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## SECOND ENEMY RAID ON AMERICANS BROKEN UP

With Americans in Lorraine, (Monday Night).—Fifty Germans raided the American sector north of St. Mihiel today. The American artillery repulsed the Boches as they reached the American wire entanglements. A number of German wounded were carried off, and two left dead dangling on the wire in front of the American trenches. The Americans a short time later made counter attacks, raiding the Boches and bringing back two German prisoners. Other sectors of the American line is quiet.

With Americans in Lorraine (Sunday Night).—The Americans launched an attack against the Germans northwest of Toul sector Sunday morning, following a heavy barrage fire. The Americans recaptured all the positions lost when they made a strategic retreat before the German offensive Saturday.

The ground over which the enemy was driven back is covered with dead Germans, showing the heavy cost they paid for their assault on the Americans Saturday. The last report shows the Americans, although greatly outnumbered, valiantly withstood the demon like onslaught of the Germans which came up in three waves of storm troops. The Germans were caught in a barrage fire behind their own troops and forced them across into the attack. Americans who fought in hand to hand combat with the enemy say the Germans were "dope crazed" and acted more like wild men and beasts than like human beings. They advanced singing and yelling, and fought, stumbling over their own dead in great numbers.

Washington, April 22.—The war department has failed to get communications from France confirming the capture of 183 Americans by the Germans in the attack Saturday. The fact that Berlin claims the capture of Americans, and the inability of the American government to get communication on the subject emphasizes the great need for American daily official statements from the American front, and steps are underway for establishing daily reports for the public through official sources.

Berlin, via London, April 21.—The capture of 183 American prisoners and 25 machine guns by the Germans is claimed in the official report from headquarters today. The German storm troops, it is also declared, advanced to a depth of two kilometers (about a mile and a quarter) into the American lines at Seicheprey.

The Americans that statement adds, sustained heavy losses.

With Americans in Lorraine, April 23.—The American official report on Saturday's engagement, northwest of Toul is as follows: "Losses sustained by us were no larger than could reasonably be expected. The engagement was the severest in which the Americans have participated. The enemy's losses are much greater than he anticipated, as evidenced by the fact that over three hundred dead Germans were removed from American trenches after the battle and No Man's land was covered with dead. Many German wounded were dragged back to

the German trenches, but their number is unknown. Heavy damages were inflicted by the Franco-American artillery, where the French and American lines join.

## SHERIFF'S SON IS CHAMPION SHOOTER

Sheriff Perkins is in receipt of a letter from the Captain of the company in which his son, Artie, is serving at El Paso, stating that the young man had been awarded the gold medal for being the champion shooter at target practice. According to the letter the sheriff's son scored 285 shots out of possible 300 at a distance of five hundred yards, shooting in all the positions required by practice rules.

Artie volunteered some time ago and was sent to Fort Bliss for training. He is in line for overseas duty at an early date, and with almost a perfect shooting record, it will be bad for the Boches who come up in front of him.

SPRING HILL NEWS.

Health in our community is very good at this writing. Everybody is up with their farm work. Some have dry planted part of their crops. When the northers cease and the weather gets warm, and those yellow spiral columns quit boring blazes overhead, we will get ample spring rains to make a crop. While prospects at present are not so bright, but the darkest clouds have a silver lining and we are a hopeful people.

Dean Brothers have completed their dam for impounding storm waters in the river for irrigation. This work gave employment to a large number of community people, which have distributed several hundred dollars where it was of much benefit.

There will be preaching at Spring Hill Saturday night and Sunday morning by Brother Golden.

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## Pioneer Citizen in Jail For Making Enemy Talk

Sheriff Perkins arrested H. Conner shortly after noon Wednesday and placed him in jail. The arrest was made on the basis of affidavits filed in justice court alleging that the man had made seditious remarks, violating the new loyalty law. In the complaint it is alleged that Conner cursed the food administration and stated that "Any country which shipped its food to the French ought to starve." It is also alleged that Mr. Conner interfered with the recruiting of the National Guard here, having attempted to discourage volunteering. He is being held in jail on two charges and while it is expected that he will be allowed a nominal bond for the charge filed in the state court, he will be held pending the action of the federal court at San Angelo.

Mr. Conner is one of the pioneer citizens of this county, and has been living at Benoit for many years. He was here with his family trading when placed under arrest and locked up to await the action of the court in fixing bond.

Adolf Klenner was carried to San Angelo Wednesday afternoon where he will be arraigned in federal court on charges filed against him as being an enemy to the American government. While Klenner was arrested only two days ago the charges filed against him come under the federal law and not under the new loyalty law as reported when the arrest was made.

Emiel Kiefer, the young man from the Winters country, has been allowed bond and released to await the action of the grand jury. The charge against him being made under the new law making it a felony for any one to make seditious remarks about the government.

Emil Kiefer, of the Winters country, was placed in the Ballinger jail Sunday afternoon, charged with making disloyal remarks about the American government.

Adolf Klenner, a shoemaker, was placed in jail Monday morning and is being held on charge of making seditious remarks about the American government. The officers have information that will probably lead to other arrests.

Kiefer is a young farmer of the Winters country. He has become twenty-one since registration day. Just what he said to bring about his arrest has not been made public but we have been informed that affidavits were filed with the authorities, and the arrest followed later. Klenner, who was later arrested at Ballinger, recently visited Kiefer.

Klenner has been in the employ of H. Wendorf, as a shoemaker for some time. The officers have had him under suspicion and remarks dropped from time to time by the man caused that suspicion to grow. The man was in the act of leaving for San Angelo when placed under arrest, having chartered a jitney to carry him to San Angelo.

The officers have in their possession a bundle of letters and papers taken from Klenner, all written in the German language. Some of these letters are from abroad, and bear the mark of the censor, and are not considered seditious, while those written from New York and other points in the United States will be investigated. It is not believed, however, that these letters will reveal anything seditious, and if the man is guilty, the charges will be based on talk he has been making.

The man who is in sympathy with the German government will be arrested if he expresses that sympathy. That is the intent of the loyalty law recently passed by the legislature. The point has been reached in this war when it is dangerous for a man to think sympathy for Germany, and to express his thoughts means that he is in bad.

Parties coming to see the war relic train Tuesday morning reported the burning of the large barn on the Humphrey's ranch five miles northeast of Wingate. The barn burned about two o'clock Tuesday morning, causing a loss to Mrs. Wm. Humphrey of more than \$50,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. According to the report to the Ledger there had been no one smoking about the barn, and no fire was near the barn during the day.

Mrs. Humphrey's loss consists of a quantity of feed, valuable farm implements, including larder, vehicles, and a new Republic auto truck. The barn was one of the best in the Wingate country.

Only a few days ago the barn of A. F. Harkins, of the Wingate country, mysteriously burned, causing a loss of about \$1,000, and about the same time the barn of Mr. Minor, on what is known as the Baggett place east of Ballinger, burned. Seven head of hogs were burned in the barn on the Baggett place.

On account of the dry condition of trash, buildings, etc., it behooves the people to be particularly careful about fire around their premises, and at the same time keep one eye open for incendiary blazes. The parties who have just had the misfortune do not believe that they have enemies who would injure them in such way, and no cause can be attributed for the mysterious fires.

## HEAVY ATTACKS AND ARTILLERY FIGHTING COVERS ENTIRE BRITISH FRONT

London, April 23.—Sir Geddes, of the British admiralty announced that British sailors, forming parties, fought along by the side of the Zeebrugge mole for an hour during naval raid this morning, before being sunk. Two of the number launched are missing.

London, April 23.—In the raid on the submarine bases an enemy destroyer was torpedoed and two of our block ships were blown up in the entrance to Zeebrugge harbor, according to an announcement made in the house of commons by Sir Eric Geddes, first lord admiralty. It is too early to say whether our object at Ostend in blocking the channel was attained. "Volunteers from our navy participated in the sacrifice of ships and the French cooperated with us," said Sir Geddes.

London, April 23.—The British naval forces in a daring raid on the German submarine base at Ostend and Zeebrugge, early this morning, blew up five concrete allied ships in the channels to block the egress of enemy ships. With the exception of covering ships the British force consisted of auxiliary vessels, and six obsolete cruisers. Five of the British ships filled with concrete were sacrificed and used as "block ships." There ships were grounded, abandoned and blown up to "bottle up the enemy." The British raid was successful, the admiralty statement announces.

London, April 23.—102 divisions of German troops, representing 1,240,000 men, have been employed against the British alone since March 21st, Gen. Haig reports in resume of German offensive today.

"Many of these have been used several times," says Gen. Haig, "and the resisting of such heavy blows and of such concentration of the enemy, and that all ranks of the army will be saved with gallant courage, is a resolution which can not be too highly praised."

Gen. Haig reported to the British war office that all sections of the British line north of Albert had been improved. Successful local operations were carried on last night, and the British took sixty German prisoners. A number of enemy prisoners were also taken in local fighting in Robecq sector and near Wytchaete which resulted advantageously to us.

Paris, April 23.—After the fullest discussion, the allies have agreed to give General Foch absolute and full power on the west front, "which will not be influenced by any external pressure."

London, April 23.—Gen. Haig's daily report to the British war office today shows a bitter attack is being made by the enemy and hard fighting is taking

place along the entire British front. A strong infantry attack was made early this morning and is in progress in the Albert sector and between the Somme and Ancre rivers.

While a strong German attack is progressing on a nine-mile front directly east of Amiens, at the same time another enemy assault is under way in the Albert sector, north of the Somme river. German artillery are heavily bombarding the whole British front from North of Albert to the junction of the British and French lines south of the Somme river, on a front of about fifteen miles.

Hostile infantry in numbers left their trenches northwest of Albert at dusk last night and stormed the British. The attack was met with heavy rifle and machine gun fire and in close fighting the enemy was driven back in the neighborhood of Dranoutre. A strong hostile attack developed again later in the evening.

In the neighborhood of Merville our artillery has dispersed the concentration of hostile infantry, inflicting some loss. On a majority of the British front, particularly in the Somme and Ancre sector and in the valley of the Scarpe river, and sectors north of Bethune and north and northeast of Bailloul, there was hostile artillery, and the allies were under a heavy shelling throughout the early morning.

Gen. Haig's report indicates that the Germans have renewed their offensive over a longer front than every attacked at any one time before, but no intimation is given of a weakening of the British lines under this strong attack.

J. D. Miller, the Norton Druggist, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to Lampasas on a business trip.

## Burning of Barns in County Caused by Mysterious Fires

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## MANY ENLISTING IN CAVALRY TROOP HERE NAMES OF MEN TO LEAVE HERE SATURDAY

Capt. Stephens reports that the organizing of the troop of volunteer cavalry authorized for Rannels county last week is progressing nicely. This troop is to be part of the South Texas Brigade of the Texas National Guard which is now being organized for border service. A troop of cavalry is composed of three commissioned officers and one hundred and five enlisted men, as follows: 12 non-commissioned officers, first sergeant, mess sergeant, supply sergeant, stable sergeant, fire sergeants and eight corporals. There are two cooks, two horse shoers, one saddler, two buglers, twenty first-class privates and sixty-one privates.

While a number have already enlisted, no officers, except the captain have been selected. Captain Stephens stated that an effort was being made to fill the necessary number within ten days so that the mustering in of this troop may be one of the first in Texas. The officers, first sergeant, mess sergeant, pany has been filled.

Two cooks, two horse shoers, and two buglers are wanted to enlist. Men who have become twenty-one since last June are eligible to enlist, and men from 18 to 45 can join, but men in Class One cannot join.

IN EUROPEAN WATERS. Russell Mangum writes his sister, Mrs. A. H. Hill this week that he is now in European waters and is seeing actual service in Uncle Sam's navy, and like all of the Americans, he feels sure they will soon be able to down Kaiser Bill.

RETURNS HOME. Mr. and Mrs. Will Dooze returned home first of the week from Ft. Worth where Mr. Dooze had been on an extended business trip, and to other points in North and East Texas, the past several weeks.

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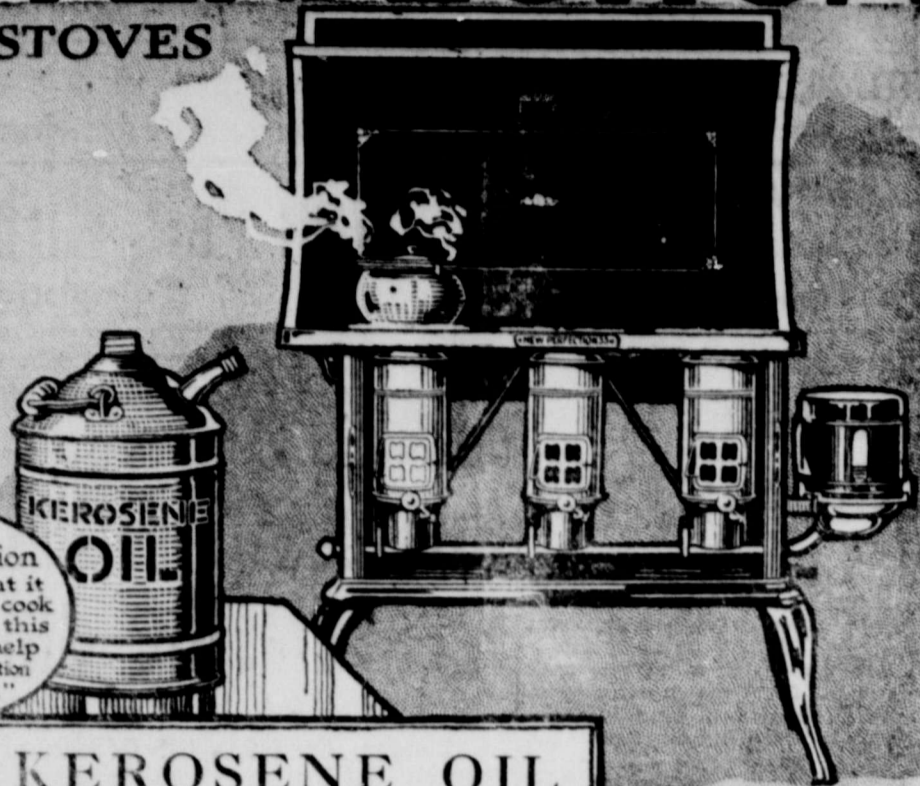


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## SAVE THE NATION'S COAL

### Here is Sample of German Kultur; Prisoners Burned

Through the courtesy of Godfrey Massey, we reproduce herewith a little sample of German Kultur, as published in the London Daily News. Mr. Massey receives the London News regularly, and it gives authentic reports of the cruelty of German soldiers, and tells of outrages at the hand of the Germans that seem unreasonable. It will be noted from the following that when the German government was called on by Mr. Balfour for an explanation for such cruelty, they offered the most frivolous excuse by saying "It was considered impossible to save human life without orders from superior officers." That the Americans taken prisoners by the Germans will be most mercifully punished there is no doubt but such punishment will be the price this country must pay to forever hereafter put an end to German Kultur. Read the following:

"The evidence of eye-witnesses who saw the Germans at Brandenburg Camp stand callously by while seven prisoners were burned alive and while a German sentry bayoneted a British seaman trying to escape through a window of the blazing hut has been published by the Government.

