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England is Facing Political Crisis

London, May 8.—The most serious political crisis in the life of Lloyd George in the British government exists today. The situation was engendered by a letter charging the premier with a lack of veracity, and was brought to a head today by Premier Asquith's motion in favor of the house of commons investigating the charges, instead of allowing the government to appoint two judges for the purposes of conducting the investigation.

Premier Asquith's action amounts to a direct declaration of a lack of confidence in the British government. Lloyd George will probably reply to the letter making charges against him, but the incident and move for investigation tends to shake public confidence in the man until it is straightened out, despite the belief of political students that the premier can explain all things satisfactory.

London, May 7.—Andrew Bonar Law, government spokesman in the house of commons, announced today the government proposed to ask two judges to act as court of honor to investigate the charges made by General Frederick B. Maurice, who was recently removed from the post of director of military operations at the British war office.

Mr. Bonar Law said the army council was dealing with questions of discipline growing out of a letter written by General Maurice.

"General Maurice's letter," said Mr. Bonar Law, "raised two questions—the question of military discipline involved in writing such a letter, and the question of veracity of ministerial statements.

J. P. Maddox, the big stockman of the Hatchel country, left from this point Monday afternoon for Wichita, Kans., where he has shipped a large bunch of cattle to sell on that market.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oliver of the Hatchel country and F. M. and Sam Wood, and C. E. McMillan, of the Mud Creek country, were in Ballinger Monday to be with one of their neighbor soldier boys, Lee McMillan, who left in the afternoon for Camp Travis.

Our People Should Pull Together for Good Roads

As stated in yesterday's paper a civil engineer working for the Federal Government has been in Nolan county this week looking over the road work that is being done. The party here was J. D. Fautleroy of Fort Worth, who has charge of the work in the Sixth Federal District including the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana. He went out over the roads being worked on in this county in company with the engineer, J. E. Beaver, and from all reports he was well pleased with the grades and other phases of the work, and pronounced the grade of gravel being used for road bed as being of a good quality. He thought possibly some Federal aid would be granted this county within a short time but these matters have to pass through a considerable routine before being finally approved.—Sweetwater Reporter.

A nice tip for the men who are standing around on the street corner

in Ballinger fighting the bond issue. The Nolan county people have issued bonds and are building their roads so the state will maintain them out of the auto tax money, while the fight is on in Ballinger precinct to keep the precinct from getting the benefit of \$60,000 offered by the federal and state government, building the roads and then getting auto tax money for maintaining them. It seems that the state is better to us than to some other people as the state has set aside \$40,000 and insists that we meet the requirements of the law in putting up our part of the cash and build roads, and offers \$20,000 more as soon as we can judicially use it. We can't understand why the fight is being made on the move for good roads in the precinct. The vote should be unanimous in the precinct. We can never accomplish anything as long as we fight among ourselves. The vote should be unanimous.

ASK FOR LARGE SUM FOR SHIP BUILDING

Washington, May 8.—The ship building board has asked the appropriation committee of the house for two billion and two hundred and twenty-three million dollars for American ship building during the next fiscal year.

Washington, May 6.—The army program for the next year of war calls for the expenditures of three billion and three hundred and seventy-eight million dollars for light ordnance alone. The expenditures for the heavy ordnance will be approximately seven billion, while the quartermasters corps wants five and three quarter billion.

LEFT FOR SOUTH TEXAS.

Rev. W. O. Self and family left Monday afternoon for Port Arransas, Texas, where they will make their future home. Rev. Self had been the pastor of the Nazarene church in Ballinger the past several months and he and his family made many strong friends while here who wish them success and happiness in their new home. He requested us to express the heartfelt thanks of himself and family to the kind citizens of Ballinger for the many favors and kindness shown them while in our midst.

J. J. Henkhaus, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route home from New Ulm, where he had been to attend the funeral of his brother.

GERMAN SUB SINKS SHIPS, KILLS 11

New York, May 7.—Eleven members of the crew of the American steamer Tyler, were killed when the vessel was torpedoed and sunk off the French coast on May 3rd, according to word received here today.

Washington, May 7.—With three well placed shots the American steamer Tidewater, disposed of an enemy submarine on March 17th, the navy department officially announces. The second shot was a clear hit, the commander reported, while the captain, the chief engineer and others were satisfied it was the effective shot that sent the sub down never to come up again.

With Americans, May 7.—In Picardy Monday the German organizations were bathed in gas in retaliation for the gassing of the Americans.

Saturday night the guns roared all night and the Boches threw fifteen thousand shells of mustard gas into the American lines. All roads in the vicinity were shelled. Subsequently there was a three hours bombardment with high explosives. The Americans remained in their dugouts throughout the gas attack and suffered little losses.

With British, May 7.—The allied guns for the past twenty-four hours have been steadily straffing the rear lines of the Germans greatly hindering the movement of men and materials by the enemy.

Infantry lull continues and only raids and petty exploits are being conducted. On most of the front it is only ordinary mutual cannonading, while the trenches are being drenched by many showers.

London, May 7.—Field Marshal Haig reports raiding activities today. "We captured a few prisoners and three machine guns in success at raids last night in the neighborhood of 'Seville,'" says the report, "and our troops only suffered light casualties." Gen. Haig says enemy raids south of Arras at Bevelles were repulsed.

LIEUTENANTS NAMED FOR CAVALRY CO.

Capt. L. B. Stephens is in receipt of a telegram confirming his recommendation of A. J. (Eck) Thorp as first lieutenant for the Runnels County Cavalry Company, and Lieut. Thorp has been ordered to appear for physical examination. If he gets by with the doctors he will receive his commission and appear in the regulation uniform.

Capt. Stephens went to Winters Monday night where he met with quite a number of citizens of that town and recommended Allen Griffith for second lieutenant, and urged Winters to speed up in enlisting his quota of the men to make up the company.

Recruiting is dragging just a little at present, and Runnels county bids fare to be among the last counties to report ready and call for a mustering of volunteers. This company offers a fine opportunity for men in line for service to volunteer and be located so they can serve at home without having to go to a foreign country.

Prof. Henry Todd, who taught the Hatchel school, was among the visitors in Ballinger Monday and had closed his school last Friday.

British Expect Germans to Resume Flanders Drive Soon

QUARTERLY REGISTRY IS CONSIDERED

Washington; Provost Marshal General Crowder told the house military committee this morning that it would probably be necessary to arrange for registration of men becoming 21 quarterly during the next year in order to carry out the new army program.

Gen. Crowder presented an estimate calling for an appropriation of fifteen million dollars, three million dollars over last year, for draft expenditures this year. He stated to the committee that a plan is now being considered for quarterly registration necessitated the increase in the appropriation.

Washington, May 3.—The movement of American troops in May to fill gaps in the ranks of the western front will far exceed the April movement, it was officially stated today. While the strict censorship prevents the extensive dealing in figures, it may be said that the number of troops sent abroad in April for exceeded the original promises by numbers running into considerable thousands.

These facts, following Secretary Baker's revelations of official plans for army expansion, coming with other information which can not be given out, means that American troops in Europe will be well along toward the two million mark before the present year ends, even the present schedules are maintained, while plans call for an increase of the schedules.

Added British tonnage for transporting troops to Europe, which is already in service, brigading of Americans with British and French makes it possible to carry virtually five times as many soldiers as would be the case where American divisional organizations are kept in tact when sent across with supplies.

Washington, May 6.—Men drafted into the army service can be sent anywhere in the world to fight for the United States. The supreme court ruled that the draft law was constitutionally enacted. The action of the court upholds the draft law in every particular, no phase of it being held unconstitutional.

CALL FOR MORE MEN ON MAY 20

Washington, May 7.—The war department issued a call for 2000 men today to fill vacancies in the civil engineering, ordnance and quarter-masters corps. The men will be drawn from all the states in the union except Arizona, Delaware and Vermont, and Maj. Crowder's orders call for men to entrain on May 20th.

Washington, May 7.—President Wilson's great army plan is backed by a reserve of approximately a million and three-quarters physically fit men in class one. Provost Marshal General Crowder and other army officials announce. This represents the actual fighting strength of this class with a deduction for call of Saturday of 225,000 men included. To this should be added about 700,000 additional fighters by registration of all young men becoming twenty-one by next month, increasing the reserves to nearly a half million. These figures as given out by the provost marshal assures deferred classes that they need not be invaded to supply all increases now planned in raising the big army for 1918.

With British Army, May 8.—German Field Marshal Hindenburg appears to be about ready to strike another offensive blow, unless signs are wholly deceitful and misleading. From various sources it is learned that vast machinery composed of roads, railways, bridges, airdromes, airplanes, and artillery stand ready for action while the German troops, refitted, refreshed and strengthened await the pull of the trigger which will hurl them into the awful fray again. Reinforcements and American encouragement has filled up the weak gaps in the allied line and an attack means death to thousands of Huns, while the allies will put up the strongest defense yet made.

With American Army in Picardy, May 8.—The American artillery has pounded the German positions at Cantigny, Courtenmarch, Fontaine, South Montdidier, Mesnil, St. Georges and all roads and woods in the vicinity. Under extremely heavy fire Cantigny and Framancourt wood have been torn up by high explosive shells thrown by the American artillery. Enemy supply trains were subjected to a deluge of shells, and no doubt suffered greatly, while the sky was ablaze throughout the night with American fire. The Boches replied against our rear organization front which is now a sea of mud.

With British, May 8.—The Australian troops have advanced again north of the Somme river. One advance made by the Australian fighters was west of Morlancaurt where the Australians advanced more than three hundred yards on a five hundred yard front. Another advance was northeast of Hally-Le-Sec, where the troops advanced to a depth of five hundred yards on a six hundred yard front.

London, May 8.—The British again advanced today on the lines between the Somme and Ancre rivers, taking several prisoners as they raided the enemy, Gen. Haig reports. Hostile cannonading occurred in Flanders, and the enemy artillery was increased this morning in the northern portion of the battlefield.

Paris, May 8.—A most violent artillery fire is under way north and south of the Avre river on the Amiens front, the French war offices officially announce.

The Germans were repulsed in a bitter attack and German prisoners taken west of Montdidier and in the region of Hangard-Thennes. This is where the Americans are operating and it is believed that the Americans participated in the defeat of the Huns.

With Americans, West of Montdidier, (Sunday).—American guns are pouring shell fire on Montdidier, Cantigny and Mesnil. These and other towns and roads in this vicinity were captured by the Germans some time ago.

Montdidier, which can be seen from the American observation posts, has been badly knocked out, but the church is still standing. Cantigny church is also intact, but the town has been wrecked by the American shells. It is believed that the Germans are using the Cantigny church as an observation post.

The American artillery blew up what was probably an ammunition dump near Cantigny, the fire lasting for an hour. An American patrol went out on No Man's Land and encountered over forty Boches. The Americans fought their way back to their own line after inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

Paris, May 6.—The American artillery fired sixty thousand shells into the German trenches before a recent attack, completely blotting them out, the French war office announced today.

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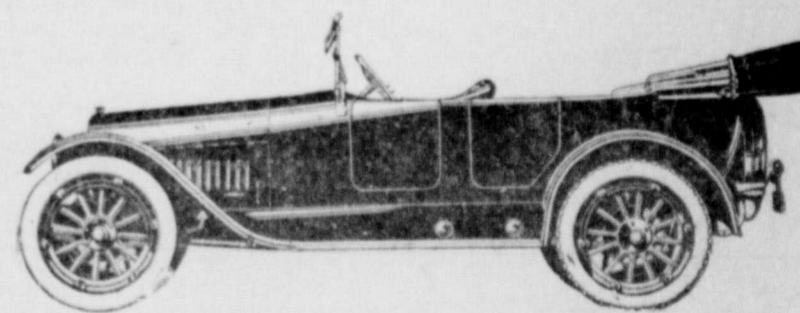
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Nausea, nervousness, bearing-down and stretching pains and other symptoms so familiar to many women are among the dreaded experiences thousands of mothers say they entirely escape by the use of this famous remedy.

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By the regular use of Mother's Friend during the period the muscles are made and kept soft and elastic; they expand easily without strain, when baby is born and the pain and danger of the crisis is naturally less.

BALLINGER BANKER WILL MOVE TO BRYAN

It was announced Thursday that Audy Gustavus had tendered his resignation as assistant cashier and bookkeeper for the Farmers & Merchants Bank, same to take effect within a few days, and that Mr. Gustavus would move to Bryan, Texas.

Mr. Gustavus has been with the F. & M. Bank since it opened for business, or thereabout, and has served as all-round man in the bank having charge of the bookkeeping most of the time.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Gustavus will regret to know they are to move away from Ballinger. The place made vacant by the resignation here has not been filled.

Ballinger Insurance Man Tells of Friend's Recovery

"He suffered considerably from gas in stomach and colic attacks, and at times was very yellow. His doctors diagnosed his ailment as gall bladder trouble and that an operation was necessary. Some one persuaded him to try Mayer's Wonderful Remedy. Since taking it one year ago he tells me he has been able to eat anything."

LEFT FOR THE ARMY.

Prof. R. J. Gerald, who taught the Wingate school the last school term left from this point Wednesday for Fort Sam Houston to enter upon his duties in the army.

Roy Gilliam, now of Hereford, a former valued citizen of this county, came in Thursday to visit relatives and friends and will apply to the recruiting board for a position to serve in the U. S. army service.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion, featuring a fisherman carrying a large fish on his back. Text: "A POWERFUL AID When you feel sluggish and nervous, tired and indifferent, you have the first symptoms of declining strength and your system positively needs the special nutritive food- tonic in SCOTT'S EMULSION"

to replenish your blood power, enliven its circulation and bring back the snap and elasticity of good health. Scott's Emulsion supplies Nature with the correct building-food which is better than any drugs, pills or alcoholic mixtures.

BALLINGER DEBATERS WIN SECOND PLACE

Despite the fact that they debated against Breckenridge High School team from San Antonio, one of the best high schools in one of the largest cities in Texas, and a team trained for weeks under a paid teacher, employed for that purpose, Ulmer Bird and Elzie Brown, Ballinger High School boys, went to Austin and captured second place in the state debating contest, and came near capturing first place. The Ballinger team ran the San Antonio team a close race for their money, notwithstanding that the Ballinger boys went to Austin alone, while the San Antonio team were accompanied by their coach, who was on the ground to encourage and direct them.

