FRIEND.

T-I-R-E-S

at Wholesale Cost and Below

We have a lot of Miller 6000 Mile Tires that we are going to sell at wholesale cost and a lot of Republic Tires 3500 and 6000 mile guarantee, one Firestone 35x4 1-2 non-skid. All of above at cost and below to make room for more than Ten Thousand Dollars worth of new stock that we have bought. Better hurry if you want in on this deal.

A lot of Bumpers, Tool Boxes and Tire Covers to close at about half price.

Willard Battery Service, the best in the world, complete stock of batteries.

If you want repairing better see us.

BALLINGER AUTO CO.

PHONE 505. Opposite C. H. L.

ANGELO WANTS CHEAPER LIGHTS

San Angelo, Feb. 10.—Municipal ownership for the San Angelo water and light plant is recommended in the report of Col. C. C. Walsh and his committee of seven, which has been presented to the city commission. The committee in its report says:

We, the undersigned citizens and tax ,payers of San Angela. and patrons of the San Angelo Water Light & Power Co., represent, that sworn reports filed in your office by said company show the following facts:

1st. That the citizens and city paid said company for water and lights for the year 1917, $126,152.64.

2nd. That for said year said company paid out for salaries, labor, taxes and fuel, $38,229.46, leaving a net profit of approximately $87,854.19.

3rd. That the 1916 report show the value of the tangible and visible property of said company to be $397,677.81, while the 1917 report shows the value of the same property to be $694,126.75, showing a net increase in value of $296-448.94, on which the company has the legal right to collect 10 percent annual interest, thus in law justifying an increase of revenue to the company of $29,644.89.

4th. That the 1916 report values the land owned by said company, exclusively of all improvements, at $30,000.00, while the 1917 report values the same land exclusively of all improvements, at $85,000.00, showing an increase of $55,000.00 in one year and during a drouth when adjoining lands actually decreased in value.

5th. That our information is that said company purchased the present entire water and light system in 1911 for $350,000.00 which included the franchise value) and immediately capitalized said property for $500,000.00, thus making a net profit of approximately of $150,000.00. That said company soon afterward issued bonds on said property to the amount $470,-000.00, thus making a total capitalization of $970,000.00 on which the company can collect 10 per cent interest per annum and require the city to fix the rates accordingly.

6th. That since said company has the legal right to demand that water and light rates be raised sufficeiently to net them 10 per cent on their capitalization, We, the citizens, demand that all "watered stock" unnecessary bond issues and franchise values, be eliminated from said capitalization and that the business affairs of said company be economically administered

7th. We further represent that reports filed in your office indicate enormous sums of revenues paid by the people were used in paying for material, extensions and permanent improvements thus making the people pay to the company 10 per cent on their own investments.

Therefore we demand:

1st. That the city immediately reduce the water rates to $1.00 for the first 4,000 gallons of water, 12 1-2 cents per 1,000 for the next 6,000 gallons, and 10 cents per 1,000 for all in excess over 10,000 gallons and that the light rates be reduced by one-half.

2nd. That an investigation be had as to the correctness of said capitalization of $970,000.00. Also that the city have an accounting with said company for the years 1911-12-13-14-15-16 and 17, allowing said company 10 per cent interest per annum net on the actual capital invested, after allllowing all operating and repair expenses economically expended. That the city file suit to recover all revenues in company and same be held as a excess of 10 per cent paid said fund to assist in taking over said property when financial conditions permit municipal ownership. That is the company contests said rates then the city must employ competent counsel to represent the city and protect the interest of the people.

3rd. That the city of San Angelo appoint a suitable person to read all meters if that seems desirable.

MAJOR TAYLOR SENT TO WASHINGTON

Major Ewing M. Taylor has been transferred from the hospital at Hoboken to the Walter Reed Hospital at Washington, D. C., according to the latest news from the wounded officer to his father, W. A. Taylor.

Major Taylor writes that he is getting along as well as could be expected, but it is indicated that it will be many months before he can get away from the hospital as his recovery promises to be very slow. He says he is doing better than he did in France, and that he believes now that if he had remained in France another month he would have died. His lower limbs are still paralyzed.

Mr. Taylor plans to visit his son as soon as he can get away from home and as soon as the winter weather breaks.

JURY DRAWN FOR SPRING TERM COURT

District court will convene in Ballinger Monday, March 10th. The grand jury for the term and a three weeks petit jury venire has been drawn as follows, and the sheriff is serving subponeas.

Grand Jury

J. W. Clampitt, B. C. Kirk, W. A. Francis, J. Y. Pearce, W. H. Seales, C. S. Coleman, C. T. Spangler, M. T. Hensley, J. L. Strube, W. W. Poe, J. L. Hambright, Geo. Holliday, D. M. Hilliard, A. P. Luckett, T. J. McCaughn, Fred Machotka.

Petit Jury, First Week.

C. C. Moore, M. McGregor, Will Doose, L. C. Newton, O. P. Dorsey, J. D. Coulter, R. A. Nicholson, Claud Compton, U. E. Hartman, H. A. Lesso, W. B. Thomson, D. L. Brevard, J. L. Miller, W. M. Ashton John Simacek, Tad Richards, R. E. Lane, Geo. M. Miller, W. E. Ratliff, Henry Jones, W. K. Lilly, J. K. Hutton, J. E. Brewer, R. H. Murphy, W. E. Branch, U. P. Melton, John McNeal, Lynn Stokes, J. M. Mackey, T. P. Messengale, H. F. Demmer, J. M. Williamson, G. W. Dunlap, J. B. Riggs, C. W. Dean, R. L. Mosley.

Petit Jury, Second Week.

W. W. Embry, S. T. Polk, Dee Oliver, Ed W. Jones, W. E. Allen, T. A. Puckett, E. N. Phipps, Lee Butler, J. L. Lee, T. M. Osteen, Dan Moser, Jr., E. H. Pfluger, Ross Martin, W. R. Clark, Walter T. White, J. L. Chastain, A. J. Nichols, Asa Cordily, J. R. Taylor, W. E. Brooks, Wm. Stevens, Jimmie Speer, Preston Dunn, W. C. Penn, M. B. Palmer, Hatton Laxon, A. J. Lioka, J. D. Miller, Rees, R. W. Smith, J. S. J. S. Reese, R. W. Smith, H. W. Neely, R. R. Reams, J. P. Maddox, H. W. Lynn.

Petit Jury, Third Week

S. D. Pinkerton, J. F. Currie, W. D. Overman, W. C. Wheelis, E. A. Sheppard, E. V. Bateman, Joe Sommers, S. Y. Little, T. L. Acre, W. E. Bartlett, W. E. Middleton, C. P. Prewett, L. B. James, W. A. Taylor, G. B. Nixon, E. J. Cathey, Dee Reeder, H. A. Mitchell, E. Lindermann, F. D. Futch, J. W. Payne, F. Roper, Theo Schuhmann, Horace Murphey, C. E. Roseler, E. M. Eubanks, Jack W. Monroe, Elmer Batts, J. T. Branden, George Schevajsa, W. T. Nichols, W. P. Lloyd, J. T. Russell, S. H. Daugherty, T. B. Wade, Andy Spreen.

Patriotic Citizen writes to ask if he must stand up in bed when the young folks next door play the "Star Spangled Banner," at midnight?

Sam Boyer, of the New Home neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday and while in the city ordered the Banner Ledger to his address.

G. B. Nixon returned from Temple, Wednesday at noon, where he has been for several days on business.

Germans Must Disarm Terms In New Armistice

urin, Feb. 11.—Mathias Erzberger, a member of the German armistice commission declared in an interview at Weimar today, that Germany would not renew the armistice if the new provisions included in the terms by the allies were too severe, according to dispatches received here from the provisional capital of Germany.

Paris, Feb. 10.—The supreme war council, in which Marshal Foch and other military commanders sit with the council of the great powers, continued today the discussion of the renewal of the German armistice, without reaching a decision. At the same time the league of nations' commission virtually completed the final draft of that project, assuring its presentation at the planary session the latter part of the week.

The discussion of the armistice took a wide range, including the failure to execute some of the clauses of the previous armistice, the blockade and the use of the enemy merchant shipping. But the main issue turned on a series of proposals of a rather drastic nature, designed to place the enemy bnyond the possibility of rearming and renewing the conflict.

From the French standpoint the menance of such renewal is not past and it is urged as a matter of foresight that suitable safeguards be established. It is generally understood these safeguards include the limitation of the production of field and heavy guns and an exact according of heavy guns now on hand, also some limitation of military organization which is to be of police service.

London, Feb. 10.—British newspapers of all shades of opinion are devoting serious attention to the attitude taken by the Germans government toward the armistice conditions.

The Daily News' Paris correspondent sends a dispatch from 'authoritative sources," on the subject in which he says his informant told him that he had the best reason to believe that Germany is not continuing to demobilize.

"She has now concentrated more than eighteen divisions under von Hindenburg on the western front" the correspondent quotes his informant as saying:

"We also have the best reasons to believe that Germany is keeping her troops under arms on the pretext of economic necessity. German demobilization is a condition to our demobilization and therefore disbandment is impossible so long as Germany does not continue to demobilize.

"Allied military authorities consider the time has now arrived for Germany to give up her military strength —that she be brought to such a condition that she cannot resist later the conditions of peace now being prepared. The allied theory always has been that we shall form conditions which Germany will have to accept, and that there is nothing to discuss, except as regards details."

BALLINGER WOUNDED ARRIVE CAMP BOWIE

News has been received in Ballinger of the arrival of Paul Best and Elmer Voelkel at Camp Bowie, where they are in the convalescence hospital, and will be held until they have recovered sufficiant of Winters, passed through Bal

These two boys were with the Texas fighters on the Western front and both sustained wounds. They spent some time in hospitals in France before being sent back to the States. They trained at Camp Bowie and it will be from that camp that they receive their honorable discharges and be sent home for keeps.

The boys landed in New York, two or three weeks ago, and landed at Camp Bowie last Monday. They are expected to arrive at home within the next few days.

J. R. Cook, the grocery merchant of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home from a visit to Brownwood and Goldthwaite, where he has relatives.

TWO YEARS REFORM FOR FIRST JUVENILE

Ray Parker, a twelve year old lad, was tried in juvenile court Tuesday morning and given two years in the reformatory school at Gatesville. The boy will be carried to Gatesville at once.

This case was the first juvenile case tried in this county since the law governing juveniles was passed. The boy was arrested a short time ago charged with theft and arraigned before the court, but was released on probation based on a promise to be a good boy. He did not live up to the court's instructions and in keeping with the law officers had to take charge of him again.

He was tried before County Judge Parish, setting as a juvenile court. Judge A. K. Doss was appointed to defend the boy. Under the law such cases can be tried before a jury or before the judge. Counsel for the defendant waived jury and judge Parish heard the evidence and fixed the penalty.

Willie Wade left Tuesday afternoon for Brownwood, where he goes to get an auto and will return overland in a few days.

John Hergens, of Galveston, is the guest this week of his friend H. Giesecke and family.

Conservative but Accomodating

In every feature of its banking activity, this bank is thoroughly conservative. The only limit we place on our "desire to serve" is that the transaction be SAEE.

Established 1906

The Winters State Bank

Guaranty Fund Bank

Quit Laxatives, Purges; Try NR

Can Tonight — Tomorrow Feel Right

It is a mistake to continually dose yourself with so-called laxative pills, calomel, oil, purges and cathartics and force bowel action. It weakens the bowels and liver and makes constant dosing necessary.

Why don't you begin right today to overcome your constipation and get your system in such shape that daily purging will be unnecessary? You can do so if you get a 25c box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and take one each night for a week or so.

NR Tablets do much more than merely cause pleasant easy bowel action. This medicine acts upon the digestive as well as eliminative organs—promotes good digestion, causes the body to get the nourishment from all the food you eat, gives you a good, hearty appetite, strengthens the liver, overcomes biliousness, regulates kidney and bowel action and gives the whole body a thorough cleaning out. This accomplished you will not have to take medicine every day. An occasional NR tablet will keep your body in condition and you can always feel your best.

Try Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and prove this. It is the best bowel medicine that you can use and costs only 25c per box, containing enough to last twenty-five days. Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) is sold, guaranteed and recommended by your druggist.