"The season was John Player Genover, of H.M.S. Nestor, taken prisoner at the Battle of Jutland.

"The story was first told by eight Spanish seamen, who, after being captured by a U-boat and taken to Brandenburg Camp, were released and arrived at Barcelona.

"Among the new evidence is that of two British prisoners of war who were at the time interned at Brandenburg, 37 miles from Berlin. The eye-witness says:

"He (Genover), was confined in cells and the reason was this as far as I can certify. When the large left Maser with the men and arrived at the Brandenburg jetties, they were told off to make the barge secure. Unhappily Genover jumped off the barge before it stopped. The consequence was a German hit Genover in the face with the muzzle of his rifle and cut it. Genover went to the doctor and had his face dressed. A few days after they came and put him in cells without any trial whatever, and there he remained till his death.

"The cell barrack is all built of wood something like match-bearing. They had a stove in the passage of the cells. Well, one forenoon in winter, say about

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11:45 a. m., just before dinner, we saw smoke rising from the cells. At the time we thought it was the parcel office on fire, which is next to the cells, and took no notice, till one of the men shouted, "The cells are on fire!" With that we all made our way to the cells as fast as possible.

"One man by the name of Bates had a large hatchet, which with a few strong blows would have smashed the sides in, but he was not allowed to use it, and was taken away by a German, and not one of the martial ratings was allowed to go near the cells. I myself was there on the spot. They placed a cordon of German soldiers at a distance of 10 yards around the cells, with rifles loaded and fixed bayonets, so as we could not get near. During the meantime nothing was being done to get the prisoners out or to put the fire out.

"I happened to make enquiries of the interpreter of the cells, who was a Russian. I asked him what was the reason the cell door was not opened when the fire was first noticed, and he told me that the sentry, who was a private soldier, dared not open any of the doors till the under-officer came and gave him orders to do so, consequently, the door leading to the cells was never opened, and we could not get the prisoners out. Afterwards, I heard that the key of the cells was lost, and I heard that Genover tried to get out through the small square window, but was run through with the sentry's bayonet. Five Russians, one French, and one Englishman were burned to death.

The second eye-witness says: "I do not remember the date when the cells were burned down. Being an eye-witness, I claim to be an authority. The cause of the fire was not known, but what is known is a British bluejacket (Genover), a French soldier, and five Russians were burned alive without any attempt being made to release them. I went down with some men whose intention it was to save life. What I saw was Genover forcing the upper part of his body through the small window he had broken. The sentry seeing him, drove his bayonet through the man's chest and sent him reeling back into the fire. A rush forward was made to break the place open but we were driven off by other armed Germans who had arrived on the scene."

Captain C. V. Fox, D.S.O., Scots Guards, a prisoner who has since escaped, arrived at the camp soon after the fire. He has made a statement of what he was told, and this confirms the others.

Mr. Balfour has been trying to get the facts since April last year, through the Dutch officials in Berlin charged with the inspection of prison camps. The Germans first said that Genover was burned to death, and when pressed they quoted an article in a German paper as representing the full facts and said that everything was done to save the prisoners.

Mr. Balfour's final letter to the Dutch Minister to be brought under the notice of the German Government ends:

"All comment upon the action which results in the burning alive of helpless prisoners of war seems superfluous; but His Majesty's Government note that whereas, according to the evidence of one of the eye-witnesses, it was considered impossible to save human life without orders from a superior, no hesita-

tion whatever was shown in destroying the cells when the victim endeavored to escape, superior official approbation being taken for granted."

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### CAUGHT WITH THE BISCUIT.

The Food Administration yesterday investigated the case of a farmer living south of the city, and who had on hand eight 48-pound sacks of flour and when the government inspector visited the home of this farmer, he found the flour in a closet with clothes and other paraphernalia. The flour was confiscated for the government.

This is the first case in Brown county where a farmer has been found hoarding flour. Further inspections of homes in town and county are to follow. Every hoarder will be given a chance to see the government's method of dealing with citizens who attempt to violate the food administration's regulations.—Brownwood Bulletin.

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Rev. R. B. Morgan, D. F. Eaton, Mrs. Genie Cameron and Miss Evans visited the Wilmeth community Friday night, where they participated in a patriotic rally at that place. War Savings Stamps, Liberty Bonds and Food Conservation and Food Production were all subjects under discussion. The speakers report a good crowd and plenty of patriotism.

### EXCITING MAN HUNT IN COKE COUNTRY

Robert Lee, Tex., April 22—Orle Alsup and Dan Torrance, who made their escape from the Coke county jail here Friday night after knocking Jailer W. B. Hamilton into insensibility and taking his keys and his revolver from him, were trailed late Saturday to a cave in the mountains fifteen miles south of here by a large posse consisting of officers from this city and from surrounding counties, as well as of nearly every man from the Robert Lee population, and were caught after a fight and brought back to jail.

The men fired the contents of the revolver at the posse but no one was hit. In the fusillade of shots with which the posse replied Alsup was struck three times, but neither wound was serious and he and Torrance were both able to walk back to the city, where they are once more lodged in jail.

Both men were under indictment for theft and burglary in connection with the disappearance of an automobile from Robert Lee. Sheriff L. J. Cowart chased them all over the state before he organically detected their arrest and recovered the car. Their trials had been set down for Thursday next in the district court here, and the trial is now to go forward as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened.

Pudge Dubois Saturday evening ordered the Coke county grand jury convened for ten o'clock Monday morning to act on the attack the two men made on an indictment returned in connection with the disappearance of the automobile from Robert Lee. Sheriff L. J. Cowart chased them all over the state before he organically detected their arrest and recovered the car. Their trials had been set down for Thursday next in the district court here, and the trial is now to go forward as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened.

Excitement in this community over the incidents of Friday night and Saturday has been intense. Scarcely has anything stirred the people as did the attack on the jailer and the escape of the two prisoners. Now that they are again safely lodged in jail, however, the town is settling down to the even tenor of its way and the incident is regarded as closed.

The chase that resulted in the capture of Torrance and Alsup in the hills of Coke county led over some of the most rugged country in this section of West Texas.

The escaped prisoners, unfamiliar with the region, clamored directly over mountains when they might have saved time by going around them. On the dry ground, the foot-prints showed plainly and these the members of the posse trailed for more than ten hours, disdaining autos and horses and moving across the country, frequently in single file.

The fugitives spied their pursuers at about the same time they were seen disappearing over a hill. Trapped in a canyon, Torrance, unarmed, quickly surrendered. Alsup, in possession of the revolver he had taken from Deputy Sheriff Hamilton, found a cave into which he crawled. When ordered to come out, he opened fire and bullets from a thirty-shooter spat viciously around him in the air. One inflicted a flesh wound in his arm, another grazed his back, while a third made a livid streak across his neck. It was then that the big man gave up, emerging from his hiding place with his hands over his head and shouting loudly for mercy.

Torrance and Alsup worked a ruse in effecting their escape. When Deputy Sheriff Hamilton and his wife entered their cell Friday night with their supper, the men asked for oil in order to light a stove. Mr. Hamilton went down stairs and returned alone. As soon as he entered the cell, locking the door behind him, he was attacked by Torrance, the smaller of the two men. Alsup grabbed the jail keys and with them and the officer's revolver beat Hamilton into insensibility.

Hearing the noise and suspecting trouble, Mrs. Hamilton fled to the court house a short distance away and notified Sheriff Cowart. Before anyone could return to the scene both prisoners had left the building and had disappeared down a ravine in the darkness.

Torrance and Alsup was arrested at DeLeon by Sheriff Cowart late in March after a 1,300-mile automobile chase through the western and central portions of the state. They were indicted here only a few days ago after the opening of the regular spring term of district court.

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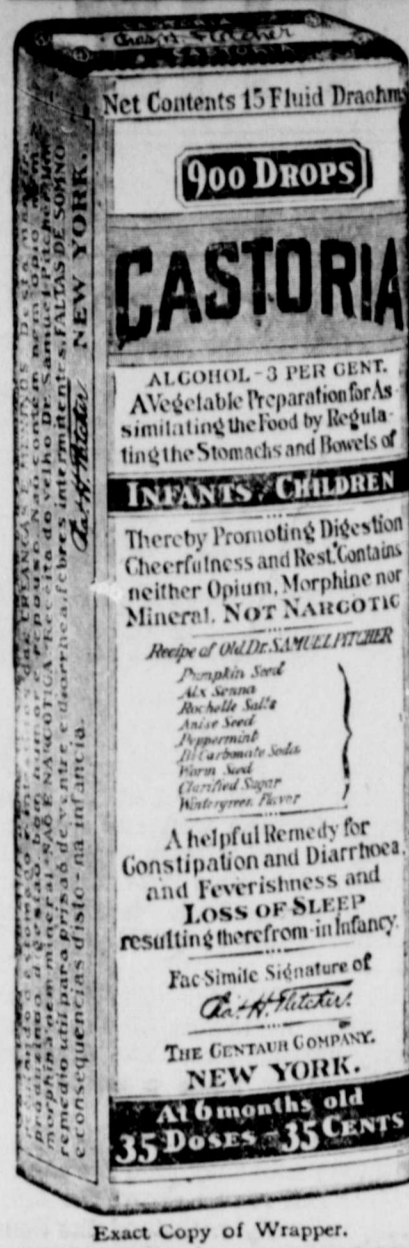
### ROWENA PEOPLE RIGHT ON ROADS

Curtis Hancock, chairman of Texas State Highway department of Austin, with Commissioner Kirk, of Ballinger, and W. D. Meadows of Winters were in Rowena one day this week. Mr. Hancock says they want to build some good roads in this county. We think the people of Runnels County should fall in line.—Rowena Review.

### For Bilious Troubles.

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Feb McWilliams came in from Corpus Christi Friday afternoon to be at the bedside of his son, Ebery, who had been quite ill with scarlet fever but we are glad to report the young man improving at the present. Miss Lillie Clayton accompanied her uncle home after a visit to them at Corpus Christi the past several weeks.



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### SECTION WORKMEN BUY LIBERTY BONDS

X. C. Robinson, section foreman of the Talpa division, informed The Ledger Sunday that the section hands on the Santa Fe from Coleman to Sterling City, including the Paint Rock branch, had just subscribed for \$500.00 worth of Liberty Bonds. This represents a pretty good per capita purchase as there are not many hands on this end of the Santa Fe at present.

The employees are encouraging their employees in the purchase of Liberty Bonds, thereby creating a habit for saving. The company subscribes for the bonds and in turn sells them to their employees on the monthly installments without interest, making it easy for the employees to lay up a few dollars per month and at the same time help the government.

In view of the fact that the section hands do not receive a salary that is calculated to make a man rich in a short time during the present high cost

of living the amount of bonds subscribed for by them indicates that life for the Huns would not be high living if the section hands could get a whack at them.

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B. D. Duncan is just in receipt by express a nice box of fresh Irish potatoes, beans and peas from his daughter, Mrs. J. J. Ashely, of Palestine, Texas. She reports splendid rains in that section for several weeks past.

E. S. Sandusky, of the Bronte county, was supplying in Ballinger Saturday.

Miss Nadine Bowen, who had been teaching the Millar school near Ballinger, left Monday morning via the Abilene and Southern for her home at Atlanta, Texas.

### UNION WAGON YARD I desire to let my friends know that I now have charge of the Union Wagon Yard. Fair treatment and prices right. See me when in Ballinger.

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



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How to Avoid Those Pains and Distress Which so Many Mothers Have Suffered.



Too much cannot be said for a wonderful preparation, familiar to many women as Mother's Friend.

It is more effective in its action than all the health pills ever laid down for the guidance of expectant mothers. It is an external application that spreads its influence upon the cords, tendons and muscles of the abdomen, rendering them pliant, and they expand gracefully without that peculiar wrenching strain.

The occasion is, therefore, one of unbounded joy and anticipation and too much stress cannot be laid upon the remarkable influence which a mother's happy prenatal disposition has upon the health and fortune of the generation to come.

The pain at the crisis is infinitely less when Mother's Friend is used during the period of expectancy for the muscles expand easier and with less strain when baby is born.

Mother's Friend is for external use only, is entirely safe and may be had of your druggist. It is prepared by the Bradford Regulator Co., Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. Write them to mail you their interesting "Motherhood Book." They will send it free, without charge, and you will find it very helpful. Do not neglect for a single instant and morning to apply Mother's Friend according to directions around the bottle, and thus fortify yourself against pain and discomfort.

**STRIKE SITUATION IN WACO SERIOUS**

Waco, Tex., April 21.—A general strike in sympathy with striking street car employees was ordered here tonight and became effective at midnight, by a mass meeting attended by representatives of twenty-seven labor unions. Five thousand men and women, it is estimated by strike leaders, will not report for work tomorrow morning. The street car men, employees of the Texas Electric Railway Company, have been on strike since March 9th. The general strike was originally scheduled to become effective last Sunday night, but at the request of city officials, the unions agreed to the appointment of a citizens' committee. This committee reported Saturday that a sympathetic strike would not be justified. Disregarding this report, union leaders who assert that the street car company has declined arbitration of its employees' demands for increased wages and shorter working hours, called to night's mass meeting. The general strike vote was almost unanimous.

Renza Lee was on the streets Friday after a severe and very painful operation for an abscess in his head, at the Halley & Love sanitarium and was able to go out to his home near Maverick in the afternoon.

W. H. Cole, G. C. Scoggins and son, boss of the Winters-Wingate country, came in Thursday and John Scoggins left in the afternoon for Camp Bowie to resume his army duties. He had been at home on sick furlough for some months past. While here Mr. Cole ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address.

