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WILL MAKE ALL EUROPE TREMBLE

LONDON, July 20.—The Morning Post's Berlin correspondent says Emperor William has sent his sister, the queen of Greece, the following message:

"I have paralyzed the Russians for at least six months and am on the eve of delivering a coup on the western front which will make all of Europe tremble."

London, July 20.—The Morning Post's Budapest correspondent reports that the gradual evacuation of Warsaw has been ordered by the Russians.

ATTENDS BANQUET AT WACO

Judge Jno. I. Guion returned home from a business trip to Waco Monday night. While in Waco Judge Guion had the pleasure of attending a luncheon given by the Rotary Club. Learning that Judge Guion was in town a committee was sent out to invite him to the luncheon and the invitation also carried with it an invitation for a speech, which Judge Guion very kindly favored the Rotarians with.

Judge Guion is president of the board of regents of the A. & M. College and he is interested in the adoption of the separation amendment. While some politicians are knocking on the proposition Judge Guion stated that he believed the people had become sufficiently posted on the proposition to see the need of the separation of the institutions, and would vote for the best interest of education and adopt the amendment.

Prof. Wells of Miles was in the city Tuesday.

SCHOLASTIC TRANSFER MUST BE MADE NOW

The time is short in which to make scholastic transfers, changing the enrollment of school children from one district to another. The transfers can not be made after August first. Persons having children they wish to send to school in some district rather than that in which they reside should see the county superintendent now.

Children over seventeen years old who are in the high school grades and reside in a district that does not have a high school may be transferred by the county board of education, but not by the county superintendent. Children living near the county line may transfer to an adjoining district in another county, provided, that it must be shown to the county superintendent that the school in the district in which such child or children resides on account of distance or some uncontrollable and dangerous obstacle is inaccessible to such child or children." (School Laws of Texas.)

The law governing transfers was not changed by the Thirty-Fourth Legislature.

SEEING SIGHTS AT EXPOSITION.

A postal card from H. Giesecke written at San Francisco, says he and Tom Gardner are putting in full time and are enjoying the great Panama Exposition. Mr. Giesecke attended the World's fair at Chicago and also the St. Louis fair, and he says the Panama Exposition is much better arranged than either of the other two and that the transportation facilities both inside and outside the grounds are first class.

Mr. and Mrs. Raby Epperson, and sister of Bronte, were visiting in Ballinger Monday and Tuesday.

BALLINGER LADY SERIOUSLY INJURED AND BROTHER IS KILLED IN AN AUTO WRECK

A phone message was received here for T. A. Knight, of South Ballinger, late Tuesday afternoon bringing the news of the serious injury of his wife and the death of his brother-in-law and the serious injury of his brother-in-law's daughter, which occurred when an auto in which the parties were traveling wrecked near Big Springs Tuesday afternoon.

W. E. Knok, of Runge, Texas, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. L. W. Franks, of Beeville, arrived here in their auto last week to visit Mr. Knox's sister, Mrs. Tom Knight. After spending several days here Mr. Knox and Mrs. Frank decided to visit a nephew residing at Snyder and prevailed upon Mrs. Knight to accompany them. They left the Knight home in South Ballinger Monday, and went to San Angelo and from there were going to Snyder by the way of Big Springs.

According to the information received here from Big Springs the accident occurred just as the parties were entering Big Springs the auto overturning at a sharp

curve in the road while going at a rapid speed.

Mr. Knox was killed outright and the two ladies were seriously injured, according to a phone message received here Tuesday night. At the time of the accident Mr. Knight was in San Angelo where he had gone to dispose of a shipment of fruit, and his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Deloach, were selling fruit in Winters. The sad news of the tragedy was forwarded to them, and as soon as arrangements could be made they left for Big Springs.

The extent of the injuries of the two ladies are not known, further than the report that they were both injured and the message stated that Mrs. Knight was badly hurt, and may not recover.

This is the third calamity to befall Mr. Knight during the last two years. The death of his only son, the burning of his home and now the probable loss of his wife and other relatives. His friends sympathize with him in his great sorrow.

FLOUR MILL CRIPPLED.

The Missouri Milling Co., suffered quite an inconvenience this week for a couple of days. A part of the elevator conveyor went to the bad and it was necessary to order from the factory repairs. This is a rush season for handling grain, and extra help had to be employed to handle the grain by hands until the conveyor could be repaired. The broken parts have been replaced and the wheat is now unloaded direct from the wagon into the elevator.

PERMANENT STREET WORK.

The streets recently improved are attracting joy riders. The new streets have become regular speedways for auto drivers, as well as drivers of other vehicles. The city has realized greater benefits from the money expended on streets this summer than for any amount of money spent on the streets in the resident section of the city before. Its the permanent work that counts.

J. N. Mason was marketing oats Monday from his Valley creek farm and sold at 38 cents per bushel.

STEERS BRINGS \$79 ON ANGELO MARKET

What is thought to have been the largest steer ever sold on the market in San Angelo was disposed of during the past week when Clyde Dyches, of Angelo Heights sold to D. Mackin, buyer for McWhorter & Simmons, a steer weighing 1,375 pounds. The animal was a four-year-old and had been raised by Frank Spencer near Eldorado in Schleicher county. He brought \$79.

Mr. Dyches at the same time sold three other steers, which weighed around 1,100 and two cows.—San Angelo Standard.

DEMAND FOR RENT HOUSES.

New people continue to come to Ballinger to make their home. A little want ad in the Ledger under the "For Rent" column, found applicants for a house that was advertised. There are few vacant houses here now and those that are vacant are not very inviting or suitable for a home for a white man. If the favorable conditions hold up there will be a big demand here for rent houses by early fall.

HOGS BEAT HOUNDS IN TAX ROLLS OF RUNNELS

The tax rolls for Runnels county for the year 1913 showed a greater dog value than hog value. We made mention of that fact at the time and criticised the farmers of this county for the ridiculously comparison. It is different this year, we are glad to say.

With not more than one-half of the work of making up the tax rolls of Runnels county completed, Tax Assessor Mike Boyd says the hog crop in Runnels county is the best ever, and pork-

ers have increased at a wonderful rate.

The half of the rolls that have been completed show more than 2,000 head of hogs rendered for taxes, valued at more than \$6,000. Mr. Boyd says the taxable value of the hogs in this county for the present year will pass the \$12,000 mark.

These figures are based on January first, which it will be remembered is at a time when many hogs have been slaughtered, and the 1915 crop is not included in the rendition. This justifies the statement that there are many more hogs in the county than are shown on the tax rolls.

HEALTHY INCREASE IN POPULATION

While the hog tribe has been increasing in this county, the population of the county will show a nice gain, according to figures being compiled by Tax Assessor Boyd. Mr. Boyd stated that the work of making up the rolls so far show a healthy gain and if the increase keeps up there will be several hundred more people on the 1915 rolls than there were on the 1914.

U. S. CABINET DISCUSSING NOTE

WASHINGTON, July 20.—For two hours this morning the United States cabinet was in session in what is believed to be the most momentous meeting since the war broke out in Europe. It is known that the entire time of the session was devoted to the German note and the Mexican question, but all members of the cabinet refused to talk when the cabinet adjourned.

To Investigate Orduna Case.

Washington, July 20.—A meeting of the cabinet this morning the United States authorities ordered a thorough investigation in the attack made upon the Orduna by submarines last Saturday.

The Orduna was fired upon while en route to New York, sailing out of Liverpool with American passengers aboard. Germany has made no statement or explanation of the incident.

STATE TAX RATE BREAKS THE RECORD

AUSTIN, July 19.—While the state tax board has not made its report, the comptroller today gave out a statement in which he estimates the tax rate for the present year to be 54.6 cents on the hundred dollars. This is the highest rate ever levied against the property owners of Texas.

The rate last year was 37 1-2 cents and the rate estimated for the present year by the comptroller makes a gain of 17.1 cents.

The rate for Runnels county is the same as last year, being fixed at 37 cents on the hundred dollars. The total state and county rate for the tax payers of this county will be 91.6 cents on the hundred dollars.

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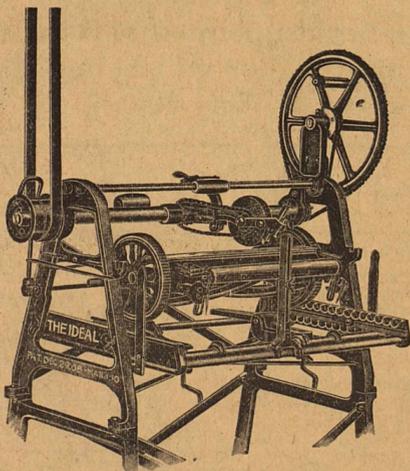
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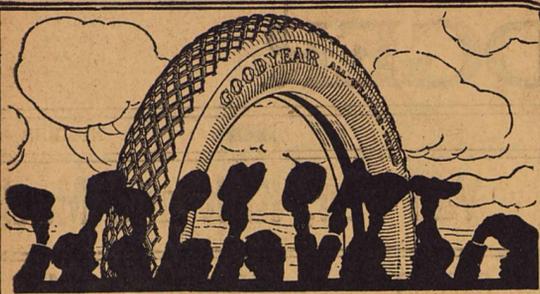


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TO THE STOCKMEN OF RUNNELS COUNTY.

Your attention is invited to the great tick eradication campaign is going on in some of the southern and western states. More than 28,000 square miles of territory were released by the secretary of agriculture on March the first from the Texas fever quarantine. The order known as B. A. Order No. 235 frees 32 counties in the states of California, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia. Since the work of tick eradication began on July 1st, 1906, 25,782 square miles have been freed from the pest. By the same order Smith county, Mississippi, which was released last year was quarantined. This is the first instance of the kind since the campaign and has been made necessary by the failure of the farmers in that county to co-operate with the authorities in keeping the county free after the pest had been stamped out. With this excep-

tion the work has made steady progress.

This is the work that has been going on for some time and is working wonders where they have it. As I understand it a man must be a land owner to sign the petition but any legal voter can vote. Stockmen who have less than 50 head of stock get theirs dipped or sprayed free of charge furnished by the government. And the large owners are willing to pay for theirs. This will clear up all restrictions and you can ship where you please.

Very truly yours,
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Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking, as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. The Quinine drives out malaria, the iron builds up the system. 50 cents

S. D. Williams of Hatchel, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Best Medium Priced Car on the Market. A New OVERLAND

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Put your name on the already waiting list and avoid further delay.

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WESTERN GIN CO. BUILDING WAREHOUSE

J. A. Kelly has the contract for the erection of a large stone warehouse for the Western Gin Co., at this place. The warehouse will be constructed near the gin north of the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., and the work will be put under way at an early date.

The new building will be used for storing bagging and ties and extra gin machinery. It will add greatly to the service this gin is arranging to give its patrons this fall. The improvement, it will be noticed, will be substantial, which is the only kind of improvement worth while and which is practically the only kind that is going on in Ballinger at present.

Jures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure.
The worst cases, no matter how long standing are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves pain and heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00

INFERTILE EGGS MAKE HALF CAR

The largest shipment of infertile eggs to leave Ballinger were shipped out Friday afternoon when E. A. Jeanes & Co. consigned a car load of eggs to Houston. The car was loaded here Friday morning and one-half of the shipment consisted of infertile eggs.

The production of infertile eggs is gaining in popularity among the poultry growers of this county. This class of eggs are worth a great deal more than the fertile variety, and it is the desire of the produce dealers that the time will soon come when they will be able to ship out solid car loads of infertile eggs.

Traveling Man's Experience

In the summer of 1888 I had a very severe attack of cholera morbus. Two physicians worked over me from four a. m., to 6 p. m., without giving me any relief and then told me they did not expect me to live; that I had best telegraph for my family. Instead of doing so, I gave the hotel porter fifty cents and told him to buy me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and take no substitute. I took a double dose according to the directions and went to sleep after the second dose. At five o'clock the next morning I was called by my order and took a train for my next stopping point, a well man, but feeling rather skanky from the severity of the attack," writes H. W. Ireland, Louisville, Ky. Obtainable everywhere.

SAN ANGELO WANTS THE PRINTERS HOME

San Angelo, July 16.—San Angelo Union No. 651, member of the International Typographical Union of America, is to make a strong bid for the establishment in San Angelo of a sanitarium and home for aged, infirm and indigent printers. The union now has a home in Colorado Springs, Colo., but the altitude is too great and another is to be established either in Southern Colorado or Western Texas.

The matter is to come up for discussion at the national convention to be held in Los Angeles, beginning August 12, and A. A. Wynne of this city, who is now on the Pacific Coast and will present San Angelo's claims. Local printers have great hopes of success, as it can be pointed out that the State of Texas has established a sanitarium in this section because of the splendid climate here.

The home in Colorado Springs cost several hundred thousand dollars. It is not known what would be the expense of the new institution.



F. G. Crim of the Valley creek country, H. Otken of the old Runnels county, and C. A. Smith of the Valley creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and Mr. Smith ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year.

GEORGETOWN SHERIFF HERE FOR PRISONER

Sheriff Allen, of Williamson County, arrived in Ballinger at noon Friday, and returned in the afternoon of the same day with a man by the name of Albert Miller.

Miller is wanted at Georgetown for forgery. For some time Sheriff Perkins has been on the lookout for Miller, having received a warrant for his arrest for the Georgetown officer. Deputy Sheriff Atwell, of Miles, located Miller at Harriet, a small place in Tom Green county, and went after his man. Miller had walked into San Angelo, and following him Mr. Atwell captured the man and brought him to Ballinger Thursday afternoon, and the Williamson county sheriff was notified.

Runnels county is Miller's home and the alleged forgeries were committed while he was in Williamson county.

A Good Household Salve.

Ordinary ailments and injuries are not of themselves serious, but infection or low vitality may make them dangerous. Don't neglect a cut, sore, bruise or hurt because it's small. Blood poison has resulted from a pin-prick or scratch. For all such ailments Bucklen's Arnica Salve is excellent. It protects and heals the hurt; is antiseptic, kills infection and prevents dangerous complications. Good for all skin blemishes, pimples, salt rheum, eczema. Get an original 2-ounce 25c box from your druggist.

CHILD RUSHED TO AUSTIN; BIT BY CAT

The little six-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Rayburn, living five miles west of Winters, was bitten by a cat supposed to be mad with rabies, Thursday afternoon. The parents became alarmed over the tragedy and securing an auto hurriedly brought the child to Ballinger and reached here just as the afternoon passenger train was pulling out. Fortunately for them the crowd of passengers were unusually large Thursday afternoon and it was necessary to bring the train to a stop after it had started out, for others to get aboard, and this caused a few minutes delay and Mr. Rayburn succeeded in catching the train with his child and went to Austin, where the child will be treated at the Pasteur Institute.

Mr. Rayburn severed the cat's head from its body and was carrying it to Austin with him for examination to make sure that the cat was afflicted with rabies. His friends trust that nothing serious will develop.

An Easy, Pleasant Laxative.

One or two Dr. King's New Life Pills with a tumbler of water at night. No bad, nauseating taste; no belching gas. Go right to bed. Wake up in the morning, enjoy a free, easy bowel movement, and feel fine all day. Dr. King's New Life Pills are sold by all druggists, 36 in an original package, for 25c. Get a bottle today—enjoy this easy, pleasant laxative.

CAN'T FISH WITHOUT PAY

The city council at Winters has served notice on the public that all those desiring to fish in the city lake must first secure a permit. This permit will cost 25c per day for individuals, or \$5 per annum for families. People with contagious diseases will not be permitted to fish or remain about this lake, and the city marshal has been instructed to prosecute all found fishing without a permit or trespassing in any way.