WEEKS DRUG STORE
Ballinger, Texas

Nature's Remedy
NR-TABLETS-NR
Better than Pills For Liver Ills. GET A 25c Box

OFFICIAL COUNT SHOWS TOTAL POLLS

Poll tax payments by boxes for the year 1918 and 1919 shows where the shortage in voting strength is. There were 1881 polls issued for the year just closed and 21 exemptions. The exemptions are included in the following list. There were 2831 polls issued for 1918:

Boxes	1918	1919
No. 1 Ballinger	303	225
No. 2 Hatchel	115	89
No. 3 Benoit	49	42
No. 4 Crews	154	91
No. 5 Tokeen	69	48
No. 6 Truitt	48	23
No. 7 Winters	404	276
No. 8 Antelope	39	20
No. 9 Pumphrey	69	44
No. 10 Wingate	124	71
No. 11 Baldwin	46	30
No. 12 Wilmeth	103	53
No. 13 Cochran	64	38
No. 14 N. Norton	71	45
No. 15 Marie	30	28
No. 16 Maverick	58	42
No. 17 S. Norton	62	39
No. 18 Pearce S. H.	62	45
No. 19 Brookshire	20	19
No. 20 Miles	250	159
No. 21 Rowena	195	134
No. 22 Olfin	51	42
No. 23 Pony Creek	87	54
No. 24 Ballinger	339	249
Total	2831	1902

Tax Collector Chastain reports that there are less than $22,000 delinquent taxes on the rolls out of the total rolls of about $156,000. A remarkable thing about the delinquents this year is, that the roll unpaid is made up largely of the more heavier tax payers, the smaller tax payers paying up better than they did last year. This is contrary to what was expected.

J. O. Cline came up from Brownwood, Wednesday at noon and is visiting relatives for a few days

STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

THEDFORD'S

BLACK-DRAUGHT

recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists.

ONE CENT A DOSE

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LIBERTY BOND SWINDLERS WORKING

My attention has been directed to the activities of unscrupulous persons who have been operating extensively throughout the country and who are swindling the owners of Liberty Bonds by purchasing bonds at prices far below their actual worth.

These swindlers get the attention of Liberty Bond owners by publishing advertisments calculated to make the unsuspecting Bond owner believe that the highest market price can be secured for his bond through the ageney of the advertiser. Such is rarely, if ever, the case. Records of transactions of this character, brought to the attention of the Department of ustice and the Treasury Department, proved conclusively that these swindlers take every advantage of bond owners who are forced into their clutches by paying the lowest price possible to the owners who accept—and generally far below the actual value of the bonds.

I regret to observe that many reputable newspapers are being victimized by accepting the advertisements of these swindlers, and I appeal to all newspaper publishers to scrutinize very carefully the character of individuals who use their columns to offer to buy Liberty Bonds. As a newspaper publisher, I believe that it is the duty of publishers to protect their readers against unscrupulous advertisers.
of justice and the tdeasury department trade worthless articles or securities of little value for Liberty Bonds, and I appeal to patriotic publishers to assist in putting an end to this practice.

Other swindlers endeavor to take such steps as are possible under the law to protect the interest of holders of Liberty Bonds, and will use every means at its command to bring to justice all who seek to defraud the people who have so patriotically assisted in winning the war by investing their savings in Liberty Bonds and War Saving Stamps.

Owners of Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps should in no circumstances part with these securities unless necessity compels, and then they should deal only with reliable banks, trust companies, banking institutions and other whose reputation for integrity is beyond question. If it is necessary to sell Liberty Bonds the highest market value should be received.

The Treasury Department will welcome information concerning the operations of these swindlers in any part of the country.

CARTER GLASS
Secretary of the Treasury.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic

restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

If the dear girls glue down sections of their mattress over their ears, will they be able to hear the important questions the returning soldiers may put to them?

As the results of the prohibition bomb shell, the casualty lists are expected now to report Tom and Jerry among the missing.

Johnnie Slaughter and Walter Seipp, of Maverick, were among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Rheumatism Back on the Job With its Old-time Fury

No Let-Up In Its Torture.

Pretty soon you will be reaching for the liniment bottle again, for the millions of little pain demons that cause Rheumatism are on the warpath. Winter weather seems to awaken them to renewed fury.

But your Rheumatism cannot be rubbed away, because liniments and lotions cannot reach the disease. It is in the blood, and only a remedy that goes deep down into the circulation, and routs out the disease germs, can rid you of this disabling disease.

S. S. S. has given some wonderful results in treating Rheumatism. Being a purely vegetable blood remedy, it purifies the blood of every germ, and thus removes the cause of Rheumatism. Get a bottle to-day at your drugstore, and start on the right treatment that will get results. Free advice about your case can be had by writing to Medical Director, 26 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

ALL POOL HALLS MUST CLOSE MAY 1

Austin, Feb. 6—The anti-pool hall law becomes effective May 1st. It prohibits the running of any pool hall or billiard hall for profit, but does not affect pool or billiard tables in clubs. Kittrell, Murphey and Davidson of Harris County were among the 16 who voted against the bill. Hall was the only Harris County member voting for it.

The bill now goes to the governor for his signature as the house made no changes in the bill as it came from the senate.

Friends of the measure say Governor Hobby will sign it, but it passed by more than two-thirds in the house anyway.

The bill passed by a vote of 104 to 16.

Only One Corn Peeler, "Gets-It"

Stop Corn Pains; See Corn Peel Off.

It is just when a corn hurts that you want to feel surest about getting rid of it. Why take chances of keeping the corn and having the pain grow worse? You'll use "Gets-



The Only Peel-It-Off Way Is "Gets-It."

It" anyhow, sooner of later; might as well use it sooner. Then you are absolutely sure that the corn will loosen from your toe so that you can peel the whole thing off painlessly with your fingers, in one complete piece—just like peeling a banana. It takes a second or two to apply "Gets-It." There's no fussing or puttering. Corn-pains will vanish—that'll keep you sweet while the "Gets-It" does the rest. Nothing new for corns has been discovered since "Gets-It" was born. Follow the judgment of the millions; use "Gets-It" and be sure to be corn and pain free! You'll say it's magic.

"Gets-It," the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. M'f'd by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

LOCAL POOL HALL TO CLOSE NEXT WEEK

The friends of Will Dunlap are not in sympathy with the anti-pool hall law which was passed by the legislature this week. If all pool halls were conducted on the plan which Mr. Dunlap operates his place of amusement the sentiment for such a law would never have been created. He must suffer for the deeds of others.

Mr. Dunlap stated Friday, when it became known here that the law closing all pool-halls in Texas would go into effect on May 1st, that he would close his place of business on Feb. 15th. His license expire on the 16th of this month, which is Sunday, and he can not afford to pay about $259 license for the privilege of remaining in business until the law closing his business becomes effective two months and a half later.

Mr. Dunlap has about Six thousand dollars invested in pool hall equipment. The anti-pool hall law makes his property worthless. He can not dispose of the equipment at any price in Texas and as there are two or three thousand others in Texas, it will be a problem to find a market for the discarded equipment in other states.

Will Dunlap is one of the pioneer citizens of Ballinger. He has lived here practically all his life and since engaging in the pool hall business he has never been charged with violating any law governing the conducting of same, and he allowed no one to gamble or violate the law in his pool hall. He has often turned in to the officers cases of violations and been instrumental in helping the officers ferret out law violations.

His friends regret to know that he will be put out of business, but trust that he will remain here and get in to some other line of business.

$100 Reward, $100

The readers of this paper will be pleased 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 medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surface 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 wo rk. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonals.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO. Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggist, 75c.

C. B. Bell came down from Winters Friday and is spending a day or two here with his aunt, Mrs. J. D. Justice. Mr. Bell is just back from France where he saw six months service, three months of which was on the front. He went through in good shape and landed safe on American soil on Jan. 18th, and was discharged last week. He is the son of W. L. Bell, of the Winters country. The young soldier reports that he only saw one Ballinger boy while in France and that was when he met up with Claud Stone. He stated that he thought Mr. Stone's company was en route to Brest and were preparing to return home when he left.

At last reports the barkeeps were recovering from the prohibition wave, and reflecting that it takes 1000000 soda fountains to irrigate the dusty throats of the American girls and High School boys.

E. M. Setser, of the Norton country came in Thursday and brought three bales of cotton, his last season's crop and as prices did not suit him slipped out to Houston and will hold for a while.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after the first application. Price 60c.

F. G. Hoelscher, the Olfin merchant, J. D. Miller, the Norton druggist and Sid Oliver, of the Wilmeth country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Thursday.

R. Gottschalk, of the Norton country, had business in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Gottschalk says the roads are bad after the long wet spell.

Dreadful Cough Cured

A severe cold is often followed by a rough cough for which Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has proven especially valuable. Mrs. F. W. Olsen, Marysville, Mo., writes: "About two years ago my little boy Jean caught a severe cold and coughed dreadfully for days. I tried a number of cough medicines but nothing did him any good until I gave him Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It relieved his cough right away and before he had finished taking one bottle he was cured. I think it is just fine for children."

RETURN FROM AUSTIN

Judge O. L. Parish returned home Saturday at noon from Austin where he had been the past few days attending the meeting of the State Convention of County Judges' and Commissioners' of Texas. A very instructive and successful event is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. John Black, of Marie motored over to Ballinger Friday afternoon to do some shopping.

WOUNDED SOLDIER VISITING PARENTS

Herbert B. Stallworth arrived in Ballinger Friday at noon and will spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs Nick Stallworth, of the Pony Creek community.

Herbert Stallworth was sent from Ballinger to Camp Travis for training. He was not long in finding himself on the firing line in France, and on July 19th last year, he received a wound in the leg, and since that time he has been in the hospital.

He was wounded at Chateau Thierry when the Americans went over the top and stopped the Germans in their drive towards Paris. It was in this battle that Lieut. Roy Sharp of Ballinger was wounded, Lieu t. Sharp being wounded about a week later.

Herbert Stallworth landed in America on Christmas Eve., and about two weeks ago he was sent to Camp Travis, where he is to remain until he is finally discharged. The hospital surgeon made an ex-ray examination a few days ago, and stated that he could not recommend a discharge for Stallworth until he had received further treatment for h's wounds.

That Terrible Headache

Do you have periodic attacks of headaches accompained by sickness of the stomach or vomiting, a sallow skin and dull eyes? If so, you can get quick relief by taking Chamberlain's Tablets as directed for biliousness, and you may be able to avoid these attacks if you observe the directions with each package.

MARINE FIGHTER TO BRING BACK HONORS

J. D. Justice is in receipt of a letter from his son Sergeant M. G. Justice of the 83rd company U. S. M. C. The letter was written from Luetesdorf, Germany, under date of Jan. 1st., and says in part:

"Was glad to hear that old West Texas was coming back to the front again, as I expect to live there for some time when I get back to the good old U. S. A.

"You can thank all my friends for the compliments paid me, for it was them I was thinking about all the time we have been in this place over here. I tried to get as many as I could and keep as many of our boys from coming over here for the better we fought the less mothers and fathers and also girls would have to give up their loved ones to come over.

"Speaking of the 36th Division they relieved the Second Division at Blanc Mont Ridge after we had taken the ridge and twelve more kilometers. We stayed in the trenches with them and after they relieved us because they had never been in the trenches before, and they were going over the top. We gave them all the information we could before they went over, but they did not have any officers with them who had ever been over the top, and it was hard indeed for them, as the Germans fought hard in that sector. That is a hard country to fight in and with no experience it was very hard to do anything so they lost many men the first day, for I myself helped to bury several that were killed in twenty-five yards of me. But they had what the Marines calls "cuts" and they took several prisoners that day, and dropped beck only because they had no one to tell them what to do after taking one kilometer. The Marines got them together and went back and helped them dig some holes to stay in and they stayed there.

"I was thinking of you all the time, you thought just right when you wanted a German pistol for I took one off a German captain, a very pretty pistol and belt with gold buckle, which said William 2nd, and also a very pretty trench knife, and I am saving them for you. We can not send any kind of fire armys by mail, so I will have to bring it back to the States and then send it to you but I will see that you get it.

"I am also sending you a couple of citations I received from the French. You will see they are in French, and also on the white paper attached it is in English, and tomorrow I am to receive the Croix De Guerre and the Gold Palm Leaf, which they give for two citations, and also the gold star which thyegmi asy,fiwoao-L star which they give when the cite you before their army. If you are not cited before the whole French army you do not receive the star, and you will see in one that I was cited before the army corps and the other before the whole army. So you will have a decorated of 4th of this month.

"This is for service done while under the French command. I think I am the only American to receive the star so far.

"I hope to get home soon, but am willing to stay here as long as they need me. Don't worry I am all O. K.

Your son,
"1st Segt. M. G. Justice"

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 30c.

J. H. Hutton, of Wolf City, came in Friday at noon and is the guest of his brother, J. K. Hutton.

A Mother's Happiness Made Perfect

Of Utmost Importance That She Have Every Care.



The expectant mother's physical comfort should be our first thought, and all about her should see to it that her preparation for baby's coming be complete.

There is a most splendid remedy to prepare women for the greatest time in their lives, known as Mother's Friend. It is applied to the muscles of the abdomen, gently rubbed in, and at once penetrates to relieve strain on nerves, cords and ligaments. It makes the muscles so pliant that they expand easily when baby arrives; the hours at the time are fewer, and pain and danger at the crisis is naturally avoided.

Mother's Friend enables the mother to preserve her health and strength, and she remains a pretty mother by having avoided discomfort and suffering which more often than otherwise accompanies such an occasion when nature is unaided. Every nerve, muscle and tendon is thoroughly lubricated. Discomfort during the period is counteracted, and the skin, after the crisis, is left smooth and natural.

