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**"DON'T FAIL TO READ THE NEWS"
REMODELING SALE**

**15 DAYS OF REAL
BARGAINS**

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

LIGHT PLANT PASSES IN TO NEW OWNERS HANDS

R. J. Irvine, of the Interstate Electric Corporation, formally announced the change in the ownership of the Ballinger light and power plant Wednesday morning. The deal was finally consummated on the first day of February in which the Ballinger Cotton Oil Co., sold the light and power plant to the new company and the new owners began at once to take over the business.

M. F. Treadwell, who has been with the San Angelo Light and Power Co., for the past eight years, will move his family to Ballinger and be in charge of the business for the new company, which will be known as The Ballinger Electric Light & Power Co. The new company has leased the building on Eighth Street next door to the Princess Theatre, formerly occupied by Roark's tailor shop, and will open an up town office at once, and put in a full stock of electrical supplies.

"There will be no material changes in the business at present," said Mr. Irvine to a Ledger man Wednesday. "We will maintain the power plant at its present location until our engineers come here and give us figures on the necessary changes, and I am sure that in a short time the people will see that we are as liberal as any power plant doing business in the state."

The patrons of the plant will be glad to know that Chester Cherry, the chief electrician, will remain with the new company and be on the job in his usual prompt and courteous way. In opening an up town office the people will receive better service at once, as the business end of the light and power plant will be more conveniently located.

The Interstate Electric Corporation, the new owners of the local plant, are operating plants at a number of places in Texas, owning the San Angelo plant. Mr. Irvine stated that his company saw a bright future ahead for this country and were coming here to do their part towards developing the country, as well as making a reasonable interest on their investment. In separating the light and power plant from the oil mill business, more attention will be paid to the business, and it is believed that the patrons will be pleased with the change, notwithstanding that the old company has been giving good service.

The new manager, Mr. Treadwell, will move his family here as soon as the necessary arrangements can be perfected. At present it is impossible to get a suitable home for a family of five.

The new manager is now on the job and is busy meeting the people and becoming familiar with the "lay of the land."

"We want it understood from the beginning," said Mr. Treadwell, "that we are for and a part of Ballinger and will do all that is required of any legitimate business when it comes to working for the interest of the town."

The Ballinger Light & Power Co., will begin fitting up their new office and supply house at once, and all those who wish to communicate with the company should ring 31, the new phone number.

MAD DOG BITES

FARMER BOY

Charley, the twelve year old boy of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James, residing north of Ballinger, was bitten by a mad dog Tuesday, and the father and the boy left on the afternoon train for Austin where the mad dog "sting" will be removed. The dog's head was carried along to verify the hydrophobia theory, but there is no doubt but what he was mad as a cow, a chicken was bitten and another boy attacked and escaped the bite of the dog.

SPORTING A RUNABOUT.

Joe Turner is now sporting in a new Ford runabout just bought from R. L. Harwell, the local representative.

COLLISION ON HIGH SEA REPORTED

HALIFAX, Feb. 2.—The Japanese steamer Takata Maru and the American tanker Silver Shell ran together off Cape Race last night. Wireless messages received today stated that both the vessels were badly damaged but were still afloat.

T. G. Conway, of the Coyote Creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday. He stated that he was afraid his oat crop is damaged beyond recovery.

Statement of Condition

...The...

Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas

At the Close of Business December 31st, 1915

Resources	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts \$169,059.80	Capital - - - - - \$50,000.00
Bills of Exchange cotton 53,297.27	Surplus and Profit net 19,486.97
Overdrafts - - - - - NONE	Borrowed Money - - - - - NONE
Banking House F & F 20,000.00	Christmas Saving Club 31.55
Other Real Estate 6,896.84	
Interest and Assment in Guaranty Fund - - - - - 2,696.95	
CASH - - - - - 187,775.14	DEPOSITS - - - - - 370,207.48
\$439,726.00	\$439,726.00

The above statement is correct.

JOHN Q. McADAMS, Cashier

Comparative Statement of Deposits

December 31, 1910	\$78,060.50
December 31, 1911	114,760.54
December 31, 1912	131,061.46
December 31, 1913	153,170.47
December 31, 1914	162,526.34
December 31, 1915	370,207.48

The Test of Value

- Comparison is the only real test of value. It is because we know the true value of our merchandise that we are anxious to have you make comparison.
- A dollar's worth of satisfaction must accompany every patron who takes home a dollar's worth of merchandise.
- Our values will appeal to particular purchasers and stand the test of usage. Selected goods from the best markets, gathered for the best buyers here at home.

Spring Goods Now on Display

HIGGINBOTHAM CURRIE WILLIAMS & CO.

20 PERCENT INCREASE POLL TAXES

Tax Collector Padgett was on the job until after the midnight hour Monday night, and issued the last 1915 poll tax receipt at 11:45. The last week was a busy one and for the last four days of the month 632 receipts were issued, and the total payments for the year show 3120 against 2559 for the previous year, making a net gain in the voting strength of this county of more than twenty per cent.

Included in the following table is 119 exemption certificates, young men who were not subject to poll tax, but who became twenty-one during the year and will be entitled to vote. The list published below shows the poll tax and exemption certificates by boxes for the year just closed and for 1914. To this can be added the overs, the old men who are not subject to poll tax, and the voters who have moved here since January last year, and sent order for poll tax to their old home. It is the opinion of those who have made an estimate of this that the total voting strength of the county will figure not less than 3500, the greatest in the history of the county.

Following is the payment by boxes:

Box	1915	1914
Ballinger No. 1	466	343
Hatchel	97	87
Crews	141	135
Benoit	60	55
Token	55	47
Truitt	53	33
Winters	431	338
Antelope	33	33
Pumphrey	72	72
Wingate	142	131
Baldwin	41	35
Wilmeth	108	109
Cochran	52	42
North Norton	68	49
Marie	27	28
Maverick	70	52
South Norton	58	45
Pearce School House	74	60
Brookshire	27	16
Miles	167	200
Rowena	220	163
Olfin	63	50
Pony Creek	88	71
East Ballinger	392	357
TOTAL	3120	2559

CITY ISSUES 509 POLLS.

In our haste yesterday we failed to include the city poll tax report in the poll tax story. The city collector handed out 102 more polls than he did a year ago, the number issued being 509 as compared with 407 a year ago.

Frank Drews, who represents Butler Bros. of Dallas, and who had been visiting in Ballinger, went east Wednesday morning.

TRAMPER CAPTURES LOST SHIP

NORFOLK, Feb. 1.—The British liner Appam, believed to have been lost off the Moroccan coast two weeks ago, arrived here today in charge of a German prize crew, after losing two men in fighting the raiders.

The passengers aboard the Appam says the German tramp steamer appeared off Canary Island on the morning of January 15th and fired guns across the Appam's bow. The Appam used two guns ineffectually and then stopped. The raider sent arm men in life coats aboard the Appam and the Appam's crew attempted to fight the men off. A bloody battle followed on the deck of the Appam, two men being killed and several wounded.

Captain Harrison of the Appam ordered his crew to surrender and Lieut. Oscar Berge came aboard with twenty-two men and took charge of the liner.

The raider also sank an Australian tramp steamer in view of the Appam and transferred the crew to the liner, 138 prisoners put aboard the Appam. The passengers says the raider sank seven vessels before capturing the Appam.

SHIP MUST SAIL IN 24 HOURS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Reports received here say that the Appam captured two vessels en route to America. Their disposition unknown, but believed carried to British waters. The Appam must leave the Norfolk port within twenty-four hours or intern.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The United States will not allow the British liner, Appam, brought to America by the German prize crew, and held by the Germans, to leave Norfolk. There has been no official and formal announcement of this, but state department officials intimated today that such action had practically been determined upon.

The state department authorities say that the liner can be detained on the ground of being a German prize and should be held for prize court adjudication, or held as a German auxiliary, subject to internment.

AUTHORITIES DISMANTLE APPAM WIRELESS.

NORFOLK, Feb. 2.—Port authorities late today sent men aboard the Appam and dismantled the wireless station to prevent the British crew from obtaining information from the British patrol outside the cape.

American officials are arranging to remove the passengers aboard the Appam to American shore.

ARKANSAS FLOOD CLAIMS EIGHT; DAMAGE IS GREAT

HEIR TO TURKISH THRONE SUICIDED

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 2.—Unconfirmed reports received here from Constantinople, say that the Prince Yusef Izzedin, heir apparent to the Turkish throne, committed suicide last night by cutting the arteries in his arm and bleeding to death. Despondency due to ill health, is attributed as the cause.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Fifty-four killed and sixty-seven injured from bombs dropped from Zeppelins one hundred miles north of London last night. This was officially announced here today.

The Zeppelin raid covered four counties one hundred miles north of London. Fearing another raid the people are frantic and will seek places of safety with the coming of darkness.

PARIS, Jan. 31.—This city was raided by Zeppelins again last night and ten bombs dropped from the air fighters. The bombs struck in scattered places and no damage resulted.

It was stated officially today that twenty-six were killed and thirty-two injured in the Zeppelin raid Saturday night.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The navy department reports that no trace has been found of the submarine 5-K which was lost in a fog off Charleston, S. C., at one o'clock Sunday morning. The 5-K carried a crew of two officers and twenty-five men. Luther Treadway, of Blooming Grove, Texas, was a member of the crew.

With three other submarines the 5-K was en route from New York to Pensacola when it disappeared. Many ships have gone to the scene and are combing the Atlantic in an effort to find the missing submarine.

Mrs. Henry Moore of San Angelo, who had been visiting relatives in Ballinger the past few days, returned home Tuesday.

R. G. Erwin, of the First National Bank, left Tuesday afternoon for Dallas on a short business trip.

HELENA, Ark., Feb. 2.—Eight are known to be dead, and property damage is estimated at ten million dollars, charged up against floods that are raging in Arkansas and Northern Louisiana today.

The crest of the flood is nearing Little Rock, and it is feared that the total death list will run up and property loss is already alarming.

WILL SEND RELIEF FUND TO BELGIUM.

Mrs. Jno. I. Guion, chairman of the local Belgium Relief Committee, stated today that the amount of money raised would be sent to the forwarding committee tomorrow afternoon and all those who wish to contribute and had not done so should send in their contributions by noon tomorrow. On account of the continued bad weather the ladies have not been able to make a thorough canvass of the city and they will appreciate it if those whom they have not seen will send in any amount they wish to contribute.

VISITING BROTHER HERE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pearson, of Nashville, Tenn., came in Tuesday to visit his brother, Oscar Pearson and wife a few weeks.

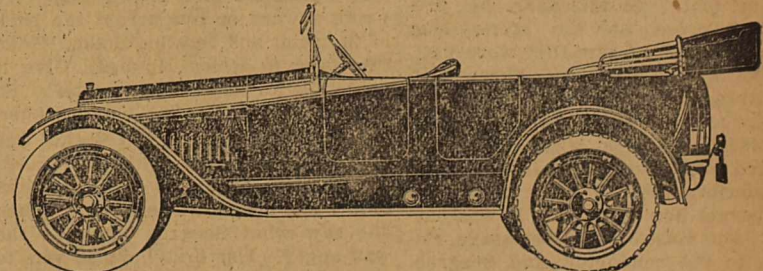
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schooler, of Humbert, Kansas, came in on the late train Tuesday and will visit his uncle, R. H. Schooler and family a few weeks.

Miss Nettie Hill of Crews, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. A. Watson, the past few days, left Tuesday afternoon to visit at San Angelo.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS TWICE AT TOPEKA

TOPEKA, Kans., Feb. 2.—President Wilson delivered an address to five thousand people here today. The address was delivered at the auditorium and Mr. Wilson was cheered most enthusiastically. He will speak to an overflow meeting at the High School auditorium this afternoon.

W. A. Nance Henry Jones



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We are in a position now to sell Mitchell Cars on terms. See us at once.

1 brush, 2 passenger, good tires and will run \$50 \$25 cash balance \$5 per month.

1 Buick, 5 passenger, good tires, 30 h. p. will take \$75 cash.

1 Metz, 4 cylinder, 4 passenger, in first class condition \$250. \$150 cash balance \$10 per month.

Trade with us this year and reduce that automobile bill. You will always find us 25 to 50 per cent cheaper on anything in the auto line than anyone else. We have the tools and can turn out a job before others could find the trouble.

Tires any kind 10 per cent off list. Gasoline 19c. Dry batteries 27 1/2c. Pres-to-light put on your car \$12. Exchange on presto \$1.50. Aluminum numbers 10c. Spark plugs 15c.

Ballinger Auto Company

Opposite Court House Lawn

THE GIRL AND THE GAME

A Story of Mountain Railroad Life

by FRANK H. SPEARMAN

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Novelized From the Moving Picture Play of the Same Name Produced by the Signal Film Corporation.

SYNOPSIS.

Little Helen Holmes, daughter of General Holmes, railroad man, is rescued from imminent danger on a scenic railroad, by George Storm, a newsboy. Grown to young womanhood Helen makes a spectacular double rescue of Storm, now a freight fireman, and of her father and his friends, Amos Rhinelander, financier, and Robert Seagrue, promoter, from a threatened collision between a passenger train and a runaway freight. Safebreakers employed by Seagrue and Capelle, his lawyer, interrupted by Helen while stealing General Holmes' survey plans of the cut-off line for the Tidewater, fatally wound General Holmes and escape. Storm and Helen chase the murderers on a light engine and capture them. Spike has hidden the plans and manages to inform Seagrue where they are cached. Her father's estate badly involved by his death, Helen goes to work on the Tidewater. Seagrue helps Spike to break jail and uses him to get fire to a powder train hauled by Storm's engine. Helen saves Storm from a horrible death.

FOURTH INSTALLMENT

CHAPTER IV.

When Helen Holmes took the day key at Signal the little office had already passed from the quiet kind to the remorselessly active kind of those small way stations that drive innocent men mad. Two rival lines maintaining large construction camps and getting all their supplies through Signal station, were engaged in a race to build a mountain cut-off—and a considerable one. Despite all the help Lyons, the overworked agent, could give Helen, she found the tasks of her day about all that her strength would compass.

Nor could Helen, situated as she was, escape occasional office visits from Seagrue, whose activity as head of the opposition construction camp was unabated. Going over to the station one day to watch his men unload a shipment of material, he stepped into the office ostensibly to make inquiries—in reality to steal a few minutes with Helen Holmes, whom he found busy, but alone.

Seagrue spoke blandly: "I hear you're becoming quite a railroad expert." She made no effort to reply. "Getting really clever at the key, Lyons says." Helen, entering waybills, went on with her writing. "By the way," asked Seagrue, evenly, "any word this morning from our steam shovel?"

She looked toward the window—the local freight train had just pulled in. "It may be out there now, on No. 85." Seagrue seemed in no haste to investigate, and Helen had almost lost hope of any diversion in that direction, when the office door opened and George Storm walked in.

He was just out of his engine cab, and deliberate and composed as usually, but his eyes, lighting to greet Helen, cooled when he saw Seagrue. Storm nodded curtly toward him and was greeted in kind. Then the stalwart engine man turned his attention to Helen, and Seagrue was soon made to feel the pangs of being distinctly third in the situation and without an anesthetic.

"And the best of it all is," said Storm at length to Helen, "this is my last run on local freights. I am assigned tonight to the Limited."

Helen lifted her eyebrows in surprise: "Some run they're giving you!"

Seagrue took the chance to join sarcastically in: "Right in line for chief of motive power, eh, Storm?"

Storm was not to be disturbed. He only regarded Seagrue calmly for a moment. Then he turned good-naturedly to thank Helen. While soldiering agreeably at this task, his fireman intruded on the scene long enough to remind him they were waiting for him to get out. Storm, with an expression of disgust at the interruption, nodded gruffly to the fireman, concluded his talk with Helen and walked out. Helen rose to go out on the platform also. Seagrue intervened to distract her attention. It was useless. She must deliver a message, she said, to the conductor, and Seagrue, peeved, was left to stay with himself or unwillingly to follow. He followed; but even then it was only to find himself watching Storm's good-bys waved to Helen from the cab. And she saw them, too; nothing escaped her attention.

Rhinelander, in charge of the Tidewater line camp, was pushing Seagrue closely in the construction race and as the head of a big crew of men imbued with his own spirit was laughing at obstacles that made Seagrue's head ache, and with equipment actually somewhat inferior was forging daily ahead of his rival. But the mail now brought him a note from the chairman of the executive committee of his board that almost paralyzed his activities.

"Oceanside. "Dear Rhinelander: Our survey party advise that they cannot relocate the pass over the Superstition range. Unless you can furnish a survey of the cut-off pass before the first, our people will withdraw their financial support. BOWERS."

Amos Rhinelander, sitting at his dusty and littered desk, stared at the abrupt communication. Bowers was

his friend; the executive committee of the board were with him—this he felt assured of. But somewhere influences must be at work against him. He suspected Capelle, still a board member, and a continual intriguer. Capelle was a master worker in underground effects and besides being Seagrue's own attorney, was himself heavily interested in opposing enterprises of the Coast line. To throttle Rhinelander in the construction effort begun by Helen's own father before his death, was to advance his own interests as well as those of his client. Rhinelander's decision as to what must be done to meet this opposition was prompt.

He consulted a timetable, called his foreman, asked for a man to carry his handbags to the station and began changing his clothes for a trip. Not far away, and at about the same time, Seagrue was reading his own mail. It contained this note:

"Unsuccessful report concerning pass submitted. Persuaded backers to withdraw support on the first. This will stop operation on Rhinelander's cut-off, as we know he cannot produce survey. CAPELLE."

In Seagrue's hut a party of newspaper men from Oceanside were waiting to be taken on an inspection trip over the construction.

"I'm ready for you, boys," said Seagrue, in high spirits, to the journalists. "We'll look over the work near here first," he announced, ripping open a box of cigars.

"Hold it, Mr. Seagrue," cried a camera man, focusing on the manager. "We want you, first, right there where you are, at your desk. Hold it!"

The picture was taken, a copy promised to Seagrue within an hour and the party started out. Had he left his hut two minutes earlier he might have seen Amos Rhinelander, followed by Seagrue's own Spike with Rhinelander's bags, entering the waiting room door of Signal station.

Helen, looking up from her table, perceived Rhinelander's anxiety reflected in his manner.

"Bad news, Helen," he said, plunging at once into the unpleasant subject. "I am on my way to Oceanside," he added, when she had read Bowers' note. "The directors meet tonight. Someone is trying to undermine us. But whether I succeed in changing their views or not, I'm going to fight if I have to fight all night."