JITNEY SERVICE SUCCESS.

R. P. Con who recently established a jitney service for his son, C. B., advertising to carry passengers anywhere in the city for 9 cents, reports that the young man is doing a good business, and the service is a success. Ladies desiring to visit down town or to make trip anywhere in the city prefer to pay 9 cents instead of walking, and many calls are being made for the jitney. Mr. Con stated that he was considering the idea of putting on another car, and will do so if he can buy another Ford.

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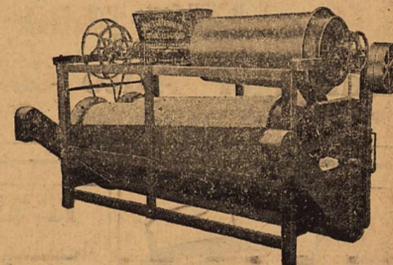
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T. S. LANKFORD

CHANCES FOR FRANK'S LIFE WORSE

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., July 19.—(1:20 p. m.)—Leo. M. Frank is suffering great pain and his temperature is running higher. His condition is much worse and pronounced very critical by the attending physicians.

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., July 18.—Leo. M. Frank lay in the Georgia state prison hospital today with what attendants said was a fighting chance for recovery. Physicians had succeeded in stopping the flow of blood from a jagged wound in his throat, made with an improvised knife, in the hands of William Green, a fellow convict, also serving a life term for murder. The blow was struck as Frank slept in his bunk in a dormitory late Saturday night.

This latest and most spectacular phase, of the two year fight for Frank's life, may be the subject of an investigation by the Georgia prison commission which refused to recommend that Frank's death sentence be commuted to life imprisonment.

Reports from Atlanta were that Governor Harris intimated today he would start such an investigation to ascertain if Green acted entirely of his own volition. Green said today when taken from solitary confinement long enough to be questioned, that he planned the attack alone. He was not communicative and gave as his only excuse that he thought it should be done. He said, however, that he regretted his act.

Green left his bunk shortly after 11 o'clock Saturday with the permission of one of the guards stationed in the dormitory and when he reached the bunk in which Frank was sleeping he grabbed Frank by the hair and delivered one blow with a knife which he had concealed. The attack was witnessed by the guard who overpowered Green and prevented him striking again.

Two physicians serving terms in the prison, treated Frank's wound until the arrival of the prison physician, Dr. Guy Compton. Frank then was removed to the prison hospital and then the three physicians took twenty-five stitches in Frank's throat.

Mrs. Frank was in Milledgeville at the home of J. M. Burns. When told of the attack she became hysterical but later was calmed and was taken to the prison hospital.

Not Afraid to Die.

The cut extends from the front of the neck around the left side to almost the middle of the back of the neck. Neither the windpipe nor jugular vein is partly severed. The physician's greatest fear today was that some of the stitches might slip, causing more or less blood loss.

After Frank's wound had been dressed, he turned to the physicians attending him and asked:

"Am I going to die?"

"We don't know," said Dr. George B. Compton, the prison surgeon. "You are in a serious condition."

"If I am going to die," replied Frank, "I am not afraid. Nothing stands between me and God. I hope that the man who attacked me will be forgiven."

Green was sentenced from Columbus for killing a man named Kitchin. Saturday he was helping to kill hogs with other

prisoners. He concealed in his clothing the knife he used in the attack on Frank.

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., July 20.—"Frank is worse," is the way a bulletin issued at noon today from the state hospital where Leo M. Frank lingers at the point of death.

While it has not been officially given out by the prison physician Dr. Guy Compton, it is believed that the knife with which Frank's throat was cut was infected and blood poison has set up. It is known that the physician was fearful of this last night, and in a statement said that Frank would recover unless there was some complication.

Frank's Slayer Says God Helped Him.

Milledgeville, Ga., July 20.—Green, questioned further by prison officials, said he believed he had been called from "one on high" to kill Frank.

"I only wish that I had had more strength," Green said. "I think that I have done my duty in this matter as well as my strength allowed. I believe that God has helped me. I do not think that I ever did wrong in my life."

Green weighs 165 pounds but is partly paralyzed in his left arm. Physicians attending Frank believe that this fact probably saved Frank's life. Should Frank die Green probably would be tried for murder.

No decision has been reached as to what action will be taken if Frank recovers.

Ex-Governor Slayton Regrets Attack on Frank.

Seattle, Washington, July 20.—Ex-Governor Slayton, the man who saved Frank's life from the hangman's rope, is here on his way to Panama Exposition. He expressed regrets at the attempt made to kill the prisoner.

"I do not believe that the attack on Frank could be traced to any out side influence, working for Frank's destruction," said Gov. Slayton. "The man who committed the crime was no doubt aroused by the newspaper reports. Frank was put in the safest place for him in the state. I do not regret commuting Frank's death sentence to life imprisonment and would do it again if confronted with the same evidence by which he was convicted."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts direct on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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You'll start an old-pal-party via a pipe or a makin's cigarette quick as a flash, as soon as you realize it's a live bet to let your good money rub up against some Prince Albert tobacco. Why, it's like beating back to the bushes for old-home week, P. A.'s so friendly, so chummy-like.

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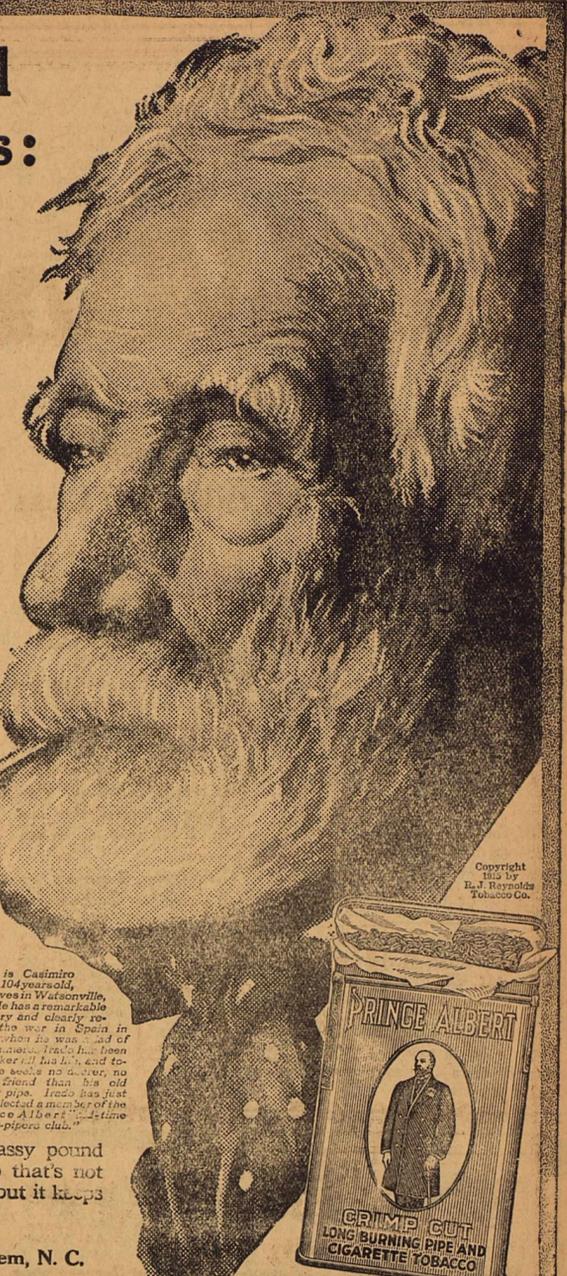
just hands you home-made questions like these:

Were you ever pipe-happy? Did you ever hit a brand that just pushed pleasure against your palate? The kind that sort of teased your smokeappetite for some more fire-up, then another—and so on, right to the pillow-period!

Well, that's P. A., no matter how you hook it up—pipe or cigarette. It just jams-joy into your system! You nail that fact hot off the bat, because it's case-cards information! And landed out to you for personal and immediate attention as being about as real and true as you've heard since Hector was a pup!

P. A. is sold in the tippy red bag for the price of a jitney ride, 5c; titty red tin, 10c; pound and half-pound tin tinnidors—and—the classy pound crystal-glass humidor with the sponge-moistener top that's not only a joy'us thing to have at home and at the office, but it keeps P. A. in the highest state of perfection.

R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO., Winston-Salem, N. C.



Here is Casimiro Izado, 104 years old, who lives in Watsonville, Cal. He has a remarkable memory and clearly recalls the war in Spain in 1932, when he was 12 months old. He has been a smoker all his life, and today he smokes no other, no true friend than his old jimmy pipe. Izado has just been elected a member of the Prince Albert "Jimmy-piper club."

DISCUSS PENSIONS FOR MINISTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.—The California State building at the Panama Pacific Exposition here was the scene of a unique gathering today. With representatives from practically every Protestant church in the United States present, the Church Pension Congress went into session to solve the matter of adequate pensions for retired ministers of the Protestant denominations.

Dr. J. B. Hingley of Chicago secretary of the Board of Conference Clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal church, presided. The prime object in calling the meeting was to devise means of raising an endowment fund of \$50,000,000 for ministerial pensions. A general campaign of nation-wide scope was advocated as the means of raising the fund. It was planned to give each preacher at his retirement one-half of the average annual salary of all the preachers in the country thereby giving the minister who has served most of his years in a small congregation an equal standing in the pension matter with his more fortunate brother who has been getting a larger salary in a larger church.

The majority of the speakers laid stress on the fact that if all professions the ministry as a whole, was the poorest paid and in many instances the compensation was barely enough to support the preacher, who in the majority of cases had a family to look after. All speakers were in favor of the pension and asked for concerted action in securing the funds which would enable a minister after years of hard work in the pulpit to retire assured that he would be taken care of in his declining days.

"Flowers on the coffin cast no fragrance backward over life's weary way. Give them the flowers now," said Chaplain E. C. Clemons, of the Third Regiment Minnesota National Guard in commenting on what would be said and done for the preacher after he is dead. "Most of us enter the

ministry poor and leave it poor, he added.

Rev. W. S. Holt of the Presbyterian board, said there was more money in standing on the front end of street car than in standing in a pulpit. "What do we demand from preachers?" he asked. "Four great qualities. 'Consecration, Intelligence, Self-respect and Efficiency. What is the quotation on these qualifications? Nothing."

That he would sooner be the poor Methodist minister in the smallest church than president of the United States was the statement of Bishop Edwin Holt Hedges of California.

"I believe in justice, however," he said, "and think that every retired minister should receive a decent support on the plans of simple honor and as a debt due him."

The average yearly pension of the workman of the various corporations is far above the average compensation of the worn-out minister, was the assertion of Rev. John T. Brabner Smith of Chicago, editor of the Veteran Preacher. He urged the church to follow the corporation in taking care of its worn-out workman.

Dr. Joseph B. Hingley, the presiding officer, said he thought the layman appreciated that fact that every minister when he reached an age where he needed a rest should be provided with a pension that will tide him over his "old days." "A minister is singled out among all as the man who engages in his work not to earn a living nor to gain a competency or wealth. His life is a vicarious life," he said.

"The support of the retired minister must be removed from the market basis to the basis of military service," said Rev. J. W. Van Cleve of Decatur, Ill., in which loyalty and sacrifice are more conspicuous than those of employment and wages. The government takes care of its old soldiers, why not the church of its old preachers?"

K. T. Keeney D. D., of New York told of the work in his state to raise funds to take care of the retiring preachers of the Methodist pulpit. He said he favored an inter-denominational endowment fund in which every minis-

ter in the United States could participate.

"The Church is awakening as never before," said Reverend William Hiram Foulkes, general secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief of the Presbyterian church. "The church will accomplish the task of pensioning its old ministers. No self-respecting church can continue to maltreat its aged ministers without losing its self-respect. The church has more at stake in the solution of the problem of ministerial old age than the old minister has."

Sam Boyer of the New Home neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and reports his section in good shape.

Max Russell of the Leaday country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. W. A. Glenn and three daughters, Misses Josephine, Gladys, and Janice, were passengers on the yesterday afternoon train for Marie, their home. Miss Josephine was here attending the normal, while the mother and two daughters were here on a short visit to relatives.—San Angelo Sun.

H. H. Luckett, postmaster at Toyah, Texas, came in Sunday to join his wife, who is in Ballinger visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd. Mr. Luckett is one of the pioneer stockmen of Runnels county, and has many friends all over this section that always welcome his visits.

TAX BOARD ADOPTS 55c STATE RATE

By United Press. AUSTIN, July 21.—The state tax board met today and fixed the rate for the present year at fifty cents on the one hundred dollars. This is less than the estimate made by the comptroller a few days ago, but is 17 1-2 cents higher than last year's rate and is the highest ever assessed in Texas.

If you want high-class groceries, try Cash Grocery Co. 14d w

Jeff Riggs of the Wingate country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. R. E. Duke of the Bethel neighborhood, came in Saturday and left for Georgetown, to visit her father and other relatives a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Davis of the Crews country, passed thru Ballinger Saturday afternoon en route to their old home at Georgetown, to visit relatives and friends a few weeks.

C. W. Schwartz and daughter of the Crews country were in the city Tuesday.

Your Tin And Pipe Work

Should be done by workmen who know their business, and will make you a close price. Because of a demand for a high grade of work at a reasonable charge we opened our shop. We specialize on the following items:

Tanks, Water Troughs, Gutters, Galvanized Flues, Iron Chicken Houses.

We build or make anything of Sheet Metal or Pipe Work Shop located in Wooden building next door to Fire Station. Your patronage will be appreciated, and is solicited. Call and see us.

Dunn and Glenn
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CARPENTER WORK. has gone on for ages and ages and the material has always come from the same source—the forests. Man has never yet been able to provide a good lumber substitute, and neither has any yard except ours sold such good lumber at such moderate prices.

Wm. Cameron Lumber Company

THE BANNER-LEDGER PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY

The Banner-Leader and the Runnels County Ledger were consolidated January 23, 1913.

Fords going down and motor juice going up.

The sanitary laws of this city are being flagrantly violated.

Some towns forge forward regardless of friction.

Fruit farming forms financial favors for S. B. farmers.

The Frank and Thaw cases continue to occupy front page.

Its a glad day for the old family horse when he is lead to the pasture behind an auto.

South Ballinger fruit is helping make up the bill of fare, and swell bank accounts of the fruit man.

Co-operation converts communities into commercial centers and will make cities out of cow camps.

This is the sickly season. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Use the prevention.

In 1880 statistics placed the nation's wealth at \$5 per capita. The present wealth of the country is said to be \$34.53 per capita. In what age are you living?

We will patiently wait and see what explanation Germany offers for torpedoing a passenger ship sail towards an American port.

Press reports say that Thaw has scored a victory. What about his conscience? He is a

get plenty home-made preserves with hot biscuits and Jersey butter! Runnels county is producing them all.

Over near Cisco a farmer quit his cotton crop because the boll weevils were in it and he claimed that it would make nothing. The Chamber of Commerce stepped in and took charge of the crop and will attempt to show what science and work will do. That's what we call practical demonstration. You cannot kill a boll weevil by freezing him, but death comes quick when you bury him with a little hot dirt. It's entiation that exterminates the pest.

WHY THE DELAY IN ROAD MATTERS?

