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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BALLINGER, TEXAS, JUNE 29th, 1917

On this our Thirty-first Birthday, the Officers and Directors of this bank feel that it would not be inappropriate for them to make public acknowledgement to the citizens of Ballinger and Runnels County in general and to our friends and patrons in particular, who have in many ways, during the past 31 years, contributed to our growth and success. Some of the most successful farmers and business men in Runnels County have for 31 years favored us with their patronage and when opportunity permitted have spoken a word of commendation to their friends in our behalf, thereby giving endorsement to the conservative, yet liberal policy, pursued by the management.

These evidences of approval have spurred us to even greater efforts in the future and more faithful service will be our aim.

Hoping the same full measure of happiness and prosperity will be enjoyed by those who have so generously contributed to our welfare, we are

Your Friends,
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

FIRST STATEMENT 1886

Resources:	Liabilities:
Loans and Discounts \$38,733.00	Capital Stock \$50,000.00
U. S. Bonds 12,500.00	Surplus and Profits 583.04
R. E. Banking House Fixtures 2,093.45	Deposits 23,619.33
Cash and Exchange 20,875.63	
\$74,202.37	\$74,202.37

LAST STATEMENT 1917

Resources:	Liabilities:
Loans and Discounts \$385,465.54	Capital Stock \$100,000.00
U. S. Bonds 26,500.00	Surplus and Undivided Profits 59,059.11
Banking House, Fur. and Fix. 25,000.00	Unearned Interest 9,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank 3,900.00	Circulation 25,000.00
Acceptances 40,058.17	Deposits 572,005.75
Subscription Liberty Bond Loan 11,250.00	
Cash and Exchange 272,891.15	
\$765,064.86	\$765,064.86

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British Push Teutons Back Into City of Lens

LONDON, June 27.—Dispatches received from the front today emphasize the steady encroachment of the British lines around Lens. Official reports say that the Germans are steadily falling back into Lens and are preparing to make a desperate resistance of the British assault.

The slow but sure encircling of Lens, the important coal center held by the Germans in the re- partment of Pas de Calais, is in process of consummation by the Canadians. Having already, during the present week, captured im- portant advantage points west and southwest of the town, a fresh smash at the Germans has been rewarded by the occupation of the village of LaCoulotte, situated a mile to the south.

With the British forces actually enveloping the town except on the east, the Germans already have ceased the mining of coal in the immediate vicinity of Lens, thereby seemingly indicating that they realize that their tenure of the positions is short lived.

Although the British war office aside from the operations around Lens reports no activity by Field Marshal Haig's men, rising in im- portance above minor patrol sor- ties, the Berlin war office asserts that heavy artillery duels are in progress at various points at which enormous quantities of am- munition are being used. Reading between the lines of the report it is apparent that the British are the aggressors and it is possible that General Haig is paving the

way for a series of new thrusts against the German lines.

LONDON, June 26.—In one of the most spectacular aerial bat- tles ever fought three British na- val planes battled with ten Ger- man airships over Roulers today. The three British planes defeated the German air fighters, shooting down one German plane, the air- ship coming to the ground envel- oped in flames. Two other planes in the German squadron were brought down and it is believed destroyed.

PARIS, June 26.—The French army last night captured the front line of German trenches north of Surtebis and gained one of the greatest victories of the latest of- fensive movement. The French launched a sudden attack and as- sumed an aggressive offensive over a wide front. The victory brought complete control to the French of a number of important objective points.

ATHENS, June 26.—King Alexander formally announced this afternoon that he had entrusted to former Premier Venizelos the task of forming the new Grecian cab- inet. The Zaimis cabinet resigned yesterday as a result of the find- ings of H. Jonart, diplomatic rep- resentative of the allies in Greece, following an investigation at Sal- onika.

Will Aycock of Andrews, is in Ballinger on business.

GOOD RAINS FALL OVER COUNTY; BOOSTS CROPS

Judging from the reports re- ceived here Monday early from points in this county and from neighboring counties, the rain was partial to Runnels county Sunday afternoon. The rain fell amounted to from a half inch in Ballinger to three inches at some places in the county, with good rains reported practically all over the county.

So far as the reports brought here show, and judging by the reports compiled by the West Texas Telephone Co., the rain was lighter in Ballinger than at any other point in the county, with heavy rain falling within a few miles of the city on the north, west and south. Tom Green county reports light rains and Concho county did not get general rain.

Feed crops had reached a stage where rain was necessary to insure a yield, and cotton, especial- ly young cotton, was needing rain. The rain could not have fallen at a more opportune time. The farmers were up with their work and all crops were in a good state of cultivation. To place an estimate on the rain in dollars and cents would be an impossi- bility, but the propitious down pour washed away long faces and today the man who can't smile should consult a liver specialist.

Here's the report that is calcu- lated to make Runnels county the banner crop county for Central West Texas this year:

Wingate 2 inches; Wilmet 2 1-2 inches; Winters 1 inch; Truitt 1 1-2 inches; Rowena, good rain; Pony 1 inch; Olfen, good rain; Norton, good rain; Miles 1 inch;

Hatchel 3 inches; Maverick, light showers; Crews 2 inches; Benoit, good rain.

Points near Runnels county re- port as follows:

Abilene, Coleman, report good rain; Blackwell, Ft. Chadbourne no rain; Bradshaw 5-8 inch; Brady, Bronte, Brownwood, Con- cho, Menard, Millersview, Ovalo, San Angelo, light rain; Coleman good rain; Leaday, good rain; Santa Anna 1 inch; Stacy, 1 inch; Talpa, 1 inch.

\$67,000 PAID FOR MASSEY RANCH LAND

Godfrey Massey is here this week making a transfer of his ranch in Concho and Runnels counties to Roy Willoughby, of Brady. The deal was made sev- eral days ago and a contract of sale entered into and the deal closed this week.

In the deal Mr. Willoughby gets the Massey 6,400 acre ranch at a cash consideration of \$10.50 per acre. Part of this land is located in Concho and part in Runnels county, and is situated on the Concho river about four miles northeast of Paint Rock.

Fourteen years ago to the day of sale, Geo. M. Vaughn, of Bal-

American Troops Landed In France

linger, sold the land to Mr. Mas- sey for \$4 per acre. While Mr. Massey has made some improve- ments on the ranch since buying it, the advance in price brings him a handsome profit on his in- vestment and he has had the use of the land for fourteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. Massey will re- main in America until after the war and then they plan to return to their native home in Ireland. Possession of the ranch will be given in 90 days, and in the mean- time Mr. Massey will spend most of the time in Ballinger.

WINTERS STATE BANK HAS BIG DEPOSITS

WINTERS, Tex., June 26.—In response to the call for statement of condition of state banks in Texas, the Winters State Bank shows nearly \$300,000.00 on de- posit, all of which is "pure D money" according to Cashier Mc- Adams, as the bank has no inter- est bearing funds. Their cash re- serve is 13 per cent above the legal requirement and the manage- ment feels proud of the excellent statement they make.

At last meeting of directors a semi-annual dividend of 7 1-2 cents was voted paid the stock- holders and the permanent sur- plus fund increased to \$30,000.00.

(Bulletin)
FRENCH PORT, June 27.— 2:35 p. m.—The first detachment of American troops landed on French soil this afternoon. The troops arriving are General Per- shing's regulars, the exact num- ber not yet being made public.

Washington, June 27.—The suc- cess of volunteer censorship was striking demonstrated here this afternoon when the first news giv- en out concerning the movement of troops to France was given in ocial notice that the troops had landed on French soil. Newspa- per correspondents withheld the news of the sailing of the troops.

JUDGE GUION IN AUSTIN.

Judge Jno. I. Guion left Tues- day afternoon for Austin. He will be present in the capital to get first hand information concern- ing the A. & M. locating com- mittee's decision, and on Friday he will attend a board meeting of the A. & M. regents.

Judge Guion left Ballinger feel- ing that Ballinger would get the new college, and says his hopes are based on nothing else except the fact that he feels Ballinger is offering the best location for the school.



Bouquet Jeanice Talcum
It brings to you the combination odor of the violet the tuberose the jasmine and other choice flowers.
Standard Price Sale
One 50c Two 51c
Can Jar

ONE CENT SALE!



Violet Dulce Vanishing Cream
Is quickly absorbed. An excellent cream for use under powder.
Standard Sale Price Price
One 50c Two 51c
Jar Jar

Thursday, Friday and Saturday June 28th, 29th, 30th

You pay regular price for the first article and get the second for one cent. We guarantee every item sold. Check your wants and bring the list with you. Weeks says: "The more you buy the more you save."

American Beauty Hot Water Bottle



An all rubber moulded bottle of full size, 2 quart capacity
Standard Price Sale Price
One Bottle \$1.75 Two Bottles \$1.76

Stationery

- 40c Tangara Fabric 2 for 41c
- 25c Lord Baltimore 2 for 26c
- 35c Good Linen 2 for 36c
- 10c Pen Holder, Cork Grip 2 for 11c
- 10c dozen Thumb Tacks 2 for 11c
- 5c Lead Pencils 2 for 6c
- 10c Dozen Steel Pens 2 for 11c
- 5c Pencil Clips 2 for 6c

Rexall Tooth Paste



A perfect dentifrice, anti-septic and deodorant. Cleans and whitens the teeth. Comes out flat on the brush.
Standard Price Sale Price
One Tube 25c Two Tubes 26c

Sundries

- 15c Powder Puff 2 for 16c
- 25c Powder Puff 2 for 26c
- 50c Comb 2 for 51c
- 25c Magic Washing Stock 2 for 26c
- 15c Nurse Bottle 2 for 16c
- 25c Nasal Douche 2 for 26c
- 15c Durham Duplex Razors 2 for 16c
- 25c Nail Files 2 for 26c

Flo-Fast Fountain Syringe

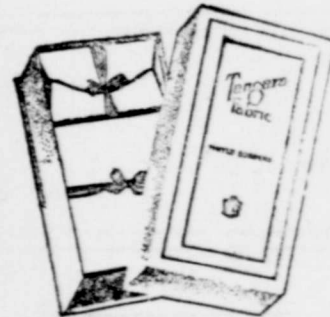


An all-rubber moulded fountain syringe, of full two-quart capacity, with rapid flow tubing and three hard rubber pipes, with screw connections.
Guaranteed for one year.
Standard Price Sale Price
One Syringe \$1.50 Two Syringes \$1.51

Rubber Goods

- \$1.75 Hot Water Bottle 2 for \$1.76
- \$1.50 Fountain Syringe 2 for \$1.51
- 25c Stork Nipper 2 for 26c
- 40c Rubber Sponge 2 for 41c
- 50c Bathing Cap 2 for 51c
- 25c Ulcer and Eye Syringe 2 for 26c
- 5c Stork Nipple 2 for 6c
- 5c Medicine Dropper 2 for 6c

Tangara Fabric Stationery



A white fabric-finish writing paper with a narrow tinted border on both paper and envelope. The envelope is a new cut.
Standard Price Sale
One Box 40c Two Boxes 41c

Candy

- Idlehour Sweets, a selected assortment of
Jelly Gum Drops
Toasted Marshmallow
Jordan Almonds
Wrapped Honey Nougat
and Wrapped Caramels
in a handsome box.
One Box 60c
Two Boxes 61c
5c Liggett's Spearmint Gum, 2 for 6c

Rexall Shaving Cream



Gives a rich, creamy lather and does not smart or dry on the face. In hermetically sealed, collapsible tubes.
Standard Price This Sale
One Tube 25c Two Tubes 26c

Harmony Shampoo



A highly concentrated, cleansing shampoo. A few drops make a delightful, thick foam which cleans the hair and scalp thoroughly. Leaves the hair soft and glossy and free from stickiness.
Standard Price Sale Price
One Bottle 50c Two Bottles 51c

Metropolitan Magazine

The Metropolitan is vital, sincere—a creation of sane, forwarding-looking brain



Bret Harte's Novels
Four Volumes
Bret Harte as a writer needs no introduction. His stories of frontier life are real human interpretations.
Standard Price
Metropolitan, 1 Year \$2.00
Bret Harte, 4 volumes, \$2.00

This Sale Both for \$2.01

Rexall Toilet Soap



Unexcelled in quality for 10c. Lathers freely in any water. One trial will convince you there is nothing better for the price.
Standard Price Sale Price
One Cake 10c Two Cakes 11c