Helen was too upset to speak for a minute. For her, so much depended on the success of her own road in reaching the mountains with a cut-off first. Rhinelander, worried though he was, tried to cheer her up. Spike outside, listening, gathered that Rhinelander was on his way to the city. He hung around the platform till the local passenger pulled in, watched Rhinelander board it, and, mingling with Seagrue's men, walked unobserved over to the latter's camp. He found his boss with the journalists.

"What is it?" demanded Seagrue, scenting news in Spike's appearance. "Rhinelander has just gone to Oceanside."

Seagrue smiled. "Did he get a letter this morning?"

"He did."

Their confab was broken in on by one of the newspaper men who had a print of the photo he had taken of Seagrue at his desk. Seagrue inspected this with the greatest pleasure. "Fine!" he exclaimed. "Good picture!"

A whimsical idea seized him. He wrote a word or two across the back of the print and recalled Spike. "Take this over to Helen Holmes. Give it to her with my compliments." So saying he turned to the photographer.

Spike's reception at the station was always a chilly one. This time Helen took his message and dismissed him before she opened the envelope. When she saw what Seagrue had sent she was angry. Her first impulse was to tear the hateful print in two. Instead, she contemptuously impaled it on a steel file near at hand. A moment later, removing the print to file a message, she looked at the picture again. Her attention was attracted to a paper lying on Seagrue's desk. It had been caught by the camera lens. The longer she looked the more carefully her eyes fixed on this object revealed in the photograph. Very curious now, Helen opened a drawer, took from it a reading glass and studied the contents of Seagrue's desk. Her heart almost stopped beating as she realized that her suspicions must be correct. With the aid of the ordinary glass she could plainly see the survey that had been stolen from her father's library.

Helen looked toward Seagrue's camp. It was there even now, and if she could recover the precious find it was not too late to save her own interests as well as those of her own good friend, Amos Rhinelander. How could she recover it? With fast kindling hatred of its dishonest possessor, a dozen projects for regaining her own flashed across her mind. The more she thought the more im-

possible it seemed to devise any scheme that could be carried out in time to help Rhinelander's fight that night at Oceanside.

But what Helen could not devise herself, was being already devised for her. Following up what Spike—an unconscionable liar—had declared a flattering reception of the picture, Seagrue resolved to seize a moment while the going was good to forward himself with Helen.

She was studying the telltale print when she heard footsteps and, startled, looked out. Seagrue was coming up the platform. She felt frightened. Could he possibly have realized his blunder and come to demand the return of the picture? She was resolved she would not surrender it in any event. Force, she was hopeless of as a possible aid in her difficulty. Stratagem and a woman's weapons alone remained to her.

Her wits rapidly cleared. She snatched the photograph. Seagrue, opening the door, caught her, picture in hand. He walked forward pleased. It was not hard for Helen to counterfeited an embarrassment; nor was it in the least unbecoming to her. To Seagrue her look came like a burst of sunshine after many chilling storms. "What do you think of my construction headquarters?" he laughed.

Helen's gaze rested modestly on her table. She seemed to contemplate the picture with a quiet pleasure. Then she looked slowly up at Seagrue. "This doesn't show very much of the camp"—she drew the words the very least bit—"you are awfully busy over there, I suppose."

"Never too busy to welcome our friends. Come over sometime."

"What, to a construction camp?" asked Helen, feigning just enough amazement.

"Why not? Talk about Rhinelander's steam shovels! I'll show you shovels that can do everything but vote. Come on along."

For an effective moment she hesitated. "I couldn't possibly," she declared with decision, but she allowed a note of regret to linger an instant

Where could the survey be, now? was the question recurring always to Helen's mind. Toward the close of the dinner, Seagrue, rising, unlocked his desk for a flask of Chartreuse. There, lying in the corner exactly where she had seen it, Helen again beheld the survey, a blue print beside it. Seagrue was pawky enough to close and lock the desk after he had taken the flask out. How, she asked herself, was she to get that desk open again?

Seagrue dismissed his serving man, and this did not allay Helen's uneasiness for herself. She did not want to be left alone a minute with him now; things were getting too complicated. But could she in some way get into the desk?

Rising, she said she would clear the table a little. Taking hold of the flask he had just taken from the desk and holding out her hand with a smile she asked him for his keys. Seagrue was in no position to refuse so intimate a request. With an air of camaraderie he handed them over and Helen pushed back the cover of the desk. But as she did so Seagrue threw his arms around her. She struggled indignantly, but could not get away. For a moment there was a fierce struggle. Then with a superhuman effort she tore herself free, caught up the first thing she could lay her hand on—it happened to be a bronze match tray—and struck Seagrue across the forehead.

He went completely over, leaving Helen horror-stricken at what she had done. She listened. Outside she heard no sound. Seizing the blue print that lay under her hand, she gained the door and ran out just as Seagrue regained his feet. She had resolved to flag the Limited. Hardly touching the earth, she dashed to the station, hurried to the key and telegraphed Rhinelander:

"Have blue print of survey. Will be on Limited. HELEN."

It was not too soon. Through the window she saw Seagrue rushing down the platform. She slammed the office door shut, and locked it. Seagrue

"Give me that blue print!" he shouted with an oath.

"Keep away from me," Helen panted. "You're a wretch. I'll never give it to you. I'll die first. Don't you dare come down here. I'll drag you over the cliff if I have to go over myself."

Nothing daunted, he came on. There was but one chance left to get away and, unhesitating, she took it. Turning, just as he thought he had her in his power, she sprang from where she stood on the edge of the precipice far out over the ocean below. He stood spellbound. She struck with a great splash. He saw her come up, strike out and sink again, as if helpless. But he knew her unquenchable determination, her resource and her daring, and was shrewd enough to watch the surface of the bay closely. Sure enough, in a little while he could see her, after swimming a distance under water, regain the surface and with long, powerful strokes swim away.

At no great distance from where she had plunged into the bay a speed launch lay at anchor. Helen recognized the boat; it had, in truth, once been her own, and she had named it 'The Spiderwater.' It belonged now to the owners of her father's estate, but she believed she might borrow it once more. Seagrue, impotent with rage, and following her down the shore, saw her reach the launch and climb resolutely up over the gunwale into the cockpit.

Shaking herself like a duck, and without losing a minute, Helen spread the wet blue print out on the deck, broke the motor lock on the ignition switch, and turned the engine over. She knew the motor well; it was a powerful Loew Victor, and after her second effort it hummed like a dynamo. While it was warming up she cut the mooring line. Seagrue easily suspected she meant to get to Rhinelander at Oceanside. He looked at his watch. If he could catch the Limited he could still reach the city ahead of her. Exasperated, and out of breath, he hastened back to camp, routed out his chauffeur and took his racing car for the station. Hardly a minute was left to him, and his hope of reaching a point where he could flag the through train vanished when he heard its whistle and saw the gleam of its headlight coming down the Signal grade.

But he would not give up. Urging his man to speed, he gained the highway paralleling the railroad track, and as the Limited shot by, Seagrue, with all the power that could be got out of his motor, actually held for a time abreast of it. He yelled and shouted as one sleeper after another drew slowly past—both the train and the motor car were running very fast—but he could attract no attention. Helpless with rage, he saw the last car pulling gradually past, and furious at being balked, he stood up on the seat and as the car drew past him, he jumped over the rail and landed on the observation platform.

Helen was pushing the launch toward Oceanside. The ocean below the bay laps almost the edge of the railroad track, but her heart sank as she looked back and saw the night train tearing up the track and rapidly overhauling her. Instinct told her that Seagrue would somehow board that train in an effort to get to the city first. As the engine drew nearer, she picked up a pair of glasses and leveling them on the cab, discovered George Storm on the right side. She waved a signal flag at him, but his eyes were glued on the track ahead. Then, as if by an inspiration, she seized the cord of the air whistle at her hand and in the Morse code signaled for help. Storm turned his head and looked back questioningly along his train; then up at his own whistle. The whistling continued, and his attention was finally drawn to the launch, now dropping behind the train. Helen caught up her signal flag again. In a flash he recognized her, and calling his fireman over they listened to her appeal.

"Give me paper, pencil," shouted Storm, as he shut off the throttle and listened to the long and short toots that re-echoed in jerky succession from the surface of the sea against the towering cliffs and through the flying cab. On a leaf, torn from a pad, Storm scratched out the signals:

"Have survey. Seagrue on your train. Delay so I can reach Oceanside first. HELEN."

The engine whistle shrieked his answer to her eager ears.

"Something wrong with engine already."

The fireman, learning the truth from Storm, tried to persuade him, whatever happened, not to delay the train. It would cost Storm, he urged, his job. "What's the job to me?" demanded Storm, applying the air and bringing up the train with a jolt. So saying, he snatched a small handful of tools from the box and prepared to get down.

Seagrue had made his way into the coach. He summoned the conductor, and being known was accorded every courtesy. But the race was now first on his mind, and when he heard the brakes grinding, and running back on the platform saw fire screaming from the wheels, he called the conductor, demanding to know the cause of the stop. Going forward together for an explanation, the two men found Storm under his engine with wrench and hammer, while in the distance Seagrue could see the Spiderwater cutting the waves like foaming glass and slipping away to where a stormy directors' meeting was in session at Oceanside, and Rhinelander was in the fight of his life to prevent summary action being taken to stop the cut-off work. In vain he showed Helen's telegram,

which had come in time to rescue him from complete defeat. But Seagrue's henchman, Capelle, conniving with the disaffected element in the directorate, was pushing to a vote with every prospect of success the resolution to stop work.

"What have we got to go on?" he demanded, facing Rhinelander down. "You know as well as I do we are throwing hundreds of thousands into a project absolutely uncertain. You offer a telegram. What good is the telegram? Where can Helen Holmes get a survey at an hour's notice that would justify us in keeping on?"

Beside the engine of the limited the conductor and Seagrue were volleying sharp and suspicious questions at the fireman. He told, reluctantly, of the mysterious launch and of Storm's exchange of signals. No more was needed to infuriate Seagrue, who now understood the connivance. Storm crawled out from under the engine and Seagrue met him with an abusive epithet. The stalwart engineerman promptly knocked him down. The crew dragged the two men apart and the conductor ordered the fireman to take the limited in, Storm, with folded arms, refusing to lend further assistance. But despite his stubbornness the big train pulled into Oceanside just after Helen stepped from the deck of the speed launch to the dock. She ran all the way up the esplanade, survey in hand, to where she could catch a taxicab and drove hard for the Tidewater building. There she alighted only to be confronted by two men—Seagrue and an officer. Seagrue pointed to Helen: "There she is! There are the documents she stole—in her hand. Arrest her!"

Before Helen could collect her senses, the officer had seized her and Seagrue had snatched the survey. "Stop," she cried, "that is my property, stolen from my father. I, not he, am its rightful owner!"

While she protested, stormed and wept tears of humiliation and anger, Seagrue was producing papers to convince the slow-witted official that the survey belonged to him and that Helen was the thief. In spite of all she could say, he won out. Indeed, the guardian of the law was ready to take Helen to the station when Seagrue magnanimously intervened, told him to let her go and said he was satisfied to recover his property.

Upstairs the directors were closing their protracted session, Rhinelander vainly trying to hold them together until his ally should appear. The sound of an opening door raised his hopes. Helen rushed into the room and hastened to his side.

"The survey—where is it?" he cried, reading bad news in her face.

She told him of her battle—of how she had been robbed at the very foot of what were once her father's stairs. Everyone listened. Then half a dozen men began talking—some for, some against crediting what they had just heard.

Rhinelander put his arm around the despairing girl. "No matter. We know now who has our property, gentlemen. We'll get it yet."

Capelle, laughing furtively, left the room to report to Seagrue. The chairman rapped for order. Rhinelander, trying to comfort Helen, took her to her taxicab and they drove back to the launch together. Dazed, furious at her misfortune, Helen met another surprise at the pier. Storm, awaiting her return there, helped her to alight from the taxicab. She could only regard him breathlessly. He laughed in his reassuring way: "It's really I," he said to her, offering his hand. "I'm discharged—but I told the superintendent I might yet live long enough to discharge him. What do you think he threw back at me? 'I hope if I ever deserve it as much as you do, you will discharge me.' I guess it was coming," concluded Storm good naturedly. "But I've got a marine license and I'm going to run your launch to Signal bay for you. Got plenty of gas in the old tub, Helen?"

His robust humor was infectious. With Storm at the driver's wheel, they soon reached the office in the launch and were discussing the exciting events of the night when Helen's eyes fixed on the canvas covering the deck of the boat. It was on this she had laid the blue print to dry and the impression had been definitely transferred. She seized her uncle's arm, pointed and explained. Rhinelander, jerking a knife from his pocket, cut the canvas from the deck and showed it to Storm, who headed the launch in a great foaming circle back toward Oceanside.

The directors were preparing to go home when three half-crazed people dashed into their room. Rhinelander, Helen and Storm told their story and showed their find. Excited in spite of themselves, the listeners crowded about the table. They inspected, objected and argued. The evidence was indisputable and the chairman called the meeting to order and asked its sense. Sympathy for the plucky daughter of their old president was perhaps not wanting in influencing their action; at all events, almost before Helen could realize it was being done, a resolution declaring their support should not be withdrawn, was put and carried. Bowers, the chairman, clinched his own feelings by catching Helen's hands and congratulating her.

Seagrue—pleased with what he believed his escape from a serious complication—was bound for his camp on a returning train. Helen, with Rhinelander and Storm, was again aboard the launch. They were speeding contentedly back to Signal bay.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



1—Seagrue and the Engineer Glared at Each Other. 2—His Wines Shockingly Declined. 3—Rhinelander Has Just Gone to Oceanside. 4—Storm Is Discharged.

in the tone of her explanation and glanced around. "No one here, you know."

"Well, but what time do you get off?" asked Seagrue feverishly.

"Oh, not for a long time yet."

His hopes were burgeoning fast. "See here, Helen; come over and take a camp dinner with me. Come, do. I'll show you what can be done without preparation."

She regarded him with an expression that indicated how completely such a proposal shocked her. She struggled an instant with the thought of it. Then she rejected the invitation; yet with enough indecision to invite a renewal. For the moment Helen was a heartless angler, and Seagrue deluded by vanity was unsuspectingly playing fish. Before he left—in the highest spirits he had known for many a day—he had, to his astonishment, secured Helen's promise to dine with him that night in camp. And at the appointed time she was ready.

The night was warm and a moon, rising full and into a clear sky, flooded the landscape. And after Helen's uneasiness at the strangeness of her situation had worn off, she was able throughout the trying hour with Seagrue in his hut to wear her mask of languid interest successfully. The table was served with surprising delicacies and a plentiful array of wines was in evidence. Yet, to an innocent intriguer, a whole hour never went so slowly, nor was appetite ever more reluctant than that of Seagrue's guest. Though that went through the form of eating and assumed a carefree air, his food choked her. His wines she persistently declined; but that did not dismay Seagrue, who drank quite enough for two.

threw himself viciously against it. The lock held, but she must get away at once. There was a window in the freighthouse, and she ran into the freightroom. Seagrue had snatched up a stone. He reached the operator's window, only to see Helen, who had sprung through the freighthouse window, running up the track. He followed her at top speed. Intent on escaping, she gave no thought to where she was running; it was only to get away from her hated enemy and save what she had so hardly regained. Helter-skelter through a grove of scattered oaks that fringed the hills above the sea, on and on she ran, until breath and strength were deserting her, but at every turn her detested pursuer was fast upon her heels. Between his lunging footfalls she could hear his panting threats, and the clearness of the night gave her little chance to elude his savage pursuit. She realized she was running across what had been her own father's estate. The ocean spread suddenly below her. She had reached Signal bay and the precipitous cliffs that frowned high above it. Like a frightened fawn she ran up the rocks and down, only to hear Seagrue breathing maledictions close behind, and with the distance steadily lessening between her and certain capture. Brought at last to bay, she darted down the cliffs to find a hiding place. Not a nook or cranny offered a hope of concealment, and a misstep where she trod meant certain death. Panting and bewildered, she heard Seagrue climbing down the ledge on which she had found a narrow foothold. Her escape was cut off, and Seagrue descended triumphantly toward her. She warned him back.

Our Dissolution Sale Will Continue One More Week

ENDING POSITIVELY SATURDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 12TH

On account of the unfavorable weather the past week we have decided to extend this sale through the coming week in order that those living in the country can take advantage of the wonderful bargains offered. In order to reduce this immense stock we have made prices on all winter merchandise that will move them quickly by the trading public. Thousands of dollars worth of seasonable merchandise will go in this sale. Read the prices carefully.

BARGAINS FOR ALL

- Ladies' bleached vest worth 35c this sale, price 21c
- 25 yards good outing worth 81-3c the yard, this sale 25 yards \$1.00
- 25 dozen ladies' black hose, worth 10c, this sale, pair 71-2c
- 250 men's heavy wool over shirts, this sale \$1.50
- 50c men's fleeced lined undershirts, this sale 35c
- 25 dozen extra size bath towels, bleached, 75c value, this sale, pair 46c
- 1 lot men's soft shirts, values up to \$1.00, this sale 45c
- 75 Newport wool scarfs, this sale sale, each 39c
- 40 in. percale finish half bleached domestic, worth 12 1-2c, this sale the yard 8 1-3c
- 50c and 75c hair bow and sash ribbon, this sale, the yard 33c
- 1 lot Onxy black hose for women, 50c quality, sale price 35c

Drastic reductions on Men's Clothing, Ladies' Ready to Wear, Millinery and Shoes. In fact all Winter merchandise must go to make room for Spring goods arriving daily.

WOMEN'S SUITS and COATS Half Price

- \$5.00 coats and suits now \$2.50
- \$6.50 coats and suits now \$3.25
- \$7.50 coats and suits now \$3.75
- \$10.00 coats and suits now \$5.00
- \$12.50 coats and suits now \$6.25
- \$15.00 coats and suits now \$7.50

DRESSES

I lot dresses, including lawns, linens, and ratine, all sizes and values \$3.50 to \$7.50, all slightly soiled, choice 98c
 1 lot ladies' silk and wool dresses, values up to \$10.00, sale price, only \$2.95
 Other dresses at Half price and less.

GOOD BYE TO ALL WINTER MILLINERY

- Values up to \$7.50 and \$10.00 last call price \$1.24
- Values up to \$3.50 and \$5.00 last call price 95c
- Values up to \$1.50 and 35c last call price 49c

Immense Stock Clothing Sacrificed

Big Suit Values over 200 in the Lot
 Men's suits that formerly sold at \$15 \$17 and up, choice entire lot, this sale only \$10.85
 Over 100 men's and young men's suits that formerly sold at \$10 to \$12.50, take your choice during this sale, at only \$7.95
 Every boy's suit, all men's trousers and underwear included in this sale, at greatly Reduced Prices.

