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## Italians Now Advancing in Albania

### Runnels County May Lose County Farm Agent

R. W. Person, district farm agent, was here last Friday, checking up the work of local agent Eaton. Mr. Person was well pleased with the work being done here by Mr. Eaton, but stated that he would not recommend the maintenance of an agent here at the expense of the federal government and business men, and that unless the county commissioners took hold of the work and co-operated, it was probable that Mr. Eaton would be transferred to some other county where there is a demand for this class of work and where the county is willing to stand its part of the expense.

The commissioners court of this county has repeatedly declined to pay its prorata of the salary for a farm agent and the federal government appropriation for that purpose has been met by the local Business League. Mr. Person says this is not right, and that he will not recommend that an agent be kept here on such basis.

Just why the commissioners court declines to co-operate with the federal government in this work is more than we can understand. A statement from any member of the court why they are refusing to do so would be gladly received by the public, and such statement should be forthcoming.

The farm agent work has been established here on a basis which will cause great loss if the agent is removed, and the government realizes this and has been slow in transferring the agent to some other place.

Without a farm agent the farmers and stockmen of this county would be deprived of the half freight rate on feed. They would be deprived of the advantages offered by the government in loans on seed wheat for planting. They would be deprived of the benefit of the farm agent in handling the agricultural claims in connection with the local draft board, and many other benefits that must come through the farm agent or not come at all, as the law governing these matters provide that the farm agent must handle the work.

No cheap rate on feed can be had without certificate from the farm agent. No wheat loans can be had without application through the farm agent, and the county without a farm agent are experiencing

great loss and delay. Farm agent Eaton has issued freight certificates for half rate on 125 cars of feed. The saving to the farmers and stockmen in this one item alone is sufficient to pay the county's part of the farm agent's salary for several years.

Mr. Eaton has sent in 100 applications for seed wheat loans and is busy taking others every day, and he has secured work for 140 laborers during the last two or three weeks, being instrumental in advancing transportation and co-operating with the government employment service.

On account of the drouth there has been little demonstration work during the last few months, but Mr. Eaton has devoted such time to terracing and surveying for irrigation projects. The entire county is profiting by his services, and the Business League and federal government is putting up the money.

The farmers should get behind the commissioners court and make it possible to see that Mr. Eaton, or some other agent remains on the job. The proposition should be handled as a war measure.

### SHORT DELAY AT ROWENA OIL WELL

The breaking of a bit in the well of the Runnels County Oil & Gas Co., near Rowena, caused a short delay Wednesday. The broken bit was soon fished out and a new one replaced it in the stem and drilling will be resumed. The well is nearing a depth of 1200 feet, and in the language of the promoters, "things are looking better all the time."

There has been no new developments in the Russell well, further than steady work in sinking the drill deeper daily, and gas continues to ooze out the top of the well. It is claimed that there is sufficient gas coming from the well now to operate the drill if it was placed under control and utilized for fuel.

D. M. Hillyard and Guy McDonald, of Winters, were here Wednesday, serving on the legal advisory board, assisting registrants in filling out their questionnaires.

### Allies Capture 40,000 Prisoners And 260 Guns

#### ANNOUNCEMENT PARTY

On Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock the beautiful home of Judge and Mrs. J. W. Powell was thrown open to a number of guests who upon their arrival were greeted in a most gracious manner by Mrs. Powell and her daughter, Miss Lucile, and ushered into the reception suit, which was beautifully decorated in Queens wreaths Clematis and Ferns.

Seven tables were arranged for the ever popular game of "42" and after several games were enjoyed, the guests were served a most delicious refreshment plate of ice cream, molded in beautiful pink roses and angle food cake.

A state of expectancy existed throughout the entire afternoon, as it had been rumored that a secret was to be disclosed on this occasion. As the guests were about to depart in disappointment Mrs. Lynn and Miss Williedelle Schawe approached with trays, upon which were miniature trunks. These were distributed among the guests and when opened disclosed the announcement of the marriage of Miss Lucile Powell to Mr. James Wear, October 8th, 1918.

The following guests were present: Madams, Scott Mack, Elmer Shepperd, Leslie Baker, Chas. Northington, Harry Lynn, Harper McFarland, Alfred Luckett of Miles, Lynn and Townsend of Winters, Oscar Drisdale, Oscar Pearson, Oscar Routh A. McGreggor, Sim Cotelle Emil James Maude Vanciel, Sam Behringer, Misses Ona Hartman, Bertha Van Pelt, Lois Crews, Winnie Trail, Myrtle Whitaker, Williedell Schawe Olga Schawe, Fannie Wilmeth, Mamie Gregory, Margaret Futch, Hattie Miller, Zelma Miller, Cora Whitlow, Anna Jean Sharp, Maryatte Smith, and Ethal Evans and hostesses Mrs. Powell and Lucile Powell.

#### MAN FIT FOR CARRIER PIGEON WITH MARINES

Omaha, Neb., Sept 24—He blew in from Gas, Kansas, did John T. Swanson. The recruiting sergeant looked twice, decided his eyesight was true and that there was a man before him. The stranger's middle initial must have stood for "thin." For he was. Here was Hooverism to the Nth degree.

"I want to fight and I want to join the Marines," said Swanson. "What do you weigh?" asked Sergeant Lee Carpenter. "Ninety two pounds, but \*\*\*" "No chance here. Suppose you go to the Signal Corps. They might attach fethers and use you as a carrier pigeon."

#### One Day's Grist of Questions

Here are specimen questions asked at the American Library Association's library at Camp Beauregard in one day:

"Who is the Sultan of Turkey?"  
 "What is the population of Philadelphia?"  
 "How many months in the year is the Baltic navigatable?"  
 "Is there such a place as hell—and is there princess of hell?"  
 "Is Alan Seeger American or English?"  
 "How much space in a line of march is required by motorcycles?"  
 "What day of the week was July 4, 1915?"  
 "What people of ancient times were destroyed because they had six senses in stead of five?"  
 "Where was Atlantis, the island described by Plato, where people were perfectly happy and contented?"

Basil Smith went to Galveston, Tuesday to resume his duties in the State Medical School. This is his second year and he goes back to enter the military branch.

London, Sept 25.—An official report on the allied drive in Palestine was made today. According to the official report more than 40,000 prisoners and 260 guns have been taken.

This report came a day or two ago, but not until today was it officially confirmed, and it is added that the domination of the holy land by the Turks has been ended for all time to come and the Christian people are in complete control of the country.

#### STUNG AGAIN

It has come to the knowledge of the reporter that the practice of buying merchandise, and giving check therefor, with no money on deposit with which to pay the check is being indulged in to a considerable extent.

Under the amended swindling law this is a violation of the law and a very severe penalty affixed therefor. One merchant has been the victim of this practice on several occasions lately and by the same person twice. And while a business man dislikes to proceed against a citizen for this offense, yet it will be necessary to do some thing to stop this practice.

Fred Piratt, formerly of Santa Anna but now in the United States navy, with headquarters at New York, passed through here last night on his way to New York, after spending several days with friends and relatives at Santa Anna. Fred has been in the navy quite a while and has made four trips overseas with United States transports. He has seen several submarine battles as well as other fighting and does not hesitate to state that the first submarine battle he saw seared him.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mr. Piratt is a brother of Mrs. J. B. Curry, of this city. Mrs. Curry has been at Santa Anna visiting while her brother was there.

#### GREAT PILES OF CLOTHING READY

The Committee appointed to collect up clothing for the Belgium relief committee did their work well Wednesday, and the people contributed liberally. If every town in the United States contributes clothing at the same ratio that the Ballinger people contributed, there will be enough clothing brought together to keep all of the sufferers of France and Belgium warm for two winters. Great piles of clothing of every description was brought together at the Library, and this city alone will put Runnels county over the top in its quota. The Red Cross relief committee is busy packing the clothing and getting it ready to ship.

#### COURT ADJOURNES TO HELP DRAFT BOARD

District Attorney Walter U. Early returned last night from Brady, district court having adjourned after a short session, through orders of the adjutant general who has instructed all attorneys to be subject to the call of the draft boards in assisting registrants to fill out their questionnaires. Mr. Early said that the civil docket was finished and the grand jury empaneled, but the criminal docket was carried over to next term. He reports that Brady got only a slight shower Thursday.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Lieut. A. J. Thorp, left Sunday afternoon for Leon Springs, where he goes into training for duty in the cavalry service.

Alexander Saunders came in from the West Wednesday morning and is back on the job at the post office, after a short vacation.

London, Sept. 25.—The Italians have launched a new drive, according to unofficial press reports received here via Paris. The press reports come through reliable sources and state that the Italians army was advancing in Albania.

While there are no indications yet of the reported advance having definitely linked with the hundred mile allied offensive in Macedonia, but it is believed in official circles that the entire three hundred mile front from the Adriatic to the Aegean sea may soon be ablaze with activity.

The Bulgarian army which has been opposing the allied center, is now rapidly retiring upon Vles, thirty miles northeast of Prilina, it was announced today in Serbian official messages received here.

At the same time the allied advance is continuing north of Prelep and Gradsko road, says the official report.

Gen. Haig, the British field marshal, reports that German raids in the vicinity of Sauchy Cauchy were partially successful, the enemy capturing the British outpost in that vicinity. Another raid in this region was repulsed, however, and the British successfully raided the enemy in the Wulverghem sector, capturing prisoners and guns.

In both Macedonia and Palestine the entente allied forces are giving the already badly beaten Bulgarians, Germans and Turks no rest, while in France the British and French are continuing to draw their net more closely about St. Quentin, and the remaining elements of the Hindenburg line in this immediate region.

In Macedonia the situation of the Bulgarians and Germans daily grows more critical for the allied forces steadily maintaining their pressure against them. In Turkey the latest operations of the British and Arab tribesmen friendly to the allied cause seemingly forecast the complete destruction or capture of the Ottoman troops in Palestine on both sides of the river Jordan.

St. Quentin, though the latest advances of the British and the French is all but enveloped and to the north the strong enemy line protecting Cambrai has been further encroached upon by Field Marshal Haig's men.

All along the 100 mile front in Macedonia from the region north of Monastid to Lake Doiran the entire entente armies have pressed further forward against the demoralized Bulgarians and Germans whose reinforcements have not been able to stiffen the line for a face about.

North of Monastid the important strategic position of Pelepe has been occupied thus giving control of the numerous roads radiating

from it to the French cavalry; in the center the Serbians have pushed their wedge further in between the enemy's western and eastern armies, while on the extreme eastern flank, the British and Greeks have advanced along both sides of the Vardar to a depth average about ten miles over a front of twenty miles. Nowhere are the entente commanders permitting Bulgarians and Germans to lose contact with the advancing troops who are harrassing them vigorously.