Toilet Goods

- 25c Rexall Cold Cream 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Cream of Almonds 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Tooth Paste 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Violet Talcum Powder 2 for 26c
- 10c Rexall Toilet Soap 2 for 11c
- 10c Bath Salt 2 for 11c
- 10c Genuine Castile Soap 2 for 11c
- 25c Medicated Skin Soap 2 for 26c
- 25c Hansen and Jenks Soap 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Tar Shampoo Soap 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Shaving Cream 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Violet Dulce Talcum Powder 2 for 26c
- 50c Bouquet Jeanice Talcum Powder 2 for 51c
- 50c Violet Dulce Cold Cream 2 for 51c
- 50c Violet Dulce Vanishing Cream 2 for 51c
- 50c Harmony Shampoo 2 for 51c
- 50c Jergens Violet Glycerine Shampoo 2 for 51c
- 50c Violet Dulce Complexion Powder 2 for 51c
- 25c Witch Hazel Shaving Lotion 2 for 26c
- 50c Almazada Complexion Powder 2 for 51c
- 50c Soukiss Complexion Powder 2 for 51c
- 50c Soukiss Cold Cream 2 for 51c
- 35c Perfume, assorted odors 2 bottles for 36c
- 25c Violet Dulce Shampoo Crystals 2 for 26c
- 10c Rose Cream Toilet Soap 2 for 11c
- 10c Violet Cream Toilet Soap 2 for 11c
- 10c Lilac Cream Toilet Soap 2 for 11c

Violet Dulce Complexion Powder



The name stands for the highest quality being one of the famous Violet Dulce Complexion requisites. One of the best qualities of this complexion powder is that it does not show when properly used. Delightfully scented with the Violet Dulce odor. Burnt, white and fresh tints.
Standard Price Sale Price
One Box 50c Two Boxes 51c

Rogers Silverware FREE

It's a Pleasure to Serve You Here

WEEKS

"In Business for Your Health"

The REXALL Store

Phone 12 and 13

Household Remedies

- 25c Blackberry Cordial 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Carbolic Salve 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Charcoal Tablets 2 for 26c
- 50c Rexall Kidney Pills 2 for 51c
- 25c Rexall Corn Salve 2 for 26c
- 25c Rexall Healing Salve 2 for 26c
- \$1.00 Rexall Syrup of Hypophosphites 2 for \$1.01
- 25c Rexall White Liniment 2 for 26c
- 50c Rexall Blood Tablets 2 for 51c
- \$1.00 Female Tonic 2 for \$1.01
- \$1.00 Choctaw Liver and Kidney Cure 2 for \$1.01
- \$1.00 Mohawk Liver and Kidney Cure 2 for \$1.01
- 35c Heptal 2 for 36c
- 25c Rexall Foot Powder 2 for 26c
- 15c Rexall Toothache Stopper 2 for 16c
- 10c Rexall Soda Mint Tablets 2 for 11c
- 25c Rexall Cleaning Fluid 2 for 26c
- \$1.00 Nerve Tonic 2 for \$1.01

Household Needs

- 15c Hand Brushes 2 for 16c
- 30c Vanilla Extract 2 for 31c
- 30c Lemon Extract 2 for 31c
- 25c Calomel Tablets 2 for 26c
- 25c Casarea Pills (Hinkle) 2 for 26c

**RATES FOR
Classified Ads**
IN
**THE BALLINGER DAILY
LEDGER**
One cent per word first insertion.
Half cent per word each subsequent insertion.
Black face type double regular rate.
Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular open account with us.
Call-Telephone No. 27.

WANTED
WANTED—To exchange farm, city property and merchandise to the value of \$60,000 for ranch. Address owner, Box 258, Robstown, Texas. 27-2td1tw

FOR SALE
FOR SALE—My property in Ballinger consisting of one 5-room house, barn and large underground cistern. One 4 room dwelling, one warehouse 34x50 feet, heavy frame building, good floor. Also several thousand young pecan trees in Nursery. About 500 roots grafted this Spring, balance can be budded this Summer, ready for Fall delivery. Reason for selling my entire time is needed on my pecan orchard and nurseries on Valley Creek. S. B. HOWARD, 107 N. 12th St., Ballinger, Texas. 19-1td-ftw

FOR SALE—or trade, on farm land, my place in South Ballinger. G. H. Sturm. 15-3tw

LOST.
LOST or STOLEN—Brown mare mule, 14 hands high, had rope around neck when disappeared. Will pay \$5 reward for mule or information. W. L. Coker, Paint Rock, Texas. 28-1tw-pd

TRESPASS NOTICES
NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS—Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the land owned or controlled by the undersigned in Rannels and Concho counties for the purpose of hunting, fishing, hauling wood, gathering pecans or working stock will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law—I mean it. GODFREY MASSEY, Paint Rock, Texas. 7-1-17

**BUYS LIBERTY BOND;
CUTS OUT PICNIC**

J. F. Hudson, clerk of the W. O. W. Camp at Mazeland, writes The Ledger that the Mazeland lodge will not give the annual Fourth of July celebration this year. For several reasons the annual celebration has been called off.

For several years in the past the people of Ballinger and Rannels county have looked forward with a great deal of pleasure to the time when they could meet with the Mazeland citizens and enjoy their hospitality. The Mazeland people have a reputation of knowing how to entertain the crowds, and many will be disappointed to know that they are to be deprived of this pleasure this year.

Mr. Hudson also writes The Ledger that the Mazeland W. O. W. Camp purchased a Liberty Bond. This camp is not only one of the prosperous camps of the county but it is made up of patriotic Americans who are ready to do their part in the great war.

D. E. Eaton received letters from Secretary Guyer, of the Farmers' Union, this week, in which Mr. Guyer writes that plans for the Farmers' Union meet here next month are moving along nicely. Mr. Guyer says that the members of the Farmers' Union are heartily in favor of the A. & M. College being located at Ballinger and as he has been here and visited the site offered for the college, he realizes the advantages offered here.

Mr. Farmer
Did you know that it would be economy to invest a little money in an implement shed and protect your implements from the sun and rain. Weather wears on your implements wears them out quicker than use. House them and save them. We can supply material for building sheds or making other improvements around your home.
Ballinger Lumber Company

**BLANTON IS TRUE
TO HIS PLEDGE**

Following is an exact copy of the proceeding's in Congress of June 21, as published in the Congressional Record, showing how the House of Representatives began its day's business, and will be interesting to the people of this district:

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES.
Thursday, June 21, 1917.
The House met at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D., offered the following prayer:
Our Father in heaven, Author of our being and the Bestower of every gift, we lift up our hearts in gratitude to Thee for all Thy favors, and we most fervently pray that Thy Spirit may so completely possess us that it may crowd out of our being all evil desires and sinful propensities, that we may hallow Thy Name in all that we undertake this day, that no sorrows, no regrets shall follow in its wake to disturb our peace, and we shall ascribe all praise to Thee through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Raker. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the Record.

The Speaker. The gentleman from California asks unanimous consent to extend his remarks in the Record. Is there objection.

Mr. Walsh. Mr. Speaker, I object.

Mr. Raker. Mr. Speaker, perhaps if I state the subject upon which I desire to extend my remarks the gentleman will not object. I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the Record upon a bill in regard to the bird reserve on Klamath Lake, which is pending, and which has a favorable report from the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Walsh. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I ask the gentleman if his extension of remarks is to contain anything except his own remarks?

Mr. Raker. Only the bill and my own remarks, with the reports of the department upon it, so that I may have it printed and have it before the House as a piece of emergency legislation.

Mr. Walsh. Mr. Speaker, I object.

Mr. Blanton. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the Record by printing in connection therewith a few communications from constituents on the food conservation feature of this bill.

The Speaker. The gentleman from Texas ask unanimous consent to extend his remarks in the Record. Is there objection?

Mr. Walsh. Mr. Speaker, I object.

Mr. Blanton. Mr. Speaker, I will state to the gentlemen that if I do not get permission I shall ask for time upon the bill, and this would save my time and the time of the committee.

The Speaker. The gentleman already has leave to print his remarks upon the bill.

Mr. Lever. Unanimous consent has already been granted to extend on this bill.

The Speaker. The gentleman from Texas has an absolute right to extend his remarks upon this bill. He can not extend them generally.

Mr. Blanton. Mr. Speaker, during the past 10 days especially my desk has been deluged with liquor literature, typewritten, printed, and mailed by liquor interests, arguing the ridiculous and absurd proposition that distilleries and breweries conserve rather than destroy food supplies. Until this war emergency arose the liquor interests in whole-page advertisements year after year have bragged about the millions of bushels of various kinds of grain they have annually consumed, and what great benefactors they were

to the farming industries of the country by thus creating a demand for and increasing the market price of farm products. But lately they have turned a complete somersault by now contending in double-page advertisements that the amount of grain consumed by them is infinitesimal and insignificant.

I desire to call attention to the editorial from the New York II Cittadino, received in this morning's mail, which has in it, typical of the liquor interests and its precepts, the following expressions:
To the Latin mind of the prohibition is atrociously insolent.

Prohibition is a similar morbid form of organized autocracy against the sacred natural rights of mankind to govern its own habits— And so forth.

If drunkards were dealt with less leniently by Judges and were given, for example, jail sentences or hard work instead of simple laughable fines their number would greatly diminish. They should be made a target of derision of compassion.

Just as the bartender furnishes to his victim brain-destroying liquor over the counter as long as his money lasts and then heartlessly kicks him out into the gutter just so would this cold-blooded liquor traffic deliberately create a drunkard and then sentence him to jail or the rock pile for life.

This same propaganda would condemn Mr. Baker for his excellent regulations which he has placed around our Army to safeguard the morals, health, and efficiency of our splendid young American manhood. Every mother in America will thank Mr. Baker from the depths of her heart.

Under the unanimous leave extended to Congressman Blanton by the Record, Mr. Blanton introduced a number of letters, petitions and telegrams which he had received, from his constituents and other American citizens demanding of Congress a war-emergency nationwide prohibition law, and these were printed in the Record, following Mr. Blanton's remarks.

**SHERIFF'S NOTICE
OF ELECTION.
For Special School Tax**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Rannels:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 21st day of July 1917, at Elm Creek School in the Common School District No. 18 of this county, as established by order of the Commissioners' Court of this county, of date the 12th day of February, 1907, which is recorded in Book 4, pages 353-354, of the minutes of said court, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of that district desire to increase the special tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property now being levied and collected in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund apportioned to said district, to and of a rate of not exceeding 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property and to determine whether the Commissioner's Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually, a tax of, and at the rate of not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district, for said purpose.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and County, and who are resident property tax-payers in said district, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this county, by order made on the 27 day of June 1917, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order.

Dated the 27th day of June 1917.
J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff,
Rannels County, Texas.
29-6-13w

**BACK IN THE PICTURE
BUSINESS IN BALLINGER**

W. E. Bartlett, who some time ago sold his photograph studio here to R. E. Briggs, has returned to Ballinger from a prospecting trip, and on Tuesday of this week he bought his old business back, deciding that Ballinger was the best place after all. Mr. Briggs has been running the business for three or four months.

Mrs. J. W. Laughlin of Abilene, passed through Ballinger Tuesday on her way home from Brownwood.

**"It's Good"
Gum**
Many people wonder: Where did they get that name?
It was selected from among thousands of names submitted for a prize.
"CHIC-A-MAH"
is an old Indian term meaning "good." It was in general use among the Indians as the word "Bueno" is the expression of the Mexican.
Other Flavors—We make other flavors of gum—try this one.
TEXAS GUM COMPANY
Largest Chewing Gum Factory In the South
TEMPLE, TEXAS



"CHIC-A-MAH GUM" Peppermint Flavor.
Six Sticks to the Package
Just One Time
Buy the Texas Gum once because it is a Texas production.
After That
Buy it again—if you like it.
Tell the Clerk
You want "THAT TEMPLE GUM."

**MAKING A CROP
ON CANNED RAIN**

Editor Ledger:

Water is the determining element in successful farming on the dry prairies of the West.

Along the 100th meridian we get 24 inches of rainfall annually.

Can we farm successfully on two feet of solid water? It depends on whether we utilize or conserve all that falls.

If we store it all in the soil and bottle it up on the red jug-clay subsoil in order that the growing plants may draw on it at fruiting time in the hot summer we can make normal crops every year.

But much of our 24 inches comes in local cloudbursts and I believe that at least 25 percent is lost entirely and this overflow not only reduces the present crop 25 percent but also reduces future crops and carries off much of the richest plantfood. However much deep plowing and deep thinking the project may require our success depends in a large measure on the amount of water held in the field. After an experience of thirteen years here on the bald prairies in the sizzling, blistering sun I have inaugurated a plan of my own that I am confident will ultimately be adopted and give better yields.

The main idea to keep steadily before the mind is to check and impede the flood-water on the fields and give it plenty of time to "soak in." Of course every Western pioneer who has acquired his education in the field of hard knocks knows that when decaying vegetable matter has been plowed under, these stalks and stuff will hold a greater percent of moisture content than the natural soil, but yet the basic and fundamental foundation of farming here is to impound the storm waters right at the roots of the fruiting plants. Where the greatest amount of water settles in a dry country, there the heaviest yields are gathered.