MEN'S, WOMEN'S & CHILDREN'S SHOES IN THIS SALE A \$10,000 STOCK MUST BE REDUCED. NOTE THE PRICES:

Men's Shoes

- \$2.50 men's shoes now \$1.95
- \$3.00 men's shoes now \$2.45
- \$3.50 men's shoes now \$2.85
- \$4.00 men's shoes now \$3.15
- \$5.00 men's shoes now \$3.95

WOMEN'S SHOES

Big Values Here.

- \$1.50 women's shoes now \$1.15
- \$2.00 women's shoes now \$1.65
- \$3.00 women's shoes now \$1.95
- \$3.50 women's shoes now \$2.45
- \$4.00 women's shoes now \$3.15
- \$5.00 women's shoes now \$3.95

Children's Shoes

- \$1.00 children's shoes now 82c
- \$1.25 children's shoes now \$1.05
- \$1.50 children's shoes now \$1.15
- \$1.75 children's shoes now \$1.35
- \$2.00 children's shoes now \$1.65
- \$2.50 children's shoes now \$1.95
- \$3.00 children's shoes now \$2.45

Come to this sale and save

Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

A \$40,000 stock must be reduced

BIG BUILDING LITTLE PATCHING

We can supply the material for your big building job or the little patch work around your home. You do yourself an injustice if you fail to let us figure on your lumber bill.

Ballinger Lumber Co.

Citation By Publication

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

You are hereby commanded to summon T. C. Williams and wife, Nora Williams by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; to appear at the next regular term of the District Court, Runnels County, Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, in Ballinger, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in March, A. D. 1916, the same being the 13th day of March, A. D. 1916, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 30th day of July, A. D. 1912 in a suit numbered on docket of said court, N. 1466, wherein J. R. Beverley is plaintiff, and T. C. Williams, Mrs. Nora Williams and A. Schawe are defendants;

the nature of plaintiff's demand being as follows: Plaintiff sues upon six (6) certain vendor's lien notes executed by T. C. Williams and Mrs. Nora Williams, payable to order of A. Schawe, of date August 22, 1908; five of said notes being in the sum of two hundred and No-100 (\$200.00) dollars each and one in the sum of one hundred seven and 50-100 (\$107.50) dollars; that said notes were given in part payment of land situated in Crane County, Texas, and known as 200 acres out of a 570 acre tract and being survey number (1) made by virtue of script number 501. That the defendant A. Schawe before the maturity of said notes acting by and through his authorized agents sold and transferred, for a valuable consideration, said notes to the plaintiff herein. That said notes bear interest from date at the rate of eight per cent (8 per cent) per annum and provide for ten per cent (10 per cent.) attorney's fees.

Plaintiff prays for judgment of the amount due upon said notes including principal, interest and attorney's fees, foreclosure of his lien and costs of suit.

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

Witness my hand and official seal at my office in Ballinger, Texas, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1916.

(Seal) MARY PHILLIPS, Clerk, District Court, Runnels County, Texas. 4-11-18w

Dr. W. W. Mitchel and J. B. Bass of Norton, and W. J. Wilkerson of the Now Home neighborhood, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

T. J. McCaughn of Norton, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

G. W. Vanlandingham and two children of the Spring Hill neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Thursday at noon en route to Rowena to visit relatives a few days.

PAPE'S DIASPEPSIN FOR INDIGESTION OR SOUR, ACID STOMACH

In five minutes! No dyspepsia, heartburn or any stomach misery.

Sour, gassy, upset stomach, indigestion, heartburn, dyspepsia; when the food you eat ferments into gases and stubborn lumps; your head aches and you feel sick and miserable, that's when you realize the magic in Pape's Diasepsin. It makes all stomach misery vanish in five minutes.

If your stomach is in a continuous revolt—if you can't get it regulated, please, for your sake, try Pape's Diasepsin. It's so needless to have a bad stomach—make your next meal a favorite food meal, then take a little Diasepsin. There will not be any distress—eat without fear. It's because Pape's Diasepsin "really does" regulate weak, out-of-order stomachs that gives it its millions of sales annually.

Get a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diasepsin from any drug store. It is the quickest, surest stomach relief and cure known. It acts almost like magic—it is a scientific, harmless and pleasant stomach preparation which truly belongs in every home.

BALLINGER SUFFERS \$5000 FIRE LOSS

At three-thirty Thursday morning the efficiency of the Ballinger Volunteer Fire Company cheated the fire demon out of what promised to be the most destructive fire in this city for many moons.

The I. O. Wooden building next door to the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co., occupied by the Laxson Cafe and the City Meat Market, was "gutted," and the big three story building of

the Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. was damaged to the extent of about \$1,000.

It is not known how the fire originated. The alarm was turned in at a few minutes past three o'clock and the fire was under good headway when the fire company arrived on the scene. Two strong streams of water were soon playing from both ends of the building and the flames were crowded back into the building and the boys soon had the fire under control and did not allow it to break out of the building after checking the flames that were coming from the front of the building when they arrived. Credit is due the roomers in the Pilcher rooming house, among whom are a number of carnival people, for responding to the alarm, helping handle the big hose until the regular firemen could arrive. On account of the hour there was no one stirring and the unusually cold night made it very difficult to fight fire and the firemen suffered greatly from cold.

The front of the Higginbotham store was considerably scorched and the plate glass windows destroyed before the fire was placed under control. The wooden building is a stone building and there was little in it to burn, the market fixtures and cafe fixtures being of such material that caused the fire to burn slowly. The partitions afforded the best fuel for the flames and these were destroyed as well as the roof of the building.

The market was owned by Joe Turner and Frank Chapman and was a complete loss, no insurance. The cafe was owned by Hatton Laxson and Frank Ward and was a complete loss with \$400 insurance in the Elmer Shepperd agency. Mr. Ward has been with the City Market for some time and purchased an interest in the cafe from Budd Miller on Feb. 1st, the day before the fire.

The damage on the building is estimated at about \$2500 with \$1000 insurance in the agency of Miss Maggie Sharp. The building occupies a good business location, and while we have not interviewed Mr. Wooden, we feel sure that it will be replaced at an early date and the new building

PROVEN SWAMP-ROOT AIDS WEAK KIDNEY

The symptoms of kidney and bladder troubles are often very distressing and leave the system in a run-down condition. The kidneys seem to suffer most, as most every victim complains lame back and urinary troubles which should not be neglected, these danger signals often lead to dangerous kidney troubles. Dr. Kilmers' Swamp-Root, which soon heals and strengthens the kidneys is a splendid kidney and bladder remedy, and being an herbal compound, has gentle healing effect on the kidneys, which is almost immediately noticed in most cases by those who use it.

A trial will convince anyone who may be in need of it. Better get a bottle from your nearest drug store, and start treatment at once.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmers & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention the Ballinger Weekly Banner-Ledger.

will probably be more moderate than the one destroyed.

The big department store of Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. was in danger and if the fire had spread to this it would have been impossible to save any of the buildings on this block and probably other blocks. The boys did splendid work, and deserve the credit of the property owners and a big "chromo" from the insurance companies.

R. S. Bowden, one of the successful farmers of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday and ordered The Banner-Ledger to his friend, J. M. Halliday, of Madisonville, with his compliments.

E. M. Setser of Norton, and J. W. Pool, of the Winters country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

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The best FARM PAPER published is yours for the asking. Simply sign the coupon below and the names of four of your neighbors or friends interested in the problems of the farm. This interesting and instructive farm paper will be sent to you for 12 months absolutely FREE ADDRESS: BOX Q, Ballinger, Texas

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BANNER-LEDGER
 PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY BY
BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY
 The Banner-Ledger and the
 Ballinger County Ledger were con-
 dated January 28, 1913.

Can you vote?
 Before pork preserving weather.

What would you take for your
 tax receipt?

Judging from reports received
 The Ledger office, the rabbit
 in Runnels county is decreas-

Elsewhere in this issue of The
 Ledger Miss Anna E. Richardson
 is how a family of six can live
 \$1200 per year. Will some one
 tell how a family of twelve
 live on \$600 per year? That
 would be more interesting to
 the families.

It is claimed that school tax
 collected on cotton held in the
 yards by cotton dealers on
 January first would run the
 mills of this city for one month.
 There were about 8000 bales on
 hand. The attorney general
 says that the cotton was tax-
 ed. If so the school board should
 have the money.

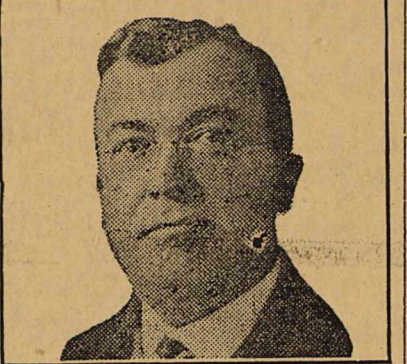
The commissioners court have
 power and authority to meet
 proposition submitted by
 George C. H. Willingham, and The
 Ledger is of the opinion that they
 promptly accept it when
 convene for business on Feb.
 10. Opening of the proposed
 will bring many families
 living nearer to market. One farm
 living down the river hauled
 fifty bales of cotton to the Bal-
 lenger gin last fall, and if the pro-
 posed road had been opened for
 travel he would have been 160
 miles nearer the gin, and on a

and appointed on a certain deed
 of trust, recorded in volume 11 on
 page 592, records of real estate
 mortgages of Runnels County,
 Texas, executed and delivered to
 me on the 8th day of February,
 1911, by R. L. Maddox and wife,
 Josie B. Maddox, for better secur-
 ing of one certain promissory
 note of four hundred twenty and
 no-100 dollars, (\$420.00) more
 fully described in said deed of
 trust, executed by the said R. L.
 Maddox and wife Josie B. Mad-
 dox, payable to the order of H.
 W. Lynn at Ballinger, Texas,
 due on the 8th day of February
 1912, bearing 10 per cent interest
 per annum from date until paid,
 interest due and payable annual-
 ly as it accrues, and also provid-
 ing for the payment of ten per
 cent additional on the amount of
 principal and interest, then due
 as attorney's fees, if placed in
 the hands of an attorney for col-
 lection, for lot No. 4, block No.
 107, in Ballinger, Runnels coun-
 ty, Texas of the original plot of
 the town of Ballinger Texas as
 surveyed by Thos. King, engineer.

And whereas on the day of
 1913 the said above mention-
 ed H. W. Lynn for a valuable con-
 sideration sold and delivered to
 J. M. Skinner the said above de-
 scribed note, who is now the legal
 owner and holder of said above
 note, and the said R. L. Maddox
 and wife Josie B. Maddox have
 default in the payment of said
 note above described, due on the
 8th day of February, 1912, and
 the same is now past due and un-
 paid, principal, interest and at-
 torney's fees, by reason thereof,
 and as provided for in said note
 and in said deed of trust, the said
 J. M. Skinner has declared said
 note and all of said indebtedness
 immediately due and mature and
 has so notified the said R. L. Mad-
 dox and wife Josie B. Maddox in
 writing, and whereas said note is
 past due and unpaid, now aggregat-
 ing, principal, interest and at-
 torney's fees five hundred eighty-
 seven and 40-100 dollars (\$587.40)
 and whereas I have been

**NATIONAL SLOGAN SUG-
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 MEMPHIS DRUGGIST**

Would Remind the Public to Prevent
 Sickness by Removing the Cause



T. D. BALLARD
 a prominent druggist of Memphis says:
 "Much sickness could and would be
 prevented if the people would only re-
 member that constipation is one of the
 first causes. As a reminder, I would
 suggest the slogan,
 "Rexall Orderlies, the laxative tab-
 let with the pleasant taste."
 "I suggest Rexall Orderlies as I know
 their formula and believe they are the
 best remedy for relieving constipation.
 They can be used by men, women or
 children."

We have the exclusive selling rights for
 this great laxative. Trial size, 10 cents.
WALKER DRUG CO.
THE REXALL STORE

house door in the town of Ballinger
 in Runnels County, Texas the
 following described property to-
 wit: All that certain parcel of
 land and being situated in the
 County of Runnels and State of
 Texas, which upon the map of the
 plan of the original town of Bal-
 linger, made by Thomas King,
 engineer and on file in the coun-
 ty clerk's office of said Runnels
 county, is designated distinguish-
 ed and described as lot No. four
 (4), in block No. one hundred and
 seven (107). Being the same land
 conveyed to said Josie B. Mad-

W. O. W. RESOLUTIONS

Mazeland Camp 2269 W. O. W.
 Wingate, Texas, on Jan. 18, 1916,
 the wisdom of God taken away
 from us our dear brother Sover-
 eign Payton Lunsford, we offer
 the following resolutions in his
 memory. Sovereign Lunsford
 was a young man of promise and
 we mourn that so early his works
 should cease, but God willed it
 so. His voice shall be heard no
 more in our councils and his
 bright young face shall no more
 gladden our camp fire, and our
 hearts are sad. God help us to
 so live up to the great ideals of
 our order and to so treat our brother
 and his little ones that we
 may meet our departed Sover-
 eign in the eternal forest where
 there will be no vacant chairs and
 no more mourning for brothers
 departed.

B. V. SIMPSON
J. W. FLADD
R. L. HANCOCK,
 Committee.

**MELON GROWERS TO MEET
 SATURDAY.**

The melon growers' associa-
 tion, that is, the Runnels County
 Produce Association, will hold its
 regular meeting at the Business
 League office Saturday afternoon
 at two o'clock.

**LEAGUE DIRECTORS TO
 MEET**

The regular meeting of the di-
 rectors of the Business League
 will be held at the league office
 Saturday, February 8, at 2:00 p.
 m. A full attendance is request-
 ed.

R. P. Taylor of Norton, was
 transacting business in Ballinger
 Thursday and renewed with the
 Banner-Ledger and Dallas News
 for another year. He says the
 oat crops in his section are suf-
 fering considerably from the re-
 cent dry freezes and thinks a
 good deal will never revive.

Children Cry for Fletcher's



The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been
 in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of
 and has been made under his per-
 sonal supervision since its infancy.
Charles H. Fletcher 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.

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Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Pare-
 goric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It
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 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.

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There is an offer in this paper
 made by a local merchant to send
 absolutely free for 12 months a
 good farm paper. There is no
 trick in the free offer and you are
 not obligated to pay one cent
 and the paper will be stopped

Tom Green only has 1914 poll
 tax receipts. That does not mean
 that the voters of Tom Green
 County only have poll tax receipts
 for 1914, but 1914 is the total
 number of poll tax receipts is-

Holding Cotton Is Risky Unless you cover it with a
 good fire insurance policy.
 Why take the risk?

Be on the SAFE SIDE—let us PROTECT you from loss on
 grain and cotton. Drop in and talk it over with us. **Ballinger Insurance Agency**

Notice of Sale by Trustee
 State of Texas, County of Run-
 nels:
 Whereas by virtue of authority
 vested in me, as trustee, named

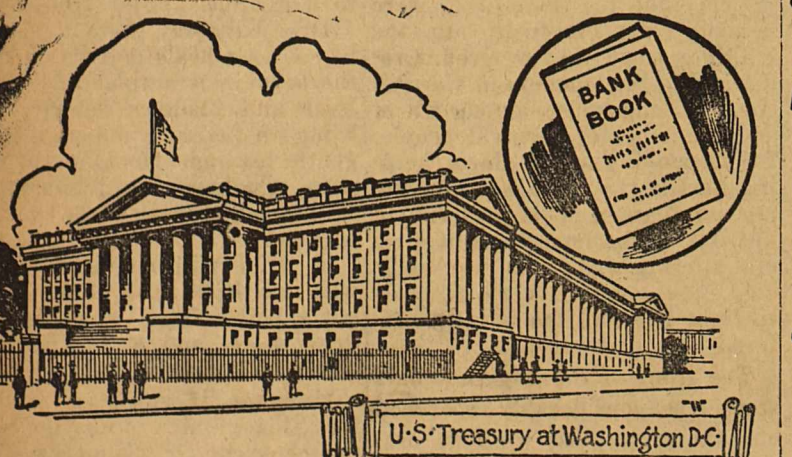
requested by the said J. M. Skin-
 ner to enforce said trust, I will
 offer for sale between the legal
 hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4
 o'clock p. m. at public auction to
 the highest bidder on the first
 Tuesday in March, A. D. 1916,
 the same being the 7th day of
 March, A. D. 1916, at the court

dox by the Gulf Colorado & San-
 ta Fe Railway Company on Oct.
 11th, A. D. 1914 as shown by
 deed recorded in volume 42, page
 54 of the deed records of Run-
 nels county, Texas, with all the
 rights, members and appurten-
 ances in anywise belonging.
 Witness my hand this the 19th
 day of January A. D. 1916.
C. J. LYNN,
 Trustee

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCE-
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 ments must be accompanied
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when the 12 months expire. You
 will find the offer with printed
 blank published elsewhere in this
 paper, and in addition to getting
 the paper for yourself you can
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 send it to the address given on
 the blank. That's all there is to
 it, and then you will know who
 is sending the paper to you free.

sued in that county for 1915.
 Runnels County has 3120. Sub-
 tract 1914 from 3120 and you
 have 1206. 1206 is the number
 showing that Runnels County has
 more poll tax payers than Tom
 Green County.
 R. P. Conn left Thursday at
 noon for San Angelo on a short-
 business trip.



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 the vaults of this beautiful building
 than surrounds the money deposited
 with us by our small army of de-
 positors.

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 not only in safe keeping, but it is in-
 creasing in volume without effort on
 your part. It is providing the compe-
 tence that will be needed for old age
 or the "rainy day" that should be
 anticipated.

The saving habit is a producer of
 self-reliance, of business independ-
 ence, of freedom from anxiety.

We offer the people of this community
 every inducement to save that is
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**ALL CHILDREN LOVE
 "SYRUP OF FIGS" FOR
 LIVER AND BOWELS**

Give it when feverish, cross, bil-
 iousness, for bad breath or sour
 stomach.

Look at the tongue, Mother! If
 coated, it is a sure sign that your
 little one's stomach, liver and
 bowels need a gentle, thorough
 cleansing at once.

When peevish, cross, listless,
 pale, doesn't sleep, doesn't eat
 or act naturally, or is feverish,
 stomach sour, breath bad; has
 stomach-ache, sore throat, diar-
 rhoea, full of cold, give a tea-
 spoonful of "California Syrup of
 Figs," and in a few hours all the
 foul, constipated waste, undigest-
 ed food and sour bile gently moves
 out of its little bowels without
 griping, and you have a well,
 playful child again.