Be it said to the shame of Runnels county, a county that is best known for its diversification and other achievements in the entire state, we are lagging behind in road building. In another column of this paper will be read the action of the Taylor county commissioner's court in levying a thirty cent road tax for the present year. Other neighboring counties are leading in road building, while our people seem to be content to travel the rocky way and pull their teams to death through the ruts. Every way possible for building roads in this county has been put up to the people and each time met with defeat. The day must come when good roads will be provided, but why the delay?

THE RABBIT PEST

Runnels county farmers are suffering hundreds of dollars loss from the ravages of the rabbits. From ever community comes the complaint that cotton is being cut down and the splendid stand that the farmers had in their fields at the beginning of the season is being cut to a bad stand which means a loss in yield. The state is paying a small

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It not give the United States opportunity for supplying the foreign cotton markets with American cotton, for which we are told a price of 22c is being offered.

It seems that arms and ammunition houses in America are profiting today, while the Southern cotton grower is suffering for the want of a market for his cotton. Who is responsible for this, Germany, or England?

What could be gained by severing diplomatic relations with Germany today. Would such procedure restore the lives that have been lost or heal the wounds that have been made?

Would war with Germany create a demand for the products of America, and make for better conditions, and happy homes?

What profit would war with Germany bring to this country? What reason can you give for war between Germany and the United States? There will be no war.

MEN AWAY FROM HOME WANT TO VOTE.

One of the amendments to be submitted to the voters on July 24th is known as House Joint Resolution No. 1, amending Sec. 2, Art. 6 of the Constitution, which if adopted will give railroad employes, traveling men and others who are compelled to leave home on election day in the performance of their duty, the right to vote at any box in the state. No evil can come from the adop-

JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE

TRY THE BALLINGER WAY. The traffic problem worried Abilene for many months. The city authorities finally decided to quit worrying and get busy. Traffic officers were employed, and the vehicle drivers were instructed as to the rules. This being done, the city attorney is filing a batch of complaints every day, and the traffic problem is nearing solution. Brownwood could easily follow Abilene's example.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The traffic law has been in force at Ballinger for two months and there has not been but one arrest, and the law is observed wonderfully well. To begin with, conspicuous signs were placed at the intersection of the principal streets which read, "Turn to the Right." It is interesting to watch how closely the people track the law on the streets where these signs are displayed. Cities adopting the traffic law are welcomed to also adopt the Ballinger way.

FEELING "PULSE BEATS"

A dispatch from Cornish, N. H., states that President Wilson is reading many small city newspapers in order to get an insight into the public sentiment of the United States. We are not surprised. The President is highly intelligent, and the fact that he knows when to feel for the Nation's pulsebeats indicates that he is entirely emancipated from the idea some President's have had—to the effect that "the metropolitan district" of New York represents the public thought and political acumen of the whole country.—Dallas News

been "bumfuzzled" into believing that it is better.

IT PAYS TO BE NEIGHBORLY. Our thanks are due the machinist-operator, Mr. Jones, of the Ballinger Ledger, who came over on the two o'clock train Saturday morning and stayed on the job until 2:35 p. m. yesterday afternoon, when he had to return to his own duties at home.

Strange it is that we had to go to Ballinger for the needed assistance, but it had to be done, and we did it and appreciate the courtesy to the very limits of our capacity.—San Angelo Sun.

In explaining why the Sun failed to appear on time last Saturday the management of the paper made the above statement. The Sun's linotype went to the bad, and a phone message to Ballinger called Mr. Jones from his bed and he went over and helped a neighbor in time of trouble. It pays to be neighborly.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 IS A GOOD ONE.

The traveling men and the railroad men of Texas are asking their friends to vote for House Joint Resolution No. 1, when they go to the polls to vote next Saturday. They point out many reasons why this amendment should be adopted and claim that no harm can result from the adoption of the amendment. The amendment is one giving qualified voters the right to vote in state elections when away from home. The Traveling Men's Association has addressed the following letter to the citizens of Texas:

"On behalf of the many thousands of traveling men of the great Southwest, you are besought to use your influence and vote for the first amendment on the list, which is to be voted on the 24th inst. It goes a long way toward purifying Texas politics by enfranchising thousands of honest American born and naturalized

"GETS-IT" a Sure-Shot for All Corns

Use Two Drops — and They Vanish.

When corns make you almost die with your boots on, when you try to walk on the edge of your shoes to try to get away from your corns, you're way behind time if you have not used "GETS-IT." It's the



"Murder! Everybody Tries to Step on My Corn!" Use "GETS-IT" and You'll Have No Corns to Be Stepped On.

corn cure of the century, the new way, the sure, painless, simple way. It makes a fellow really feel foolish after he's used toe-seating salves, corn-biting ointments, toe-bundling bandages, blood-bringing razors, knives, files, scissors, jabbers and what-nots, when he uses just 2 drops of "GETS-IT" and sees his corn vanish. The difference is divine. Just try it. You won't wince when you put on your shoes in the morning. "GETS-IT" is sure, "gets" any corn, callus, wart or bunion. "GETS-IT" is sold by druggists every where, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn cure by Walker Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce and City Drug Store.

ACOUNTRY GIRL'S CREED.

(Published by Request.) I am glad I live in the country. I love its beauty and its spirit. I rejoice in the things I can do as a country girl for my home and my neighborhood. I believe I can share in the beauty around me,—in the fragrance of the orchards in spring, in the weight of the ripe wheat at harvest, in the morning song of birds, and in the glow of the sunset on the far horizon. I want to express this beauty in my own life as naturally and happily as the wild rose blooms by the roadside.

The Danger Is Great. Mr. Farmer, it is dangerous to store your grain without protecting it with Fire Insurance. We can Cover Your Barn and Its Contents With the Best Policy Written. PROTECT YOUR COTTON CROP WITH HAIL INSURANCE. It's too late to repent, and you are taking a big risk every time a cloud comes up. Let us carry the risk in our OLD LINE COMPANIES. BALLINGER INSURANCE AGENCY

murderer and his life with his money has been misspent. What has he been worth to this world? It's a poor victory.

It has been suggested that two friends of the Separation amendment pair with Governor Ferguson and B. Q. Evans so that the vote for the amendment will be unanimous.

The Ledger is boosting Home Industry in every issue of the paper, but there are several merchants in Ballinger who are not boosting their own business. They seem to be satisfied with the work we are doing for them.

Europe is buying something in the United States besides ammunition. From August first, last year to the first of June this year, less than a year, \$51,000,000 worth of automobiles passed thru the port of New York consigned to Europe.

If you are indebted to the Ballinger Independent District you should get busy and pay the debt. Suits on delinquent taxes will be filed Wednesday of this week, and this will add more cost to the bill.

It is claimed that the Canadian soldiers that have been carried to Europe to aid the allies, are better fighters than the European soldiers. Having been raised and trained on the North American continent can easily be assigned as the reason for this.

In order to defeat certain amendments politicians are advising their followers to go to the polls and vote against all the amendments, if they don't know how to vote otherwise. Such politicians are dangerous to good government in Texas in their attempt to control the ignorant voter.

With the fresh fruit supply now so great every family should provide preserves, jams, jellies, etc., for the winter season, and thereby reduce the grocery bill. What's the use straving when you can

county on rabbit scalps, but this amounts to nil when it comes to reducing the rabbit tribe. With the country so well stocked with rabbits the destruction of crops next year will be much greater. Rabbits multiply at a wonderfully rapid rate.

It's up to the farmers to begin now to make a concerted move against this pest. Drays in every county should be planned and carried out through the coming winter and spring. Little progress can be made shooting at one single headed. A man can go out and shoot all day and slay many rabbits, but unless his neighbor joins him the effort is wasted.

Produce dealers should begin now to locate a market for this great meat supply that Runnels county is raising, and every inducement should be offered for bringing about a great war on the Jack rabbit pest before another crop is planted.

WE WILL MAINTAIN PEACE.

There will be no war between Germany and the United States. The American nation craves peace. Germany craves the good will of the American nation.

In contending for its rights the American government has succeeded in obtaining concessions and others will come. Germany admits the responsibility for destroying the Nebraska and offers to fully compensate.

Germany does not show remorse for the destruction of British vessels, notwithstanding that Americans were aboard and lost their lives.

Germany no doubt feels that she was protecting her interests in destroying ships loaded with ammunition for her enemies. We may not agree with the Germans, but we must be patient in waiting the satisfactory settlement of this question.

Germany's voluntary offer and consent for the United States to use her interned ships for commerce, sailing them under the American flag, shows a friendly spirit. With such lines of transportation open up why would

tion of this amendment. A man who votes fraudulently from home is subject to the same punishment as the man who violates the election laws at home.

The traveling men and railroad employes are more interested in this amendment than any other class of people. They are entitled to a voice in the election held in this state, but are deprived from going to the ballot box. As a rule the railroad men and traveling men are well posted on any subject that comes before the people and are qualified to cast an intelligent vote. They should be given that right and we believe that every man who understands this amendment will vote for its adoption.

Iowa Leads Country in Helping Cripples.

Des Moines, Ia., July 20.—Iowa is leading the world in the humanitarian movement to save the crippled and deformed. The new Perkins law directs that every child under 16 who suffers from deformities or malady that may be cured and whose parents are not able to provide the necessary medical and surgical attention, will be guests of the state at the state university hospital, Iowa City, under care of specialists, the state paying transportation, medical attention and nursing bills.

There is no time limit on the treatment. Parents of such children make applications for treatment to the district court. The court names a physician to make examination and on this report orders the child to Iowa City. It is expected thousands of deformed poor children will be made strong under the provisions of this law.

Mrs. Emma Nash came in Monday night from Cisco. She will leave Wednesday morning for Cisco where she will be with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Moore who is sick at that place with fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Strabe of the Olfen country, were shopping in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

metropolitan district that supplies the happy homes that stand as a corner stone to the great American government. President Wilson will succeed because he realizes this.

STRIKING AT THE ROOT OF THE EVIL.

"A progressive Templeite had occasion the other day to make an order for groceries from the local grocer with whom he had been trading for some seven or eight years. Among the several items on the order was one for a sack of Temple-made flour. Now this progressive citizen had been using flour made in Minneapolis for a number of years, but since the Home Industry campaign was launched by the Telegram and he and his family pledged themselves to give Temple products preference, all other conditions being equal, he specified 'Temple' flour on his order, so that his good wife could give it a trial. But his grocer reported no Temple flour in stock and urged the same brand he had been selling. Incidentally this Minneapolis brand sold for two-twenty per sack, while the price of the local product was only a dollar seventy-five. The grocer was instructed to send 'Temple' flour or none at all, and thus urged agreed to secure the desired brand.

"As a consequence this man had hot biscuits for dinner the next day which he pronounces the best which have ever graced his table.—Temple Telegram.

The merchant is going to keep in stock what his customers want as near as he can. When the people call for an article a few times the merchant enters it upon his want list and adds it to his stock. The people—the customers can force every merchant to handle Ballinger Flour or any other Ballinger product by demanding that their orders be filled with that product. We should not blame the merchant for stocking up on Wichita and Minneapolis flour when the people call for it and pay the higher price because they have

tax paying citizens, who by virtue of their business or profession are required to be away from home on election days. At the same time you will still further assist in the purification of Texas politics by disfranchising a lot of Mexicans and others, until they take oath of allegiance and become naturalized citizens of the United States.

"This is the issue, and only argument that has or can be correctly brought against this amendment. Every other excuse is a subterfuge, a delusion, or an attempted slander. The imagination is not even susceptible of conceiving an excuse for diverting attention from this worthy amendment.

"If, with safe and guarded restrictions, you are willing to trust traveling men, railroad men, news paper men, lawyers, doctors, judges and state officials to assist in the election of officers of our great state, provided they have their own personally paid poll tax receipt, then vote 'yes' in the first amendment on the list.

But if you are in favor of continuing to disfranchise these true Americans, and want to continue to enfranchise a lot of ignorant indolent, wandering, unreliable and purchasable peon Mexicans, who know nothing wathver of our forms of government, and are not now and never expect to become citizens of the United States then you vote 'no' on this amendment.

This resolution passed the Senate by an unanimous vote, and passed the house by 111 for 2 against. It was endorsed by the Governor and is being supported by him and the best citizens of Texas. Vote for it!"

Horse Traveled 31,300 Miles.

Bellefontaine, O., July 20.—"Bob," a horse driven by N. C. Oder for ten years with a baker's wagon, has missed only five days on his trips. He has traveled more than 31,300 miles, delivering more than 145,300 loaves of bread and millions of cookies.

I believe I can have a part in the courageous spirit of the country. This spirit has entered into the brook in our pasture. The stones placed in its way call forth its strength and add to its strength. It dwell in the tender plants as they burst the seed cases that imprison them and push thru the dark earth to the light. It sounds in the nesting notes of the madowlark. With this courageous spirit I, too can face the hard things of life with gladness.

I believe there is much I can do in my country home. Thru studying the best way to do my everyday work I find joy in common tasks done well. Thru loving comradeship I can help bring into my home the happiness and peace that are always so near us in God's out-of-door world. Thru such a hope I can help make real to all who pass that way their highest ideal of country life.

I believe my love and loyalty for my country home should reach out in service to that larger home that we call our neighborhood. I would join with people who live there in true friendliness. I would whole-heartedly give my best to further all that is being done for a better community. I would have all that I think and say and do help to unite country people near and far in the great Kingdom of Love for Neighbors. JessieField, In "The Farmer's Wife," St. Paul.

Uses Poor Judgment and Lands in A Cell.

St. Paul, Minn., July 20.—Mike Mullaney is today serving a short term in the city jail, because he used poor judgement in flirting.

Mike sought a little stroll with Mrs. Erta Claussen. When he persisted, she consented. After they had strolled a few blocks, she told him her brother was locked up at Central police station and suggested they go over. They did. At the door she shows him her badge. She is a policewoman.

Bob Fowler of the Leaday country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

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The Woman's Tonic

FOR SALE AT ALL DRUGGISTS

TRADE EXCURSIONISTS SPENDS MORNING HERE

The San Angelo trade boosters, about fifty, including the band, arrived in Ballinger late Friday night. Two of the autos went to the bad on the trip between Ballinger and Winters and did not get into the city until about midnight.

Accompanied by the band the excursionists paraded the principal streets of the city Saturday morning and quite a crowd gathered on the court house lawn to hear the band and speakers. Mayor Powell welcomed the visitors, and Thos. Owens, a member of the excursion party made a short talk.

The San Angelo boosters left San Angelo last Monday morning at six o'clock. They have been touring the country adjacent to San Angelo all the week, traveling a distance of 700 miles, an

average of more than 100 miles per day, with stops at every post-office on the route traversed by them. They have been distributing advertising matter and boosting the San Angelo Fall Fair which will open early in November.

Jack Stevens, reporter for the San Angelo Standard, was among the visiting boosters. He said while the trip had been a very hot and tiresome one the entire party had fared well, and received a hearty welcome all along the line. They had made the entire trip without serious auto trouble, and expected to pull into San Angelo on time, after visiting Paint Rock, Rowena, and Miles.

Mr. Stevens stated that the crops through this section of the country were good and the farmers were enjoying prosperity.

PERKINS GETS MUCH INFORMATION

Sheriff J. D. Perkins returned from Waco Friday morning, where he had been attending the State Sheriff's Convention. The Runnels county sheriff reports a great time, saying that there were about 300 sheriffs and deputies present and 40 new members were received. Gov. Ferguson, State Treasurer Edwards, Sam Sparks, were among the prominent visitors present and who addressed the convention. Mr. Perkins stated that Waco treated the officers fine. The police squad quit their beats and went home and turned the city over to the visiting sheriffs, but there was not a single drunk man present and the best order prevailed, reported Mr. Perkins.