**CHEER-UP! THE WORST HAS SURELY PASSED**

If dust storms counted for rain this country would have been washed away. If dust storms do not give way to rain, this country will be blown away. Not a pessimistic view of the situation, but optimism prevails—the dust storms have passed and the rain is in the future.

The hopes given by a weather forecast handed out Thursday, which said, "cloudy, local showers," were shattered to smithereens by mid-afternoon. The heavy cloud of dust rolling up from the northwest, which reflected every color of soil known to the formation of the earth in this country, caused people to hurry home and some found it more comfortable in their storm houses.

The dust storm was the worst experienced here in many years, and was some thing new even to those who have been here for several years. The high wind rapidly shifted to the north, bringing a considerable drop in temperature, and the gale increased in velocity for two or three hours. The calm did not come until midnight, and not until after the earth had been swept clean, young garden truck whipped to death, and fruit trees threshed.

The dust storm was the second for the week, Sunday having been a day almost equally as bad. Old timers predict that we will enjoy less dust and more rain, and declare the season of such storms has passed. We have been here too long to prophesy, but we feel safe in saying there will not be much more dust as it has all blown away. Let us cheer up—the worst has surely passed.

**FAMOUS GERMAN AVIATOR KILLED**

With British Army, April 22.—Baron Rittmeister Von Richtsofen, the famous German Aviator, was killed Sunday in the Somme valley, it was officially announced today. At the funeral which will be held today the enemy flyer will be given the same honors as British aviator officers.

Von Richtsofen was the greatest of the German flight commanders. He was killed behind the British lines, but details are not available today.

**CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years**

Always bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. H. Fletcher*

Mrs. Edgar Rasberry left Saturday afternoon to visit relatives and friends at Waco a few weeks.

G. W. Wilson and son, Max, of the Pony Creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and informed us that they had just sold to local buyers \$750.00 worth of cattle, some culls from their pasture on the Colorado river, the grass question now being an important factor, they are reducing their herd.

**NUX IRON PEPSIN and SARSAPARILLA — Effective Spring Medicine Combination.**

As comprised in Hood's Sarsaparilla and Peptinon, taken in conjunction, these valuable remedies possess unequalled value for the quick relief of a long trail of ailments common in the Spring season. You know well the great tonic properties of iron. They are much increased and improved in this combination—Hood's Sarsaparilla before meals and Peptinon after.

In these days of rushing and pushing, beyond the endurance of even the most robust, nearly every man and woman needs this blood-purifying, cleansing, up-building in the Spring. If it is not supplied, the depletion of the blood and the broken-down nerves may soon give way to permanent ill-health.

If a cathartic is needed, as where there is biliousness or constipation, Hood's Pills should be taken. They are purely vegetable, do not irritate, and work all right with Hood's Sarsaparilla and Peptinon.

**DON'T RUSH HENS ON THE MARKET**

Restrictions against the sale of live or freshly killed hens will be lifted on April 20, the Food Administration announced today. A regulation prohibiting licensed dealers from buying or selling this type of fowl, in force since February 23, was to have remained effective until April 30. Weather conditions have brought about an early laying and hatching period, however, and the Food Administration believes that the regulation has served its purpose.

In order to test out the effect of the prohibition, inquiries have been made in the principal chicken states as to the result on production of eggs and chicks. Replies received from twenty-three states which produce about 80 per cent of the chickens in the country indicate that the regulation has had an extremely beneficial effect. Ten states, which account for only a minor part of the nation's poultry stocks, report either no particular benefit or opposition by the producers.

It is estimated that in the New York, Chicago and Boston Markets alone at least three and a third million hens capable of producing eggs and increasing the country's flocks have been saved, due to the hearty cooperation and support of the industry. The Food Administration expresses appreciation for the patriotic manner in which the industry has observed the regulations which were designed to prevent rapid disintegration of the egg and poultry stocks and at the same time to provide for normal future supplies.

In lifting the restrictions, the Food Administration appeals to the farmers not to begin rushing their hens to market, but to send them gradually. Too many birds sent from the farms immediately upon suspension of the regulation will glut the markets and result in heavy loss from spoilage.

Fully as important it considers the necessity for retaining on the farms all hens which are still laying.

**STUMEZE STOMACH TROUBLE RELIEVED BY FIRST DOSE**

"I was bothered with nervous dyspepsia and chronic stomach trouble so badly the doctors could not give me any relief. They were going to take me to the X-ray but STUMEZE saved me the expense. One dose of STUMEZE and am now back to myself again after months of agony. I have taken several bottles of this wonderful medicine and cannot recommend it too highly."—W. C. McDougal, Coronado, California. If your stomach hurts, if you have gas, sour risings, belching, dyspepsia, indigestion, catarrh of the stomach or intestines, go now to your druggist and get a bottle of this master prescription for stomach and digestive ills. It is guaranteed.

**PROF. HAGAN WILL RETIRE.**

Prof. E. L. Hagan, county superintendent of public instruction, will not be a candidate for re-election, according to a statement made to friends this week. Mr. Hagan is completing the first term following the administration of Superintendent Wooten. He was appointed superintendent when the office was created in this county, and with the exception of one term he has served continuously since the office was created. He has many friends who will regret to know that he is to retire from educational work in this county, after serving as teacher, school and county superintendent for about thirty years.

**Whooping Cough.**

Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy. It is excellent.

**FORMER BALLINGER BOY MAKRIES IN WEST VIRGINIA**

Dr. W. W. Fowler received notice of the marriage of his son, Tom, marriage having taken place in Cincinnati, Ohio, on April 14th, when the young man and Miss Trula Loven, of Dallas, were married.

Tom has been living at Dallas for some time, and it is presumed that the courtship started at that place. At present he is in the civil service of the government and has a good position at Charleston, W. Va. He has many friends in Ballinger, where he was raised, who will join The Ledger in best wishes.

**FUEL ADMINISTRATOR PREPARING FOR WINTER**

C. J. Lynn, local coal dealer, has received instructions from the fuel administrator concerning the handling of fuel and the order establishing retail price of coal, lignite, coke, etc., in Texas.

The rules governing the sale of coal to the consumer are very stringent, and dealers are required to adhere to the fixed price and method of handling. Prices are fixed governing the price of coal from the car at dealers' railroad station, and from dealers' yard. The dealers' must in all instances quote the government price at the time of sale, call the attention to the fact that the drayage will be added to the same, provided dealer hauls same from either the car or yard to consumers premises, and have a clear understanding as to what the drayage shall be. Where the consumer feels that the drayage is too much he has the privilege of hauling the fuel with his own equipment.

The government has reduced the price to encourage the consumers to buy their winter supply of coal during the summer months, and they are appealing to the patriotism of the public to do this. All families who can should lay in their coal supply as early as possible, and not only will they save on the price, but will assist the government and prevent a fuel famine next winter. The price of coal advances with each month.

Dealers are required to post in their places of business the government prices of coal, freight rate from point of shipping to dealers station. Maximum gross profit allowed dealers both when sold from cars and from yard, dealers charge for delivery from cars or yards to customers' homes.

The government wants every man to buy now and put in his bin all coal needed between now and March 1, 1919, and in this way release railroad equipment for moving crops and war supplies next winter.

**NOTICE OF HEARING To Appropriate Public Waters. THE STATE OF TEXAS.**

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Chas. Furgason & Son, whose postoffice address is Ballinger, Texas, did on the 30th day of March, A. D. 1918, file an application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, in which they apply for a permit to appropriate, by impounding, for the purpose of irrigating 175 acres of land hereinafter described, sufficient water from the unappropriated storm or flood waters of the State of Texas, said water so appropriated to be impounded in a reservoir created by the construction of a dam to be located 38 varas above the upper or Northwest corner of Valentine Reice Survey No. 413 on the Colorado River, in Rannels County, Texas, distant in a Westerly direction from Ballinger nine miles. Said reservoir to impound 350 acre-feet per annum.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are out of the Northwest corner of the Valentine Reice Survey No. 413, consisting of 175 acres.

A hearing on the said application of the said Chas. Furgason & Son will be held by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at its office, in the City of Austin, County of Travis, said State, on Monday, the 9th day of May, A. D. 1918, beginning at ten o'clock a. m. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper. Given Under, and by virtue of, an order of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at the office of said Board in Austin Texas, this 30th day of March, A. D. 1918.

W. T. Potter, Chairman.  
Rollen J. Windrow,  
C. S. Clark,  
Board of Water Engineers

Attest:  
James Hays Quarles, Sec.  
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**HELPS TO SWELL COUNTY'S LIBERTY BOND QUOTA**

Austin, April 15.  
Mr. D. B. Diggs,  
Winters State Bank:  
Dear Sir:

I have duly received your kind favor of March 21st, with War Savings Stamp and thank you for your prompt attention.

While in Rannels county recently, I learned that the county's quota in the present Liberty Bond Loan issue is \$160,000.00, and knowing the existing hard conditions to raise such an amount at this time, I thought it would be acceptable to the citizens of Rannels county if I would send in my subscription to a \$500.00 bond; accordingly I hand you herein my check to cover and will thank you to kindly attend to the matter for me, as heretofore, and with best wishes, I am,

Herman Clemens.

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. W. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

**LOCAL BOARD GETS ORDERS FOR MEN**

Additional orders were received for drafted men by the local board Thursday afternoon. In addition to the order for 20 men to entrain on April 26th, or thereabouts, and in addition to the order for one man to entrain on May 1st, the local board received orders to send three men on May 6th and four men on May 10th. No recognition is being paid to credits for volunteers at this time and it is presumed that credits will be allowed on the wind up.

One lonely soldier will entrain at Ballinger. This will be in filling orders received by the local board for one man to be sent to Fort Sam Houston to become a part of the regular army. The man to go will be selected from Class One. It is a very probable a volunteer will be accepted for this purpose, as one man has already signified his desire to fill the bill, provided he is not accepted in another place applied for before shipping date.

The board recently received orders for 20 men, 17 whites and 3 negroes. These will entrain on or about April 26th. Orders are being prepared for another call early in April, it having been announced unofficially that another quota would be called for on May 10th. It is expected that the draft army will be made up with small increments from each draft precinct until the present plans for calling 800,000 men have been completed.

**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.

**DIED.**  
Miss Ora Madine White, aged 15 years, died at the sanitarium Sunday and the remains were prepared for burial by C. R. Crews and the remains were taken to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White of Novice, in the afternoon, and the body was laid to rest in the cemetery at that place Monday.

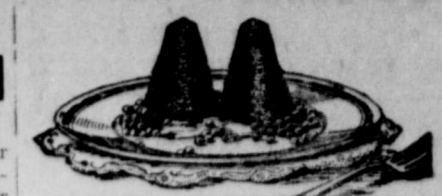
She had pneumonia in February, and was later operated upon, and had been confined to her bed for the past 69 days.

The Ledger joins friends and acquaintances of the family in condolence and sympathy in this sad hour of bereavement.

M. M. Brewster of Bronte, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from Camp Logan near Houston, to be at the bed side of his wife, who is seriously ill, and not expected to live.

Mrs. Cicero Smith and daughter, of Dallas, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to the Smith ranch up the river to spend a few days. While in the city Mrs. Smith ordered the Banner-Ledger to her address for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Kenzie Routh is recovering from an operation performed for appendicitis in the Halley & Love sanitarium.



**"Conservation" Croquettes**

1 cup white corn meal mush (cold)  
1 cup minced chicken  
Dash of celery salt and white pepper  
Few drops onion juice and a little finely minced parsley  
1 egg

Work the corn meal mush and chicken and seasoning well together, with enough chicken gravy or white sauce to moisten the mixture. Add the raw beaten egg to bind it.

Mold into cones and chill. Fry in deep hot COTTOLENE which has been heated slowly.

Fry with COTTOLENE.  
—save left-overs  
—have money left over to save.

**Cottolene**

The Natural Shortening  
At grocers in tins of convenient sizes

**NARROW ESCAPE WHEN HORSE RUNS**

While returning to their home west of Ballinger from a visit to relatives in town Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Owea Aycock and children had a narrow escape, and the baby of Mrs. Aycock was painfully hurt.

Mrs. Aycock and children were thrown from the buggy when the buggy shafts dropped down while they were coming down the hill north of the compass. Mrs. Aycock and the little girl were considerably bruised, while the baby was cut about the face, the baby being the most seriously hurt.

A phone message to The Ledger today says the baby is getting along as well as could be expected, while Mrs. Aycock and the little girl are not seriously hurt.

**THOS. L. BLANTON ASKS RE-ELECTION UPON HIS RECORD**

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton has issued the following statement: "I am a candidate for re-election in the Seventh congressional district, but have not time for politics. I stand on my record, public and private. I don't believe the people desire that time, energy and money be spent in a campaign during a war crisis. I am lending every energy, devoting my entire time and exhausting every resource in supporting the president and his policies, trying to assist our commander in chief to win this war speedily. Until all needed legislation has been enacted by congress, I cannot leave my post of duty, and trust my political interests to the hands of my Texas friends."

Congressman Blanton is serving his first term. That he has made good is admitted by many of those who opposed his election. He has two opponents in the new district, but after the votes have been counted they will be impressed with the fact that the people have no time to experiment in politics. Blanton is standing by his platform and the American administration, and the opposition that might exist is weak in the end of his district.

P.V.P.B. P.V.P.B.

Mama never worries about me being sick when I fill up on PECAN VALLEY PEANUT BUTTER 'cause Daddy says it's absolutely pure, and I can eat all I want. That makes me smile!

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**OPPORTUNITY**

Is now our MOST EXACTING GUEST. She is appealing to the PATRIOTISM of every TRUE AMERICAN, Red, White and Blue Blood to buy a

**LIBERTY BOND**

To buy WAR SAVINGS and THRIFT STAMPS.

Either of these can be bought at all times at our Bank, which is now also a Member of the Regional Bank, Federal Reserve System.

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DRY WEATHER OPTIMISM.

It is an up-hill job to preach war gardens and food production with the drought knocking on you. Any fool knows it is impossible to raise war gardens and produce food without a little moisture, but the man who jumps the job now and gives up will be found slacking when the rain comes—and it is coming. Everybody believes that it is going to rain. If they didn't believe it they would be packing. The farmer who has his land in the best condition and is prepared for the rain when it does come, will prove to be the food producer, while the man who waits for help during the busy season. We should work as well as pray.—Ballinger Ledger.

Faith, hope, love—and in times like these the greatest of these is hope. Get that garden ready for the coming rain. Plow it up. The rain is sure to come some day. Fix your land for the coming deluge. Failure to prepare your land for the expected rain is like living a sinful life and depending on a chance of making a death-bed confession and profession. Keep your lamps trimmed. O ye of little faith!—Abilene Reporter.