You needn't coax sick children
 to take this harmless "fruit laxa-
 tive" they love its delicious taste,
 and it always makes them feel
 splendid.

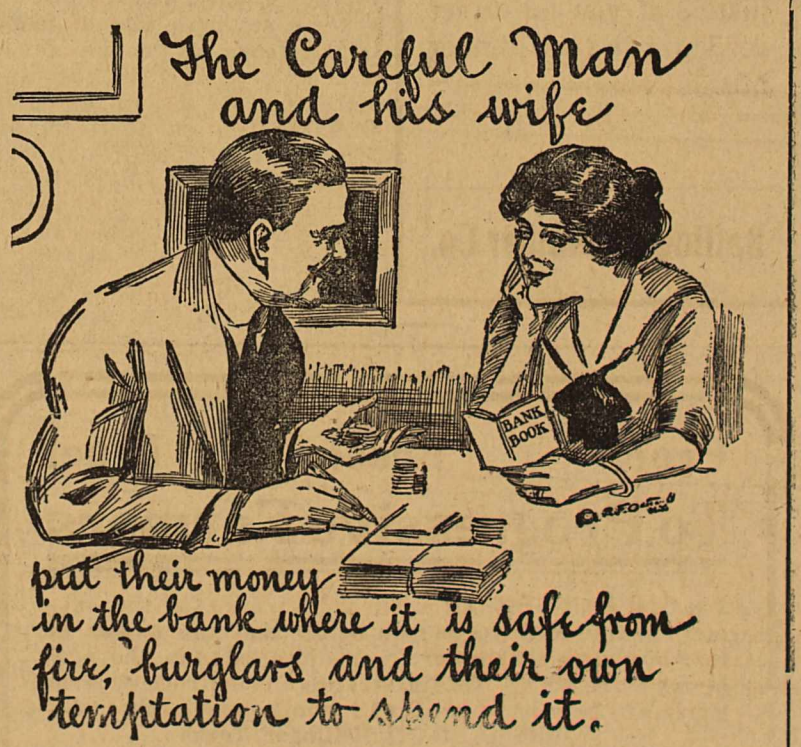
Ask your druggist for a 50-cent
 bottle of "California Syrup of
 Figs" which has directions for
 babies, children of all ages and
 for grown-ups plainly on the bot-
 tle. Beware of counterfeits sold
 here. To be sure you get the gen-
 uine, ask to see that it is made
 by "California Fig Syrup Com-
 pany." Refuse any other kind
 with contempt.

Subject to the action of the
 Democratic Primary, July 25th:

- Representative 111th District:
WALACE E. HAWKINS.
- For County Clerk:
W. C. McCARVER,
C. C. COCKRELL
H. G. SECRET.
- For Tax Assessor:
C. C. SCHUCHARD,
T. H. CURRY,
JOE TURNER.
- For County Treasurer:
W. L. BROWN
- For County Attorney:
C. P. SHEPHERD
- For Tax Collector:
W. T. PADGETT,
M. D. CHASTAIN
- For Sheriff:
J. D. PERKINS.
- For County Judge:
O. L. PARISH
- For District Clerk:
 (Miss) **MARY PHILLIPS.**
- For Commissioner Pre. No. 1:
E. C. MOOR.

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 and his wife**

pat their money
 in the bank where it is safe from
 fire, burglars and their own
 temptation to spend it.

Husband and wife should both save money. What's
 the good for one to save and the other to spend? Just
 ask yourself today: "Who gets the money I earn?" Do
 I get it or does somebody else get it? You earned your
 money: it belongs to you. Keep it. Be a careful man
 and bank your money.

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SEE ME

COTTON BUYERS MUST PAY TAX

At the request of the local school board, County Attorney Shepherd addressed a letter to the attorney general last week seeking information concerning the right to assess cattle brought to Ballinger from other parts of the county and placed on feed in the local feed pens, said cattle being located in the Ballinger Independent District on the first day of January, and also concerning the right of the school tax assessor of this district to assess cotton held in the local yards by cotton buyers.

The first question grew out of the holding of 800 cattle here on feed by Blocker Brothers on January first last year. The cattle were assessed, but Blocker Brothers declined to pay the taxes to the school tax collector of this district, claiming that the cattle were assessable in the district where the ranch is located and where the cattle were moved from when brought to Ballinger. The ranch embraces four school districts, or at least part of the land of the ranch is located in four different school districts, all levying a different tax rate, and all a lower rate than levied by the Ballinger school board.

The attorney general holds that the cattle are taxable in the districts where the ranch is located and not in the Ballinger district, and should be paid in proportion to the acreage located in each district under the general rule that personal property is taxable at the residence of the owner, and the ruling of the attorney general holds that the cattle were only temporarily moved to Ballinger.

In replying to the other question concerning tax on cotton held by owners, the attorney general says:

"You also desire to be advised if cotton owned by cotton buyers on the first day of January 1916 and located in Ballinger on that date, is subject to tax in such district.

"Replying thereto we beg to say that such cotton is subject to tax. This exact question is decided in an opinion on page 669 of the report of the opinion of the attorney general 1912-14, copy of which you have."

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Miss Dewey Brookshire of Benoit, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Audice Reese, and family, the past few days, returned home on the evening train Saturday.

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 cures. Price and Res. 50c.

Prof. Chas. Plachy, principal of the Rowena school, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Drs. Forbes & Watson

Veterinary Surgeons, San Angelo, Ballinger and Coleman, Texas. E. R. Forbes, V. S. formerly State Veterinarian of Texas. T. W. Watson, V. S. formerly President State Board Veterinary Medical Examiners of Texas. Specialties—Surgery, Dentistry, Lameness and Ranch Practice, Tuberculin testing of cattle. Calls to ranches in any part of the state promptly answered. Office at The Union Wagon Yard Ballinger, Texas.

DYSPEPSIA OVERCOME

Tone Up the Stomach with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

When you have dyspepsia your life is miserable. You have a bad taste in your mouth, a tenderness at the pit of your stomach, a feeling of puffy fullness, headache, heartburn, and sometimes nausea.

Dyspepsia is difficult digestion—that is what the word means—and the only way to get rid of it is to give vigor and tone to the stomach and the whole digestive system. Hood's Sarsaparilla, sold by all druggists, is the one medicine which acts on the stomach through the blood and also directly. Its beneficial effects are felt at once. Improvement begins immediately.

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, makes the rich red blood that is needed for perfect digestion, and builds up the whole system. Be sure to get Hood's, for no other medicine can take its place.

SANTA FE AGREES TO BUILD WALK

All Ballinger and especially the citizens who travel up and down the sidewalks on Eighth Street, should take off their hats to Secretary Burges of the Business League. For some time the Ledger has been calling attention to the fact that in wet weather pedestrians found it muddy walking in going from the business section to the residence district, and we suggested that if the matter was taken up with the proper authorities the need of a side walk would be forth coming, and we are glad to state that the side walk will be built.

Mr. Burges busied himself with the proposition some time ago, and he received a letter today from S. K. Hull, superintendent of the Santa Fe, stating that the work has been recommended, the appropriation authorized, and the work would be pushed to completion. The plans of the Santa Fe call for the building of a walk on both sides of Eighth Street from the railroad to the street, which is already provided with a concrete crossing on the north side and Mr. Burges states that he has assurance from Mayor Powell that the city will provide such crossing on the south side and the city walk connected with the one to be built by the Santa Fe.

The Best Recommendation.

The strongest recommendation any article may receive is a favorable word from the user. It is the recommendations of those who have used it that makes Chamberlain's Cough Remedy so popular. Mrs. Amanda Gierhart, Waynesfield, Ohio, writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used in my family off and on for twenty years and it has never failed to cure a cough or cold." Obtainable everywhere.

FALL FRIGHTENS HORSE.

Ben Taylor, of the Norton country, had the misfortune to suffer a runaway just as he drove into town Saturday about noon. Mr. Taylor was driving across the street at the intersection of Eighth Street and Hutchins avenue when his horse slipped and fell. In the fall the harness was broken and the horse became frightened and began to kick and run, circling back into Eighth street he jumped the side walk at the corner of the First National Bank with the driver in the buggy. The horse kicked out of the harness and away from the buggy and was caught before he started to run again. Mr. Taylor did all that he could do to hold the horse and was in the buggy when it stopped.

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 sick in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

S. H. DOUGHERTY MOVES TO WINTERS

Winters gained and Ballinger lost by the departure of the S. H. Dougherty family Friday. Mr. Dougherty has been at Winters for some time where he is connected with the Van Pelt hardware store. He succeeded in getting a house and moved his family Friday, and they will make their home in that little city. Mr. Dougherty has been a citizen of Ballinger for the past ten or twelve years and has many friends here who will wish him success in his new home and bespeak for the family the best at the hands of the Winters people.

Tom Riley of Plainview, who had been visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Britton and family of Winters, passed thru Ballinger Saturday en route home after a short visit at Brownwood.

R. L. and Homer Stokes, of the Dry Ridge section, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Moore, who had been making home in Ballinger for some time past, left Monday for their former home at Celina, Texas.

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.

TEXAS HAS A RICH GOVERNOR

Governor Ferguson settled his 1915 taxes yesterday, at least he "squared" himself as far as Bell county is concerned. Yesterday morning he visited the office of Tax Collector Nelson in the city hall and issued a check for \$1,091.00 to cover taxes against his Bell county properties. The check includes county taxes on the governor's Sparks farm which was visited Wednesday by the governor, and several other pieces of property in the county. Governor Ferguson paid his county and city poll taxes several days ago on a short visit to Temple. He left yesterday afternoon for Austin.—Temple Telegram.

The check above referred to does not represent the taxes on all Governor Ferguson's holdings. Remember that he has a pretty good little ranch and some high-grade cattle in Bosque county, and you no doubt have heard of Governor Ferguson's bank at Temple, the taxes for which is not paid in his name, and he is also interested in other things that count for riches. The thousand dollar check only went for his personal taxes in Bell county. The governor is holding office strictly for the honor it brings to him, but like most men with money he will retire from office with a better bank account, no doubt.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

SELLS SIX FORD'S

R. L. Harwell, local representative of the Ford autos, sold six cars the past few days and three of them were delivered on Saturday as follows:

A. D. Barnett, of Valley Creek; Ed W. Jones, six miles down the river; M. L. Hinds of Winters; L. H. Hamilton of this city and Clyde Dunn of Wingate and Stanley Harter of Wilmett.

How To Cure Colds.

Avoid exposure and drafts. Eat right. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. It is prepared from Pine Tar, healing balsams and mild laxatives. Dr. King's New Discovery kill sand expels the cold germs, soothes the irritated throat and allays inflammation. It heals the mucous membrane. Search as you will, you cannot find a better cough, and cold remedy. Its use over 45 years is a guarantee of satisfaction.

SCHOOL BOY BREAKS ARM

Robert McAlpine, a pupil in the high seventh grade, had the misfortune to break his left arm just above the wrist at playtime at two o'clock this afternoon. The boy was lifting a fifty pound dumb bell when he felt the dumb bell falling on him. It was a bad break, the bone almost protruding through the flesh and skin of the arm. A brother Bill McAlpine, was operated on for appendicitis a few days ago.

Lee Evans of the Spring Hill neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

R. M. Currie, who represents the Overland autos at Winters, was among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby warned not to trespass in any way on my property or property controlled by me or you will be dealt with as the law directs. JAKE STUBBLEFIELD, Norton, Tex. 17-17w

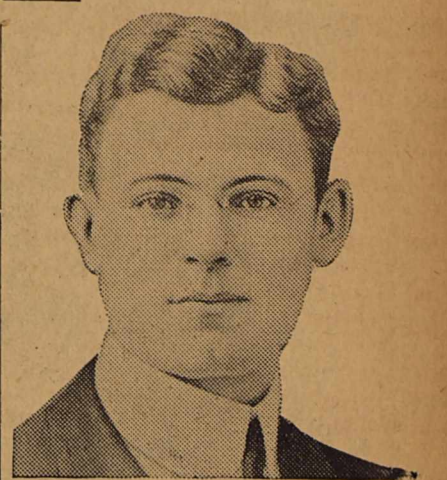
Frank Schwertner Jr., of the Miles country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

T. J. Bryan of the Millar neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and is offering a bargain in this issue in his residence. He also advertises bundled maize.

GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lankford for Saddles, Harness, etc. Complete line of Saddlery goods and accessories. Shoe work and repair. J. C. CATHEY, Mgr.

Indigestion May Be Due to Constipation

Neglect of Important Function May Seriously Impair The Health.



Benj. Bassin.

There are many people who believe they suffer from indigestion when their discomfort really is due to a constipated condition.

Bloat, with its attendant mental depression, sick head-ache, the heaving of sour stomach gases, etc., are frequently due to inaction of the bowels. Relieve the congestion and the trouble usually disappears. The use of cathartics and purgatives should be avoided, however; these shock the system unnecessarily and, at best, their effect is but temporary. A mild laxative is far preferable.

The compound of simple laxative herbs known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and sold in drug stores for fifty cents a bottle, is highly recommended. Mr. Benj. Bassin, 360 Madison St., Gary, Ind., thinks Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a wonderful medicine; for four years he had a severe case of indigestion and constipation before trying Dr.

Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which he is glad to recommend to all who suffer with stomach and bowel trouble.

A bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin should be in every home for use when occasion arises. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

HOW TO EXIST ON \$1200 A YEAR

The problem is given a family of five, consisting of husband, wife, daughter 6 years old, son 5 years old, and daughter 12 months, and an income of \$1200 a year, to find the best way of apportioning the income to cover the various expenses of the family.

This is one of many problems that are holding the attention of Miss Anna E. Richardson, adjunct professor of domestic economy in the University. Her solution is that of the \$1200, \$456.25 or 38.2 per cent would have to be allowed for food. This is an average of 25 cents a day for each member. Two hundred seventy-six dollars or 23 per cent would have to go for shelter. Clothing would cost \$215 or 18 per cent. The mother is allowed \$80 for her clothes, the father, \$75, and \$25, \$20, and \$15 respectively, are allowed each of the children. One hundred fifty-four dollars and twenty-five cents, or 13.68 per cent is allowed for operating expenses, which include light, fuel, repairs, laundry, doctor bills, and the like. Sixty-three dollars and fifty cents, or 5.8 per cent is for what Miss Richardson terms advancement meaning insurance, charity, books, recreation, and saving.

"My families become very real to me," said Miss Richardson. "I begin to feel that they are actual people and I find myself trying to give this mother just a little more than the bare necessities, trying to arrange their budgets so that they can save a few dollars more to be prepared in case the father doesn't get a raise in salary, or in case of a long illness. I want to stretch that \$1200 to cover everything that they need and want."

As a result of her investigations and study in the field of family budgets, Miss Richardson has

come to the conclusion that it is not the very poor family that deserves the more sympathy. It should go to the family that is striving to keep up appearances, skimping here and saving there so that Mary can have as nice clothes as the little girl next door, and so that Johnny can have as good a start in life as the boy across the street. It should go to the family that is constantly striving to adapt its \$100 or \$1,800 income to a \$2500 or \$3,000 standard.—University Reporter.

Something Good.

Those who hate nasty medicine should try Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation. They are pleasant to take and their effect is so agreeable and so natural that you will not realize that it has been produced by a medicine. Obtainable everywhere.

Miss Corine Jones, who had been here to attend the funeral of her mother at Wingate last week, returned Monday afternoon to Belton to resume her school work in Baylor College.

Arthur Clark, who is attending the Metropolitan Business College in Ballinger, renewed with the Banner-Ledger for another year for his mother, Mrs. Pearl Clark of the Winters country.

TRESPASS 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 pecana, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSEY, Concho county, Tex.

BUYS OVERLAND CAR J. C. and Clarence Wilson, two of the prosperous young farmers of the Pony creek country, were in the city Saturday and while here bought from Walton & O'Kelly a five-passenger Overland.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its firing me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book. "It is Treatment for Women" set in plain wrapper. 1-6



Prince Albert fits your taste!

Meets the fondest wishes of any man who likes to smoke because it has the *right flavor* and aroma and coolness. It's the most cheerful tobacco you ever did pack in a jimmy pipe or roll into a cigarette. And it's so good you just feel you never can get enough. The patented process fixes that—and cuts out bite and parch!

Listen:
It's easy to change the shape and color of unsalable brands to imitate the Prince Albert tin, but it is impossible to imitate the flavor of Prince Albert tobacco! The patented process protects that!

When you fire up your first smoke you'll decide that you never did taste tobacco that hits your fancy like

PRINCE ALBERT

the national joy smoke

For it exceeds in goodness and satisfaction the kindest word we ever printed about it!

Men, we tell you this tobacco will be a revelation to you. So, take this information at 100%, get out the old jimmy pipe from its hiding place or locate the makin's papers—and fall-to!

Your wishes will be gratified at the nearest store that sells tobacco, for Prince Albert is in universal demand. It can be bought all over the states and all over the world! Tippy red bags, 5c; tidy red tins, 10c; handsome pound and half-pound tin humidors—and that fine pound crystal-glass humidor with sponge-moistener top that keeps the tobacco in such excellent trim.

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

NEW EPISCOPAL MINISTER LOCATES IN BALLINGER

Rev. W. T. Allan, formerly rector of St. Luke's church at Jacksonville, Ala., has accepted work in Texas and will have charge of the Episcopal churches at Ballinger and Coleman. Dr. Allan comes to Ballinger highly recommended as is shown by the following from the Anniston, Alabama Star, and also from the resolutions adopted by the church he served for thirteen years.

The pastor will be joined by his wife later. Mrs. Allan is at present visiting a son in Oklahoma.

Rev. W. T. Allan, rector of St. Luke's church, Jacksonville, preached his farewell sermon ending two pastorates of thirteen years at this place on Sunday, August 8. The congregation was largely composed of the business men and others outside of the Episcopal church.

At the close of the service Prof. C. W. Dugette, president of the Alabama Normal School and junior warden of St. Luke's church, in a very graceful speech, presented a beautiful loving cup to the rector on behalf of the parish, in token of affectionate esteem and appreciation of faithful service for thirteen years. The cup was of sterling silver, lined with gold.

The rector responded to it in a few well chosen words, expressing his deep appreciation, which he assured them, was only upon

absolute necessity. Prof. Dugette then presented Mrs. Allan a handsome gold-headed umbrella on behalf of the guild, as a token of love and high appreciation of her splendid leadership of the guild and as teacher of the Sunday school for nine years. Many who attended the service said it was the most impressive they ever witnessed.—Anniston, (Ala.) Star.