Write to the Bradfield Regulator Company, Dept. B, Lamar Building, Atlanta, Georgia, for their Motherhood Book, and obtain a bottle of Mother's Friend from the drug store today without fail.

OPENS LAW OFFICE IN HOUSTON

Samuel C. Harris, lawyer and Notary, 705 Union National Bank Building, Phone Preston 2620, Houston, Texas, Ex-County Attorney, Runnels County, Ex-City Attorney, Winters, Texas, makes up the professional card of S. C. Harris, who left Ballinger early last fall and moved to Houston. One of Judge Harris' cards found its way to The Ledger editor's desk, and we are glad to note that the former county officer of this county is still in the land of the living and is able to hang out his shingle.

J. V. Davis, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Friday afternoon enroute home from San Angelo, where he had been on business.

Stomach Acts Fine, No Indigestion!

Eat without Fear of Upset Stomach



Food souring, gas, acidity!

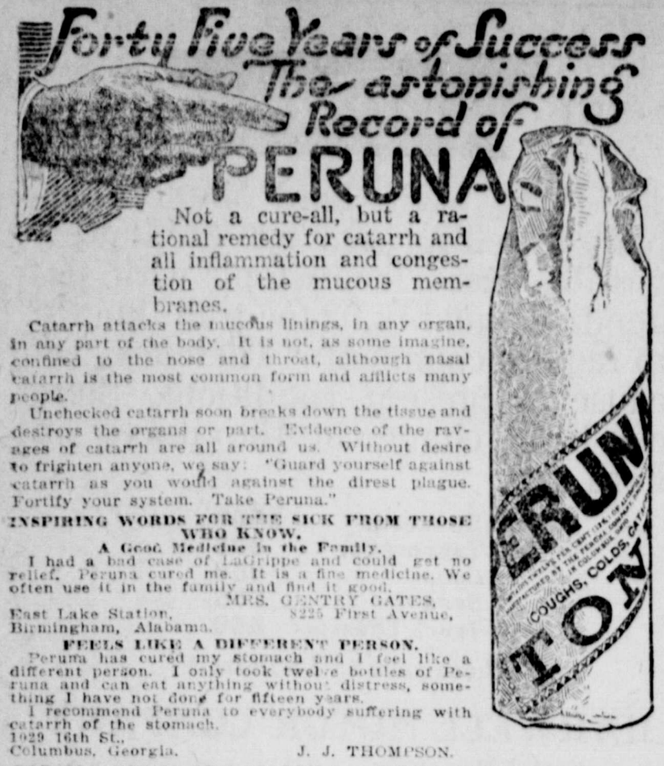
If your meals hit back causing belching, pain, flatuence, indigestion or heartburn here's instant relief. No waiting!

Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in ending all stomach distress. Never fails!

Keep it handy. Tastes nice and costs so little at drug stores.



UPSET? **Pape's Diapepsin** WILL PUT YOU ON YOUR FEET



Not a cure-all, but a rational remedy for catarrh and all inflammation and congestion of the mucous membranes.

Catarrh attacks the mucous linings, in any organ, in any part of the body. It is not, as some imagine, confined to the nose and throat, although nasal catarrh is the most common form and afflicts many people.

Unchecked catarrh soon breaks down the tissue and destroys the organs or part. Evidence of the ravages of catarrh are all around us. Without desire to frighten anyone, we say: "Guard yourself against catarrh as you would against the direst plague. Fortify your system. Take Peruna."

INSPIRING WORDS FOR THE SICK FROM THOSE WHO KNOW.

A Good Medicine in the Family.

I had a bad case of LaGrippe and could get no relief. Peruna cured me. It is a fine medicine. We often use it in the family and find it good.

MRS. GENTRY GATES,
East Lake Station, 8225 First Avenue,
Birmingham, Alabama.

FEELS LIKE A DIFFERENT PERSON.

Peruna has cured my stomach and I feel like a different person. I only took twelve bottles of Peruna and can eat anything without distress, something I have not done for fifteen years.

I recommend Peruna to everybody suffering with catarrh of the stomach.

1929 16th St.,
Columbus, Georgia. J. J. THOMPSON.

FOR ALL FORMS OF CATARRH.

Peruna is indicated for all forms of catarrh or catarrhal inflammation and congestion of the mucous linings in any part or organ, such as nose, throat, bronchial tubes, lungs, stomach, bowels, kidneys, bladder, etc. It is fine for coughs, colds and effects of the grip and an excellent preventive remedy.

If you want health, insist upon having Dr. Hartman's World Famous Peruna Tonic.

Sold Everywhere.

WRITE FOR THIS BOOK.

All sick and suffering should write The Peruna Company, Dept. S-82, Columbus, Ohio, for Dr. Hartman's Health Book. The book is free and contains perhaps just the information you are seeking. It is sent in a plain wrapper to any address.

DO IT TODAY.
IN LIQUID OR TABLET FORM.

Ask your dealer for a Peruna Almanac.

Oil Company Makes Plain Proposition For Drilling

The Safety First Oil & Gae Co., of Douglass, Arizona, is ready to drill an oil well in or near Ballinger. The president of the Company, Mr. Hunter, is here and has submitted a proposition to several land owners, and is trying to interest others in his proposition, and he will go before the city commission next week and ask for a franchise as a part of the consideration for sinking a well here.

"Our company is organized under the laws of the state of Arizona.,, said Mr. Hunter, in discussing his proposition with business men, "and are incorporated and capitalized for $95,000, and have the backing and cash to fill any contract we make. We are ready to put up a forfeit in any one of the local banks to back up any proposition we make."

Mr. Hunter stated that under the laws governing corporations in Arizona, that seventy percent of the capital stock had to remain in the banks of that state unless a permit was secured from the commissioners, and such a permit could not be secured until it was shown for what purpose the money was to be used when transferred to another state, and that every restriction was thrown around the stockholders to prevent him from being swindled out of his money.

The Safety First Oil & Gas Co., proposes to drill a well near Ballinger for a lease on 4000 acres of land, and Mr. Hunter states that he does not anticipate any trouble in getting the acreage. In fact almost enough acreage is in sight to close that part of the contract. The acreage is asked for with the following provisions attached to the contract, which seems to be a fair proposition:

"Provided said company places a forfeit of $5000 in any one of the banks of Ballinger by March 1, 1919 to show their good faith in complying with the following conditions which are: "Said company to start a well with standard rig and to go to a depth of 3000 feet, unless paying oil or gas is found at a shallower depth. Said company to forfeit all leases if said well is not started to drilling by June 1, 1919, which stipulations will be incorporated in all leases. When contract is placed in bank showing that drilling contract has been made with a reliable driller to drill said well to a depth of 3000 feet, then the forfeit of $5000 can be used in drilling expenses."

In addition to the acreage, the Safety First Oil & Gas Co., is asking for a gas franchise in Ballinger upon the following terms:

"That if the contract is complied with and a well is started within six miles of the city limits of Ballinger, within the time specified, that the city will give from Mar-1st, 1919, to March 1, 1920 to the Safety First Oil & Gae Co., an option on a 25 year franchise for gass ing the town with the privileges usually given, etc., and on the usual customary terms. Provided that if said company has not paying gas in said well after drilling to a depth of 2500 feet, said option is forfeited and if said company has not started to lay pipes if they have sufficient gas within said 12 months from March 1, 1919 then said option if forfeited. "
said option is forfeited."

submitted to the city commission next week. If the city grants the option, and the acreage is put up as asked, for, Mr. Hunter says the cash will be placed on deposit in the Ballinger bank as a forfeit for the fullfilment of the contract.

Those interested in the development of the local oil field should investigate the proposition for all it is worth, and if it is found to be as represented no time should be lost in supporting it.

We have come to the conclusion that Ballinger people are not going to put up the money to put down a test well near this city. They are given a chance here to put what will take the place of cash in testing the field. If the company making the proposition strikes oil they will have made big money, but will be entitled to big money as they are taking the chance. Those putting in the acreage will profit from the royalties which will make them rich, and if oil is not found they have not lost anything.

The city has it all to gain and nothing to lose in the franchise propsoition. If the company owned a gas well near the city no doubt a cash price could be realized for a franchise but the franchise is worthless unless the gas is first supplied, and the benefits to the town to be derived from gas for fuel and lighting will be worth more than anything now within our reach.

If such offer can be made for a drilling contract, and Mr. Hunters company can not carry it out, there are companies ready to jump on it. The people should get together and offer the terms asked for.

NOTICE

Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 6 per cent. interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent. interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call on

H. Giesecke Ballinger, Texas.

Every booster is boosting for an oil well in Ballinger, but it seems that every booster expects his boosting to do the work. It takes money to drill oil wells.

J. S. Gamble, of the Pony Creek country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday and while here ordered the Banner Ledger to his address.

COTTON SEED

Good planting seed is scarce and hard to get. We have secured one car of McKean & McNeals high grade recleaned Mebane Triumph seed. This is the very best seed to be had and it will be to your interest to see us at once and secure your seed before they are all gone.

E. A. EANES & CO.
Ballinger, Texas. wtf.

J. L. Lee and son, Renza and Claud Lee, of the Maverick country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Jim Allen, one of the pioneer settlers of Runnels County, and who lived in the Wingate country for many years, came down from San Angelo, Friday afternoon. Mr. Allen went to Coke county from Runnels and is gradually drifting back to Runnels. He is the same old Jim with just a few more gray hairs in his head.

R. C. Henniger and son, G. A., of the Hatchel country, and A. J. Byers of the Millar School neighborhood were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Friday.

CHICHESTER S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND

An increase in the number of tramps is reported. Probably escaping from places where they were insulted by offers of work.

There are still girls who will go out doing housework, provided the mistress is willing to serve as a second maid under them.

House Builder ask what is the largest building in the world heated by hot air? For as we know its the Capital at Washington.

Mrs. H. S. Sellers, of the Valley creek country, came in Wednesday and left for Cisco in response to a message that her husband was in a serious condition, but did not state whether from the "flu" or some accident.

Mrs. Hill Jackson went to Rowena Thursday, on business and a short visit.

The Strong Withstand the Winter Cold Better Than the Weak

You must have Health, Strength and Endurance to fight Colds, Grip and Influenza.

When your blood is not in a healthy condition and does not circulate properly, your system is unable to withstand the Winter cold.

GROVE'S TASTELESS Chill TONIC

Fortifies the System Against Colds, Grip and Influenza by Purifying and Enriching the Blood.

It contains the well-known tonic properties of Quinine and Iron in a form acceptable to the most delicate stomach, and is pleasant to take. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

J. P. Huffacker, of the Maverick country, and his brother W. W. Huffacker of Freeport, Texas passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to New Mexico. W. H., had been visiting his brother and family the past few days.

Mrs. J. W. Matthews came in Thursday at noon, to join Mr. Matthews who recently came here and accepted a position as manager of the hardware department of the Higginbotham Bros & Co., store.

G. B. Nixon returned home this week from Alpine. Mr. Nixon reports that the range is good and cattle are in pretty good shape in West Texas.

Lee Moore, of Wyoming who was here visiting his sister, Mrs. W F. McKnown, and father, John Moore left for Taylor, Texas. Tuesday, where he will visit. He was accompained to Taylor by his sister and father.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT OF MR. BAILEY'S DEATH

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram, in giving an account of the death of Robert Bailey, says:

Robert Bailey, pioneer stockman and banker, died in a local hospital Thursday morning. He came to Tarrant county when Fort Worth was still a Government post and the soldiers were here. He was 71 years old.

Bailey was born in Kentucky, Feb. 18, 1848, and came to Texas in 1862 at the age of 14 years. He was educated at William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo. He was married to Miss Mary Ann Callaway in 1867. She is a member of one of the oldest families in the County. Nine children were born to the couple, six of whom survive. They are John R. of Ozona, Albert P. of Eldorado, T. M. of Fort Worth, Mrs. Scott Mack of Ballinger, Mrs. Nora Gee and Mrs. Addie Robert of Fort Worth. One brother, L. B. Brown of Smithfield and a sister Mrs. Alice Brown of Fort Worth also survive. Sixteen grandchildren and one great grand child also survive him.

He helped to organize Schleicher County and for a time lived south of San Angelo on his ranch He was president and organizer of the first bank in Schleicher.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the First Christian Church. Rev. L. D. Anderson and City School Superintendent M. H. Moore will conduct the services.

Honorary pall bearer will be: J. W. Spencer, L. B. Comer, F. E. White of Stephenville, G. H. Connell, Stealing P. Clark, R. M. Davis T. E. Lewis and Maj. K. M. Van Zandt.

The active pall bearers are: Lewis Brown, Tom Hardisty, D. O. Brown, Arthur Davis, Lewis Hightower, John Davis and Walter Brown, all nephews of Bailey.

Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters of the State of Texas.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Anton Mika, the postoffice address of whom is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1919, file his application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas sufficient water for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, and to be impounded in and diverted from the Colorado River by means of a dam and reservoir, said dam to be located on Johan Meinecke Survey No. 411 and C. Garza Survey No. 351, in Runnels County, Texas, and is distant in a westernly direction from Ballinger seven miles.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are out of the Johan Meinecke Survey No. 411 and the Adam Eisenberg Survey No. 410, in Runnels County, Texas, consisting of 94 acres.