Winning the second place in this statewide contest comes as quite an honor to the local high school, as well as a great credit and honor to the boys who delivered the goods. Miss Bostie, teacher in the local school, coached the boys some, but their training was nothing like that of the San Antonio teacher who was employed to coach the team from the Breckenridge school.

The following account of the contest, published in the daily papers Sunday, under an Austin date line, gives some idea of the good work done by the Ballinger boys:

Austin, Tex., May 4.—Breckenridge High School of San Antonio won the debate finals and the San Antonio High School carried off first honors and the Wozencraft cup in senior boys' declamation at the finals in declamation in the interscholastic meet which closed today at the University of Texas.

Kenneth McCalla and Phillips Robertson represented the victorious Breckenridge High School in the debate and were given a 5 to 0 decision over the affirmative side of the question whether or not boys and girls should be on an equal footing in the future interscholastic meets. They defeated Ballinger High School, represented by Ulma Bird and Elzie Brown.

The San Antonio debaters argued that girls should be included in girls' declamations, debates and the like, and that boys' declamations and debates. They argued that if there was a failure on the part of the girls in the debate it would not seriously affect the work of the interscholastic league if the girls were confined to their own debate.

Throughout the whole series of debates, the San Antonio team showed its superiority in training and ability, defeating four other teams before coming to the finals. The contest was spirited and there were times when the race was close. The Ballinger boys fell down on the rebuttal, but the San Antonio proved that the rebuttal was their strongest aid in getting the decision.

The contest was held in the auditorium of the Law Building. The judges for the event were: Judge W. S. Simkins, Maj. Ira H. Evans, Prof. Thomas Fletcher, Raymond G. Bressler and W. H. Mikesell.

Much credit is due to the coach of the team from the Breckenridge High School, Miss Ruby West. She made the trip in conjunction with the team, and was present when the decision was read. The judges of the contest stated that she coached a mighty good team.

QUITS GOVERNMENT JOB TO RUN FOR OFFICE

Prof. L. S. Bird, who has been in the employ of the federal government as assistant farm demonstrator of this county, has tendered his resignation, same taking effect on the first of this month, and he is now in the race for county superintendent. Mr. Bird states that he resigned a month ago, but it took a month for the resignation to pass through the proper hands and be acted upon. He says he will make an effort to see the voters before the primary, as he now has time to devote to the campaign.

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CITY HOGS MENACE TO PUBLIC HEALTH

In these busy days of nationwide preparation for war we are told that food production and conservation is of supreme importance. The government urges us to utilize our kitchen garbage by raising hogs. At the same time Public Health Officials warn us that, under present conditions of modern city life, hogs are unsanitary. What is the significance of this apparent conflict of interests between Food production and Health conservation?

It is possible for individual householders to raise hogs in suburban communities without danger to the public health; but it is not ordinarily advisable.

People seldom give the necessary attention to keeping the hogs and their surroundings scrupulously clean, nor do they provide proper disposal for the unconsumed garbage and the hog manure. The average city hog pen has an objectionable appearance and odor. It also breeds flies, which may be the means of spreading disease.

If local conditions are advantageous for utilizing kitchen garbage by feeding it to hogs, the best plan is to collect the garbage every day or two from the houses and transport it to a hog farm located well outside the thickly settled districts. Under this plan both the garbage and the hogs are removed from the people.

For small communities hog farms can be an economical method of garbage disposal, if properly managed.

Helpful suggestions, in leaflet form, will be furnished on request by the U. S. Food Administration, Houston. The successful hog farm must observe every requirement of modern sanitation, including vaccination of the hogs against cholera. The collection and transportation of the garbage are likewise important. Tight, covered house cans and collection wagons are essential.

MOTHER! GIVE CHILD "SYRUP OF FIGS" IF TONGUE IS COATED

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, clean little liver and bowels.

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sours, then your little one becomes cross, half sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or eat naturally breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

DR. HALE HEARS CALL OF HIS COUNTRY

Dr. F. M. Hale left Wednesday afternoon for Houston, where he expects to receive a commission in the medical corps of the United States army. Dr. Hale took the necessary steps to get in service a short time ago, and Wednesday he received a telegram calling him to Houston, receiving the telegram just in time to say goodbye to home folks and catch the train. Dr. Hale has two sons in the service, thus leaving Mrs. Hale and the girls at home alone.

Dr. F. M. Hale returned home Friday at noon from Houston, where he had been to offer his services for the U. S. medical corps, and as soon as his papers are passed upon at Washington will at once enter the service.

SPRING TREATMENT

Necessary to Purify Blood and Correct Weak, Run-Down Conditions.

Trying weather, exposure to storms, the grip, hard colds, pneumonia, fevers, diphtheria and other blood-poisoning, prostrating diseases leave the whole system subnormal—below par—weak and slow—blood depleted and thin, with that tired feeling, poor appetite, backache, rheumatic pains, delicate digestive power or almost none at all. The ideal treatment is:

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If there is biliousness, constipation, had taste in the mouth, despondency or "the blues," the liver is torpid. Take Hood's Pills—they rouse the liver and relieve all liver ills, and are perfectly compatible with Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pepton.

Begin this Spring treatment today.

WEEKLY REPORT OF RED CROSS WORKERS

Beginning with the close of this week the local Red Cross chapter will make a report showing the work being done in the different branches of the chapter. For the week ending May 4th, the following report is made:

Attendance in hospital supply department, 74. Number garments made, 89. Attendance in surgical dressing department, 82. Number dressing of all kinds made, 670. Shipment made from chapter since last report: Bed Jackets, 103. Knitted garments, 724. Mrs. Kate Cordill General Supervisor.

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RUNNELS CO. SHOULD BE IN THIS LIST

Those who are fighting the good road bond issue in the Ballinger precinct, should note below what other counties are doing. Runnels county should be included in the following list of counties, and the Ballinger precinct will come in for \$40,000 at once and more help from time to time if the people will go to the polls next Saturday and put up their part of the money. There is not a road leading out of Ballinger today that can hardly be traveled, the recent rains having put them in such bad condition. We can't understand why certain men are fighting this road move.

Colorado county to be granted state aid on highway No. 3 for 13.7 miles, not to exceed one-fourth of the established cost.

Bexas county, state aid, highway No. 9.

Freestone county, highway No. 32, not to exceed \$25,000.

Freestone county, highway No. 7, should be built of concrete, involving \$25,000 federal aid.

Oldham county, state aid, \$1,312.50 being one-fourth of contract on highway No. 13.

Foard county, state aid, highway No. 28, limited to \$11,000.

Van Zandt county, state aid, highway No. 15, \$12,415.25.

Van Zandt county, state aid, highway No. 19, \$8,311.25.

Hardeman county, state aid, highway No. 5, \$122,650.

Brazos county, federal aid, in the Zilliken district, \$37,752.75.

That highway No. 3 be designated so as to read, From Waelder thence to Harwood, Luling, Kingsbury, Seguin, said highway to be known as Northern Loop.

El Paso county, state aid, \$50,000 to be applied on section of highway No. 1 east of El Paso and \$10,000 on the section west of El Paso.

Travis county, federal aid, \$18,784.05, highway No. 2.

Designation of route from Burleson through Alvarado, Grandview, Itasca to Hillsboro, be granted, to be known as No. 2-A.

Meridian Highway, No. 2-A, state aid \$25,000.

Caldwell county, state aid, highway No. 3, \$3728.65.

The Jim Hogg Highway be designated as highway No. 37, and be described as follows: Blyarby Ferry, thence to Clarksville, Bogata, Sulphur River, Mount Vernon, Purley, Winnsboro, Quitman, Min-

eola, Tyler, Bullard, Jacksonville, Rusk, Alto to Lufkin.

Cherokee county, state aid, \$30,000, Jim Hogg Highway, No. 37, less improved road of 13 miles.

Cass county, state aid, \$1800, highway No. 3, and \$12,000 on highway No. 6.

Gonzales county, state aid on 15.4 miles of highway Northern Loop, No. 3, \$11,250.

Gonzales county, state aid, highway No. 29, from the Caldwell county line to a point 2.1 miles south, \$18,750.

Hall county, state aid on 40 miles of highway, No. 5-A, \$22,000, not to exceed 25 per cent of cost of construction.

Texas-Louisiana highway, No. 15, designated by Carrol, Willis Point, Myrtle Springs, Canton, Ben Wheeler, Tyler, Longview, etc.; known as the Dixie Highway.

Highway No. 19, designated from Red River to Sulphur Spgs., Palestine, thence to Gulf, to remain as designated, and from Sulphur Springs said highway to be designated as follows: Sulphur Springs via Alma, Grand Saline, Canton, Athens Montalba and Palestine.

Inter-County Highway, designated from Childress, Matador, Dickens, and Spur.

State Highway No. 34, to be more particularly described as going through Reafer Springs.

That federal aid heretofore granted Van Zandt county be more particularly described as follows: Allotment made on highway No. 15 is to apply to that part of same between a point six miles south-east of Willis Point and a point two miles north of Ben Wheeler, and that the allotment on highway No. 19 be on that part of same between Wood county line to a point five miles south of Canton.

Cause of Headache.

By knowing the cause, a disease may often be avoided. This is particularly true of headache. The most common cause of headache is a disordered stomach or constipation, which may be corrected by taking a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets. Try it. Many others have obtained permanent relief by taking these Tablets. They are easy to take and mild and gentle in effect.

SPENDS 58 YEARS HERE AND FINDS IT DRY

Nat Guest, one of the first white men to set foot on soil in what is now Runnels county, and who has made this county home for fifty-eight years—more than a half century, if you please, says this is the worst drouth he ever saw. "I have heard several men say they have seen it as dry here before," said Mr. Guest, "but they are mistaken." Mr. Guest says that irrigation is no doubt responsible for the low stage of the river, which has almost be-

Advertisement for Dr. L. B. Stephens, an optician. Text: "Hours 7:30 to 12 and 1 to 6 Phone 614. Dr. L. B. Stephens. Practice limited to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Errors in refraction corrected and Glasses Fitted. Office over Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Ballinger.

Advertisement for A. K. Doss and J. H. Baugh, lawyers. Text: "A. K. Doss J. H. Baugh DOSS & BAUGH Lawyers. Office over Ballinger Loan Co. Ballinger, Texas

Advertisement for Samuel C. Harris, a lawyer. Text: "Samuel C. Harris LAWYER. Ballinger, Texas. Will Practice in All the Courts of Texas. Collections and Land business attended to.

Advertisement for H. Glesecke, a notice regarding land loans. Text: "NOTICE. Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 5 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. Glesecke Ballinger, Texas.

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But that is not all. Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) have a beneficial effect upon the entire body. By improving the process of digestion and assimilation, the nourishment is derived from food, the blood quality is enriched, vitality is increased and the whole system strengthened.

Once you get your body in this splendid condition, you need not take medicine every day—just take an NR Tablet occasionally when indigestion, biliousness and constipation threaten, and you can always feel your best. Remember keeping well is easier and cheaper than getting well.

Get a six box of Nature's Remedy (NR Tablets) and try it. It is sold, guaranteed and recommended by your druggist.

WEEDS DRUG STORE, Ballinger, Texas

Advertisement for Nature's Remedy NR-Tablets. Text: "Nature's Remedy NR-TABLETS. Better than Pills. GET A For Liver Ills. 25c Box

come as dry as one of Runnels county's newly graded roads. "We experienced a severe drouth in '86 and '87," said M. G. Guest, "but we had plenty water and the country was an open range and cattle could drift wherever they pleased and get feed and water." Mr. Guest has been here too long to predict when we will get rain, for he knows that all signs fail in this country.

WARNING—KEEP OUT!

The public is hereby warned against hunting, fishing, picnicing, 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.

BALLINGER SAILOR BOY MARRIES IN LOUISIANA

In a letter to Don A. Sweet, assistant postmaster, Irvin F. Elder writes that he is now a married man. According to the letter Mr. Elder and Miss Nilita Braussard were married at Erath, La., on Thursday, April 25th. Elder volunteered for navy service, going back after having served four years. He has been stationed at New Orleans on land duty for a year, but writes that he is expecting orders to cross over any day. His friends in Ballinger extend congratulations and best wishes, and after the fall of Berlin, and the destruction of the Hun power, they wish him a safe return to his bride, but not until then.

Advertisement for M. C. SMITH, an attorney-at-law. Text: "M. C. SMITH. Attorney-at-Law. Office up-stairs in C. A. Doose Building. Examining Land Titles a Specialty.

Advertisement for Fire Insurance, The Best Companies. Text: "FIRE INSURANCE THE BEST COMPANIES. Prompt Service. Your Business Solicited. Miss Maggie Sharp upstairs in old Fidelity Credit Co's office. Phone 215. SEE ME

Calomel Today! Sick Tomorrow! I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Don't take nasty, dangerous calomel when bilious, constipated, headachy. Listen to me!

Calomel salivates! It's mercury. Calomel acts like dynamite on a sluggish liver. When calomel comes into contact with sour bile it crashes into it, causing cramping and nausea.

If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start

your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tone you will wake up feeling great, full of ambition and ready for work or play. It is harmless, pleasant and safe to give to children; they like it.

Good Rain Continues to Fall Over West Texas

Everybody smiles, even the grouch.

No limit to the value of the good rain.

The report is incomplete, as it is raining while this report is being placed in print, with prospects good for a "wet spell."

Following the slow rain of Friday and up into the night Friday night, it began raining again early Saturday morning. A report compiled by the West Texas Telephone Company shows that the rain amounted to as much as three inches in some places, and extended from Brownwood to the far west, Midland, Odessa, and points where great loss has been sustained to the cattle interest during the past two years, receiving good rains.

Farmers declare the rain is sufficient to bring up crops, and stockmen who were making arrangements to ship out their cattle have changed their plans and will soon have the range for them at home.

In some localities the stock water supply has not been replenished, but as the rain continues, and as branches are running there is hopes for a plentiful supply for

all purposes before the rain quits.

Abilene, 66-100 inch—still raining.

Ballinger, 1 45-100 inch.

Blackwell, 1 1-4 inch.

Bradshaw, 3-4 inch.

Brady, 1 1-4 inch.

Bronte, 3 inches.