W. H. Arnold, of the Winters country, was trading in Ballinger Monday.

#### WENT TO DALLAS TO HAVE FOOT AMPUTATED

W. A. Forgey left for Dallas Saturday afternoon, where he went to consult specialists, and probably have his foot amputated. Mr. Forgey has been suffering with a cripple foot for several months, and local physicians offered no hope for saving the diseased member.

#### SPANISH INFLUENZA KILLS FRITZ WILDE

The announcement of the death of Fritz Wilde, Wednesday morning was received in Ballinger with sorrow and surprise.

Mr. Wilde died at his home in the Olfen community at eleven o'clock Wednesday morning.

He was sick only a few days and died from pneumonia which was caused by Spanish influenza, which is so prevalent over the entire United States at this time.

Mr. Wilde returned from South Texas a few days ago, and became ill with influenza a short time after arriving at home. An epidemic of Spanish influenza is raging throughout the South Texas country, there being 700 cases at Camp Logan, at Houston, and many cases in other army camps in that part of the state.

The disease is not considered dangerous, except where neglect causes pneumonia to develop. The disease is not considered contagious, but spreads in an epidemic something like the grippie.

This is the case in the Wilde family, and it is reported that every member of the family is suffering with the disease.

Mr. Wilde was one of the most prosperous and prominent citizens of the southern part of the county. He had no enemies, and was one of the county's best citizens.

He is survived by his wife and five children, and a brother W. H. Wilde, resides in the Olfen community.

It was announced that the funeral would be held Friday and the remains interred in the Olfen cemetery.

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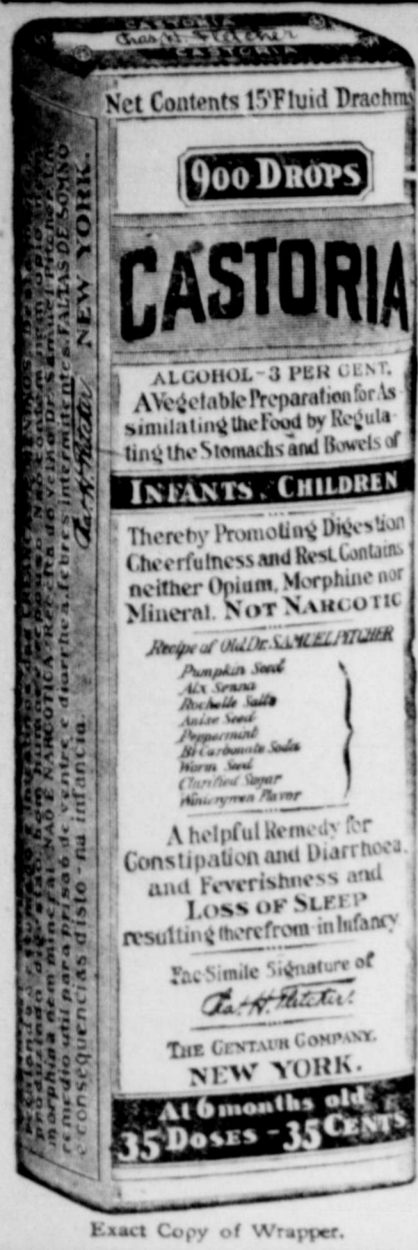
### The Winters State Bank

at Close of Business Aug. 31, 1913

Resources	
Loans and discounts	\$ 212,273.56
Liberty Bonds	10,076.67
Bill of Exchange, cotton	1,213.86
Overdrafts	NONE
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	20,000.00
Other real estate	9,500.00
Interest and assessment D. Guaranty fund	4,238.62
Cash and exchange	40,770.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 298,072.71</b>
Liabilities	
Capital	\$50,000.00
Surplus	40,000.00
Undivided Profits	5,788.77
Bills payable	20,000.00
Other borrowed money	NONE
Deposits	182,283.94
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$298,072.71</b>

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**THURSDAY NIGHT'S SHOWERS SPOTTED**

The showers Thursday evening about sun down were not general over this county, and the rain fall ranged from two and a half inches to only light sprinkles, or no rain. Hatchel reports two and a half inches of rain, while Norton, in the western part of the county, reports no rain.

The usual cloud of dust preceded the rain in some places and threatening clouds hung low over the city and surrounding country, and for a time indications were good for a gusher from above.

The local telephone office compiled the following report from over the district, showing the extent of the rain:

Abilene 1 inch, Benoit 1.35; Blackwell no rain; Bradshaw 1 inch; Brady no rain; Bronte light showers; Brownwood good rain; Coleman 1.26; Concho light shower; Crews good rain; Eden 1.50; Ft. Chadbourne light shower; Hatchel 2.50; Leaday light shower; Maverick no rain; Menard .25; Miles 1 inch; Millersview .22; Norton no rain; Olfen light rain; Paint Rock light rain; Pony .50; Rowena light rain; San Angelo .50 Santa Anna good rain; Stacy good rain; Talpa 1.35; Wingate light rain; Winters .25; Ballinger .60.

**MOVING TO NEW OFFICE**

W. C. Penn and Sim Cottle moved their office furniture and fixtures from the up stairs in the Noyes building on Eighth Street, to the building next door to the express office, Thursday, and they are now down town where they can handle the "cotton rush," with ease and without employing additional help.

**WHERE IS JIM BOB EVANS**

Jim Bob Evans, last address Winters, Texas, married at Bethel, Texas, Nov. 18th, 1917, by U. S. Sherrill, any one knowing his whereabouts will confer a favor on both the board and the registrar if they will notify us of his address.

**Local Board Runnels County**

Thad Thomson returned to Camp Funston, to resume his duties in the army, Thursday after a visit to home folks.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy**

This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, but is also pleasant to take which is important when a medicine must be given to children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been in use for many years and has met with much favor wherever its good qualities have become known. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement. Wm. Serogy, Chillicothe, Mo., writes, "I have raised three children, have always used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and found it to be the best for coughs, colds and croup. It is pleasant to take. Both adults and children like it. My wife and I always felt safe from croup with it in the house. Chamberlain's Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic."

**SOLDIERS MUST MAKE REQUEST FOR PRESENTS**

American soldiers in France will have to select their own Christmas gifts if any are sent by relatives and friends at home.

Under the system in vogue parcels cannot be posted to the soldiers unless they first designate what they want and the list is approved by a field officer.

Unless a waiver of this rule comes through the postal department it will be strictly adhered to and will of course apply to Christmas packages as well as all others, says Postmaster Speer.—Ft. Worth Star-Telegram.

Miss Zelma Miller returned to Austin, Friday afternoon, to resume her duties as teacher in the junior high school of that city. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Juliett who is a student and assistant teacher in the State University.

Miss Trixie Mullen, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Friday, en route to Waco to attend Baylor University. She was accompanied by Miss Emma Gray who was returning to her home at Hillsboro, after a visit to Winters.

**Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic** destroys the malarial germs which are transmitted to the blood by the Malaria Mosquito. Price 6c.

**MAN FOOLED YANK WITH PLANE AND GUN**

New York, Sept. 20—Lieut. W. D. Hill, Cleburne, Texas is convalescing in a military hospital here from effects of German camouflage.

While flying at an altitude of about 10,000 feet over the German lines, north of Tond, Hill saw what looked like a boche monoplane beneath him. Monoplanes have a single gun, rigidly set to shoot straight forward between the propeller blades.

Hill dived at the plane. Just as he opened up with his machine gun a machine gun operated by a man in the fuselage of the enemy machine cut loose. The Yankee received several bullets through the leg and his engine was shot out of commission. He fell about 6,000 feet, then managed to straighten out and streak for home.

The "monoplane" had proved to be a biplane, cleverly camouflaged.

Hill, rapidly losing consciousness, finally saw an American shack, marked with a Red Cross. He brought his machine to earth and tumbled out at the door of the shack. It was a dental hospital, but the dentist proved to be a good emergency surgeon and saved Hill from bleeding to death.

Hill expects to be back at the front in about three months.

**No Worms in a Healthy Child**

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 6c per bottle.

**SAN ANGELO COUPLE WEDS HERE**

Rev. H. P. Bates performed the ceremony about eight o'clock Friday evening that united in matrimony J. M. Bates and Miss Eliza Beth L. Allen, of San Angelo. The couple appeared at the Presbyterian manse in an auto and presented the necessary credentials authorizing the minister to do his part in making two hearts beat as one. Mr. Bates has been sixteen months service in the navy and was home on a furlough when he took unto himself a wife.



**LIGHTING BURNS GUY HOME AT TALPA**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Guy at Talpa was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire Thursday evening. A phone message to Mrs. Sam Baker, sister of Mrs. Guy was received about eight o'clock Thursday night, and brought the news of the heavy loss to Mr. and Mrs. Guy.

According to the report over the phone there was no one at home at the time, Mrs. Guy and daughter being at their place store with Mr. Guy when lightning struck the house about seven o'clock and it was burning before the fire was discovered. The house and all its contents, except the piano, were destroyed.

The home was one of the most modern and costly in Talpa, having been constructed a short time ago and well furnished throughout. The loss falls heavy on Mr. and Mrs. Guy as they carried no insurance.

It was fortunate for the family that they were away from home at the time, or they might have suffered death or injury from the lightning which started the fire.

**BALLINGER'S WATER SUPPLY REPLENISHED**

While the city water supply was ample for a long time to come, recent rains having filled the reservoirs to overflowing, the heavy rain at Hatchel Thursday evening brought down a rise of several feet in Elm Creek, and water flowed over all dams. The water supply now is ample for the entire winter and consumers are at liberty to use all they wish.



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**MEN IN SERVICE TRY FEED BURNERS WORK FOR TRACK RECORDS IN COLEMAN COUNTY**

Great Lakes, Ill., Sept. 20—Athletes who have flocked here today to test their speed and skill on the track and field in the National A. A. U. title meet, wore military and naval insignia instead of the college monogram of other years.

Records are in danger on the great new track constructed at naval training station here by jacksies. A feature of the carefully graded and measured stadium is the 440-yard straightway. It is a fast course and the record of 47 seconds may tumble. F. J. Shea, Pittsburg, U., now in the aviator service was looked to be as the possible record smasher. On a curved track he has equalled the record of 47.24.

Lieut. Harrison Mullen, of Winters, was here Friday for the first time in two or three weeks, having been down with a spell of fever. He will soon be able to be with his cavalry company here again.

Mrs. Sam Behringer left for San Angelo Monday, and will visit in that city a few days.