Resolutions passed upon the resignation of Rev. Allan as pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal church at Jacksonville, Ala.

WHEREAS at a meeting of the vestry of St. Luke's Church on Monday July 19, the resolution of Rev. W. T. Allan was tendered and accepted with mutual regret, and

WHEREAS, circumstances demanding his presence in Arkansas necessitating the severance of his connection with this parish which he has faithfully served for the past nine years and for four years at a previous time, and

WHEREAS during his pastorate here a splendid, modern rectory was built and many substantial improvements to the church were due to his superior executive ability and whereas Dr. Allan is a scholarly and one of the ablest preachers in the Diocese, and a man of lofty ideals and strong convictions, whose charity and generosity are proverbial; having a tender sympathy and an ever ready aid for these in need or distress which have endeared him to many throughout the community who will hold him in grateful remembrance and wish him God speed in his future labors.

THEREFORE as a mark of love and esteem, be it resolved by the vestry of St. Luke's church: FIRST, that in the removal of Dr. Allan the parish and the Diocese have lost a talented minister, a wise counselor and a zealous worker in the cause of Christianity and the uplift of humanity.

SECOND, that the sincere regrets of the parish and the community be extended to Mrs. Allan whose splendid services, both religious and civic have graven her memory on the hearts of our people.

THIRD, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Dr. and Mrs. Allan, the Bishop of Alabama, the newspapers and the Church Record.

M. A. STEVENSON,
Secretary of Vestry.

J. P. Flynt passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to Winters from Paint Rock, where he had been to ship out a carload or two of oats to points east.

SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Continue what you are and where you are and you are what and where you will always be. The world of wage-earners is a world of hoppers, wishers, and hesitators, held down by foolish doubts and empty fears. Endless thousands of bright, fine fellows whose wish bone is where their back bone ought to be, are excusably afraid, halting, timid, clinging with the drowning man, grasp to their slender salaries, because they think business is a mystery and they can never learn to transact it.

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

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

Write for our catalogue today and read the unsolicited testimonials from many of our former students who are today demonstrating their success and the value of our training. Opportunity never comes to him who waits. It comes to him who goes after it with all there is in him, with a deep, burning, intense resolve of his inmost being. Read our catalogue carefully. Why not you be one of the 2000 that will go out of our institution this year into a good business office. Procrastination is a thief of time. Fill in the following blank and send in by return mail. It may be the turning point in your life.

Name
Address
Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Mrs. I. A. Garriek, of Winters passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a visit to relatives at Talpa.

A. L. Kerley, of the Hatchel country, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

W. W. Allen, of near Bradshaw who was visiting friends in South Ballinger returned home Saturday.

L. P. Hinde has returned home from Oklahoma, where he has been on business the past few weeks.

Mrs. Springfield left Saturday for Winters to visit her daughter a few weeks.

Jim Wamble of Carlet in while en route to Bronte spent the night with his friend W. E. Branch.

We are glad to report that Bonnie Lee the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Middleton, who has been sick with scarlet fever is getting along nicely.

Tom Knight is able to be up after a severe case of la grippe.

“ELBERTA PEACH.

HATCHEL DOTS

David Holliday has been sick. Mrs. Sides has had the la grippe.

Ethel Bolls is on the sick list. Storfwall Seibel is reported much improved.

Mrs. Gibbs is better. Fred Holliday worked in David Holiday's store two days last week on account of David being sick.

Mrs. Holiday is home from a visit to her brother in Santa Anna.

The reception to be given by Prof. Sprinkle in honor of his High School students, which was postponed last week on account of bad weather, will be given Tuesday night in the W. O. W. Hall.

HEAD AND NOSTRILS STUFFED FROM GOLD

“Pape's Cold Compound” ends a cold or grippe in a few hours.

Your cold will break and all grippe misery end after taking a dose of “Pape's Cold Compound” every two hours until three doses are taken.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as “Pape's Cold Compound,” which costs only 25 cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Accept no substitute.

RUNNELS ITEMS

Your correspondent has had a prolonged spell of la grippe, but is now recovered.

At last the attendance is good in the school. Our teacher informed me that he has out an order for more new desks, thirty desk are not now sufficient for the school.

The inclement weather did not prevent the “faithful” from attending Sabbath school last evening.

We hope to have Rev. Jester of the First Baptist church, of Ballinger with us to preach next Sabbath evening.

Farmers are breaking their land preparatory for their crops. Madam rumor reports that Jno Gilliam and Miss Mary Davenport were married Sabbath evening. The bride and groom are children of Runnels country.

Mrs. A. B. Hutchison and daughter Mrs. Patterson, of Winters, visited relatives for a few days last week in Runnels.

“AUNT SAMANTHY”

SUDDEN DEATH

Caused by Disease of the Kidneys.

The close connection which exists between the heart and the kidneys is well known nowadays. As soon as kidneys are diseased, arterial tension is increased and the heart functions are attacked. When the kidneys no longer pour forth waste, uraemic poisoning occurs and the person dies and the cause is often given as heart disease, or disease of brain or lungs.

It is a good insurance against such a risk to send 10 cents for a large trial package of “Anuric”—the latest discovery of Dr. Pierce. Also send a sample of your water. This will be examined without charge by expert chemists at Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. This “Anuric” of Dr. Pierce's is 37 times more active than lithia, for it dissolves uric acid in the system, as hot water does sugar. It relieves backache, lumbago, rheumatism, quickly. 50c at druggists.

NEW MARKET FOR AMERICAN COTTON

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 23.—(By Mail)—Brazilians now paying big prices for their cotton goods believe there is a Cotton Combine here, which is taking advantage of the short northern Brazil crop to boost prices. The people believe lower tariff would permit American cotton to come in and bring prices down. Legislation is now ready for passage looking toward this lower tariff and United States cotton growers may find a big market here to take the place of the European markets they have lost. Brazil wears cotton. Not only wears it, but grows it. There are more than three hundred Brazilian mills manufacturing it. These mills employ 75,000 operators. Therefore, when a two years' drought in the northern states reduces the crop by half and a combine of buyers, protected by a 4 cent a pound import duty, corners this half and makes the textile industry pay an exorbitant price for it, the Brazilian sits up and take notice. Because the growers sold it at the usual price, the miller paid a twenty per cent increase on it, the 75,000 operators are working half time and the other Brazilians are paying more for their clothes, and other cotton goods. The only happy men in Brazil, so far as cotton is concerned, are the members of the buyers combine and they are sitting tight behind their four cent wall and saying nothing except that it is still terribly dry in the northern cotton fields. Last week President Braz directed a memorial to the governments of all the cotton states of Brazil, urging them to raise the export duties on cotton to a prohibitive figure. This is the extent of his power over export duties, which are regulated by the states individually. Recently a government measure was introduced in the federal senate proposing to delete or at least reduce, the duty on imported raw cotton. The memorial to the states was directed in the hope of stopping a possible short age in the Brazilian markets. The bill in the senate has for its purpose the reduction in local prices by means of outside competition. Nobody can predict what the cotton states will do toward prohibiting the exportation of cotton, but it is safe to predict that the import will be reduced materially and that is the big hope of the textile industry, the hope of the American exporter and the benefit of all concerned except perhaps the Brazilian grower and the combine. The grower doesn't worry, except for oratorical purposes, because he produces the best cotton in the world when the drought permits him.

NO TIME WASTED.

Prompt Action Is Pleasing Many Ballinger Citizens.

Get down to the cause of every thing.

Bad backs are frequently caused by weak kidneys.

Help the kidneys to get rid of kidney backache.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys only.

No time wasted trying to cure other troubles.

Ballinger people endorse their merit.

Mrs. R. A. Williamson, 205 N. Sixth St., Ballinger, says: “My back ached and pained across my kidneys. I felt dull and languid, especially in the morning and could hardly keep going. Dizzy headaches annoyed me and the kidney secretions passed irregularly. I used Doan's Kidney Pills procured from J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store and they relieved all these symptoms of kidney complaint and strengthened my back.”

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

W. F. Schincoth of Brownwood, was in Ballinger Saturday afternoon and accompanied a load or two of lumber up to his farm northwest of the city, where he will have some improvements made.

W. S. Maddox of the Valley creek country and Van Ness Lewis, of the Winters country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

A Fine Aid For Mother-to-be

We are all greatly indebted to those who tell their experiences. And among the many things which we read about and are of immediate importance to the expectant mother, is a splendid external remedy called “Mother's Friend.” This is applied over the muscles of the stomach. It is deeply penetrating in its influence. Mothers everywhere tell of its soothing effect, how it allays pains incident to stretching of cords, ligaments and muscles. They tell of restful comfort, of calm, peaceful nights, an absence of those distresses peculiar to the period of expectancy, relief from morning sickness, no more of that apprehension with which so many young women's minds become burdened. It is a splendid help. Get a bottle of “Mother's Friend” from your nearest druggist. Ask your husband to get it for you. Then write to Bradfield Regulator Co., 408 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., for a very handsome and instructive book. It is filled with suggestive ideas of great help to all women interested in the subject of maternity. And best of all are some letters from mothers that are real inspirations. Write today.

RETURNS FROM TENNESSEE.

R. B. Ingle, one of the prosperous farmers of the Spring Hill neighborhood, who visited relatives at his old home at Cleveland, Tenn., during the holidays, returned home Tuesday afternoon. He reports a very pleasant visit but says it rains too much in that country to suit him, and he is glad to be back to fine old Runnels County, the best country in the world.

TRY “CASCARETS” FOR LIVER AND BOWELS IF SICK OR BILIOUS

Tonight! Clean your bowels and stop headache, colds, sour stomach.

Get a 10-cent box now.

Turn the rascals out—the headache, biliousness, indigestion, the sick, sour stomach and bad colds—turn them out tonight and keep them out with Cascarets.

Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never know the misery caused by a lazy liver, clogged bowels, or an upset stomach.

Don't put in another day of distress. Let Cascarets cleanse your stomach; remove the sour, fermenting food; take the excess bile from your liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poison in the bowels. Then you will feel great.

A Cascaret tonight straightens you out by morning. They work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from any drug store means a clear head, sweet stomach and clean, healthy liver and bowel action for months. Children love Cascarets because they never gripe or sicken.

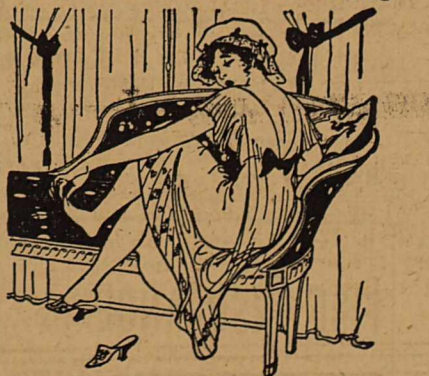
Miss Ora Parmer, who had been attending school in Ballinger the past session, left Tuesday morning for her home at Coleman.

J. L. Lee and son A. F., of the Maverick country, and John Simons of the Pony creek country were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Got Rid of My Corns With Magic “Gets-It”

Simplest Corn Cure in the World—No Pain, No Fuss. New, Sure Way.

When corns make you almost die with your boots on, when you've soaked them and picked them and sliced them, when corn-swelling



Why Have Corns At All When “Gets-It” Removes Them the New, Dead-Sure Way?

salves, and tapes, bandages, and plasters that make corns pop-eyed have only made your corns grow faster. Just hold your heart a moment and figure this: Put two drops of “Gets-It” on the corn. It dries at once. You can put your shoe and stocking on right over it. The corn is doomed. It makes the corn come off clear and clean. It's the new, easy way. Nothing to stick or press on the corn. You can wear smaller shoes. You'll be a joy-walker. No pain, no trouble. Accept no substitutes. “Gets-It” is sold by druggists everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

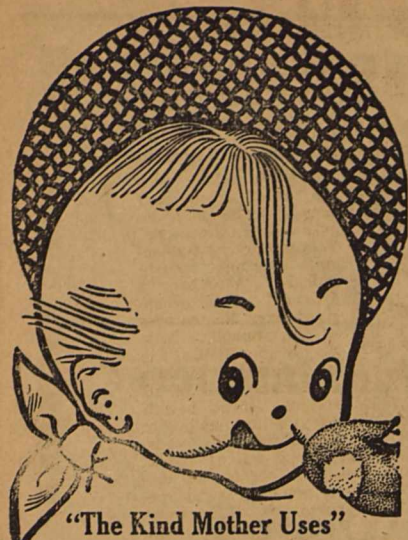
Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Walker Drug Co., J. Y. Pearce and City Drug Store.

She Will Recover

So her doctor said. Her friends and neighbors felt sure of it too. They have used Peruna themselves and know of its merits. That old cough that had worried her for years and years, for which she had taken all sorts of cough medicines, has disappeared. Peruna is doing the work. She will recover. Indeed, she has recovered.

Her name is Mrs. William Hohmann, 2764 Lincoln Ave., Chicago, Ill. She had suffered with catarrh of the bronchial tubes and had a terrible cough ever since a child. As she got older she grew worse. She coughed both winter and summer. Had to sit up at night. Could not sleep. “But all that has left me now. Peruna has cured me.”

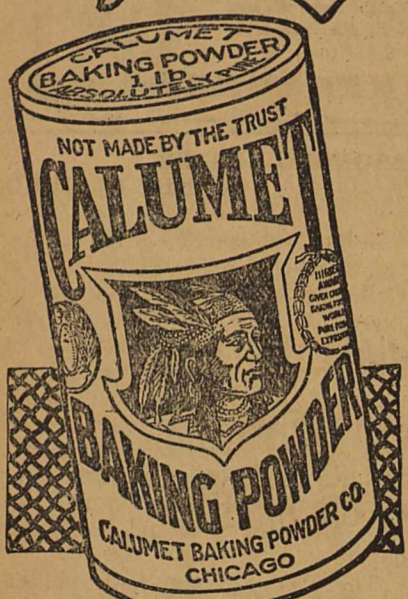
There are others, and there is a reason.



"The Kind Mother Uses"

"Every time mother gets out Calumet I know there's going to be good things to eat at our house. Delicious, tender, tempting doughnuts, biscuits, cakes and pies! I've never seen a bake-day failure with Calumet. Mother says it's the *only* Baking Powder that insures uniform results."

Received Highest Awards
New Cook Book Free—See
Sitz in Food
Can.



Cheap and big can Baking Powders do not save you money. Calumet does—it's Pure and far superior to sour milk and soda.

LITTLE CHILD DOING NICELY

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Shepperd, who was painfully burned Monday night by pulling over a pot of boiling chocolate, is getting along nicely, and it is not thought that the burns will prove fatal.

FORT WORTH WOMAN TELLS ABOUT HEALTH

Mrs. Reed, Long a Sufferer From Stomach Ills, Can Eat and Now Sleeps Like a Baby.

Mrs. William Reed of 1617 Emery place, Fort Worth, Texas, suffered from stomach derangements for years. She could not eat with satisfaction. Her sleep was broken and life was misery.

She took Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. The wonderful results startled her and her friends. She wrote:

"I have lots of people come to me to find out where to get your remedy, as I was in such a terrible condition, and it helped me so much. I can eat most anything my appetite craves and I sleep like a baby."

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.

URGING CITIZENS TO VOTE.

Prof. Wooten requests us to call attention to the School Tax Election to be held at the Bethel School Saturday, Feb. 12th which he thinks is very important for the patrons of the Bethel School community.

MEMBERS MEET AT FESTAL BOARD

With covers laid for about one hundred men, the most successful church banquet perhaps ever held in Ballinger marked the coming together of the men members of the Methodist church Monday night. The pastor Rev. E. Rosmond Stanford, assisted by a number of his stewards arranged the banquet in a most unique way and every detail of the enjoyable occasion was carried out.

Preceding the banquet the first quarterly conference was held, and the reports from the various committee chairmen and from the various departments of the work of the local Methodist church were made and pronounced by the presiding elder to be satisfactory in every respect and he commended the pastor and his official board most highly for the good showing made and for the satisfactory way in which the work had been started.

Preceding the quarterly conference and promptly at seven-thirty the local band rendered music in keeping with the occasion and the hundred or more men listened in rapt attention to the rendition of the musical program. Promptly at eight o'clock the presiding elder, Dr. Sam G. Thompson, called the meeting to order and held a short devotional service. The business session consumed about thirty minutes and the business of the church dispatched in a way that shows perfect working order for the local church.

Mrs. Emma Godwin prepared the menu for the banquet, and a five course spread was served at nine o'clock, consisting of grape fruit cocktail, oyster soup, turkey, dressing, cranberries fruit salad, olives pickles cake, cream, coffee and chocolate. A dozen young ladies assisted Mrs. Godwin in serving the menu, while the guests numbered the men members of the church, and a few friends, and the brother-in-laws of the church.

The banquet tables were arranged in the Sunday school room and beautifully decorated. While the temperature was below freezing out doors, the auditorium of the church and the banquet room was made comfortable by the three stoves and with lighted candles, ferns, evergreen vines, etc., all was cozy within.

While sweet strains of music were softly played by the band the large folding doors of the Sunday school room were thrown open and those present responded to the invitation to repair to the banquet table. Dr. Sam G. Thompson pronounced the blessing, and Dr. W. W. Fowler, acting as toastmaster told "What We are Here For." The banquet was interspersed with music, the guests standing from time to time sang popular songs while the young ladies served the various courses.

A guessing contest, "Who's your neighbor?" proved entertaining. Certain parties were selected to stand up and name every man in the room. This proved a task to quite a number before the name of every man present was made familiar to all in the banquet hall. Among those who failed to name the guests were Buck Shield, Lemmie Davis, Roy Sharp, W. A. Francis. A young man by the name of Dixon, a nephew of S. J. Carmony, was a stranger to the contestants, and others were being selected to name their neighbors, when some one called out the young man's name and ended the merriment. Aside from proving entertaining the guessing contest taught a lesson and served a reminder that acquaintanceship among neighbors is some time not what it should be.

The musical numbers on the program consisted of male quartettes by Rev. Stanford, Judge A. K. Doss, J. P. Martindale and Elmer Simpson, a solo by Judge A. K. Doss with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Elmer Simpson,

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY AT ABILENE SATURDAY

W. A. Tally responded to the toast "The Church and Business Methods." "The Church at Work," by C. P. Shepherd and Geo. C. Jones. "The Church and the Modern Man," by Dr. Sam G. Thompson.

Rev. Stanford closed the program with a few remarks, commending his members for giving him loyal support and soliciting their support in making this the most successful year in the history of the church.