A hearing on the said application of the said Anton Mika will be held by the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas at its office in Austin, Texas, on Saturday, March 1st, A. D. 1919, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time, and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under and by virture of an order of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 27th day of January, A. D. 1919.

W. T. Potter,
C. S. Clark,
John A. Norris,
Board of Water Engineers

Attest:
James Hays Quarles,
Secretary. 31 4t

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

We pay you the highest price for your cow and horse hides.
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Ugh! Calomel Sickens; Salivates! Please Try Dodson's Liver Tone

I am sincere! My medicine does not upset liver and bowels so you lose a day's work.

Calomel loses you a day! You know what calomel is. It's mercury; quicksilver. Calomel is dangerous. It crashes into sour bile like dynamite, cramping and sickening you. Calomel attacks the bones and should never be put into your system.

When you feel bilious, sluggish, constipated and all knocked out and believe you need a dose of dangerous calomel just remember that your druggist sells for a few cents a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone, which is entirely vegetable and pleasant to take and is a perfect substitute for calomel. It is guaranteed to start your liver without stirring you up inside, and can not salivate.

Don't take calomel! It makes you sick the next day; it loses you a day's work. Dodson's Liver Tone straightens you right up and you feel great. Give it to the children as well.

FATHER AND MOTHER DIE; 6 CHILDREN ILL

Wm. Bahlmann died at his home in the northwest part of the county Thursday morning as the result of influenza and pneumonia. Mrs. Bahlmann died from the same disease last Sunday, three days before her husband died.

Six children in the Bahlmann family are ill, three of them seriously ill with pneumonia and three with influenza. Relatives and friends are looking after them.

Mr. Bahlmann has lived in the Winters-Wingate country for several years, owning considerable land in that part of the county. He has two or three grown sons, some of them being in the army at present.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

CIVIL SERVICE FOR SOLDIERS

Washington, Feb. 6.—The United States Civil Service Commission is perfecting arrangements whereby men who are about to be discharged from the army and navy may receive first hand information concerning opportunities for employment in the Federal civil service. The commission has received authority from the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the navy to appoint its representatives at all establishers where enlisted men are assembled in considerable numbers. These representatives are now being appointed. They will be prepared to inform the men further concerning positions which are open, to supply them with application blanks, to assist them, if necessary, with the execution of their applications and to advise them relative to civil service matters generally. It is the plan of the Civil Service Commission to entrust this work to educational directors of welfare organizations already operating at the camps, cantonments etc. The representatives of the Commission who are appointed from the personnel of these welfare organizations will have the benefit of the advise of the Commission's local board of examiners at nearby cities, in addition to the instructions received from the Commission

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

In Use For Over 30 Years

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LIEUTENANT TUCKER RETURNS HOME

Lieut. J. Harold Tucker, accompained by his wife, arrived in Ballinger Saturday at noon from Camp Shelby, Miss. He had just received his honorable discharge from the army. Lieut Tucker will be in Ballinger for some time. He has not yet decided what he will do, but it is to be hoped that he will remain in Ballinger permanently.

Indigestion

Take a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets as directed for indigestion, and you will soon forget your stomach troubles. Try it.

RANGER IS KILLED IN DUEL AT AUSTIN

Austin, Feb. 8.—Ranger Captain K. W. Cunningham, shot and killed Ranger B. C. Veale in the outskirts of Austin, the state capital, late today. Cunningham was shot through the neck, his watch stopped a bullet, which would have entered his stomach and another bullet passed through his hat. Veale was hit once and his pistol contained five exploded catridges. Two other rangers formed the party which for a purpose not known had driven out to the edge of town in an automobile.

Approximately twenty state rangers are in the city in connection with an investigation of alleged miseonduct and lawlessness of the state ranger force which is being conducted by the state legislature. Adjutant General James A. Harle stated tonight that he has discharged Cunningham from the force and suspended others connected with the affair.

Cunningham is in the custody of the sheriff.

HEARTBURN or heaviness after meals are most annoying manifestations of acid-dyspepsia.

MI-ACIDS pleasant to take, neutralize acidity and help restore normal digestion.

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MAKERS OF SCOTT'S EMULSION
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TEMPLE OIL MILL BURNS; LOSS $3000

Temple, Feb. 8.—Fire started in the Temple Cotton Oil company last night at 10:30 o'clock, in the hull store house, thought to have been caused from the hull motor. The mill engines made up full steam to pump water and practically all the Temple fire department was called to the scene. The store house was covered with sheet iron, and is was very difficult to get to the fire.

The damage is stated to be about $30,000.

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STOPS THE TICKLE
HEALS THE THROAT
CURES THE COUGH

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Plant a garden.

Drill an oil well.

Make bad roads good roads.

Draw plans for a larger bank.

The natural resources of this country are wealth builders.

Soldiers who came South to train are seeking locations to live in the South. Soldiers who went north to train are coming back home the recent war has erased the memory of another war.

The man who said the pen was mightier than the sword, no doubt had reference to the pig pen.

The tax on chewing has been reduced. People who have been chewing the rag can now chew gum.

The girls will welcome the home coming. The ice cream season is near at hand and the soldiers are behinds on "sweets."

The man who has a larger bank account now than when the war started, may not be a profiteerer, but to say the least of it, he has profited.

America has its Bolshevikists, but they recognized that we are living under a free republic, and they know what free means when it comes to the American way of dealing with anarchists.

The Germans who are pleading to America for food, should be sent to the bottom of the ocean where millions of tons of food was sent by their treacherous subs. What soever a man soweth that shall he also reap.

Runnels county people slept on their rights during the drouth, went idle for the want of work and hungry for the want of food, and now they are "cussing" about the bad roads. A year of bad roads will perhaps convert some of the "cussers."

After hearing the conflicting opinions of the physicians about influenza, there is a strong tendancy among the intellectuals to go back to the camphor bag bought in the dark of the moon, and dangle it from strings drawn from a dirty sock.

We have passed the sentimental age, and the man who delivers the goods at the right price gets the business.

Spring may not be as early as some people would like to welcome it, but it will be a dandy damp spring.

Many Ballinger people are longing for a land flowing with oil and money. We have the milk and honey.

Since horse hides bring a good price on the local market and horse board costs about thirty dollars per, First Monday stock is just a little scarce.

And now autos are receiving credit for hastening the coming of prohibition. It is true that the most dangerous combination to be imagined is an automobile with a drunken driver.

The legislature will put over a good piece of work with the abolishing of the county treasurer's office. This is a work that can be handled throught the banks and book the county a saving of what the treasurer receives as salary.

NEW OUTLOOK FOR SOLDIER

Many of the returning soldiers are saying that they will never go back to the jobs they came from. A lot of them have found training to higher grades of employment. Take the vast number who used to do clerical work requiring little mental effort. Many of these fellows have now had special courses in machinery, electricity, automobile repairing, etc.

These fellows see better chances in this technical work. They will dislike to go back to sit on stools and add up rows of figures.

As a result there will be more men who are actually capable of producing things, instead of merely handling and keeping records of what other people produce. This will create a larger class of skilled workers, and there is never any surplus if such. It will create large numbers of men capable of serving as superintendents and foremen and organizing and increasing the products of those under them. Many women who were expecting to have to give up the soldiers' jobs which they took will find that the soldiers have gone on to something better.

LEMON JUICE IS FRECKLE REMOVER

Girls! Make This Cheap Beauty Lotion to Clear and Whiten Your Skin.

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very, small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands each day and see how freckles and blemishes disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.

THIS SOLDIER PAID THE TOP PRICE

"Never give up the ship," is the spirit of the American wounded, and it may be clearly seen in a letter written by Bob Fletcher, from a hospital in France, lying on his back, minus both legs and joking about his injuries and loss, saying that he only regrets them as a slight donation to the cause of Liberty, for which so many of the fellows have lost their lives. The letter was received by Jimmson Johnson, a sergeant in the Thirty-sixth M. P. Company, and he had forwarded it to his sister, Mrs B. L. Kidd, of Fort Worth.

Fletcher writes Johnson that he was wounded on Oct. 7, and laid in a shell hole from Tuesday night until Friday night, when he was discovered unconscious from loss of blood. He was sent to a base hospital after his legs had been amputated. His wounds had become gangrened from neglect during the time he lay in No Man's Land. Blood from a Boche prisoner was transfused to him, and other means were taken to save him.

Finally the surgeons gave him up for lost and it was then that Fletcher really began to fight His life and death struggle was finally won by his splendid physical condition, and pure grit, and pluck. Fletcher writes that he has been in one position now for the last ten weeks, but that his stumps are nearly healed now, and he expects to be out on his new "pins" in a short while. Fletcher's cheerful spirit, is shown throughout the whole letter, and it ise indeed the spirit of every American wounded soldier.

His letter shows more cheer than many letters from the men who are whole and sound and are waiting to come home.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

BEST PREVENTIVE FOR INFLUENZA IS ACTIVE LIVER

Calotabs, the Nauseless Calomel That is free from Danger of Salivation, Is the Ideal Laxative for Colds and Flu.

Keep your liver active, your system purified and your digestive organ in perfect working order That is the advice of physicians as to how to avoid influenza, and serious complications. At the first sign of a cold or sore throat, take a Calotab, the perfected calomel that is free from the nauseating and salivating qualities of the old style calomel, and whose medicinal properties are vastly improved.

One Calotab at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea, nor the slightest interference with your eating, pleasure, or work. Next morning your cold has vanished, your liver is active, your system is purified and you are feeling fine, with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your druggist recommends and guarantees Calotabs by offering to refund the price if you are not delighted with them.

N. K. Freeman, of the Rowena Bank, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

R. A. Nicholson and Leslie Baker left for points east Monday, after spending a few days with home folks.

W. E. Branch left Monday at noon for Ranger, where he goes in the interest of his insurance company and to look after oil business for a few weeks.

R. J.Irvine, of the Ballinger Light & Power CCo., was here from San Angelo Tuesday. Mr. Irvine spent several hours here looking over the local business of his company and returned to San Angelo on the noon train.

Kelly Springfield casing and tubes at whole sale cost. Harwell Motor Co. d&wtf

Mrs. Tom Ward came in from Dallas, Tuesday at noon, and will be at home for a few days.

Brown Leghorns—Eggs $1 per setting. Phone 7503, Mrs E. C. Pape. 13 2d 2wpd

Mrs. Tom Grace, of Dallas is here visiting her father, D. C. Underwood, and family.

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Ballinger, Texas

RETURNS HERE AFTER THIRTY YEAR ABSENCE

After an absence of thirty years John P. Givins is in Ballinger for a few days, and when he leaves he will probably leave behind a contract, backed by a handsome cash forfeit which will call for the drilling of an oil well in the western part of this county. The visitor of pioneer days is figuring with local acreage owners, and prospects are good for a contract.

Mr. Givins is the son of Rev. George W. Givins, a pioneer Baptist preacher, and who will be remembered by the early settlers of Runnels county and Ballinger. He came here with his father and mother when Ballinger was being placed on the map. At that time he was a small lad. He remained here several years, when he left the parental fireside and launched out in the world for himself.

Mr. Givins is now president of the Western Union Oil Co., and English concern with a daily production of thirty seven thousand barrels, and interest in the United States and Mexico. Making his way from a penniless lad, clad in clothing made from his father's long tail coat in which his father appeared before his congregration from Sunday to Sunday, Mr. Givins has climbed the lader of success, and today he heads an oil company worth millions of dollars and with unlimited backing.

"It is more for sentimental reasons that I am here" said Mr. Givins, "and I would like to put down a well on my fathers old home place on Valley Creek, and will do it if I get the contract and our geologist approves the territory on the old home as the proper site to drill," Mr. Givins stated that after he became the head of his company he returned to the old home in Kentucky where he was born, got a drilling contract and now his company has ten small producing wells on the place wher he first saw the light of day.

Mr. Givins talks interestingly of the early days in Ballinger. While he has been submerged in money making and has played the oil game from the bottom to the top, he has kept fresh in his memory the names of many of the early settlers, several of whom he has called on since arriving here. He says he will never forget the good dinners he used to get when he went to church with his father in the little old Baptist church which was moved down here from Old Runnels. Some of the good brethren would invite his father home with them for dinner, and of course the children had to go along.

"My mother is as spry as a kitten," said Mr. Givins, "and is enjoying good health and busy all the time." She is with her son in Arizona at present. Mr. Givins stated that his mother spent part of the time with him in New York. Rev. Givins died about seven years ago.

Mr. Givins made his money in oil His first experience was in the Pennsylvania fields, and later in the Oklahoma fields, and he has operated in all the big fields, just closing a deal in the Ranger fields and has his passport for Mexico with him, and will go from Ballinger to the oil fields of Mexico where is company is extensively interested. His home is in New York, the headquarters of his company being located in that city.