WELL KNOWN NORTH FORT WORTH MAN IS ELATED OVER PEP PILLS

Says "They Are The Finest Tonic In The World."

Mr. E. Becker, 210 West Fourteenth street, North Fort Worth, says: "I had been sick for years. I had been 'down and out'; had tried numerous remedies, but none of them helped me; my condition was serious.

"A friend recommended Pep Systemic Pills and finally induced me to try a box. After taking the first bottle I began to improve. I am now on my fifth bottle and an enjoying fine health. Before taking Pep Systemic Pills I was so nervous I couldn't sleep; had no appetite at all; was getting weaker every day. Now I sleep like a baby and eat like a school-boy.

"I persuaded a dozen or more of my friends to try Pep Systemic Pills and shall continue the good work, as I want every man and woman who suffers from nervousness and loss of appetite and a run-down, lagged out condition to try Pep Systemic Pills. They have restored me to good health and I am glad to have the opportunity of letting others know what Pep Systemic Pills did for me."

Pep Systemic Pills are for sale at Weeks Drug Store and other good druggists.—Adv.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends who have been so sympathetic and kind to us during the recent illness (which lasted more than four weeks) and death of our mother and wife and little baby. We have received many good kind letters which we appreciate very much. We wish especially to thank the good people of the Mazonland-Wilmerth country, and other places who so joyfully contributed to help pay our expenses. There must have been 25 or 30 of them. We know they have a warm place in their hearts for us. We can never forget you. I pray God's blessings on you all.

J. A. PATTERSON, and Children.

W. L. Compton and D. W. Venger of the Winters country, Mrs. Sam Gray and son, Will Legg, J. W. Kam, water, Capt. A. D. Talley, J. W. Tippitt and son, of Crews, were noted among the large crowd in Ballinger Tuesday.

Stop Corn Agony In Four Seconds

Use "Geta-It"—See Corns Peel Off! The relief that "Geta-It" gives from corn-pains—the way it makes corns and calluses peel off painlessly in one piece—is one of the wonders of the world. The woman in

"Get Me 'Geta-It' Quick! It Eases Corn Pains and Makes Corns Peel Right Off!"



the home, the shopper, the dancer, the foot traveler, the man in the office, the clerk in the store, the worker in the shop, says today, in this great discovery, "Geta-It," the corn cure, quiet relief from all corns and callus pains—the one sure, painless remedy that makes corns come off as easily as you would peel a banana. It takes 2 seconds to apply "Geta-It"; it dries at once. Then walk with painless joy, even with tight shoes. You know your corns will loosen from your toes—peel it off with your fingers. Try it, corn sufferers, and you'll smile! "Geta-It," the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. M'd by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the worlds best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

WE MUST FIGHT TO WIN.

When President Wilson announced to the people of the United States that the time had come we must do something besides write notes to Germany, The Ledger declared that "it would be no before breakfast job." We know that the enemy will be defeated, but we also know that the enemy realizes that defeat means death to the autocratic government, and it is a fight to death before the American war aims can be accomplished. Our troops are a long way from Berlin, and we should not forget that when the allied offensive is launched our armies will encounter fortifications which the Germans have been ages at building, and there will be no peace until the fortifications have been demolished and the Huns driven to the last trench and the kaiser dethroned.

The American government has said that a treaty with the imperial government is no treaty. There must be a new German government before there can be peace. Nothing but a new German government, based upon the principles of Democracy will end the war. As far as America is concerned the war has just started, and we must fight to win.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wilson and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson, of the Pony Creek country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route home from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Evans and children, of Lawa, Texas. Mrs. Evans is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Sr., and returned home with them to visit a few days.

FROM COAST TO COAST.

A Remarkable Chain of Home Testimony. And Ballinger Adds Its Voice to the Grand Chorus of Local Praise.

In every state in the Union. In every state in the Union. Rings out the grateful praise to west.

From north to south, from east to Doan's Kidney Pills.

50,000 representative people in every walk of life. Publicly testify to quick relief and lasting results.

And it's all for the benefit of fellow sufferers. In this grand chorus of local praise Ballinger is well represented.

Well-known Ballinger people. Tell of personal experiences. Who can ask for better proof of merit?

W. F. Street, stock dealer, 1001 Tenth St., Ballinger, says: "About a year ago I had an attack of kidney complaint. I had dull pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions passed irregularly. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from the Walker Drug Co., relieved all this trouble."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Street had. Foster-McLure Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The State of Texas, County of Rannels. On this the 8th day of April, 1918, this court being in regular session, came on to be considered the petition of R. T. Williams and more than fifty other persons praying that bonds be issued by said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, in the sum of (\$75,000.00) Seventy Five thousand & 00-100 Dollars, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum, maturing thirty years from their date, or serially or otherwise at the discretion of the Commissioners' Court.

And it appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident taxpaying voters of said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, and that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas.

It is therefore considered and ordered by the court that an election be held in said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, on the 11th day of May 1918, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine whether the bonds of said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, shall be issued in the amount of (\$75,000) Seventy Five Thousand & 00-100 Dollars, bearing 5 per cent interest and maturing thirty years from their date, or serially or otherwise at the discretion of the Commissioners' Court; and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, subject to taxation for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication in a newspaper published in said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County,

Quit Laxatives, Purges; Try NR

An Tonight—Tomorrow Feel Right

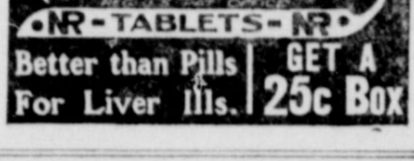
It is a mistake to continually dose yourself with so-called laxative pills, cathartics and force bowel action. It weakens the bowels and liver and makes constant dosing necessary.

Why don't you begin right today to overcome your constipation and get your system in such shape that daily purging will be unnecessary? You can do so if you get a 25c box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and take one each night for a week or so. NR Tablets do much more than merely cause pleasant easy bowel action. This medicine acts upon the digestive as well as eliminative organs—promotes a good digestion, causes the body to get the nourishment from all the food you eat, gives you a good, hearty appetite, strengthens the liver, overcomes biliousness, regulates kidney and bowel action and gives the whole body a thorough cleaning out. This accomplished you will not have to take medicine every day. An occasional NR tablet will keep your body in condition and you can always feel your best.

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

WEEKS DRUG STORE

Ballinger, Texas



Texas, for four successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto there shall be posted notices of such election at three public places in Road District No. 1, of Rannels County, Texas, one of which shall be at the court house door, for three weeks prior to said election.

Said election shall be held at the following places, same being regular voting places, in said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, and with the following persons as managers of said election in said voting precincts, to-wit:

Ballinger Voting Precinct No. 1, Ballinger, Texas, C. R. Crews, manager of election.

Hatchel Voting Precinct No. 2, Hatchel, Texas, S. D. Williams, manager of election.

Benoit Voting Precinct No. 3, Benoit, Texas, B. J. Clayton, manager of election.

Rowena Voting Precinct No. 21, Rowena, Texas, F. E. Ernst manager of election.

Offen Voting Precinct No. 22, Offen Store, F. G. Hoelscher, manager of election.

Pony Creek Voting Precinct No. 23, Pony Store, J. W. Bigby, manager of election.

Ballinger Voting Precinct No. 24, Ballinger, Texas, Edwin Day, manager of election.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of the Road District Act as amended by the Thirty Fifth Legislature at its regular session 1917, known as Chapter 203, and only qualified voters who are property taxpayers of said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, shall be allowed to vote, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof," and those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the state for holding general election.

A copy of this order signed by the County Judge of said county shall serve as a proper notice of said election and the county judge is directed to cause said notice to be published in a newspaper published in said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, for four successive weeks next preceding said election, and cause to be posted a notice thereof at three public places in said Road District No. 1 of Rannels County, Texas, one of which shall be at the courthouse door for three weeks prior to said election.

O. L. PARISH, County Judge of Rannels County, Texas. 12-w-4



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, discharges, gravel, neuralgia, rheumatism, sciatica, all forms of the kidney and bladder in both men and women. It not only cures your troubles, but will be sent by mail on receipt of your money. It is a powerful treatment and seldom fails to cure a cure, and for testimonials from this and other states, Dr. J. W. Hall, 208 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv. c.

Locals About Our Soldier Boys

Elmer Allison came home Sunday from Austin to spend a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Allison, and Ballinger friends. He graduated Saturday afternoon from the School of Aeronautics and will go from here to Dallas and then into active service.

Walter Singletary came in Saturday from Camp Bowie to spend a short furlough with relatives and Ballinger friends.

C. H. Davis, who had been visiting his father, Randall Davis and family, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Thursday en route to his post of duty in the U. S. Navy training camp at the Great Lakes.

Wesley Sisson left Thursday afternoon for Dallas and will go from that point to join the U. S. navy in training at the Great Lakes.

W. E. Dickinson, of Fort Tollson, Okla., who is visiting his son at Blackwell, came in Thursday to visit his brother-in-law, R. L. Harwell and wife, a few days, before returning home.

S. J. and M. L. Laten returned home Friday at noon from New Orleans, where they had been to meet their brother, who is in the U. S. navy, and was en route to New York.

S. T. Wood and family of the Mud Creek country, came in Wednesday to accompany his son, Frank Wood, who left in the afternoon for Dallas, and will go on to the U. S. training camps of the Navy at the Great Lakes. This makes four sons Mr. Wood has in the U. S. service.

Corporal Carl D. Davis of Winters, who had been spending a short furlough with his father, Randall Davis, and family, left for his army duties at Camp Travis Wednesday afternoon.

BALLINGER BUSINESS MAN'S STOMACH SMALLER.

"My much distended stomach is greatly reduced. Doctors wanted to operate and tap my stomach but I happened to see a newspaper ad of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and after taking 3 doses I have had no more distress or bloating and am eating things I have not dared to eat for 6 years. I am confident your medicine will cure me." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convalesce or money refunded. Jnc. A Weeks, Druggist.

WANTED—372541 lbs. good fat hens at 15 cents per lb. R. P. Conn.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Banner-Ledger is authorized to announce the following candidates for offices named, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 27, 1918:

- For Sheriff: J. D. PERKINS. For Treasurer: W. L. BROWN. For Assessor: J. N. KEY. For Commissioner No. 4: I. A. CURRY, J. E. TIDWELL. For Tax Collector: M. D. CHASTAIN. For County Superintendent: JOHN J. BUGG. For Representative 111 District: C. R. STEPHENS. For County Clerk: C. W. McCARVER.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WANTED—27641 dozen eggs at 27 cents per dozen. R. P. Conn.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—A Ford, 1917 model. J. D. Mangum. Phone 280. 28-d&w5-pd.

MAIZE For Sale—Cleaned and re-cleaned, threshed by hand, graded and triple graded, and nothing but purest Dwarf Maize, original seed from Nebraska, of the large grain type. Apply to John Walden, Bronte, or Higginbotham Bros. & Co., also at Maverrick or Norton. 8-1d3w

FARM FOR SALE—My place two miles southeast of Maverrick, contains 30.610 acres; good sandy land with clay foundation. River front, 30 acres in cultivation; good shape for crop; well fenced; \$20 per acre. Cash payment. See me at Maverrick. Chas S. Todd. d&w1

FOR TRADE

FOR TRADE—4 new 1918 Model Ford cars to trade for chickens and eggs. R. P. Conn.

LOST

LOST—1 brown mare, 3 yrs old, about 14 hands and 1 inch high; dim wire scratch on left hind foot. Liberal reward for return of same. Write S. R. Duke, Route B, Ballinger. 19-2w-pd.

Don't Let Catarrh Drag You into Consumption

Avoid Its Dangerous Stage. There is a more serious stage of Catarrh than the annoyance caused by the stopped-up air passages, and the hawking and spitting and other tasteless features.

The real danger comes from the tendency of the disease to continue its course downward until the lungs become affected, and then drenched consumption is on your path. Your own experience has taught you that the disease cannot be cured by

RESOLUTIONS.

Hall of Talpa Lodge No. 920, A. F. & A. M.

Talpa, Texas, Feb. 23, 1918. To the W. M., Warden and Brothers of Talpa Lodge, No. 920 A. F. & A. M.

Your committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of our beloved brother, Sam Brookshier, beg leave to report the following:

Whereas; God in his infinite wisdom has called our beloved brother, Sam Brookshier from labor and affliction here below to everlasting rest and happiness above.

Therefore; Be it resolved that in the death of Bro. Brookshier, Talpa Lodge has lost one of its best members, the Masonic fraternity one of its most zealous and devoted members, the Methodist church one of its most zealous and consistent members, his faithful wife a loved and devoted husband, his children an affectionate devoted Christian father, Rannels county and Texas a noble citizen, honest in his dealings, clean in his conversation and always willing to answer the call of the distressed. The night was never too dark or the weather too cold for him to heed the call of those in distress. Truly it may be said a good man, a mason and a devoted christian has gone from us.

Brother Sam Brookshier was born

in the state of Missouri in the year of 1849, and moved to Coleman county in 1871, and was married to Miss Love-day Clayton in 1878 and to this union was born eleven children. He departed this life on February 19, 1918. He lived in Rannels county on his ranch five miles west of Talpa for the past forty years.

Your committee does not know where he was made a Mason but we do know that he was true to its principles while he lived.

Therefore, resolved that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of Sam Brookshier, a copy be furnished the Ballinger Ledger for its publication.

Resolved, that the members of the lodge wear the Mason's badge of mourning and the Lodge draped in mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, that we tender the bereaved wife and children our heartfelt sympathy in their irreparable loss.

I. M. Parker. Henry Evans. S. H. Mercer.

Committee.