Brownwood, light showers.

Coleman, 71-100 inch—still raining.

Concho, 1 1-2 inches.

Crews, 1 3-4 inches—still raining.

Eden, 1 1-4 inches.

Ft. Chadbourne, 1 inch.

Leaday, 1 inch—still raining.

Menard, 1 1-4 inch.

Miles, 2 1-3 inches.

Millersview, 1 inch.

Norton, 1 1-2 inch.

Offen, 2 inches.

Paint Rock, 1 1-2 inches—still raining.

Pony, 1 1-2 inches.

Rowena, 2 1-2 inches.

San Angelo, 2 inches—still raining.

Santa Anna, 1 inch—no rain on Wednesday.

Stacy, 1 inch—still raining.

Talpa, 3-4 inch.

Truitt, 1 3-4 inches.

Wingate, 1 1-4 inches.

Winters, 1 inch—still raining.

Robert Lee, 1 3-4 inches.

Eldorado, 3 inches.

Sonora, 3 inches.

Let us all rejoice.

Let us all be thankful.

Let us all hope that the drouth has broken.

The rain began early with the day, after a light drizzle during the night, Thursday night. It did not come with the storm that the pessimist had predicted. It came gently, and every drop counted for great value to this country. If the most exacting had fixed the fall he could not have done better.

With the exception of perhaps a half hour shortly after mid-day the rain fell continually throughout the day, with every prospect for a continued down-pour until all demands for moisture and water are fully filled.

Farmers are jubilant. Stockmen are jubilant. In fact the school kiddies are rejoicing. There is a reason. This country has left behind the worst drouth in its history. This country is emerging from the most trying times ever experienced by any people in the pursuit of livestock and agricultural industries. It is looking square in the face the most prosperous era in its history, and a good crop will restore prosperity to a people who have remained optimistic and continued to buy bonds, support the Red Cross, and every other line of work for the up-building of the American nation.

As this rain report is given the announcement is made that Ballinger goes over the top with her quota of Liberty Bonds with an over-subscription of almost ten thousand dollars, with one day to wage the campaign in.

Below we give the rain report for the county and the Liberty Bond report, both of which are calls for great rejoicing. Let us rejoice!

CARD OF THANKS

We, the Third Liberty Loan committee, wish to express our gratitude and thanks to Rev. R. B. Morgan for his splendid speech in behalf of the Third Liberty Loan, and also Messrs. D. F. Eaton, O. L. Parish, and S. C. Harris, acting as judges for the parade.

The Third Liberty Loan Committee, Miles, Texas.



"VENGEANCE AND THE WOMAN"

EPISODE II.
Determination was in every line of Blake's face as he stood with rifle almost touching Bessie's head, his fingers pressed against the trigger. She did not flinch. There was only apprehension for him as she looked into his eyes and asked:

"But you? What are you going to do?"

Blake, with one free hand, pointed down over the edge of the shivering rock and she understood his purpose to jump to his own certain death after he had killed her.

Both looked along the shelf trail beyond the barricade and saw the outlaws almost on them. Blake drew the rifle firmer to his shoulder as Bessie closed her eyes, her lips moving in prayer.

Near the entrance to the tunnel and on the further side of the shoulder of Big Nose Rock, the chief engineer was receiving reports from his assistants that everything was in readiness for a blast. Blake's eyes came back from the oncoming outlaws and glanced for the last time along the rifle barrel, his finger curled about the trigger. In the same second, the electrician standing by the chief engineer jammed home the detonating shaft and before the rifle could speak the entire side and shoulder of Big Nose Rock was torn away by a terrific explosion.

Stunned by the concussion, Blake and Bessie were hurled to the ground amidst a shower of rocks and the outlaws, terrified, fled back from the barricade, hidden by a cloud of smoke and dust. Picking themselves up, the haunted pair looked to where the huge pile of granite had tumbled to see the mouth of a new made tunnel—to them a miraculous avenue of escape. The outlaws, their courage returned, again were pushing forward and Blake, seizing Bessie by the hand, hurried down over the rocks and debris to the entrance.

Without pausing to look back, they sped through the darkened chamber to the further end, where splintered timber, bits of shoring and rocks barred their passage. It seemed they again had fallen into a trap. Bessie was in despair, but Blake saw one small hole near the upper corner and he fell to work to clear this, his wife pluckily helping him.

By desperate efforts, Blake enlarged the opening sufficiently to push Bessie through, but in seeking to follow his own path, the outlaws could be heard approaching in the tunnel, along the sides of which were strung wires connected with heavy dynamite charges. Blake struggled against great odds, then weakening as the timbers crushed his sides, cried out:

"Go ahead, Bessie. I'm stuck. Save yourself."

Bessie knelt by the entrance and thrust her hands to his, pulling with all her strength. Gradually he came out through the opening, and she clasped him in her arms and kissed him. Another brief struggle and he fell free. In an instant they had jammed the shavings back across the opening, filled the holes with rocks and hurried down the mountain, Bessie half supporting her husband whose leg had been badly wrenched.

Standing above the opened tunnel, the engineer through glasses observed the effects of the blow-out. He swung the glasses off in the direction whence the outlaws had come to the shelving rock and away in the distance saw a great body of horsemen riding along the lower trail. They were the posses of the two sheriffs.

"They're after the outlaws," said the engineer, ordering two assistants to inspect the wires in the tunnel to see if anything was in readiness for the big blast.

The outlaws by this time had cleared the obstructions from the tunnel mouth and emerged as the engineers approached. The latter recognized Black Jack from reward placards and attempted to hold them up. The bandits opened fire and retreated to the tunnel mouth where a lively battle was started.

The firing was heard by Bessie and Blake, who had turned away from the diggings of the camp and were seen by the posse. Sheriff Hawkins recognized them and realizing they were being pursued, spurred with all speed to their aid.

In the unequal battle at the tunnel, one of the engineers had been killed and the other badly wounded and Black Jack, believing all danger passed, sprang into the open only to be fired on by the chief engineer and a number of his men. The outlaw leader had no relish for further fighting with Blake and Bessie fast escaping and all hands retreated down the mountain.

Blake and his wife had halted to discover, if possible, some way down the perilous decline. He decided the descent was too hazardous for her and telling her to remain where she was continued alone, picking his way from rock to rock nearer and nearer to his oncoming friends.

Black Jack and Johnson, safe from further molestation by the engineers, stopped to get their bearings. The former climbed a rock and discovered Bessie standing where her husband had left her, and Blake, now one hundred yards beyond.

The outlaw leader at once determined to stalk and capture the girl and way lay and shoot Blake when he returned to her. He ordered Johnson and his men to stand fast and fight off any pursuers, while he and Carly started after Bessie.

Swearing vengeance on the outlaws for killing his assistant, the chief engineer returned to his post near the new tunnel and prepared to let off the blast that was to raise the very foundations of Big Nose Rock and open up the entire mountain top by the discharge of mines with which the tunnels had been sown.

Black Jack had Bessie almost in his grasp and Brown had leveled his rifle at Blake when the electrician for the second time that day jammed down his switch. The mountain crest rose in a great convulsion and fell back a mass of boulders and splintered trees, which started, like a resistless avalanche, crashing down the mountain side.

Directly between Blake and Bessie rolled the flood, blotting from his view all sight of her and her pursuers. He was knocked down and partly buried by the flying debris as Haines caught the girl and threw her to the ground, and he then looked to Blake, but beyond and below, through clouds of dust, he could see only the wreckage caused by the giant blast.

"He must be dead," he said and picking up Bessie he headed away around the side of the mountain.

Johnson and his men being directly above where Bessie had been captured, had escaped the down-pouring rock, but fearful of the fate of Black Jack had started after him just as the electrician let loose a second avalanche directly behind them. Caught in a hail of rock and earth, the outlaws realized they could not escape. Johnson turned to face his doom, then fell to his knees and began to crawl apparently to safety. He had made his way almost to the edge of the death zone and it seemed he might yet escape when a huge boulder became dislodged and came hurtling toward him. He never saw the mass of rock which struck him down and left his lifeless form as it crashed on its way through the dense woods.

Blake, unharmed further by the second upheaval, staggered to his feet and in the direction where he had last seen his wife fleeing from Black Jack.

For the third time earth and air were shattered by the shock of dynamite and again the mountain crests above crumbled and fell away. There was an escape for Blake, even had he been his own powerful, active self. Crippled and weakened as he was, he sank down and was caught in the risk of rock and swept away.

"Now for the last big blast. They can't escape."

With these words, the chief engineer having in mind the outlaws who had killed his aide and who, he knew, were somewhere in the storm he had unleashed, jammed down the switch.

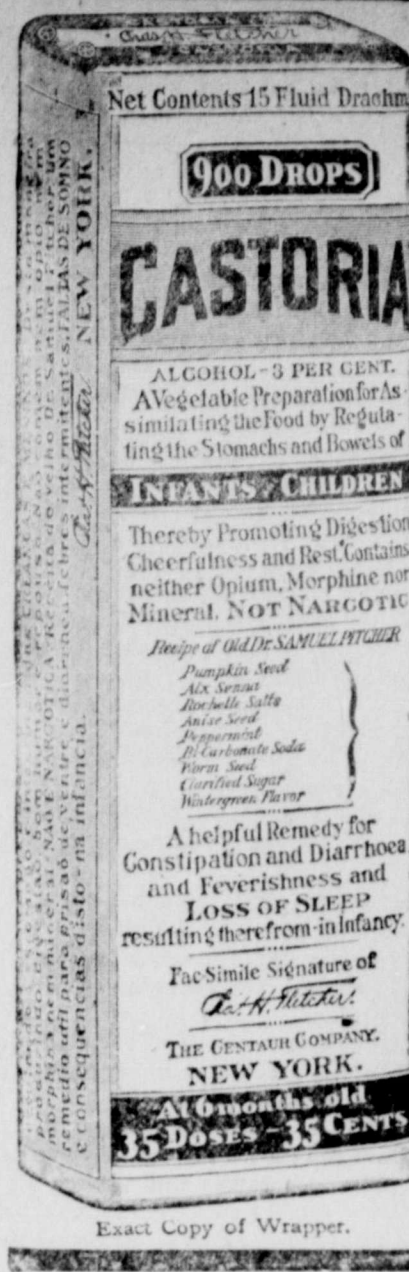
He already had been avenged. His avalanche had exacted a deadly toll and this last and greatest found only the bodies of Johnson and a dozen of his companions as it roared down into the canyon into which Blake had been carried a few minutes before.

Black Jack and Carly escaped unscathed with Bessie their prisoner and from a safe vantage turned and hurled defiance at the group of engineers by the tunnel mouth. They had no thought for their own dead; they had the woman and Blake had found a grave there.

As the last rush of rock ceased, Sheriff Hawkins, far ahead of his posse, galloped up the boulder-strewn trail, the only living being visible in that scene of desolation.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Cure fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.



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ANTI-FERGUSON MEET AT ABILENE

In the town of Abilene, county of Taylor, where Jim Ferguson undertook to plan the West Texas A. & M. college, and which was the stumbling block that proved to be a rock wall in Ferguson's political pathway, the people met and formed themselves into an anti-Ferguson club.

The call for the meeting, according to the Abilene Reporter, was signed by Mrs. J. H. Crouch, Mrs. J. C. Bakett, Mrs. O. F. Sensabaugh, Jesse P. Sewell, R. G. B. Fain, and J. D. Sandefer, three of the most prominent men and three of the most prominent women in public life in the city of Abilene.

The Abilene Reporter says that the meeting was attended by three hundred men and women, and resolutions adopted that denied the impression which had gone out that Abilene was solidly for Ferguson.

Dr. Sandefer, in calling the meeting to order said: "The impression has gone abroad that all

of Abilene are for Ferguson for Governor; and we simply want it known throughout Texas that this is not true, that there are many men and women in Abilene who will never support Jim Ferguson for governor."

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER

has been a household remedy all over the civilized world for more than a half a century for constipation, intestinal troubles, torpid liver and the generally depressed feeling that accompanies such disorders. It is a most valuable remedy for indigestion or nervous dyspepsia and liver trouble, bringing on headache, coming up of food, palpitation of heart, and many other symptoms. A few doses of August Flower will relieve you. It is a gentle laxative. Sold by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 30 and 90 cent bottles.

Mrs. C. C. Thomas and son, Jack, returned home Monday at noon from a few days visit to friends in Coleman county.

Miss Belle Bowers of Santa Anna, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Oliver, near Ballinger, returned home Saturday afternoon.

Mama says:
Send us one pound of
**PECAN VALLEY
PEANUT
BUTTER**

Don't want
any other kind

Why not give them what they want?

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Life
Was a
Misery

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes:
"From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

TAKE
CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . . ."

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

All Druggists

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THIS BOY NEEDS NO RECEIVER. J. S. Richardson, County Agent of Coke County, has issued a statement to the effect that one of his club boys fed a calf 120 days and took it to the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, won \$17 in prizes and then sold it on the market for \$18. A total income of \$345. It cost him \$70.50 for feed and care which left him a profit of \$274.50. That boy will never need a receiver appointed for his business. Suppose everybody on the farm in Texas had imitated his example—San Antonio Express.

WAITING THEIR TURN TO FIGHT. Something like two hundred young men in this county are in class one of the draft, and they are patiently waiting for the draft to call them into service. They are all willing to go, but are waiting, waiting patiently and calmly. In the meantime, Uncle Sam has two recruiting offices in Brownwood, and each is seeking volunteers. Why do the class one men wait? Why not go to these recruiting offices, after securing the necessary permission from the local board, and start their army service now? If the government did not want volunteers the recruiting offices would be closed.—Brownwood Bulletin.

OUR MONEY NOT WASTED. All of the money expended for war purposes is not going to be a waste. Some of it is going to be shot away; some of it is going to be sunk at sea; some of it is going to be invested in machinery that will be useless in time of peace. But a very great portion of it is being spent for things that will be as valuable when peace comes as now, though not so imperatively needed then—ships for instance. And as for the immense amount spent in adapting our manufacturing plants to war purposes, it is estimated that 90 per cent of our war machinery can and will be used for other manufacturing work after the war.