In addition to the enjoyable social feature of the convention Mr. Perkins stated that he gained points that will be helpful to him in his work, and while mixing with the 300 officers he learned the whereabouts of a man wanted very badly in Ballinger, and returning home Sheriff Perkins sent a warrant for his arrest.

FEEL LIKE GIVING UP?

Many Ballinger People On the Verge of Collapse.

A bad back makes you miserable all the time—Lame every morning; sore all day. It hurts to stoop—it hurts to straighten. What with headache, dizzy spells, urinary weakness. No wonder people are discouraged.

Who do not know the kidneys may be the cause of it all. Give the weakened kidneys needful help.

Use a tested and proven kidney remedy. None endorsed like Doan's Pills.

Mrs. R. F. Smith, Ballinger, says: "Two attacks of fever left my kidneys very weak. I had such intense backaches that I could hardly get about at times the kidney secretions were scanty then again profuse. After using Doan's Kidney Pills a few days, the backache left and I was able to rest much better."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Smith had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS ATTENTION!

The annual reunion of the Mountain Remnant Brigade Confederate Veterans will meet at Mason, in Mason County, Texas, on Wednesday, August 4th, next, and remain in camp for 3 days. Rations of bread, meat and coffee will be furnished the old soldiers, their wives and unmarried children. Come, and let us make this the best reunion of the Brigade.

Done by order of Gen. H. R. McInnis, Commander of the Mountain Remnant Brigade Confederate Veterans.

Official: F. C. Streigler, Adjutant and Chief of Staff.

BALLINGER NEGRO HELD AT ANGELO

San Angelo has the distinction of harboring in the county jail the first alleged negro forger, who, so far as is known here, has ever been arrested in West Texas on that charge. And he almost got away with it to the tune of \$13, realized chiefly in whiskey, beer and groceries. The groceries were recovered but Bob Harper is out the price of the liquor in the transaction.

On Tuesday a negro from Ballinger, giving his name as A. T. Thompson, entered the wholesale liquor house of Bob Harper and purchased two quarts of whiskey and five bottles of beer, tendering in payment a check for \$5.15, payable to Will Johnson and signed C. H. Kelly. When asked who Kelly was, he referred to the restaurant man, whose initials, however, are C. R.

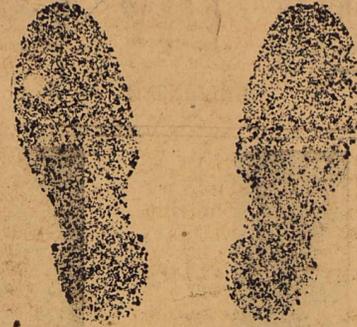
On Wednesday morning another negro, who accompanied Thompson, ordered a supply of liquor at Sam Grayson's bar and offered in payment a check for \$7.85 signed by C. H. Kelly and payable to Henry Scott. Grayson, however, did not bite and he found the initials did not tally with the man's story. He turned down the check and notified Deputy DeSpain. In the mean time, Thompson, not satisfied with the bungling work of his companion, obtained a bill of goods to that amount at the grocery store of August Paul on Chadbourn, who accepted the check. The smaller negro who accompanied him was about this time seen passing Grayson's saloon and he was called in and detained. Deputy DeSpain lost no time in gathering necessary information and two hours later landed his man, Thompson being disguised in a new hat and minus his mustache. The negro was captured between First and Second streets while on his way to the Santa Fe station to catch the train. He and his friend, whom he had met in Ballinger and whom he encountered upon his arrival in San Angelo, were placed in jail.

The smaller negro is not believed to have had knowledge of the worthlessness of the check. The liquor had been consumed, but the groceries were all recovered. Both men are being retained, awaiting the result of the examining trial.

A Cough Remedy That Relieves.

It's prepared from the healing Pine Balsam, Tar and Honey—all mixed in pleasant, soothing Cough Syrup called Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Thousands have benefited by its use—no need of your enduring that annoying Cough or risking a dangerous cold. Go to your dealer, ask for a 25c original bottle Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey, start using at once and get rid of your Cough and Cold.

Clyde Cockrell of Amarillo, came in Saturday night to join his wife and children on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cockrell, and family, of West End. It has been ten years since he left Ballinger and the changes are so many he says he can hardly recognize any of the old landmarks.



Before any product leaves our hands it must toe the mark. In this way we have built up a reputation which keeps our refineries busy supplying Texaco products all over the world.

In Africa, Australia, India, Europe, South America, the success of Texaco petroleum products has been evidenced by the constantly increasing volume of business.

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The Texas Company
General Offices, Houston Texas

No. 46




TAYLOR COUNTY HAS 30 CENT ROAD TAX

ABILENE, July 16.—Before it adjourned Tuesday afternoon, the commissioners' court set the tax rate for Taylor county for the year at 56 1-2 cents, an increase of fifteen cents over last year.

The general tax was placed at 18 cents, the courthouse bond rate at 8 1-2 cents and the county road tax at 30 cents on the hundred dollars.

The county road tax was doubled, being raised from 15 cents to 30 cents. It was the unanimous opinion of the commissioners that this step was necessary in view of the increasing importance of maintaining the country's high ways to retain standard of excellence. The new rate will produce \$18,000 a year in the Abilene precinct No. 1, \$9,000 in Precinct No. 2, \$4,000 in Precinct 3 and \$5,000 in Precinct No. 4.

If the bond elections to be held soon in Precincts Nos. 2 and 3 carry, the extra 15 cent road tax can be used to create an interest and sinking fund on the bonds, stated Judge Overshiner. That is to say that the Merkel and Buffalo Gap precincts can use their extra fifteen cents for this purpose.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly

The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

CUTTING COTTON BY THE ACRE.

R. L. Wylie, of the Mud creek country, was marketing melons in Ballinger Thursday. He was selling melons from seed for which he paid \$1 per pound. Mr. Wylie stated that the rabbits were destroying his cotton. In a patch of four acres he stated that the rabbits had destroyed one acre and a-half. Efforts had been made to poison them.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Dr. H. H. Fletcher*

A. J. Byers, of the Benoit country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday and renewed with the Banner-Ledger.

FREAKS OF NATURE PICTURED HERE

First comes E. Buchwald with the photograph of a mother dog at the F. Andrae home west of Winters that has adopted a pig and the photo shows the pig in the act of joining pups of the family in getting his warm dinner in the way that nature provided for pigs of his young days. The pig knows no other mother but joins the little dogs of the family in following the mother dog around the place as if she were really his mother.

But now comes our friend T. P. Allman of Wingate, with the report of a turkey gobbler on his place who is indeed keeping up the reputation of every living creature in the Winters country for doing good as it comes their way. This old tom found himself a nest containing 34 guinea eggs that seemed deprived of an owner. Fearing that when the little guineas decided to take on active life they might appreciate a least one parent, the gobbler at once adopted the nest as his own. When Mr. Allman reported the case the turkey of the male persuasion had been industriously setting on the eggs for three weeks. As another week was required he seemed content to bide his time and await results.

When he becomes the happy parent of the brood of noisy fowls the Enterprise wants his picture and if he is successful in bringing up to maturity even a small per cent of them we shall move that his head be spared when it comes to selecting the bird to adorn the Thanksgiving or Christmas table.—Winters Enterprise.

POWER PLANT BUYS AUTO.

The Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., have a Ford runabout and are having it equipped with body suitable for delivery and line work in connection with their power and light plant. The old black horse that has been on the job so long will be placed on the retired list and given a pension.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

OIL DRILLING IS TEMPORARY STOPPED

L. M. Chriswell, chief driller on the Brookshire oil well, was in Ballinger Friday morning, returning to Talpa on the morning train. Drilling has been suspended in the Brookshire well awaiting the arrival of casing.

Mr. Chriswell stated that prospects for bringing in a good well were all that they could wish for, and that as soon as the casing arrived the drilling would be resumed.

TRESSPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trespass on my ranch on the Concho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSEY,
Concho county, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Davis and baby, of Dallas, came in Sunday in their auto and are the guests of Mrs. Davis' cousin, Will Dunlap, and family. Mr. Davis is the contractor for the Ballinger compress now being erected in our city.

Ballinger W. O. W. Camp
No. 157
Meets every Friday night. Remember the date and attend if possible. Visitors cordially invited
J. F. Lusk, Clerk.

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

FATHERS AND MOTHERS' BANK

THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS

Ballinger Dry Goods Co. "Quality First"

BALLINGER TEXAS

MID SUMMER

CLEARANCE

Begins Saturday July 24

In order to move all summer goods in quick order we are to share in some of the best bargains you

- Big lot 25c and 50c Ratines, the yard **10c**
- 25c French Silk Gingham the yard **15c**
- Genuine Pepperell Sheet-ing, 9-4 21c, 10-4 **23c**
- Percals, 15c quality 12c; 10c quality the yard, **8 1-2c**
- Domestic, Hope and Gold Bond, 14 yards for **\$1.00**
- Chevoits, Ten cent quality Clearance Sale Price **8 1-2c**
- Calicos will be sold during this Clearance sale at **4c**
- Women's White Canvas shoes, up to \$4.00 **\$1.00**

- Warner Bros., "Rust Proof" Corsets**
- \$5.00 corsets, clearance price \$3.75
 - \$3.00 corsets, clearance price \$2.40
 - \$2.00 corsets, clearance price \$1.60
 - \$1.50 corsets, clearance price \$1.23
 - \$1.00 corsets, clearance price 89c
 - 50c corsets, clearance price 39c
 - Odd lot corsets, values \$1.00 to \$3.00, clearance price 50c
- Brassieres**
- 75c brassieres, clearance price 55c
 - 50c brassieres, clearance price 43c
- Table Linen**
- \$1.75 table linen, the yard \$1.43
 - \$1.50 table linen, the yard \$1.22
 - \$1.25 table linen, the yard \$1.05
 - \$1.00 table linen, the yard 85c
 - 75c table linen, the yard 55c
 - 50c table linen, the yard 43c
 - 35c table linen, the yard 27c
- Ladies' Gloves**
- \$1.50 gloves, clearance sale \$1.20
 - \$1.25 gloves, clearance sale \$1.05
 - \$1.00 gloves, clearance sale 85c
 - 50c gloves, clearance sale 43c
 - 25c gloves, clearance sale 21c
- Ladies' Purses**
- \$5.00 purses, clearance sale \$4.15
 - \$3.50 purses, clearance sale \$2.85
 - \$3.00 purses, clearance sale \$2.35
 - \$2.50 purses, clearance sale \$1.90
 - \$2.00 purses, clearance sale \$1.58
 - \$1.50 purses, clearance sale \$1.20
 - \$1.25 purses, clearance sale 98c
 - \$1.00 purses, clearance sale 85c
 - 75c purses, clearance sale 48c

- Dress Goods**
- \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.20
 - \$1.25 values, clearance sale 98c
 - \$1.00 values, clearance sale 83c
 - 75c values, clearance sale 55c
 - 50c values, clearance sale 39c
 - 35c values, clearance sale 27c
 - 25c values, clearance sale 19c
 - 20c values, clearance sale 16c
 - 15c values, clearance sale 12c
 - 10c values, clearance sale 8 1-2c
- Ladies' Hose**
- \$1.50 silk hose, clearance sale \$1.20
 - \$1.00 silk hose, clearance sale 89c
 - 75c hose, clearance sale 67c
 - 50c hose, clearance sale 43c
 - 35c hose, clearance sale 27c
 - 25c hose, clearance sale 21c
 - 15c hose, clearance sale 11c
 - 10c hose, clearance sale 7c
- Embroideries and Laces**
- 5c values, clearance sale 4c
 - 7 1-2c values, clearance sale 5c
 - 8 1-2c values, clearance sale 6c
 - 10c values, clearance sale 7c
 - 12 1-2c values, clearance sale 9c
 - 15c values, clearance sale 11c
 - 20c values, clearance sale 14c
 - 25c values, clearance sale 19c
 - 50c values, clearance sale 35c
 - 75c values, clearance sale 55c
 - \$1.00 values, clearance sale 79c
 - \$1.50 values, clearance sale \$1.15

- 2000 yards new 10c Gingham, yard**
- Trunks Trunks Trunks**
- \$45.00 wardrobe trunk \$25.00
 - \$35.00 Indestructo, slightly damaged \$21.00
 - \$30.00 Indestructo \$26.00
 - \$15.00 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$11.95
 - \$12.50 trunks and suits cases Clearance sale \$9.85
 - \$10.00 trunks and suit cases, Clearance sale \$8.25
 - \$8.50 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$7.15
 - \$6.50 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$5.35
 - \$5.00 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$3.98
 - \$4.00 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$3.25
 - \$3.50 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$2.85
 - \$3.00 trunks and suit cases Clearance sale \$2.40
 - \$2.50 trunks and suit cases
- Trunks Trunks**
- Clearance sale \$2.00 trunks
 - Clearance sale \$1.75 trunks
 - Clearance sale \$1.50 trunks
 - Clearance sale \$1.25 trunks
 - Clearance sale
- Men's**
- \$2.50 shirts, sale
 - \$1.50 shirts, sale
 - \$1.25 shirts, sale
 - \$1.00 shirts, sale
 - 75c shirts, sale
 - 50c shirts, sale
- Mens' ar**
- \$1.00 caps, sale
 - 75c caps, sale
 - 50c caps, sale
 - 35c caps, sale

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SUMMER PRICE SALE

Ballinger Dry Goods Co. "Quality First"

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Closes Monday August 2

... making most radical price reductions. Come prepared
... ever saw. You will not be disappointed.

opening day only, the

5c

Trunks
 Sale . . . \$1.98
 and suit cases
 Sale . . . \$1.59
 and suit cases
 Sale . . . \$1.43
 and suit cases
 Sale . . . \$1.23
 and suit cases
 Sale . . . 98c

Shirts
 Sale price . . . \$1.55
 Sale price . . . \$1.20
 Sale price . . . 95c
 Sale price . . . 85c
 Sale price . . . 55c
 Sale price . . . 43c

Boy's Caps
 Sale price . . . 75c
 Sale price . . . 48c
 Sale price . . . 35c
 Sale price . . . 25c

Mens' Hats
 \$7.50 Stetson hats . . . \$5.75
 \$6.00 Stetson hats . . . \$4.50
 \$5.00 Stetson hats . . . \$3.85
 \$4.00 Stetson hats . . . \$3.40
 \$3.50 Hats, sale price . . . \$2.85
 \$3.00 Hats, sale price . . . \$2.35

Mens' Gloves
 \$1.75 gloves, sale price . . . \$1.45
 \$1.50 gloves, sale price . . . \$1.20
 \$1.25 gloves, sale price . . . 99c
 \$1.00 gloves, sale price . . . 85c
 75c gloves, sale price . . . 55c
 50c gloves, sale price . . . 43c

Special Lot Shirts
 One lot of shirts values up
 to \$1.50; all sizes . . . 35c

No Goods Charged at Sale Prices.

... of Selling. We Welcome You. Come.