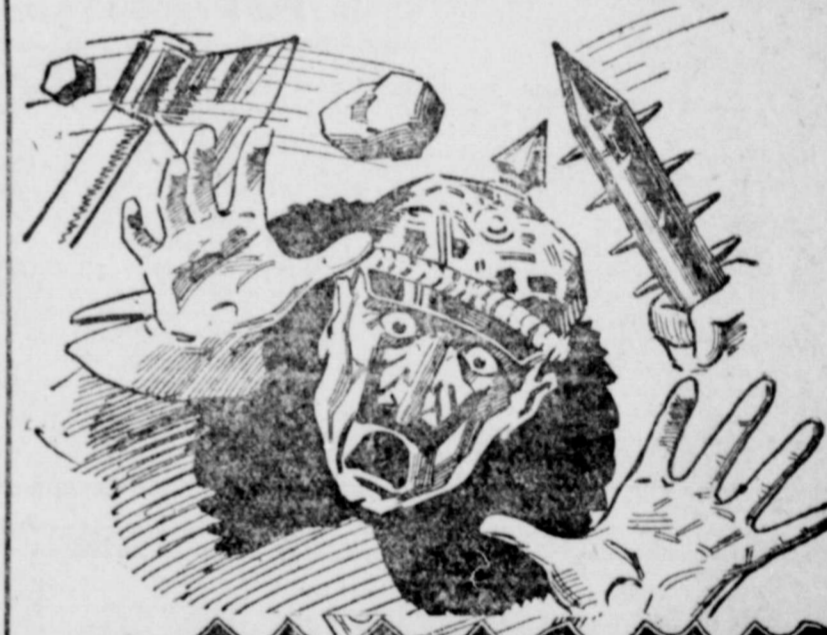
J. P. Maddox, stockman of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Fort Worth, where he goes to ship out several car loads of his cattle to the Wichita, Kansas markets.

Our Government Instructs Us to Urge You to BUY COAL NOW

This will aid Federal Fuel administration. Heed the warning for self protection. April prices are the lowest. Advancing each month. Transportation is fairly good now. Will not be better. Supply for private use is ample now but will not be next Fall. Avoid suffering next winter by buying fuel now.

Phone Us 120

C. J. LYNN & SON



The KAISER

"The beast of Berlin" Will Be In Ballinger Sat. April 27th Queen Thertre

Starting 1:00 p. m. 'till 12:00 at Night.

Not a picture of battlefields—but a tremendous drama that STRIPS NAKED the Soul of history's MADDEST--MURDER--KING.

The Kaiser

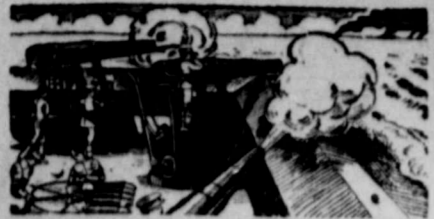
--The Beast of Berlin

The Picture that: "Blocked Traffic on Broadway" "Took Boston by Storm" "Set Chicago on Fire" Played the Hippodrome at Dallas all last week

Remember We Start 1 p. m. Sat.

ADMISSION: CHILDREN 25c 3c war tax ADULTS 50c 5c war tax





**OUR DEFENSE**

In the spring we may be attacked at any moment. Toxic poisons pile up within us after a hard winter, and we feel "run-down," tired out, blue and discouraged. This is the time to put our house in order—cleanse the system and put fresh blood into our arteries. You can obtain an alternative extract from Blood root, Golden Seal, Stone and Queen's root, Cherry bark, rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold by most druggists, in sixty-cent vials, as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This blood tonic, in tablet or liquid form, is just what you need for "Spring Fever," for that lack of ambition. It will fill you full of vim, vigor and vitality.

Chilliness, when other people feel warm enough, is a sign of biliousness, or of malarial poisons—so is a furred or coated tongue, loss of appetite, headaches or giddiness, and a dull, drowsy, debilitated feeling. It's your liver that's at fault. You want to stimulate it and invigorate it with Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. With every trouble of the kind, these tiny little things act like a miracle. You can break up sudden attacks of Colds, Fevers, and Inflamations, with Stomach, Sick Headache, and Dizziness. They are small and pleasant to take, and the most thoroughly natural remedy. Twenty-five cents at most drug stores.

**OVERFLOW MASS MEET FOR NATIONAL GUARD**

The time has come when a call for a mass meeting in Ballinger is responded to, not by a half dozen, but by a half dozen hundred. The people are becoming aroused to the true situation that is confronting the American government, and while the Boches are shooting shells into the American trenches on the Toul sector, the folks at home are up and doing and showing an increased willingness to do what they can to help win the war.

The call for a mass meeting to organize a National Guard Company of cavalry Tuesday afternoon, met with a response which filled the Queen Theatre to overflow. All seats were occupied, and many people were standing, and stood throughout the hour and a half, and applauded with enthusiasm the speakers as they referred to the enemy's cruelty and American determination to win.

Judge A. K. Doss was the first speaker up and introduced the other speakers. After an inspiring and patriotic talk Judge Doss introduced Captain I. B. Stephens. Capt. Stephens briefly outlined the duties of the members of the company now being organized, and said that the time had come when men were not being prompted to duty by money, but through a patriotism for the protection of America. He told how the National Guard could serve in the great conflict without having to be far away from home and loved ones. He stated that a training at home of from three to five months would be given the men before they would be called into service. The cavalrymen can continue their work at home, attending to their business while taking this training.

Rev. R. B. Morgan followed Capt. Stephens in a fifteen minute talk, appealing to the men to support Capt. Stephens in the work of organizing the company.

Recruiting quarters have been established in the office of the local board, and quite a number of men have already enlisted, and efforts will be made to complete the company within ten days or two weeks, after which an officer will come here and muster the company in.

No road too savage for the Savage Tire. These tires are reasonable in price. Sold by E. V. Bateman, druggist.

**WANTED—946 old roosters at 8 cents per pound. E. P. Conn.**

**COTTAGE HOTEL AT WINTERS DESTROYED**

The Cottage Hotel at Winters was destroyed by fire between nine and ten o'clock Wednesday morning, according to a phonic message from Ed Eason to the Ledger.

The hotel was the property of A. T. Stokes, who was also proprietor of the hotel. The property was valued at \$6,000 and insurance on the building and contents amounted to \$7,000.

The fire originated in the roof of the building and was under good headway when discovered. Most of the furniture on the ground floor of the building was saved and part of the furniture in the new annex was saved.

Despite considerable wind that was blowing a shower of sparks over other property, the volunteer fire company confined the fire to the hotel building, a livery stable next by only being damaged to the amount of about \$100. Fire from sparks falling in the Hardin lumber yard started several times, but the bucket brigade was on duty and prevented the fire from gaining headway.

**WINTERS WATER SUPPLY.**

Fortunate for Winters, the city is being supplied with water from a well, known as the Miller well on main street. For some time an electric pump has been hatched to this well pumping water direct into the mains and filling the stand pipe. At the time of the fire the stand pipe was full and the pump also working, furnishing a good pressure. The well is supplying the people with all the water necessary for domestic purposes, but no one is allowed to irrigate. The large lake from which Winters gets its supply has been dry for some time.

**MOTHER! YOUR CHILD IS CROSS, FEVERISH, FROM CONSTIPATION**

If tongue is coated, breath bad, stomach sour, clean liver and bowels.

Give "California Syrup of Figs" at once—a teaspoonful today often saves a sick child tomorrow.

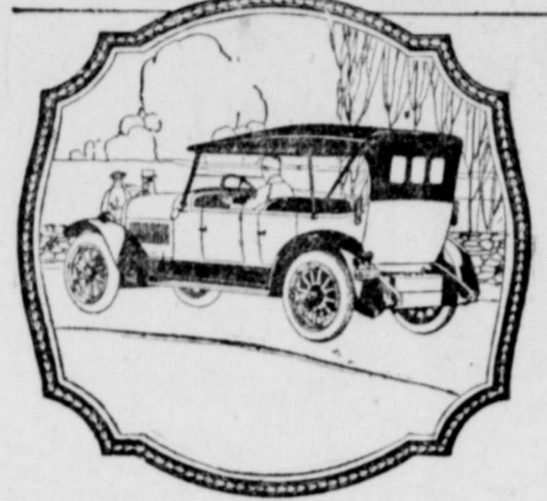
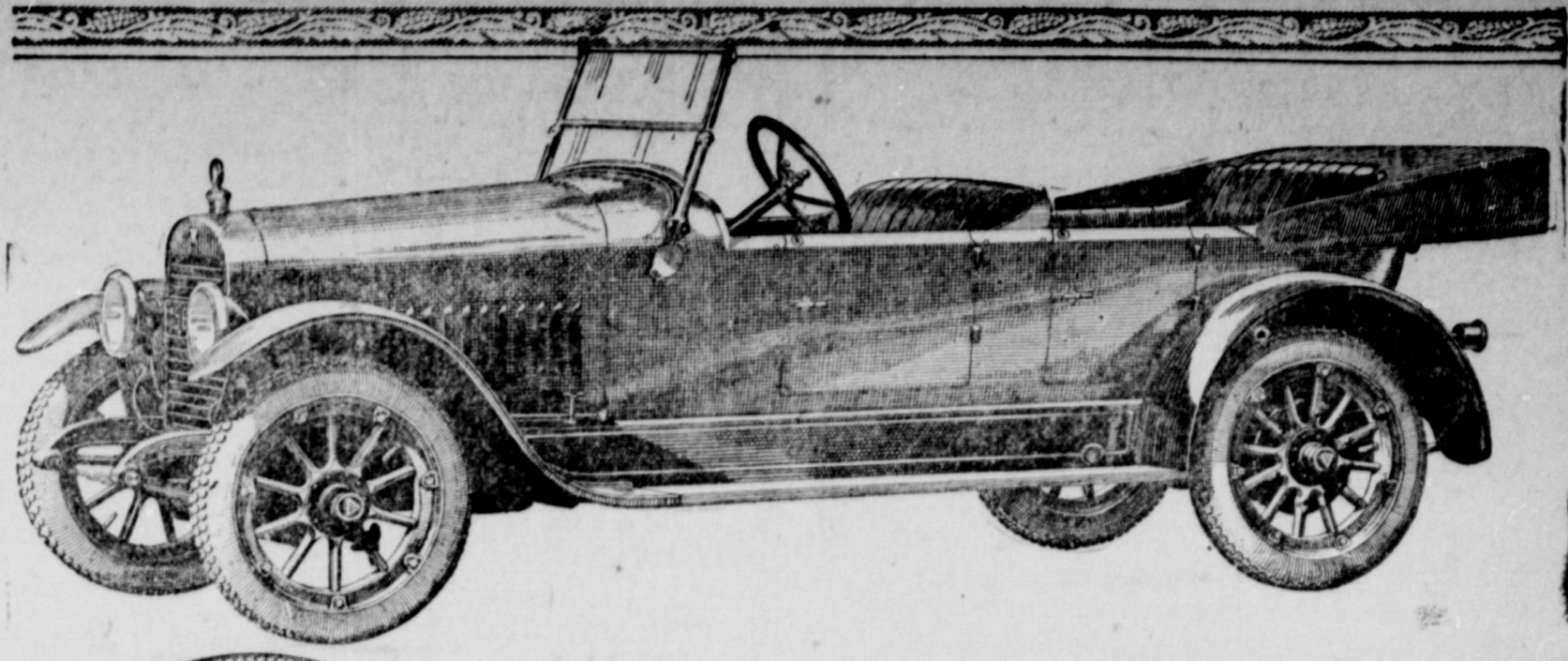
If your little one is out-of-sorts, half-sick, isn't resting, eating and acting naturally—look, Mother! see if tongue is coated. This is a sure sign that its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with waste. When cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad or has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated poison, undigested food and sour-bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again.

Mothers can rest easy after giving this harmless "fruit laxative," because it never fails to cleanse the little one's liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach and they dearly love its pleasant taste. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown ups printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs;" then see that it is made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

We were glad to see T. M. Marsh on the streets again Saturday after a week's severe tussle with blood poison in his hand.

Mrs. J. D. Dolbins, of Coleman, who had been here during an operation up on her little daughter for appendicitis at the Halley & Love sanitarium left for her home Tuesday afternoon and left the little girl doing all right.



More than twenty makers have copied the Hudson Super-Six Speedster of last year. This new model is a marked development of the car which has served as such inspiration to other makers. The name applied to the model last season seemed to limit it to those who wanted a fast car. The new model meets every requirement of those who desire a car of that type and still fills the want of those who wish a cozy, chummy car as richly finished in its detail as any model in the Hudson line. It is known as the Four Passenger Phaeton.

**Now Hudson Owners Have This Added Advantage**

CONSIDER this year's automobile question this way: The best mechanics from all repair and service stations are now needed for government service.

It is vital that any car that is to be depended upon for constant service must be one that calls for the minimum of expert attention.

Think what the records of 50,000 Super-Sixes now in service mean to new Hudson buyers. Every known test that would reveal the endurance limit of the Super-Six has been used to show Hudson owners how to build so that a minimum of service would be necessary.

Records of the performance of thousands of Hudson Super-Sixes as their owners have found them have been kept. This, too, was done so that Hudson engineers could make subsequent models more reliable and lasting. All that has been learned in the building of 50,000 Super-Sixes now in the hands of satisfied owners has served well in the building of the new series of Hudsons.

Hudson owners use their cars with the same confidence in their reliability that they do their watches. One is not conscious of the mechanism of a fine watch. Reliability and dependability are demanded. And so it is with the mechanical superiority of the Hudson.

This year the Hudson series has ten different body types: open models, inside owner-driven cars, chauffeur-driven cars, smart town car models and formal limousines.

**Higginbotham Brothers & Co.**

**Letter from Boy on Missing Collier Foretold of Trouble**

J. M. Scoggins, who was here from his home near Wingate Tuesday, was perhaps feeling the effects of the war more than any other man in the large crowd who came here to see the war relic train. Mr. Scoggins wears a service badge containing three stars, for he has three sons in the army and navy, and they are all volunteers.

The only news received concerning his son, Roy, who was a sailor on the Cyclops, the naval collier which has been missing for six weeks, came last Sunday in the form of a long telegram from the navy department. The telegram did not offer encouragement, or tell Mr. Scoggins anything that he did not already know, having learned from the daily newspapers. The navy department is doing everything possible to locate the missing ship or get some clue as to how it disappeared.

That the sailors on this ship anticipated trouble, and had already experienced trouble before the ship cleared the last time from an Atlantic port is shown in a letter from Roy to his father. The letter was written early in the year and while Roy was on short leave at Norfolk. He told of the hardships experienced on account of the mercenary captain of their ship on a trip they had just made to Halifax, following the awful tragedy caused by the blowing up of ships in the Halifax harbor last winter. He stated that the sailors had stood treatment that they would not stand again. It was just before sailing for South American waters that this letter was written, and it was the last news Mr. Scoggins had from his boy. Mr. Scoggins does not believe that his son is dead, but thinks that he has fallen in the hands of the enemy and is a prisoner. Recent statements from government authorities also indicate that this is the opinion of the navy department.