In discussing the oil development here he said the people were crazy and were holding their aereage too high for wildcat territory. He stated that no reliable company would pay such high bonus and make drilling contracts, as the odds were too great. "Before the field can be developed the aereage must be placed within reach of the drillers who will risksixty or hundred thousand dollars on a wildcat well," said the oil man Mr. Givins says this may be a good field, but must be proven nad the company putting up the money for drilling was taking the risk, and that there are a great many more dry holes than producers in every oil field—Even the well proven fields.

The patriotic pride with which some folks subscribe to the Liberty bond drives is only equalled by the speed with which they hustle to sell the bonds afterwards.

S. G. Cross left for Fort Worth, Mnoday, where he will mix with the oil men for a few days.

Rev. E. S. Cornelius went to Coleman, Monday, where he will be several days on business.

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THE UNIVERSAL CAR

The Policy of the Ford Motor Company to sell its cars for the lowest possible price, consistent with dependable quality, is too well known to require comment. Therefore, because of present conditions, there can be no change in the prices on Ford cars:

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Touring Car	525
Coupe	650
Sedan	775
Truck Chassis	550

These prices f o b Detroit

HARWELL MOTOR COMPANY

Mr. and Mrs. Dixie Parratt, of the Valera country, came in Monday and Mrs. Parratt was taken to the Halley & Love Sanitarium for an operation for appendicitis.

Joe Vineyard, of the Crews country, E. H. Voelkel, of Rowena and W. H. Rodgers, of Winters, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

T. D. Commander returned home Saturday evening from a business trip to points west.

F. M. Steele, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

Fletcher Roper, of the Oak creek country, and F. Gully, of the Olfin section were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

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We have made the grocery business a close study for some time, having studied the needs of the people of Ballniger and Runnels county, and feel sure that we can give them just what they want and need in the grocery line.

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OUR SERVICE—When it comes to service, well, we yield the palm to none. Whether you buy over 'phone, in person or otherwise, we try to give honest service, efficient and prompt service.

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COMANCHE MAN IN THE RACE FOR SENATE

S. C. Finley, of Comanche, phoned The Ledger Thursday morning that he had decided to enter the race for State Senator, to succeed Scott Woodward, resigned. The election is to be held on Feb. 20th, week from today.

Mr. Finley was in Ballinger last week, and stated that he would make the race if Walace Hawkins, of this county did not run. After learning that Mr. Hawkins was too young to qualify for the office, he yielded to the petition of his friends at Comanche, Dublin and Stephenville, and his name will be on the ticket.

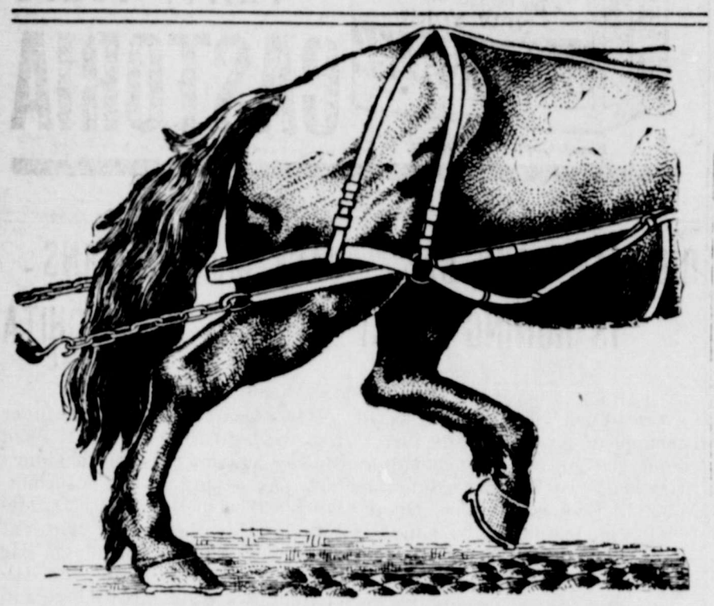
Mr. Finley is perhaps better known over the district than any other man in the race. He has lived for many years at Comanche serving that county as county superintendent, and during the war has been county food administrator. He is in the best stage of his life to give the people good service as a public servant, is ambitious and has the best interest of the people of this section of the State at heart. He is as solid as an American fort on all questions pertaining to the normal and progressive development of the state.

In addition to giving his own service and serving as county food administrator, a service which carried with it no pay and was a service of sacrifice, Mr. Finley has two boys in the army and four brothers also in the army. He recently purchased the Comanche Vanguard, a newspaper published at that place and immediately changed the name of the paper to The Wilsonian, which speaks for his democracy.

The people can not go wrong by electing S. C. Finley to represent them in the State senate. All questions effecting West Texas will be in safe hands.

CIVIL ENGINEER IS SEEKING LOCATION

Wm. Boyes, a civil engineer, is in Ballinger consulting with the commissioners court concerning the building of highways in this county. Highway building in this county has just started, and the state highway commission has recommended Mr. Boyes to the court as a man competent to do the surveying. Mr. Boyes has only been in America about three years and a half, coming from England, but he has been working in Texas for some time, doing engineering work for other counties.



The Feed for the Hard Pull

Feeding a horse is like feeding fuel to an engine. Often the cheapest fuel is the most expensive in the end, because of waste in ashes and clinkers.

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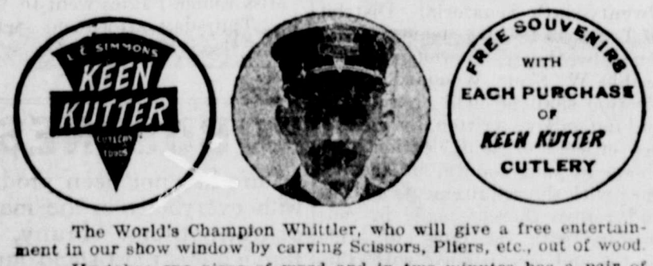
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The World's Champion Whittler, who will give a free entertainment in our show window by carving Scissors, Pliers, etc., out of wood.

He takes one piece of wood and in two minutes has a pair of Pliers or Scissors. In addition to making these and numerous other articles, he will display articles that he has made.

Among his most wonderful work is a 75 foot Log Chain cut from a thirteen foot plank, a Portrait of Vice-President Marshall, copied from a newspaper illustration, as well as one of himself from a Postal Photo. These almost equal an engraving.

He has whittled himself around the world twice, displaying his talent before crowned heads of Europe. This is a novel and entertaining exhibition furnished you in our store window without cost.

The Professor when whittling uses only KEEN KUTTER Pocket Knives and gives with each purchase of KEEN KUTTER Cutlery a souvenir he has carved.

He will be in our store from 10 to 12 A. M. and from 2 to 5 P. M.

You will miss something if you don't see him, so be sure to visit us on

Monday, February 17

Hall Hardware Co.

HALL THREW AWAY A SMALL FORTUNE

Efforts of Six Long Years Failed To Bring Relief From Trouble Is a Well Man Now He Says

"The past six years has just been one fruitless efforts to find releif after another until I started taking Tanlac," said W. H. Hall, a wellknown business man located at 19th Avenue and First Street Meridian, Miss.

"Ten or twelve years ago, I commenced to have frequent headaches," he continued. "I got nervous and shaky and my rest at night was broken. This went on several years and I began to suffer with gastritis and stomach trouble. I just went from bad to worse and for the last six years I haven't seen a well day. I couldn't digest a thing and even the sight of food made me sick. I was completely run down and in no shape to look after my business.

"After I had spent a small fortune for treatment and medicines without getting any relief I heard about Tanlac and began taking it. I have just started on my third bottle of Tanlac and it has made a well man of me. The headaches and nervousness have disapearred completely. I can eat just all I want and enjoy it thoroughly and digest easily. I sleep like a child at night and am in better shape now than in years."

We want to buy fat cattle and hogs for our market. Currie & Wilmeth. 24 4tw.

W. H. Rodgers was here from Winters Monday.

Mrs. Joe Blagg and Miss Mardeway returned to Brownwood, Monday, after a visit to Mrs. Blagg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilmeth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Freeman moved back to their old home on Fifth Street.

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Great Difference in Cost

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Hood's Sarsaparilla affords the least expensive of all treatments for the common everyday diseases or ailments of the blood, stomach, liver or kidneys. Many physicians use the same substance as its ingredients for these diseases and ailments, but these substances are better compounded in Hood's Sarsaparilla than they can possibly be in a prescribed medicine which is put up in a small way, with fewer facilities, and when the physician's fee is added costs a great deal more.

Hood's Saraparilla is prepared by skilled pharmacists in one of the largest and best equipped laboratories in the world, is wonderfully successful, and highly recommended to those who would recover health and strength with the minimum necessary outlay.

In Memonry of Helen Gerhardt

The death angel visited the home of F. L. Gerhart and on Jan. 14th carried our beloved sister, Helen to the Heavenly home. Sister Helen was born in Copeland, Williamson County, June 10th, 1890. On Sept. 2nd, 1906, she was converted and joined the church by Rev. J. C. Rieger, pastor of the Lutheran church at Rowena.

At the age of 18 years, on Feb. 27th, 1909, she was united in marriage to F. L. Gerhart, and to their union was added two daughters, Edna and Leona Gerhart.

Never before has lived a truer and more Christian soul. She died at the age of 28 years, 7 months, and 4 days. To mourn her death is her husband, F. L. Gerhart, two daughters, Edna and Leona, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.Geotz, four brothers and two sitsers, all of Rowena.

A precious one from us has gone
A voice we loved is stilled.
A place is vacant is our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled,
The boon His love had given,
And though the body slumbers here,
Her soul is safe in Heaven. 1w.

A FRIEND. 1tw.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

"Gone But not Forgotten."

On January 2nd, 1919, God in his goodness, saw fit to take from this world, Emma Rebecca Atnipp

Emma was ten years, five months and twenty days of age, at the time of her death. Deceased died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Atnipp, at Bogota, Texas, having moved there from Ballinger in the early fall.

Emma was a member of the Valley View Sunday School.

The news of her death cast a gloom of sadness over all who knew her, but let us not grieve for her. She is at rest, and her days many, on earth, In the fall of 1917-18 she suffered about seven months with typhoid fever, but had gained her strength, and apparently seemed to be in very good health. After leaving Ballinger she again contracted typhoid. Appendicitis set up and caused her death.

To the bereaved parents and loved ones, we extend sympathy. We know that at some time in the future, we all must face death, and we shudder at the thought of it, but could we realize that death is but a passing way from this world to a greater and happier life, it would not be so bitter.

Our grief and tears makes us blind to this grief seperations but let us remember that God is over all, and that some sweet day ere long, we shall go to be with Him, and with he Dear Ones, who have gone on before us.

My Jesus, Thy will be done;
Tho' seen through many a tear,
Let not my star of hope disappear
Since Thou, on earth hast wept,
And sorrow oft alone,
If I must weep with Thee,
"My Lord, Thy will be done."

Be it resolved by the Valley View Sunday School, that these respects be printed in the Banner-Ledger and a copy sent to the bereaved parents.

Committee Apointed,
Mrs. Kendall,
Mrs. Browder,
F. M. Wylie, 1w p

T. J. McCoughn, the Norton merchant, was supplying in Ballinger Tuesday and while here ordered the Daily Ledger to his address.

Start Your Preparation Now for A Better Place in Life.

Continue what you are and where you are and you are what and where you will always be. If you are satisfied don't read further. The world of wage earners is a world of hopes, wishes, and hesitators held down by foolish doubts and empty fears. Endless thousands of bright, fine fellows, whose wish bone is where their back bone ought to be are exteuseably afraid, halting, timid, clinging with the drowning man, grasp to their slender salaries, because they think business is a mystery and they can never learn to succeed in it.

You must be more, have more and do more in this life or you will always be seeing other men that are getting more out of life, more of this world's enjoyments and comforts than you. We can point you to hundreds of young men and women no smarter than you that are now successfully and happily engaged in a business of their own, because they attempted our institution and secured a business training and prepared themselves to go into the business office and work along with trained men and become masters of the art of doing business.

Business is not a happy-go-lucky haphazard sort of a thing. If you understand it thoroughly, you are sure to succeed. If you have never been trained for it, it is all left to luck and guess work.

Write for our catalogue today and read the unsolicited testimonials from many of our former students, who were at one time working at low salaries and are today demonstrating their success and the value of our training. Opportunity never comes to him who waits. It comes to him who goes after it with all there is in him, with a deep, burning, intense iron resolve of his inmost being. Read our catalogue carefully. Why not you be one of the 3000 that will go out of our institution this year into a good business office? Procrastination is a theif of time. Fill in the following blank and send in by return mail. It may be the turning point in your life. You cannot afford to be satisfied with your present position in life. You can do much better.