Pepper Bros., flour mill at Valera, together with a carload of wheat and corn was burned Tuesday night between three and four o'clock. The fire is believed of incendiary origin. The entire mill was ablaze inside when discovered, indicating that oil may have been used in firing the mill.

The building and machinery carried but a small amount of insurance and the loss is estimated at several thousand dollars. The two cars of grain, unloaded the day before the fire, was partially insured. The mill was running Monday morning, but was idle in the afternoon while grain was being unloaded. This is the third food and feed manufacturing plant burned in Coleman county within the past eight weeks.—Coleman Democrat.

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Mrs. Sam Baker went to Talpa, Friday morning, to be with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Guy, who had the misfortune to lose her home by fire Thursday evening.

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Please Try Dodson's Liver Tone  
I am sincere! My medicine does not upset liver and bowels so you lose a day's work.

Calomel loses you a day! You know what calomel is. It's mercury; quicksilver. Calomel is dangerous. It crashes into sour bile like dynamite, cramping and sickening you. Calomel attacks the bones and should never be put into your system. When you feel bilious, sluggish, constipated and all knocked out and believe you need a dose of dangerous calomel just remember that your druggist sells for a few cents a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone, which is entirely vegetable and pleasant to take and is a perfect substitute for calomel. It is guaranteed to start your liver without stirring you up inside, and can not salivate. Don't take calomel! It makes you sick the next day; it loses you a day's work. Dodson's Liver Tone straightens you right up and you feel great. Give it to the children as well.

**COMING AND GOING FROM MILES**  
(From Miles Messenger)  
Cecil Brooks of Ballinger spent the week end in Miles.  
Miss Yetta Mae Slayton visited relatives in Ballinger last week.  
Mrs. Elmer Talbot of Ballinger came in Sunday to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. West.  
D. P. Eaton, County Extension Demonstration Agricultural agent was in Miles Tuesday in the interest of the Seed Wheat Loan.  
Miss Estelle Hunt of Ballinger

came in Tuesday to see her sister Mrs. C. Slayton before leaving for service "Over There." She and Sanitarium at Ballinger leave soon eight other graduate nurses of the

The man at home who quarrels because he can't get all the luxuries of life he wants, should be given a lesson that will teach him what the boys in the trenches are enduring. The man who spends his time looking for a flowery bed of ease at this time is a traitor to his country. Shoot him.

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### CAVALRY OFFICERS ORDERED TO CAMP

Captain Cohen of the local cavalry company received a telegram Saturday instructing him to report with his lieutenants, stable sergeant, mess sergeant, chief cook and assistant cook at training camp for a month's training. Accordingly, Capt. Cohen, Lieut. A. J. Thorp, Stable Sergeant H. Herring, Mess Sergeant Albert Afflerbach, Chief Cook J. A. Zentner, and Asst. Cook, Conway will leave here next Monday afternoon for training camp, the assistant cook going to Fort Sam Houston to the bakers cooking school and the other named members of the local troop going to Leon Springs where they will be instructed in Camp Stanley.

The telegram received Saturday instructed Capt. Cohen to leave the company in charge of the First Sergeant, Elmer Simpson, and it is hinted that they will be ordered to Fort Bliss some time about the first of October, where they will be given training and made ready for regular service, and either assigned to border duty or sent over seas.

Price Maddox went to Kansas Friday to look after cattle he has on the range in that country.

Arthur Giesecke left for Houston Friday, and will resume his school work in the Rice Institute entering the S. A. T. C. He has one year's training in this school last year.

G. W. Dean went to San Angelo, on business Thursday.

### CAVALRY OFFICER GETS DISCHARGE

The order received Saturday calling the officers of the local cavalry troop to training camp caused a shaking up that resulted in several changes. These changes were made after the story giving an account of the call was written as appears elsewhere in this paper.

The order from Washington required that all officers report to training camp by a certain date, or they would be suspended. Lieut. Harrison Mullin, of Winters, who has been down with typhoid fever, is not able to answer the call, and will not be for a couple of months.

Gen. Walters was notified of this fact and Lieut. Mullin asked for his discharge. The discharge was granted and Elmer Simpson appointed to succeed him as 2nd Lieutenant. Edward Futch succeeds Elmer Simpson as First Sergeant and will have charge of the local troops while the officers are in the training camp or until the troops are moved to training camp.

On account of lacking a few months of being twenty-one years of age Albert Afflerbach could not qualify as Mess Sergeant.

#### The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak

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Tad Richardson, of Winters was a visitor to Ballinger Sunday.

## New Automobile Cheap

Or at least you can make your old car look like a new one at a small cost. It won't be long before it will be next to impossible to buy a new car, so it behooves auto owners to take care of those they have. You have recently noticed old cars on our streets that looked like new ones. The transformation was caused by the use of Cameron Company's high grade automobile paint. You can have yours look new at a small cost.

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**H. Giesecke** Ballinger, Texas.

### ROWENA PRIEST UNDER PROBE

Reports reaching the Council of Defense here this week was responsible for the bringing of Rev. Father Garmann, of Rowena and Olfen before the Council. Ranger Flynt was instructed to bring the priest before the Council, and the officer phoned for the man to come down on the morning train. He first stated that he could not come, but when informed by the officer that steps would be taken to bring him if he did not come, he readily agreed to be here, and came down on the Saturday morning train.

It is alleged that Rev. Garmann had been taking considerable interest in the war activities and was demanding that German be taught in the schools.

It was brought out in the investigation that the priest was an alien, and according to his own answers to questions propounded by members of the Council of Defense, he had preference as to who would prove the victors in the war, and that it was a matter he was leaving up to God and he was only praying that the nation which was right might win. He said his sympathy was neither with Germany nor with the United States, and according to his explanation he occupies the position of a neutral, and declines to say how he stood on the question.

When queried about the charge that he was demanding that German be taught in the schools, he stated that he only wanted what the law entitled him to, and that if the law said German could be taught in the schools he wanted it taught, and that he was willing to abide by the law.

Rev. Garmann said that he preached in German because he did not know how to preach anything else, although he had been in this country more than thirty years. He said that he could not teach the children religion if teaching German in schools was prohibited.

The Council of Defense after giving notice on him that he could not teach or preach in German language any more, took the case under advisement, and after a short session directed the officers to take the man to San Angelo and turn him over to the federal authorities. Accompanied by two members of the Council of Defense, Mr. Flynt went to San Angelo with the priest shortly after noon Saturday, and if facts brought out before the Council are presented to the federal authorities, the man will probably be interned.

#### A DOUBLE WEDDING

At the Presbyterian manse in this city on last Wednesday evening at six o'clock, Rev. J. H. King officiating occurred the marriage of Mr. Russell A. Grimes or Miles and Miss Jocie Patterson of Rowena, and also Mr. C. S. Castor of Rowena and Miss Winnie Neas of Rowena.

After the ceremony the young couples, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Neas, partook of a moonlight supper several miles up the Colorado river.

Mr. Grimes is from one of the best and well known families of the Miles country and is a progressive young farmer of that neighborhood, and his wife is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Patterson, prominent citizen of Rowena.

Mr. Castor is a valued employee of the Runnels County Oil Co., at Rowena and his wife is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Neas of Rowena. Mr. Neas being the former publisher of the Rowena Review.

#### DR. BRADFIELD WILL BECOME PASTOR AGAIN

Dallas, Sept. 18—W. D. Bradfield, editor of the Christian Advocate, tendered his resignation today in order to re-enter the pastorate. His resignation was accepted, and A. J. Weeks, presiding elder at Stamford, Texas was named as his successor.

Dr. Bradfield was pastor of the Methodist church at Ballinger twenty-five years ago. Since then he has served city churches, including Dallas, Austin and St. Louis. For some time he has been editor of the Christian Advocate, the Methodist paper for Texas.

Jack Pierce went to Fort Worth Friday, where he will consult with the sanitary livestock board.

### GAS SHOOTING FROM RUSSELL WELL

Reports from the Russell well on Grape Creek today states that the drill opened up gas pockets Friday night and the well has been gassing intermittently during the day.

It is also reported that the drill encountered other oil pockets and with the gas pocket showing up the operators are all the more optimistic for a rich strike.

Arrangements were being made today to move the engine back to guard against fire in case of an overflow of gas and oil. This will probably cause a suspension of drilling for a short time, but drilling will be resumed and the work pushed until it is thoroughly determined just what is to be found in the well.

As the work progresses interest increases, and lease holders and land owners are beginning to traffic considerably. The bringing in of a strong well may be announced at any time. Many visitors are going and coming from the Russell well.

The drill is keeping up at satisfactory pace at the well near Rowena, and several gas pockets have been encountered in that well, but so far no oil.

Mrs. Wm. Drennon returned home Thursday, from a month's visit to relatives and friends at Dallas and other places.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wigle, of Cleburne, passed through Ballinger Friday at noon, en route to San Angelo on business. They will probably stop off for a short visit on their return home.

### TO CUT OUT TWO SANTA FE TRAINS

According to an announcement made by the Santa Fe officials while at San Angelo Friday, and who passed through Ballinger Friday afternoon en route east on a tour of inspection, two trains now operating on the Santa Fe between Brownwood and San Angelo, will be cut out within the next month.

In a statement given to business men at San Angelo before departing from that city, K. S. Hull, superintendent; and General Passenger Agent Keenan, with headquarters at Galveston, trains No. 70, which goes east from Ballinger at nine thirty each morning and No. 75 which goes west at 11:30 each night, operating only between Brownwood and San Angelo will be discontinued.

Through trains Nos. 77 and 78, will continue without change for the present. These trains carry sleepers and connect with the main line trains at Temple and with the cutoff trains at Coleman. It is probable that these trains will have their schedules moved up about one hour after the other trains are taken off.

John A. Weeks and Horace Strain came in from San Antonio, Friday where they had been to attend a meeting of the state board of pharmacy. Mrs. Weeks who had been visiting at Coleman, and who had been to Fort Worth to place her daughter in school also returned home Friday.

**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, 20c.

### TO PUSH CAMPAIGN FOR Y. M. C. A. FUNDS

Dr. J. H. King received notification from headquarters Friday of his appointment as executive secretary of the 40th Texas district for the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. campaign which is to be launched following the Liberty Loan campaign. The district embraces the counties of Runnels, Concho, Menard and Kemble counties.

Dr. King's work will be among the boys and young people and his duties will be to visit the counties in the district and organize the work and prepare for the campaign to raise funds for the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. war branches.

These organizations are doing a great work in the army camps at home and in Europe in the trenches, and the support comes entirely from volunteer offerings, and most in small amounts given by people whose hearts are in the winning of the war.

#### A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and 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 \$1.25. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggist.