As above stated, Mr. Scoggins has four sons in the service. Lynn is now stationed at Camp Travis, where he is training new recruits. Eugene is in a wireless school near Boston, learning wireless telegraphy, and will soon be in active service in the signal corps. Arthur is sailing some where on the high seas on the Battleship Virginia. He is the youngest of the boys, having enlisted before he was eighteen years old. Roy is the missing son and until the fate of the Cyclops is known, no account of him can be given.

All efforts of the American government, assisted by other nations, has failed to locate the Cyclops, the naval collier which has been missing for forty-six days. Roy Scoggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scoggins of Wingate,

was on this ship. The vessel sailed from Barbados in the West Indies for the Atlantic port on March 31th. It has not been heard from since.

The latest reports from Washington states that the navy department believes the ship has either been destroyed or captured by Germany.

How this could have happened no one professes to know, but officials regard it as almost impossible that an accident could have caused the sea to swallow up the big vessel and 233 persons on board without leaving a trace and some think sooner or later an enemy announcement will clear up the mystery.

Publication of a dispatch from San Francisco quoting Mrs. A. M. Ankermann, a sister of Lieutenant Commander G. W. Worley of the Cyclops, as saying their family name was Wichtmann and that her brother was born in Germany and came to America when a child, led to an examination of the commander's record at the navy department. It shows that Worley entered the service of the navy twenty-eight years ago and at that time gave San Francisco as his birthplace. He attained the rank of master in the naval auxiliary and for years commanded colliers and supply ships. When the auxiliary was merged with the naval volunteers after the United States went to war, Worley was in command of the Cyclops and he retained that assignment with the rank of lieutenant commander.

Mrs. Worley, who lives in Norfolk, Va., explained that her husband's name was changed legally at Port Orchard, Wash., when he was a young man and before he entered the naval service. She confirmed the statement that he was born in Germany, but declared he always was an enemy of that country. His mother father, she said, was named Worley, and he went into court to adopt the name of George Wichtmann Worley legally.

**BOLD BURGLARY IN PAINT ROCK, APRIL 12**

Mr. Corstinger, proprietor of the Drug Store at Paint Rock was in Ballinger Tuesday and related a bold burglary that was pulled off at Paint Rock on the night of April 12th, and of which he was the victim.

The burglars, for they appeared to be more than one, entered his drug store at night by breaking the front plate glass and after entering stole about \$150.00 worth of merchandise, consisting of a number of the best grade of fountain pens, two fine watches, ten boxes of fine candy and num-

erous other articles of merchandise. No effort was made to rifle the cash drawer although there was considerable cash there, neither was the safe tampered with, which facts indicate that it was the work of amateurs and not professionals.

Constable officers and Rannels county officers are at work on the case and so far they think they have a splendid clue that will lead to several arrests in the near future.

The parties who perpetrated the burglary and their have visited the scene of the crime since it was pulled off is the belief of those who are working on the case.

R. P. Taylor, of the Norton country, came in Monday and left in the afternoon for Houston, and possibly Orange, where he will work in the Government ship building yards a few weeks, or if needed until the great war is over, so he said.

W. J. Keifer of the Winters country was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday and while here ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address.

**Another Success for Made-In-Texas Products**

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A sure remedy for that tired feeling It has the snap, the sparkle, the flavor, yet it is non-intoxicating

Made in San Antonio where the water is purest on earth; by San Antonio Brewing Ass'n.

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The Perfect Laxative

is a combination of simple Laxative Herbs with Pepsin, mild and gentle in its action and relieves constipation quickly, without griping or other pain or discomfort. It is especially recommended for children.

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DR. W. B. CALDWELL, 457 WASHINGTON STREET, MONTICELLO, ILLINOIS

# VENGEANCE AND THE WOMAN

EPISODE 9

Fairly flying down the sharp descent toward the lower flume, Blake's straining eyes caught for the first time the break which spelled their doom. They now were flashing across a canyon, so high that the trees below looked mere shrubs. Their helplessness was appalling.

Black Jack and his men at the head of the flume gazed anxiously down at the fast retreating front, too excited to use their rifles. Directly beneath the break, Johnson's party was waiting for the deep leap. Every now and then, Red, smiling, pointed up at the break, over which the stream poured in a high, ribbon-like water fall.

Less than fifty feet from the gap in the flume a large spike protruded in desperation seized it, his momentum lifting him partly out of the water. The strain was terrific, but he held on. Bessie, just behind and still in the grasp of the current, was swept almost under and past her husband, but thus once again the hand of Death was stayed.

Johnson's gang waited and wondered beneath the break. Black Jack, certain the pair had taken the leap, had called his men and hurried down the Devil's Slide.

Blake, half drowned by the down-pouring water, strained every muscle to retain his hold on the spike. He managed, at last, to half swing himself over the edge of the flume, where he held fast and helped Bessie to do likewise.

Their position was one of extreme peril. Below, through the trees, they could see the outlaws waiting to shoot; from above outlaws followed the course of the flume to the trestle. Here, Blake had Bessie fasten her belt firmly in his, and taking her entire weight on his back, he dropped down the side of the big chalice box and began the hazardous descent of the trestle over timbers treacherous and crumbled by time.

The descent was made in safety, but as Blake swung to the ground he saw Johnson and his men, and, seizing Bessie, hurried away into the woods.

It was Comanche Pete who first saw their footprints, but he turned from them without betraying their discovery. A moment later the outlaw leaders saw the imprints and dashed into the woods, the mounted men spreading out so as practically to sweep the entire side of the mountain.

"They won't get away this time," was Haines' grim comment.

Blake and Bessie, exhausted almost to the point of collapse, but realizing the outlaws were close behind them, and on their trail, rushed on through the woods to the banks of a large stream, just below a high water fall. On this bank, twenty feet above the stream, a large tree projected out over the water, its branches almost resting on a broad, flat rock. Beyond this rock, smaller ones formed natural stepping stones through the swift but shallow water to the opposite side.

Blake instantly saw in the tree possible escape and he leaped onto the trunk, pulling Bessie up after him. Con- cealed in the branches, they made their way out over the water, the tree bending lower and lower beneath their weight. When they reached a point above the rock, they hung and dropped safely onto it.

One hundred yards below and from the bank, Black Jack scanned the shores and waters and his keen eye caught the upward sweep of the tree as it was freed of the weight of Blake and Bessie. He knew such a disturbance must have been caused by human effort and calling to his men spurred in that direction.

Blake saw they had been discovered and realized that further flight across the rocks would only draw the rifle fire of their pursuers. He looked about in desperation. From a crevice at the base of the rock, heavy reeds grew and extended into the current. Crouching low in the reeds, their bodies partly submerged, the pair waited, not daring to look along the trunk of the tree.

Black Jack reined up at the tree and scanned the branches, but not a trace of Blake and the girl. Wonderment and anger spread over his face as he realized he had again been outwitted. He gave a short order and led his men back down to the river where a bridge crossed just above a second waterfall.

Blake and Bessie rose from the water and made their way about the rock and onto the stepping stones to the further shore. It was at this instant that Black Jack, faced about in his saddle, caught sight of them. He ordered Johnson back to the tree to cut off a retreat, while he and his men at breakneck speed continued on across the bridge to catch the fugitives when they reached the further side.

Leaping from stone to stone, Blake and Bessie gained the shore and started up the steep, rocky bank, but before they could gain the top, a shower of bullets from Johnson's men at the tree drove them back out of range. Refusing, however, to be trapped, while the outlaws should cross to where they were, Blake again went up the bank, half dragging his wife and scrambled over the edge.

Meantime, Black Jack and his men had crossed the bridge and, well mounted, were making a wide detour to come to the river bank, anticipating the safe passage of Blake and the girl. Johnson now convinced they could not return the way they had gone, had quit the tree and followed his chief across the bridge.

Stretching back from the river was a grassy plateau leading to the mountain and across this Blake and Bessie ran, hopeful they had eluded their enemies. Their flight shortly was interrupted by a cliff, a sheer drop of twenty feet. Hastily making a rope of their belts, Blake let his wife over the edge and she dropped safely on her feet. Glancing about and seeing no trace of the outlaws, she called up to her husband who prepared to follow. As that instant, hands reached out and seized her before she could make an outcry and dragged her into the brush. Unconscious to her fate, Blake dropped to the ground to be bound and gagged by Black Jack's men. The two prisoners were lifted onto horses and the cavalcade started for the mountains.

Until dark the party traveled in a wild, inaccessible canyon, dismounted and made camp. Bessie was freed of her bonds, but Blake, unable to move hand or foot, was tied to a tree, and Black Jack approached and sneered into his face.

"I've got you now. I've got your woman. Now, I'll deal with you."

A number of men seized the helpless man and dragged him from the spot, curly Brown holding back Bessie who in terror clung to her husband. Back in the woods a short distance four stakes were driven and to these the men started to lash Blake with a lariat, but Black Jack objected.

"No, rawhide," and when Johnson asked why, he explained.

"If the wolves don't get him tonight, the sun will shrivel the rawhide and give him a stretching."

There was pity in Comanche Pete's face for Bessie as she pleaded with curly to let her go to her husband, but he was powerless to do more than offer her a drink from his flask. She was still pleading when Black Jack came up and said he was going to take her to her husband. He led the trembling girl to the circle of men about their victim.

Bessie could not understand why he was staked down, but threw herself on the ground beside him. For a moment she embraced him, Black Jack looking down at them with an ironical smile. Then his face hardened and he led her away.

"Say goodbye. You'll be my woman now," he said. Then he seized her by the wrists and dragged her to his horse.

### FOODS TASTE BETTER COOKED —TOBACCO TASTES BETTER TOASTED

Since the day of the caveman, who liked his meat raw, civilization has learned a lot about the scientific treatment of the things we eat. Naturally none of us would now prefer to have our meat raw, our potatoes as they come from the ground, our coffee unroasted. And naturally follows the great discovery recently made by The American Tobacco Co.—that tobaccotastes better TOASTED!

This wonderful new idea—simple like all great inventions—was first used in producing the famous LUCKY STRIKE Cigarette—made of toasted Burley tobacco.

Burley has a mellow flavor, entirely different from the tobacco usually used for cigarettes. It is a pine tobacco and LUCKY STRIKE Cigarettes taste like a pipe.

### CUPID PLAYS PRANK IN MAN'S MISFOETUNE

The news of the marriage of Miss Doris Pagles to J. W. McCracken was received in Ballinger Sunday. The wedding took place at San Angelo, where the young lady recently went in her work of administering to the sick. Miss Pagles was a nurse in the local sanitarium. She was on duty when Mr. McCracken had the misfortune to get badly wounded in a cotton press at Rowena, and it was while the man was under treatment in the Halley & Love sanitarium and under the care of Miss Pagles that cupid got in his work.

After suffering for several weeks, McCracken was carried to his home in East Texas, there being little hopes for his recovery, but he survived and in time became himself again. He later instituted steps to recover damages for his injury, and at the last term of court in Ballinger a compromised agreement was affected in which he received a sum of \$10,000, in a way, pay him for the suffering and partial injury for life.

After standing on the brink of the hereafter for several weeks, the man not only falls heir to the cash just received, but he also falls heir to one of Ballinger's best girls, one who has been faithful in the duty placed upon her as a trained and graduate nurse of the Ballinger Training School for Nurses. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Pagles of this city and has many friends who will wish her all the happiness possible. The future plans of the young couple have not been made known to their Ballinger friends.

### GIRLS! GIRLS! TRY IT! STOP DANDRUFF AND BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR

Hair stops falling out and gets thick, wavy, strong and beautiful.

Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a "Danderine hair cleanse." Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt and excessive oil and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair.

Besides beautifying the hair at once, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp; forever stopping itching and falling hair.

But what will please you most will be after a few week's use when you will actually see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair and lots of it surely get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any druggist or toilet counter, and

### E. L. RASBURY IS SICK AT FT. WORTH

Mrs. E. L. Rasbury and daughter, Mrs. Alfred Luckett, of Miles, were called to Fort Worth Sunday on account of the illness of Mr. Rasbury. Edgar Rasbury preceded them to Fort Worth to be with his father. Mr. Rasbury went to Fort Worth a few days ago on business, and became ill with dysentery after he arrived in that city. While his condition was not supposed to be serious, the calling of the family created some alarm among Mr. Rasbury's friends. Mr. Luckett carried Mrs. Rasbury and Mrs. Luckett to Abilene in an auto Sunday morning, and they caught the early train out of that city for Fort Worth.

### Bruises and Sprains

Have Sloan's Liniment handy for bruises and sprains and all pains and aches. Quick relief follows its prompt application. No need to rub. For rheumatic aches, neuralgia, stiff muscles, lame back, lumbago, gout, strains, and sprains, it gives quick relief. Generous sized bottles.

**Sloan's Liniment**  
KILLS PAIN

### CONTRACT LET FOR OIL WELL IS RUMOR

While we have been unable to get any "official dope" on the proposition, it is being persistently rumored in Ballinger that a contract has been let for an oil well, and that actual drilling will begin in the near future.

The rumor has it that Dick Russell, of San Antonio, while in Ballinger this week, closed a contract with the Gulf Producing Co., of Houston, for the sinking of a 3500 foot well on his Grape Creek ranch east of Ballinger.

When called on today H. Giesecke, representing Mr. Russell, in this county, and who is closely associated with him, declined to deny or confirm the report, but stated that he could not give out anything for publication before about May first.

The writer informed him that oil news was good news to the readers of this paper, and we must give them even the rumors of oil developments. Mr. Giesecke stated that while he could give out nothing concerning the developing of the oil possibilities on the Russell ranch, that he did expect to be the first to bring about the drilling of an oil well in this county.

Mr. Russell was here the first of the week, and it is known that he has been negotiating with oil men, and it is also known that he has repeatedly refused to lease his large land holdings in this county, coupling all these things together it looks very much like there might be something doing.

Well, Mama, I must close; give my love to all, and take good care of my little wife and baby.

With lots of love, your son,  
LeRoy.

### CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE BILIOUS DRUG  
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. They are Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Sufferers Relieve SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

Miss Isabell Beckwith left Monday at noon for San Angelo, where she has accepted a position at the Dr. Boyd Carmick sanitarium.

C. A. Doose and Don A. Sweet, our popular and handsome assistant postmaster, made a flying business trip to Winters Saturday afternoon in the former's auto.

### GOOD POSITIONS OFFERED DRAFTS

The government is calling for skilled men in almost every branch of the service connected with the war. Places are offered to men in the draft age in seventy-five different occupations for overseas duty, as well as for duty in the units at home.