Three weeks ago we had two inches of rainfall in quite a short time. Not over three-fourths of one inch was utilized. However enthusiastic I am over my scheme to hold and control the "slosh-outs" that fall down in sheets I had to stand by and see thousands of barrels of refreshing liquids go glimmering into the Gulf, carrying the very properties of the soil that produce the big fat cotton bolls, the big fat maize-heads, and the big fat water-melons.

It's regrettable. It's lamentable in the face of a food famine. Until we shall have solved this problem in the school of the field and put it into practical operation we will not have reached the zenith in the fascinating art of farming in a semi-arid section. When two inches of solid water only wets the high places two inches deep it is time to stop short and use the hat rack for thinking a little.

If the business man used the business principles practised by the average farmer he would go out of business in one season. It is not because we are a set of

**RECRUITING OFFICER
HERE UNTIL FIRST**

Corporal Flick returned Wednesday from a week's tour of countiest east of Ballinger. He visited Abilene, Baird, Coleman, and other places where he interested the people in holding mass meetings and arousing patriotism for recruits. Corporal Flick stated that he would probably not be in Ballinger any longer than this month and he is expecting moving orders within the next day or two.

The war department is appealing for volunteers, and letters are received by this paper every day urging that we do what we can to get volunteers. Able bodied men between the ages of 18 and 40 will be accepted. In a letter received today, the war department included the following appeal and requested that we give it publicity:

"Enlist now 'your President calls you. The army wants you. The country needs you.' Come on you loyal Americans and lets help free the world that our children may live in peace.

"UNCLE JOHNNY."

MEXICANS FRIENDLY

San Antonio, June 24.—The friendly spirit and co-operation existing between American and Mexican border officials was illustrated this week at Neuvero Laredo sought out two Germans who had escaped from the American internment camp at Laredo and crossed into Mexico and brought them to the center of the international bridge for delivery to American officers. Report of the action of the Mexican officials has been made to Robert L. Barnes, chief of the bureau of investigation.

"Had it not been for the courtesy of the Mexican officers and their spirit of co-operation," said Mr. Barnes "two Germans whom I believe to be dangerous enemies of the United States, might have made their ultimate escape and continued their plotting."

**LITTLE GIRL STICKS FISH-
HOOK IN FINGER**

Little Evelyn Coggins, while playing at home Tuesday afternoon, got a fish-hook caught in her finger. The hook was hanging from a line in a tree, and it went entirely through the finger. She had to be taken to the sanitarium, where the hook was taken out. The wound was rather painful, but not serious.

**RECruITING OFFICER
HERE UNTIL FIRST**

The East bound Santa Fe train Tuesday afternoon, besides picking up seven recruits for the navy here, brought fourteen others from San Angelo. Ten of the boys were from Bronte, 25 miles west of here, and had signed up in San Angelo. All of these boys were going to the navy, and none to the army.

**WELL KNOWN TRAVELING
MAN DEAD**

MORE RECRUITS TO NAVY

C. R. Crews received a telegram Tuesday afternoon from a St. Louis wholesale house informing him of the death in that city Monday night of one of their traveling men, Mr. Frank Buckner.

**THE REMAINS WILL BE BURIED IN
AUSTIN WHERE HIS FAMILY RESIDE.**

Mrs. T. M. Cox, of Strawson, N. M., came in Monday to be with her husband who is in the Halley and Love Sanitarium.

Mrs. J. A. Stubblefield and Mrs. Dorsett of Norton left a day or two ago going to Dalton, Ga

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

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RESOURCES table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Loans and discounts, U. S. BONDS, and various deposits.

LIABILITIES table with columns for item, amount, and total. Includes Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, and Undivided profits.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RECAPITULATION table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES, showing totals for each category.

NEWS FROM RECORDS OF COUNTY CLERK

Marriage Licenses: Jacob Binder, Jr., and Frances Zly. W. C. Tubbs and Ada Allen. Pirpita Hirmeiegos and Francisco Arridondo. Charlie Harris and Lottie Little. Criminal Docket: Arthur Bedford, charged with disturbing the peace. Civil File Docket: The Farmers and Merchants State Bank vs. W. L. Ellis in suit for rent. Automobile Licenses: County Clerk McCarver has registered his last automobile.

War! War! War! Conserve your resources. Scrap, iron, bones, hides, rugs, paper and beeswax. Among those leaving Ballinger Wednesday morning to attend the annual convention of the Texas Goat and Sheep Growers Association at Menard, were Alex Saunders, Paul Sulak, Chas. Roberts, Roe O'Neil, Edwin Schuchard. Several went to Menard Monday. J. L. Chastain and wife, Miss Max Chastain and Wainright Chastain left Monday morning for Menard, where they will visit relatives and attend the annual goat and sheep growers convention. Miss Ola Harber of Winters was in Ballinger Wednesday night.

METHODIST REVIVAL CLOSES WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday night the revival services that have been in progress at the Methodist church closed. The usual large crowd was there to hear Rev. Renfro speak on "The Sin We All Commit—Covetousness." It was a masterly sermon by this fine speaker. He made a course of his sermon, the subversive striking statement in the stance of which is this, "The most objectionable expression I have ever heard in my work is 'Saving for a Rainy Day.' This is only an excuse to keep God out of our lives."

After the sermon a collection was taken—not for Rev. Renfro, because he gets a salary from the Southwestern University for this work—but for the Southwestern University. He got several large gifts, and a number of smaller ones. The total was about eight hundred dollars. Dr. C. A. Watson gave five hundred of this, R. W. Bruce one hundred, and E. L. Rasbury fifty, and the rest was made up of small contributions. Rev. Renfro is certainly one of the best speakers ever heard here, and his work and influence will be felt by those who heard him.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT. Announcement announcing the marriage of Miss Fanny Chamberlain Brown to Mr. Francis Marian Pearce were received by friends in Ballinger Tuesday. The wedding took place on Thursday, June 21st, at Rapid City, South Dakota. After a bridal tour Mr. and Mrs. Pearce will be at home in Ballinger after August first.

RECOVERS MORTGAGE PROPERTY. Sheriff Perkins and Jack McKay made a trip to Junction and other points south of Ballinger this week where they went to recover mortgage property. They succeeded in their mission and returned to Ballinger Tuesday night.

MORE MONEY FOR RED CROSS WORK

The Red Cross committee at Norton sent in their report Thursday. The citizens of that progressive community contributed \$175 to the Red Cross fund. Of this amount \$15 had been sent direct to Washington before the work was taken up in the county. The committee sent \$158.99 to the Ballinger central committee this week.

Winters reports \$1206.75 and this amount will probably be added to with a contribution of \$125 expected from Wingate, where the Winters committee went and launched a campaign. It is reported that ten girls at Maverick have undertaken to raise \$20 each, which will make \$200 from that community. These amounts will run the county's offering to the Red Cross Society beyond what the committee expected, and again Runnels county has saved her reputation for doing her part in the war.

Runnels Will Also Furnish Men. While no definite figures on the number of men to be included in the draft from this county, it is believed that by the end of the year at least one hundred young men from Runnels county will be in the army. Already quite a number have volunteered, and the draft will call quite a bunch from here. The money subscribed and paid into the Red Cross fund will be ready for rendering aid to those of our number who fall wounded on the battle field, or who become ill.

RED CROSS GETS HUNDRED MILLION EXPERT DRAFTSMAN

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Oversubscription of the Red Cross \$100,000,000 merrily fund seemed assured last night when the eight-day nation-wide campaign closed with final rallies in hundreds of American cities. The country's total outside of New York city tabulated by Red Cross headquarters late last night was \$60,650,000 and pledges still were pouring in at the rate of about \$1,000,000 an hour. New York city's total was believed to be near \$40,000,000, the city's quota. Ten million dollars of apparent oversubscription may be necessary to make the actual collections equal \$100,000,000 owing to the possibility of duplicate recording of some corporate Red Cross dividends at their source and also in the locality where stockholders live. Red Cross officials will formulate plans for the most efficient expenditure of the millions—large portions of which are sought in France, Russia and Rumania. The first actual money reached the Red Cross treasury by aerial messenger, Miss Katherine Stinson, a young airwoman, descending upon the capital at the end of a two-day flying trip from Buffalo, Albany, New York and Philadelphia, carried to Secretary McAdoo, treasurer of the Red Cross money and pledges gathered from the cities she visited. Alighting near the Washington Monument at dusk, Miss Stinson was taken to the treasury, where Secretary McAdoo and a throng of sightseers were waiting. "You have made a remarkable and daring trip," said the secretary as he took the envelope containing checks and pledges. "You have typified by your act the spirit of the Red Cross, which is to dare anything, even death, itself, for the sake of bringing relief and comfort to suffering humanity."

Jack Mullen and Will Chapman of Winters passed through Ballinger Sunday going to San Angelo.

Do You Want a Baby? Here is Your Chance

FORT WORTH, Tex., June 26.—Do you need a Little Sunshine in your home? Good Christian homes in Texas are wanted by a number of little orphan boys and girls who are now in the charge of the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society, according to a statement made by Mrs. I. Z. T. Morris, superintendent of the Society, with headquarters here. Mrs. Morris stated that the Society now has two boys, thirteen years old; two boys, 10 and 12; one boy, 9; two brothers, 3 and 6; who want homes together if possible. Besides these there are two infant boys, one month old, for whom a home is desired. Homes also are wanted for several little girls, from 7 to 13 years old. Mrs. Morris' address is Fort Worth.

REV. J. W. ATWOOD LEAVES BALLINGER

Rev. J. W. Atwood, for about two years pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has given up the work here and entered the general evangelistic work, his resignation as pastor of the church here having been acted upon last Sunday. Rev. Atwood is now in evangelistic services in Northeast Texas, and in a letter to The Ledger says:

"Kindly allow me through your paper to say goodbye to the people of Ballinger and community. Having entered the general evangelistic work, and now in services in Northeast Texas, I will not return to Ballinger for the present, but desire to express my appreciation of the many kindnesses, not only from my own congregation, but from those of other churches and from those of no church connection. To The Ledger for its help in the work I am appreciative, and I extend the best and kindest wishes for one and all."

Rev. Atwood left Ballinger two or three weeks ago for a visit to relatives in East Texas, and it was not known that he would sever his relations with the local church as pastor until a few days ago. Mrs. Atwood and the children are still in Ballinger, but expect to join Mr. Atwood as soon as moving arrangements can be perfected. During their stay here this family made many friends who will regret to know that they are to leave. Quite a number of new members were added to the First Presbyterian church during Rev. Atwood's pastorate here, and that church has been made stronger by his services. His friends here will wish him well in his new home.

RED CROSS PASSES \$100,000,000 MARK

Washington, June 27.—The nation's contributions to the Red Cross in response to the call for a \$100,000,000 war fund were estimated at \$115,000,000 this morning by Chairman Henry P. Davidson of the Red Cross war council. The policy of the Red Cross in expending this great fund, Mr. Davidson said in a statement thanking the millions of contributors, will be to conduct all our work with the utmost publicity and to take the public as completely as possible into our confidence. Primarily the fund will be devoted to needs of American soldiers and secondarily to relief work among the allies. Dr. Frank Billing of Chicago, will head the Red Cross commission of more than twenty experts to be sent to Russia to study needs there, Mr. Davidson announced.

IT IS SERIOUS

Some Ballinger People Fail to Realize the Seriousness of a Bad Back. The constant aching of a bad back, The weariness, the tired feeling, The pains and aches of kidney ills, May result seriously if neglected. Dangerous urinary troubles often follow. A Ballinger citizen shows you what to do. J. D. Knox, N. Ninth Street, Ballinger, says: "I had such trouble with my back that I couldn't get up or down, owing to the pain and soreness. My sight blurred and I had awful dizzy spells. The kidney secretions also passed too freely and annoyed me a lot. I used Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from the Walker Drug Co., and they relieved this trouble and put my back in good shape." Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Knox had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Another Fever Patient Reported.

R. F. Lane, or "Ikey" as he is better known, has been sick for several days, and his fever has been around one hundred and over. It is not known yet whether he has typhoid, but the doctors are of the opinion that it is typhoid, and they have given him the serum for it. He was moved to his father's house today, and is reported as doing very well.

Miss Mary Phillips returned from Abilene Saturday where she had gone to accompany Miss Elona Wyatt, who will enter Draughon's Business College there. H. B. Mountz returned to his home in Gorman Saturday.

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

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GREECE PREPARING TO JOIN ENTENTE?