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Very best Flour extra high patent per sack	$2.90	50 pounds meal	$2.25
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Per hundred	$5.55	$1.25 Brooms	90c
Very best meal per sack	$1.15	75c Good Brooms	50c
Pinto beans per lb.	10c	35c size Oat Meal	25c
Black eyed peas per lb.	10c	Can Lye per can	10c
Full Head Rice	10c	1 Gal. Koo Syrup	85c
6 pounds onions	25c	2 cans English Peas	30c
Salt Pork	32 1-2c	Bran per sack	$2.75
2 cans Tomatoes	25c	Feed Oats per sack	93c
5 lb bucket Peanut butter	$1.40	4 lbs. best Peaberry coffee	$1.00
2 1-4 lb. jar Peanut Butter	65c	1 can K. C. Bak Powd	25c
Peanut Butter per lb.	30c	$1.00 Brooms	75c
Keg Pickles, per doz.	10c	4 lb bucket Lard	$1.20
1 gal Mary Jane syrup	75c	1 gal Lassies syrup	75c
1-2 gal Mary Jane syrup	40c	1 gal. King Komus syrup	$1.15
1 gal. White Karo syrup	85c	1 lb Thick Penns tob.	70c
1 gal. Red Karo syrup	75c	1 pound Peachy Plug	70c
1-2 gal. Raven syrup	85c	1 lb Star	70c
2 cans hominy	25c	1 lb. Brown Mule	70c
2 cans kraut	25c	1 ottle vanaila extract	25c
Pkg. Coffee per lb.	25c	1 bottle lemon exthact	25c
2 cans K. C. Bak Powder	45c	1 bottle Orange extract	25c
2 cans Good Luck Powder	45c	2 bottles blueing	45c
Large Crisco	$1.75	Bag blueing	5c
8 lb. bucket Lard	$2.25	Lamp globes	10c
Cooking oil per gal.	$1.75	1 gal. Brer Rabbit	$1.15
		Komus syrup	$1.15

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NEGRO STEAL PANTS AND PLEADS GUILTY

Ardon Perry, negro porter at a local barber shop and a negro soldier, were before the court Monday charged with stealing a pair of pants. According to the story only one of the negroes, Perry was guilty in the sight of the law for theft, and by a compromise both the negroes paid one fine. Perry it is claimed "swiped" the pants and sold them to his soldier friend

W. S. Wilmeth, of the New Home neighborhood, J. S. Gamble and two little sons, of the Pony Creek country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Marshall Witt, of the Pony Creek country, came in Saturday and left in the afternoon for Fort Worth on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jones, of the Concho country, came in Saturday to meet his sister, Miss Willie C. Jones, who came in at noon enroute home from Abilene where she has been attending school.



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Would Drill Well In City Limits Of Ballinger

One of the strongest oil companies operating in Texas is ready to plug a hole within the city limits of Ballinger, and we are reliably informed will begin drilling just as soon as the land owners of this city put together an acreage sufficient to even up the odds which the drillers will necessarily take when they wild cat for oil in this vicinity.

So long as the acreage owners hold back and refuse to co-operate and throw in together in an effort to make a test of the local field, just so long will development be delayed here. This is the opportune time to make a city out of Ballinger and to change paupers into millioniares over night.

Geologists have repeatdly made favorable reports, showing that the structure here is all that could be asked for. Of course the oil is not oozing out of the top of the ground, and it can not be located and a gusher brought in in a Mutt and Jeff fashion with a gimlet. It will take cash to sink a hole two of three thousand feet deep, and no company is going to take all the risk without the odds are made even by the acreage owners backing them.

In addition to the favorable reports made from time to time by different geologists, a recent survey was made and the geologist doing the work has a reputation which the largest oil companies in the game bank on, and his report is about to be made public. It will place Ballinger right on the top of the dome. This geologist does not hesitate to say that if oil can be found any where in this county it can be found in larger quantities in and around Ballinger.

It is the favorable reports that keep the big companies interested, and they are eager to break into this field. The lay of the land here is such as to make wild cat fields proven fields. An oil gusher in Ballinger would cause this burg to spring from what it is to a city of twenty thousand people before the tents could be pitched to take care of them, and the man who is worrying now and wondering where his tax money is coming from would have to employ an expert to figure his income tax.

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When Swift & Company paid, say,—13 dollars per hundredweight for live beef cattle last year, the profit was only **13 cents!** In other words, if we had paid $13.13, we would have made no profit.

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This remarkable showing is due to enormous volume, perfected facilities (packing plants strategically located, branch houses, refrigerator cars, etc.), and an army of men and women chosen and trained to do their special work.

This, and many other points of interest, are found in the Swift & Company Year Book for 1919, just published which is brought out for the public as well as for the 25,000 Swift & Company shareholders.

The Year Book also represents the packer's side of the Federal Trade Commission investigation, upon which Congress is asked to base action against the industry.

Many who have never heard the packer's side are sending for the Year Book.

Would you like one? Merely mail your name and address to the Chicago office and the book will come to you.

Address

Swift & Company

Union Stock Yards, Chicago

DOUBT DISAPPEARS

No One in Ballinger Who Has a Bad Back Should Ignore This Double Proof.

Does your back ache?

Have you suspected your kidneys?

Backache is sometimes kidney ache.

With it may come dizzy spells.

Sleepless nights, tired, dull days distressing urinary disorders.

Doan's Kidney Pills have been endorsed by thousands.

Are recommended here at home.

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Read now the Ballinger sequel.

Renewed testimony; tested by time.

J. A. Maxwell, 100 Twelfth St., says: "I consider Doan's Kidney Pills excellent and always recommend them to others. My back had been hurting me for some time. Seeing that Doan's Kidney Pills were endorsed by people whom I knew, I decided to try them. I used one box and was well satisfied with the results, for they removed the trouble and I am now in good health."

More than Three Years Later

Mr. Maxwell said: "I think as highly of Doan's Kidney Pills now as I did when I first endorsed them. They have been of great benefit to me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Maxwell has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

ANOTHER BALLINGER HERO RETURNED HOME

G. P. Davis, one of Runnels county's heroes, of the European war returned home Saturday at noon from Camp Logan where he had been in the hospital for the past few weeks. He was with our boys in the 36th Division and who trained at Camp Bowie, and was wounded in the right arm, He sustained this wound in the same battle in which Pat Williams was killed, and was among the first of our boys who went over the top. It was necessary to amputate his arm after the battle in France and a second operation became negessary after he returned to the U. S. but we are glad to note that he is now in perfect health. and looking fat and sasy. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis of South Ballinger, who have a host of friends to rejoice with them in this happy hour in receiving their son alive from the terrible Boche slaughter. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have another son in France who went over the top and was wounded also, but has not yet been relleased.

DIVORCE JUDGE THINKS WORLD BETTER

Los Angles, Calif., Feb. 8.—The world is getting better. The increasing number of divorces is the proof.

That is the opinion of Judge Charles Crail, of the Los Angles divorce court.

Spread of education, increased prosperity enabling common people to hire lawyers and publicity are the real reasons behind the increasing divorce rate, Crail believes.

"The question coming up all the time is what it the cause of the greatly increased rate of divorce cases," he declared addressing a meeting of Christian ministers. "It is the result of two things.

"First the increasing wealth of the people and their education. In years past law and lawsuits were the privilege of the few. The result is we have a great many people now who can afford the advantages of the divorce court who could not in the past.

"Second, many people know of the divorce court by reading about it on the front pages of the daily newspapers, who once knew little of divorce.

"Don't think the greater number of divorce cases indicates the world is getting worse. I believe it is getting better."

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is the name of a Reliable and Perfect Laxative which soon relieves Sick Headache, Dizziness, Indigestion, Stomach Trouble, Gas and Piles caused by a Torpid Liver and Constipation. Always use a Reliable Laxative in the treatment of Colds, Grip and Influenza.

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Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturers of Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic.

PRINTING HOUSE ADDS NEW MACHINERY

In order to keep pace with the times and meet competition for the better equipped print shops in the larger cities, The Ballinger Printing Co., has just installed a Portland Multiple Punching Machine. This machine will be used in punching loose leaf sheets for loose leaf binders, bill books, etc.

The Portland Multiple is one of the most modern punches made. Holes of various sizes and shapes can be punched, the machine making one, two or three, holes at one stroke, and through as many as one hundred sheets of paper at one time.

We trust that it will fill a field of usefulness in our shop, and we solicit loose leaf ledger, and loose leaf work of any kind in orded tht we may be able to make the piece of machinery a paying investment. Considerable cash is necessary to install such a machine, and we have invested feeling that the user of good printing will appreciate our efforts to keep Ballinger money at home.

We can handle any kind of a loose leaf job, and give any kind of special ruling, on any quality of paper the customer wishes

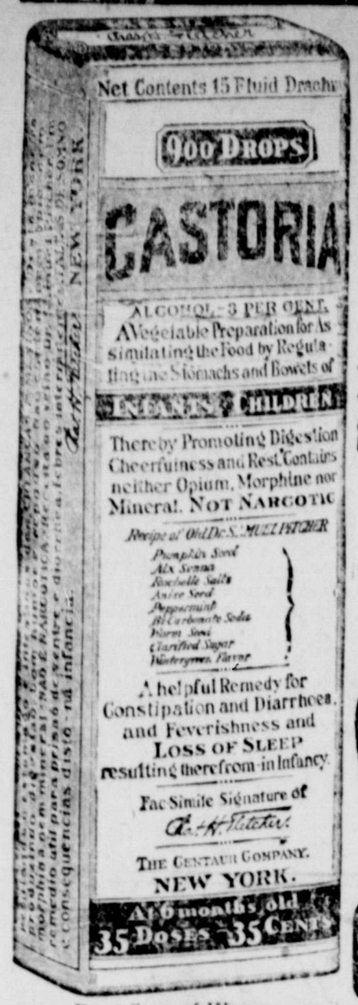
Getting Rid of Colds

The easiest and quickest way to get rid of a cold is to take Chamberalin's Cough Remedy. This preparation has been in use for many years and its value fully proven. No matter what remedy you use, however, care must be taken not to contract a second cold before you have recovered from the first one, and there is serious danger of this. A man of middle age or older should go to bed and stay in bed until fully recovered. It is better to stay in bed three days at the start than three weeks later on.

Scott H. Mack left for Fort Worth Thursday aftenoon, where he went to attend the funeral of his father-in-lay, Robt. Bailey.

Mrs. Cora Hartgrove, of Millersview, went to Fort Worth Thursday afternoon, leaving from this point.

Question is asked what all the rifle factories are going to do in peace times? Well, the kids require quite a lot of air guns to shoot at their neighbors hens and shed windows.



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For Infants and Children.

Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of

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In Use For Over Thirty Years

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

OIL MAN SAYS GAS IS RUNING SHORT

New York, Feb. 6.—A world shortage of gasoline waits just around the corner for the motor-propelled world, according to Mark L. Requa, Standard Oil official, who has been directing the oil division activities of the fuel administration.

The only preventive, Requa believes is an engine that will burn crude oil.

The American Society of Automotive Engineers, in session here today, is considering this problem put up to it by Requa and his associates. J. E. Pogue, who has been devoting his attention for the government to oil conservation is scheduled to tell the engineers that but 50 per cent of the petroleum in this country is being utilized, that kerosene burning engines while a great help in conservation, will not solve the difficulty, and that much higher prices for galsoine are ahead unles the crude oil, burning engine comes to the rescue.

PROCLAMATION

By the County Judge of Runnels County:

KNOW YE, That I, O. L. Parish County Judge of Runnels County, State of Texas, in compliance with the proclamation of the Governor of the State of Texas, and the Constitution and Laws of this State, do hereby direct that a Special Election be held in all of the regular voting precincts of said County of Runnels on the 20th day of February, 1919, for the following purposes:

To elect a member of the Senate of the State Legislature from the Twenty-sixth Senatorial District of Texas, to fill the vacancy occosioned by the resignation of Honorable W. Scott Woodard. Said election shall be held on the day and date above written, by the proper officers of said election precincts in said county, in accordance with the requirements of law, and return thereof made in conformity with the laws of this State, and accordance with this procalmation.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially, and caused the seal of said County to be hereto affixed, in the town of Ballinger, Texas, this the 1st day of February, 1919.

(SEAL)

O. L. PARISH,
County Judge Runnels County, Texas.

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A. M. Nicholson, of the New Home neighborhood, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday. Mr. Nicholson has just returned home a few days ago from California and said he saw some fine country, but Runnels county still had attraction for him

JACK McKAY BURNS OUT AT WICHITA

News was received in Ballinger this week to the effect that Jack McKay had suffered another burn out. According to the information received in Ballinger, Mr. McKay lost his home by fire at Wichita Falls a few days ago. He did not own the house, but the contents were a complete loss, and without insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay have been living at Wichita Falls for some time. They were away from home at the time of the fire, being in Paris, Texas, and it is not known how the fire originated.

McKay's home in Ballinger was destroyed by fire last spring. The friends of the family here sympathize with them in their loss.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weakand lame back, rheumatism, and irrigularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Stree, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggist.

Good crops and the oil industry in this country is demanding better roads. The country will suffer greatly if the net work of highways are not forthcoming.

Joshua Brewer, one of the pioneer citizens of the Valley Creek, county was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

Miss Emma Pagles went to Winters Thursday afternoon, where she will visit friends for a few days.