None but men within the draft age, and from any class, will be accepted for service in the various units, and the registrant must apply to the local board, and he will be furnished all the desired information, and inducted into that particular branch of work which he may choose from the list of seventy-five occupations. The occupations include everything from section hands to important places in the quartermasters and railroad positions. Telegraph operators, painters, and in fact almost every line of work is offered to the volunteer.

Those who are expecting to be drafted have an opportunity here of selecting their place and their work, and should confer with the local board at once.

### If I Were A Farmer

If I were a farmer I would keep at hand a few reliable medicines for minor ailments that are not so serious as to require the attention of a physician, such as Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs, colds and croup.

Chamberlain's Liniment for sprains and bruises and rheumatic pains.

Chamberlain's Tablets for stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. By having these articles at hand it would often have the trouble of a trip to town in the busiest season or in the night and would enable me to treat slight ailments as soon as they appear, and thereby avoid the more serious diseases that so often follow.

### PAINT ROCK BOY LANDS IN FRANCE

Will Kelly of Paint Rock, two well-known West Texans who enlisted early in the winter in the aviation section of the United States army at San Antonio, have arrived safely in France, according to cards this week received by relatives from the war department at Washington. The cards were written before the men departed and were mailed when the government was officially notified that their unit had reached port.

Both men are in the same unit and are serving as mechanics. Kelly is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kelly of San Angelo and was formerly engaged in the insurance business here. Sims is a son of D. E. Sims of Paint Rock, a prominent Concho county cattleman—San Angelo Standard.

### BALLINGER BOY SEES TRAGEDY ON SHIP

Mrs. R. A. Nicholson is in receipt of a letter from her son, LeRoy, which was mailed at New York. The last news received was in a letter from London, where LeRoy landed after a voyage across the waters:

Dear Mother:

Will write you a few lines. I intended to write you a long letter yesterday, but three men were killed on our ship and it upset me so much that I could not write. It sure was bad. Everyone was down-hearted. It was like this: We opened an oil tank to do some repair work on it and one man went, or started down the ladder and got half way down and was overcome with gas, and fell to the bottom. Then another man started down the ladder to get the one just fallen and he also fell. They were civilian workmen. Then one of our quartermasters from Dallas, Texas, put a line around himself and started below to get them. He got part of the way down and fell like the rest, other members of the crew started to pull him up but just as they were about to get him out, the rope slipped from him and he fell to the bottom of the tank, about 35 feet. It was surely a sad accident. Suppose you will read it in the papers. They finally got their bodies out by fireman using gas masks. Well, Mother, I feel a hundred per cent better than when I started this letter. I have just gotten a letter from you dated the 8th. This was the first letter that I have had in some time. My pay now is \$91.00 per month, and I am going up for third assistant engineer papers the next time I get to the U. S. I will not have any trouble in getting them I am sure. I do not think that we will be here very long. Answer this at once though we might be here long enough to get it.

I certainly would like to tell you of our trip but you know a soldier cannot tell everything he knows, but I can say I know we are at war. You people down there in Texas cannot realize the business of it. This trip I think changed every man on the ship; it changed them from "big boys" to men; it brought them all closer to their Creator; it made them know the smallness of a human being and the helplessness of themselves. Yes, a trip across the ocean would be a fine thing for a lot of people that we know. All of our mail has been going to Portsmouth, the only thing that I got on arrival was a Banner-Ledger. Maybe you think that I did not read every word of it! We are having a snow storm here now. It has been snowing for three days, and see, it's sure cold.

Well, Mama, I must close; give my love to all, and take good care of my little wife and baby.

With lots of love, your son,  
LeRoy.

### WELL "ARMED"!

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

### CALUMET BAKING POWDER

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

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

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

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

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

### HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

### MRS. KATE WOODWARD LOSES LEFT LIMB

Mrs. Kate Woodward was operated on at the Halley & Love sanitarium today and her left lower limb removed. The operation was made necessary on account of gangrene setting up. On account of her age it is not believed that she will recover. Her brother, Judge White and wife, of Coleman, were here to be with her during the operation.

Mrs. M. M. Woodward, Mrs. Squire Boone and R. S. Holland, left for Ballinger in a car at eight o'clock Thursday morning, having been called there by messages telling of the illness of Mrs. Kate Woodward, who is the sister of Mrs. M. M. Woodward and the aunt of Mrs. Squire Boone, Mrs. R. S. Holland and Mrs. J. E. Brown.

Mrs. Woodward is the mother of Mrs. Robert Corum, and she is reported to be seriously ill at the home of her daughter a mile west of the city.

Mrs. H. Vandevanter and daughter, Mrs. Milton Clayton came in from Ft. Worth Sunday, where they had been to visit their son and brother, Henry Vandevanter, who is in Camp Travis.

### For Spring Building

It's time to think about starting the new and repairing the old. We have a fine stock of sheeting, siding, bill stuff, shingles, sash, doors, lime and cement, waiting your needs. Let us figure your lumber estimates and show you where we can save you money.

### Ballinger Lumber Company

### Member Regional Bank FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### THE NEW FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

will aid legitimate business enterprises. The scattered reserves of all the National Banks will be made mutually beneficial to each other. This capital is available by any National Bank for all legitimate business enterprises—but not for speculation.

### THE First National Bank

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I am Sincere! Stop Calomel! I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Listen to me! Calomel sickens and you may lose a day's work. If bilious, constipated or headachy read my guarantee.

Every druggist in town—your druggist and everybody's druggist has noticed a great falling-off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason. Dodson's Liver Tone is taking its place.

TWO YEARS OUT FOR MEX. MURDER

Wood Hargis, of Concho county, was given a two years suspended sentence at Coleman Saturday, closing the case in which Hargis was charged with killing a Mexican because the Mexican killed his brother. The killing occurred at San Angelo, but the case was transferred to Coleman. The jury was completed Thursday morning and all the evidence in the case was in by Thursday night, and the case sent to the jury Friday at noon and the verdict of guilty of man-slaughter returned by the jury and the punishment fixed at two years with a recommendation that the sentence be suspended.

Hargis was tried under an indictment returned by the Tom Green county grand jury charging murder in connection with the killing of Francisco Gomez, a Mexican, who had killed Hargis's brother, Dennis, and was, when he himself was killed, in the custody of the Tom Green county officers on his way to the courthouse to be put on trial for murder.

The killing of Gomez occurred on the morning of October 15 last, and was one of the most drastic in the annals of this county. The Mexican, walking between two heavily armed officers, was crossing the street from the county jail to the court house when Hargis walked rapidly up and the killing took place before the officers could intervene.

The Mexican had killed Dennis Hargis, a brother of Wood Hargis, on a ranch near the northern line of the county on August 9 last. Gomez escaped before the officers could reach the scene and it was three days before he was found, walking on the Orient railroad tracks, near Blackwell.

WARNING—KEEP OUT! The public is hereby warned against hunting, fishing, picnicking, or trespassing in any way upon my land located on Mustang, east of Ballinger. Trespassers have been causing me trouble and I must forbid any one entering my pastures. Keep out and avoid trouble. ditwit Mrs. H. Vandevanter.

DISTRICT JUDGES EXCHANGING WORK San Angelo, April 22.—The business of the courts in the Fifty-first judicial district, of which Judge Charles DuBois of San Angelo is magistrate, will be heavy during the coming week, and two West Texas Judges will assist the San Angelo jurist in disposing of his work.

Judge DuBois is going to Coleman Sunday afternoon in order to preside there during the week over cases in which Judge J. O. Woodward is disqualified. Judge Woodward will reciprocate, going to Robert Lee on Thursday for the trial of Orle Alsop and Dan Torrance. The men are charged with burglary and theft in connection with the disappearance of J. S. Roan's automobile from Bronte on March 5th.

On Thursday of this week the contest of the will of the late Susan Holcomb is scheduled to be heard in district court here and Judge James Cornell of Sonora will come here to preside.

Costs but a few cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of liver sluggishness and constipation, you have only to ask for your money back. Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant-tasting, purely vegetable remedy, harmless to both children and adults. Take a spoonful at night and wake up feeling fine; no biliousness, sick headache, acid stomach or constipated bowels. It doesn't gripe all the next day like violent calomel.

GERMAN DISEASE KILLING CATTLE

D. M. Cogdell, who operates two large farms and ranches on the Clear Fork of the Brazos river, was in Abilene Friday and reported that he had lost thirty head of cattle and ten calves from a disease known as hemorrhagic septicaemia. The disease was brought to the United States from Germany about two years ago and first appeared in the Middle Northern states and later in Oklahoma.

Mr. Cogdell stated that the disease is hard to detect, unless dead animals are opened, when an untrained eye can easily see the cause of death. Vaccination is the only remedy to save the cattle. Commenting further he said that the disease can only get into a herd of cattle by a hypodermic injection and it then spreads to the other stock by contact with the sick animal. In the opinion of Mr. Cogdell an agent of Germany is responsible for the appearance of the disease in this country, and he is convinced that other stockmen have the disease in their herds. "I am sure that it is not the lack of proper food, nor the cold spring that is causing the present loss of cattle. Owners should investigate at once and be sure what is killing their stock for this disease will kill all of our cattle unless checked by vaccination. I have had two doctors on my place for almost a week, and am certain that we have located the cause for my losses, and I do not want to see other people lose their stock," said Mr. Cogdell.—Abilene Reporter.

Do You Sleep Well? To be at his best a man must have sound, refreshing sleep. When wakeful and restless at night he is in no condition for work or business during the day. Wakefulness is often caused by indigestion and constipation, and is quickly relieved by Chamberlain's Tablets. Try a dose of these tablets and see how much better you feel with a clear head and good digestion.

Cecil Biggs of Brady, was the guest of his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Roark, Thursday. He had just had a successful operation performed for nose and throat trouble at Brownwood, and visited here before returning home.

R. R. RUSSELL SHIPS CATTLE TO OKLAHOMA More than 300 head of cattle that R. R. Russell of San Antonio wintered on the Bob Wylie ranch on the Colorado river were shipped Friday from Miles to Comanche, Okla., via Brownwood and Fort Worth over the Santa Fe and Frisco. The consignment required ten cars.

J. L. Lee and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charlie Lee, of the Maverick country, came in Saturday and left for Houston to visit Charlie Lee a week or ten days in army camp near that city.

EVERYONE MUST HELP. Wars cannot be fought without money, and upon the Treasury centers every financial demand upon the Nation. The rich of this country cannot alone meet the needs of the Nation; the men of the country cannot do it alone; the women of the country cannot do it alone; but all of us, the people of the United States, disregarding partisanship, forgetting selfish interests, thinking only of the supremacy of right and determining to vindicate the majesty of American ideals and secure the safety of America and civilization, can do the great and splendid work which God has called upon us to do. W. G. McADOO, Secretary of the Treasury.

LIBERTY LOAN BONDS WINTERS PUTS ON IN BIG FIGURES LIBERTY BOND PARADE

Table listing names and amounts for Liberty Loan Bonds. Includes Mrs. J. A. Younger \$50.00, Harry Lynn \$50.00, Mrs. Della Hally \$50.00, J. Whit Patterson \$50.00, J. J. Yerby \$100.00, Mrs. J. W. Powell \$100.00, J. W. Powell \$100.00, W. W. Embry \$100.00, G. G. Carlisle \$100.00, Miss Lucile Powell \$300.00, R. G. Erwin \$500.00, Mrs. Sue Jackson \$50.00, O. P. Dorsey \$50.00, Mrs. Eva Spoots \$200.00, Wichita Valley Refining Co. \$500.00, W. C. Wheelless \$50.00, Malcom McGregor \$50.00, S. C. Harris \$50.00, J. W. Clappitt \$50.00, Ballinger Lumber Co. \$200.00, R. Gottschalk \$200.00, C. P. Shepherd \$50.00, J. N. Nutt \$100.00, Total today \$450.00, Previously reported \$8,800.00, Total to date \$9,250.00.

The Ballinger State Bank reports the sale of \$2000 Liberty Bonds to Rev. H. E. Bates. W. C. Wheelless \$50.00, Malcom McGregor \$50.00, S. C. Harris \$50.00, E. F. Krebs \$50.00, R. W. Bruce \$50.00, W. H. Weeks \$50.00, E. C. Baskins \$50.00, Jno. A. Weeks \$100.00, Mrs. Alice Wilder \$150.00, J. W. Clappitt \$50.00, R. H. Hodges \$50.00, J. N. Nutt \$100.00, E. F. Batts \$50.00, W. J. Fowler \$50.00, J. T. Wiley \$50.00, Mrs. Emma Wiley \$50.00, Miss Minnie Blackman \$50.00, G. F. Allen \$100.00, Ballinger State Bank \$800.00, H. P. Bates \$200.00, Mrs. N. J. Allen \$50.00, H. B. Hallman \$300.00, Ballinger Lumber Company \$200.00, R. Gottschalk \$200.00, J. M. Skinner \$100.00, Lydia Henniger \$100.00, Ida Henniger \$100.00, Emil Gully \$50.00, C. P. Shepherd \$50.00, O. V. Miller \$50.00, Mrs. Mary B. Sharpe \$50.00, Sons of Herman Lodge \$50.00, E. A. Werner \$50.00, F. J. Werner \$50.00, Ang. Vogelsang \$50.00, John Peuckack \$50.00, J. Keidel \$50.00, R. C. Henniger \$50.00, F. W. Wilde \$50.00, Pat Fox \$50.00, J. L. Stroble \$50.00, Mrs. Opal Stroble \$50.00, Robt. & Martin Stroble \$50.00, Geo. M. Vaughn \$100.00, J. K. Hutton \$100.00, Mrs. J. K. Hutton \$100.00, J. H. Baugh \$100.00, Geo. Emmett Davis \$100.00, A. B. Davis \$150.00, J. A. Davis \$200.00, J. S. Reese \$50.00, Mrs. J. E. Reese \$50.00, Paul Trimmer \$200.00, Mrs. W. J. Miller \$50.00, Mrs. E. C. Allison \$100.00, E. V. Bateman \$50.00, Ike Houig \$50.00, Mrs. Tom Ward \$450.00, W. R. Murphy \$50.00, C. B. Blagg \$50.00, Mrs. L. E. Bair \$50.00, P. E. Lamotte \$50.00, R. E. Willingham \$50.00, Lawrence Campbell \$50.00, William Hill \$100.00, M. L. Gilmore \$100.00, J. J. Beck \$100.00, Bill Walker \$200.00, L. L. Morris \$100.00, Lt. F. M. Pearce, Camp Pike \$100.00, Ark \$100.00, Mrs. S. E. Hill \$100.00, Theo. Kre \$100.00, J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. \$500.00, Otto Vogelsang \$500.00, Ludwig Bros \$1000.00, Gulf Refining Company \$3000.00, Mrs. J. Y. Pearce \$100.00, Shine Phillips \$200.00, First National Bank \$10,000.00, Williedell Schaw \$50.00, Kannels County Sch. Fund \$2,000.00.