Paris, June 27.—Dispatches received in Paris from Athens state that former Premier Venizelos, who has been asked by King Alexander to form a new cabinet arrived at Athens yesterday and will be received by the king today. London, June 27.—The London Times' Athens correspondent reports as soon as the Greek parliament is convened M. Venizelos will probably propose to the deputies that Greece join the allies. He does not intend, however, to mobilize the nation against its will. He is expected first to undertake a great campaign explaining to the people that Greece's interests are bound up in the entente cause. If his mission is successful he will be able in about three months to put the entire forces of Greece into the balance. A Reuter telegram dispatch to Paris from Athens today says it is stated on good authority that M. Venizelos will form a cabinet not later than Wednesday. Reports from Athens yesterday announce the arrival of French troops at Athens, where they are occupying quarters in several points in the city. There was a demonstration in Athens Sunday night when the allied forces entered the city to assist in the maintenance of order. The demonstration was organized by a member of reservists and sailors under the leadership of followers of Demetrios Gounaris. M. Gounaris, former Greek premier, was one of the pro-German group around King Constantine. He was deported after the abdication of Constantine.

WILL CONTEST NEW AUTO TAX LAW

AUSTIN, Tex., June 26.—An attack on the constitutionality of the law creating the state highway commission is to be made, according to R. B. Humphrey, an attorney of Austin and a former member of the legislature. Mr. Humphrey said that he has been retained by certain persons of Austin to make a test case of the act to determine its constitutionality. He insists that the act is discriminatory in that it taxes a special class, that is, the owners of motor cars, while the owners of horses and buggies escape taxation. He also contends that the registration fee is a tax and is not authorized under the constitution. A. P. Meek of Mills county, was in Ballinger a short while Friday before going on to his home. He had been out in New Mexico, and says that everything was burning up out in that direction, and that rain was needed worse there than here.

Have You Enlisted?

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MAN HELD AT ANGELO FOR DROWNING WIFE

One of the most brutal murders ever committed in Texas has just been confessed to by Jeff Bilberry, who according to his own confession pushed his wife in the creek and stood on the bank and watched her drown. The crime was committed on March 25th and is alleged to have taken place on Sweetwater Creek, near Hylton. Bilberry was arrested at Roby, Texas, a few days ago, and the Roby Banner in giving an account of the arrest says:

"The accused man has confessed to Sheriff Lambert that he committed the atrocious deed, and in his statement said that he and his wife were sitting on the banks of the stream, about noon on the date mentioned when he pushed her into the water. Other reports are that he then held her under water about five minutes in order to complete the deed.

"At the time of Mrs. Bilberry's death newspaper reports were that she fell into the water and her husband was unable to rescue her. He drove about two miles and secured assistance and the body was taken from the watery grave. She was then prepared for burial and shipped to her home, which place we failed to learn. It is said that the couple were traveling through the country in a buggy and had camped for dinner on the stream when the horrible murder was accomplished."

After being arrested Bilberry was carried to Sweetwater where he was given an examining trial and where he made further confession concerning the killing of his wife. The Sweetwater Reporter gives the following account of the brutal affair:

"Mr. and Mrs. Bilberry lived about one mile east of Decker and had been to Blackwell to do some shopping the day she met her death. Mr. and Mrs. Bilberry stopped on the way home to fish in a creek some half a mile from Decker.

"Bilberry stated that he left his wife standing on the edge of the water while he went down the stream to cut fishing poles. While gone he heard her scream and rushing back found her drowning in the water, being unable to rescue her.

"The remains were brought to Sweetwater and shipped alone to the home of her parents in North Texas. Bilberry claimed he was unable to accompany her on account of the serious illness of his mother who had measles. Mrs. Bilberry was a member of the Nolan County Mutual Aid Association and her husband collected her policy on her life.

"Sheriff Yarbrough went to Roby yesterday afternoon and brought Bilberry here and placed him in the county jail.

"An examining trial was held by Judge Cochran, in which Bilberry again made a sworn statement of his confession of the crime. He stated he had gotten tired of his wife and had planned to kill her. Since he had committed the awful crime, he says, his conscience has so worried him that he had come to the conclusion that death was preferable to living.

"He further stated that his wife had always been true to him and when he drowned her she offered no resistance, but begged for mercy.

"After the examining trial, Bilberry was taken to San Angelo by Sheriff Yarbrough and Chief of Police W. R. Johnson and placed in the jail of Tom Green county."

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LIGHTNING KILLS HORSE.

During the rain storm Sunday afternoon lightning struck a tree on the farm of Floyd Woods, about seven miles west of the city, and killed a horse standing nearby. While the rain was preceded by a high wind, and there was considerable lightning, no other serious damage has been reported.



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While this is a worthy move, and merits the support of the citizens, like all such undertakings it falls on a few and many who should contribute, and who will be benefited, decline to do so. The just and equal way to handle such matters is by taxation. The City of Ballinger should take some steps to improve its streets by levying an assessment. If the present law will not permit it the law should be changed. This county voted a fifteen cent road tax and is building roads. Ballinger streets will never be put in a respectable condition until the people go down in their pockets and pay for having the work done right. The property owners of this city are only paying a 65 cent tax and kicking about that, while other towns within fifty miles of Ballinger are paying from \$1.50 to \$2.00. If the county can build public roads by the mile it should be an easy matter

for Ballinger to build a few blocks of streets.

The present condition of our streets are not a credit to the enterprising citizenship we boast of. It would be economy and we would have a better rating with our country friends, if we would get busy and build better streets.

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WILL INTRODUCE NEW BIRD HERE

R. M. Davis was here from Crews Friday and received by express a setting of pheasant eggs. The eggs come from Michigan. Mr. Davis will experiment by setting the eggs and if he is successful in raising his birds this industry may become profitable here. There is a big demand for pheasants, Mr. Davis already having a standing offer of a very fabulous price for all the birds he can raise.

Mrs. M. C. Cobb, of San Angelo, is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chastain. She is accompanied by her little daughter.

BALLINGER BOY BUYS HOME IN WINTERS

A deal was closed this week whereby A. E. Giesecke becomes the owner of the Monroe home on the west side, possession to be given August 25. Mr. Monroe will begin at once the erection of a five room bungalow just west of the home just sold.—Winters Enterprise.

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Young man, which had you rather be, a volunteer or a conscript?

If you are going to move, now is the time to transfer your child to the school district into which you will move.

Another good rain or two and a great demand will be created here for cotton pickers this fall. The crop is in the making.

County commissioners from adjoining counties are coming to Runnels to see road building and take lessons. Runnels people were slow in waking up to good roads building, but this county is now taking the lead.

Chas. Morris, the man who tried to defeat Gov. Ferguson for second term governor, has announced for the office again. We admire Mr. Morris' nerve but do not think much of his judgment. He should use his cash to a better advantage.

If Gov. Ferguson and Commissioner of Agriculture Davis accepts the invitation to speak here at the Farmers' Union convention next month, it is expected that a large crowd will be here to greet them. Secretary Guyer, of Brownwood, writes that many delegates from other parts of the state are coming to the convention.

There is one feature of the new auto law that is particularly pleasing to us. That is the provision revoking the license of the auto driver who is arrested and convicted for intoxication twice within a period of sixty days. A drunk man should not be permitted to endanger the lives of the innocent.

In a letter from Congressman Blanton he says, "With a great deal of pride I have noted in the press that Runnels County did not have a single slacker. This is a remarkable record, and I have been bragging on having such a fine county in my district." Yes, it is a credit we are proud of.

Runnels county was first in conscription, every man within the age limit registering. Red Cross enthusiasm is running high and we predict that Runnels county will not be lacking in her duty to the Red Cross cause. Phone calls are coming today for pledge cards and the people at Winters, Rowena and Miles are taking an interest in the work.

The people of Runnels county as a rule are not gifted to grouch, and seldom complain. At this particular time they have special cause for feeling grateful, and if there be any who are guilty of growing, they should now repent. The rain of Sunday seems to have fallen more favorably to Runnels than other counties in this section of the state. Practically every point in Runnels received good rains, while in neighboring counties the rain was spotted. No doubt we have received more than we deserve.

The A. & M. College, of Texas, are supplying a bulletin on methods of preserving food. The bulletin contains recipes for conserving foods, by drying, brining, bottling, curing and canning. The housewives who wish to help conserve the surplus vegetable and fruit crop and thereby cut the cost of living, should write the Extension Department of the A. & M. College, at College Station, and get one of these valuable bulletins. Why let the food stuff go to waste and then pay your grocer high prices for can goods not as pure or wholesome as those preserved at home?

IS IT FAIR?

We do not want to appear as bragging or dealing in self commendation, but we are saying what we are saying in order that we might say what we want to say, and that is this:

During the last month, at our regular advertising rate, we have used several hundred dollars worth of space in this paper boosting the sale of Liberty Bonds and in the interest of Red Cross work, while the government is still printing envelopes in competition to the country printer cheaper than

we can buy the blank envelopes. At the same time congress has been trying to impose upon the country printer an increase in postage rate and a revenue tax on advertising. Is it fair?

WE MUST CHANGE THEIR MINDS.

A member of the German reichstag has handed out the information for the whole world to hear that in two months or less time England will be out of the game and then the sailing will be easy the rest of the way. Really it seems to us that he ought to have moved the date up far enough to save the "impregnable Hindenburg line," a thing he neglected to do.—Bonham Favorite.

Uncle Sam must convince the Germans that sailing will not be easy. The German masses are in ignorance. Their military egotism is deceiving them. The kaiser and his aids have put one over and in a make believe way have deceived the German army. We must convince them that Uncle Sam too has some military power, and until the minds of the Germans can be changed they will continue fighting like mad demons.

THE NEWSPAPER SITUATION

The Austin American has been appearing half size on account of the scarcity of newspaper. It is intimated that if the war continues two years half of the newspapers in the United States will be forced to suspend. It is said that under the present postage bill, expenses on the newspapers will be materially increased to help pay the war debt.—Georgetown Commercial.

Any town that permits its paper to die for want of patronage is making a mistake, so long as the paper strives to cover the field, giving publicity in a way that is valuable to the community wherein it is published. A good newspaper is one of the big assets of the town and it is poor business sense for the business man to begin on the newspaper when he plans to cut expenses. The heavy increase in operating expenses has come to The Ledger with a Fitzsimmons blow, but by economizing we have been able to keep the paper up to the standard and are trying to make it a power for good, notwithstanding that some of our patrons have seen fit to include us in their list of luxuries and cut us out.

THE REWARD OF MERIT.

There is considerable speculation as to where the A. & M. College will be located. The speculation is due to the fact that the various applicants are all making claim to having the best "natural" advantages, and to the fact that some people are working the political game to get the college. Gov. Ferguson, in public speeches made on the tour of inspection, said repeatedly that politics would "cut no ice" in the locating of this school, and that it would be located on the merits of the sites offered. The law creating the college for this and a clause was inserted in the bill to prevent the sale of the college to the highest bidder. The locating board sent out to plant the college received the hearty hand clasp at every stop they made on the trip. In this no doubt many people have played the political game, yet those same people will be ready to accuse the locating board of playing politics when the final decision in the matter has been announced. After all, the people are politicians, while the locating board announced repeatedly that they were looking for merit.

Teething babies always have a hard time of it when this process occurs in hot weather. They not only have to contend with painful gums, but the stomach is disordered, bowels loose and the body uncomfortable. The best help you can give the little sufferer is McGee's Baby Elixir. It corrects sour stomach, cools and quiets the bowels and helps digestion. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Elgin Davidson was here from Wingate Tuesday. He reported that the one inch rain will be of great benefit to the crops of his section. Mr. Davidson also reported the work on the Ballinger-Wingate road progressing nicely and the two road crews will probably meet the last of this week, completing the building of the new grade.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

WORRY, DESPONDENCY.

Kidney Disease is suspected by medical men when patients complain of backache or suffer with irregular urination, disturbed, too frequent, scanty or painful passage. The general symptoms are rheumatic pains or neuralgia, headaches, lumbago, irritability, despondency, weakness and general misery. Worry is a frequent cause and sometimes a symptom of kidney disease. Many of your neighbors have testified to immediate relief from these symptoms after using Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets for kidneys and backache. Druggists in town are now supplied.

From personal observation in large hospital practice, Dr. Pierce knows "Anuric" will give you speedy help if you are suffering from uric acid trouble, and to show his faith send 10c. to Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, and you'll receive a large trial pkg. of "Anuric." "Anuric" dissolves uric acid as hot water melts sugar and Dr. Pierce has thoroughly tested it in his hospital and found it 30 times more potent than lithia.

PRETTY CHURCH WEDDING

One of the most impressive wedding ceremonies solemnized this season took place at the Nazarene church Wednesday evening at eight o'clock, when G. R. Ransbarger, a young farmer of this county, lead to the altar, Miss Bessie Pearce.

For the occasion the church was beautifully decorated with pot plants and cut flowers and little Miss Neoma Bost, daughter of the pastor performing the ceremony, scattered flowers in the pathway of the bridal party.