Mens' and Boy's Clothing

\$25.00 Suits Clearance sale \$16.50
 \$20.00 Suits Clearance sale \$13.50
 \$17.50 Suits Clearance sale \$11.85
 \$15.00 Suits Clearance sale \$10.00

Palm Beach Suits
 \$10.00 and \$8.50 suits . . . \$5.85
 \$7.50 suits Clearance sale . . . \$5.25
 \$5.00 suits Clearance sale . . . \$3.15
 \$4.00 suits, Clearance sale . . . \$2.50

Palm Beach Pants
 \$3.50 values, Clearance sale . . . \$2.55

Boy's Pants
 \$2.50 pants, Clearance sale . . . \$1.75
 \$2.00 pants, Clearance sale . . . \$1.45
 \$1.50 pants, Clearance sale . . . \$1.20
 \$1.25 pants, Clearance sale . . . 95c
 \$1.00 pants Clearance sale . . . 79c

Children's Low Shoes
 \$2.50 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.95
 \$2.25 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.70
 \$2.00 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.55
 \$1.75 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.40
 \$1.50 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.23
 \$1.25 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.05
 \$1.00 Shoes Clearance sale 85c

One lot women's shoes, odds and
 ends; values up to \$4.00; a pair 50c
 One lot ladies' shoes values up to
 \$4.00, a pair . . . \$1.45
 Good Styles All Sizes

Special
 All women's can-
 vass oxfords, values
 up to \$4.00 going at
 pair . . . \$1.00
 Children's white
 canvas oxfords, up
 to \$2.50, pair . . . 50c

Boy's Suits
 \$12.50 suits, Clearance sale \$7.95
 \$10.00 suits, Clearance sale \$6.65
 \$7.50 suits, Clearance sale \$5.00
 \$6.00 suits, Clearance sale \$4.00
 \$5.00 suits, Clearance sale \$3.75

Buy now and make this big sav-
 ing on your boy's school suits.

Men's Pants
 \$6.50 pants, Clearance sale \$5.35
 \$5.00 pants, Clearance sale \$3.75
 \$4.00 pants, Clearance sale \$3.15
 \$3.50 pants, Clearance sale \$2.65
 \$3.00 pants, Clearance sale \$2.20
 \$2.50 pants, Clearance sale \$1.95
 \$2.00 pants, Clearance sale \$1.40
 One lot men's pants values up to
 \$4.00, a pair \$1.00

Men's Low Shoes
 \$6.50 Strong & Garfield shoes \$5.25
 \$5.00 Regal shoes \$3.95
 \$4.50 Regal shoes \$3.75
 \$4.00 Regal shoes \$3.20
 \$3.50 Regal shoes \$2.85

Women's Low Shoes
 \$4.50 Red Cross shoes \$3.60
 \$4.00 Red Cross shoes \$3.20
 \$3.50 Red Cross shoes \$2.85
 \$3.00 Shoes Clearance sale \$2.35
 \$2.50 Shoes Clearance sale \$1.85



Four Pair Ten Cent Sox
 during Clearance sale
25c

Tough Nut Overalls, dur-
ing Clearance sale
89c

All 25c Underwear, dur-
ing Clearance Sale
19c

\$1.50 Suits, Cases Sale
Price
\$1.15

One lot Men's Shoes \$4
to \$6 values
\$1.95

One lot Men's Shirts, val-
ues up to \$1.50
35c

Men's \$3.00 Straw Hats,
during Clearance Sale
\$1.50

\$15.00 All Wool Suits
during Clearance Sale
\$10.00

LEACH AUTO WORKS

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS

Bears the Signature of

Chas. H. Fletcher

The Kind You Have Always Bought

In Use For Over 30 Years

THE CENTURY COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

FARMERS GOING TO COLLEGE STATION

Demonstrator McLelland is busy working up an excursion to College Station, where at the A. and M. a short course will be given to the farmers. A very low rate has been arranged for Ballinger and Mr. McLelland stated that he was hopeful of a large crowd. Quite a number filed their names and will leave here next Sunday afternoon.

Aside from the great benefits to be derived from attending the mid-summer short course in agriculture training the visitors to College Station will be entertained in many ways and the trip will be profitable from a pleasure standpoint.

Information from College Station received daily by McLelland keeps him posted as to plans, and he is enthusiastic over the preparations being made to take care of the farmers and give the greatest short course training ever held at the A. and M. College.

Diarrhoea Quickly Cured.
"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted for over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Obtainable everywhere.

W. A. Banowsky of the old Runnels county, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year.

PETITIONS WILSON TO END THE WAR

Gus Storm is circulating a petition, which it is proposed to present to President Wilson and his government asking the United States to stop the shipment of arms and ammunition to Europe.

The petition points out, among other things, that American manufactured ammunition is killing people in Europe and the supply of American made ammunition is responsible for the continuance of war.

The petition is being signed by those who are in sympathy with the move, while many say that it can accomplish nothing, and declined to join in the request with the excuse "I am neutral."

Tired, aching Muscles Relieved.

Hard work, over-exertion, mean stiff, sore muscles, Sloan's Liniment, lightly applied, a little quite, and your soreness disappears like magic. "Nothing ever helped like your Sloan's Liniment. I can never thank you enough," writes one grateful user. Stops suffering, aches and pains. An excellent counter-irritant, better and cleaner than mustard. All druggists, 25¢. Get a bottle today. Penetrates without rubbing.

J. R. Carleton of Maverick, and W. G. Chapman of South Ballinger, were among the number in Ballinger on business Saturday and each renewed with the Banner-Ledger for the ensuing year.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50¢.

IN BAKING BREAD

be sure and use our "Made in Ballinger" Missouri Mill Co. Flour. The result will produce a smile of satisfaction from any wife or husband. But the eating is what calls forth joyous exclamations of surprise. Our flour gives it the taste and quality.

Missouri Milling Co.

ALL TOGETHER AGAIN

and ready for the test. This we insist on before any auto repair job passes out of our hands. We must satisfy ourselves beyond question that everything is O. K. Then we call you in for final approval. We abide by your decision.

Leach Auto Works

LADY MEETS TRAGIC DEATH WHILE ENTERTAINING A FORMER BALLINGER LADY

(Temple Telegram)
While gathering flowers for an entertainment to be given at her home yesterday morning, Mrs. Luther Talley, 703 North First street, met almost instant death when she fell upon the blunt blade of the scissors which she was using on the lawn. Life was extinct within two minutes after the prong of the shears had penetrated her side, severing one of the large arteries of the heart.

Mrs. Talley at about 6 o'clock in the morning was gathering daisies to be used for decorative purposes in her home on the occasion of an entertainment to be given yesterday morning in honor of Miss Ruth Grundy of Abilene. A cry from Mrs. Talley's small six-months-old child in the house caused her to stop gathering the beautiful flowers and run towards the porch. A lawn mower in her path was the cause of her falling to the ground. She fell upon the scissors she carried as she answered the cry of her baby, one of the blades penetrating her left side into the region of the heart. Death resulted within two minutes after the accident occurred.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock, Rev. B. A. Hodges, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church officiating, assisted by Rev. S. E. Tull, pastor of First Baptist church.

Edythe Grundy Talley

(By Narnie Harrison Bell.)
The city of Temple was inexpressibly soaked yesterday morning by the swift and sudden death of Mrs. Luther Talley, at her home, 703 North First street, at about 6 o'clock. All death has its pathos, often its tragedy, but this strange passing of a young, happy, beloved woman is shrouded in the deepest shadows of human experience.

On the day before, Mrs. Talley had invited about 50 maids and matrons to a morning party, honoring her guest and cousin, Miss Ruth Grundy of Abilene. The house had been put in readiness for their reception, even the tables set in waiting. Mr. and Mrs. Talley and Miss Grundy were on the lawn, the two ladies cutting flowers for the house when the fatal accident occurred. Mrs. Talley holding a large pair of lawn scissors,

clipping an armful of daisies, heard her baby cry and started to the house. Stumbling over the lawn mower in her path and falling against the scissors, the blunt prong was buried in her breast, severing one of the heart's arteries and causing almost instant death. Mrs. Talley and Scott were summoned but all was over before they reached the house.

So passed Edythe Grundy Talley out of the sunlight of a happy morning with flowers, laughter and song about her, into the still and dark unseen.

Her husband lifting her in his arms, bearing her to the house, heard her last whisper, "Sweet-heart I am gone," and saw her last smile of loving farewell.

Neighbors and friends gathered in the home and stood stunned by the surprise. No one can picture a more tragic scene than the young woman, stricken without one word of warning, with all the symbols of youth and joy about her, with the baby cooing and calling—and dark Death standing suddenly on the threshold wreathed with flowers.

Edythe Grundy Talley was born in Temple, later making her home in Galveston with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Grundy, to whom the sad news was wired at once. In January, 1914, she was married to Luther Talley, a member of one of the oldest and largest families in Bell county and their little daughter, Bess Ellen, six months old, must learn later the meaning of that sad word—motherless. Mrs. Talley was 27 years old on June 17, and the radiance of her sunny, child-like nature brightened the ways she went. Delicately reared and nurtured, shielded her whole life from sorrows, cares, responsibilities, she left this world having walked along only the sunny slopes of it. She was merry, generous, care-free child, loving and beloved by all who knew her for the free open friendship she gave so heartily.

J. H. Grundy, of this city, is the grandfather of Mrs. Talley, and Mrs. Ed Futch, is an aunt of the unfortunate lady. The news of the death came as a great shock to the Ballinger relatives. The friends of the bereaved relatives sympathize with them in their sorrow.

SCHOOL BOARD MAY POSTPONE BUILDING

The school board of the Ballinger Independent District will meet tomorrow to pass on bids for the remodeling the Central school building, and to determine definitely whether to push the work now, or defer it until after the next term.

It has been hinted that the board will not be able to accept any of the bids on account of the figures being in excess of what the board has to spend on the job. It seems that some of the contractors have the idea that the entire bond issue of \$8,000 is to be expended on the one job. Part of the money is to be used in equipping the building with a heating plant, and other improvements must be made to make the buildings what they should be.

It has also been suggested that the time is too short in which to complete the work, and rather than delay the school term it is possible that the work will be postponed until after the 1915-16 term.

However, whether the work is carried on now or not, it is probable that the board will float the bonds and place the money on deposit where it will be earning a greater interest than that paid on the bonds. The whole matter will be settled at a board meeting to be held tomorrow.

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. 25¢.

Mrs. Mat Fox of Talpa, who had been visiting relatives near Pony creek, left for her home Saturday afternoon and was accompanied by Miss Biddie Fox who will visit with her relatives a week or two.

PORT ARTHUR MAN FINDS GOOD HEALTH

Sufferer is Restored and Makes Remarkable Gain in Weight on Few Doses.

J. F. Stoneburner of Port Arthur, Texas, suffered from stomach ailments for a long time. He fell off in weight and took treatment without apparent benefit. He tried physician after physician until he almost lost hope.

He at last took Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, then wrote:

"I have taken all of your wonderful stomach remedy and got good results from it. I have gained in weight since starting on your remedy—twenty-one pounds so far. I was under the care of five doctors for about six months before I got your medicine. I am entirely well now."

Mayr's Wonderful Remedy gives permanent results for stomach, liver and intestinal ailments. Eat as much and whatever you like. No more distress after eating, pressure of gas in the stomach and around the heart. Get one bottle of your druggist now and try it on an absolute guarantee—if not satisfactory money will be refunded.

Sam Reese of the Benoit country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday and says everything is in good shape in his neighborhood, but the rabbits are playing havoc with the cotton crop. He is using poison on roasting ears to try and exterminate them but unless all neighbors do the same it will not do much good.

Go to Winters Saddle and Harness Shop for anything in leather goods. Shoe work and general repairing. O. W. Jolly, Mgr. 10-tfw

GALOMEL SICKENS! IT'S HORRIBLE! DON'T STAY BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED

I guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone will give you the best Liver and Bowel cleansing you ever had.

Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious; feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and bowels regular. You will feel like working. You will be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells

you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you get your money back. Children glad to take Dodson's Liver Tone because it doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist about me.

HERE TO OPEN NEW STORE

A man by the name of Rosenberg, of Taylor, has rented what is known as the Katy building on Eighth Street and will open a dry goods store in same at an early date. J. C. Harber of Mason, arrived Monday and will have charge of the new business.

Chickens, eggs, and produce wanted at Central Hotel. Top prices paid.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

John Pollock, the boss saddle maker at H. L. Wendorf's, was celebrating his 50th birthday Saturday and will take a few days vacation before the rush fall season begins.

Roger Cox and Robert Daniels of Temple, former Ballinger boys, came in Sunday to visit friends a few days.

...The...
Farmers Union Warehouse Company
Wishes to thank the Farmers and Business Men of Country for their kind and liberal patronage and hope we may continue to receive the same.
J. P. BOOTH, Mgr.

BUY OUR
'Peerless' Binder Twine
"The Best By Test"
As good as the best, as cheap as the cheapest.
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Two 200 ton Crown Silos, must be sold at bargain prices quick.
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Runnels County Pecan Nursery
Have you a home in town? Put out a few choice pecan trees. Giving you a beautiful shade as well as a supply of valuable nuts. Do you own a farm? You should be able to find a number of places where the pecans would thrive. The head of a draw, a low place on your land. Any spot which receives a good wetting from an ordinary rain will answer. A few dollars invested in choice pecans now will in a few years yield an abundant return on your outlay.
Orders booked now for fall delivery.
S. B. HOWARD

CONSTIPATION.

Its Cause and How to Cure it.

Eat too much,
Stomach feels bloated,
All out of sorts,
Don't feel like work to-day. Guess
I've another case of biliousness.

"Take anything?"
"Yes; some pills, but no results; suppose I'm getting ironical. Sometimes I double the dose, then they physic me so hard I'm too weak to work. Think I'll have to try something new."

"Ever try Prickly Ash Bitters?"
"No; I've heard a good deal about it, but never tried it."
"Well, you'll be pleased with the results."

The purgative action of Prickly Ash Bitters not only removes hard impactions, gas and impurities, but it strengthens the muscular action of the bowels which causes them to move regularly.

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D. M. Blackwelder, of Elmhurst, Ill., says in the *Chicago News*: "I am perfectly willing, in fact glad to testify to the value of Prickly Ash Bitters as a medicine for the kidneys, stomach and bowels. I have used it whenever I needed anything of the kind for the last fifteen years and it has always given satisfaction."

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label.

Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

J. H. Lindle and sister, Miss Ora, of Route No. 2 out of Miles, were passengers on the East bound Santa Fe last Sunday afternoon. They were en route to Ennis and other points East, where they will visit for several weeks.

T. M. Osteen and L. E. Bair will sell you goods at lowest figures and will treat you right. CASH GROCERY CO. Itdw

Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Waters.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Anton Mika, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1915 file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate 5 cubic feet of water per second of time, for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas, to be diverted from the Colorado River by means of a pumping plant located on the Adam Eisenberg Survey No. 410 and on the south bank of the Colorado River about seven miles in a westerly direction from the City of Ballinger.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are described as follows, to-wit: 150 acres out of the North end of the Johann Meinicke Survey No. 411, abstract No. 308, beginning at a point about 1800 varas North 50 East of Southwest corner Johann Meinicke Survey No. 411; Thence East about 1000 varas; Thence North 30 East about 500 varas; Thence North 10 West about 1200 varas; Thence South 30 West about 2000 varas to the place of beginning, containing 150 acres, and situated in Rannels County, Texas.

A hearing on said application of the said Anton Mika will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 6th day of August, A. D. 1915, beginning at 10:00 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 virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board, in Austin, Texas, this the 14th day of July, A. D. 1915.

J. C. NAGLE,
E. B. GORE
JOHN WILSON
Board.

Attest:
(Seal)
22-4tw

W. T. POTTER
Secretary.

NEW ONE ARRIVES IN CITY
Walter Boswell Jr., arrived Tuesday, July 20th, being visited at the sanitarium for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boswell of the Pony country. All concerned are doing well.