Rev. Stanford has only been here a couple of months, but he has won the love of the membership of his church and the outlook for a successful year is most promising.

For Rheumatism.
As soon as an attack of Rheumatism begins apply Sloan's Liniment. Don't waste time and suffer unnecessary agony. A few drops of Sloan's Liniment on the affected parts is all you need. The pain goes at once.

A grateful sufferer writes:—"I was suffering for three weeks with Chronic Rheumatism and Stiff Neck, although I tried many medicines, they failed, and I was under the care of a doctor. Fortunately I heard of Sloan's Liniment and after using it three or four days am up and well. I am employed at the biggest department store in S. F. where they employ from six to eight hundred hands, and they surely will hear about Sloan's Liniment.—H. B. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.—Jan. 1915. At all druggists.

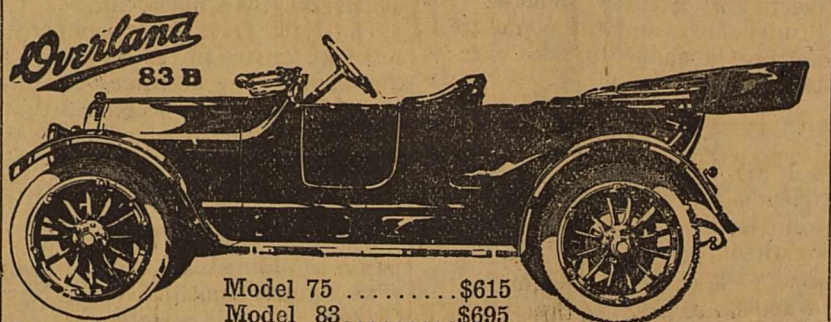
Judge W. D. Jennings, of Miles, had legal business in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

After a month of hot campaign in Taylor county between Wagstaff and Blanton the voters will go to the polls Saturday and determine which one of the candidates shall remain in the race against Congressman Smith. Both of the gentlemen threw their hats in the ring about the same time, when Blanton challenged Wagstaff for a preferential primary and Wagstaff accepted. Debates between the two men were arranged and they have been speaking from the same stump for nearly a month. The men will have the satisfaction of knowing which one of them is the most satisfactory for congress from Taylor county, but there are between fifty and seventy-five thousand other voters, in the district who will have a voice in the July primary. However, the Taylor county scrap is attracting the attention of the entire district.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Groves'.
The Old Standard Groves' 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.

ICE BREAKS TELERAPH POLES

(Abilene Reporter)
The Texas & Pacific is having considerable trouble with its telegraph wires, due to cold weather. Tuesday the local office was cut off entirely from the east, and only one wire was open to Big Springs. The trouble is caused by ice



Model 75 \$615
Model 83 \$695
Six Cylinder ... \$1145
F. O. B. Toledo.

THINKER OR TINKER "WHICH"?

When you decide to purchase an automobile do your Thinking before hand and if you buy an OVERLAND you'll have no Tinkering to do.

Our agents do not cut prices—The Overland is the best for the money—you are getting full value for every dollar you spend. In addition you get the Overland service—anywhere you go.

AGENTS WHO CUT PRICES
on some cars must have a cause for they probably wish to get rid of a bad bargain. Remember that when one offers you a car for less than list price there must be something wrong—some good reason why they want to sell it.

The OVERLAND is the Car You Will Eventually Buy as many thousands will attest. They are—without a doubt the greatest value on the market today.

Ask for a Demonstration and Catalogue.

ALLEN OVERLAND COMPANY distributors for West Texas.

O'KELLY & WALTON, LOCAL DEALERS Phone 33

GIRLS! THICKEN AND BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR AND STOPP DANDRUFF

Try this! Your hair gets wavy, glossy and abundant at once.

To be possessed of a head of heavy beautiful hair; soft lustrous, fluffy, wavy and free from dandruff is merely a matter of using a little Danderine.

It is easy and inexpensive to have nice, soft hair and lots of it. Just get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine now—all drug stores recommend it—apply a little as directed and within ten minutes there will be an appearance of abundance, freshness, fluffiness and an incomparable gloss and lustre, and try as you will you can not find a trace of dandruff or falling hair; but your real surprise will be after about two weeks' use, when you will see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—sprouting out all over your scalp—Danderine is, we believe, the only sure hair grower, destroyer of dandruff and cure for itchy scalp and it never fails to stop falling hair at once.

If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this.

forming on the wires and breaking the poles. Fifteen poles were reported down Tuesday morning, seven of which were near Roscoe. The Western Union was also having some trouble with its wires due to the same cause.

It is reported that the Texas & Pacific intends to rebuild its telegraph lines in the near future.

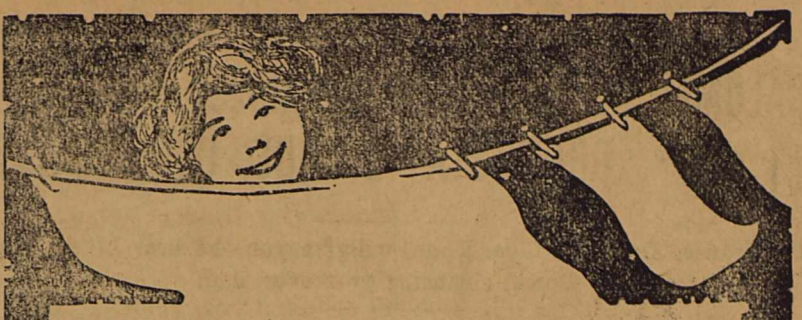
RABBIT DRIVES TO CONTINUE NEXT WEEK

J. F. Harris, of the Brookshire schoolhouse neighborhood was in the city Wednesday accompanied by Mrs. Harris. He said his neighborhood was planning for a big rabbit drive to take place next Wednesday, Feb. 9th. The hunters are requested to meet two miles south of the Brookshire school house and dinner will be served near Mount Victor church. There will be plenty shells on the ground.

Mr. Harris says the temperature dropped two degrees above zero in the western part of the county and that he thought the grain crop was put out of business.

NOW IS THE TIME TO DO YOUR TERRACING.

Secretary Burges of the Business League says that he stands ready to aid the farmers who wish to terrace their land and lay plans for conserving the rainfall. It will soon be too late to terrace with any hopes of getting the benefit of the spring rains, and those who wish to adopt this successful way of "canning" the moisture should call on Mr. Burges. He has the proper instruments with which to do the work and his services are free.



Face Washday With a Smile

GET some TEXWAX. Shave off about half a cup full, put it into the wash boiler with the clothes. It makes the dirt fly, and yet cannot harm the most delicate fabric. It eliminates the need for heavy rubbing.

And when you iron, it makes the linen fresh, crisp, and white. The iron slides more easily and reduces the work.

Try it once; you will come back for more, and also find out about the other TEXACO HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS. They are on a par with TEXWAX for producing results and saving work. Some of them are:

- TEXACO LIQUID WAX DRESSING For Floors
- TEXACO HOME LUBRICANT For Sewing Machines, Clocks and many other uses.
- TEXACO QCKWORK METAL POLISH

There is a TEXACO AGENT near you. He will be glad to sell you any of our complete line of Petroleum Products.



COLDEST SNAP IN SIX YEARS

The weather man reports that the temperature dropped to the six degree point Tuesday night, which is the lowest since 1910. The night was still and cold for all that cold counts. The grain crop was not in a shape to stand a dry freeze and the worst is feared.

L. F. BARNETT RE-LEASED FROM JAIL

L. F. Barnett who was arrested several days ago on a complaint filed charging him with disturbing the peace, was released from jail today. Barnett was arrested on a complaint growing out of disturbing the peace when he abused his mother-in-law and wife.

A STROKE OF PARALYSIS

Willie Brown, one of the pioneer and highly esteemed citizens of the Baker Flat, near Tennyson, was found on the floor in his room Sunday morning about 3 or 4 o'clock, and in an unconscious condition, from a stroke of paralysis.

His condition is very serious and all of his children have been summoned to his bedside.

Lee Gentry of San Angelo, and Rev. L. S. Smith of Miles, were among the visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

FOURTH CLASS POSTMASTER EXAMINATION

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on the 26 of February an examination will be held at Ballinger, Texas, as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth class postmaster at Wingate. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$495 for the last fiscal year. Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post office for which the examination is announced.

Application forms and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at Wingate.

or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications should be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington at least 7 days before the date of examination.

Rev. Sam G. Thompson, of Brownwood, presiding elder of this district, who attended the banquet at the Methodist church in this city, returned home Tuesday morning.

J. J. Fox of the Pony creek country, was in Ballinger Wednesday to meet his wife who returned at noon from a visit to relatives in South Texas.

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

More than half the cars you see are "Fords." Over a million Ford cars are in use today, rendering efficient economical service under all kinds of conditions. 500,000 will be built and sold this year. Low price places it within your reach. Touring Car \$440; Runabout \$390; Sedan \$740 f. o. b. Detroit. On display and sale at

Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas

Effective January 10th, 1916

To, all Patrons of The Leach Auto Works

I intend to keep employed a very limited amount of workmen and by so doing, conduct a Quality Service Station only. Can take care of any high-class technical job requiring skill and painstaking care.

Owing to the shop requiring all of my time and the extra cost of collections, I am discontinuing the monthly account system. Please govern yourself accordingly.

Yours Truly
H. M. LEACH

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 gladly 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.

"CY" ROBERTS READY FOR THE RACE.

C. Y. Roberts of Robert Lee, Coke county, may be a candidate again for the office of legislative representative from the 111th district in the coming July primaries. He announced this on Saturday when he came to San Angelo on business.

Mr. Roberts ran for the legislature two years ago and was defeated by R. S. Griggs of Ballinger, who is now in office. He is a successful farmer and believes that measures and reforms which he would advocate in the legislature would prove of benefit to the Concho country.

Coke county is in splendid shape, Mr. Roberts asserted Saturday. He stated that he had made forty bales of cotton during the season now closing and had averaged around twelve cents in selling it.—San Angelo Standard.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Hitchcock*

Antone J. Loika, of the Pony creek country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

Ceo. W. Stuart of the Rowena country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

JUST EXCHANGING VISITS.

Quite a number came over from Ballinger Sunday afternoon and spent a few hours very pleasantly in Winters. They were shown through the handsome new Baptist church by Pastor Davis and all were, of course, favorably impressed with the appearance of this, our newest and most commodious house of worship.—Winters Enterprise.

That was Sunday a week ago, and it was an ideal day for the rich (auto owners) to enjoy life. While Ballinger people were in Winters, Winters people were in Ballinger, and quite a number of Winters autos were lined up around the city park, the autoists enjoying the concert by the Ballinger band.

Socialist Party
All Socialists in Runnels County are requested to meet at the court house on Feb. 5th at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing officers and to transact other business. Be sure and come.

R. E. DORSETT,
L. F. BARNETT
w2t.

L. W. Mosley, of Winters, who is with the cotton oil mill of that city, had business in Ballinger Monday.

C. A. Spencer, of Eldorado, came in from Dallas Monday and will be the guest of his cousin E. E. Spencer and family a day or two before going on home.

STUDEBAKER TO HAVE BIG TEXAS FACTORY

The Studebaker Corporation of America, one of the largest motor car manufacturers in the world, will immediately locate a mammoth assembling plant in Dallas, and will occupy a building which is to be erected at once for this purpose by Clarence E. Linz, vice-president of the Dallas Automatic Telephone Company, and Manning B. Shannon, finance commissioner of the city of Dallas.

This was information of interest to the Texas automobile public, continued in last Tuesday's evening's issue of the Dallas Times-Heald.

The building to house the Studebaker auto plant will be located at the southwest corner of South Harwood street and the Santa Fe railroad and will cost, with equipment and machinery, approximately \$150,000. The structure will cover a ground area 160x267 feet, will be two stories and basement, with a foundation sufficient for six floors. Clarence E. Linz and Manning B. Shannon, who will erect the building, yesterday received a lease signed by J. M. Studebaker, head of the big \$12,000,000 corporation of South Bend, Ind., and Detroit, Mich. The lease, which is for a term of ten years, totals \$75,000, and was duly executed.

R. P. Kirk, local Studebaker dealer is feeling good over the above announcement, as the opening of a branch house in Texas means a greater demand for Studebakers, and the company is getting in shape to take care of the orders. ltdw

Card of Thanks.

I am truly grateful to my friends and those who were so kind to me during the illness and death of my wife, and especially do I wish to thank the nurse, Miss Sissons, for her faithfulness. Words can not express my heartfelt thanks to all who were so kind to me and my wife. ltwpd ALTO, F. LEE.

Mrs. D. L. Morse and children left Saturday afternoon for Freeport, Texas, to join Mr. Morse to make their future home there.

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

Miss Nettie Hill of Crews, came in Monday at noon to visit her sister, Mrs. R. A. Watson and family, a week or two.

BIGGEST LEGAL FIGHT IN HISTORY

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 31.—Eastern railroad barons carried their war for power into the south west today. The Gould interests began their battle in the U. S. district court here today to retain control of the Texas & Pacific railroad, which antagonistic interests, said to be headed by B. F. Bush, receiver for the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern railroad, are trying to wrest from them.

The attempt to throw the Texas & Pacific into the hands of a receiver promises the biggest legal fight in the history of Texas. The alleged Gould-Bush war has already resulted in the Missouri Pacific receivership, and Gould control is threatened in the Frisco scandal. The loss of the suit will mean practically the end of the Gould dynasty in the west.

Petition for the receivership of the Texas & Pacific was filed here Dec. 27, 1915, by Locke & Locke, local attorneys, for the Bankers' Trust company of New York. It alleges that interests on \$25,000,000 second mortgage bonds, issued in 1888, has been in default since 1907. The wording of the second mortgage is to the effect that no interest shall be paid on the bonds unless a net income is derived from the railroad. For this reason, the plaintiffs charge that as a result of "diversion of funds and mismanagement" the net income for the period named, amounting to \$14,000,000, was destroyed. This fact, they allege, makes the road insolvent.

The New York Trust company, acted as trustee in the issuance of the bonds. The petition was asked by Bush, who represented that the Iron Mountain, of which he is receiver, is the owner, subject to pledge, of more than \$23,000,000 of the bonds.

The New Orleans Railway company a Louisiana corporation with its principal offices in New Orleans, is made a defendant in the suit. It is the Louisiana branch of the Texas & Pacific.

The Texas & Pacific operates under a federal charter granted Mar. 3, 1871, George J. Gould is president and the property has been controlled by the Gould family since the days of Jay Gould. It was reorganized without foreclosure in 1888. It has a greater mileage than any other Texas railroad, possessing, with its branches, 1,944 miles of trackage.

There are now nine Texas railroads in the hands of receivers. They are: The Missouri Kansas & Texas; the St. Louis & San Francisco; the Trinity & Brazos Valley; the Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf; the International & Great Northern; the San Antonio, Uvalde & Gulf; the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient; the Fort Worth & Rio Grande, and the Gulf Coast lines.

"The suit for receivership against the Texas & Pacific is the very natural result of a fight for control of the property between the Goulds and certain antagonistic interests," said Judge William D. Williams, state railroad commissioner, recently. "This fight has already resulted in the International & Great Northern and the Missouri Pacific receiverships, which were submitted by the Goulds without contest. But an agreement was not reached regarding the Texas & Pacific properties, for which reason there is a fair prospect of the fight being carried through the courts and some inside facts developing.

"The applicants for appointment of a receiver charge the Gould control of the Texas & Pacific with gross mismanagement in a number of particulars so great as to show incompetency justifying removal of the present actual head and substitution of capable and disinterested managers appointed by the court. I trust the case will be contested to the end."

Severe Cold Quickly Cured
"On December first I had a very severe cold or attack of the grip as it may be, and was nearly down sick in bed," writes O. J. Metcalf, Wea a therby, Mo. "I bought two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it was only a few days until I was completely restored to health. I firmly believe that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is one of the very best medicines and will know what to do when I have another cold." Obtainable everywhere.

C. A. Compton, one of the prominent farmers of the Spring Hill neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

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JUDGE HARRIS "IN THE HOLE."

Forced to walk on crutches as the result of an accident he sustained Friday night, Judge C. O. Harris, San Angelo attorney, climbed aboard the Santa Fe Saturday afternoon bound for Brownsville. Friday night Judge and Mrs. Harris passed through the grounds of the West Ward school. A hole into which a tree was to be placed lay in the pathway and Judge Harris failed to see it. A bone in his left foot was broken, when he fell into the pit.

At Brownsville, the San Angeloan is to sell irrigated lands, formerly owned by Cummings & Son of Tom Green county. Judgment in the sum of \$19,000 has been rendered against the property. Judge Harris will likely return home on Thursday.—San Angelo Standard.

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SCHOOL TAX CARRIES.

E. W. Petty of Maverick, was in Ballinger Monday to bring the returns from the School Tax Election held at that place last Saturday. The issue carried by 12 votes; 29 voting for, and 17 against.

The school special tax at that place was 20 cents on the hundred dollars and this vote increased the tax to 50 cents per hundred dollars valuation, a raise of 30 cents.

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"IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH"
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C. A. Richie left Wednesday afternoon for Taylor to look after business interests a week. S. P. Hale and Jack Guy of Talpa, were among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

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WAR HORSES WANTED—5 to 9 years old, 15 to 16 hands high. Also we have bargains in buggies and wagons. Call at Street & Middleton's Barn, 10th Street, Ballinger. 3-4td-4tw

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C. A. DOOSE.
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LOST—Little Fawn colored Jersey cow. Any information leading to her recovery or return to Dr. Halley, Ballinger will be liberally rewarded. 1tw1td

Dr. A. Levey of San Antonio, Texas, will be in Ballinger again Feb. 5th, for a week or 10 days. It's will give you an opportunity to get your eyes fixed at a reasonable price. If you need any glasses call or phone at W. B. Wood & Son Grocery Store. 4-1tw.



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SECOND EPISODE

The Tenement House Evil
Suggested by LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE
Author of "The Lone Wolf" and "Nobody"

SYNOPSIS

Dudley Larnigan, district attorney of New York, attacks the liquor and vice trusts. He is killed by an agent of a secret society, the committee of fifteen. His son, Bruce Larnigan, is elected district attorney and takes up the fight. Bruce is in love with Dorothy Maxwell, whose father is head of the insurance trust.