Mr. Will Ransbarger, brother to the groom, and Miss Emma Jean Armstrong, and Mr. Luther Mosley and Miss Fannie Grimes entered the church and marched to the altar, followed closely by the bride and groom, and in the presence of the friends of the contracting parties, Rev. J. W. Bost spoke the solemn words.

After the ceremony the bridal party were entertained at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. A. Pearce at 409 Fifth and Ball street, where they were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents.

At three o'clock, following the wedding at eight o'clock, Mr. Ransbarger received a phone message notifying him that his sister, Mrs. John Simmons had just died at her home on Pony creek.

The happy couple have the best wishes of their friends for a married life of usefulness and they have the sympathy of their friends in the sorrow brought upon them by the sudden death of the groom's sister.

SPILL TUTTLE.

The marriage of Edward Spill and Miss Eura Tuttle was solemnized by Rev. Father Walsh at the rectory of the Annunciation cathedral at 8 o'clock Friday morning in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cottle of Ballinger, brother-in-law and sister, respectively, of the groom. Miss Tuttle was one of Brownwood's most charming young women, and the groom is telegraph editor on The Post. Mr. and Mrs. Spill and Mrs. and Mrs. Cottle spent Friday and Friday night at Galveston, returning to Houston Saturday morning.—Houston Post.

Edward Spill was once city editor of The Daily Ledger, and we of this office wish him unbounded prosperity and happiness. Many acquaintances and friends in this vicinity also send best wishes for this union.

Cholera Morbus.

This is a very painful and dangerous disease. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from it before medicine could be obtained or a physician summoned. The right way is to have a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house so as to be prepared for it. Mrs. Charles Enyeart, Huntington, Ind., writes: "During the summer of 1911 two of my children were taken sick with cholera morbus. I used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy and it gave them immediate relief."

POOR COTTON PROSPECTS

E. M. Setser was in from the Norton country this week. Mr. Setser is the gin man at Norton, but he says that community will need no gin this year. According to Mr. Setser high winds and dry weather has prevented the farmers from getting a stand of cotton, and if a crop is made it must be planted yet. It is going to rain and we expect to hear better reports from Norton later.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Moser, Mrs. Fannie Johnson and Mrs. Fannie Wilmeth motored to San Angelo, Sunday, to visit Mrs. Clara Millar and family. They were compelled to remain over until Monday morning on account of the heavy rains.

16,000 MEN WANTED FROM TEXAS SOON

AUSTIN, Tex., June 26. — Speakers are being sent to every corner of Texas to interest the young men of the state in enlisting in the Texas National Guard so as to bring that organization up to the full war strength of 16,000 men.

The Texas National Guard now in Federal service totals about four thousand men. The War Department expects Texas to furnish twelve thousand additional Guardsmen.

According to advices received from headquarters, Brigadier General John A. Hulien, commanding the Texas Guard, recruits are not being received as fast as they should be.

DALLAS, Tex., June 21.—Runnels County is far behind its quota of recruits for the regular United States army, according to figures compiled in the headquarters of the recruiting district in this city. Not a single recruit was obtained last month and the monthly average has been set by the War Department at forty a month for that county.

Uncle Sam has obtained the money to carry on the war and now he must have men. Our enemies are watching our success in recruiting our regular army up to war strength. A mighty blow was struck when the Treasury Department announced that the Liberty Loan had been greatly oversubscribed. A mightier one could be struck if the War Department could send out the news that the regular army—a fighting force of 300,000 men were ready.

Those in charge of the army recruiting in this district believe Runnels County will furnish her quota of men for the regular army. The quartermaster's corps, signal corps, cavalry and coast artillery branches have been brought to war strength and no more enlistments will be accepted. There are many places vacant in the infantry, hospital corps and other branches, but it is expected these will be filled by June 30. After the regular army is brought to war strength men who desire to enlist will have to join some guard organization or the selective draft army. Don't be a sent. Be a went. See your postmaster today and he will direct you to the nearest recruiting station.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic

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

AN ORDINANCE.

Prohibiting the burning of trash, rubbish or other inflammable material within the fire limits of the city of Ballinger, except as herein provided, and fixing a penalty for violations thereof:

Be It Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Ballinger, Texas.

Sec. 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or persons, or the agent, servant, employee or officer of a firm or corporation to burn any trash, rubbish, papers or other inflammable material within the fire limits of the City of Ballinger as now fixed and established. Provided however, it shall not be unlawful to burn any such trash, rubbish, papers or other inflammable material within said limits, if such burning be done between the hours of 7 A. M. and 10 A. M. and if such trash and material to be burned shall while burning, be enclosed in a wire receptacle, safely enclosed by wire mesh or netting not more than one inch in size, which said receptacle shall be covered with a top of the same material, or of solid metal.

Sec. 2. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or persons, or the agent or employee, officer or servant of any firm or corporation, to permit, cause or allow any such trash, rubbish, papers or other inflammable material to accumulate or be piled or placed in any alley or street or up on any sidewalk within the fire limits of the City of Ballinger as now fixed and established, between the hours of 6 P. M. and 7 A. M. and the fact that such trash, rubbish, papers or other inflammable material might be so accumulated, piled or placed in a box, barrel, wire or other receptacle shall not constitute a defense.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons, or the agent or employee, officer or servant of any firm or corpor-

ation violating any of the above and foregoing provisions of this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than one nor more than twenty five dollars.

The fact that there is now a prevalent custom of burning trash and rubbish and other inflammable material in the business section of the town of Ballinger, at all hours and under conditions dangerous to property, creates an emergency, the rule requiring more than one reading of an ordinance before final passage is hereby suspended, and this ordinance shall become operative and in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Passed and approved, this the 19th day of June, A. D. 1917.

(Seal) E. F. KREBS,
Mayor.

Attest: J. R. Lusk,
City Secretary 21-3d11w

Whooping Cough.

In this disease it is important that the cough be kept loose and expectation easy, which can be done by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. P. H. Martin, Peru, Ind., writes: "My two daughters had whooping cough. I gave them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it worked like a charm."

HARWELL GETS NEW CARS.

The Harwell Motor Co., received a car of Fords the first of this week, and are busy getting them in shape for delivery. They are "all sold, and then some" is the way an employee expressed it. It is a hard matter these days to get enough of these sturdy little cars to supply the demand, and the dealers always have more orders than they can fill.

MOTHER, WATCH THE CHILD'S TONGUE

Give Dr. Tinkle's Liver-eze When They Cry and Fret, Have Bad Tongue, Restless Nights and Bowels Out of Order.

Mother, you can ward off a spell of serious illness by watching your child's tongue and giving it Dr. Tinkle's Liver-eze when the child is restless, doesn't eat heartily, is full of cold, has the gripe or any other children's ailment.

Give a dose of Dr. Tinkle's Liver-eze according to directions and watch results. Dr. Tinkle's Liver-eze is purely vegetable and therefore, harmless. Doesn't salivate, gripe or make them sick. It relieves the system of the clogged condition and makes your child feel fine. Price 50c.

Ask for Dr. Tinkle's Remedies, consisting of Liver-eze, Healing Oil, Baby Bowel Remedy, Stomach Remedy, Dusting Powder and Screw Worm Killer if you want the best. They are sold in Ballinger by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co., in Crews by J. W. Rainwater, in Hatchel by J. T. Branham; Miles by Palace Drug Store, City Drug Store, in Pony by Pat Mapes, in Rowena by Shillers Pharmacy, in Token by J. W. Bright, in Winters by Owens Drug Store, City Drug Store, Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co., in Maverick by T. L. Todd.

MELTON DRY GOODS CO. GIVES RED CROSS \$70

We can not give a detailed report of Red Cross Week in Runnels county in today's paper. The committee has been delayed in making up the final report, but this is expected to be ready for publication by tomorrow and the standing of the three teams working in Ballinger will be given in Tuesday's paper.

Tag day brought in \$130.25, and quite a number of pledges came in during the day.

The total amount raised in Runnels county bids fair to reach \$3500. Some of the interior towns have not made complete reports, and Winters has not made complete report. That town rolled up about \$1300, or about one third of the total amount raised in the county.

Carrying out an agreement made by the Melton Dry Goods Co., to give to the Red Cross Society five per cent of their gross sales of last Saturday, U. P. Melton, manager of the company, handed to the Red Cross Society a check for \$70.03 today, this amount representing five per cent of the total cash sales for the day, which amounted to \$1400.64.

This company staged a special sale for this occasion, or at least had planned a special sale to begin on this date. The sale started with a rush, and the entire sales force was on the move throughout the day from the time the store opened at 8:30 Saturday morning until closing time Saturday evening.

Mr. Melton says he is well pleased with the day's business, and it afforded him a pleasure to be able to give the Red Cross five per cent of what he realized on the first day of the sale. The sale will continue throughout the week, or until the management sees fit to discontinue it, and take off the special prices which were responsible for moving so many goods last Saturday.

HOW WE GET OUR FIFTY PER CENT.

The law governing the collecting of auto tax and the expending of the money provides that fifty per cent of the amount paid shall be spent on highways in the county where it is paid. However, this money is not placed in the hands of the county commissioners of the various counties to be spent as the commissioners see fit. The money must be spent under the direction of the highway commission, on roads approved by the state highway engineers. The new highway law will also make it possible for the various counties to share in the federal appropriation, but this too must be spent under the direction of the highway commission, and upon roads approved by the engineers. In order for Runnels county to get the benefit of the ten or twelve thousand dollars that will be paid in annually by the auto owners of this county, the county must meet the requirements. We can't say at this time just what those requirements are.

W. A. Williams, of Washington, D. C. left on his return home Saturday. He has been here for a few days making drawings of the Creasy Rotary Filer.

Prosperity
A War Measure

During peace prosperity is essential to progress.

During war it is absolutely vital to the nation's life.

The country's chief executive sounded the call for immediate service in all lines of industrial endeavor when he said that "our industries must be made more prolific and more efficient than ever."

This institution is co-operating to the fullest measure with business interests in maintaining prosperity.

The Winters State Bank
Winters, Texas

"Guaranty Fund Bank"

INCREASES THE STRENGTH AND ENDURANCE

Of weak, nervous, care-worn, haggard-looking men and women in a remarkably short time. This is found to be the effect of the new medicinal combination, Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pepton Pills, one taken before eating and the other after. These two medicines, whose great merit has been fully established everywhere, are made from the best formulas for the blood and nerves. All druggists. Price, \$1 each. C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

GOOD REPORT FROM MRS. HOLT SMITH.

Letters received in Ballinger today by friends from Holt Smith brings the good news that Mrs. Smith shows improvement. Mrs. Smith is in the Baptist Sanitarium at Houston and is now able to take medicine and nourishment. When carried to Houston last week Mrs. Smith was in serious condition, and there was no hopes for her recovery. Her condition is yet serious, but shows improvement. Mr. Smith asks that he be remembered to friends for their kindness to him, and he expresses appreciation for favors shown him while Mrs. Smith was seriously ill here before being carried to Houston.

Free! Kodak Films Developed Free!
Paper prints any size 4 cents each. Prints on post cards 5 cents each. Box No. 433
BRIGGS PHOTO STUDIO.

IRISH POTATO CROP BRINGS SIMS \$26,250

D. E. Sims, farmer, stockman and banker of Paint Rock, was in San Angelo Wednesday, marketing Irish potatoes from 100 acres of Concho county land. The total production on the Sims farm measured 17,500 bushels and brought \$26,250 or \$1.50 per bushel.—San Angelo Standard.

Can it be true that Irish potatoes were produced in such large paying quantity in Concho county? It is true that spuds did well in this county this year, and where a large acreage was planted and the water supplied they yielded most profitably, but we did not know that there was a one hundred acre potato patch so near. Sounds just a little "fishy."

Sloan's Liniment for Rheumatism
The pain goes so quickly after you apply Sloan's Liniment for rheumatic pains, neuralgia, toothache, lumbago, sprains, and its so easy to use. It quickly penetrates and soothes without rubbing and is far cleaner and more effective than musky plasters or ointments.

Keep a bottle in the house and get prompt relief not only from all nerve-pains but from bruises, strains, sprains, over-exercise and all external aches. At your druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

Dr. J. P. Sewell, president of the Abilene Christian College, was in Ballinger, a short time Monday, before returning to Abilene.

RENTER SELLS 87 BALES FOR \$11,361.71

L. B. Barker, who shipped eighty-seven bales of cotton of his own making on rented land to Galveston some time ago, sold his holdings Monday to F. C. Miller. There was no "basis middling," or any kind of basis, or quibbling and dickering over price. Mr. Barker figured up how many dollars and cents he should have for his cotton f. o. b. Galveston, where the cotton is in storage, and stated he would take \$11,125 for the 87 bales. Out of this amount there was some expenses to be paid for handling the cotton, such as freight, storage, insurance, etc., and Mr. Miller offered the farmer even money, \$11,000 for his cotton. The offer was accepted and time of transfer fixed for Tuesday morning.