H. N. McDonald left for Houston, Wednesday, and will seek work for a few weeks, or until it rains here.

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America knows no compromise.

Buy bonds before it's verboten.

Dig up the coin and bury the Hun

An oil gusher would stimulate bond buying.

A bond slacker is the Kaiser's backer.

The more bonds you buy the fewer boys will die.

Even the report of striking oil made itself felt in business circles.

A gusher from above and a gusher from below would help the old town some.

Bonds speak louder than words; put the "pay" in to your patriotism.

Ballinger should disincorporate, or fix the streets so the public can "navigate."

With American shells falling on Metz the Huns are getting a dose of their own medicine.

The pinching northerners reminds the idler that he had better get busy and prepare for winter.

Many applications are being filed for government loans on grain planting. Rain is necessary to put them through.

The Red Cross relief committee will canvas for old clothes for suffering Belgians next Wednesday. Have your bundle ready.

Ballinger will have another good road in to Ballinger when Kirk gets through with the Wingate road, just west of the city.

If the war continues for another year, and it will, the demand for food will call more men from town to the farm, and it should.

The uniform may not make a soldier, but it goes a long way towards making a man out of a failure in life.

The coming winter may be hard on poor Belgium, but the next summer will be harder on the Kaiser and his war lords. Watch it.

That was a nice little turkey trot the British pulled off last Sunday over in Palestine. The better the day, the better the deed.

As the result of the drouth and the war, Ballinger bids fare to be without a picture show after this month. No need for movie censor then.

Belgium rejected Germany's peace offer. Belgium people have been driven from their happy homes but the Belgium people have not been whipped.

It should be busy times after a busy day for road building. Insures good roads, and there should be more drags.

The boys who come back from the front will get the glory, but without the patriots on the firing line at home the boys could not have gone to the front. There will be glory for all.

Another victor for America when the allies passed it up to Mr. Wilson to answer the peace note. The Yanks saved the life of the allied nations, and the allies are anxious to go with us to Berlin—Carry on.

The little town of Santa Anna was thrilled by the visit of an aviator Sunday, when Lieut. Virgil E. Kelley returned home on visit, making the trip from Dallas in his aeroplane. It is the modern way to go visiting.

As another evidence that the war has brought the American people together in union of purpose, a "Yankee" will address the "Rebels" in their annual convention at Tulsa, Oklahoma. United we stand, divided we fall.

Some people are inclined to spread things a little while discussing the oil development, while others decline to believe anything they hear. Don't worry, when the gusher comes in everybody will know it, and rumors will become realities.

It is remarkably strange that a majority of the fires occurring in Texas, originate in feed and grain houses. Feed is the big item in winning the war. Yet there are people who do not believe that there are any German spies in this country.

The citizens should not be satisfied until a four thousand foot hole is punctured in the map of Ballinger, or some where within a three minute drive. What's the use of going twenty miles for oil, or even ten miles, when we are standing on the spot where the gusher can be made.

If man and money power count for anything the Germans should read the hand writing on the wall. American can furnish millions in men and there is no limit to her resources. In fact America is making both men and money at a rapid rate. Germany's doom is not far off.

We are all selfish to a certain extent. Most of us want to have a hand in whipping the Kaiser, but that selfish nature prompts us to seek some soft place in the battle line. Nature, or the stuff which makes up man, has been partial, and some are better fitted for certain tasks than others. The hero is the man who fits in willingly where he can do the most good.

A remarkable feature of this war is the willingness shown by many classes to do whatever may be essential to help toward the success of the allied forces. Newspapers established recently are complying with the request of the government to suspend publication to help save fuel, etc., and many drug stores over the country are complying with the resolution recently adopted by the National Retail Druggist Association, in its New Orleans meeting, asking all drug stores to close at 7:30 every night and to remain closed on Sunday to conserve fuel, lights, sweets, etc. In cities nights and Sundays are the best business hours for drug stores with soda fountains and tobacco stands, and their owners are making a financial sacrifice in complying with the requests, but we must win the war.

GERMAN'S PEACE DRIVE The expected peace drive has begun. With German reserves depleted, with Foch delivering terrific blows, with the American army flooding in, with its quality just dramatically demonstrated in the brilliant victory of St. Mihiel, with the U-boats failing, the Central Powers are looking for peace.

They will look in vain. Every peace hint that has come from German officials or German newspapers is based on negotiations for the western frontier, but with the conquests on the East made secure. There is no sign of a change of heart. The masters of the Central Powers believe their bag of 60 million Russians, to make more cannon fodder for the next war, is sufficient victory. It would be the part of smart traders to make what they have now lest they lose all by waiting.

We know what Germany is. We know its unscrupulousness, its perfidy. We know what it promised Russia in the way of peace, and we know how it performed. With the present masters of Germany the world can have no dealings except from the cannons mouth. They have forfeited the confidence of mankind. There is no use wasting time with them. From their spokesman at the opening of the war, when Germany violated its treaty to invade Belgium, we have their maxims: "Necessity knows no law," "Would you fight for a treaty, a mere scrap of paper!"

We can trust to nothing they say for they may repudiate it the next day. The only security for the world against another outbreak of this mad lust for world domination is to inflict overwhelming defeat on Germany, to break its evil power.

If all this sacrifice shall not have been in vain, we will treat only with a beaten and humbled Germany; only with a Germany that has finally learned the lesson that the way of the transgressor is hard.

The Austrian offer—made of course, at the instigation of its German master—indicates that the war lords have begun to see the writing on the wall. But there is no salvation for them. Now, thank God, they can read only their doom.—Kansas City Times.

Erroneous Report Corrected

To My Friends and the Citizens: An erroneous statement with reference to the District Court Jury List of Rannels County was reported and printed in the San Antonio Daily Express last week stating that same had been lost.

With justice to the District Court of Rannels County and its officers, it is nothing but right that same be corrected.

The lists were not lost but same were safely locked in private box of the Clerk to be issued by myself, as I always handle that work individually, not leaving it to anyone Dupty or Dupities. It is very important and particular work and I always take the responsibility on myself of issuing such lists. So far have never had any complaint in my Court work for the full eight years I have held the office of Clerk of the District Court.

Being in Brownwood at the time prior to this October Term of Court, I had intended to return home for the work, which I have done. The lists were safe and still unharmed, and have been issued according to law. Below is the law governing same:

Revised Civil Statutes: Chapt. six, Art. 5159 (3174) Clerk to make out jury lists and deliver to sheriff, within not more than thirty days and not less than ten days prior to each term of the Court, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the district and county courts, respectively, to open the lists of jurors selected for the term, and to make out a copy of the same, duly certified under his hand and the seal of his office, and deliver the same to the sheriff. (Act Aug. 18, 1876, p. 171, sec. 10)

Hoping that same has been fully clear to all concerned, I am Most sincerely, Mary Phillips, Clerk District Court, Rannels County, Texas.

RECORD BREAKING A. & M. ATTENDANCE

W. B. Bizzle, president of the A. & M. College, wired Judge John L. Guion Monday that the college opened with a record breaking attendance. The telegram stated that it was necessary to limit the attendance to 1500, and that emergency tents would be used until arrangements could be made for taking care of the students.

R. F. Brown of Crews was in Ballinger Monday, to see his nephew, who was hurt by an auto Saturday, and we are glad to hear the boy is getting along as well as could be expected. Mr. Brown reports an inch and a fourth rain which put out stock water but not enough to bring up grain. He said stock was looking real well so far.

LEMON JUICE IS FRECKLE REMOVER Girls! Make This Cheap Beauty Lotion to Clear and Whiten Your Skin.

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very, small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands each day and see how freckles and blemishes disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.

J. M. Scoggins, of the Wingate country, was here on business Tuesday. He was accompanied by his son Eugene, who is at home from Boston, where he has been serving Uncle Sam in the navy. Mr. Scoggins has four sons in the service, or at least has given four to the cause, one son Roy having been lost on the Cyclops, which mysteriously disappeared from the high seas, and neither the ship or any of its crew have been heard from. The ship disappeared last March, and the government notified Mr. Scoggins several months ago that his son had been given up as lost with the entire crew.

H. A. Green passed through Ballinger Tuesday, en route to Winters, where he will pack his goods on a car and move to Hill county. Mr. Green left here in August driving through the country in a Wagon. He says he saw nothing but a desert looking country, all crops being burned up, until he crossed the Brazos river. He located at Abbott in Hill County, and is moving his family to that place. He has been living near Winters for the past several years.

W. E. Middleton returned from South Texas, Tuesday where he had been to dispose of a shipment of horses and mules.

Mrs. Stanley Cameron and baby returned home, Tuesday, from a visit of two or three weeks to relatives and friends at different points.

Scott H. Maek, county chairman and Chas. S. Miller, district chairman for the Y. M. C. A. work, went to Dallas, Monday to attend a state meeting of the district and county chairman, preparatory to the campaign for this feature of the war work as soon as the Liberty Loan campaign closes.

Mrs. H. A. Neuby, of Brownwood, came up Monday to be with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Simpson for awhile, during Mr. Simpson's absence in the army service.

C. G. Capes who has been down with typhoid fever for several weeks, was able to be on the streets Tuesday.

R. L. Harwell went to Coleman on business, Tuesday morning.

BIG COMPANY TO DRILL AT ABILENE

The Humble Oil & Refining Co., The Gulf Producing Co., and Fred T. Woods will drill a deep test for oil four miles northeast of Abilene according to announcement made Saturday.

The well will be located in the northeast corner of the John Jarmon survey No. 82 on the J. H. McBride farm. A thorough deep test will be made. The rig, irons and casing have been shipped from Ranger and work hauling the material to the location will start Monday, the company having bought one hundred and fifty tons of coal from a local dealer.

A block of land amounting to about 7000 acres is controlled by the company and owned jointly by the parties named.

Mr. Woods began in the project about two months ago and it is due to his energy and business ability that Abilene is to have this deep test for oil made so close to the city. No quicker results nor finer piece of work has ever been done here.

Drilling will start as soon as the rig can be erected which it is estimated will require about ten days to two weeks. The well will be drilled at least 4,000 feet unless a paying flow of oil is struck at a less depth—Abilene Reporter.

Good for Billiousness

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach troubles and biliousness. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I concluded to try them. I improved rapidly."—Miss Emma Verbyrke, Lima, Ohio.

B. L. Coulter came down from San Angelo, Tuesday and spent the time between trains while en route to Dallas, with his brother, J. D. We are glad to note that J. D. is holding his own, and unless complications sets up it is believed that he will be able to throw off the fever.