BRUCE LARNIGAN had won the first battle in his fight against the fifteen, a mysterious graft syndicate which, composed not of cheap politicians, but of great business men, had strangled New York in its nefarious grip and was planning to spread its activities to cover the whole country. But Bruce had no illusions. A final and despairing attempt to beat him on election day itself by attempting to prove that he had accepted a bribe from the liquor interests to secure lax enforcement of the law had failed, thanks partly to his own cleverness and partly to the help of Dorothy Maxwell, his fiancée.

But Bruce knew that the real fight was only just beginning. The graft syndicate was entrenched in power. It had warned his father, Dudley Larnigan, that death would be his reward if he did not desist from his efforts to expose its corruption. It had made good the warning, and Bruce had sworn not only to finish his father's uncompleted work, but to avenge his death as well. To Bruce, Stanford Stone appeared to be a great capitalist, a distinguished financier, a man justly honored by the community and worthy of respect and confidence. Yet Stanford Stone was the head of the graft syndicate. It was Stanford Stone who had decreed Dudley Larnigan's death and Stanford Stone who had led the assault upon Bruce himself. Moreover—and this Bruce did not suspect, either—a personal motive lay behind Stone's enmity for him, for Stone was in love with Dorothy Maxwell.

Bruce had determined that his first move must be to strike at the evils of the tenement house district, which his father had been planning to take up. "I want the man higher up," he told his mother. "I know there is one, and



"Look at this," said Bruce, showing Stone the letter.

it is he that I must get. I don't know yet who he is, but I'm going to find out!"

He was at home when he said that, leaning over his mother's chair. And even as he spoke a tiny dart whistled by his ear and was buried in the back of his mother's chair. So faint was the sound, so tiny the missile, that his mother knew nothing of it. Bruce got it out and found that around the dart was wrapped a note. He read it. It was brief:

"Warning: Stop investigating the tenements. The Fifteen."
Bruce smiled rather grimly; there was a drawing of a skull on the note. He stepped to the window, hoping that whoever had thrown the dart might be within sight. But no suspicious character of any sort rewarded his searching glance; instead he saw Dorothy Maxwell and Stanford Stone approaching the house. They looked up and waved to him.

"I certainly didn't expect to see either of you!" said Bruce, laughingly. "Have you seen any suspicious looking character around?"
"No one except you—you look pretty suspicious!" laughed Stone. "Why?"

"Nothing—no matter," said Bruce. "Come in and see my mother, won't you?"

"I'll tell you why I asked you that question, Mr. Stone," said Bruce when they were alone. "Look at this."

He handed him the note, first drawing a line through "The Fifteen."

"Only fourteen now," he said. "I got rid of Murphy! I'll run them down and get even with my father's murderers!"

Outside they separated. Bruce and Dorothy to go downtown, Stone to hurry to his office, his face set in lines of grim determination. He strode rapidly toward his office. And there he called a meeting of the fifteen. Anton Dow, head of the tenement house trust, appeared, angry because of newspaper stories about Bruce's determination to get the man higher up in the tenement evils. Dow knew, as Bruce did not, that he himself was the man higher up, and his nervousness was un concealed.

"We've got to strike at him before he can hit us!" said Stone angrily. "Our whole position is menaced by this one man. Dow, you are the one chiefly interested. You own some property in the tenement district of a—well, a questionable sort?"

"I suppose I do," said Dow. "I'm not responsible for my tenants."

"Well, trap Larnigan with a woman in one of your houses."

"Ye-es—that can be done," agreed Dow, after a moment's thought. "We'll plan the details later, Stone."

There was more talk, and then Dow had to hurry home to lunch. Dow was a model father and husband. He was devoted to his wife, and his love for his two children, Harold and Lillian, knew no bounds.

And meanwhile, even while Dow played with his own children in his luxurious home, Bruce and Dorothy were seeing other children in a house that was also owned by Dow. But this house was a tenement that disregarded law and decency alike. There were no fire escapes; the heating system was out of order, and there was running water from only one tap on each floor.

Dorothy and the woman's two children went to look over the building. Bruce, sickened, went to the street. Other children came to talk with him, and he sat down on the stoop and played with them. Across the street was a saloon, and from this emerged a burly, ill favored man, at the sight of whom the children shuddered.

"Hey, youse! Beat it! We don't want no nude reformers down this way—see?" said the fellow, whom Bruce recognized as a cheap ward politician named Black.

Bruce smiled, took out a pad and made a note. Black shook his fist in his face and, turning, made a signal that set several roughs across the street in motion. Bruce started to rise; Black knocked him down, and the gang came tearing over.

"Kick him till he's a stiff!" yelled Black.

But a sudden and remarkable intervention came to Bruce's aid. As if by instinct the children flung themselves upon him, covering him with their soft bodies. The gang stopped; even their brutality shrank from attacking the children. Bruce had time to draw his revolver and rose, the weapon in his hand. Black turned and ran; the gangsters drew guns and looked for shelter. But the children's screams had brought the police, and Bruce was safe for the time.

From that moment Bruce went to work with redoubled energy. And Dorothy, painfully impressed by what she had seen, had helped by trying to do what she could for the tenement children. She knew she could not do much for the whole city, but in that one house she improved conditions vastly. One night she was visiting the Dows, old friends of her family, and described the class she had established for the children of the tenement house.

"And tonight," said Dorothy—"tonight we're going to have a Christmas tree for them down there. I'm going down now to give out the little presents."

"Mother, can't we go and see?" cried Lillian.

"Oh, yes—please!" echoed Harold. Mrs. Dow hesitated. But they pleaded so eagerly that she gave in at last, and Dorothy took them with her. On the way she stopped and telephoned to tell Bruce and ask him to join her. His voice as he answered was excited.

"I'll come if I can—as soon as I can," he said. "Dorothy, I'm on the trail at last, I do believe! Tonight I've got a chance to get the evidence I need."

What had happened was that that afternoon a woman had come to Bruce in his office, a woman whose profession no one could mistake.

"Say," she said, when she was with him alone. "You want to get the goods on all this tenement stuff, don't you?"

Well, you come down to my place tonight, and I'll see that you get it. You've got to come to the house."

Bruce laughed at her.

"Do I look as easy as all that?" he said. "Do you suppose I can't recognize as obvious a trap as that?"

"Aw, I knew it wasn't any use!" she said. "I told them you wouldn't come. But I'll get the devil—the main guy's goin' to be there!"

"What?" said Bruce sharply. "He is, eh? Well, that might make a difference!"

He hesitated, questioned her sharply. But in the end he decided to go—taking certain precautions.

The time came, and Bruce, still hesitating a little but determined to face the risk that he saw could not be avoided, went with the woman to her house. The whole thing filled him with disgust; the woman herself and the girls he saw in her house revolted him.

"You see, you can find out what's going on here," said the woman. "It's plain enough—my God, what's that?"

There was a thunderous knocking at the door. Heavy blows fell against it, and it came crashing in. A squad of police followed.

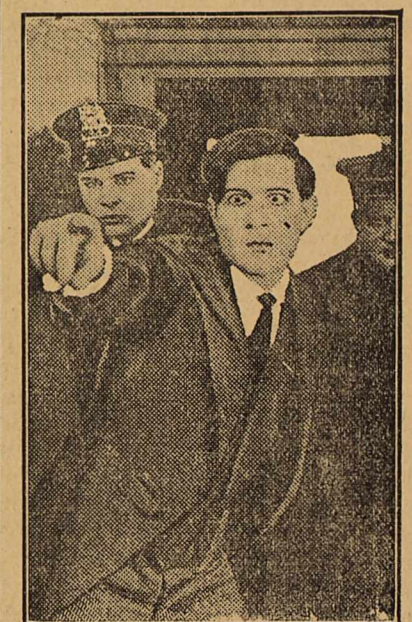
"They double crossed me—the joint's pinched!" screamed the woman.

Abruptly Bruce saw what had been planned and went white. But just as a policeman stepped up to him another man in plain clothes appeared.

"Officer, leave Mr. Larnigan alone," he said. "He's here to get evidence. Arrest the woman—no one else."

"Yes, Mr. Commissioner," said the man, saluting.

This was Bruce's counterstroke. He had arranged for the police commis-



"There's one of your houses—burning up!" he cried.

sioner to accompany any raiding party and had told him his plans in advance. His reputation was safe.

But now a new factor came into sight. Anton Dow, furious at the frustration of his plans, suddenly appeared. "Arrest both those men!" he cried. "I demand it!"

"Anton Dow!" cried Bruce. "So you are the main guy? Here! You are one of the Fifteen—one of my father's murderers!"

Dow realized his mistake. But he tried desperately to secure Bruce's arrest. Only a sudden commotion outside the house checked him.

"Fire!" yelled some one at a window. "In the house across the street!"

Bruce tore over to look. Flames were pouring from the door and the lower windows of the house, which had no fire escapes! He understood the full horror of it in a moment. Dorothy was there! He turned frantically to Dow.

"There's one of your houses—burning up!" he cried. "No fire escapes! Dorothy Maxwell is there, trying to help the children you oppress! And with her are your own children!"

Dow, stricken, never doubting, collapsed. Bruce raced to the street. The policemen followed. Firemen were arriving. Ladders were going up. Bruce knew the window where Dorothy must be. He was up the first ladder and found her with the two Dow children.

He brought them to safety and then helped in the work of rescue. Dow, stammering, incoherent, came to Bruce.

"I've been wrong—I've been a sinful man!" he said. "But I see my wickedness. I will reform every building I own. And tomorrow morning I will give you the evidence against the rest!"

"Come to my office at 9 o'clock," said Bruce.

Neither saw that Black, lurking near by, heard. Neither knew that Black got word to Stanford Stone.

Bruce was up all night. On Christmas morning, when he had done all he could for the fire sufferers, he went to his office to wait for Dow. He looked at the clock—8:30. His mother called him up. She begged him to come to her at once—said that she must see him. He hesitated, then scribbled a note. "Dow," it read, "I will be back at 9:30. Wait."

Outside his office he met Dorothy.

"I was afraid," she said. "I wanted you to come home."

"Come with me," he said with a laugh. "I must hurry back, but I'll have breakfast at home with you and mother."

Dow came, found the note and sat down to wait. He had gone to please. The escape of his children had unnerved him. He glanced at the clock. Nine o'clock.

In his own office Stanford Stone, too, looked at his clock. He watched the minutes pass slowly till five had gone.

And at the fifth minute, when, as Stone supposed, Dow would just be beginning his revelations to Bruce, an explosion shattered Bruce's room. A bomb connected with the clock was set off, and Dow was instantly killed. Only an accident had saved Bruce from sharing his fate.

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Real \$1.00 grades 49c
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A well selected line of choice materials, made up in belted styles, full cut blouse pants, materials of serge, cheviot and worsted.
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Made in 3 piece suit style, cut full and well tailored cheviots and worsteds, a real special that is impossible to match at the low price at which they are offered \$8.95

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Blue serges, fancy serges and worsteds, 3 piece suits in medium weight. Can be worn the year around, well tailored, an extra good \$17.50 grade for \$10.85
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Scotch mixtures and fancy cheviots, 3 piece suits of medium weight, coat, vests and pants, well tailored, and suits that are worth the original price of \$20, special \$11.95

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Staple blue serges in all wool, grey wool diagonals and hair-line stripe worsteds, garments that are properly made and fit and hang right, better see this line of \$25.00 suits ... \$13.95

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GRADES THAT SOLD UP TO 10c FOR 6c
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AN EXTRA SPECIAL MEN'S SHIRT
THE REAL \$1.25 GRADES 89c.
A full range of sizes from 14 to 18, the coat shirt style, made of madras, French percales in colors, pin stripes, fancy two-tone stripes and figures, also plain white in pleated or plain styles, truly a "real shirt" bargain at the price of 89c

INTO HISTORY WILL SOON PASS THE GREAT GROCERY SALE

Better buy your supply now—for the saving is of the substantial kind—every item which enters into your living expense is included in this "Real Grocery Sale". This sale will close on Wednesday and you should make a mental note of same, and be here before that closing date—only a partial list is given below to appreciate the money saving advantages—you must come—see the merchandise.

DON'T FORGET THAT—REAL BARGAIN
20 Pounds Sugar for \$1 when your purchases amount to \$5.00 or over in any department.

PICKLES
\$1.00 grade 68c
A large gallon bottle extra plain or mixed, a high grade product and a real bargain you shouldn't miss, a gallon 68c
\$8.00 a Dozen

DRIED PEACHES
12 1-2c grade 8c
Cut from choice free stone California peaches, and put through the vaporizing plant, free from grit, special per pound 8c
12 pounds 96c

KRAUT
15c grade 9c
A dry packed product that isn't half water a large 2 pound can, which is fine cut, 15c grade, at, a can 9c \$1.05 a Dozen

LAUNDRY SOAP
8 Bars for 25c
The kinds that sell for 5c in a regular way, Lenox, Hammer, or Silk, the brands to select from at, 8 bars for 25c
Or \$3.00 per 100

SORGUM SYRUP
One Gallon
A full gallon can that is guaranteed under the "pure food law" extra fine for table and cooking use, a real special at 42c gallon.

CORN
10c grade 7c
Sweet corn, thoroughly husked and packed under sanitary conditions, real 10c grade for a can 7c 80c a doz

PEACHES
25c grade 19c
A California product of beautiful Elberta peaches, cut in half, packed in thick syrup, 25c grade a can 19c \$2.25 a Dozen

SALMON
15c grade 9c
Why pay the higher price, choice packed Alaska, large pound can of fine fish for 9c \$1.00 a Dozen.

BETTER INVESTIGATE THAT BARGAIN IN "Billy Boy" Four and six plow kind
Cultivators "Lone Star" Made especially for service and a real \$35.00 grade, specially priced **\$29.73**

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Is the place to buy the best bargains in strictly first-class, high-grade, state inspected fruit trees, berry plants, grape vines, ornamentals, etc., for Spring planting. Give us about five Minutes of your time and be convinced that we are offering you the greatest bargains you were ever offered in nursery stock. We are located in the very heart of the Ozarks, in one of the finest fruit sections of the world. Benton County, Arkansas, bears the distinction of having more acres in fruit than any place in the whole world for the era it covers. Our trees are propagated from the finest varieties of fruits and healthiest trees grown. They are first-class in every respect. Guaranteed. They are grown by an expert nurseryman, a man who has been on this job more than a quarter of a century. This stock must move for Spring planting or go on the brush pile and be burned. Below are the varieties we are offering and the prices cut half into:

Apples

In Lots of 1 to 50	50 to 500	500 and up
2 to 3 ft. was 16c now 8c	Was 12c now 6c	Was 8c now 4c
3 to 4 ft. was 25c now 12c	Was 20c now 10c	Was 16c now 8c
4 to 6 ft. was 30c now 15c	Was 25c now 12c	Was 20c now 10c

6400 Henry Clay	Very early
1250 Yellow Transparent	Very early
1700 Early Harvest	Very early
2150 Liveland Raspberry	Early summer
3200 Wilson Red June	Early summer
750 Stribbling June	Early summer
3450 Maiden Blush	Early summer
6150 Red Astrachan	Late summer
900 Horse Apples	Late summer
240 Summer Queen	Late summer
350 Imperial Rambo	Late summer
1400 Fall Winesap	Early Fall
2175 Wealthy	Early Fall
700 Rusty Coats	Early Fall
9125 Grimes Golden	Early winter
7000 Rome Beauty	Early winter
12000 Jonathan	Early winter
4000 Shannon Pippin	Early winter
3275 Yellow Newton Pippin	Late winter
15000 Delicious	Late winter
7800 Gano	Late winter
8000 Ben Davis	Late winter
20000 Stayman Winesap	Late winter
14600 Mammoth Black Twig	Late winter
12500 Arkansas Black	Late winter
7000 Ingram	Late winter
3000 Shockley	Late winter
2100 Limbertwigs	Late winter
9000 Huntsman Favorite	Late winter
8500 Baldwin	Late winter
6000 Missouri Pippin	Late winter
7500 Bananna	Late winter
2500 York Imperial	Late winter
375 Golden Sweet	Summer
600 Paradise Sweet	Winter
1100 Florence Crab	Early winter
300 Whitney Crab	Early winter

EARLY OZARK, EUREKA

Ever bearing sorts, 100, \$2.00; \$10.00 per 1000. Grapes in lots of 1 to 50 was 15c, now 10c; 50 to 500, was 10c, now 6c; 500 and up, was 6c, now 4c. Moores Early, Catawba, Concord, Niagara.

Peaches

In Lots of 1 to 50	50 to 500	500 and up
2 to 3 ft. was 15c now 7c	Was 12c now 6c	Was 8c now 4c
3 to 4 ft. was 20c now 10c	Was 16c now 8c	Was 12c now 6c
4 to 6 ft. was 25c now 12c	Was 20c now 10c	Was 16c now 8c

2000 Mayflower	Very Early Semi-Cling
15000 Red Bird	Very Early Semi-Cling
1250 Greensboro	Very Early Free Stone
800 Alexander	Very Early Cling Stone
1000 Sneed	Very Early Cling Stone
700 Eureka	Very Early Free Stone
1500 Waddell	Early Free Stone
500 Alton	Early Free Stone
750 Mamie Ross	Early Semi-Cling
9000 Carman	Early Free Stone
600 Champion	Early Free Stone
600 Arp Beauty	Early Free Stone
2000 Fitzgerald	Early Free Stone
1800 Belle of Ga	Mid Season Free Stone
1250 Crawford	Early Mid Season Free Stone
7000 Stump the World	Mid Season Freestone
5000 Old Mixon	cling mid-season Cling Stone
20000 Elberta	Mid Season Free Stone
2500 Mountain Rose	Mid Season Free Stone
46 Heath Cling	Mid Season Cling Stone
5000 Crawford	Late Mid Season Free Stone
8000 Captain Ede	Late Free Stone
2000 Crosby	Late Free Stone
15000 Elberta Cling	Late Cling Stone
9000 Gold Dust	Late Cling Stone
750 Salway	Late Cling Stone
5000 Late Elberta	Late Free Stone
4500 Red Indian	Late Cling Stone
10000 White English	Late Cling Stone
7000 Heath Cling	Late Cling Stone
8500 Henrietta	Late Cling Stone
2500 Stenson Oct.	Very Late Free Stone
4500 Krummel Oct.	Very Late Cling Stone
1100 Early Elberta	Mid Season Free Stone
1750 Mammoth Cling	Late of all
1700 Hale (Million Dollar Peach)	Free Stone

1 to 2 ft. Hale and Early Elberta, were 45 now 20c.

Cherries

In Lots of 1 to 50	50 to 500	500 and up
3 to 4 ft. was 50c now 25c	Was 40c now 20c	Was 20c now 10c

1210 Dyehouse	Very Early
1900 Early Richmond	Early
725 Montmorency	Mid Season
264 English Morilla	Late

SWEET CHERRIES.