WARSAW TO FALL WITHIN FORTNIGHT

BERLIN, July 21.—The fall of Warsaw will come within fortnight is freely predicted by German war office. It is reported that the Russians have arranged to evacuate the city as soon as the Germans succeed in battering down the outer defenses, which is being rapidly accomplished by the Germans.

The German kaiser, accompanied by his wife are expecting to triumphantly enter the city as the Russians are driven out by the Austro-German army.

The citizens of Berlin are rejoicing over the successive victories reported here from the front and are optimistic for early peace as result of successful campaign on Russian front.

PARIS, July 21.—The French attacked Conflans in an air raid in which thirty-one aircrafts participated. The city was bombarded and the locomotive shops and other property set on fire.

LONDON, July 21.—The miners committee today ratified the plans of agreement made with mine operators for settling the strike in South Wales. This brings to a close a strike that threatened to cripple the British in the great European war.

ITALIANS EXPECTS VICTORY

ROME, July 21.—The Italians are advancing with great success in Southern Austria and the war office today issued a statement in which the early capitulation of Goritz, an Austrian stronghold, is predicted.

VIENNA, July 19.—The Italians lost one of their best cruisers yesterday when the vessel was attacked and torpedoed by an Austrian submarine near Ragusa. The Italian cruiser sank in fifteen minutes after the torpedoes struck it.

PARIS, July 19.—In forming a new offensive on Warsaw, it is the opinion of the French, that the Germans intended to drive the Russians from that city and then make strong drive against Calais and Paris.

The Germans no doubt think if they could succeed in such undertaking the war would end soon.

LONDON, July 20.—The daring campaign being waged by the Kaiser against Warsaw, Riga and other places is claimed by the Germans to be the greatest fight against the slavs since the time of Alexander the Great. The kaiser is making his daring campaign with the hopes of crushing the Russians in the Warsaw stronghold. Two million Germans are engaged in the campaign.

French Make Air Attack.
Paris, July 20.—A big air attack has been made on Colmar and Challerang by French aviators. Much damage resulted from aircraft bombs.

German Taubes Destroyed.
London, July 20.—Four German taubes have been destroyed off the Thames by the English.

Coal Mine Strike Settled.
London, July 20.—The great South Wales coal mine strike has been settled and the 120,000 strikers are returning to the mines.

BERLIN, July 20.—The Austro-Germans in their great thousand mile drive in an attempt to squeeze the Russians out of Warsaw are moving amazingly speedily. The Berlin war office claim successful victories at several points.

ADMITS SOME RETREATS.

Petrograd, July 20.—The Russian war office admits that their forces have retreated at several points within the last few days, but claims that important positions are being held with strong defense against the Austro-German army.

The Cash Grocery Co., is bidding strongly for your trade. Give them a trial, you will not regret it. 21-Itdw

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route to the Bethel neighborhood to visit a few days.

Miss Poor of Miles, passed thru Ballinger Wednesday en route home from a visit to friends at Winters and Abilene.

U. S. Warns Germany Not to Do it Again

By United Press

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The United States government has made its reply to the recent German note, and the note was forwarded to Germany last night. It will not be made public in full in this country until it is delivered to the imperial government, which will be Saturday.

The note in substance makes plain the feeling of the United States in the Lusitania matter, and the kaiser is notified by the contents of the note that this government will consider unfriendly the sinking of another vessel carrying American citizens, and a repetition of the Lusitania case will result in a diplomatic break.

RUSSIANS ARE PLANNING TO DESTROY WARSAW, REPORTED BY GERMANS

By United Press

BERLIN, July 22.—It is reported here that Warsaw will be destroyed by the Russians before it falls into the hands of the Austro-German army. The Russians are planning to torch the city in such a manner as to wipe

it from the face of the earth as did Napoleon at Moscow, rather than surrender it to the Germans intact.

The Russians are retreating around Riga and elsewhere and are burning bridges and destroying property and confiscating crops as they retreat.

ELBERTAS ON MARKET NOW

Urbane Lowery brought in yesterday, what was said to be the first Elberta peaches of the season. The peaches were from the farm of W. A. Taylor, of South Ballinger. Over 100 bushels of these fine variety "firestones" are ripe in the Taylor orchards, and all hands are busy picking and selling.

Our goods are all new and our prices light. Cash Grocery Co., under opera house. Itdw

CHAMPION TOMATO.

Chickasha, Okla., July 21.—Duvall Burke has produced the champion tomato in his home garden patch. It is 13 inches in circumference and weighs more than a pound.

A. J. Voelkel returned home Tuesday afternoon from a visit to Glascock county and was accompanied by N. K. Freeman, G. Schumann and M. Feist, of Rowena. They made the trip in Mr. Freeman's auto and the latter gentlemen had been to Glascock on a short business trip.

CITY IMPROVEMENT ITEMS

B. F. Corum is busy repapering the home of T. L. Harper on 9th street. The house will probably be repainted also.

Sam Baker will have his home on 12th Street repainted and otherwise improved in the next few days.

Maxie Phillips has been putting in new window panes in the Court House cupola, replacing those broken. This will make the tower pigeon proof.

Work of repainting the Jno. Hopkinson place, on 400 Eleventh Street will commence soon.

Local lumbermen say farmers are busy building new barns, new granaries, and silos. One rural resident built his grain warehouse big enough to hold twice as much grain he calculated on, but now has to sell some oats to make room for his enormous small grain yield.

A. J. Garner, of Cameron, who had been looking after his farm in Rannels county, left Tuesday afternoon for his home. He was the guest of his friend Jim Cordell, while in Ballinger.

RURAL TELEPHONE CONTROVERSY FIGURES SUBMITTED

Editor Banner-Ledger:

In a recent issue of your paper an article published over the signature of S. L. Eason, advising the Business League of Ballinger to investigate the telephone situation in Wingate and surrounding territory, there appeared an assertion that 80 per cent of the telephone users had direct connection with Ballinger. To this assertion I wish to submit you the following figures on the actual connection which Wingate, Shep, Wilmet, Crews, Pumphrey and other rural points have. All the above mentioned places are a part of the Ballinger trade territory. And the West Texas Telephone Co. owns and operates only one line into Wingate. This line is used as a local free service to subscribers of the system now controlled by Mr. Eason to Winters. This system has a subscription of seventy-nine.

The exchanges mentioned below have a subscription to date as follows:
Wingate Independent Ex. 1198
Hylton and Shep Exchange 139
Wilmet Exchange 53
Crews Exchange 59
Winters, (which embraces Pumphrey, Drasco, Franklyn and other rural points) 187
Total 2336
Of this number there are fifty-one subscribers which have connection by duplication, or paying rent on two phones.

At least four-fifths of the subscribers mentioned, are farmers, and have no connection with your city. Many of these people would have to travel as far as five miles in order to get connection with you. Notwithstanding the fact they have a telephone in their home with a clear line connecting with the West Texas Telephone Co.'s board at Ballinger.

As Mr. Eason suggested an investigation into the matter, the management of each of the Independent Telephone Exchanges are prepared to make affidavit to the correctness of the number of subscribers, and court an investigation.

For your information we give below the names of a few substantial citizens who are familiar with the facts in the matter and would thank any one interested to take the matter up with them.

W. G. Allen, Wingate; J. P. Self, Wingate; R. F. D.; E. J. Gunn, Wingate; J. W. Cethey, Wingate; J. D. Dunn & Son, Wingate; A. P. Bell, Winters; R. E. D. W. M. Pumphrey, Wingate; H. T. Gleastine & Co., Hylton; W. A. Pace Wingate; J. A. Grimes, Wingate; Will Puckett, Wingate; Rev. L. Overman, Wingate; J. D. Dixon, M. D. Wingate; D. N. Self, Shep; J. J. Cave, Hylton;

Yours truly,
J. A. SUGGS,
L. H. SUGGS.



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Ballinger, Texas

BALLINGER GIRL HONOR GUEST IN HOUSTON.

Miss Anne Van Doren, who has spent the last week with Miss Anna Shaw, leaves tonight for her home at Ballinger. Miss Van Doren has made many friends during her short stay in Houston and has been the recipient of many social courtesies, terminating Sunday in a party of six going to Galveston for the pleasures of the surf bathing and dinner at the Galvez, the young men of the party acting hosts. Those in the party included: Misses Anne Van Doren, Anna Shaw, Nora Falk, and Messrs. T. F. Jones, Fay McCarthy and Mid Catehbertson.—Houston Chronicle.

The boys at Cash Grocery Co., under Opera House, know how to treat their customers and they will do it. Try them. Itdw

D. W. Payne and Rous: Jeanes of the Valley creek country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Davis, of the Winters country, who had been visiting J. M. Nichols and family and W. J. Davis and family, of the Bethel neighborhood passed through Ballinger Wednesday at noon en route home.

E. B. Walker and L. M. Bales, of the Hatchel country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hightower and children, of the Winters country, were shopping in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mrs. A. D. Garrett and little daughter of Brownwood, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Scott the past week, left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo to visit relatives a few days before returning home.

Mrs. George Holliday and Miss Mae Holliday of Hatchel, were shopping in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlow, of Concho were shopping in Ballinger Wednesday and report a pretty good rain about three miles wide in the Puyoy creek country Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morris left Tuesday afternoon for Bowie, Texas, where they will make their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Young and baby, of Killeen, who had been visiting relatives in the Winters country, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home.

Bob Beard and S. E. Roe left Tuesday afternoon for Canyon, Texas, to spend a few weeks with friends.

Miss Cathron Bass and brother, John, of Norton country, left from this point Tuesday afternoon for Cooleidge, Texas to visit relatives a few weeks.

Mrs. G. H. Hays, of the Watball neighborhood, was shopping in Ballinger Wednesday.

J. L. Lee, of the Norton country, was in the City Wednesday had just returned from a visit to Gatesville, Comanche and other points in that section and says Rannels County is far ahead of that section as to crop conditions. Mr. Lee has finished threshing his oats, but says he will hold for better prices.

Attorney F. T. Neal and family came in from Eldorado first of the week and are now comfortably located in the M. E. parsonage and will make Ballinger their future home. Mr. Neal will be associated with R. S. Griggs in the practice of law.

David Holliday of Hatchel had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

MOURNED FOR DEAD, MAN RETURNS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 20.—A man believed to have been murdered and identified in the morgue by relatives as their kin, returned today to his awe-stricken family. The man is Frank King. He was supposedly murdered Aug. 22, near Lake station. Nich Gorgian was arrested for the murder and on Dec. 5, 1914, was sentenced to twenty-five years' imprisonment.

According to attorneys and officials, the fact that King has returned will make no difference in the sentence imposed on Gorgian. The fact that a man was murdered was well established, they said and the circumstantial evidence positively connected Gorgian with the crime. Gorgian, however, has continually denied his guilt.

King disappeared after becoming discouraged with his home conditions. Fearing arrest for desertion he made no effort to communicate with his family until recently when a letter from a friend gave him his first intimation that he had been "murdered."

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Farmer came in from Higgins, Texas, Wednesday night and will spend several days here with their son, and look after farming interests in this county. Mr. Farmer reports that the grain crop is good up around Higgins, but that all crops are later than in the Ballinger country.

Arthur Reynolds returned to his home at Lampasas Thursday morning. Mr. Reynolds had been here for some time and held a position with the King and Reynolds' threshing. He had the misfortune to get his hand hurt this week.

Andrew and Lonnie Muncie went to Bangs Thursday morning. They will return through the country and bring back a wagon and team belonging to Andrew.

E. J. Goats, of the Tokeen country, was in Ballinger first of the week. Mr. Goats says things are greatly improved over a couple of years ago, and the people are prosperous.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cox and little daughter, of Reizen county, came in Wednesday morning to visit relatives and Rannels county friends.

F. C. Eckart of the Winters country, passed through Ballinger at noon en route home from a visit to relatives in South Texas.

Geo. P. McLelland, Rannels county's farm demonstrator, will leave next Sunday for College Station to attend the farmers' short course. Mr. McLelland will take with him a supply of literature in order to give the people he meets an idea of what Rannels county is doing in diversified farming.

George W. Havenor of Comanche, came in Monday to visit his brother, Rev. J. C. Havenor and has decided to locate in this county another year.

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS?

Do colds settle on your chest or in your bronchial tubes? Do coughs hang on, or are you subject to throat troubles? Such troubles should have immediate treatment with the strengthening powers of Scott's Emulsion to guard against consumption which so easily follows. Scott's Emulsion contains pure cod liver oil which peculiarly strengthens the respiratory tract and improves the quality of the blood; the glycerine in it soothes and heals the tender membranes of the throat. Scott's is prescribed by the best specialists. You can get it at any drug store. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.



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Because it is delicious —
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Papa Wants Baby But Grand Mother Says No

Local officers were called upon Monday of this week to help settle the rights of possession of a year and a half old baby between the father and grandmother of the child. The officers only acted as peace makers in the case and accompanied the father to the home of the grandmother in order to prevent any trouble, and did this at the request of the father of the child.

As the story goes, a mother died leaving a little baby. The baby for some time had been in the hands of its grandmother, who came to Runnels County with a family during the rush last fall, and the family located near Miles. The father living at Cleburne recently married again, and called on the grandmother for his child. The grandmother, and the other relatives with whom she had been living, claimed to be the legal and proper party to watch over the child and care for it and refused to part with the little fellow.

The father arrived in Ballinger from his Cleburne home Monday, and was accompanied by his wife. After making known his mission to the officers he chartered an auto and accompanied the officers, as peace makers, drove out to the home near Miles. Those in charge of the child did not dream of the fond father's real mission, and presuming that it was only a visit to see the child, allowed the father to fondle the little fellow.

After getting possession of the child the father was soon in his auto and speeding towards Ballinger, leaving behind the outwitted and angry relatives. Followed to Ballinger by the relatives and their attorney an attempt was made to recover the baby.

The Cleburne man, it developed, came to Ballinger prepared to put up a legal fight for his child, if it was necessary to gain possession of it, and brought with him an attorney. The father having

gained possession of the baby held the nine points in law, and here was nothing doing for the grandmother of the child, until the court passes on the case. It was finally agreed that the matter be placed in court, and the father returned to Cleburne Tuesday with his baby.

4 1-2 pounds best Pea Berry coffee for \$1.00. CASH GROCERY CO. Itdw

TO THE FARMERS OF RUNNELS COUNTY.

It now begins to look like we will have a chance to try the dry farming method, let me urge each one of you to keep your mulch, keep the pores of the land closed as it were, and there by keep your moisture from escaping thru the pores of the soil, if you will do this you can hold your cotton up for some time and possibly keep it fruiting until the rain comes. We may have rain in due season but stay on the safe side. Use your scratchers, now is the time to get in your work and it will amply pay you to keep on the job. Keep your mulch three or four inches deep and that forces the roots below the surface of the ground and also keeps down evaporation.

Don't be afraid to try it. One cultivation without a doubt has been known to add several pounds more cotton to the acre, this will have a tendency to keep the cotton from opening premature, and that alone helps out the yield. We have every thing lovely and if we will do our part it will remain so.

GEO. P. McLELLAND, Agent.

Robert Wood and sister, Miss Ola of the Mad creek country, left Saturday afternoon for Mullin, to visit their sister, Mrs. W. S. McMillan and family a week or two.

BUFFALOS FIGHT TO DEATH IN BOX CAR

SAN ANGELO, July 20.—Two buffaloes—stalwart members of a tribe which is fast disappearing from the American continent—battled in an Orient stock car in the yards at Chillicothe, Texas, Friday shortly before noon and gored each other to death. A third shaggy bull joined in the fight but was not killed, as was his fellows.