MISS MAV BUTLER DIED AT ABILENE

Mrs. May Butler Pearce, wife of Eugene C. Pearce, died at the family home here at 9:30 o'clock Sunday night, following an illness of a month's duration.

The funeral will be held at five o'clock p. m. Monday from the First Methodist church, conducted by the Rev. W. C. Hearson of Stamford, former pastor of the church. Burial will take place in the local cemetery.

Mrs. Pearce leaves a husband and baby daughter, born August 16, 1918. She was the daughter of Mrs. S. F. Butler of Abilene, and leaves two sisters and one brother, Miss Inez Butler of Washington, D. C., Miss Inez Butler of Stamford, and Louis Butler of Amarillo. She was born August 16, 1891, and took a very active part in church work. She was married to Eugene C. Pearce on May 10, 1916.

Out of town relatives and friends expected for the funeral and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pearce of Big Springs; J. W. Lisman of Sweetwater and Mr. Jones of San Angelo.

The pall bearers will be: E. O. Wooten, George C. Campbell and J. B. Heitchew.—Abilene Reporter.

Mrs. Pearce was formerly Miss May Butler a Ballinger girl. She grew from childhood to young womanhood here and was educated in the Ballinger schools. She moved with her mother to Abilene several years ago, but frequently visited friends here. The news of her death was received in Ballinger with sorrow, and the sympathy of many hearts in Ballinger goes out to the bereaved mother, sisters and brother. Miss Praedla Jones, a cousin of Mrs. Pearce, went to Abilene Monday to attend the funeral.

DEPARTED FOR TRAINING CAMP

Capt. L. Cohen, Lieut. Elmer Simpson, Stable Sergeant Herman Herring, and Cooks Ernest and John Zenter left for Leon Springs Monday afternoon, where they go to enter the training camp and prepare for duty in the cavalry. Lieut. Thorp went down Sunday afternoon. The cavalry company organized here will remain here until further orders, but it is expected they will be sent to camp within the next ten days of two weeks.

GIRLS! HAVE A MASS OF BEAUTIFUL HAIR, SOFT, GLOSSY, WAVY

A small bottle destroys dandruff and doubles beauty of your hair.

Within ten minutes after an application of Danderine you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance.

Get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that's all—you surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine.

UNNECESSARY BUILDING IS PROHIBITED

A new order of the National Council of Defense, intended to prevent the unnecessary use of building material, labor and capital in the construction of buildings not absolutely necessary, is to be rigidly enforced.

Paul Trimmer, secretary of the Rannels County Council of Defense, has recently received full instructions with reference to this new rule, and as ordered by the State Council, the local committee to handle this part of the war work was formed and is composed of R. T. Williams, Geo. M. Vaughn and Paul Trimmer.

Building permits must be approved by the government before contracts for work can be let, and those contemplating any character of building should investigate before going to expense and trouble.

Notice of Hearing to Appropriate Public Water.

State of Texas:

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that Frank Pokorny, the postoffice address of whom is Ballinger, Texas did on the 20th, day of September, A. D. 1918, file his application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas sufficient water for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, to be diverted from the Colorado River, in Rannels County, Texas, by means of a dam and pumping plant, said dam to be located on Survey No. 410, Adam Eisenberg and Survey No. 349, A. J. Loverdy in Rannels County, Texas, distant in a Westernly direction from Ballinger eight miles.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are out of the Adam Eisenberg Survey No. 410, in Rannels County, Texas, consisting of 26.4 acres.

A hearing on the said application of the said Frank Pokorny will be held by the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at its office in the city of Austin, County of Travis, said state, on Monday, November 4th, A. D. 1918 beginning at ten o'clock A. M. at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at the office of said board in Austin, Texas, this 20th day of September, A. D. 1918.

W. T. Potter, C. S. Clark, John A. Norris

Board of Water Engineers Attest: James Hayes Quarbs, Secretary. 27 w4t.

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## Husband Dead; Wife Rides 2 Miles In Storm For Help

Artie Morten was struck and instantly killed by lightning at his home near Crews last Friday night. The news reached Ballinger Saturday too late for The Ledger to give an account of the tragedy in Saturday's issue.

Artie Morten was the son-in-law of W. S. Martin, who died near Oxien a few months ago. He was a young man not quite twenty-one years old, with a wife and a three weeks old baby. He lived on a farm about eight miles southeast of Crews and four or five miles west of Glen Cove.

According to an account of the death brought to Ballinger by neighbors, he had just returned from town and went out to see about penning a bunch of goats as the storm was approaching and to put his horse which he had rode to town, in the lot. His wife had prepared supper, but he decided to look after his work at the barn before eating supper.

Failing to return to the house his wife, Mrs. Morten went out to see about her husband. She failed to find him, as it was dark, and she returned to the house and waited longer. Taking a lantern she made the second trip to the lot and found her husband dead.

Saddling a horse Mrs. Morten rode two miles to the nearest neighbor to get help, leaving her three weeks old baby at home alone. When neighbors arrived on the scene they carried the man's body in the house and a hastily examination showed that he had been struck by lightning, a hole being knocked in his head above the ear and his face and body showing burns.

After riding two miles to a neighbor's house, the frail wife fainted, falling prostrate on the gallery, and it was some time before she could tell what had happened. The tragedy, as reported to The Ledger, was a pitiful one.

Deceased was a hard working young farmer and stood well in his community and the neighborhood was grieved at the sudden taking away.

## FELIX JONES IN DALLAS JAIL

Felix Jones is in jail at Dallas, having been transferred from the El Paso jail to Dallas last Friday. He was carried to jail for trial of the murder of Miss Florence Brown, and is scheduled to be arraigned for trial at an early date.

Jones has been tried three times for murder, having been charged with killing a man by the name of Cogsdill at Abilene several years ago, and later charged with killing a man by the name of Battles at Gatesville, and more recently was convicted and given 25 years imprisonment for killing a man by the name of Lyons, a wealthy ranchman, at El Paso. The Brown murder case is the most mysterious in the history of Texas, the young woman having been murdered in her office on a busy street in Dallas in the day time.

## MESSENGER BOY HURT BY AUTO

Robert Brown, son of R. E. Brown, and messenger boy for the Western Union, was seriously, though not fatally hurt, about four o'clock Saturday afternoon when an auto driven by Billie Cordill struck him.

The accident occurred in front of the Walker Smith Co., on Hutchings Ave., and was caused by the boy on the bicycle cutting in too close in front of the car. The car and boy on the bicycle were both on the same side of the street when the boy cut his bicycle in front of the car. The front of the car struck him knocking him to the ground and entangled in the bicycle the boy was dragged for several feet.

Fortunately the car was going slow when it hit the boy and fortunately the wheel of the car did not pass over him, or there would be a different story to write. H. F. Demmer was standing in front of his book and shop and

saw the accident and he hurriedly carried the boy to the sanitarium, and it was found that his injuries consisted of bruises and loss of skin.

## A. & S. TO LOSE TWO DAILY TRAINS

Information leaking out here through reliable sources, although not yet officially announced, is to the effect that changes are being worked out which will make a new schedule for passenger trains operating in and out of Ballinger. These changes are due to take effect within the next few days, probably by next Sunday or the first.

According to reports the A. & S. will lose one train each way each day. Or at least both of the trains operating at present will be taken off and a through train from Stamford put on. The new train will be operated on a schedule which will make connections with the Santa Fe, or at least the schedules of both roads will be in harmony.

It was announced a few days ago that the local train operating from Brownwood to San Angelo on the Santa Fe would be discontinued soon. Some official announcement will probably be made within the next few days.

## STUDY ANSWERS TO QUESTIONNAIRE

Those who are assisting registrants in filling out their questionnaire, suggest that registrants could save time and expedite the work a great deal if they would read over carefully their questionnaires, the instructions, etc., and be prepared to answer the questions before they come to the local board to get help in filling them out. Every man who has received a questionnaire should in form himself as far as possible as to the points on which the questionnaire ask information before he goes to the advisory board.

Where deferred classification on the ground of dependency is to be asked, every dependent over the age of sixteen has to join in the affidavit that is contained in the questionnaire, and every one of them should accompany the registrant to town when the registrant comes to fill out his questionnaire.

Where deferred classification is asked because of agricultural work, some one who is prepared to make affidavit to the fact of the case should come with the registrant to make such affidavit.

Those serving on the advisory board in assisting the registrants in filling out their questionnaires are doing so without pay. They work patiently and are willing to do the best they can, but the registrant should be prepared to make the work as easy as possible and save delay and trouble.

## NOTICE

The Surgical Dressing Rooms will not be open for work this week on account of packing the boxes for the Belgium's They will be open as usual next week.

Mrs. Edward Spill left for San Antonio Saturday after a visit to relatives here. She has a position in San Antonio. Her husband is in France.

Mrs. Oscar Drisdale, formerly Miss Willie Hutton, came in last week and is with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton. Her husband is in France.

Congressman Barton is fighting for 35 cent cotton. The following telegram shows where he stands on this question:

"The president's action in appointing committees undoubtedly means fixing the price of cotton. Our only hope now to save the South from financial disaster is to get price fixed at adequate prices, which we hope will not be less than 35 cents."

Liberty Bonds or German bond. "Come across" or the kaiser will.

## FOOD AND RAILROAD ADMINISTRATIONS TO AID OF CATTLEMEN

PLAN INAUGURATED TO SHIP LIVE STOCK FROM DROUGHT AREA TO PENNSYLVANIA AND EASTERN STATES, ON REDUCED FREIGHT RATE.

Washington has suggested a plan which may relieve the cattlemen of Western Texas and only conditions growing out of war could have been contemplated. Thursday morning, August 29, Administrator Peden received from the United States Food Administration a telegram stating that the Food Administration had arranged with the Railroad Administration for the establishment of a 75 per cent of beef cattle rates to Pennsylvania and other Eastern States where pasturage is assured and food can be secured. The message reads:

"Relative to drought stricken cattle your State (Texas) we have arranged with the Railroad Administration for establishment of seventy five per cent (75%) of beef cattle rates to Pennsylvania and other Eastern States where we are assured pastures and feed can be secured.

"The Railroad Administration, however, due to condition of cattle, would prefer to handle only in straight train lots, thereby affording much better service. I have asked them to have regional director of Federal managers in your State (Texas) to take the question up with you directly, with idea of informing shippers of situation, so that they may get together and arrange their shipments so that train load service may be possible.

"I have also asked interested Pennsylvania people to get in touch with your shippers so necessary arrangements can be perfected. Mr. Waddell of Texas, who is now serving with the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, will assist shippers in their arrangements. As soon as you hear from railroad representatives you will be advised as to more details and be in better position to cooperate.