OTHER COUNTIES PUSHING HIGHWAY BUILDING. Resolutions urging congress to provide for the construction of additional national highways as a relief for transportation congestion as a war measure adopted Monday by the county commissioners' court. Similar resolutions are being passed by counties throughout the nation. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to Senators Sheppard and Culberson and Representative Wilson.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Yes, other counties are pushing the good roads work, taking advantage of government aid and asking the government for more aid. The little dry county of Odessa has just voted bonds and by doing so gets a nice appropriation from the government with the assurance that other money will come as fast as the commissioners' court can do the work according to the specifications of the highway commission. A great majority of the road work in Texas in the past has been done by inexperienced commissioners and road hands, and millions of dollars wasted, washed away, and the people continue to pay the tax for road building. The government does not make such experiments. The government makes every dollar count for something worth while, and when roads are built in this county the upkeep will be a mere trifle. Road experts have been here and sized up the situation and stated that roads could be built here cheaper than most any other county in Texas, and

the government is proposing to pay a big per cent of the cost. Is it possible that our people are going to wait until we are forced to take care of such important matters by the passing of laws?

THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

Please promptly answer, and with care, The queries in your Questionnaire: Divorced or single, if wedded tell The date when toll the fatal bell; Give age, condition, weight and race, And name each blemish—feet to face. Is lame or halt, knock-kneed or blind, Please fully state before it's signed.

If you've had wives, please state how many, If not, just why you haven't any; If living with your wife's relation, The state who rules the home plantation. Does ma-in-law pay the house rent? If so, please state to what extent; Please answer, sir, with utmost care, Fore sending in your Questionnaire.

When all have answered and with care, The queries in the Questionnaire, Then Uncle Sam will be much wiser, And all will help to lick the Kaiser. —Rogers (Ark.) Democrat.

A. E. I. O. U. Over four and a quarter centuries ago Frederick III, Holy Roman Emperor and fifth Duke of Austria, originated the phrase, "Austria Est Imperare Orbi Universo," or "It is Austria's destiny to rule the entire world," and adopted the initials of the Latin words as his favorite device. Subsequent rulers of Austria have continued to have the initials, A. E. I. O. U. engraved on their toilet articles, note paper, and cigarette cases in token of the high estate to which Austria some day expects to rise. If Frederick III had been a good English scholar, however, and had been given the opportunity to observe the gay and carefree manner in which Germany is preparing to swallow the dual monarchy, he would have interpreted the letters A. E. I. O. U. by the words Austria Ends in Overwhelming Upset, and eliminated all the nonsense about imperating the orbi.

IDEAS. A little more than 100 years ago the last real world war was at its height. Instead of Germany trying to conquer Europe, it was France, under the leadership of Napoleon, which was trying to rule the world. Yes; then England and the other great nations were fighting Napoleon as we are now fighting the Kaiser.

Napoleon had been pretty successful in smashing Europe and stood on the shore of northern France, near where our own troops are today, waiting for a wind to take his troops to England. In those days England was still the goal, as she is today; but armies then had to depend on sailing ships and it was impossible to cross the English Channel from France except with a southerly breeze.

An American, named Fulton, who had been ridiculed by his own people here at home, went to France at that time and presented an idea to a great general. He took with him a model of a steamboat. Napoleon looked at it, shrugged his shoulders, and east it aside saying: "If it were possible to build a ship to go without sails, my generals would have invented it before this."

Hence, Robert Fulton, broken hearted, was obliged to return to New York and wait until the American people were willing to give him a hearing. Yes; it was some time before he was allowed to build his "crazy steamboat" on the Hudson river, which finally made him world famous. In the meantime Napoleon, unable to get to England, was obliged to fight it out at Waterloo, where he was bitterly defeated. I often wonder if many of us employers are not like Napoleon when one of our own people comes to us with a new idea. How many of us take pains to encourage and listen to those who come to us?

And yet some one tomorrow may bring us a great idea. Will we take the trouble to listen? Let us remember how the great general Napoleon, was brought to his defeat largely because he failed to listen to the American inventor, Fulton.

Whatever we employers do, let no reader forget Fulton. Whether or not your employer listens to you, stick to your idea just the same. If Fulton hadn't stuck to his there would be no steamboat today. If Marconi hadn't been full of courage there wouldn't have been any wireless today. If Langley and Wright hadn't shut their eyes to laughter and derision, there would be no flying machine today. If Lake had not been willing to be jeered at, there would be no submarine today. Moreover, if our own Government had encouraged those people before the idea got rooted in other countries, there perhaps would have been no war today. We all remember how when last month the news was published of a new German gun shelling Paris at a distance of 75 miles, the experts said "Impossible, it can't be done!"

The employer who refuses to listen to anyone with a new idea is a lazy ass. The employee who gives up at first rebuff is a silly fool. Both are losing a great opportunity for not talking together. "Get together" must be the watchword in every factory and office from now on.

READY TO TRAIN NATIONAL GUARD

Capt. L. B. Stephens is meeting with success in organizing the Ballinger Company of National Guards. He announces that if Winters, Miles and Rowena comes up with the promised quota and all those who have enlisted here qualify, the company will soon be completed. Those desiring to get in the company should act quick, as only 105 men can be accepted. Capt. Stephens says he will be glad to talk with any one who wishes information concerning the work.

L. Cohen, who has so faithfully drilled a half dozen or more squads of drafted men, and sent them to training camps better prepared for their work, will assist Capt. Stephens in training the new company, and announces that he is ready for the work. The first meeting for training will be called within the next day or two.

That Runnels county will have a good strong company on the border in case of trouble and the occasion demands it, is practically assured. This company will be ready for drafting into service when the state calls.

Neighboring counties, Taylor, Brown, and others have completed their organizations, and Runnels county can't afford to be a slacker.

Ballinger Plumber Thought He Needed New Pipes "My stomach and intestines were always full of gas and I often had severe colic attacks. The pain and soreness caused me to think I needed a new set of pipes. Since taking Mayr's Wonderful Remedy all this has disappeared and my only trouble now is to make enough dough to buy all the food I'd like to eat." 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 convince or money refunded. Jno. A. Weeks, Druggist.

RUNS ON GARDEN TICKET. Washington, May 6.—Here's a new one! Robert N. Stanfield of Oregon is running for the United States Senate on the "war garden ticket." You know the women vote in Oregon and Stanfield has 20,000 war garden primers put out by the National War Commission which he is giving to the women of Oregon as campaign literature.

On these primers he has printed "Compliment of Robert N. Stanfield." This is the first case on record of any one running for office with this kind of campaign literature. Stanfield's managers wired for the primers and now they are holding noon day rallies and giving out the garden boods.

W. K. Lilley and daughter, Miss Eva, and Mrs. J. M. Landon, of Norton, motored over to Ballinger Tuesday to do some shopping for a few hours.

"WORTH THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO FEEL LIKE I DO" HE SAYS

After Twenty Years Suffering He Finds Relief At Last—Gains 11 Pounds.

"It's worth thousands of dollars to feel like I do now, since Tanlae has taken away the trouble that kept me in a misery for the last twenty years," said M. B. Daniel, a well known farmer living on Route 2 out of Abbeville, Georgia, a few days ago.

"Whenever a man suffers as long as I did, he gets to the place where he feels like he's no more good in this world," he continued, "and that's just the way I had begun to feel. Long ago I got so weak I couldn't carry on my work for spells of stomach trouble and nervousness just made it torture me to try to eat and the trouble I had, wouldn't let me sleep at all. Many a night I couldn't even doze off. My heart would flutter and get queer until I was afraid it would stop and I got so blue and discouraged I felt like I didn't much care if it did."

"I'd been well-enough satisfied to have my sufferings relieved, but that's not all Tanlae has done for me—I have gained eleven pounds in weight—since I started taking it. I can eat as hearty a meal as if I had never had stomach trouble at all and my strength has come back so I can do as much work in a day as I ever could before I took sick. I just feel like a new man all over and will be glad to tell anybody who wants to know, if they will write me, just what this wonderful medicine Tanlae did for me."

Tanlae is sold in Ballinger by Weeks' Drug Store, in Winters by Owens Drug Store, in Miles by Jno. W. Crawford, in Rowena by Shiller's Pharmacy, in Wingate by R. E. Finley & Co., and in Tokeen by J. W. Bright.

BALLENGER BOYS IN EARTHQUAKE

A. C. Homann is in receipt of a letter from Ewald Straach, who volunteered and left for Ft. McArthur, California with a half dozen other Ballinger boys several weeks ago. The young man is finding army life pretty well to his liking, and writes that he has been transferred to the ordnance department and is now a bookkeeper, having charge of the work of keeping a record of all ordnance supplies issue to the different companies.

Mr. Straach congratulates the people of Ballinger for buying so liberally of Liberty Bonds, and says the Ballinger boys are keeping up with home news through the Daily Ledger, and he thanks Mr. Homann for sending them the weekly Ledger. The Ballinger boys experienced their first earthquake recently when Southern California came in for a good shaking, and in writing about this Straach says: "We had a very interesting experience on Sunday afternoon, April 21. A real earthquake, just think of it. I had heard and read about earthquakes in California, but now I have experienced one. Ira Thurman and I were walking on the sidewalk of one of the main thoroughfares of Los Angeles, and coming to a store open to the street we stepped inside to look at the things displayed. Just as I stepped off the sidewalk and into the store the earth began to tremble and shake. I thought at first we were standing on a hanging floor, but the man behind the counter exclaimed, "an earthquake." The thirty or forty minutes during which the tremble lasted seemed like hours. It is impossible to describe just how we felt when we saw everything shaking. One man died of heart failure, and another trampled on when the crowds rushed out of a theatre.

Damage to buildings in Los Angeles was light, however. Several thousand dollars worth of plate glass was broken. The center of the quake was seventy miles east of Los Angeles on San Jacinto Mountain, and it left in ruins two towns there, San Jacinto and Hemet. You possible read of it in the paper. "The Ballinger boys are getting along very well. Ira Thurman is company clerk for his company. Oscar Williams is on special duty, doing clerical work at headquarters here."

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

TO PAY FARM HANDS ON PROFIT SHARING BASIS. Pierre, S. D., May 7.—Farmers of South Dakota are arranging to pay their help on the profit sharing basis. The average wage scale for farm hands now runs \$55 a month, with board, room and laundry. In wheat growing sections, a sliding scale of \$50 minimum; \$55 for wheat an ten bushels to the acre; \$60 if it goes over 15 bushels to the acre and \$65 if it goes over 20 bushels, is being considered.

T. J. Farmer, formerly of Miles, now of Hamilton, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

RUNNELS CO. MAN HELD AT B'WOOD

W. H. Horton, an aged man who came here some time ago from Runnels county, was arrested and placed in jail Wednesday afternoon, and is still held on charges of making disloyal statements about the government.

Horton, it is alleged, declared that he "would not help the government and wished some other country would come in and whip the United States to a finish," and some other remarks of a similar nature. The district attorney and other county officers are in charge of the case, and have not yet determined what disposition to make of it.

Horton, it is said, is under a suspended sentence following conviction for burglary in Runnels county. He is about sixty-five years of age, and rather feeble.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Horton plead guilty in district court here last fall to being an accomplice in a meat stealing case. Horton held the horse which they were driving while a young man entered the smoke house of Wm. Havenshill, of the Winters country, and stole some meat and he returned to camp with the young man and helped to eat the meat. Both parties plead guilty and begged for the mercy of the court, saying that they stole the meat because they were hungry.

The old age of Horton and the young age of the other man appealed to the court's sympathy, and the suspended sentence was granted.

Horton was known as a horse trainer here, and has been in and out of this county for several years. He was never known to have been in any serious trouble until he was charged with meat stealing. Under the provisions of the suspended sentence law, the order suspending the sentence became revoked, and he will now have to serve his term in addition to answering to the seditious charges upon which he was arrested at Brownwood.

To the Voters of Runnels County: Ladies and Gentlemen: I am in the race for the office of tax assessor of Runnels County, subject to the voters in the Democratic primary election next July, and am making my announcement to that effect through the press of the county.

If there is a platform upon which a candidate may base his claims to this office, I make mine "Equal rights to all, special privileges to none." If I am elected, I can assure the tax paying public that there will be absolutely no discrimination in any way between the man who pays on one dollar and one million dollars. I also obligate myself in advance to see and make it my business that every dollar's worth of property at its true value in Runnels County, owned by resident or non-resident tax payers, is assessed, without exception, as the crisis thro which we are passing calls for every cent of revenue to county, state and nation, that can be raised.

I will greatly appreciate and thank you in advance for consideration of my claims before committing yourself, addressing myself both to the "new" voters as well as the old ones. Respectfully, Jack N. McKay.

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. BUEGG. S. L. BIRD. For Representative 111 District: C. R. STEPHENS. For County Clerk: C. W. McCARVER. For Commissioner No. 3: J. D. SMITH. For District Clerk: C. C. COCKRELL. For Commissioner No. 1: J. R. HARRIS.

HONORS AWARDED GRADUATING CLASS

Twenty-nine young men and ladies in the Ballinger High school will receive diplomas showing that they have completed the high school course, and will present to the public on the evening of the 10th of this month a program that will make glad the hearts of all those interested in education. The teachers in charge announced the "line up" of the class Monday, awarding first, second and third honors. The statement issued by the class teachers speaks well for the largest class ever graduated here, and it is as follows:

- First honor graduate, Robert Bailey Mack, average for four years work, 92.50. Second honor graduate, Maurice Weeks, average, 87.27. Wynis Greer came third with an average of 87.17. Ulmer Bird has an average of 91.2 for two years work done in the Ballinger High school, but was not eligible for honors because he did not have four years work in this high school, or a high school of equal rank. Graduates are: Charles Bailey, Kathleen Baker, Lee Baker, Ulmer Bird, Bobbie Brown, Rena Butler, Gladys Cates, Irene Clappitt, Elizabeth Coulter, Frances Egan, Mary Fowler, Wynis Greer, Kathryn Gressett, Oma Hamby, Paul Hamilton, Marvin Hayes, Calvin Kirk, Bailey Mack, Valedictorian, Roberta Morgan, Vera Nicholson, Mae Nix, Kathal O'Kelly, Mary Parker, Lillie Mae Shelburne, Ulma Strobbe, Maurice Weeks, Salutatorian, Frances Wood, Lucile Yeager, Olga Zappe.

A UNIQUE RECORD.