The animals were en route from the buffalo ranch of Col. Goodnight, on the Fort Worth & Denver railroad up in the Panhandle of Texas, to the J. B. Slaughter ranch near Post-City. They were to be used for breeding purposes. The car was switched from the Ft. W. & D. at Chillicothe and was brought to Sweetwater where instead of going to the Santa Fe as it should have gone, it continued on to San Angelo on the Orient.

The two bison, one about two years old, the other about three, were dead, their bloody forms limp and their heads tied high in the car when they arrived in the city Saturday morning at 5:20 o'clock. The remaining buffalo was alive, but was badly wounded. The dead animals were removed from the train at the Orient stock pens and turned over to D. Roy Wall of Wall & Blanton, successors to F. Rawson, the taxidermist. The heads are now being mounted. The loss of the buffaloes will probably amount to over \$1,000.

Beauty More Than Skin Deep

A beautiful woman always has good digestion. If your digestion is faulty, Chamberlain's Tablets will do you good. Obtainable everywhere.

T. M. Osteen & L. E. Bair will be glad to see you at CASH GROCERY CO. Itdw

LAXON-CAMPBELL.

Rev. W. H. Doss officiated at the marriage ceremony Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock that united for life Mr. Hatton Laxon and Miss Virgie Campbell, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Campbell on Tenth Street.

They have rooms at the L. L. Stroble residence on Eighth street until their home can be remodelled.

It was a quiet home wedding only the relatives and few intimate friends being present. The happy young couple have the best wishes of a large circle of friends for a long, happy and prosperous married life.

WEDDING 10:00 O'CLOCK SUNDAY

Rev. R. R. Rives, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church, spoke the words at ten o'clock Sunday morning that united for life Miss Oradell Dogett and E. O. Overman. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents in Ballinger.

The contracting parties have been living in the Norton community for several years and are among Runnels county's best. They have many friends who join the Ledger in best wishes for a happy and useful life.

Wm. Smiley and Judge Cogdell of Winters, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Alex Henson of Lamesa, Tex., came in Sunday to visit friends and will likely located in Ballinger.

J. E. McAden of the Spring Hill neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday and renewed with the Banner-Ledger the ensuing year.

Mrs. A. J. Loika, of the Pony creek country, passed through Ballinger Friday afternoon for Yoakum to visit her parents and other relatives a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oliver of the Hatchel country, and Aug. Vogelsang and daughter of the Spring Hill neighborhood, were shopping in Ballinger Monday.

C. R. Smith and son C. A., of the Valley creek country, and W. O. Schultz and brother, of Eden, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

L. E. H. Barnett of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

WINTERS BAND COMING FOR JOINT CONCERT

What promises to be the greatest musical treat that Ballinger has enjoyed for many moons is scheduled for Friday night, July 30th. The coming together of two of the best bands in Texas will be the attraction for a large crowd.

Chas. Grant, of Winters, will take his band for a few days outing on the Concho. On their return trip they will stop for the night in Ballinger, and Mr. Grant has suggested a joint concert of the Ballinger and Winters band. The suggestion met with hearty and unanimous action on the part of Joe Ward and his bunch of music makers.

Arrangements will now be made to show the Winters boys a good time when they come here on this occasion. The beautiful park will be illuminated for the concert and every man, woman and child in Ballinger should accept this opportunity to attend what promises to be the best concert ever given here.

The program, while not announced, will probably consist of separate numbers by the bands and then the bands will join together in playing. It will not be a contest for the purpose of determining which is the best aggregation of music makers, but the plan is for the purpose of giving the people a musical treat and to encourage the boys in their work.

Winters has one of the best bands in the amateur class in Texas, and the Ballinger people should feel proud of the opportunity given them to enjoy the splendid music on this occasion, and Director Grant already has the thanks of the people for making such a thing as the joint concert possible.

MORTUARY.

Little J. W. Page Dead.

The two-year-old baby son, J. W., of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bage died Tuesday night at their home on Sixth Street, from amebic dysentery. Rev. W. H. Doss conducted the funeral services at the residence and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Ballinger cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

The sad parents have the sympathy and condolence of the Ledger joined by many friends in this hour of affliction.

BUILDING FIRE PROOF GINS

Members of the Western Gin Co., crew from Ballinger went to Paint Rock Monday where they will be for several days installing the new machinery for the new gin at that place.

It will be remembered that the Western Gin Co., suffered the loss of three gins by fire last season. All the gins have been replaced with fire proof structures. The Paint Rock gin is one of the best in Texas, being entirely constructed of fire proof material and modern machinery. B. F. Guin and Earl Averitt went over to assist in installing the machinery and getting the plant ready for business with the coming of the first bale of cotton.

WENDORF SELLING PATENT PRESSES.

H. L. Wendorf, proprietor of the Wendorf Saddlery Co., recently returned from a trip to Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco and also visited his brother at West, Texas. Mr. Wendorf visited the large cities on business of his new patent press, which is used in setting saddles. He intended to sell his appliance to one of the larger leather goods manufacturers, and take royalties on the amount sold. After getting to Dallas, he was "wised" to the fact that the royalty scheme was alright for the distributor but no good for the patentee. However, the Schoelkopf and other large firms bought a number of the presses outright, and gave assurance of further purchases for their trade. Altogether 24 presses were sold in the towns mentioned, and other orders will be forthcoming.

Mr. Wendorf is very optimistic for the future of the invention, thinks it will revolutionize the saddle making business, and make a saving of time and labor.

3 boxes matches 10c; 25 pounds sugar \$1.75. CASH GROCERY CO. Itdw

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Drake of Winters, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route to Bell county to visit relatives a few weeks.

Mrs. A. M. Estes and baby, left from this point Saturday afternoon for Lockhart, to visit Mr. Estes' relatives a few weeks.

Tom Patterson, Dr. Saunder, E. F. Edwards, C. E. Jordan and W. W. Poe, of Winters were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

W. D. Meadows of the Crews country, and E. M. Burrows of the Hatchel country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Saturday.

John Grimes of Bronte, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a visit to friends and relatives at several points in East Texas.

L. W. Compton has the thanks of the reporter for one of his luscious South Ballinger water-melons, and for size and flavor they beat the world.

J. T. Hardigree of the Crews country, was marketing oats in Ballinger Monday.

C. W. Towler and family left Tuesday afternoon for Peacock, Texas, to visit his brother J. F. Towler, the railroad agent and expressman of that place.

It Always Helps

says Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Kv., in writing of her experience with Cardui, the woman's tonic. She says further: "Before I began to use Cardui, my back and head would hurt so bad, I thought the pain would kill me. I was hardly able to do any of my housework. After taking three bottles of Cardui, I began to feel like a new woman. I soon gained 35 pounds, and now, I do all my housework, as well as run a big water mill.

I wish every suffering woman would give

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ORGANIZING FARMERS INSTITUTE IN RUNNELS

Capt. H. L. Bently, of the extension department of the department of agriculture, was in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon en route to Talpa, where he expected to meet the farmers of that section and assist them in organizing a Farmers' Institute at that place.

Capt. Bently has been in the county all the week in the interest of his work, and on Monday of this week organized a good live institute at Winters and Tuesday he organized an institute at Hatchel. He was surprised to learn that the farmers of this section were not organized and stated that he expected to return and spend several days more in the county and try to perfect organizations at different points in the county.

While in the city Capt. Bently met his old school mate Judge Jno. I. Guion and the two spent an hour or two very pleasantly together. Capt. Bently and Judge Guion spent two years as school mates in Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., and while they have met a number of times since their school days the meeting today was the first for several years.

MOTOR RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATION.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for the County of Runnels, Texas, to be held at Ballinger, on August 14, 1915 to fill the position of motor rural carrier at Ballinger, Miles and Wau-gate and vacancies that may later occur on motor routes from post offices in the above mentioned county. The salary on motor routes ranges from \$1,500 to \$1,800 per annum. The examination will be open only to male citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory supplied with mail by a post office in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in Forms 2121 and 1977. Form 2121 may be seen posted at any post office in the county for which the examination is held, and Form 1977 and application blanks may be obtained from the offices at which the vacancy exists and where the examination is to be held, or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. The appointee to this position will be required to furnish, maintain, and operate a modern motor vehicle with a carrying capacity of not less than 800 pounds and a cubic capacity of not less than 80 feet. Applicants must file with their applications a statement of the equipment they will be able to provide in the event of appointment. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington, D. C., at the earliest practicable date.

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SYNOPSIS.

Sanford Quest, master criminologist of the world, finds that in bringing to justice MacDougal, the murderer of Lord Ashleigh's daughter, he has but just begun a life-and-death struggle with a mysterious master criminal. In a hidden but in Professor Ashleigh's garden he has seen an anthropoid ape skeleton and a living inhuman creature, half monkey, half man, destroyed by fire. In his rooms have appeared from nowhere black boxes containing sarcastic notes, signed by a pair of armless hands. Laura and Lenora, his assistants, suspect Craig, the professor's servant, of a double murder. The black boxes continue to appear in uncanny fashion. Craig is trapped by Quest, but escapes to England, where Quest, Lenora and the professor follow him. Lord Ashleigh is murdered by the Hands. Lenora is abducted in London and rescued. Craig is captured and escapes to Port Said, where Quest and his party also go, and beyond into the desert.

ELEVENTH INSTALLMENT

CHAPTER XXIII.

IN THE DESERT.

Quest was the first the next morning to open his eyes, to grope his way through the tent opening and stand for a moment alone, watching the alabaster skies. He turned lazily around, meaning to summon the Arab who had volunteered to take Hassan's place. His arms—he had been in the act of stretching—fell to his sides. He stared at the spot where the camels had been tethered. Incredulously. There were no camels, no drivers, no Arabs. There was not a soul nor an object in sight except the stark body of Hassan, which they had dragged half out of sight behind a slight knoll. High up in the sky above were two little black specks, wheeling lower and lower. Quest shivered as he suddenly realized that for the first time in his life he was looking upon the winged ghouls of the desert. Lower and lower they came. He turned away with a shiver.

The professor was still sleeping when Quest re-entered the tent. He woke him up and beckoned him to come outside.

Quest pointed to the little sandy knoll with its sparse covering of grass, deserted—with scarcely a sign, even, that it had been the resting place of the little caravan. The professor gave vent to a little exclamation.

The professor hurried off towards the spot where the encampment had been made. Suddenly he stood still and pointed with his finger. In the clearer, almost crystalline light of the coming day, they saw the track of the camels in one long, unbroken line stretching away northwards.

He glanced around a little helplessly. Quest took a cigar from his case and lit it.

"No good worrying," Quest sighed. "The question is how best to get out of the mess. What's the next move, anyway?"

The professor glanced towards the son and took a small compass from his pocket. He pointed across the desert.

"That's exactly our route," he said, "but I reckon we still must be two days from the Mongars, and how we are going to get there ourselves, much more get the women there, without camels, I don't know. There are no wells, and I don't believe those fellows have left us a single tin of water."

Laura put her head out of the tent in which the two women had slept.

"Say, where's breakfast?" she exclaimed. "I can't smell the coffee."

They turned and approached her silently. The two girls, fully dressed, came out of the tent as they approached.

"Young ladies," the professor announced, "I regret to say that a misfortune has befallen us, a misfortune which we shall be able, without doubt, to surmount, but which will mean a day of hardship and much inconvenience."

"Where are the camels?" Lenora asked breathlessly.

"Gone!" Quest replied.

"And the Arabs?"

"Gone with them—we are left high and dry," Quest explained.

"And what is worse," the professor added, with a groan, "they have taken with them all our stores, our rifles and our water."

"How far are we from the Mongar camp?" Lenora asked.

"About a day's tramp," Quest replied quickly. "We may reach there by nightfall."

"Then let's start walking at once, before it gets any hotter," Lenora suggested.

Quest patted her on the back. They made a close search of the tents, but found that the Arabs had taken everything in the way of food and drink, except a single half-filled tin of drinking water.

They started bravely enough, but by midday their little stock of water was gone, their feet were sorely blistered. No one complained, however, and the professor did his best to revive their spirits.

"We have come farther than I had dared to hope, in the time," he announced. "Fortunately, I know the exact direction we must take. Keep up your spirits, young ladies. At any time we may see signs of our destination."

They struggled on once more. Night came and brought with it a half-soothing, half-torturing coolness. That vain straining of the eyes upon the horizon at any rate was spared to them. They slept in a fashion, but soon after dawn they were on their feet again. Suddenly Quest, who had gone a little out of his way to mount a low range of sand hills, waved his arm furiously. He was holding his field-glasses to his eyes. It was wonderful how that ray of hope transformed them. They hurried to where he was. He passed the glasses to the professor.

"A caravan!" he exclaimed. "I can see the camels, and horses!"

The professor almost snatched the glasses.

"It is quite true," he agreed. "It is a caravan crossing at right angles to our direction. Come! They will see us before long."

Presently three or four horsemen detached themselves from the main body and came galloping towards them. The eyes of the little party glistened as they saw that the foremost had a water-bottle slung around his neck. He came dashing up, waving his arms.

"You lost, people?" he asked. "Want water?"

They almost snatched the bottle from him. It was like pouring life into their veins. They all, at the professor's instigation, drank sparingly. Quest, with a great sigh of relief, lit a cigar.

"Some adventure, this!" he declared.

The professor, who had been talking to the men in their own language, turned back towards the two girls.

"It is a caravan," he explained, "of peaceful merchants on their way to Jaffa. They are halting for us, and we shall be able, without a doubt, to arrange for water and food and a camel or two horses. The man here asks if the ladies will take the horses and ride?"

They started off gayly to where the caravan had come to a standstill. They had scarcely traversed a hundred yards, however, before the Arab who was leading Lenora's horse came to a sudden standstill. He pointed with his arm and commenced to talk in an excited fashion to his two companions.

From across the desert, facing them, came a little company of horsemen, galloping fast and with the sunlight flashing upon their rifles.

"The Mongars!" the Arab cried, pointing wildly. "They attack the caravan!"

The three Arabs talked together for a moment in an excited fashion. Then, without excuse or warning, they swung the two women to the ground, leaped



"If You Value Your Lives, You Will Do as You Are Bidden."

on their horses, and, turning northwards, galloped away.

The professor looked on anxiously. "I am not at all sure," he said in an undertone to Quest, "about our position with the Mongars. Craig has a peculiar hold upon them, but as a rule they hate white men, and their blood will be up. . . . See! the fight is all over. Those fellows were no match for the Mongars. Most of them have fled and left the caravan."

The fight was indeed over. Four of the Mongars had galloped away in pursuit of the Arabs who had been the temporary escort of Quest and his companions. They passed about a hundred yards away, waving their arms and shouting furiously. One of them even fired a shot, which missed Quest by only a few inches.

"They say they are coming back," the professor muttered. "Who's this? It's the chief and—"

"Our search is over, at any rate," Quest interrupted. "It's Craig!"

They came galloping up, Craig in white linen clothes and an Arab's

cloak; the chief by his side—a fine, upright man with long, gray beard; behind, three Mongars, their rifles already to their shoulders. The chief wheeled up his horse as he came within twenty paces of the little party.

"White! English!" he shouted. "Why do you seek death here?"

He waited for no reply, but turned to his men. Three of them dashed forward, their rifles, which were fitted with an odd sort of bayonet, drawn back for the lunge. Suddenly Craig, who had been a little in the rear, galloped, shouting, into the line of fire.

"Stop!" he ordered. "Chief, these people are my friends. Chief, the word!"