1460 Black Tartarian	Early
340 Lambert	Mid Season
1120 Windsor	Late

Plums

In Lots of 1 to 50	50 to 500	500 and up
3 to 4 ft. was 30c now 15c	Was 25c now 11c	Was 20c now 10c

975 Red June	Very Early
1200 Wildgoose	Very Early
3200 Abundance	Early
2100 Burbank	Early
3000 Wixon	Late
640 Blue Damson	Late
975 Gold	Early
1110 German Prunes	Early

Ornamental Plants

ROSES—Field grown; leading varieties, were 50c, now 25c. Tube roses, bulbs 9c.

CANNAS—All colors; were 20, now 15c.

BUTTERFLY BUSH—was 50c, now 25c.

FERNS—were 50c, now 25c.

GERANIUMS—were 10, now 5c.

SOFT MAPLES—6 to 8 feet, was 35c, now 20c.

TULIP POPULARS, 6 to 8 ft, was 40c, now 20c.

CAROLINA POPLARS—6 to 8 feet, was 25c, now 15c.

CAL PRIVETTES—2 to 3 feet, was 6c, now 4c.

ARBORVITAE—2 to 3 feet, was \$1.00 now 45c

Send your order for Frost Proof Cabbage plant Price Guaranteed.

Pears

In Lots of 1 to 50	50 to 500	500 and up
3 to 4 ft. was 30c now 15c	Was 25c now 12c	Was 20c now 10c
4 to 6 ft. was 50c now 25c	Was 40c now 20c	Was 30c now 15c

2100 Koonce	Summer
3400 Bartlett	Summer
200 Clapps Favorite	Summer
650 Anjou	Summer
3500 Garber's	Fall
110 Flemish Beauty	Fall
4000 Keiffers	Winter
70 Winter Nellis	Winter

Apricots—Price 3 to 4 ft. was 25c, now 15c. Early Golden, Superb, Morepark

Rhubarb or Pie Plant, was 10c, now 6c.

Asparagus, was 10c, now 5c.

Gooseberries, in lots of 1 to 50, was 30c now 15c; 50 to 500 was 15c, now 9c. Dowling, Houghton Industry

Currants was 10c, now 6c. Red Dutch Fay's Prolific.

Raspberries, in lots of 1 to 50, was 5c, now 3c; 50 to 500 was 4c, now 2c; 500 and up, was 3c, now 1-2c. Cumberland (Blk). Gregg (Blk), Miller (Red.)

Blackberries, in lots of 1 to 50, was 5c, now 3c; 50 to 500 was 3c, now 2-1-2c; 500 up was 2-1-2c, now 1-1-2c; Early Harvest, Snyder, Kit-tatiny, Mercereau, Rathbun.

Himalaya, was 10c, now 6c.

Dewberries, lots 1 to 50, was 5c, now 3c; 50 to 500 was 3c, now 2-1-2c; 500 up was 2-1-2c, now 1-1-2c. Austin Improved, Lucretia.

Juneberries, was 10c, now 5c.

Loganberries, was 20c, now 9c.

Quinces—3 to 4 feet, was 35c, now 15c. Cham-pion, Orange.

Mulberries—3 to 4 feet, was 30 now 15c; New Everbearing, Russian.

Japanese Persimon—3 to 4 feet, was 50c now 30c. Mikado, Imperial.

Pecans, paper shell, budded, or grafted. Stuart Pabst, Schley, 2 to 3 feet, was \$1.50, now 90c.

Strawberries by the Million.
100 plants 90c; 1000 \$3.50; 10,000 \$25.00
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All our stock has been inspected by the State Nursery Inspector and found to be absolutely free from all insects and diseases. All stock is fumigated before leaving the Nursery. Our shipping season begins about March. Send in your order now, don't wait, as the first in is first served. If we are out of any variety your order may be substituted with one as near it as possible? We pay the freight or express charges on orders amounting to \$5.00 or more. We allow five per cent. discount on all orders accompanied with cash. And remember our **GUARANTEE** is, you must be satisfied. In answering this ad tell us in what paper you saw it. We guarantee everything we ship to reach you in first-class condition, mail us your order today. . . . Yours for Business.

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RABBIT MEAT

CHOICE FOOD

The spell of cold weather has put the finishing touch, as it were on the rabbit as a food. Even the most unsophisticated newly-wed probably knows that it takes cold weather to put the rabbit in prime shape for eating. There is some prejudice against Br'er Rabbit as an article of food, but there are thousands of folk that know the rabbit for what he is—a fine food if properly made ready for the table. Many no doubt get their idea of what a rabbit is by buying one after it has come by a devious route to market. Truth to tell, there is little to commend the rabbit that has been a week or so on its way to the table after being killed. But where one is lucky enough to have friends in the country or city friends that go hunting this trip to the table may be shortened by several days. The rabbit is as clean as any animal used for food. It eats only green stuff, grain, bark, etc.

The "gamey" taste that some folk dislike may be eliminated if the rabbit is properly prepared. The flanks should be discarded, for they are always strong. After being cut up the rabbit should be soaked in strong salt water for six or eight hours. Fried slowly it takes on a delicious brown and if steamed after being fried it should be as tender as chicken and as pleasant tasting. And rabbit gravy! Chicken gravy, the acme of a good cook's culinary effects, has "nothing on" rabbit gravy for the elect.

Another way of preparing the

NOT ENOUGH CHILDREN

ever receive the proper balance of food to sufficiently nourish both body and brain during the growing period when nature's demands are greater than in mature life. This is shown in so many pale faces, lean bodies, frequent colds, and lack of ambition.

For all such children we say with unmistakable earnestness: They need Scott's Emulsion, and need it now. It possesses in concentrated form the very food elements to enrich their blood. It changes weakness to strength; it makes them sturdy and strong. No alcohol.

Scott & Borne, Bloomfield, N. J.

rabbit and one very popular among the Germans is hasenpfeffer or sour rabbit. The rabbit is fried in the usual way and gravy made, to which is added vinegar, bay leaves, cloves and a slice of lemon. After simmering in this until it becomes impregnated with the taste of the spice any devotee will pronounce it fit for the gods. While a rabbit of the current vintage is best an old timer "as big as a mule," may be made into a good dish if the proper cook has the job in charge. Rabbits at 25 cents each are cheaper than beefsteak, as the average rabbit will weigh perhaps a half or three-quarters.—Indianapolis News.

RABBIT DRIVERS WILL GET BUSY

One of the big rabbit drives of the week is scheduled for next Wednesday when the people north of town and all those who will help from town, meet at the W. T. Routh place on Elm creek above town and a drive made up Elm creek, and a wide scope of country north of town covered.

The rabbit car will be here Friday, and rabbits will be slaughtered every day this week. Idle men are going out single handed and will make good wages killing rabbits. The most successful way to rid the country is by cooperation and the people in various communities will no doubt follow out this plan.

The rabbit buyers will accept all jack rabbits that are killed this week and also cotton tails. The jacks should be drawn and head removed. Cotton tails should be drawn and heads left on. Do not skin the rabbits as the fur is worth more than the meat and the buyers will not take them if hair has been removed.

To Cure Children's Colds.

Keep child dry, clothe, comfortable, avoid exposure and give Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It is pleasant, soothing, antiseptic, raises phlegm and reduces inflammation. The first dose gives relief, continued treatment with proper care will avoid serious illness or a long cold. Don't delay treatment. Don't let your child suffer. Get a bottle today. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c. at Druggists.

Miss Lula McElroy, who has been very low for the past ten days, we are glad to report is showing signs of improving, and her two brothers, who had been at her bedside returned to their homes Monday afternoon.

Mrs. J. B. Mullin, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. Tom Corder and family, of Valley creek for some time past, left Monday afternoon for Gaudaloupe to visit her son A. W. Mullin.

Louie Strube, of the Olfin country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

WILLINGHAM MAKES LIBERAL PROPOSAL TO COMMISSION

104 OUT OF 602 PUPILS FAILED

To the Hon. Commissioners' Court, Runnels County, Texas. Gentlemen:

As you are no doubt aware, there is a large and growing community of our best citizens living in that district known as "south of town," including Pony Creek, Bethel, Fuzzy Creek, and down the river, whose only market is Ballinger.

You are also aware that their only access to market is a long, round-about way over bad roads, and through muddy flats, to the present antiquated structure known as the County Bridge, at the foot of Hutchings Avenue.

It has been charged that this condition cannot be improved for the benefit of these good people, because the only way to shorten and better this road, lies through my farm, and the cost of the right-of-way, would be prohibitive.

Now gentlemen, I have this proposition to make to your Honorable body:

If you will on your part, construct a cement causeway, across the river at the foot of 7th or 8th Street, of sufficient height for travel to cross, except during very high water in the river; I will on my part, deed to the county, ABSOLUTELY FREE OF CHARGE, a full 60 foot right-of-way through my farm, from said causeway to a connection with the Paint Rock road. Thus giving our good friends south of town, a straight, direct road to town, that would be good in all kinds of weather.

Now gentlemen, I submit that these people are entitled to this consideration at your hands, and further submit that there is no good reason for your honorable body to longer defer action, with the hope of getting the right-of-way on more favorable terms, as the above is the very best that I will do.

I make this offer, not that I think Runnels County needs the

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L. P. Woods returned home Sunday night from a visit to his old home at Gonzales, Texas. He reports that section in good shape but says the wild duck and geese destroyed quite a large per cent. of the rice crops while in the shock last season.

Shoes Wanted.

at Wendorf's Busy Shoe Shop. Work done by the Champion shoe finishing machine, soles sewed on in quick time. Come to see us.

H. L. WENDORF
dtf Hutchings Ave.

Mrs. C. P. Burgess and little son, Master C. J. Jr., left Monday afternoon for Rogers, to visit her mother and friends.

WILLINGHAM MAKES LIBERAL PROPOSAL TO COMMISSION

money that such right-of-way would fairly be worth, but solely to assist my friends, and neighbors in that district, in getting relief from present conditions, that they have long been entitled to.

Awaiting your prompt reply to my proposition, with interest, Yours very sincerely,
C. H. WILLINGHAM.

Dr. E. R. McKinney,
VETERINARY SURGEON
and Dentist.

Will respond to all calls either by teograph, telephone or mail. I have had an experience of twenty years in treating domestic animals. My references are my many satisfied patrons.

Ballinger, Texas.
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A. C. Herring, one of the prominent stockmen of the Talpa country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

J. E. Salmon and W. F. Moncrief, of the New Home neighborhood, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

104 OUT OF 602 PUPILS FAILED

THE EXAMINATIONS ARE OVER. TODAY BEGINS THE CLOSING TERM.

In Central ward, 150 boys, 155 girls were promoted. 38 boys, 27 girls failed to make the rise and 34 who had entered are now gone.

In West ward, 64 boys, 75 girls received the rise, while 20 boys, and 5 girls did not make the grade. Also 23 who had entered are gone.

South ward reports 26 boys, 28 girls promoted and 2 boys and 2 girls retained, with 11 gone.

The data for the High School is not yet available, but enough is known to indicate that several candidates for graduation will need to get very busy both in school and at home on present tasks, and some back unearned credits.

Teachers may present subject matter but pupils must do their own studying. If parents will not see to it that students observe study hours each school night, they should not be surprised at any shortage on the reports.

New pupils may be enrolled Tuesday, February 1.

W. S. FLEMING,
Superintendent.

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These Ailments Weaken Your System. Your Body Then Needs the Help of Dr. King's New Discovery.

Colds are annoying. They interfere with our duties. In our weakened condition they may end in a spell of sickness or even more serious ailments. Fear, however, should be overcome, for in Dr. King's New Discovery you have an effective remedy.

Dr. King's New Discovery contains the ingredients which fight cold germs, which soothe your cough, healing the irritated and inflamed mucous membranes. Just as soon as you start taking Dr. King's New Discovery your recovery is assured.

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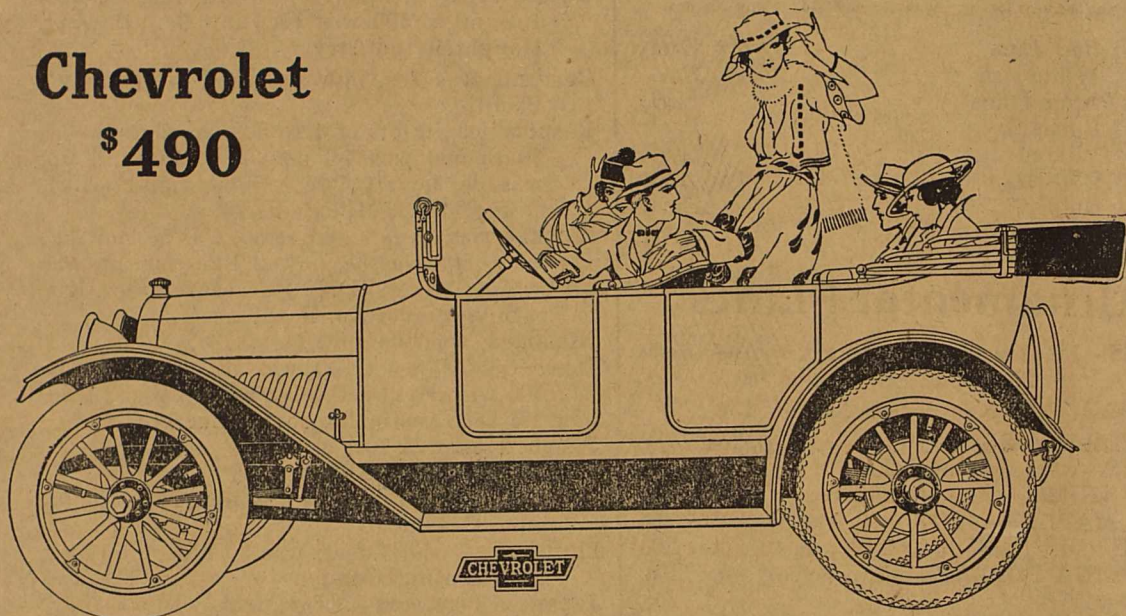
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MORTUARY.

Mrs. A. F. Lee

Mrs. Maude Lee, wife of A. F. Lee, of the Maverick country, died Friday evening at 5:30

o'clock at their home, from the effects of blood poisoning, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Center Valley cemetery Saturday. She was 23 years of age at the time of her death and was a devoted wife and loving mother and a consistent member of the Baptist church. She leaves her husband and five children besides other relatives to mourn her early demise. The Ledger joins friends in condolence and sympathy for the sad relatives in this hour of affliction.

Rob Hardin.

Miss Annie Hardin, who holds a position in the comptrollers office at Austin passed through Ballinger Monday at noon en route to Winters to attend the funeral of her brother Rob Hardin who died in that city Sunday night from an acute case of pneumonia. The young man is a son of Rev. and Mrs. Hardin, who lived in Ballinger many years ago and he was the pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

Tom Hardin, a brother of the deceased and R. M. Currie were here to take the young lady to Winters.

The family have many friends in this section who join the Ledger in deep sympathy for the sad

relatives in this hour of bereavement.

A. E. Brunson, one of the prosperous young farmers of the Dry Ridge neighborhood, while transacting business in Ballinger Saturday ordered the Daily Ledger to his address on Rural Route A.

John Knight, of South Ballinger informed us Wednesday that his brother T. A. Knight, who had been seriously ill the past week or two, was much better at present and hopes soon to regain his usual good health.

Jim Callan of Fort Worth, came in Wednesday at noon to look after business interests in this section a few days.



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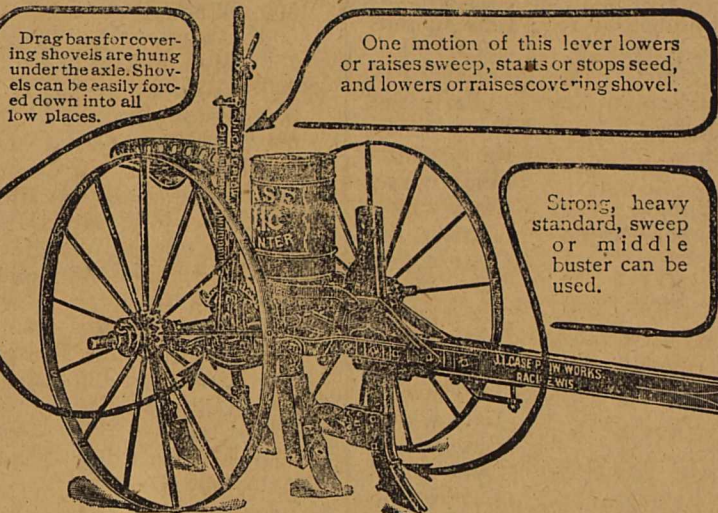
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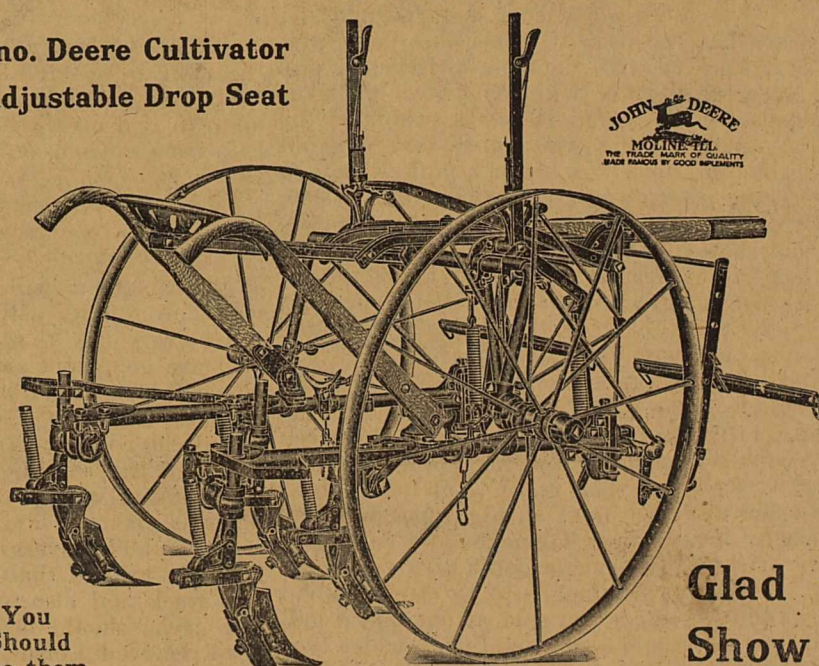
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Ballinger, Texas