"We have been advised that the situation is extremely serious, hence our interest in the matter. Texas Cattle Raisers' Association will also be advised directly by Waddell and Simmerman of Pennsylvania, who is arranging for purchase."

Immediately upon Washington's suggestion for relieving the drought stricken area by diverting live stock from the arid plains to points that may better provide for them, Administrator Peden sent the following telegram to Colonel Ike T. Pryor, president of the American National Livestock Association, San Antonio; James Callan, president of Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, Fort Worth, and L. C. White, president Panhandle Southwestern Stockmen's Association, El Paso:

"The Food Administration has arranged with the Railroad Administration for the establishment of 75 per cent of beef cattle rates to Pennsylvania and other Eastern States, where understand pasturage and feed obtainable. The Railroad Administration, however, due to condition of cattle, prefer to handle only straight train lots, thereby affording much better service. Regional director of Federal managers in Texas will confer with you concerning plan and arrange with you for trainload service. Pennsylvania people will get in touch with you and Mr. Waddell of Texas, now serving with the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture, will also assist shippers."

R. C. McElree, director of transportation for the Federal Food Administration for Texas, will have charge of this new work of the Food Administration in Texas, and many of the details of the cattle movements to the East will be worked out by Mr. McElree, during Mr. Peden's absence in Washington, where he will attend a conference of State Food Administrators.

## HOW NEW YORK SETS CANDY CONSERVATION PRECEDENT FOR U. S.

Administrator Peden is advised by the U. S. Food Administration that the Association of Manufacturers of Confectionery and Chocolate of the State of New York, as the result of a conference held with the food officials in Washington August 12, have gone on record by recommending that retail dealers limit sales of candy to one pound at a time; that they reduce window displays of candy by half, giving up the space to worthy war activities; that they take inventories of stocks of candy boxes of two pound capacity or more; that the manufacture and sale of coconut candy be encouraged; and that during the canning season fruit be eaten instead of candy.

The action of the New York candy makers is regarded as a precedent which may be eventually adopted by the manufacturers of all the States of the Union. Candy makers have been cut down by the Food Administration to one-half the sugar they used last year, but no restriction has been placed upon the amount of candy that retailers may sell at a time. The seeming inconsistency of this situation with the regulation that limits purchases of household sugar to two pounds at a time was appreciated by the confectioners of New York State themselves.

It is not the aim of the Food Administration to discourage the purchase of candy altogether, but to moderate its consumption with a view to the saving of sugar, which must be saved in order to prevent shortage.

## DON'T SCOLD MOTHER! THE CROSS CHILD IS BILIOUS, FEVERISH

Look at tongue! If coated, clean little stomach, liver, bowels.

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with sour waste.

When listless, pale, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally has stomachache, indigestion, diarrhea, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the foul waste, the sour bile and fermenting food passes out of the bowels and you have a well and playful child again. Children love this harmless "fruit laxative," and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little "insides" clean and sweet.

Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeits sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

Mrs. Bevy Demoville and baby returned to San Angelo, Monday, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Demoville and other relatives.

Mrs. E. C. Baskin and children, returned from Galveston, Saturday night, where they had been spending a few days with Dr. Baskin, who is at work in that city.

Rev. J. B. Curry returned home from a visit to different places, Saturday night, having been to take his daughter to Dalhart, where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Miss Mary Phillips came in from Brownwood, Sunday and is at home to assist her deputy, Mrs. L. H. Bacon, in getting ready for District court, which convenes here October 7th.

William Skages, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Monday morning, en route to Brownwood, where he will assist in instructing military students in that college.

Miss Olga Schawe has accepted a position as music teacher in a private school at Dallas, and left for that place Sunday afternoon. She had organized a class here, but the Dallas position was a better one and she gave up her class here.

Post Master Foster, of Miles, was here on business and conferring with the local postoffice force Sunday.

Mrs. Horace Strain and baby, returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Morris, at San Angelo, Sunday.

Ruby Padgett came in Saturday and is here to ship out his father's horses to his Wyoming ranch, where he says the range is fine, and feed plentiful for the winter.

Mrs. V. Weinberg and baby left Sunday afternoon, for Oklahoma, where they will visit relatives for a few weeks.

## EYE GLASS REPAIRING

I have charge of the replacing and repairing of broken eye glasses for the patrons of Dr. L. B. Stephens during his absence. Phone 548. Mrs. Julia McMinn. d&w 11.

Mr and Mrs. Will Aycock came in from Andrews, last week and will make home on their father's farm west of Ballinger. Mr. Aycock and his brother, Owen will have charge of their father's irrigation farm. Mrs. Aycock was formerly Miss Alcen Routh.

Mrs. Clyde Allison came in Saturday from San Antonio, where she had been with her husband who is in the training camp at that place.

John Reese came in from Plano, Sunday, where he had been visiting his brother Wesley.

## Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WANTED—Iron and all kinds of junk. Highest prices paid. Don't sell until you see me. I. O. Wooden. 28 4td 4w

50c per hundred for junk iron, highest price paid in Ballinger. N PASSUR. d&wtf.

LOST—Two large black mules from my pasture near city. Please notify Chas. S. Miller if you know where the mule can be found. 1tdw

FOR SALE OR TRADE—for stock farm or rental property, improved farms in Panola and Liberty counties. Owner, Dr. Wilson, Grey, Texas 23 1td 1tw. pd.

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## JOE B. JOHNSON HURT

News was received in Ballinger this week that Joe B. Johnson, who is in training at Austin, was seriously hurt. No particulars of the accident have been received here further than that he had sustained a bad cut and came near bleeding to death.

Rev. G. J. ... er, Rev. L. J. Roda, Fr ... itz and Joe Theile were in Miles, Monday. Rev. ... pastor of the Methodist ... and editor of the Miles Mes ... Rev. Roda is pastor of ... man Methodist Church. ... of the gentlemen were here to fill their questionnaires with the local board.

## NEW CALOMEL IS WHOLLY DELIGHTFUL

Calotabs, the new harmless and senseless calomel, may now be obtained at almost any good drug store. As a liver-cleanser and system purifier the new Calotabs are even more effective than the old style calomel, yet there is not the slightest danger, nausea nor unpleasantness.

One Calotab at bedtime with a swallow of water, that's all. Next morning you awake feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please, fruits, acids or anything. There is not the slightest danger nor interference with your work. Calotabs are sold only in original, sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your druggist will find your money if you are not delighted—he recommends them. (Advt.)

A. H. Wigle and wife returned to their home at Cleburne, Sunday after a business trip to San Angelo. Mrs. Wigle visited at Miles while Mr. Wigle came to Ballinger to look after his property here

## OIL INTEREST GOOD AT BRADY

S. C. Thomas left Wednesday for California, where he will arrange for the shipping in of three more rigs, two of which will be placed in McCulloch county. Mr. Thomas stated that for a year and one month before beginning operations in McCulloch county, he had made a careful study of the possibilities of McCulloch county being developed into an oil field, and the result of his investigation was the starting of the well on the Comfort ranch at Whiteland. Now in spite of adverse criticism of McCulloch county by some oil geologists of North Central Texas and Oklahoma, his experiences in drilling had only confirmed his earlier faith, and he expects to proceed with his developments until his confidence is borne out by the development of one of the greatest oil fields in history. Mr. Thomas is firmly of the opinion that the structure to be found here did not happen by chance, and that before another year, McCulloch county will be the center of attraction in the new oil world.

Mr. Thomas further stated that the bend formation found here is without question the Mississippi bend, and it is identical in every respects with that formation.—Brady Standard.

J. R. Fiedler, the lumber man at Winters, had business in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. Haywood Miller was here from Talpa, Monday, trading and visiting friends.

T. J. Elms, and Editor Eason, came down from Winters Sunday to meet Felix Ballew, of Cameron who came in to attend the funeral of his brother, John Ballew, who killed himself at his home near Wilmett Saturday morning.

Miss Mildred Herring returned home Sunday, from Waco where she has been attending a business college.

Ralph Brown, of Winters, came in from the training camps Sunday and went out to visit home folks.

Marion Hays left Sunday afternoon for San Marcos, where he goes to enter the military department of the State Normal at that place.

Coal bills are a large part of your living expense—reduce them by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters.

## PAINT ROCK BOYS NEIGHBORS IN FRANCE

Richard Tillery, who is in an aviation division across the waters, said in a letter to home folks, that Dinnie Sims had moved to within half a mile of his camp and that he was glad to be a neighbor to Paint Rock boy.

Dinnie Sims is also in an aviation section and has been across for some time. Dick Tillery and Rob Currie have been together since going over and now with Dinnie near them gives them quite a trimvirate of the Paint Rock boys to rule "Rome."—Paint Rock Herald.



# LIVER DIDN'T ACT DIGESTION WAS BAD

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

Meadowville, Ky.—Mrs. Cynthia Higginbotham, of this town, says: "At my age, which is 65, the liver does not act so well as when young. A few years ago, my stomach was all out of fix. I was constipated, my liver didn't act. My digestion was bad, and it took so little to upset me. My appetite was gone. I was very weak. . . I decided I would give Black-Draught a thorough trial as I knew it was highly recommended for this trouble. I began taking it. I felt better after a few doses. My appetite improved and I became stronger. My bowels acted naturally and the least trouble was soon righted with a few

doses of Black-Draught." Seventy years of successful use has made Thedford's Black-Draught a standard, household remedy. Every member, of every family, at times, need the help that Black-Draught can give in cleansing the system and relieving the troubles that come from constipation, indigestion, lazy liver, etc. You cannot keep well unless your stomach, liver and bowels are in good working order. Keep them that way. Try Black-Draught. It acts promptly, gently and in a natural way. If you feel sluggish, take a dose tonight. You will feel fresh tomorrow. Price 25c. a package—One cent a dose. All druggists. J. 68

# "Uncle Johnny" Uses Six-Shooter to End His Life

A telephone message from Editor Eason, of Winters, to The Ledger shortly before noon Saturday, announced the death of John Ballew, one of the best known men in this county.

According to the report of the death as given to The Ledger by Mr. Eason, Mr. Ballew ended his own life by placing a pistol in his mouth and pulling the trigger, the bullet tearing a hole through the man's head and causing instant death.

The tragedy took place at the Wilmeth store, near where Mr. Ballew has been living for many years, and according to the report received here, he walked into the store, took his seat and placing the pistol in his mouth fired the shot which ended it all.

Mr. Ballew was one of the best writers in this country. He was a regular contributor to The Ledger for many years, and contributed articles to agricultural magazines and papers throughout the south-west and his articles were frequently reproduced in northern journals and weekly papers. He wrote under the name of "Uncle Johnny" and "Uncle Johnny" became familiar name to not only the readers of the Ledger, but to the readers of the Farm & Ranch, The Dallas Semi-Weekly News and other papers throughout the country, where his articles were copied.