The chief raised his arm promptly. The men lowered their rifles. Craig galloped back to his host's side. The chief listened to him and nodded gravely. Presently he rode up to the little party. He saluted the professor gravely and talked to him in his own language. The professor turned to the others.

"The chief apologizes for not recognizing me," he announced. "It seems that Craig had told him that he had come to the desert for shelter, and he imagined at once, when he gave the order for the attack upon us, that we were his enemies. He says that we are welcome to go with him to his encampment."

Craig turned slowly towards them. It was a strange meeting.

"It is necessary," he told them, "that you should pretend to be my friends. The chief has ordered two of his men to dismount. Their ponies are for the young ladies. There will be horses for you among the captured ones from the caravan yonder."

They all turned towards the chief, who remained a little on the outside of the circle. The professor raised his hat and spoke a few words in the Mongar language, then he turned to the others.

"I have accepted the invitation of the chief," he announced. "We had better start."

"This may not be Delmonico's," Laura remarked, a few hours later, with a little sigh of contentment, "but believe me that goat-stew and sherbet tasted better than any chicken and champagne I ever tasted."

They moved to the opening of the tent and sat looking out across the silent desert. Laura took the flap of the canvas in her hand.

"What do all these marks mean?" she asked.

"They are cabalistic signs," the professor replied, "part of the language of the tribe. They indicate that this is the guest tent, and there are a few little maxims traced upon it, extolling the virtues of hospitality."

Lenora leaned forward to where a little group of Mongars were talking together.

"I wish that beautiful girl would come and let us see her again," she murmured.

"She," the professor explained, "is the chief's daughter, Feerda, whose life Craig saved."

"And from the way she looks at him," Laura observed, "I should say she hadn't forgotten it either."

The professor held up a warning finger. The girl herself had glided to their side out of the shadows. She faced the professor. The rest of the party she seemed to ignore. She spoke slowly and in halting English.

"My father wishes to know that you are satisfied?" she said. "You have no further wants?"

"None," the professor assured her. "We are very grateful for his hospitality, Feerda."

"Won't you talk to us for a little time?" Lenora begged, leaning forward.

The girl turned suddenly to the professor and spoke to him in her own language. She pointed to the signs upon the tent, drew her finger along one of the sentences, flashed a fierce glance at them all and disappeared.

"Seems to me that we are not exactly popular with the young lady," Quest remarked. "What was she saying, professor?"

"She suspects us," the professor said slowly, "of wishing to bring evil to Craig. She pointed to a sentence upon the tent. Roughly it means 'Gratitude is the debt of hospitality.' I am very much afraid that the young lady must have been listening to our conversation."

The professor suddenly leaned forward. There was a queer change in his face. From somewhere on the other side of that soft bank of violet darkness came what seemed to be the clear, low cry of some animal.

"It is the Mongar cry of warning," he said hoarsely. "Something is going to happen."

The whole encampment was suddenly in a state of activity. The Mongars ran hither and thither, getting together their horses. The chief, with Craig by his side, was standing on the outskirts of the camp.

"Seems to me there's a move on," Quest muttered, as they rose to their feet. "I wonder if we are in it."

A moment or two later Craig approached them.

"Word has been brought to the chief," he announced, "that the Arab who escaped from the caravan has fallen in with an outpost of British soldiers. They have already started in pursuit of us. The Mongars will take refuge in the jungle, where they have prepared hiding-places. We start at once."

"What about us?" the professor inquired.

"I endeavored," Craig continued, "to persuade the chief to allow you to remain here, when the care of you would devolve upon the English soldiers. He and Feerda, however, have



Captured by the Mongars.

absolutely refused my request, Feerda has overheard some of your conversation, and the chief believes that you will betray us. You will have to come, too."

They all rose at once to their feet, and a few moments later horses were brought.

The little procession was already being formed in line. Craig approached them once more.

"You will mount now and ride in the middle of our caravan," he directed. "The chief does not trust you. If you value your lives, you will do as you are bidden."

CHAPTER XXIV.

"You can call this fairyland, if you want," Laura remarked, gazing around her; "I call it a nasty, damp, oozy spot."

Quest motioned them to sit a little nearer.

"I had a moment's talk with Craig this morning, and from what he says I fancy they mean to make a move a little farther in before long. It'll be all the more difficult to-escape them."

"You think we could get away?" Lenora whispered, eagerly.

Quest glanced cautiously around. They were surrounded by thick vegetation, but they were only a very short distance from the camp.

"Seems to me," he continued, "we shall have to try it some day or other and I'm all for trying it soon. Even if they caught us, I don't believe they'd dare to kill us, with the English soldiers so close behind. I am going to get hold of two or three rifles and some ammunition. That's easy, because they leave them about all the time. And what you girls want to do is to hide some food and get a bottle of water."

"What about Craig?" the professor asked.

"We are going to take him along," Quest declared, grimly. "He's had the devil's own luck so far but it can't last forever. I'll see to that part of the business, if you others get ready and wait for me to give the signal."

They dispersed in various directions. It was not until late in the evening, when the Mongars had withdrawn a little to indulge in their customary orgy of crooning songs, that they were absolutely alone. Quest looked out of the tent in which they had been sitting and came back again.

"Well?"

Laura lifted her skirt and showed an unusual projection underneath.

"Lenora and I have pinned up our petticoats," she announced. "We've got plenty of food and a bottle of water."

Quest threw open the white Arab cloak which he had been wearing. He had three rifles strapped around him.

"The professor's got the ammunition," he said, "and we've five horses tethered a hundred paces along the track we came by, just behind the second tree turning to the left. I want you all to go there now at once and take the rifles. There isn't a soul in the camp and you can carry them wrapped in this cloak. I'll join you in ten minutes."

"What about Craig?" the professor inquired.

"I am seeing to him," Quest replied. Lenora hesitated.

"Isn't it rather a risk?" she whispered fearfully.

Quest's face was suddenly stern. "Craig is going back with us," he said. "I'll be careful, Lenora. Don't worry."

He strolled out of the tent and came back again.

"The coast's clear," he announced. "Off you go. . . . One moment," he added, "there are some papers in this little box of mine which one of you might take care of."

He bent hastily over the little wallet, which never left him. Suddenly a little exclamation broke from his lips.

"What is it?"

Quest never said a word. From one of the spaces of the wallet he drew out a small black box, removed the lid and held out the card. They read it together:

"Fools, all of you! The cunning of the ages defeats your puny efforts at every turn.—The Hands."

Even the professor's lips blanched a little as he read. Quest, however, seemed suddenly furious. He tore the card and the box to pieces, flung them

"Drop your knife," she ordered Craig.

He obeyed without hesitation.

"Now, tie the sash around the girl." He obeyed mechanically. Quest took Craig by the collar and led him to the spot where the others were waiting. They hoisted him on to a horse. Already behind them they could see the flare of the torches from the returning Mongars.

"You know the way to Port Said," Quest whispered. "See that you lead us there. There will be trouble, mind, if you don't."

Craig made no reply. He rode off in front of the little troop, covered all the time by Quest's revolver. Very soon they were out of the jungle and in the open desert. Quest looked behind him uneasily.

"To judge by the row those fellows are making," he remarked, "I should think that they've found Feerda already."

"In that case," the professor said gravely, "let me recommend you to push on as fast as possible. We have had one escape from those fellows, but nothing in the world can save us now that you have laid hands upon Feerda. The chief would never forgive that."

They galloped steadily on. The moon rose higher and higher until it became as light as day.

Quest fell a little behind the professor's side, although he never left off watching Craig.

"Look behind you, professor," he whispered.

In the far distance were a number of little black specks, growing every moment larger. Even at that moment they heard the low, long call of the Mongars.

"They are gaining on us," Quest muttered.

They raced on for another mile or more. A bullet whistled over their heads. Quest tightened his reins.

"No good," he sighed. "We'd better stay and fight it out, professor. Stick close to me, Lenora."

They drew up and hastily dismounted. The Mongars closed in around them. A cloud had drifted in front of the moon, and in the darkness it was almost impossible to see their whereabouts. They heard the chief's voice.

"Shoot first that dog of a Craig!"

There was a shriek. Suddenly Feerda, breaking loose from the others, raced across the little division. She flung herself from her horse.

"Tell my father that you were not faithless," she pleaded. "They shall not kill you!"

She clung to Craig's neck. The bullets were beginning to whistle around



"I'll Be Careful, Lenora."

them now. All of a sudden she threw up her arms. Craig, in a fury, turned around and fired into the darkness. Then suddenly, as though on the bidding of some unspoken word, there was a queer silence. Everyone was distinctly conscious of an alien sound—the soft thud of many horses' feet galloping from the right; then a sharp, English voice of command.

"Hold your fire, men. Close in to the left there. Steady!"

The cloud suddenly rolled away from the moon. A long line of horsemen were immediately visible. The officer in front rode forward.

"Drop your arms and surrender," he ordered, sternly.

The Mongars, who were outnumbered by twenty to one, obeyed without hesitation. Their chief seemed unconscious, even, of what had happened. He was on his knees, bending over the body of Feerda, half supported in Craig's arms. The officer turned to Quest.

"Are you the party who left Port Said for the Mongar camp?" he asked. Quest nodded.

"They took us into the jungle—just escaped. They'd caught us here, though, and I'm afraid we were about finished if you hadn't come along. We are not English—we're American."

"Same thing," the officer replied, as he held out his hand.

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\$75 LICENSE FOR DALLAS JITNEURS

DALLAS, July 19.—Dallas jitneurs today operated under a new regulation, which imposes a \$75.00 license fee and a number of restrictions on their business.

Court action however is sought to give them a court trial as to the reasonableness of the \$75.00 charge. They maintain it's so high that it will drive them out of business within a short time.

While the city commissioners have indicated they might listen "to reason" after the jitneurs have tried out the new regulations, the jitneurs are planning to take their case to the people by means of an initiative ordinance, should court proceedings fail.

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LOOKING FOR LOCATION.

J. C. Harber, of Mason, was in Ballinger Thursday looking out a location to engage in business and will likely rent the Harrison building on Eighth Street from H. Giesecke. Mr. Harber is a brother of Jno. A. Harber, a former business man of Ballinger and we hope he will decide to locate permanently in our city.

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MONDAY NIGHT SOME HOT.

Our climate is noted for its cool nights and pleasant temperature for sleeping. Those who did not sleep in the open Monday night had to contend with unusually high temperature for sleeping hours. The weather man, Ed Eubanks, says the night was a record breaker for high temperature, the mercury refusing to fall below the 76 mark any time during the night. An east breeze Tuesday morning kept the temperature around the 80 degree point most of the forenoon, while the several days the temperature has been registering from 100 to 108. One day in June the weather gauge jumped to 108, which is the highest for any day this year.

Have You?

Got your Free chance on the Saddle, Bridle, and Spurs at H. L. Wendorf's, the Busy Shop!

Mrs. P. H. Brooks of Miles, and Mrs. Geo. Wright and daughter, of Altus, Okla., who had been the guests of the W. C. Jones family returned to Miles Tuesday at noon.

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1000 ROOSTERS IN PARADE ON THIS DAY

ARLINGTON, Tex., July 19.—Arlington's little red rooster population is seriously diminished today.

Saturday the town held a gigantic rooster parade, in which 1,000 of the gentlemen birds participated with a brass band at the head. Today they're corralled at the yards of Walter Burton, poultry fancier, and they are losing their majestic red heads and being shipped to market.

And the reason for this remarkable demonstration?

Why, Burton decided that for the sake of Arlington's egg industry it was better to have infertile eggs, so he conceived the idea of the rooster parade. His offer of 25 cents a head for each rooster touched a responsive chord in the heart of almost every poultry man hereabouts.

But the little gray hen is still on the job.

FARM AGENTS MAKE OPTIMISTIC REPORTS

COLLEGE STATION, July 20.—Optimistic reports of crop conditions over the State predominate in the batch of weekly reports from county agents received by State Agent W. F. Proctor of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, for the week ending July 10:

William Ganzer, District Agent at Denton, say: "Grain in the west is yielding satisfactorily, both wheat and oats. Prospects for maize and tereita promising. Fruit is abundant and lots of it will be canned and not wasted as heretofore."

M. T. Payne, District Agent at San Antonio: "The feature of the Farmers Short Course held at Alice last week under the auspices of the Extension Service of the A. and M. College was the fact that every farmer who attended the first day's session remained through the entire three days of the course. They requested the team to return next year."

M. H. Vandiver, Agent for Van Zandt county: "Several diversification and marketing associations in the county are making efforts to build warehouses to hold their cotton. These associations hold regular meetings and seem much interested in the demonstration work."

Jno. H. Erickson, Agent for Hunt county: "Best corn crop in 10 years assured. Only one small section of the county needs rain. Scarcely a tenant, farmer or land owner but has a few hogs, lots of poultry and a good garden. A large number have dug and stored from 30 to 50 bushels of Irish potatoes. A larger percentage of farmers own good brood mares than ever before in the history of the county. The forage crop this year easily will surpass the combined crop of the past four years."

A. C. Van Clark, Fannin county Agent: "Terracing demonstrations recently held by J. C. Olsen of the Extension Service of the A. and M. College were well attended and the farmers are much pleased with the results."

D. M. Strange, Camp county agent: "Everything looking good. Best feed crop we have had in years."



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AUTO TRAVEL GREAT THROUGH BALLINGER

Ballinger is not located on a trans-continental highway, and we realize that our roads are not the best in the country, but the travel through Ballinger is something wonderful. There is not an hour in the day, but what tourists can be seen on the streets. Autos with strange people are going and coming almost continually. The travelers in most cases seem to be prepared for long journeys, being well equipped with camping outfits, baggage, etc. Several cars have passed through Ballinger this spring making a coast to coast trip, and it is no uncommon thing to see "California limited" cars stopping for repairs, oil, etc., at the local garages.

This mode of travel is in its infancy. As the roads are improved and autos become more numerous the travel will continue to increase. Ballinger will profit by catering to this class of travel by building good roads.

Most Old People Are Constipated

The wear of years impairs the action of the bowels. With advancing age people are disposed to restricted activity and exercise, which is responsible for the constipated condition of most old folks. The digestive organs are more sensitive to the demands made upon them and rebel more quickly.

A mild, effective remedy for constipation, and one that is especially suited to the needs of elderly people, women and children, is the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that is sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. A free trial bottle can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 452 Washington St., Monticello, Ills.

WILL MOVE TO NEW BUSINESS QUARTERS

A number of business firms will observe moving day about the first of August, and the changes scheduled to take place will decrease the vacant houses in Ballinger.

The work of extending the building occupied by The Fair, the racket store, has about been completed, and The Fair will vacate and make room for the Ballinger Saddle Shop, which now occupies the Chastain building.

We understand that the Chastain building will be occupied by another business as soon as the saddle shop moves out, but the character of the business to be conducted in this building has not been made public.

The Fair will move into the I. N. Roark building on Eighth street, the building formerly occupied by Roark's Feed Store, Mr. Roark recently retiring from business. The building has been renovated and remodeled, the interior having been worked over and a new plate glass front replacing the old front.

Jewell Cunningham's second hand store in the Wooden building on Eighth Street will move to the Opera House building, and will occupy the north side of the ground floor of this building. Bair & Osteen's grocery store being located in the south side of the building.

H. Kasburg, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, E. J. Kevil of the Marie country and J. L. Elkins, of Mud creek, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday. Mr. Elkins says he has his oats threshed and in his grainery and will only sell what his barn will not hold at present. He sold a load Monday at 38 1-2 cents per bushel.

F. Bloomintritt, of the Miles country, had business in Ballinger Monday.

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