Home testimony for Doan's Kidney Pills, published in every locality, is of itself convincing evidence of merit. Confirmed testimony forms still stronger evidence. Years ago this citizen of Ballinger gratefully acknowledged the benefit derived from Doan's Kidney Pills. The statement is now confirmed—the proof more convincing. Cases of this kind are plentiful in the work of Doan's Kidney Pills—the record is unique.

S. V. Parrish, tinner, S. Ballinger, says: "A sharp pain took me suddenly in my back and I was compelled to lay off from work. My kidneys were also troubling me and I was completely used up until Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my notice. They worked like magic from the start and after two days' use, I felt well enough to go back to work."

Over three years later, Mr. Parrish said: "I have had very little trouble from my back since I used Doan's Kidney Pills. I take Doan's occasionally, however, to keep my kidneys in good condition and they certainly are fine." Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Parrish has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo N. Y.

J. M. Joiner, of the Idea Barber Shop left Sunday afternoon for Fort Worth, where he will hold a position until times picks up in our section.

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STATEMENT

The Citizens of Ballinger desiring to know the facts concerning the proposed Bond Issue in Precinct No. 1, appointed a committee to make an investigation and the following statement of facts is submitted for the information of all the people.

Some time in November, 1917, County Judge O. L. Parish received notice from the State Highway Department of two proposed routes of State Highways. One from Goldthwaite via Brady and Paint Rock to San Angelo, the other via Brownwood, Coleman and Ballinger to San Angelo, and requesting that Runnels County send a representative to Waco on a given date. This request was submitted to the Commissioners' Court of Runnels County by Judge Parish, received their endorsement and Judge O. L. Parish was sent to represent the county, to said meeting. Judge Parish attended this meeting and presented our claims.

Later Judge Parish was notified that the route through Ballinger had been adopted and was designated as State Highway Number Seven, requiring that a profile, cross sectioned survey be made with maps showing same. There was also prepared a road map of the Highway through the county. This was done under the sanction of the entire Commissioners' Court by unanimous vote. In addition to this it was also arranged to have Mr. Odell, member of the Highway Commission to visit the county and inspect this proposed highway all of which expense was borne by the County.

This preliminary work being done at considerable cost to the County, and estimates all prepared as to cost. The Commissioners' Court in open session agreed to the undertaking and decided to present the request in a body to the meeting at Austin on December 18, 1917. All members of the Court excepting Mr. Craft attended this meeting, expense of said trip being borne by the county.

At this meeting and upon application of above Commissioners the State Highway Commission granted help asked for as follows:

- \$12,500.00 Federal Aid for a bridge on the river.
- \$19,142.00 Federal Aid for the construction of State Highway Number Seven.
- \$6,250.00 was also allotted of State Aid.

In addition to the above, assurances were given that further financial aid would be given as needed.

Upon representation of the Commissioners that the Runnels county's pro rata of expense was to be paid by the issuance of interest bearing script, objection was raised by the Commission on this ground; that the issuance of this amount of script was putting too much authority in the hands of the court without a voice of the people and they demanded that a bond issue be carried by the people for the appropriation of this sum of money. This point was accepted and agreed to by the Commissioners and County Judge of Runnels County, and they pledged their endorsement and support of a bond issue for the said county on their return home. The expenses of this trip were also borne by the county.

The next step taken was procuring an attorney and having a petition drawn for issuing bonds for \$75,000.00 for the ENTIRE COUNTY. After securing about three times the number of signatures required by law on such a petition it was presented in due form to the Court and rejected by the following vote: Commissioners W. D. Meadows, representing the Winters precinct; J. D. Smith, representing the Wingate precinct, and C. N. Craft, representing the Miles precinct, voting against it; and R. P. Kirk of Ballinger, voting for it. The people of the entire county were thus denied the privilege of passing on this question by their vote.

Under this ruling of the Court, in order not to lose this State and Federal Aid, the only resource left was for Precinct No. 1 to present her petition to the Commissioners' Court asking for an election for Bonds. This was done, there being more than the required number of names signed to said petition, and the election was duly ordered. If this Bond Issue fails to carry, the above State and Federal Aid allotted by the State Highway Commission will be withdrawn and applied to other counties conforming to the requirements of the law for securing such aid.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the facts bearing on this issue.

R. P. KIRK,

Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Runnels County, Texas.

March 30, 1918.

Hon. O. L. Parish, County Judge, Ballinger Texas.

Dear Sir:

REFERENCE FEDERAL AID.

This office has been informed by the Honorable Curtis Hancock, Chairman of the State Highway Commission, that the bond election will shortly be held in Runnels county for the purpose of voting sufficient money in order to take advantage of the allotments of Federal Aid granted Runnels County.

Runnels County has been allotted \$12,500 on a bridge on State Highway No. 7; and \$19,142 for the construction of State Highway No. 7, both grants being out of Federal Fund. We are enclosing forms sent this office when your election carries.

We trust that the bond election shall be carried by an overwhelming majority.

We are enclosing Circular Letters Nos. 15 and 15a.

Yours very truly,
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

George A. Duren, State Highway Engineer.
By Julian Montgomery, Chief Office Engineer.

N. B. We also desire to call your attention to the fact that State Aid to the extent of \$6,250.00 has been allotted Runnels County.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a letter received by me from the State Highway Department.

O. L. PARISH,

County Judge, Runnels County, Texas.

COPPER MINE PROMISING.

Development work has been stopped to await the arrival of a hoisting engine, the shaft having reached a depth which made it impossible to work by hand successfully.

The Santa Fe railroad and Buffalo Gap mine, and the ore will be shipped from the Gap. The Santa Fe has agreed to build a switch to the mine if the ore vein proves of sufficient magnitude to justify it, which is confidently expected by the interested parties.

There are some other developments in that section which are not ready for announcement. However it is believed this is going to develop into a big thing by those spending money prospecting. J. F. Cunningham has a ranch joining the tract on which the first mine is being opened and is having his property prospected. —Abilene Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Moore left Sunday for Ardmore, Okla., where they will make their future home. Mr. Moore had been in the blacksmith business in our city for several years past.

R. M. Davis, of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. Alfred Luckett, of Miles, who had been spending a day or two with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasberry, left for her home Wednesday at noon.

John Walden of the Bronte country, was supplying in Ballinger Wednesday and report 2 1/4 inches of rain at his place last week.

We are sorry to note that the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Guin is quarantined on account of their little daughter, Dorothy, having scarlet fever.

CHANGE MILLS TO MAKE WAR FLOUR

Minneapolis, Minn., May 6. —Millers are spending many thousands of dollars changing their machinery to make war flour. The financial burden of the work, which is taking weeks, is being borne by the millers, whose profits for milling are cut below normal by government regulation.

To make a bushel of wheat produce more flour—war flour of a darker shade—the heavy silk screens over which the ground wheat passes must be changed. Barley is ground with the same machinery formerly used to grind this machinery, too, must be equipped with different silk screens, to grind rye into flour, a slightly different steel roller, as well as different silk screens are needed.

Ed Kornegny, one of the stockmen of Miles, came in Wednesday at noon from Fort Worth, where he had been on stock business and will look after business affairs a few hours before going on home.

J. J. Henkhaus, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, left Saturday afternoon for New Ulm, in response to a message telling him of the death of his brother.

Fred Mapes of the Pony Creek country, passed through Ballinger Friday at noon en route home from Fort Worth, where he had been to market cattle.

J. L. Lee, of the Maverick country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and reports over two inches and a quarter of rain at his place last week.

Postmaster Fred Foster, Clarence West of Miles, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trautwein, of Shiner, who had been visiting relatives in the plains country, came to Ballinger in their auto Saturday and she left on the evening train for home and he will remain a few days until the roads dry up.

POTATO BISCUIT NO. 1.

1 cup mashed potato 1 teaspoon salt
1 cup flour 2 tablespoons fat
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup water or milk
1/4 cup oil

POTATO BISCUIT NO. 2.

Roll and mash six or eight potatoes, while warm lay on a greased pastry board and run the rolling pin over and over until they are free from lumps. Turn into a bowl with a cup of sweet milk and add a teaspoon of melted fat, when well mixed run in half a cup of salted flour, or just enough to make a soft dough, return to the board, roll out quickly and lightly into a thin sheet, and cut into round cakes, bake in a quick oven, butter as soon as they are done, laying one on top of the other in a pile. Eat before they fall.

The excellence of potato biscuit depends very greatly upon the softness of the dough, light handling and quick baking. If properly made, they will be found extremely nice.

POLCANNON.

Mix one cup of mashed potatoes and one cup of chopped greens to a smooth paste, add a tablespoon of fat, salt and pepper to taste, place in baking pan, cover with mashed potato, brown in the oven and serve very hot.

POTATO CHOWDER.

6 potatoes 1 tablespoon flour
Slice of salt pork 1 tablespoon drippings
1 onion 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
1 pint milk 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Cut potatoes into slices and pork into small pieces, fry pork and onion in a pan until brown, put potatoes, onions and meat into a pot, add a pint of water with seasoning, simmer for an hour, make a white sauce of the milk, flour and drippings, add to the cooked potatoes, let it boil a few minutes and serve hot.

POTATO PANCAKES, NO. 1.

6 raw potatoes 1 tablespoon milk
Largely grated 1/4 cup lard
1/2 teaspoon salt 2 tablespoons flour

Mix the above ingredients, beat thoroughly and cook on hot greased griddle. **POTATO PANCAKES, NO. 2.**

1 cup rice potatoes 1 egg beaten
1/2 teaspoon salt 1 tablespoon flour
1/4 cup milk

Mix the above ingredients in the order given, beat thoroughly and bake on hot greased griddle. **POTATO MUFFINS.**

4 tablespoons fat 2 cups flour
2 tablespoons sugar 2 teaspoons baking
1 egg 1/4 cup milk

1 cup mashed potato 1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk

Cream the fat and sugar, add the egg well beaten, then the potato and mix thoroughly, sift flour, baking powder, and salt, add milk and flour alternately, bake in greased muffin tins 25 to 30 minutes.

POTATO SOUFFLE.

4 cups hot mashed potato 2 tablespoons milk
1 potato 1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon melted fat 1/4 cup thin cream
1 egg 2 yolks of 2 eggs

Whites of two eggs beaten stiff. Mix all but the whites of the eggs in the order given, beat thoroughly, fold in the stiffly beaten whites, pile in a baking dish and cook until the mixture puffs and is brown on the top.

SURPRISE BALLS.

Form mashed potatoes into balls and with a teaspoon make a depression in the top of each, mix one cup of grated cheese with salt, celery salt, and butter substitute, and put one teaspoon in the hollow of each potato ball, mold the ball so the stuffing is concealed and brown in the oven or fry in fat.

IRISH POTATO CUSTARDS.

2 cups rice baked 1/2 cup fat
1 potato 1/4 cup thin cream
4 eggs beaten slightly or top milk
1/2 cup sugar Juice and rind one lemon

Mix in the order given, beat hard for 5 minutes, pour into baking dish. Bake in hot oven 20 or 30 minutes, or until custard is set. **POTATO IN CAKE.**

In the usual cake recipe, substitute one cup of mashed potatoes for one-half cup of milk and one-half cup of flour, mash the potatoes and beat up with milk until very light. Potato cake does not dry out so quickly as all-flour cake.

NO FOOD WASTED AT ARMY CAMPS

The food administration issues the following:

Food wastage at army camps, if it ever existed is a thing of the past, according to the War Department and the food administration. Although there still seems to be a general impression that army garbages pails are extremely well rationed, investigations of all such reports have tended to show that the American army is rapidly approaching the limit of possibilities in food saving. Scores of letters have come to the Food Administration and the War Department, telling of alleged prodigious wastage of foodstuffs. Each one has been the basis for an investigation and each has shown that the report was based on hearsay and absolutely without foundation.

Recently a woman living at Port Townsend, Washington, wrote to the Food Administration to complain of great wastage at three army posts on the Pacific coast. She said she had visited a post at the entrance to Puget Sound, where she had seen a great flock of seagulls hover about a garbage wagon and that large slices of bread were "deliberately destroyed by the simple expedient of dumping them over dock into the water."

"Three entire pig heads were thrown out," she said she had learned. "Sufficient cooked rice was gathered by one man to raise several pigs, while probably all of the camp kitchens throw out each day sufficient white bread to constitute one of the chief foods for a substantial flock of pigs or chickens."

The War Department's investigation disclosed absolutely no foundation for these statements, on the contrary showing that the establishments referred to had a garbage wastage far below that attained by the average American city, in proportion to population. In its official report of the investigation, the War Department declared that this woman's statements had no basis in fact, "beyond her unsupported testimony that she saw two loaf ends, several slices of toast, and some orange peel in the water under the dock at Fort Flagler. Every other statement proved to have been based on some form of rumor or hearsay, which the complaint was unable to substantiate."

Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System

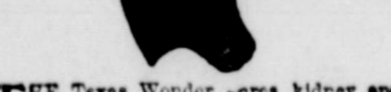
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c

C. G. Seiggins of the Wingate country, and R. B. Crockett, of the Norton country, were transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Wilbourn and little daughter, who had been spending some time with her father, Frank Stewart and daughter, left Wednesday to visit at Santa Anna a few days before joining Mr. Wilbourn at Dallas, where they will make home.

R. A. Nicholson and Stanley Cameron returned home Wednesday at noon from South Texas, where they had been looking after cattle interests the past few weeks.

Miss Noble Boyd returned Wednesday morning from a few weeks visit at Blackwell.



TEXAS WONDER

THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 208 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

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Cong. Blanton Puts Duty to Country Before Politics

Citizens 17th Congressional District:

I am a candidate for re-election, but have no time now for politics. Civilization is in a death struggle for its existence. I don't believe the people desire that time, energy and money be spent in a political campaign during a war crisis. Soldiers at the front are giving their all. We who stay at home must support them by consecrating every moment in some avenue of service. We must put duty to Country first, and satiate ambitions later.

Through a gerrymander, politicians framing redistricting in the Legislature, took from me 48 counties in which I am well known and have the support of the people, added new territory, and gave my district a new number, hoping to benefit new aspirants. The Legislature can frame districts, but thank God, this office belongs to the people, and you only can give or take it away.

Though 2000 miles from you, I am not afraid of the voice of the people.