ROBUSTNESS

Nature has not been prodigal with everybody in the matter of robustness. Many, all through life, must stand guard and combat colds, coughs, bronchitis or perhaps more serious pulmonary ailments. For nearly five decades

SCOTT'S EMULSION

has been helping to turn weakness into strength. For those who are delicate, with tender lungs, weak throats and a proneness to debility and anemia, the definite nourishing and tonic qualities of *Scott's* are of special value.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N.J. 18-5

DAILY HEALTH TALKS

What Is The Cause of Backache?

BY DOCTOR CORNELL

Backache is perhaps the most common ailment from which women suffer. Rarely do you find anybody free from it. Sometimes the cause is obscure, but Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., a high medical authority, says the cause is very often a form of catarrh that settles in the delicate membranes of the feminine organs. When these organs are inflamed, the first symptom is backache, accompanied by bearing-down sensations, weakness, unhealthy discharges, irregularity, painful periods, irritation, headache and a general run-down condition. Any woman in this condition is to be pitied, but pity does not cure. The trouble calls for Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which is a separate and distinct medicine for women. It is made of roots and herbs put up without alcohol or opiate of any kind, for Dr. Pierce uses nothing else in his prescription. Favorite Prescription is a natural remedy for women, for the vegetable growths of which it is made seem to have been intended by Nature for that very purpose. Thousands of girls and women, young and old, have taken it, and thousands have written grateful letters to Dr. Pierce saying it made them well. In taking Favorite Prescription, it is reassuring to know that it goes straight to the cause of the trouble. There is but one way to overcome sickness, and that is to overcome the cause. That is precisely what Favorite Prescription is intended to do.

Send 10c for trial pkg. of Tablets. Address Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

Constipated women, as well as men, are advised by Dr. Pierce to take his Pleasant Pellets. They are just splendid for costiveness.

SUFFERS THIRD LOSS FROM FIRE

For the third time within the last few years, J. R. Holloway is the victim of fire, suffering heavy loss each time.

The Holloway home on Tenth Street was destroyed by fire about nine o'clock Thursday morning, the building being practically destroyed together with the contents of the house.

The fire originated from a little heater in the dinning room. Mrs. Holloway was busy about her morning's work and the little boy was drying the dishes. Mr.Holloway was about the place and was attracted by the little boy calling for help. Mr. Holloway stated that when he rushed into the dinning room the stove seemed to fall apart and the flames flashed up the ceiling and soon filled the room. He attempted to use an extinguisher which was near at hand but it had not been charged in some time and refused to work.

The fire company responded promptly, but before the fire fighting machine could be put under way the flames had spread to almost every room in the house and the charred walls is all that remain of the building.

Only a few pieces of furniture and bedding were saved, and the piano was not recovered from the building until it had been damaged by fire, smoke and water.

The Holloway home was formerly owner by J. H. Miller, now of San Antonio. Mr. Miller sold it to his son-in-law, J. A. Guy, now of Talpa and Mr. Guy sold it to Mr. Holloway. At the present price of material it would require perhaps $3,000 to replace the house

Mr. Holloway carried insurance to the amount of $1,200 on the house and furniture.

Mr. Holloway formerly lived at Norton. He lost his gin at that place by fire and later his home, moving to Ballinger shortly afterwards.

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CAPT. ROBERT BAILEY DIED AT FT. WORTH

A phone message to his son-in-law early Thursday morning announced the death of Capt. Robt. Bailey at Fort Worth. Capt. Bailey died in a sanitarium at Fort Worth at one-fifteen a. m., Thursday morning, following an operation.

Capt. Bailey had been in failing health for several years, but was able to be on the go and apparently was in fairly good health, and was able to travel over the state in his car. He often drove from Fort Worth to Ballinger and from Ballinger to Ozona and Eldorado, where his sons reside. He and Mrs. Bailey spent August and September in Ballinger with their daughter, Mrs. Scott H. Mack.

Recently Capt. Btiley decided to undergo an operation, which it was understood was of a minor nature. He was operated on last week, and a second operation was performed Sunday morning, from which he never rallied.

Deceased was well known throughout this section of the state and among the cattle men of the state. He made his home at Eldorado for about fifteen years, moving to San Angelo where he lived for several years. He lived in Ballinger about one year and for the past several years has been living in Fort Worth.

A wife and six children survive, and all of these were at his bedside when death came. Scott H. Mack, a son-in-law of this city, left Thursday afternoon for Fort Worth to join the other children and attend the funeral, which will be held Friday at Smithfield, the old home of Mr. Bailey, near Fort Worth.

The surviving children are Mrs. Scott H. Mack, of Ballinger; Mrs. Nora Gee, of El Paso; Mrs. Addie Roberts, of Fort Worth; John R. Bailey, of Ozona; A. P. Bailey, of Fort Worth. Mrs. Mack went to Fort Worth Monday afternoon. She was joined here by John R. Bailey, of Ozona and Eldorado.

Capt. Bailey would have been 70 years old on the 18th of this month. He was one of the pioneer stockmen of the state, and his death will bring sorrow to his many friends. The funeral many friends. The friends of Mrs. Mack in this city will sympathize with her in the loss of her father.

A man who had been reading his home paper for several years, refused to pay his subscription, saying that he never read his home paper, that he took the Dallas News and that was sufficient for his already overburdened mind A few weeks later a member of the family gave a party—and it was sent into the home paper office to give the matter a little touch of publicity for social prestige in the community. The Hammer man advised them to send it to the Dallas News, as thereby they would gain "statewide" prestige.—San Saba Star.

As usual, the farmers claim farming does not pay, but it is noticed the automobile dealers spend a lot of time drumming their trade

Jim De Moville came in from the East Wednesday at noon, and is at home for a visit with his parents

Oscar Pearson returned Thursday at noon from a business trip to Fort Worth. Mr. Pearson says the local cotton seed oil mill will be forced to close down unless the company can dispose of some of the oil on hand. The storage tanks are all full.

J. J. Bedford, of Winters had business in Ballinger between trains Friday.

W. O. Shultz was here from Concho county Thursday afternoon, boosting his oil company.

Will Gallia and F. Novosad, of the Miles-Rowena country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday and each of them ordered the Banner Ledger to their addresses.

DON'T SCOLD, MOTHER! THE CROSS CHILD IS BILIOUS, FEVERISH

Look at tongue!. If coated, clean little stomach, liver, bowels.

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with sour waste.

When listless, pale, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomachache, indigestion, diarrhaea, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul waste, the sour bile and fermenting food passes out of the bowels and you have a well and playful child again. Children love this harmless "fruit laxative," and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little "insides" clean and sweet.

Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a bottle of Californie Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeits sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contenpt any other fig syrup.

LOCATIONS MADE FOR WINTERS OIL WELLS

C. Kornegay, accompained by County Surveyor Powell, spent most of the day Tuesday finding the exact location for two test wells for oil and it was with particular pride that Mr. Kornegay told the Enterprise man Wednesday morning that he had driven the stakes for two wells.

Added to this he tells us that the drillers have been hurrying him up to get the locations fixed so there would be no delay in material and machinery for the two wells, as much of this material has already been shipped

The first location was made on the Hightower farm, about one-half mile west of Mr. Hightower's home. This is about three miles from Winters.

The second location was on the Lee Seals farm about nine miles east of Winters, near the Moro mountain.

With these necessary steps attended to, interest in oil affairs took on an added interest and several deals were closed for leases on land near Winters.

We understand that the same drillers who have closed contracts for wells on these two locations are ready at any time to sign up for wells on blocks north and west of Winters and those interested in the deals feel confident that the necessary number of acres will soon be signed in each of these two blocks to assure the wells—Winters Enterprise.

J. L. Smith and L. S. Underwood, of the northwest part of the county were "marketing" feed here Friday.

J. H. Hadley of the Dry Ridge neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and had just returned a few days ago from Leon, Roberson and Limestone counties, and reports old neigabors and friends in that section getting along nicely.

David Golden, of Alabama, came in Friday to visit relatives and to prospect in Texas for a few weeks.

Proyer Mapes, Nick Stallworth and John Simmons, of the Pony Creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Friday afternoon.

Miss Emma Spill, of Winters, who had been visiting relatives and Ballinger friends, returned home Saturday at noon.

Mrs. J. H. Holliday left Saturday at noon for Hatchel to visit relatives and friends a few days.

The people who shiver when the thermometer drops five degrees are often the same ones who leaves a horse standing out in winter weather with no blanket.

LETTER TO SOLDIER RETURNS FROM FRANCE

A letter addressed to Calvin M. Eoff, Camp Travis, by the Ballinger Printing Co., and postmarked at Ballinger June 17, 1918, made its way back to the Ballinger Printing Co., this week, after traveling from camp to camp in America and from A. P. O. to A. P. O. in France and England.

Private Eoff subscriged for The Ledger when he left for the army camp, and the letter addressed to him was nothing more than a little notice sent out by The Ledger's bookkeeper telling him that his subscription had expired.

Before the letter reached Camp Travis Eoff had been transferred to some other camp in America. The letter shows to have been forwarded to him, and kept going the rounds until there was no more room to mark forwarding address on, and it was returned to The Ledger with the last notation saying: "Wounded 11-25".

The letter was out nearly eight months. It bears the scars of war, and with the notation shows that the soldier to who it was addressed, and who never received it, will also return bearing the scars of war.

WET WEATHER CALF SPROUTS FIFTH LEG

Winters, Feb 3, 19.

Banner-Ledger:

As you want "items" to publish I will give you one. I have a calf which has five legs. The fifth leg is joined to its back bone and ribs in front of the loin, is about ten inches long, and solid hoof, knee joint and shoulder joints well developed, except the bone is not as large as those on which he walks.

The mother of the calf is eight years old, half Durham and half Jersey. Sire Red Durham. The calf is four days old, is lively and bids fair to live. At first I thought it would die in a day or so. Now I think it will live. It is certainly a curosity.

It is too wet up here. Grain needs sunshine. Can't you boost for some.

Yours truly,
M. F. WATSON.

W. W. Roberts Sr., of the Talpa country, Henry Knox, of Coleman, J. T. Russell og the Winters country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

POST MASTER RESIGNS; WILL DISCONTINUE OFICE

Washington, Feb., 5th.

A. W. Sledge,
Ballinger, Texas.

Hatchel post master has resigned recommending discontinuance of office. Department post office at Hatchel unless patrons there notify me immediately of their contrary desire, and present qualified person to accept position.

Thos. L. Blanton.

The above message was received Wednesday night. The Hatchel post office is one of the oldest in the county. Most of the former patrons receive their mail on rural routes out of Ballinger and Winters, and the pay of the office has been cut to such a small amount that no one will sacrifice the time required to handle the mail. The office will probably be discontinued.

Yes! Everybody Takes Cascarets

Only 10 cents! Harmless cathartic for sluggish liver and bowels

Feel bully! Cheer up! Take Cascarets to liven your liver and clean the bowels and stop headaches, biliousness, bad breath, coated tongue, sallowness, sour stomach and gases. To-night take Cascarets and enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced. Wake up feeling grand—Everybody's doing it. Cascarets best laxative for children. They gladly take this pleasant candy cathartic because it never gripes or sickens like other things.

GIRLS! DRAW A MOIST CLOTH THROUGH HAIR, DOUBLE ITS BEAUTY

Try this! Hair gets thick, glossy, wavy and beautiful at once.

Immediate?—Yes! Certain?—that's the joy of it. Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a Danderine hair cleanse. Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt or excessive oil, and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair. A delightful surprise awaits those whose hair has been neglected or is seranggy, faded, dry brittle or thin. Besides beautifying the hair, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp forever stopping itching and falling hair, but what will please you most will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair, and lots of it surely get a bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter and just try it.

TWO CASES TRIED; TWO CASES SET

County court disposed of two cases on the criminal docket in short order Monday afternoon, and set two more cases to be tried later during the present term.

In the case of the State of Texas vs. W. B. Braun, the defendant plead guilty to violating the tick law, having brought stock into the county from another county without an inspector's permit. He was punished by a fine of $100 and cost.

Joe Vinyard charged with violating the tick law, it being alleged in the complaint that he brought stock from Coleman county to Runnels county in violation of the tick law, was acquitted.

The case of the State of Texas vs. Malisa Thomas, colored woman charged with adultry, and the case against a white man by the name of Walace, charged with theft, will be tried during the third week.

The jury for the first week was discharged Monday afternoon Second week will be commissioners court week, and the third week will dispose of civil cases and clean up the criminal docket.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATOR

S. C. Finley, editor of the Comanche Vanguard, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Ballinger on business and incidentally to boost his candidacy for state senator from this district. Mr. Finley is pretty well known over the district, and has lived in Comanche county for many years, serving as county superintendent of that county. He made the race for state senator several years ago.

W. E. Branch is able to be down town again after a two week's round with the flu. Mr. Branch came home sick from Ranger two weeks ago.

Well "Armed"!



When company comes there is no time to waste—no chances to be taken—so mother sees that there is always a can of

CALUMET
BAKING POWDER

on hand. Cakes, pies, doughnuts, muffins and *all* good things to eat must be dressed up in their best taste and looks.