After refiguring the weights, and before the cotton was delivered Tuesday morning Mr. Barker discovered that he had made an error of a few hundred dollars, and he called the attention of the cotton buyer to his error. Mr. Miller stated that he did not do the figuring himself, but was ready to correct any error, and instead of paying Mr. Barker \$11,000 for the cotton he paid him \$11,361.71.

Mr. Barker made this cotton farming on rented land four miles from Ballinger. The 87 bales does not represent his entire earnings off the rented land, as he has made his living in addition to this, having sold part of his cotton, besides paying one-fourth rent. The seed from this cotton brought the farmer a neat little sum. With fair seasons during the next two months Mr. Barker will be able to pocket another check that will run high up into the thousands.

A CHILD'S TONGUE SHOWS IF LIVER OR BOWELS ARE ACTIVE

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, give fruit laxative at once.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs," that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without gripping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue. Mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

FALLS FROM BARN AND BREAKS ARM

While playing at a game of "war" with other boys of that neighborhood Sunday afternoon, Billie Cordill had the misfortune to fall from a barn and break his left arm. The break was at the elbow, and may prove serious. This is the fourth experience Billie has had with a broken arm, and is the third break on the same arm.

CASTORIA

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

Mrs. J. L. Miller of Winters who had been here visiting her mother, returned to her home Monday.

SEVEN MEN JOIN NAVY IN BALLINGER

It seems that the navy must have more attraction than the army for the boys of this county, judging from the number of men that have enlisted in each. And the queer part of the matter is that the navy does not need them, and the army does, also that the examinations are harder to pass in the navy than in the army. Furthermore, Uncle Sam has not asked for any men for his navy lately, and he has asked for forty men a month from this county alone for the army. He has stationed a recruiting officer here to get men for the army, and after three or four weeks, only two men have offered for service. He has not put a navy recruiting officer any closer than San Angelo, and within this week has taken seven men from Ballinger alone, and several more from towns in this county, for the navy.

A. T. Cooper, the navy recruiting officer stationed at San Angelo, motored over here Monday morning, stayed about four hours, and accepted seven recruits for the navy that Buck Elder, ex-oiler, had for him. These men left Tuesday afternoon for Dallas, where they will be examined further, before going to the training camps. Following are the names of those accepted Monday:

Dick Ward, who goes as a ship-fitter and plumber.
Artek Stuart, who signed up as a third-class fireman.
Willard Wooden, third-class fireman, or probably a musician.
Lee Hamilton, third-class fireman.
Russell Mangum, third-class fireman.
Herman Ball, third-class seaman.
"Buck" Best, third-class painter.

Mr. Cooper returned by way of Miles and Rowena, where he picked up several more men. He will probably visit Ballinger again later in the week, as several have expressed their intentions of enlisting. Mr. Reynolds, a boatsman, is also at San Angelo, so that Mr. Cooper has plenty of time to visit the neighboring towns when needed.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with Local Applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, Ohio.
All Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

YOUNG MAN DROWNS AT ABILENE

Will Haley, 17 year old son of Z. D. Haley, who is connected with the Hall Music Co., was drowned in Cedar creek this (Wednesday) afternoon at about four o'clock. Full particulars of the affair have not been learned at time of going to press, but it seems young Haley with his younger brother was swimming in Cedar some distance below Cameron dam when in some way, probably due to cramps young Haley lost control and the young brother was unable to rescue him.

A railroad man working on the Abilene & Southern heard the cry for help and went to the rescue. He soon located the body and brought it to the top and immediately summoned medical aid, but all efforts to revive the young fellow proved futile.—Abilene Times.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of H. W. GROVE, 25c.

C. L. Chapman came in Monday from Winters.

COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Runnels.

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared O. L. Parish, County Judge; R. P. Kirk, W. D. Meadows, J. D. Smith and C. N. Craft, County Commissioners, all of Runnels County, Texas, who being duly sworn, each on his oath, deposes and says that he has fully complied with the provisions of Article 867 R. S., as set forth in said article taken in connection with chapter No. 164, Acts of the 29th Legislature, 1905, known as the depository law, by having actually counted and inspected all the cash in the hands of W. L. Brown, County Treasurer of Runnels County, Texas, as set forth in said County Treasurer Report for the quarter ending April 30, 1917, and the same as follows:

First Class, jury fund, cash balance	224.71
Second Class, road and bridge fund, cash balance	6,587.02
Third Class, general county cash balance	5,161.32
Fourth Class, special fund cash balance	3,407.16
Fifth Class, Advertising cash balance	303.57
Sixth Class, Court House Bonds, sinking fund No. 1 cash balance	3,068.62
Seventh Class, B. B. sinking fund No. 1	1,378.49
Eighth Class B. B. sinking fund No. 2	2,815.82
Ninth Class Jail Warrant Fund No. 1	789.55
By out standing checks	22.43
By balance commissions	120.93
To balance April 30, 1917, as certified by depository	\$23,819.62
	\$23,819.62

O. L. PARISH, County Judge.
R. P. KIRK, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
W. D. MEADOWS, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
J. D. SMITH, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
C. N. CRAFT, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of May, A. D. 1917.
W. C. McCARVER,
County Clerk, Runnels County, Texas.

Character

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

The Best Way
to inculcate the saving habit is by opening an account for the child.

A Child
will become as interested in watching this account grow as it would be a toy. This interest will harden into habit and the habit into character.

Open the account today, no matter what the amount

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION STRENGTH SERVICE

Busy Business Men

Busy business men want something more than dignified courtesy from a bank—they want alertness of service given in a kindly, willing, cordial spirit and promptness in anticipating their desires.

That is the spirit which animates every official and employee of our bank.

We invite you to put our service to a test at any time.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS

Ballinger Auto Co.
Phone 505

P. S. Tire service to any part of the city.

TIRES! TIRES! TIRES!!
Racine, Michelin, Republic and United States Tires
We bought before the advance—better see us.

Vulcan Springs for every make of car. Ever-ready storage batteries for every make and model of car with our guarantee for 18 months

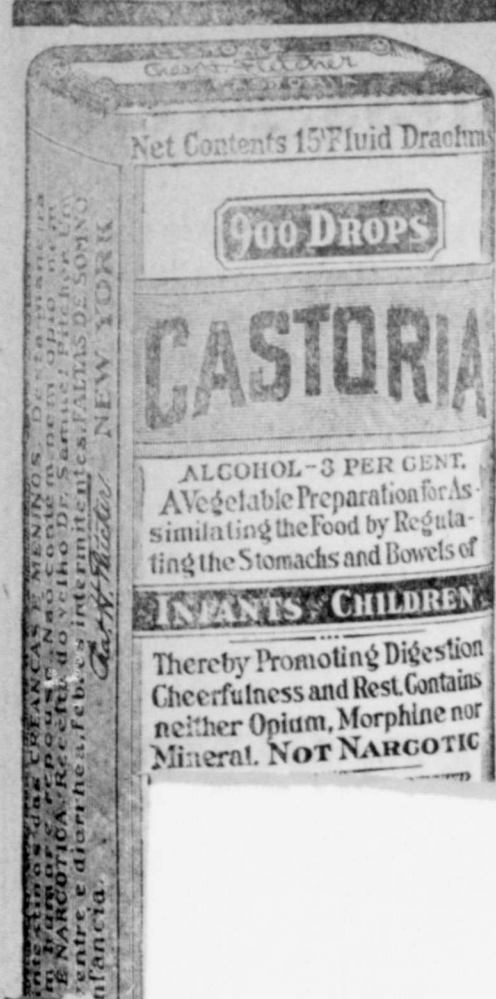
Spark plugs 35c. K. W. shock absorbers for Ford cars \$11.00. Sparaton hand horns, \$5.00 sellers for \$3.00. Ford cut outs put on \$1.75. Bumpers for every make of car, \$5.00 and up, for Fords \$3.75; for Chevrolet \$3.75 put on.

Following Cars for Quick Sale

1 Chevrolet Roadster \$180.00. 1 Chevrolet 5 passenger new car with speedometer and tool box \$500.00. 1 Hudson 6 cylinder 7 passenger fine condition \$450.00. 1 Regal 4 cylinder 7 passenger, good condition quick sale \$175.00. 1 Auburn 4 cylinder 40 h. p. 5 passenger \$175.00. Say, your repair bill will be less if you let us have it. Storage battery service station for every make of batteries.

Ballinger Auto Co.
Phone 505

P. S. Tire service to any part of the city.



CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
Mothers Know That
Genuine Castoria
Always
Bears the
Signature
of *W. D. Mitchell*

ANGRY MOB HANGS NEGRO JOY RIDER

HOUSTON, Tex., June 23.—Ben Harper, a negro, was lynched near Courtney some time Thursday night or early Friday morning as a tragic finale to the Emancipation day celebration of a group of Houston negroes. Returning from Brenham Thursday, the negroes ran down and killed little Ollie May Goodrum, 12-year-old daughter of Charles Goodrum of Navasota. Enraged citizens took matters into their own hands after the negroes had been arrested and Harper had made his escape. The latter was cornered somewhere near Courtney, and Friday morning his body was found swinging to a tree near the scene of the tragedy. Two automobiles made up the celebration party en route home from Brenham to Houston. Little Ollie May Goodrum was riding horseback on the Navasota-Houston road. The first car which came along knocked her horse down and as she lay on the ground the second car passed over her body, breaking her neck, and she died instantly. Harper was driving the first car, and all the negroes are said to have been under the influence of liquor. Officers soon appeared on the scene and took them in charge. While en route to Anderson, Harper made his escape and was not seen alive again by officials. There were rumors late last night that other negroes of the party had been lynched, but officials in Anderson stated that these reports were false and that the offenders were in jail there. People of the community where he tragically occurred refuse to discuss it, but feeling is known to be running high.

AUTO OWNERS MUST SEND FOR BLANKS

While the law requiring every automobile owner to obtain a state license goes into effect on July 1—less than ten days from date, no definite provision seems to have been made whereby the auto owner can obtain the registration blanks which must be filled out and forwarded to the state highway commission. The opinion among many auto owners here is that the registration blanks will be handled by the county clerk. The phone in that office is kept busy, and many are calling throughout the day, and the repeated question coming over the wire is: "When will you have the registration blanks?" As far as the county clerk's office is concerned no one seems to know just what will be decided in the matter of having the registration blanks handled, no advice having been received. The law provides a penalty for failure to procure a state license after July 1. At present the safest plan seems to be for the auto owner to apply direct to the highway commission at Austin for registration blanks. One of the rules of the commission is that application for registration of a car must be made direct to the state highway commission and not to the county clerk as heretofore. In the application the applicant must state his name, residence, business address, model and make of car, number of horse-power (using association of licensed automobile manufacturer's rating) name of manufacturer, the manufacturer's car number, kind of motor power, stating whether it is gasoline, electric, oil or steam, and the cash must accompany the application. The tax is 35 cents per horse power and will be collected only for a half year, being from July 1, 1917 to January 1, 1918. No car will be registered for less than \$7.50 per year, making the minimum for the first six months \$3.75.

Motherhood

The expectant mother should not fail to read these things which keep her a healthy and pretty mother. Thousands of women are saved the trial and safe external preparation, "Mother's Friend". The tendency to morning sickness is avoided, the abdominal muscles expand naturally and easily when baby arrives and the inflammation of breast glands is soothed. This is sure to make for less pain at the crisis and the form is preserved. Get a bottle from the druggist today and write for illustrated book, "Motherhood and the Baby". It is free. Simply address The Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. B, 300 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

BOOG-SCOTT SELLS HEREFORD HERD

(Coleman Democrat)
J. C. Dibrell has bought of Woodward & Boog-Scott the famous ford cattle. This is the largest sale of registered cattle ever recorded in Texas. The terms are private, but the transfer involved 490 head. Boog-Scott has made this herd famous, with his winnings at various fairs. Added to the Dibrell herd, it gives the Dibrells one of the largest herds of registered cattle in the United States. J. C. Dibrell has never bought a registered cow in his life, except the one first cow bought by his lamented father, Captain W. C. Dibrell, in 1889. This herd now has grown to 200 head from that one cow, not counting 650 head sold. But the growing demand for good bulls, which they have been unable to supply, has caused them to enlarge their herd.

TELEPHONE MANAGER TENDERS RESIGNATION

H. W. Day, for three years manager of the local telephone exchange for the West Texas Telephone Co., has tendered his resignation, same to take effect on July 1. Mr. and Mrs. Day will be relieved on the coming first and will go to their old home in Tennessee, where they will spend several months. Mr. Day tendered his resignation some time ago, but later reconsidered and decided to remain on the job a while longer. He stated Friday that he would probably return to this country and accept employment with the West Texas Co., again, as the general manager had notified him that he could have as long a vacation as he wished. Mrs. Day has been chief operator for the local exchange, while Mr. Day has been manager, and both have made many friends who will regret to see them leave Ballinger, even though it be for a few months.