I stand on my record, public and private. I am bending every energy, straining every nerve, exhausting every resource and devoting my entire time in supporting the President and his policies—trying to assist our Commander in Chief to win this war speedily. Congress is daily excusing members to return home, hence a working, dependable Administration quorum must be maintained here. Until all needed legislation has been enacted by Congress, I shall not leave my post of duty, regardless of consequences. In asking for a second term, I am confidently depending on my friends in the old, and my few acquaintances in the new counties to care for my interests.

Sincerely your friend,
Thomas L. Blanton.

(Political Adv.) jdw

Locals About Our Soldier Boys

Artie Perkins, who had been spending a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Perkins, left Wednesday at noon for Del Rio, to resume his army duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Barringer came in Tuesday at noon from Camp Travis where Sam is serving in the U. S. army. Lee McMillan, who had been visiting his father, R. McMillan and family, of the Mud Creek country, left from this point Monday en route to Camp Travis to resume his army duties.

Archie Hollway, who is in the Supply Train Co. B, U.S.A., came in from El Paso to spend a short furlough with his parents and Ballinger friends.

Clyde G. Allison came in from Camp Travis Saturday to spend a few days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Allison of the Spring Hill neighborhood.

S. C. Rogers, who had been visiting relatives at Winters on a short furlough, passed through Ballinger Thursday evening en route to Camp Travis to resume his army duties.

Joe H. Halfmann, of the Rowena country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday, and while here ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing six months.

T. R. Setser, of the Norton country, passed through Ballinger Wednesday en route home from Humble, where he had been working in the oil fields the past several months.

COMMENCEMENT FOR TRAINED NURSES

Ballinger Training School for Nurses announces a most interesting commencement program and extends an invitation to the public to attend the exercises at the Methodist church Friday evening, May 10th and 8:15.

Heretofore the school has been sending out printed invitations to the friends of the graduates and friends of the school, but on account of the heavy expense incurred in mailing out so many invitations, and as a war measure of economy, no invitations will be mailed this year, but an invitation from the school will be printed in The Ledger inviting all to come.

The Ballinger Training School for Nurses is one of the city's most worthy institutions. It is connected with the Halley & Love sanitarium and for several years a class of young ladies have completed their course and received diplomas. This year is no exception to the rule and trained nurses will be given diplomas, and a program carried out that will be entertaining and the school deserves the encouragement of all.

- The Program
- Master of Ceremonies.....Dr. J. W. Blasdell
 - Invocation.....Rev. J. B. Curry
 - Instrumental Solo.....Mrs. Elmer Simpson
 - Address.....Rev. R. B. Morgan
 - Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Morgan Jones
 - Presentation of Diplomas.....
 - Violin Solo.....Judge A. K. Doss
 - Vocal Solo.....Mrs. H. O. O'Bannon
 - Presentation of Pins.....Mrs. J. G. Douglas
 - Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Chas. Schooner
 - Benediction.....Rev. A. C. Gustavus

M. F. Treadwell, manager of the light and power plant, returned home Wednesday from a short business trip to San Angelo.

Judge J. W. Powell left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo on legal business and will go on to Coleman Thursday on similar business before returning home.

Can You Afford

to loan money to your Uncle Sam? He needs it and NEEDS IT NOW. If you feel disposed to help your country, call and sign up for one of his LIBERTY BONDS. This week is your last chance to prove that you can act in an emergency.

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ATTENDED SCHOOL WITH GEN. PERSHING



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Major General John J. Pershing.

A little sketch of Gen. Pershing's boyhood, published in the Lone Star, journal issued by the Texas School for Deaf, at Austin, brought to light today the fact that Prof. J. M. Skinner, superintendent of the Ballinger schools, and Gen. Pershing were old school mates and attended school in Missouri not so long ago, as about the year of '85.

It was while attending the state university at Kirksville, Mo., that Gen. Pershing received the appointment as cadet to West Point. Prof. Skinner recalls the incident and recalls to mind how Gen. Pershing kept the matter a secret from his family, or at least from his sister, and was ready to enter West Point before his sister knew anything about it.

The old home of Mr. Skinner and Gen. Pershing was only about thirty miles apart, Gen. Pershing being born in Laeale, Mo., and Prof. Skinner in Mareline.

Nearly every one of middle life who had lived long at Laeale was well acquainted with the young man who was destined to become a noted soldier, and there were no two opinions as to his character. Over at Hannibal, where "Mark Twain" spent his boyhood, his schoolmates have varied views about him, some saying he was mischievous and not enamored of school, and others declaring that he was a quiet, steady lad. But all who were intimate with General Pershing in his younger days speak enthusiastically of his excellent habits and his determination "to make something out of himself."

One incident they relate about young Pershing suggests the George Washington story. He with his brother James and some other boys were walking along the road near Laeale one Sunday afternoon when one of the crowd pointed to some ripening peaches in Farmer Margrave's orchard. Who the leader was in the subsequent raid is not stated, but all were guilty of climbing into that orchard and planning for a quick harvest, when Margrave and a wicked-looking dog headed toward the expeditionary force, which executed so successful a retreat that the owner of the orchard was unable to identify some things but he told what had happened, and it caused quite a scandal in the quiet, law-abiding community of Laeale. To raid an orchard was pretty bad, but to do it on Sunday was terrible. From month to month the story travelled, and it seemed to the young conspirators that the people would never quit talking about it.

Remorse clutched John deeply, and he could not sleep. He had been reared under strict Methodist doctrine and this was his first serious break-over. Next morning he decided that a licking could cause no greater suffering, so he made a clean breast of his part in the affair to his father, John F. Pershing, then postmaster and merchant.

"How many peaches did you get, son?"
"None, sir; he saw us too quick."
"Well, if you see him and he

asks you about it, you 'fess up as far as you are concerned. I guess the good Lord will make some allowance for the temptation an orchard or a water-melon patch is to a boy. But he won't stand for a lie!"

According to Charles Spurgeon, now a well-known merchant of Brookfield, but who was young Pershing's most intimate chum from the age of twelve until Pershing went into the army, the General had a pretty well-defined philosophy of life even as a boy attending the village school.

When Prof. C. M. Polly asked John a question, he always got a prompt and straightforward answer. He was candid itself. As far as I could see then, John was no brighter than any of the other boys. No one picked him out as the bright scholar to show off on visitors' day; but he always plugged along with his work till he got it done, and done right. He didn't run to the teachers for help when he struck a snag, but figured it out himself. I can see now a good deal clearer than I could then that he was always working with a purpose in view. He was just a little ahead. When a student at the district school, he was planning for his work at the State normal, and then he calculated to get a position as a district school teacher so to get together a little money and finish his education. That was his supreme boyhood ambition, to get the best possible education. Once when at home from the normal school, he ran across an item in a country paper about a competitive examination for a cadetship at West Point. It has been stated that was when he decided on a military career, but he told me his purpose in trying for West Point was simply for the added education it would give him.

GIRLS! IT'S YOUR STEP THAT ATTRACTS!

Says Women Pay Too Much Heed to Their Face Instead of Their Corns.

Watch your step! A brisk, lively step is what charms more than a lovely skin, but your high heels have caused corns and you limp a little. That's bad, girls, and you know it. Corns destroy beauty and grace, besides corns are very easy to remove.

Rid your feet of every corn by asking at any drug store for a quarter of an ounce of freezone. This will cost 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, touchy corn relieves the soreness and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out without pain.

This freezone is a gummy substance which dries instantly and simply shrivels up the corn with out inflaming or even irritating the surrounding skin.

Women must keep in mind that cornless feet create a youthful step which enhances her attractiveness.

A. B. LEGATE GOES TO LAMAR COUNTY

A. B. Legate, formerly mail carrier on a rural route out of Ballinger, and who has been on a rural route out of Wingate for several months, was in Ballinger Wednesday, looking after business, and arranging to move to Lamar county. Mr. Legate stated that while the drought had been pretty bad and he was "full up" on dust storms, that it was not the drought he was running from. He is going to Lamar county to look after the business interests of Mrs. Legate's mother, and he expects to some day make Runnels county his home again. Therefore this is just a good man going visiting.

Jim Hash left Saturday afternoon for Houston to resume his work in the ship yards, where he holds a position. Mrs. Hash, who accompanied him home will spend a few days longer with relatives and friends, before joining him.

Catarrh of Stomach

Mrs. Mary Fennell, R. F. D., Pomonca, Missouri, writes:
"I wish to say a few words in the praise of Peruna. I have used it with good results for cramps in the stomach. Also found it the very thing for catarrh of the head. My sister was cured of catarrh of stomach by the use of Peruna."
Mrs. E. T. Chomer, 69 East 42nd St., Chicago, Ill., says: "Manalin best laxative on the market for liver and bowels, very good for indigestion and heart burn."
Those who object to liquid medicines can secure Peruna tablets.

Made Well By Peruna. My Sister Also Cured By PE-RU-NA

S-O-M-E Goodies!
—the kind that melt in your mouth—light, fluffy, tender cakes, biscuits and doughnuts that just keep you hanging 'round the pantry—all made with **CALUMET BAKING POWDER** the safest, purest, most economical kind. Try it—drive away bake-day failures.
You save when you buy it. You save when you use it. Calumet contains only such ingredients as have been approved officially by the U. S. Food Authorities.
HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

THIS PREACHER GOT OFF LIGHT

"The only incident that marred the harmony of the day was the presence of a preacher from Ballinger who stated that his church was opposed to the Red Cross. He was given the choice of going to jail or joining the Red Cross and he did the latter."—Richard Springs Eye-witness.

The above paragraph appeared in a write up of a patriotic rally held at Richard Springs recently. We don't know who the said Ballinger preacher is, and in fact we don't believe there is any such preacher living in this city. If there is such man here, he used good judgment in going away from home to tell how his church stood on Red Cross work. If he shows up here and makes such a statement he will not be offered an opportunity of joining the Red Cross. The Richard Springs people are not the patriots they should be or they would not have treated the said preacher so good as to honor him with a membership in the Red Cross.

For Indigestion, Constipation or Biliousness
Just try one 50-cent bottle of **LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN**. A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chilli Tonic.

FOR COMMISSIONER.
The Ledger is authorized to announce J. R. Harris as a candidate for County Commissioner for Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, 1st W.

Mrs. T. L. Sailors and little daughter left Monday at noon for San Angelo to visit her mother, Mrs. J. L. Kay, and to be at the bedside of her sister, who is quite ill.

First Drilling Contract Filed for Record Here

The first contract calling for the drilling of an oil well in this county was filed for record in the county clerk's office of this county this week, at least the first contract since the present oil boom struck this section of the oil belt.

The contract is a bonafide one entered into between R. R. Russell of San Antonio, and who owns large property interests in this county, and the Gulf Producing Co. of Houston.

The terms of the contract are brief and simple and in substance are as follows: "The Gulf Producing Co. binds and obligates itself to sink a well thirty-five hundred feet deep on a certain track of land on the Russell ranch southeast of Ballinger, drilling to begin within ninety days from the date of contract, which bears date of April 15th, making it obligatory for the Gulf Producing Co. to begin drilling not later than July 15th. The contract further provides that the thirty-five foot well

must be completed within twelve months from date of said contract, unless oil is found before that depth is reached and drilling suspended by mutual agreement between parties.

The considerations stipulated in the contract calls for the payment of \$4,000 per year for a period of five years to R. R. Russell by the Gulf Producing Co. for failure to drill said well, and comply with terms of contract. In consideration for drilling the well Russell gives the Gulf Producing Co. a lease on five thousand acres of land, and leases 4500 acres to the Gulf Producing Co. at \$1 per acre for a period of five years. Failure to drill the well will cause the Gulf Producing Co. to forfeit its lease on the five thousand acres, and pay the \$1 per acre lease on the 4500 acres for a period of five years.

The site selected upon which to erect the derrick and sink the well is about eighteen miles southeast

of Ballinger and a short distance from the north bank of the Colorado river. Geologists and expert oil men have pronounced this to be the most promising oil field in this county, or adjoining counties.

H. Giesecke, who has charge of the Russell interests in this county, has just refused an offer of \$20 per acre lease on a section of land adjoining the land upon which the Gulf Producing Co. will sink the test well. Mr. Giesecke says he has promised to raise for Russell \$50,000 from his oil holdings in this county by frost, and the offer just made on the section of land only figures \$12,800, and he turned it down.

For a Sprained Ankle.

As soon as possible after the injury is received get a bottle of Chamberlain's Liment and follow the plain printed directions which accompany the bottle.

ABOUT OUR BOYS AT CAMP TRAVIS

Sergeant Little of Co. G, 315 A M Train, who has been acting first sergeant for the past four months, has been appointed sergeant.

Sergeant Roscoe Stokes, of Co. 58, 165th Depot Brigade, has been assisting in the work of receiving and assigning the recruits. Roe says he likes the work fine and the hours are excellent—7 a. m. to 7 a. m.

TAKE NOTICE.

And announce by having your old shoes and heels made new at Ebb Cathey's Shoe and Harness Shop. Remember we do all kinds of Harness and Saddle repairing also. All work guaranteed. 2-6d4x.

SON-IN-LAW QUITE ILL.

Judge M. C. Smith and wife left Sunday afternoon for Gainexville, in response to a message telling of the illness of their son-in-law, Floyd Turberville at his home in that city.

The telegram did not state the exact nature of the complaint, which was very sudden, though he was preparing for an operation for intestinal trouble or possibly other complications. Mr. Turberville had been confined to his bed about two weeks, but nothing serious was anticipated until the operation was decided upon.

Ed Coffey, of the Leeday country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Saturday.

L. E. Wilkerson and Bill Gray of the Crews country, Sam Boyer and J. E. Salmon, of the New Home neighborhood, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.



You are Cordially Invited to Attend the **Free Poultry Lecturers** At Queen Theatre **May 9th and 10th.**

We never get too old to learn something new.

We especially invite all who have not yet done so and are able to call and buy **LIBERTY BONDS** or War Saving and Thrift Stamps. For sale at

RELIABILITY ACCOMMODATION
The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
STRENGTH SERVICE

Ugly, Unsightly Pimples Are Signals of Bad Blood

Give Heed to the Warning.
Pimples on the face and other parts of the body are warnings from Nature that your blood is sluggish and impoverished. Sometimes they foretell eczema, boils, blisters, scaly eruptions and other skin disorders that burn like flames of fire.