Then, too, her reputation as a cook must be upheld — and she "stakes" it on **Calumet** *every* time. She *knows* it will not disappoint her.

Order a can and have the "company" kind of bakings *every* day.

Calumet contains only such ingredients as have been approved officially by the U. S. Food Authorities.

You save when you *buy* it.
You save when you *use* it.

HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

BILL TO ABOLISH CO. TREASURER KILLED

Austin, Feb. 5.—The senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution to abolish the office of county treasurer, failed in the House today, the vote being 86 to 31. In order to adopt it was necessary for the resolution to receive ninety-five affirmative votes or two-thirds of the entire membership of the House.

The House passed to engrossment the Senate bill to prohibit the placing of the name of a candidate on the official ballot fhen such candidate is ineligible to hold the office; passed finally Senate bill authorizing the clerk of the Supreme court to issue law license to graduates of the University of Texas or other institutions of equal standing.

The Senate statewide pool hall bill came up for consideration.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lynn left in an auto for Abilene, Thursday night, where they caught the T. & P. train and went to Tennessee in response to a telegram stating that Mrs. Lynn's mother was dying. They received the message too late to catch the Santa Fe at Ballinger Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Allen, of the Moro Mountain country, came in at noon to visit Ballinger friend and to do some shopping.

C. F. Ernest, of the Winters country, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday.

Spring Insurance

If you were sure that your neighbors house was going to burn and you knew that he didn't have it insured, would you not try and get him to take out some? The same conditions exist if his house is standing unpainted. Time and the elements are just as surely consuming his home as if it were on fire. Not so quickly but much more surely. You may miss a fire, but you cannot escape the ravages of the sun and the elements. Safety is not the only feature of the insurance that we sell. The pleasure of looking at your neatly painted home is worth the money it cost.

Call and talk to us about your Spring Painting. Lets dress Ballinger and Vicinity up in in a new Spring suit, in preparation for the big boom.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

SAMPLE SALE

—Of Value to You

We picked up several lines of samples at unusual values---All new Spring Styles.

Ladies' Dresses

117 dresses in this lot, including Messalines, Taffetas, Foulards All assorted shades and to buy them at regular price would range from $12 to $20. Sale price while they last $4; $6 and $7.50

$4, $6 and $7.50

Sample Skirts

About one hundred and fifty in this lot in extra fine materials for spring. Silk, serge and etc. They would be $10 to $15 at city stores. Our sale price

$3.50 to $5.00

Childrens Dresses and Rompers

This lot is extra good wash materials and range in ages from 1 year to 14. Our price in this lot about 1-2.

25c to $1.50

Sample Handkerchiefe

Five hundred handkerchiefs in this sale, about 25c valuees for

10c

Ladies' Vests

Ladies' vests. that we have sold at 25c during sale 15c

2 for 25c

Spring Goods

Opening new line. Percales 15c; Ginghams 20c; Lawns Organdies, from 15c up. Silks at values—See this line

Muslin Underwear

This lot is to extensive to mention styles. The finest muslins, silks in complete line of samples over 300 garments to select from

Big Showing

Spring line ladies Oxfords Pumps, Etc. and all colors

Sample Sale on Shirts

Complete line silk shirts, with and without collars

Work shirts 1-3 off regular price.

About one thousand, 3 lines of samples. See our window choice

$1.00

Shirts and Drawers

Samples Men's shirts and drawers and union suits at sale prices.

Sample suspenders, ties and sox included in this sale.

Union Suits

Union suits in all the standard grades. during this sale

35c, 50c and 75c

Spring Line Hats, Shoes, Clothing and Pants.

Samples are moving fast, early selections means best values. Come early.

D. Reeder

hings Avenue Eighth Street

BAD COLD? HEADACHY AND NOSE STUFFED

"Pape's Cold Compound" ends colds and grippe in a few hours.

Take "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until you have taken three doses, then all grippe misery goes and your cold will be broken. It promptly opens your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages of the head; stops nasty discharge or nose running; relieves the headache, dulness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed up! Quit blowing and snuffing. Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which cost only a few cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Accept no substitute

SECOND WELL IN RUSSELL FIELD

Coleman, Feb. 12.—The Sinclair Gulf Company, which acquired acreage and entered into a drilling contract with Willie Day Padgitt and J. Tom Padgitt has made its location and is now drilling the slush pit. The rig is in transit. This well is to be a deep test and will make the third deep test in the southern part of Coleman county.

The location is on block 139 of the Brazoria school land survey 266, and is 7,000 feet east and a little north of the Russell No. 1. in Runnels county.

The Sinclair Gulf acquired 548 acres from the Padgitt's paying them $15,000 in cash and $5,000 to be paid from the first oil.

Acreage in the southern part of the county has been changing hands at as high as $100 per acre and with the commencement of the drilling of the Padgitt well activities in this part of Coleman county is looked for.

GOOD STAPLE COTTON SEED

Will receive in a few days a car of Improved Mebane Cotton Seed, ginned from cotton at Terrell averaging 36.8 lint with 1 1-8 inch staple. See seed and get full particulars as to quality. $1.90 per bushel.

W. B. Wood and Son. dw-tf

A. L. Kerby, of the Crews country, W. A. Esmond and W. V. Tubbs, of the Valley Creek country, were among the business visitors to Ballinger Thursday

The people who don't want to give any money to feed starving Europe, may soon be complaining because anarchy in Europe paralyses American export trade.

If some people would keep their mouths shut a larger portion of the time, there would be less danger of their swallowing the "flu" germs.

The war hasn't crippled any of the women, but they are doing their best by wearing high heels to acquire deformities as a substitute.

DECLARES STATE PRO LAW VALID

Austin, Feb. 12.—The validity of the state wide prohibition law was upheld and the law declared to be constitutional by the Third Court of Civil Appeals today when that court prepetuated an injunction restraining John Ferd, of El Paso county, from selling liquor.

The court of criminal appeals some time ago held the law to be unconstitutional in passing on a case from Tarrant county.

Lenoard Cobb of this city and Pink Cobb of Zephyer left this morning for Sterling City where they were called on account of the death of their stepmother, Mrs. B. S. Cobb. The remains will pass through Brownwood tonight enroute to Thornton, where the body will be interred. Miss Lillie Cobb will join her brothers and go to Thornton tonight. —Brownwood Bulletin.

B. J. Clayton, of the Benoit country was transacting business in Ballinger, Tuesday afternoon.

County Clerk, W. C. McCarver, had business at Winters a few hours Tuesday.

J. G. Phipps, of the Winters country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and while here renewed with the Banner Ledger for the ensuing year.

DOUBT DISAPPEARS

No One in Ballinger Who Has a Bad Back Should Ignore This Double Proof.

Does your back ache?

Have you suspected your kidneys?

Backache is sometimes kidney ache.

With it may come dizzy spells.

Sleepless nights, tired, dull days distressing urinary disorders.

Doan's Kidney Pills have been endorsed by thousands.

Are recommended here at home.

You have read Ballinger proof.

Read now the Ballinger sequel.

Renewed testimony; tested by time.

J. A. Maxwell, 100 Twelfth St., says: "I consider Doan's Kidney Pills excellent and always recommend them to others. My back had been hurting me for some time. Seeing that Doan's Kidney Pills were endorsed by people whom I knew, I decided to try them. I used one box and was well satisfied with the results, for they removed the trouble and I am now in good health."

More than Three Years Later

Mr. Maxwell said: "I think as highly of Doan's Kidney Pills now as I did when I first endorsed them. They have been of great benefit to me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Maxwell has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

FOR SALE—Iron Mountain Gray Spanish Jack, with white tip $750, $250 cash, balance in five annual payments of $100 each. W. T. Nichols, Route 1, Rowena, Texas. w 4tud.

FOR SALE—A 12-20 horse power tractor engine, a 4 disk tractor plow, a double disk platform tractor harrow. all in good condition. Used only one season. Tractor has never been rained on.

W. W. Fowler, M. D.

4&11 d—14 & 21 w.

FOR SALE—One car bright peanut hay. $30 per ton f. o. b., May, Texas. T. W. Murphree, Sidney, Texas. d&w 1tp

WANTED—A buggy horse, weight from one thousand to eleven hundred pounds.

13 2d. 1w pd. W. E. Milddleton.

RHODE ISLAND REDS—Eggs $1.50 per setting 15. Phone Crews exchange. W. H. Pape. 13 1w 3dp

Kelly Springfield casing and tubes at whole sale cost. Harwell Motor Co. d&wtf

The Germans can't sit at the peace table, but if they are very humble they may be permitted to come in by and by and decide whether they will have their crow boiled, fried, or roasted.

E. F. Krebs left Tuesday afternoon for his old home in Indiana to accompany the remains of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Wilder who was shipped to the old home for burial.

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MEAT CANNING EXPERT TO VISIT RURAL SCHOOLS

Harry H. Clapp, meat canning expert of the extension service of the A. & M. College, will arrive in Ballinger Monday, and working with Farm Agent Eaton, will visit the various schools of the county in an effort to further the meat canning industry in this section. A demonstration will be given at each of the following schools at one o'clock each day, at which the patrons of the schools are urged to be present.

Maverick, Monday. Mazeland, Tuesday. Drasco Wednesday, Eagle Branch Thursday, and Bethel Friday.

TO OUR FRIENDS

We thank you for the sympathy and friendship shown us by your many substantial aids after the loss of our home by fire. We pray God's blessings upon you all.

J. R. Holloway and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skaggs passed through Ballinger Tuesday at noon, en route to their home at Winters, after a visit to the eastern markets where they bought goods for their Winters store.

R. T. Williams came home Tuesday from Dallas, where he had been for several days on business, and buying goods for the Higginbotham store.

LS MUST FOUNDATIONS

ual work toward e Winters coun- Thursday when workmen be[gan] the digging the pit for [the] for the well o be drilled on the Hig[gins] farm three miles southeast of Winters.

This work provides a hole ten feet deep and 4 by 6 feet immediately under the platform from which the drillers work.

It is expected that the machinery and derrick for the well will arrive any day and be hauled out to the location.

The Winters Oil & Gas Co., has closed no further contracts this week though we understand they have just about secured the required number of acres in a block north of Winters along Bluff Creek.—Winters Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Ash of the Marie country, were shopping in Ballinger Saturday.

TREATED WELL BUT READY TO COME HOME

Sending a citation which the officers and men of the Texas Brigade received for bravery and valient fighting, Nick Stallworth, writes interesting letters from Zeltingen, Germany, under date of Jan. 3rd, to his mother, Mrs. Nick Stallworth of the Pony Creek community.

The young sergeant says that the place he is now located in is sure much better than he had since crossing the Atlantic. "but it is not so good but what I would like very much to be back in the States," he says in the letter.

"I have been enjoying good health all the time and sure am glad that I have neither been sick or wounded since we have been here in action, and it is more than a miracle that all of us have not been killed or wounded, because we have been in some places that it seemed that we could never get out of them alive."

"We are billeted here with private families and they are awfully nice to us and treat us quite different to what we would naturally expect. It is possible that we will be here for some time, but I surely hope that we can come back home soon."

Robert Lewis Williams left Tuesday afternoon for Brownwood on a short business trip.

Mrs. Hattie Hunt and Mrs. Willie Drisdale came in Wednesday at noon, from Texarkana. Mrs Hunt to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton and Mrs. Drisdale to make her home with her parents until her husband return from the army.

Notice to All Lovers of Good Saddles

I have now with me Mr. John Pollock, of Dallas, Texas.

He is the man that makes those famous soft seat saddles, bring in those old saddles and give us an order for a new one, and don't forget we make your old shoes new while you wait—at

Cathey Saddle and Harness Shop, d&w tf E. J. Cathey, Prop.

WILD CAT OIL

If you want to be one of 600 to put up $100 each and lease my 6,202 acres in Bosque County, Texas, for one-eight royalty and $20,000 in stock, forming an $80,000 company which will drill a wild cat oil well just send your money to R. V. Ferguson, president of The Farmers Guaranty State Bank at Meridian, or to Henry Fox, Jr., president of Houston National Exchange Bank, trustees who will send you a receipt for your money, or you can write me direct at Temple, Texas.

Liberty Bonds taken at par.

We have good prospects, yet, while the geologists say you have more chances to lose than to win. But if you win you win big. You will have interest in all wells drilled on the entire 6,202 acres. Your $100 may grow to $15,000.

This proposition is just three weeks old and honest men and lawyers, Methodist and Baptist, Catholics and Campbellites, crooks and christians, Preachers and pikers, big men and legislators, men and women, have sent in $35,00. Na promotion fees, or commissions paid. If you are able and want to speculate buy a share. I will let you decide that question.

This land is 40 miles east of the Comanche field, 80 miles south-east of Ranger field, 50 miles west of Corsicana field and 28 miles north of South Bospue field, or between them all.

We will start the well in 30 days, and I will see that the work is honestly and fairly done. Just listen for the squall of the wild cat.

JAS. E. FERGUSON, Temple, Texas