SELLING AUTOS UNDER NEW LAW.

The auto tax law which goes into effect on July 1st, requires parties selling their car to make a transfer in writing to the man who buys it, and the purchaser is required to file this transfer with the state highway commission for which he must pay one dollar. This part of the law applies to individuals, and not to dealers in autos as dealers have a different method of making transfers.

Children that are affected by worms are pale and sickly and liable to contract some fatal disease. White's Cream Vermifuge expels worms promptly and puts the child on the road to health. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

A regular morning operation of the bowels puts you in fine shape for the day's work. If you miss it you feel uncomfortable and can not put vim into your movements. For all bowel irregularities Herbine is the remedy. It purifies, strengthens and regulates. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Hugh Jones, one of the pioneer cowboys of this country, has ordered his paper changed from Ballinger to Sanger, Texas. When asked why he was doing so, Mr. Jones just remarked that he was going where it rained more. From all reports he will not find what he is looking for at Sanger, and his friends will welcome him back in the course of a few months.

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WITH DYNAMITE

P. Michealis was in the city from Hatchel Friday. He is keeping an eye open with the hopes of catching the parties who dynamited the creek in his pasture a few days ago and killed hundreds of fish. Mr. Michealis stated that he was riding along near the creek and his attention was attracted by the odor, and going to a big hole of water in Bluff creek he found hundreds of dead fish floating on the water and banked up against the bank. There were big fish and little fish. The dynamite only killed the scale fish and the catfish, some very large ones, had become affected by the dead scale fish contaminating the water and the sick catfish were trying to get out of the hole of water.

It is a violation of the law to dynamite fish, and if the guilty parties could be apprehended there is no doubt but what they would be punished to the limit. Not only is this method of catching fish destructive, but it contaminates the water by leaving dead fish to decay.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Stone and daughter, Miss Marjorie, of Seymour, Texas, came in a few days ago on a visit to Mrs. S. P. Stone and son Claud. Mr. Stone returned home Monday, while the two ladies remain for a longer visit.

Mrs. Tom Ward returned Sunday afternoon from San Angelo, where she visited her sister, Mrs. R. A. Hall.

GALVESTON, June 25.—Henry Sawyer, a mulatto negro, was ransged by an angry mob here today. A mob of one hundred masked and armed men, visited the jail and overpowered the guard and took the negro out and carried him to the scene of his crime where he was hanged to a sign post. The drive to the sign post was made in an auto with the mob following close behind and with guns preventing police from interfering. The negro was charged with making an attack on a white woman.

GIRLS! LEMON JUICE IS SKIN WHITENER

How to make a creamy beauty lotion for a few cents. The juice of two fresh lemons drained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart pint of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold creams. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness, and tan and is the ideal skin softener, whitener and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any drug store and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quart pint of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face neck and hands.

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Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System

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.

druggist, 50c, \$1.00. John Hoffer, manager for the Rannels County Gin Co., left Sunday afternoon for Austin on business.

LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

Says 65 year Old Kentucky Lady, Who Tells How She Was Relieved After a Few Doses of Black-Draught.

Mendonsville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak. I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Theford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member, of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 69

MAYR'S Wonderful Remedy For STOMACH TROUBLES

One Dose Convinces.
Weeks' Drug Store
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SECOND TRAINING CAMP AUGUST 27

The Ledger is in receipt of information governing the opening of the second series of training camps for Reserve Corps Officers. The camps will be opened August 27 and the training covering a period of three months, closing Nov. 26th.

These camps will be opened on the same basis as the first camps, and which are now in operation. There will be sixteen camps, and a call has been made for 40,000 men. The age limit is from 20 years and nine months to 44 years. Any one desiring to enlist should make their application at once, and information can be had by calling at The Ledger office.

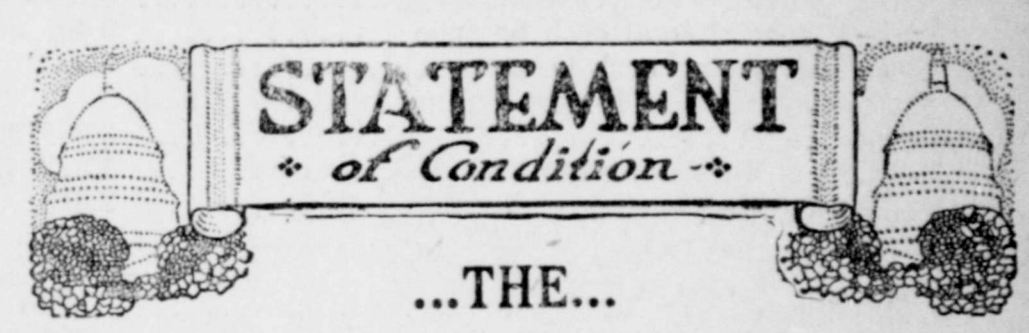
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COTTON FINDS AN- OTHER HIGH MARK.

Up to date W. C. Penn holds the highest priced cotton tickets in the history of the cotton industry of Rannels county, and W. T. Routh receives the highest price ever paid here for cotton. Mr. Routh sold to Mr. Penn thirty-two bales of cotton Saturday morning for 25.65, this being the price paid per pound all the thirty-two bales, based on compress weights. Part of the cotton is in the local warehouse and part of it at the Routh home north of the city. The cotton will be weighted and closed Monday.

Albert Spill, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Sunday en route to Austin. Mr. Spill carried his child to Austin for treatment sometime ago. We are glad to report the child is improving.



FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER June 20th, 1917

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$385,465.54
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances ()	40,058.17
Application Liberty Bond Loan	11,250.00
Cash and Exchange	272,891.15
	\$765,064.86

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	59,059.11
Unearned Interest	9,000.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	572,005.75
	\$765,614.83

The above statement is correct. R. G. Frwin.
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Stop using calomel! It makes you sick. Don't lose a day's work if you feel lazy, sluggish, bilious or constipated, listen to me! Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel, when it comes into contact with sour bile crashes into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you are "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated, or if you have headache, dizziness coated tongue, if breath is bad, or stomach sour just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store and get a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a spoonful tonight and if it

doesn't straighten you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous by morning I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot salivate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to the children. It is harmless; doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

SAYS SEVERE DROUGHT EXTENDS OVER SOUTHERN STATES.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Pearson returned home Sunday night from a visit to their old home in Tennessee. They came home by the way of New Orleans and Mr. Pearson says the coast country from Alabama to Brownsville, as far as he could learn was suffering from a severe drought. Southern Mississippi and Louisiana is burning up, or at least was burning up for the want of rain, when they passed through that country. Mr. Pearson says it began raining on them just before they reached Temple

Sunday, and it is probable that the rain will extend over the drought stricken country. According to the report brought back by these people who have been visiting in other states, this country is in as good shape as any place they visited from a crop standpoint, and since the rain of Sunday prospects here are much better than elsewhere. Mr. Pearson says the cotton is late and the plant very small through the section of cotton producing country he visited.

Croup, Whooping-Cough Relieved
Children's diseases demand preparedness. When the child wakes up at night, gasping and strangling for breath, how thankful you are to have Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey at hand. This effective remedy loosens the mucous and permits free and natural breathing. Its soothing balsams heal the irritated membrane and arrests further inflammation. Pleasant to take. Keep Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey in the house for all colds and bronchial troubles. At your druggist, 25c.

BALLINGER APPLES ON SALE

It has been said that good apples can not be grown in this county, but those who said that will have to take it all back when they taste one of the fine variety grown on T. P. Brown's place in South Ballinger. Mr. Brown was on the street Thursday with apples as good and sweet as any ever sold here.

Mr. Brown said that many people told him that he could not grow apples here, and that he believed them for a while and even went so far as to grub up most of the trees he had planted. He only left a few in a vain hope that they might do something and these few have done so well that he has begun all over again to grow apples.

Besides the apples, Mr. Brown had some good peaches, and some apricots, he apricots, however, did not do so well, and were damaged considerably by hail.

A bilious, half-sick feeling, loss of energy, and constipated bowels can be relieved with surprising promptness by using Herbine. The first dose brings improvement, a few doses puts the system in fine, vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

MRS. HOLT SMITH CARRIED TO HOUSTON.

Accompanied by Mr. Smith and other members of the family and the nurse, Mrs. Holt Smith was carried to Houston for treatment Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Smith's condition is very serious, and there is little hopes for her recovery, but as a last resort she was carried to Houston where she will be given treatment by specialists.

Patronize—
Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co. the largest leather establishment west of Ft. Worth. Buyers in jobbing quantities, manufacturers of all kinds of leather goods. Shoe work and general repairing. Compare our prices with others.
E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.

H. F. Demmer, the blacksmith, is driving a new Maxwell, purchased Saturday from the Spann Auto Sales Co., sold two Maxwells for Ford car on the deal. The Spann Sales Co., sold two Maxwells for the week just closed.

Harry Hudgens returned to his home in Winters Saturday.

Salient Features In Auto Law; Read, Heed, and Save

The new law governing the operation of autos, motor trucks, and general travel on public highways, and which goes into effect on July 1st, will revolutionize the traffic laws in Texas. Every owner of an auto, and every auto driver should devote some time during the next few days to familiarizing themselves with the law, and thereby save confusion and avoid prosecution. The state highway commission has announced that traffic officers who do not enforce the law will be held responsible for negligence in office. The new law will call for the cutting out of a number of wreck-leasing many auto drivers are now guilty of, and when enforced will be the means of reducing auto accidents to the lowest minimum.

Here are a few of the salient points you should learn about: Every motor vehicle must be licensed by the state highway department.

The state highway department will not license autos deemed unsafe.

Each auto must have displayed on the front and rear the number issued by the highway department.

All autos must display at night and in fogs at least two white lights in front which shall be visible 500 feet in front of the car, and one red light in rear which shall be visible for a like distance.

No muffler cut out shall be used in any town or on any highway near a closely built up section.

No drunk or intoxicated person shall drive an auto.

No vehicle shall be left on a public highway unless the breaks are set and the motor stopped.

All travel shall be upon the right hand side of the road, unless the road on the left shall be clear an unobstructed for at least fifty yards.

Every precaution shall be used in passing vehicles drawn by horse to prevent frightening same and to insure the safety of the person riding or driving same.

No race or contest for speed shall be held upon any highway in this state.

No vehicle shall exceed 25 miles per hour anywhere; nor in closely built up territory 18 miles per hour; nor in town or city 15 miles per hour; nor in business districts more than 10 miles per hour; nor in passing other vehicles on any road more than 15 miles per hour.

All chauffeurs shall have a special license issued by the highway department, and shall display a metal badge furnished by the department.

In case of collision between a motor vehicle and any other object, the driver and all persons in control of such vehicle shall stop and render such aid as possible, including the carrying of the injured persons to the physician or hospital, and shall furnish all information that may be asked by the person damaged. A violation of this provision is punishable with imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term not exceeding five years and a fine not exceeding \$5000.

Any person guilty of throwing or depositing glass bottles, glass, nails, tacks, hoops, wires, cans or any other substance likely to injure any person, animal or vehicle upon public highways shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished with a fine not to exceed \$500 or by imprisonment in jail for a term not to exceed six months, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Any person who shall willfully break, injure or tamper with or deface any part of any vehicle shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1000 or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months, or by both fine and imprisonment. No auto shall be used upon the highways of the state which is equipped with a lamp, which when lighted is capable of projecting direct rays at a greater height than a parallel of four feet from the road, providing such light is not capable of producing a dazzling light or glare, and lights shall be dimmed in passing other vehicles.

Where two vehicles are going in the same direction, the one ahead shall give half the highway if the vehicle behind wishes to pass and so indicates by giving the proper signal. The penalty is heavy for failing to give one-half the road either meeting or in

permitting another vehicle to pass.

In case of the arrest three times within a period of 60 days of any person charged with violating the speed limits of this law, followed by a conviction of such person on each of the three charges, the department will revoke the license of such party and he or she will not be permitted to drive upon public highways again.

In case of two arrests and conviction upon charges of being intoxicated within a period of sixty days, the state highway commission shall revoke the license of such party so convicted and they will not be permitted to drive upon public highways.

WONDERFUL STUFF! LIFT CUT YOUR CORNS

Apply a few drops then life corns or calluses off with fingers—no pain

No hump! Any corn, whether hard, soft or between the toes, will loosen right up and lift out, without a particle of pain or soreness.

This drug is called freezone and is a compound of ether discovered by a Cincinnati man.

Ask at any drug store for a small bottle of freezone, which will cost but a trifle, but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus.