As a result of a patriotic rally and Liberty Bond parade at Winters Saturday, that town reports the sale of Liberty Bonds to thirty-eight different purchasers, aggregating \$2,700.00. Prominent speakers from Abilene addressed the people and there was much enthusiasm, and the sales reported were made in a short time. Many other sales will result during the present week. Following are the names of those buying bonds at Winters Saturday: J. E. Ray \$50.00, Ben Spill \$50.00, G. W. Phillips \$50.00, L. W. Mosley \$50.00, E. A. Sheppard \$50.00, B. F. Guin \$100.00, R. P. Penny \$100.00, Ino. Eckf \$50.00, Emma Spill \$50.00, E. A. Meadows \$50.00, W. H. Mullin \$100.00, A. L. Kerley \$50.00, Arthur Brian \$250.00, T. W. Murray \$50.00, Mrs. J. O. McAdams \$50.00, W. J. Gardner \$100.00, E. Meier \$50.00, W. D. Donham \$50.00, Mrs. Annie Donham \$50.00, J. W. Monroe \$50.00, Mrs. W. L. Bell \$300.00, Wm. Minzenmayer \$50.00, Mrs. C. D. Garrett \$50.00, Mrs. Lucy Townsend \$50.00, J. A. Lamberth \$100.00, O. P. Heidel \$50.00, Nera Doran \$50.00, O. J. Hinds \$50.00, J. B. Parks \$100.00, W. H. Scott \$50.00, Ola Harper \$100.00, W. A. Griffin \$50.00, C. W. Williams \$50.00, E. R. Gannaway \$50.00, W. W. Hall \$50.00, Mrs. Jno. Grey \$50.00, Winters State Bank \$5,000.00, J. L. Speer \$100.00, W. S. Sylvler \$100.00, Mrs. W. S. Sylvler \$100.00, J. M. Dimwiddle \$100.00, L. E. Cleveland \$50.00, Thelma Balby \$100.00, W. T. White \$50.00, C. T. Rives \$50.00, Walter Neely \$50.00, W. R. Davis \$50.00, Mrs. G. T. McDonald \$100.00, W. H. Rodgers \$100.00, W. L. Hinds \$100.00, H. L. Chapman \$100.00, R. K. Kormagey \$100.00, Ruth Hope \$50.00, Frank McElroy \$100.00, J. A. Lamberth \$100.00, N. E. Myers \$400.00, J. S. Hall \$100.00, Dick Barnett \$50.00, A. T. Eiland \$250.00, F. D. Dillingham \$50.00, F. Voelker \$200.00, M. Frick \$100.00, J. W. Poe \$200.00, T. G. Carr \$100.00, F. Armbrrecht \$100.00, Mrs. H. O. Jones \$100.00, Lena Jones \$100.00, Ruth Jones \$100.00, Harvey Jones \$100.00, Allen Jones \$100.00, A. E. Griffin \$100.00, J. O. McAdams \$100.00, W. M. Hope \$50.00, H. K. Reid \$100.00, J. M. Skaggs \$500.00, H. W. Lyam \$50.00, C. B. Hope \$50.00, F. D. Bedford \$100.00, T. R. Dorsett \$50.00, Mrs. T. R. Dorsett \$50.00, J. W. Byers \$200.00, Mrs. W. A. Jennings \$50.00, J. W. Copeland \$100.00, Alma Voelker \$50.00, Herbert Jones \$300.00, Herman Clemens \$500.00, L. C. Newton \$100.00, Allen Bros. \$50.00, N. L. Roberts \$50.00, J. L. Miller \$100.00, Fred Gerhart \$50.00, G. A. Prusser \$100.00, L. W. Compton \$50.00.

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

LIKE AN ELECTRIC BUTTON ON TOES Tells Why a Corn is so Painful And Says Cutting Makes Them Grow. Press an electric button and you form a contact with a live wire which rings the bell. When your shoes press against your corn it pushes its sharp roots down upon a sensitive nerve and you get a shock of pain.

Instead of trimming your corns which merely makes them grow, just step into any drug store and ask for a quarter of an ounce of Freezone. This will cost very little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. A few drops applied directly upon a tender, aching corn stops the soreness instantly, and soon the corn shrivels up so it lifts right out, root and all, without pain. This drug Freezone is harmless and never inflames or irritates the surrounding skin.

W. G. Chanman and son, Clyde, of South Ballinger, came in Monday and Clyde left in the afternoon for Wichita Falls where he will visit his sister, and work until it rains in this section.

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 or ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 30c.

Mrs. E. D. Walker returned home Monday at noon from San Antonio, where she had been spending the past week with her son, Edwin, and her daughter, Mrs. Sidney Hale, the two gentlemen being in the army at Camp Travis.

Bevo THE BEVERAGE An All-year-round Soft Drink for the Bluejackets Our boys in the navy enjoy their Bevo. The esteem in which it is held by the entire Navy Department is clearly indicated by the fact that it is sold and served on all U. S. vessels and in training camps. Afloat or ashore, you will find Bevo unusually refreshing, good and healthful. Soft in the strictest sense, but a thoroughgoing man's drink. Try it by itself, or with a bite to eat. Served everywhere—families supplied by grocers, druggists or dealers. Manufactured and bottled exclusively by Anheuser-Busch, St. Louis. WALKER-SMITH CO. Wholesale Distributors BALLINGER, TEXAS

BALLINGER BOY WRITES FROM N. P.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlaw are in receipt of a letter from their son, L. B. The letter was written at New Port, Rhode Island, where L. B. was sent recently after enlisting in the navy.

Dear Father and Mother:— I all O.K. Have plenty to eat and get plenty of drilling and marching. Mama, the navy isn't like the army. There is strictly no gambling here and we go to church every Sunday. Sunday is Chapel day. We get up at five, and I don't mean five-thirty, either. We go to eat by music, go to bed by music and go to drill by music. We had a real nice trip coming up here. Came over from New York on a boat. This is a clean place with twenty sailors here on duty. Mama, you don't know how a boy appreciates a good mother and father until he gets away from home. A boy never pays for his raising any way. I am further away from home, many miles further than I ever expected to be. Don't worry about me, I will come out all O.K. With love, L. B.

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

FIVE HUNDRED POUND PIG Judge C. H. Willingham had a nine months-old pig killed Friday morning that tipped the beam right at 500 pounds. The main feature about this pig is that the Judge's son, Arthur told his father last September that he had a little runt pig that he intended to knock in the head and throw it in the ditch, as it looked so sorry that it would never do any good. But he put the pig in his buggy and brought him to his father, and the Judge applied his rejuvenating remedy, salt, soda and charcoal and of course, plenty of slops, together with a corn ration, with the result that at about nine months of age the pig made a large wood meat hog. The market offered \$80 for the hog but the Judge decided it was worth more to him for fresh meat and lard. What the Judge did others could do and the example is worth a trial.

Master Garland Pickett, who had been visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grossett and family, joined his father, Conductor Tom Pickett on the Monday morning train en route to their home at Temple.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH IN DEEP WELL

The following story of the most miraculous escape of a child from a tragic death is taken from the last issue of the Pecos Enterprise.

An accident which had the thickness of tissue paper between the humorous and tragic occurred the fore part of the week out from Toyah where the railroad is drilling a big well for their water supply.

The scene is an attraction for several small boys who are found there nearly all the time, one of them the 3 year-old son of one of the helpers. This lad while looking into the 20-inch hole, lost his balance and fell head first into the hole. Hanging in the well near the top was the sand bucket, and the lad's head wedged in it, and he carried it with him in his descent. The well is a deep one and had he fallen to the bottom death would have been instant.

Luckily, however, he or the bucket wedged at about 20 feet from the top, and those who hurried to the opening could see his legs kicking vainly. He was cautioned to keep quiet, as he might lose hold on the bucket, and a plan of rescue was decided on. One of the older boys was asked to volunteer to let himself be lowered into the hole with a rope to put over the lad's feet. There was nothing stirring, however. Another lad volunteered, but being too large, could not get very far from the surface.

It was then decided to make a loop to lower the boy's feet and trust to the coals of fate. This was done by Jess Williams, the driller, and after nearly two hours of as patient angling as was ever performed he succeeded in looping the lad's feet and drawing the rope tight. About ten feet were negotiated when the child stuck hard and fast. The men realizing the responsibility, turned to the father, who instructed them to pull their best. It was the proper stroke for the lad came loose and was brought to the top, where the bucket was taken from his head, it being on pretty tight, and the next morning he was around the works as if nothing had happened.

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. 60c.

The many friends of Verb Jones will be glad to learn that he was able to be on the streets Friday for the first time in three months, from a protracted spell of measles and typhoid fever. He has been able to be up at home for the past two weeks, through today was up town for the first time.

STOMACH TROUBLE Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT recommended very highly, so began to use it. It cured me. I keep it in the house all the time. It is the best liver medicine made. I do not have sick headache or stomach trouble any more." Black-Draught acts on the jaded liver and helps it to do its important work of throwing out waste materials and poisons from the system. This medicine should be in every household for use in time of need. Get a package today. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c a package. All druggists. ONE CENT A DOSE

Stomach Trouble I cannot Praise Your Wonderful Medicine Peruna Enough Mrs. Sophie Bauer, 121 First Ave. North, Fairbault, Minnesota, writes: "I cannot praise your wonderful medicine, Peruna, enough. It has done much for me during the past ten years and I keep it in the house continually. I was in such a condition that I could eat nothing but bread and milk, and even that was too heavy for me at times. Now, I can eat anything. I will recommend Peruna to all my friends." Those who object to liquid medicine can procure Peruna Tablets.





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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Alcorn, of Crews country, were shopping and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

C. E. Witt of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Goldthwaite where he goes to look after grass for his cattle.

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### POULTRY SCHOOL TO BE HELD HERE MAY 9

What should prove a big boost for the poultry industry of this county will be the poultry school to be held here on May 9th and 10th, under the direction of two poultry experts. The program announced for the two days is as follows:

Committee: M. F. Treadwell, A. C. Homann, R. H. Corum, Shester Cherry, D. F. Eaton.

Local details in charge of Mrs. Genie E. Cameron, County Home Demonstration Agent, Ballinger, Texas.

School directed by F. W. Kazmier, Poultry Husbandman, cooperating with U. S. Department of Agriculture, College Station, Texas.

Thursday, a. m.—May 9th:  
9:00 to 9:15 Opening address—Mrs. Genie E. Cameron, Ballinger, Texas.

9:15 to 9:45 "Purpose of School and Outlook of Poultry Business"—F. W. Kazmier, College Station, Texas.

9:45 to 10:30 "Poultry as a War Measure" by C. F. Wehman, Extension Poultry Husbandman, College Station, Texas.

10:30 to 11:30 "Poultry Breeding"—F. W. Kazmier, College Station, Texas. Lecture and demonstration with live specimens.

Thursday p. m.—May 9th:  
2:00 to 2:30 Lecture and demonstration, care, storing and selecting of eggs for hatching by C. F. Wehman, College Station, Texas.

2:30 to 3:30 Lecture and demonstration on the study of incubation, operation of incubators, killing lice, testing eggs for incubation—F. W. Kazmier and C. F. Wehman, assisted by Mrs. Genie E. Cameron.

3:30 to 4:00 Round Table Discussion on Incubation, led by D. F. Eaton.

Friday a. m.—May 10th:  
9:00 to 10:00 Lecture and demonstration on poultry diseases, mixing mixture, operation of sprays, dissecting of sick chickens, etc. Illustrated lec-

ture by F. W. Kazmier, College Station Texas.

10:00 to 11:00 Poultry Houses, study of poultry house plans, drawings, charts and models, farm and back yard poultry houses, fixtures, equipment. Home made appliances, incubators, cellars, construction of hoppers, brooders etc., led by C. F. Wehman and F. W. Kazmier, assisted by Mrs. Genie E. Cameron.

11:00 to 12:00 Study of brooders, thermometers, chick raising equipment, actual construction of Brooder coops, chick feeders, chick yards, and other equipment—lecture and demonstration on brooding and care of baby chicks from shell to maturity—by F. W. Kazmier and C. F. Wehman, assisted by Mrs. Genie E. Cameron.

Friday p. m.—May 10th:

2:00 to 3:00 "Poultry Anatomy—the chick before, during and after incubation and the digestive system—illustrated lecture and demonstration—dissecting of small chickens, by F. W. Kazmier, College Station, Texas.

3:00 to 4:00 Poultry anatomy, skeleton, reproductive system by C. F. Wehman.

4:00 to 5:00 Killing and picking poultry, actual practice, demonstration in

capenizing, packing, grading and handling of eggs by F. W. Kazmier and D. F. Eaton, assisted by Mrs. Genie E. Cameron.

As nearly as possible this program will be carried out.

For laboratory work we hope to have available lumber, packing boxes, nails, screws, carpenter's tools, straw and many samples of feed, exhibits of eggs, live poultry of various sizes, all kinds of poultry supplies, charts, models, instruments, lantern and lantern slides, moving picture films, etc.

We hope to be able to show the material for a miniature poultry farm and farm poultry flock, as well as back yard poultry flock.

Black boards will be available for illustrating many points.

Everybody is asked to get in touch with the arrangement committee of whom Mrs. Genie E. Cameron, Ballinger, Texas, is chairman. Bring such material as stock, chicks, fowls, packing boxes, poultry supplies and in fact all material required.

It will be a good plan to bring your apron and overalls to aid in the actual work performed.

Remember—

What you read, you don't always know

how to do!

What you see, you don't always know how to do!

What you hear, you don't always know how to do!

What is shown you, you don't always know how to do!

But—

When you do it yourself, you always know how to do it.

Yours very truly,

F. W. KAZMEIER,  
Poultry Husbandman.

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#### QUITS COMMISSIONERS RACE.

To the People of Precinct No. 4: I wish to announce that I have decided to withdraw from the county commissioners' race. Thanking you and all for all past favors, I am yours for something better.

W. E. Ratliff.

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