As a booster for his county, "Uncle Johnny" had every one else bested. He had a way of expressing the advantages of this country and picturing the resources of the country in such way as to impress upon the minds of the readers a desire to want to locate here. He took considerable interest in local politics, and always stood for those things which are for the uplift of morality.

He was a good citizen and the county will feel keenly the loss caused by his death.

"Uncle Johnny" had not been in the best health for some time. He had been under the treatment of physicians, and his friends knew that he was despondent, the drouth and the war having caused him to worry. About two weeks ago he gave his second son to the service of his country, the boy having been induced into service here by the local board, the first having been induced several months ago. Since his last son went to the army he has been worrying more than usual and no doubt his mind became deranged, and he sought relief through death.

Quite a number of citizens from Winters went to the scene of the tragedy as soon as it was reported and unless delay is caused waiting the arrival of the sons from the army, funeral will probably be held Sunday.

# "UNCLE JOHNNY" BURIED AT WILMETH

The remains of John Ballew are at rest in the cemetery at Wilmeth in the northwest part of the county. The funeral services were held Monday morning at ten o'clock. Several Ballinger citizens attended the funeral and a large crowd from Winters and the north and northwest part of the county were present to take part in the last sad rites performed over the remains of a man who had lived a useful life, which was at last destroyed by his own hands.

Deceased is survived by a wife and five children, two sons in the army, one son and one daughter at home, and other relatives.

Clyde, the last boy induced into service, returned home from Camp Travis Sunday at noon. He was accompanied home by Felix Ballew, of Milam county, a brother of deceased.

The details of the tragical suicide of "Uncle Johnny" are about as told in the first report of the tragedy as told in this paper last Saturday. He used a six shooter placing the muzzle of the gun in his mouth, and firing the bullet that crashed through his brain.

The man had worried over certain things until his mind had become unbalanced, as was evidenced by his action before taking his life. After going to the Wilmeth store, near where he lived Saturday morning, he wrote to his wife, directing her to cash a check due him by a neighbor, who had bought a mule from him, and to use this money in defraying the funeral expenses.

He also purchased three sacks of candy, and had written the name of his wife on one sack, and the names of his daughters Ruby and Edna on the other two sacks. These sacks of candy were found in his pocket when friends took charge of the remains.

"Uncle Johnny" was a sensational writer, and he ended it all in a sensational way, and had many friends who are made to grieve over the loss of a man so useful to his country.

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 Paria Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic.

Mrs. Elmer Talbott, returned Friday afternoon from a visit to friends at San Angelo.

Mrs. Hardin, of Goliad, stopped off for a visit with friends here while enroute to her home from a visit to her daughter at Winters. Rev. Hardin was formerly pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

Rev. R. R. Rives, the new pastor of the Austin Avenue Presbyterian church with his family have arrived from Arlington and are now comfortably located in the manse on Austin Avenue.—Brown wood Bulletin.

E. L. James left for Camp Travis Friday after an extended furlough with his wife here.

# TO PASS UPON FARM EXEPTION CLIMS

G. H. Alford of Dallas, editor of The Progressive Farmer has been selected by Clarence Ousley acting secretary of agriculture, as agricultural adviser of the district draft board for the northern district of Texas.

Mr. Alford has been editor of The Progressive Farmer for the past sixteen months and has been in close contact with agricultural interests of Texas for the past twelve years. He was connected with the International Harvester Company as agricultural expert and adviser for the entire cotton belt of the South for three years, and was eight years in the service of the agricultural department of the United States as agricultural expert for the South.

Mr. Alford will enter his new duties at once, but will remain in Dallas, opening offices for the work in connection with his present offices, 411-14 Slaughter building.

The chief work of the agricultural adviser of the district draft board will be to gather facts and information about farm conditions and farmers whose cases are before the board. The agricultural adviser will be aided in the work by agricultural specialists who will be sent out by the A. & M. College and by the county agricultural agents. There will be fine distinctions made as to essential connection a registrant has with the farming industry.

Organizations of farmers will also assist Mr. Alford in the work of the office. All communications should be addressed to him at his Dallas office.—Dallas Times-Herald, Sept. 17, 1918.

# CASTORIA

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# IT'S A CLEAN ARMY

Paris, Sept. 21.—Next to kicking Germans, the chief aim among Pershing's men in France seems to be keeping clean. "Doughboys" never pass up an opportunity to take a bath. One of the chief articles in every marching kit is a bar of soap, and whenever the men can find a creek or river or pond, they make vigorous use of it.

The Americans' fondness for water is a constant source of astonishment to French peasants, and some of the peasants are astounded to learn that the Americans actually drink the stuff.

To help make the doughboys safe from "eotites," the Y. M. C. A. has just contracted for 1,800,000 bars of soap for the canteens near the front.

Cole's Hot Blast Heaters make a big reduction in your coal bill—see their advertisement and guarantee.

# THE DEVIL DOGS ARE LONG ON STRATEGY

Washington, Sept. 21.—A search through the muster rolls of the Marine Corps recently showed that the Devil Dogs are long on strategy. The rolls contain twenty-four Anthonys, four Washingtons, three Wellingtons, seven Grants, one hundred and sixty Lees, seventy Dismans, three Lafayettes, thirty-three Sheridans one hundred and ninety-one Jacksons and one Bonaparte. There are also the Victors, one Victory, but no Retreats, and just to make things pleasant, the Marines have found they can take Berlin any time they desire. There are five of them in the Corps.

Mrs. Edgar Rashbury left for San Antonio, Friday, and after a visit to her husband in the army camp, she will return to San Marcos and enter the state normal.

S. M. Bell, Ernest and Clarence Gambell, of Winters, passed thru Ballinger Friday, en route to Brownwood where they will confer with the U. S. Employment Service and accept work in some place.

Josh Ewing, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Ewing, who has been stationed at Ellington Field has been accepted in the officers, training camp at Camp Pike, Ark.

# WHY NOT?

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# TEACH YOUR CHILD TO BE THRIFTY

Then you will never have cause to blush for it. Few parents hearts have ever ached over the misdoings of a thrifty child. Guide your boy and girl out of the path of the spendthrift. Start an account for them in our bank and teach them the importance of saving. If you follow our advice you will always be thankful.

**Farmers and Merchants State Bank**

# HELP SAVE OUR BOYS FROM GAS

The war industry board advises that there is a scarcity of good charcoal which is urgently needed in the manufacture of the best gas mask, which is used at the front to save our soldiers from awful death.

The necessary charcoal can be made from the stones of peaches, plums, prunes, olives etc., as well as from the shells of hickory nuts, walnuts, Brazil, pecan and other nuts.

The time is short—the need is great—save all of the above—no matter how large or how small, the quantity and bring or send them to me at the earliest possible moment and then continue to save and send them in. All seed must be thoroughly dried before bringing them in. This is a small thing to do but may save the life of your loved one.

R. T. Williams, County Food Administrator.

P. S.—All Red Cross organizations—and all deputy food Administrators are urged to give this their prompt attention.

Mrs. Floyd Brown and baby, left for their home at San Antonio Friday, after a visit to relatives.

# RUSSELL SHIPS 20 CARS OF CATTLE

Twenty cars loaded of white face cattle were shipped from this point to Menard where they will be placed on the range, Friday. R. R. Russell is moving the cattle from his Grape Creek ranch to his pasture near Menard.

G. B. Morgan and wife, of Norton were here Thursday morning to bring their daughter, Mrs. Reeves to the train.

WANTED—RAGS—good, clean white cotton rags wanted at the Ledger office. Must be clean.

John Reese left for Dallas, Wednesday, where he will be at work for a few weeks. He will visit his brother, Wesley at Plano while in Dallas.

# LADY IN CHARGE PICTURE SHOW

Contrary to reports, the local picture show will not discontinue operation within the near future when L. Cohen, who has had charge of it, is called away. Mr. Cohen announced Saturday that he would turn the business over to Miss Mae McElroy, who would continue to run the show, employing just such help as she needed.

The local picture show is the property of Roy Reeder and L. Cohen. Mr. Reeder volunteered for service several months ago and is now in France. Mr. Cohen was recently appointed captain of the local cavalry troop to succeed Capt. L. B. Stephens, and shortly afterwards announced that he would either sell the picture show or close it up when he was called away.

The picture show business flourished here in prosperous times, but along with almost every other line of business here, it has felt the effect of the drouth and the war. The movie house is well equipped and with the return of better days will no doubt thrive again, and the manager announces that it will remain open until the better times, which seem to be near at hand, return.

The government has been making use of the picture show, and the announcement has been made that a Liberty Loan special feature would be shown here on October 9th. This picture is furnished by the government and is the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign. Just what the special feature consist of has not been definitely made known, but it is reported to be a war picture that will be of interest to all Americans. The picture will be shown in addition to the regular program and there will be no extra charges.

W. C. Barrett went to Mullin, Wednesday afternoon, to look after some stock he has on the range near that place.

Guy Donald was here from Winters Monday.

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**UNIVERSITY WILL FURNISH MEN**

Austin, Sept. 21.—President R. E. Vinson of the University has received a telegram from Navy recruiting officer DuBose at Houston saying that the navy section of the Students' Army Training Corps at the University will be permitted to volunteer to the number of 150 for induction in the navy on October 1st. He says more detailed information will be furnished later.

Miss Melva Walker, left for Covington, Friday where she goes to teach during the ensuing school year.

**TO KEEP WELL**  
A Teaspoonful of PERUNA  
Three Times a Day

**PERUNA**  
Has Never Been Down Sick Since Taking

Read this letter from Mr. Robt. Minnick, Grass Range, Montana.

"In 1906 I was out in Kansas running a threshing engine and the threshing crew had to sleep out of doors. One of the crew brought a Peruna Almanac to me and I read it and was feeling very ill from sleeping out. I decided to give Peruna a trial and sent for a bottle of Peruna and a box of Peruna Tablets, which straightened me out in a hurry.

"I have never been down sick since that time. I do not take any other medicines except Peruna. I always keep it on hand. If I get my feet wet, get a cold, feel chilly or a little bad, I always take Peruna. People should not wait until they are down sick and then take it, but should keep it on hand like I do and when they feel bad, they should use it."