Put a few drops directly upon any tender, aching corn or callus. Instantly the soreness disappears and shortly the corn or callus will loosen and can be lifted off with the fingers.

This drug freezone doesn't eat out the corns or calluses but shrivels them without even irritating the surrounding skin.

Just think! No pain at all; no soreness or smarting when applying it or afterwards. If your druggist don't have freezone have him order it for you.

HOT WEATHER HITS MR. BOLL WEEVIL

The hot, dry weather of the last few weeks, while hurtful to corn in other sections of the state, has proved a blessing to cotton in the Rio Grande valley in that it has prevented the ravages of the boll weevil on the cotton. With the result that Cameron County promises to produce the greatest cotton crop in its history, in the opinion of Alba Heywood, prominent farmer of San Benito, who was in Houston yesterday afternoon. He says the first cotton is beginning to open already.

He says the broom corn yield in the valley is large and is bringing \$250 and \$300 per ton, the potato yield was large and profitable and the small truck crops generally were bountiful.—Houston Chronicle.

Sour Stomach.

This is a mild form of indigestion. It is usually brought on by eating too rapidly or too much, or of food not suited to your digestive organs. If you will eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, eat but little meat and none at all for supper, you will more than likely avoid the sour stomach without taking any medicine whatever. When you have sour stomach take one of Chamberlain's Tablets to aid digestion.

HAGAN BUYS MAXWELL

The Spann Auto Sales Co. delivered to County Superintendent Hagan the latest model Maxwell Auto Wednesday. Prof. Hagan is at the wheel of his new car and will use it in carrying on the work connected with his office.

Has a Good Opinion of Chamberlain's Tablets.

"Chamberlain's Tablets are a wonder. I never sold anything that beat them," writes F. B. Tressey, Richmond, Ky. When troubled with indigestion or constipation give them a trial.

WINTERS NINE LAYS IT OVER MILES.

The Miles baseball nine passed thru Ballinger Friday going to Winters, where they played the Winters bunch. The game started out like a fast one, when Miles lead off with a clean hit, but it soon developed that Winters had them out-classed in batting, fielding and pitching.

The final score was 13 to 3 in favor of Winters.

What Do You Know About Your Blood Supply?

Your ignorance may startle you.

Few people know of the many functions of the blood supply, and just how important it is that it be kept absolutely free from all impurities. The health of the entire body depends upon the condition of the blood. You are invited to write and obtain a booklet that gives you some invaluable information on this im-

portant subject. It tells how to keep the blood strong and free from the many impurities to which it is constantly subject.

It gives the history of S. S. S., the world's most successful blood remedy, which has been sold for more than fifty years by druggists everywhere. This booklet will be sent free to all who write to Swift Specific Co., Dept. A Atlanta, Ga.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. JOHN SIMMONS

Mrs. John Simmons died very suddenly at her home a few miles South of Ballinger Thursday morning, and the news brought sadness to the friends of the family in Ballinger and throughout this section of the country.

Mrs. Simmons had been ill for some time with typhoid fever, but was not thought to be in immediate danger of death. The nurse who was watching over her had just examined her pulse a few minutes before death occurred, and she was resting well. Within twenty minutes, however, heavy breathing of the lady attracted the attention of the nurse and she found that Mrs. Simmons was passing away, and heart trouble is supposed to have caused the sudden death.

Mrs. Simmons was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ransberger, and was numbered among the pioneers of this country. She grew from girlhood in Rannels county and married Mr. Simmons, also one of the pioneer citizens of the county. To them were born six children, and the mother leaves a little baby about one month old.

Neighbors came to Ballinger early Thursday morning and perfected the funeral arrangements and at three o'clock Dr. Renfro who is here conducting a revival, conducted the funeral services and the remains were interred in the City Cemetery. Dr. Renfro was formerly presiding elder of the Bethel church, of which Mrs. Simmons was a member.

The bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow, and many of these friends gathered at the home and attended the funeral, offering consolation and help to the sorrow stricken family.

BROWNWOOD OIL DEVELOPMENTS.

At the depth of 148 feet, oil has been found in paying quantities in well No. 4, one mile south of town, which is being drilled by Dr. Barker who represents an Oklahoma oil concern in this field.

Early yesterday afternoon when the drill struck the hard strata of oil sand at a depth of 148 feet an oil of very high gravity was found. Dr. Barker estimates the flow at about 24 barrels per day. The well will be cased off immediately and the drilling resumed as this is not the exact quality of sand that is being sought for. The drilling will continue until a series of ten shallow wells have been drilled, announces Dr. Barker.—Brownwood Herald.

J. W. Kelley went to Lawn Saturday.

IMPORTANT LAWS NOW IN EFFECT

AUSTIN, Tex., June 21.—Among the important acts of the regular session of the Thirty-Fifth Legislature which went into effect June 20, and are now new laws of Texas are:

The Texas Company bill, authorizing that company to produce, as well as refine oil.

Child Labor Law, making more stringent the present legislation on that subject.

Five line bill, placing pipe lines under the jurisdiction of the railroad Commission.

Mothers' pension law. Law authorizing the establishment of free kindergartens.

Permitting organizations to contribute to commercial and charitable organizations.

Act establishing four new state normal schools.

Establishing the West Texas A. & M. College.

Prohibiting payment in county of witness fees.

Requiring the teaching of Texas history in the public schools of the state.

Apportioning the State into congressional districts.

Providing a penalty for the desertion of the United States flag.

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THE DIAMOND BRAND
Lauder's Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold Seal. Take one or two pills after each meal, and before going to bed. Always Reliable. Sold by Druggists EVERYWHERE.

L. Markowitz, a former dry goods merchant of this city, now a traveling salesman, was here Saturday and Sunday, making his regular call on Ballinger merchants.

Judge Newman of Brady, was here Saturday, representing Roy Willoughby in the purchase of the Massey ranch. He returned home Sunday afternoon.



THE TEXAS WONDER CURES kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 222 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. ©

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The Crowds Grow Bigger---The Values Bigger Each Day

Cash Raising Sale

Of course people were not slow to hitch their dollars to the Cash Raising Sale. The opening of this sale marked a new era for fast merchandise selling—with such a stock of "quality" merchandise, coupled with such enticing prices, the results were not strange, and would have been a reflection on the good common sense of the community if the people had not taken advantage of this real sale. Think what this sale means to the people of Runnels and surrounding counties when they can buy merchandise at a sacrifice of profit when this same merchandise is worth from 20 to 50 per cent more in the wholesale markets, when even this is not the limit to which these prices will soar. Don't let anything keep you away—it's worth a sacrifice to be here for the "savings" are great, the "quantity" is in abundance, the "quality" as good as money can buy. Come!

Money Savers

Talcum

Williams' and Colgate's the best of the best, sells for 25c the world over, ideal for bath and shave, Cash Raising Sale

15c

Sport Shirts

A special lot of high grade shirts in sport styles, fancy and plain styles grades that sold at \$1.50 and \$1.75 sizes 14 to 16 1-2 Cash Raising Sale price

69c

Ladies' Unions

Summer weight, tape at neck, fine gauze a real 45c value, Cash Raising Sale price

39c

Embroideries

About 2,500 yards Swiss and cambric, widths up to 10 inches, 15c and 25c sellers a bargain that is worth a trip to town, Cash Raising Sale price a yard

10c

Figured Lawn

A special lot of lawns and voiles, extra values at 15c and 25c, worth more, Cash Raising Sale price

13c

Ladies' Waists

White organdie and wash silks, beautifully made in the best of styles, every one a regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 grade Cash Raising Sale price

98c

Men's Unions

Wilson Bros., and Varsity make, athletic and short sleeve styles, knee and 3-4 length. The regular \$1.00 sellers, worth fully \$1.25, all sizes, Cash Raising Sale price

89c

Parasols

Made of good quality Gloria silk, on steel frame, assorted handles, \$1.25 and \$1.50 grades, Cash Raising Sale price

\$1.19

The Dress and Suit Values of the Season

An offering of the entire stock at radical price reductions. Hundreds of garments from which to make selections—every one this season's purchase

Ladies' Suits

\$18.50 to \$35.00 grades \$12.95.

Spring weights, good for this next fall also, serges, poplins, gaberdines, everyone in the new colorings, bought this spring, every one new, buy now at a fraction of the real value, the price only

\$12.95

Silk Dresses

\$18.50 to \$22.50 grades \$9.95.

Georgette, crepe-de-chine, taffeta, the wanted materials of this season, made in new snappy styles, in plain and combination colorings, also sport styles. Don't wait, get your size while it is here, the price only

\$9.95

Beautiful Dresses

\$8.50 to \$12.50 grades \$4.95

Think of getting a taffeta or poplin at such a small price, new styles and colorings of this season, carefully and neatly made. Don't pass up this bargain—come and see these wonderful dresses at

\$4.95

Skirt Bargains

\$6.50 to \$7.50 grades \$4.95

New 1917 models, staple serges and wool poplins, also fancy sport styles, buy one of these even if you have no need of it now—there's a saving of at least half over this fall's price. Special at

\$4.95

About Those \$1.00 SLIPPERS

My! how they have sold this week, and if the supply has not been generous they would have been gone. Selections and sizes are still good "for children," patent, gunmetal and tan calf.

"For Ladies" patent, gunmetals, white canvas and white buck pumps, strap and oxfords. Grades that sold up to \$3.50 all in one lot priced at \$1.00.

Men's and Boys' Clothing Going at Radical Savings

MAN! You don't realize what the prices of your clothing will be this fall with the unheard of prices for raw material, the increase of labor and scarcity of material. Better look after these bargains.

Serge Suits

\$15.00 grades for \$9.95.

Worth full \$20.00 on today's market, and cheap at that price, made from the finest "all-wool" French serge with every seam silk sewed and all finishings of the highest grade, at the low price of

\$9.95

Summer Suits

\$8.50 to \$10.00 grades \$4.95.

A suit bargain for summer wear in Cool Cloth and Palm Beach, a big assortment from which to make selections and get a fit, real \$8.50 to \$10.00 grades all in one lot, priced at

\$4.95

MEN'S SUITS

Buy one now, lay it away—you'll make fully 50 percent on your investment. Rack after rack of worsteds, serges and novelties, every suit in the house included, better come and line up with one of these bargains.

All \$8.50 suits for	\$6.45	All \$15.00 suits for	\$11.95
All \$10.00 suits for	\$7.95	All \$17.50 suits for	\$13.95
All \$12.50 suits for	\$9.95	All \$18.50 suits for	\$14.95

House Dresses

Slip-on style, many patterns from which to select, extra quality gingham, real \$1.50 grades for

\$1.19

Men's Unions

Made from extra quality check and stripe nainsook, knee lengths, all sizes up to 44, real 75c sellers, Cash Raising Sale price

53c

White Skirts

Smooth galatea, gathered backs, pearl button trimmings, pocket on side, wide sweep, \$1.50 grade for

\$1.20

Money Savers

Camisoles

Beautiful new styles in silk and georgette combinations colors pink and white, real \$1.25 and \$1.50 grades for

99c

Bath Towels

Extra size, bleached, hemmed ends, worth 75c pair, each

29c

Men's Shirts

Brand new, stripes, plaids, plain, fancy and staple colorings, soft French cuffs, all sizes 14 to 17, the biggest value of the season at

\$1.19

Ladies' Middies

A big assortment of styles, made from the finest quality of galatea, ideal for camping and home wear, real \$1.25 and \$1.50 grades for

98c

Baby Powder

A delicately perfumed talcum of extra high grade, Holman's make, worth 25c anywhere, Cash Raising Sale price

10c

Work Shirts

Better buy a supply while the price is low a splendid grade, fast color chevot, full length sleeves very full cut, worth 75c, Cash Raising Sale price

59c

Laces

Val, German val and thread lace, widths up to 2 inches real 7 1-2c to 10c grades special

5c

Straw Hats

Soft straws, sailor straws, a big assortment from which to select, all sizes, good styles, carried from last season, real \$2.50 and \$3.00 grades, Cash Raising Sale price

50c

Extra Extra

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Ladies' Trimmed Hats

Hats that are worth up to \$3.50 choice 95c. We have taken our entire stock of ladies' hats that sold up to \$3.50. No reserves, everything goes at Cash Raising Sale price

95c

Extra Extra

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A Real Millinery Sale

Stunning beauties that sold up to \$7.50 for \$2.95. See this wonderful bargain, do not waste a minute getting to this store. A wonderful quantity from which to choose, real \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50 grades, Cash Raising Sale price

\$2.95

Extra Extra

Extra

Ladies' Pattern Hats

New 1917 styles that sold for \$10 and \$12.50 for \$4.95. Don't you let this opportunity slip to buy a new stylish hat at a fraction of the first cost. Big quantity to select from at the Cash Raising Sale price of

\$4.95

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