They mean that your blood needs S. S. S. to purify it and cleanse it of these impure accumulations that can cause unlimited trouble. This remedy is the greatest vegetable blood purifier known, and contains no minerals or chemicals to injure the most delicate skin.

Go to your drugstore, and get a bottle of S. S. S. today, and get rid of those unsightly and disgusting pimples, and other skin irritations. And it will cleanse your blood thoroughly. If you wish special medical advice, you can obtain it without charge by writing to Medical Director, 29 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Georgia.

BRANDS AUTOCRACY IN STATE POLITICS

An idea of what the people of Abilene think of the man who tried to give them the West Texas A. & M. college, and his autocratic way of doing things, is shown by the following resolutions, which were passed at a mass meeting and signed by several hundred citizens of Taylor county:

We, the citizens of Taylor county in mass meeting, assembled, made the following declarations:

I. We affirm that it is our first duty above everything else to win this world war for democracy, and that it is no time to trust men in places of large responsibility who at any time in their public or private utterances, or acts, have shown a lack of sympathy for the plans of our illustrious president and leader, Woodrow Wilson.

II. We believe that our sons who have been called to the defense of our rights and liberties, are entitled to the best possible support and protection from all vicious influences from the time they leave our homes till they return again. We therefore recognize the "ten mile zone law" recently enacted to be wise and most timely, and we urge its rigid enforcement.

III. We believe that the "state-wide prohibition law," which is soon to go into effect, is in keeping with the desires of a large majority of the citizens of the state, and we pledge our support to the enforcement of the same.

We believe that no act in the history of our state was more autocratic or unjust than that of the administration which refused to heed the instructions of the degenerate primaries in denying us the election for constitutional prohibition. We therefore demand that this instruction be carried out by the next regular session of the legislature.

V. We believe that the women of this state are entitled to all the privileges of the ballot that are now granted to the men. We therefore urge upon the coming regular session of the legislature that they submit an amendment to the constitution giving them the same.

We take this occasion to announce that we will not support any candidate for the office of Governor of this state, or for either branch of the legislature who does not subscribe to the above named principles.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND
Largest, Best and Most Reliable
Chichester's Diamond Brand
Pills are sold in every drug store
Take no other kind of
Pills, unless you see the
Diamond Brand on the wrapper
Solely by Druggists Everywhere

Rev. Grafton, pastor of the Presbyterian church U. S. A. at San Angelo, was here Saturday en route to Winters, where he goes to assist in the installation service in which Rev. Diggs will be installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church at that place. Rev. W. T. Davidson of Santa Anna, also went to Winters, where he will assist in the installation services.

Charlie Evans and Willard Reese, of the Jamison neighborhood, passed through Ballinger Saturday en route home from Ft. Worth, where they had been to market cattle.

E. S. McWilliams of the Valley Creek country, near Norton, passed through Ballinger Friday at noon en route home from Bosque county, where he had about 500 sheep on pasture and while there sold his flock for \$20.00 a round.

BORN.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baird last Sunday night a 11 pound boy and mother and babe doing well, we are glad to state.

STATE OFFICERS ISSUE PROCLAMATION

Dallas, Texas, May 3.—Sunday, May 12th, having been designated by Governor Wm. P. Hobby as state-wide "go-to-Sunday-School-and-stay-for-preaching-Day," the officers of the Texas Sunday school association of all denominations, thru its state president, M. H. Wolfe, executive chairman, W. D. Bradford, treasurer, S. J. McFarland, general superintendent Wm. Nehemiah Wiggins and Educational chairman, Frederick Ely, has issued the following appeal and suggestions:

To the pastors, superintendents and leaders of the 8500 Texas Sunday schools, greeting: "Our noble President, Woodrow Wilson, has many times called upon the people of America to keep the 'home fires burning' that we may fight the battles at home as well as abroad. He has said 'no study is more important than the study of the Bible and the truths it teaches and that there is no more effective agency for such study than the Sunday school.' Our own efficient Governor, in his proclamation commends the Sunday school for its matchless record of service for the development of the spiritual interests of the people, and that the early training given to our noble soldier boys has made them the stronger characters in their noble fight for humanity. He has designated Sunday, May 12th, to be observed throughout the State, in enlisting new recruits for the Sunday school, that the future generation of leadership may be conserved.

We suggest that in each community, the pastors and superintendents call at once, a meeting of the leaders from each school, and arrange for a united effort in the entire community and county, as well as the individual effort by each school, department and class, all of which is vital in order to make the day a complete success.

1. Arrange for sufficient volunteers to visit each and every home, and extend an invitation upon the behalf of all churches to attend the services of their choice. Definite assignment of territory by blocks should be made to the various teams of volunteers.

2. Secure sufficient volunteers among young people from 15 years up, to call up every phone in the book on Saturday, May 11th, and courteously say: "Don't forget to attend Sunday school and stay for preaching tomorrow. Tell everybody and bring everybody."

3. In addition to this united plan, each school should send a written invitation to every family—member of the church—and all prospective members, urging them to come to their particular school and church.

4. Likewise, a special invitation over the phone to these to attend.

5. Attendance slips should be handed to each person at the door, for their name and address, for the purpose of conservation, in later giving a welcome and further invitation to attend again.

6. If each School has its regular program of opening and closing, and the full lesson period, with visitors assigned to classes, all will obtain a correct estimate of the value of the modern school and be more apt to become regular members thereafter.

7. With these regular plans, the day will become a success and thousands of new members should be enlisted in study of the Bible. Thus the vast army of over One Million already enlisted in Texas, and over 30,000,000 in the world, will be materially increased, and all will be better prepared to meet the new conditions and readjustment following the war? The future of the world will largely depend upon America's leadership, and we should be daily preparing for a better leadership.

Films Developed
See Note, Bull. 126
Photography Department
CENTRAL DRUG STORE
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

Mrs. J. F. Moore, who had been visiting her son, Mitchell Moore and family, left for Fort Worth Thursday afternoon. Mitchell Moore and family will leave Sunday afternoon for Ardmore, Okla., where they will make their future home.

Oscar Douglass and Arthur Massey, left Friday for Arizona. They will make home there for the present.

DON'T CASH YOUR WAR SAVING STAMPS

People who buy war saving stamps one week and sell them the next for the purpose of making the public thing they are patriotic, should be tarred and feathered, according to a letter received at the local post office from Louis Lipsitz, state director of the War Saving Committee. The following letter has been sent out to all the postmasters in Texas, and Post Master Erwin requests that we give it publicity:

"I am deeply concerned over reports that are coming to me that people who have just bought war saving stamps applying to the postoffice to cash them.

"I wish you would discourage this in every possible way. There is no earthly use in our selling war saving stamps one week if the person buying is going to cash them the next week, or the next month.

The Treasury Department allows the cashing of the stamps in order to encourage people of small means to buy them, because the purchaser has the knowledge that in case of dire necessity he can get his money back promptly.

It is foolish in the extreme for anyone to buy stamps with the expectation of cashing them, and it only involves the Government in expense and instead of being a help is an actual hindrance.

"Won't you please talk to every person who proposes to cash War Savings Stamps of any amount, ascertain the exact reason and if it is a miscalculation on the part of the purchaser, or real necessity, or a condition which is unusual, the Treasury Department would want them to have their money back cheerfully and promptly, but this is no time for foolishness or insincerity. Any person who buys War Savings Stamps in order to get credit for so doing in public opinion, and has the mental reservation that he will cash these stamps quickly, deserves to be tarred and feathered. I cannot make it too strong. I want every possible avenue used to prevent the cashing of War Savings Stamps.

"England prides herself on the fact that in eighteen months \$850,000,000.00 of Victory Stamps were sold and less than one-fifth of one per cent were cashed. Are they more loyal and patriotic than we? I shall depend upon your cooperation."

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

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

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

J. T. Brown and several others of Winters, were in the Capitol City Friday to see Mrs. Randle Davis at the Halley & Love sanitarium and we are glad to learn that Mrs. Davis' condition is some what more hopeful today.

We are glad to report the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Flanagan improving, and strong hopes are entertained for his recovery, after a very serious operation at the Halley & Love sanitarium, in our city last week.

A Thought for the Mother

CONSTIPATION makes children uncomfortable, cross and irritable, just as it does older people. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a mild, pleasant tasting combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin, that acts easily and naturally and promotes normal regularity. Children like it and take it willingly. It contains no opiate or narcotic drug.

Druggists Sell
Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin
50 cts. two sized \$1.00

A trial bottle can be obtained, free of charge, by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 457 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

BONDS BOUGHT ON LAST DAY OF DRIVE

Previously reported \$98,500.00
Total to date \$101,150.00
Ballinger to date 77,600.00
Ballinger Quota 65,442.00
Ballinger over \$ 11,158.00

O. L. Parish county chairman of the Third Liberty Loan reports the following subscriptions to date:

E. S. McWilliams	100.00
J. G. Douglass	100.00
J. L. Lee	100.00
Miss Zadie Royalty	50.00
S. V. Parish	50.00
A. W. Malone	50.00
Rudolph Miller	50.00
M. E. Miller	50.00
Mrs. C. B. Armstrong	50.00
Mrs. A. K. Doss	100.00
Miss Emma Johanning	50.00
Harry Mapes	100.00
Fred Mapes	100.00
W. B. Thompson	100.00
Jno. Glover	50.00
Mrs. Sadie E. Bigby	50.00
G. W. Milliken	50.00
Mrs. J. B. Curry	50.00
J. D. Miller	50.00
A. K. Doss	50.00
E. L. Hagan	100.00
Mrs. J. F. Currie	200.00
Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack	500.00
R. P. Taylor	50.00
A. M. Nicholson	50.00
High Campbell	50.00
R. J. Wheeler	50.00
Mrs. Mary B. Sharp	50.00
Lee Butler	50.00
Mrs. W. L. Brown	50.00
Caster Bros.	50.00
C. A. Orbeck	50.00
H. M. Jones	50.00
T. M. Osteen	50.00
W. T. Hill	50.00
P. T. Calloway	500.00
Miss Clara Marguerite Giesecke	50.00
W. F. Weathersby	50.00
Miss Hattie Dunlap	50.00
Sam Dunlap	50.00
O. Yarnell	50.00
R. W. Dunn	50.00
W. W. Chastain	50.00
E. B. Warmack	100.00
Mrs. W. C. McCarver	100.00
J. E. Gentry	100.00
W. A. Gustavus Jr.	2000.00
C. C. Gilliam	50.00
R. A. Dickinson	50.00
J. R. Turner	150.00
Miss Serena Giesecke	50.00
Herman Giesecke Jr.	50.00
R. W. Voss	50.00
J. B. Curry	50.00
J. W. Batts	50.00
J. A. Yarnell	50.00
Mrs. R. W. Dunn	50.00
T. S. Lankford	100.00
Mrs. T. S. Lankford	100.00
W. H. Schleyer	100.00
Bennett Abstract Co.	5000.00
F. & M. Bank	5000.00
W. H. Wilde	50.00
E. A. Werner	50.00
J. J. Henkhaus	50.00
W. E. Brooks	50.00
J. E. Brewer	50.00
Jay Kegley	50.00
U. E. Hariman	50.00
Mrs. M. E. Lusk	100.00
C. H. Willingham	50.00
Mrs. Zannette Willingham	50.00
J. D. Justice	50.00
L. B. Barker	50.00
Mrs. Geo. P. Holman	50.00
Asa Cordill	50.00
C. E. Ward	50.00
F. G. Hoelscher	100.00
B. H. McCarty	100.00
Walker-Smith Co.	1,000.00
Jas. E. Brewer	50.00
E. C. Schott	50.00
Miss Myrtle Bridwell	50.00
D. F. Eaton	50.00

J. F. Lusk	50.00
L. W. Henniger	50.00
Geo. Spidel	50.00
J. H. Wilke	50.00
Wm. Keifer	50.00
E. O. Schawe	50.00
T. D. Shieder	100.00
Ballinger Ind. School District	1,500.00
Lillie E. Willingham	50.00
A. T. Campbell	50.00
Robert Lee Justice	50.00
Mrs. B. M. Smith	50.00
Mrs. J. H. Kipp	50.00
C. R. Stephens	100.00
M. D. Chastain	100.00
Mrs. M. D. Chastain	100.00
W. G. Currie	200.00
F. D. George	50.00
Miss Bessie Corbett	50.00
Miss May Bridwell	50.00
Mrs. Shirley Shields	50.00
Total today	\$5,100.00

Do You Enjoy Life?

A man in good physical condition is almost certain to enjoy life, while the bilious and dyspeptic are despondent, do not enjoy their meals and feel miserable a good share of the time. This ill feeling is nearly always unnecessary. A few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets to tone up the stomach, improve the digestion and regulate the bowels is all that is needed. Try it.

WINTERS BOND BUYERS.

Liberty Bonds sold by Winters State Bank since last report:

H. D. Springfield	50.00
C. S. Brown	50.00
T. H. Curry	50.00
F. M. Curry	50.00
C. E. Coats	50.00
B. Peach	100.00
W. P. Parrish	50.00
W. G. Wash	100.00
W. F. Gresham	50.00
C. E. Wimberly	50.00
J. L. Smith	50.00
S. W. Babston	50.00
W. A. Baker	50.00
L. C. Hill	50.00
T. L. Eubank	50.00

Total \$ 850.00
Previously reported \$21,800.00
Total to date \$26,650.00

"Corn-Less Day" for Feet, Every Day

Use "Gets-It," the Great Corn Discovery! Makes Corns Peel Right Off!



"Gets-It," the Only Genuine, Thorough Corn-Remover Ever Discovered. Demand "Gets-It." touches a corn or callus the growth is doomed. It takes but two seconds to apply "Gets-It." The corn-pain is eased at once. You can sit at your desk or walk about, dance, think, love and work with absolute ease. You can apply "Gets-It" conveniently almost anywhere where you can take your shoe and stocking off for a moment or two. "Gets-It" dries at once; then put your shoe and stocking on again. There's no further excuse for suffering from corns and calluses.

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

Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the worlds best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.

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.

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AMERICAN AVIATOR FAILS TO RETURN

With Americans in Lorraine, (Tuesday).—Capt James Norman Hall, of Colfax, Iowa, has been missing since an aerial combat between three American and four German planes this morning. The Americans were ten miles inside the German frontier when engaged by the enemy in an air battle. Hall's companions returned safely and believe that he was forced to land on account of some machine trouble, and was captured by the Germans.

C. D. Davis, who had been here at the bedside of his mother at the Haley & Love sanitarium the past week or ten days left Monday afternoon to resume his army duties at Camp Travis, and we are glad to report that his mother is convalescing very nicely at present.

MANY ATTEND OLFFEN BOYS AND GIRLS SCHOOL CLOSING IN CLUB MEETING

Quite a number from Ballinger augmented the large crowd that attended the closing exercises of the Olffen school Monday evening. The program had been arranged for Friday evening, but the pupils and patrons of the school and their friends were only too glad to give way to the rain and postponed the entertainment.

Those who attended were well pleased with the entertainment given by the school, and declare that the Germans are 100 per cent patriotic and aggressive in educational matters.

The program consisted of patriotic songs, recitations, plays and playlets, drills, etc. The children taking part did themselves proud in the rendition of their parts. Two little dramas, one in four acts and a farce in one act, entitled, "A Persecuted Dutchman," well presented and demonstrated the good work done by the Rowena teachers.

The class roll for the year contained the names of Ben Halfmann, Ada Stranch and Lizzie Fuchs. Class colors, Red White and Blue. Class Motto: "Not How Much but How Well."

The term of school just closed was one of the most successful ever taught at Olffen.

Purity Gives Power.

There are still many persons in the world that need to be impressed with the fact that the purer the blood is the greater is the power of the system to remove disease and the less the liability to contract it. Persons whose blood is in good condition are much less likely to take cold or to be long troubled with it, or to catch any contagions or infectious disease, than are those whose blood is impure and therefore impoverished and lacking in vitality. The best medicine for purifying the blood is Hood's Sarsaparilla, and persons suffering from any blood disease or any want of tone in the system are urged to give this medicine a trial. It is especially useful at this time of the year.

CLOUD BURST KILLS SEVEN PEOPLE

Clarksburg, W. Va., May 8.—Seven persons were killed when a cloud burst struck Big Isaac, in Dod Ridge county, near here this morning.

H. A. Mitchell of the Winters county, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

A. Schawe left Wednesday morning for Brownwood after a short visit to home folks and Ballinger friends.

As had been announced in The Ledger, the Poultry and Canning Clubs of the county would meet in this city Wednesday, and according to the program, a nice basket dinner was spread on the court house lawn, and quite a gleeful lot of boys and girls took part.

After dinner, they adjourned to the court room, where Judge O. L. Parish delivered the opening address in a few timely and well-chosen remarks, followed by the song, "America" by all the children present.

A splendid program was rendered by Mrs. Cameron and her Poultry and Canning clubs, and their songs and expressions showed conclusively the pains-taking and successful work she is doing along that line.

J. S. Richardson, of Coke county, farm demonstrator of that county, delivered a very appropriate talk along agricultural lines, and was followed by L. W. Hillman and Geo. W. Johnson, of College Station along the lines of club work, its needs and benefits, and by the bright, eager faces that greeted the speakers plainly showed the interest of the boys and girls of our county.

Our faithful and efficient farm demonstrator, D. F. Eaton, was master of ceremonies, and introduced the speakers, and gave some timely thoughts along the line of work he is doing and encouraged the young folks in their efforts to assist in making this the banner farming county in the State.

The poultry school will begin tomorrow, Thursday, and a large crowd is expected to attend this important meeting at which time some important talks will be given along that line.

UNIFORM PASSENGER RATES ARE COMING

Washington, May 8.—Increases in passenger and freight rates are being planned by the railroad rate board to meet the deficit which threatens to reach eight hundred million dollars per year for all railroads under the government control. While the increase asked for by the railway administration is undetermined the passenger officials forecast a uniform rate of two and three quarter cents for passenger service and freight rates will likely be boosted seven and a half per cent increase. The railroad board also announces that the higher rate is made necessary by the great increase in fuel as well as increase of pay roll.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 50c.

COUNTY'S QUOTA IS \$30,000.00 SHORT

A complete report of Liberty Loan Bonds of the Third issue sold in Rannels county shows that the county only fell short about \$30,000 of its full quota. The total subscription of the county amounted to \$134,500.00. Due to a miscalculation Ballinger only lacked about \$10,000 of raising its quota, while it had been announced that the town went over the top.

It is to be regretted that the county did not get up and push a little harder and raise the full amount called for, despite the drought, but considering everything the people are to be congratulated for the liberal support of the campaign.

Following is the full amount subscribed for in the county and the different agencies through which the subscription were made.

- First National Bank of Ballinger, 232 subscribers, \$34,400.00. Winters State Bank, of Winters, 228 subscribers, \$24,650.00. F. & M. State Bank, of Ballinger, 172 subscribers, \$25,800.00. First State Bank, of Rowena, 127 subscribers, \$9,950.00. First National Bank, of Winters, 78 subscribers, \$5,350.00. Miles National Bank, of Miles, 76 subscribers, \$7,150.00. Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co., of Ballinger, 72 subscribers, \$20,200.00. The Security Bank, of Wingate, 48 subscribers, \$3,450.00. G. C. & S. F. Employees, \$3,550.00. Total, \$134,500.00.

Completed list of Ballinger subscribers:

- Amount previously reported for Ballinger, \$77,700.00. L. P. Wood, 100.00. J. T. Snellgrove, 50.00. Mrs. Emma Snellgrove, 50.00. W. B. Wood, 50.00. Diaz Wood, 50.00. S. A. B. Hamilton, 50.00. Miss Zula McKay, 50.00. Jno. C. Simmons, 50.00. Mrs. Laura Crockett, 50.00. Wm. Ashton, 50.00. Spring Hill Sunday school, 50.00. Mrs. W. E. Allen, 50.00. Edgar Rasbury, 1,000.00. Lee Butler, 50.00. A. M. Nicholson, 50.00. C. A. Orbeck, 50.00. Castor Bros., 50.00. Mrs. E. Pape, 50.00. Hy Kasberg, 50.00. Mrs. Dona A. Smith, 100.00. E. K. Ballou, 100.00. M. C. Smith, 50.00. J. S. Reese, 500.00. Total for Ballinger, \$80,400.00.

About Rheumatism. Rheumatism causes more pain and suffering than any other disease, for the reason that it is the most common of all ills, and it is certainly gratifying to sufferers to know that here is a remedy that will afford relief, and make rest, and sleep possible. It is called Chamberlain's Liniment.

WINTERS STATE BANK FINAL BOND REPORT

- Final report of sale of Bonds by Winters State Bank during Third Liberty Loan drive: F. C. Poe, 50.00. Lilie Meadows, 50.00. B. F. Brown, 50.00. M. Brown, 50.00. V. T. Babston, 50.00. Wm. Stevens, 100.00. T. J. Rossion, 50.00. T. B. Mitchell, 50.00. M. L. Mitchell, 50.00. E. R. Middleton, 100.00. B. C. Lee, 50.00. G. W. Bowen, 50.00. W. D. Meadows, 50.00. Mrs. Albert Spill, 50.00. B. H. McAdams, 50.00. T. J. Minor, 50.00. T. K. Hammer, 50.00. Gerald Collinsworth, 50.00. Chas. L. Chapman, 50.00. S. P. Bates, 100.00. W. O. W. Drasco, 200.00. A. T. Stokes, 50.00. T. S. Lankford, 50.00. Thelma Meadows, 50.00. Mrs. Rosa Spill, 50.00. E. L. McAdams, 50.00. W. T. Borleson, 50.00. J. J. Bedford, 50.00. I. H. Kurtz, 50.00. J. H. Mitchell, 100.00. August Stoecker, 50.00. Mrs. A. T. Stokes, 50.00. C. M. Gooch, 50.00. Previously reported, \$22,650.00. Total, \$34,650.00.

W. A. Nance received a message Tuesday announcing the serious illness of his father, and Mr. Nance and two children left in their car to be at the bedside of his father.

LAST CALL FOR BOYS' RESERVES

Last Call for the boys of Rannels county to enlist in the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve. Did you know that a Texas boy carried the first flag "over the top" after the United States entered the World War? On the day our country entered the war he was serving in a Canadian regiment on the battle front at Vimy Ridge. When the whistle blew for the charge "Over the Top" he tied an American flag on the bayonet of his gun and "went over."

Texas boys have not yet "gone over" in the enrollment in the United States Boys' Working Reserve. This week, May 6th-11th, has been set in which to make a great counter attack in order to go over the 5000 mark for this state. Boys who work on their fathers' farms should enroll so as to secure the U. S. government badge of recognition. This request to enroll comes direct from President Wilson. Every boy between the ages of 16 and 21 years should enroll this week. Boys who are needed at home will not be asked to go away from home.

See Rev. J. H. King, chairman of the county enrollment committee and get an enrollment card. Fill this card and return it to him and he will give you an enrollment certificate bearing the great seal of the United States, and also an enrollment button, which you will be entitled to wear. Then after six weeks of satisfactory service either at home or somewhere else you will be given a Federal badge bearing the great seal of the United States. Very few Rannels county boys have enrolled so far.

See me this week and attend to the matter. It is not compulsory but you will be serving your country to do it, and whatever kind of work you do will be chosen by you.

J. H. King, County Chairman.

GIRLS! WHITEN SKIN WITH LEMON JUICE

Make a Lotion for a few cents to remove tan, freckles, sallowness.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply you with three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Squeeze the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle, then put in the orchard white and shake well. This makes a quarter pint of the very best lemon skin whitener and complexion beautifier known. Massage this fragrant, creamy lotion daily into the face, neck, arms and hands and just see how freckles, tan, sallowness, redness and roughness disappear and how smooth, soft and clear the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless, and the beautiful results will surprise you.

SHIPPED TO CORSICANA.

H. L. Wendorf, the saddle and harness dealer, shipped out Wednesday his stock of goods and fixtures to Corsicana, where he will open up business at an early date. He will go with his business but the family will still make home in South Ballinger for some time, or at least until they can sell their place, so Mr. Wendorf informed us Wednesday.

TO THE WOOL GROWERS OF THIS SECTION

The Texas Compress Co. of Ballinger offers you the use of its concrete sheds as a storage and concentration place for your wool this spring and summer.

Our facilities for handling wool are the very best; we weigh it on the Toledo Automatic Scale, the finest made; our storerooms are large and well lighted; watchmen are on the premises day and night, and our insurance rates are the lowest in the city. We make a minimum charge for weighing, handling, and loading onto cars.

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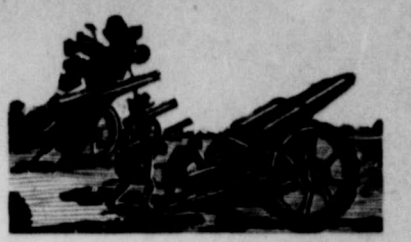
Ike Honig returned home on the Monday morning train from San Angelo, en route from his ranch near Eldorado, and on account of the heavy rains, left his auto and returned by rail. He reports between 3 and 4 inches of rainfall at his ranch.

CASTORIA In Use For Over 30 Years

For Infants and Children Always bears the Signature of J. C. Ayer & Co.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Handle Davis is resting very nicely Monday and her condition is considerably improved, which their many friends will be glad to learn.

Prof. C. A. Warmoek, of the Bethel neighborhood, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.



Red-blooded men of courage are on the firing line—and there are many anemic, weak, discouraged men and women left at home.

At this time of the year most people suffer from a condition often called Spring Fever. They feel tired, worn out, before the day is half thru. They may have frequent headaches and sometimes "pimply" or pale skin.

Bloodless people, thin, anemic people, those with pale cheeks and lips, who have a poor appetite and feel that tired, worn or feverish condition in the springtime of the year, should try the refreshing tonic powers of a good alternative and blood purifier. Such a one is extracted from Blood root, Golden Seal and Stone root, Queen's root and Oregon Grape root, made up with chemically pure glycerine and without the use of alcohol. This can be obtained in ready-to-use tablet form in sixty cent vials, as druggists have sold it for fifty years as Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is a standard remedy that can be obtained in tablet or liquid form.

A good purge should be taken once a week even by persons who have a movement daily, in order to eliminate matter which may remain and cause a condition of auto-intoxication, poisoning the whole system. To clean the system at least once a week is to practice health measures. There is nothing so good for this purpose as tiny pills made up of the May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap, and sold by almost all druggists in this country as Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, sugar-coated, easy to take.

HUNDRED MILLION DRIVE BEGINS 20TH

E. D. Walker, chairman of the Red Cross War Fund Committee for Rannels county, has issued a call for all the precinct chairman and workers to meet him at the Library in Ballinger Sunday afternoon, May 12th at three o'clock.

At this time plans will be discussed and methods adopted for carrying on the big war fund campaign beginning May 20th, and continuing for one week.

The American Red Cross has called for one hundred million dollars for immediate use in war work. This amount is in addition to all other funds raised for the Red Cross, and must be raised within one week.

Rannels county's quota has been fixed at \$4,200. This is about twenty cents per capita, and to say that we can't raise it is to say we can't win the war. It must be raised—it will be raised if every one does their duty.

Get ready to do it and be on the job with your dollar and a dollar for the man or woman who can't pay. There are some who can easily pay one dollar each for a hundred people, while there are some who can not pay anything.

The workers will be organized and the week of May 20-27 will be Red Cross week in Rannels county. American boys in the trenches are suffering for the care and attention that this money will carry to them.

We are glad to report the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Penn doing very nicely Monday, and hopes are now entertained for her speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bass left Monday for Valera where Mr. Bass is now holding the position of station agent for the Santa Fe. Mrs. Bass had been visiting home folks the past few weeks.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

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WANTED—1872521 lbs good fat hens at 17c per lb. R. P. Conn. Phone 320. 83dlw

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Mebane cotton seed. Phone 7003. C. G. Allison. 1w

FOR SALE—A good milk cow making a pound of butter per day. Phone 4421. R. F. Smith, Ballinger. 28-6-wz.

FOR SALE—A few bushels cotton seed. Also pure counter lard. Phone 5824. Pryor Maps. 2dlw

FOR SALE—White maize seed. C. W. Evans. Phone 7611. 10-wf.