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### The Itching and Sting of Blazing, Fiery Eczema

Seems Like the Skin is on Fire. There is a harassing discomfort caused by Eczema that almost becomes a torture. The itching is almost unbearable, and the skin seems on fire with the burning irritation. A cure from local applications of salves and ointments is impossible, because such treatment can only allay the pain temporarily. The disease can only be reached by going deep down to its source. The source of Eczema is in the blood, the disease being caused by an infection which breaks out through the skin. That is why the most satisfactory treatment for all so-called skin diseases is S. S. S., for this remedy so thoroughly cleanses the blood that no impurities can remain. Get a bottle to-day at any drugstore, and you will see results from the right treatment. Write for expert medical advice, which you can get without cost, by addressing Medical Director, 21 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

### COLEMAN GETS HER WATER WAGON READY

City Commissioner H. R. Stahlweather estimated that Coleman has a head water that will last no longer than two weeks—then we'll be confronted with the proposition of getting on the water wagon or having water hauled in by the Santa Fe.

At the present moment the city pump is drawing from fifteen to twenty thousand gallons water daily from the gravel in Hord Creek and this supply is to be supplemented by connecting up with the water hole in the Atkinson pasture above the city.

Dr. J. W. Beebee of the Bureau of Economic Geology and Technology, University of Texas, was in Coleman during the week to look over prospective water projects, at the instance of the city commission. After visiting Hord's Creek above the city, the city lake and Indian Creek, Dr. Beebee recommended the Indian Creek project as the most practical and inexpensive of any of the proposed sites he inspected. At the same time he believed a project of this magnitude was impracticable until the war was won.—Coleman Democrat.

### IT'S AN EARTHQUAKE THAT SHAKES NO GOOD

Rome, Sept 12.—The American Red Cross in Italy is using part of the wreckage of the 1915 earthquake disaster at Avezzano and Sora to construct a badly needed day nursery at the latter place.

No new building material being available, the Red Cross got to work and collected enough bricks, timber and metals from the ruins that was once Sora, the result being that a building which will care for 400 babies while their mothers are attending to harvest duties is now in operation.

It will be recalled that the earthquake practically wiped out Avezzano and Sora. The former place received most of the help given by Italy and the rest of the world. Sora, the smaller town did not get much assistance. Nothing has been rebuilt there, and the suffering caused by the earthquake has been aggravated by war conditions. The people have been trying to live in the debris of their homes and many of the are destitute.

### TWO BOYS GO TO CAMP MABRY

Luther Eric Harding and Arthur Earl Clark, of the Norton country, left Wednesday afternoon for Camp Mabry, where they will enter the mechanical training camp and prepare for the army.

### Stork and Cupid Canning Plotters

Show a New Home will Have a Little Sunshine to Brighten it



Cupid and the stork are held up to veneration; they are rated as cunning plotters to herald the coming of the little sunbeam to gladden the hearts and brighten the homes of a host of happy families. There is a most remarkable preparation, known as Mother's Friend, which has been used by women for over half a century before the arrival of the stork. This is a penetrating external application for the abdomen and breast. By daily use through out the waiting months, strain and tension is relieved. The muscles are made elastic and pliable so that when baby comes they expand with ease and the pain and danger of the crisis is naturally less. Then, too, the nerves are not torn and drawn with that usual wrenching strain, and many distresses, such as nervousness, nausea, bearing down and stretching pains, are among the discomforts and debilitating experiences women who have used Mother's Friend say they have entirely escaped by the application of this time-honored remedy. Thousands of women have used Mother's Friend and know from experience that it is one of the greatest contributions to healthy, happy motherhood. Write to the Bradford Regulator Co., Lanesboro, Mass., for their "Mother's Friend Book." There is a wealth of instruction and comfort to be derived from reading this little book. It is plainly written just what every woman wants to know. Get a bottle of Mother's Friend from the drugstore today, and thus fortify yourself against pain and discomfort.

Grove's Tasteless chili Tonic restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

### SOME ROMANCE IN THIS WEDDING

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mrs. Rampey of Alabama to Mr. Arthur Low of Brownwood. Mr. and Mrs. Low will arrive this evening and will make their home at the Low residence on College street.

The marriage is a result of a romance of years ago when Mrs. Rampey, as Miss McCall, and Mr. Low were quite young. Having been separated each became the companion of another. The death of each companion occurred about two years ago. After a separation of thirty-five years, during which time neither had seen or heard of the other, correspondence was again resumed and as a result they were united in marriage.

Mrs. Low is a very lovable woman of the Southern type. She is sixty-three years of age. Mr. Low is an old settler of Brownwood, having been in business here for more than twenty years but retired several years ago. He is sixty-five years of age.—Brownwood Bulletin.

### EXCHANGE YOUR LIBERTY BONDS NOW

The privilege of conversion which arose in consequences of the issue of 4-1-4 per cent bonds of the Third Liberty Loan will expire on November 9th and under existing laws cannot be extended or renewed. Holders of these 4 per cent bonds lose nothing by exercising the privilege of conversion and gain 1-4 per cent interest per annum. Holders of 4 per cent bonds should not wait until the last moment to exercise the privilege of conversion but proceed to do so promptly. Delay will result in overburdening the banking institutions of the country and the Treasury Department by making it necessary to handle any conversions at the last moment, and may result in the loss of the privilege of conversion altogether.

Official Department Circular No. 114, with forms of application, has been distributed to Federal Reserve Banks and trust companies throughout the United States. These institutions are asked as a matter of patriotic service, to assist bond holders in exchanging 4 per cent bonds for 4-1-4 per cent bonds and in registering their bonds.

Mrs. Harley Turner, of Water Valley, returned to her home Friday at noon after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Massey.

### RHEUMATISM CRIPPLES RHEUNELLS COUNTY SIBLING

J. H. Ash came in from Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, Thursday and went out to his home in the Marie country. Mr. Ash was induced into the service last July, entering here on the 22nd, of July. He has suffered more or less with rheumatism for several years, but passed the medical examination and spent several weeks at Camp Travis. He was transferred to Fort Sill and for four weeks was laid up with rheumatism. He is hardly able to walk and the camp physicians announced that they could not do anything for him and he was given a discharge.

Miss Sunshine Compton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Compton, has gone to Austin, where she will enter the Junior High School for the ensuing school year.

Grove's Tasteless chili Tonic restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

### GAVE HER A CHANCE AND SHE MADE GOOD

Waco, Sept 19.—It is now permissible to tell how the County Judge of this county followed womanly institution rather than the law with the result that a girl is giving valuable service in a cashier's desk, instead of serving a term in the school for delinquent to paraphrase an expression frequently appearing in reports from France.

Arranged for disregarding the property rights of others, she was confronted with apparently unassailable evidence of guilt. The judge favored sending her to the reform school for a term. But the Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association accompanied by an assistant, attended the trial, and plead with the judge for a suspended sentence, which he granted, though he admonishes his hearers it was contrary to his best judgment.

Aide to a new position the girl, made good, and is now, as the secretary says, hardened against temptation, and surer of herself as well as more intelligently and purposefully honest than before her humiliating and dangerous experience.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Boren are rejoicing over the arrival of a sweet little girl baby.

Mrs. C. C. Walsh, of San Angelo stopped off Thursday at noon while en route home from the east and was the guest of Mrs. J. Y. Pearce and Mrs. J. G. Douglass.

### AMERICA'S ANSWER IN TWO SENTENCES

Only two sentences were written by secretary Lansing in reply to the Austro-Hungarian peace note. Here they are:

"In reply, I beg to say that the substance of your communication has been submitted to the president, who now directs me to inform you that the government of the United States feels that there is only one reply which it can make to the suggestion of the Imperial Austro-Hungarian government. It has repeatedly and with entire candor stated the terms upon which the United States would consider peace and can and will entertain no proposal for a conference upon a matter concerning which it has made its position and purpose so plain.

"Accept, sir, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration. (Signed) Robert Lansing, Secretary of State."

### Diarrhoea in Children

For diarrhoea in children one year old or older you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, followed by a dose of castor oil. It should be kept at hand and given as soon as the first unnatural looseness of the bowels appears.

### Government Fixes Price of Cotton Seed at \$63 per Ton

E. A. Peden, state food administrator at Houston, has issued instructions "that the seed buyers shall not pay more than \$63 per ton for seed in wagons, nor sell for more than \$66 per ton in earload lots.

That means that no matter how much a buyer may have paid for seed he must not sell for more than \$66 per ton in earload lots. There must be no misunderstanding among the buyers, for the law is plain. The government fixed the price and that price must be adhered to."

Mrs. M. B. Singletary returned Wednesday afternoon, from San Angelo, where she had been visiting her daughter.

Ralph Crouch, who had been at home on a short furlough, returned to the army camp at Waco, Wednesday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Crouch who will remain with him until he is called to France.

T. P. Brown left for Cameron Saturday afternoon, where he went on business. His little nephew was seriously hurt here by an auto running over him as the train on which Mr. Brown was leaving pulled out of the station.

M. C. Braden left Saturday for Houston, where he goes to line up on some contract work.

### HOSTESS HOUSES TO BE EXTENDED

Dallas, Sept 19.—In anticipation of the new draft Texas women who visited their friends and relatives at the army camps in the past are exhibiting renewed interest in the personnel of the women in charge of the Hostess Houses maintained at the camps by Young Women's Christian Association.

Camp Travis is expected to be the largest receiving depot for drafted men in the state, although even army officers make no claim as to knowledge of the government plans. At that point, however, the Hostess Houses are maintaining their largest number of women, with Camp Bowie, at Ft. Worth, pressing it for first place.

Miss Mathilda Fairwater has been directing hostess of the house at Camp Bowie. Miss Martha Lockett of Cleburne, well known among University of Texas women, is social hostess at Bowie. Mrs. A. C. Clark is business hostess, and Miss Charlotte Spence is in charge of the cafeteria.

At Camp Travis Mrs. J. M. Ballinger is director, hostess, Mrs. James Dupree is social hostess, Miss Harriett Means is information hostess, Miss Gertrude Keech is business hostess and Miss Emma Martin is in charge of the cafeteria. At Camp Stanley Mrs. Zim Lawhon is hostess in charge, the number of men at Leon Springs having decreased until a large force is no longer required at Hostess House.

### NAVY AND MARINE OPEN TO VOLUNTEERS

General Crowder issues orders Wednesday authorizing local draft boards to accept registrants for service in the navy and marine corps. The order also provides that draft boards may draft men for these branches of the service when calls for volunteers fail to fill the demands.

For some time all because of the services have been closed, and new registrants could not volunteer. This opens the way for those who are anxious to get in, and it is believed that other branches will be opened to volunteers as soon as classifications are made.

### Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system.

We will give one hundred dollars for any case of catarrhal deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circulars free. All druggists, 75c.

Harry Sharp, who travels out of Sweetwater, was here Sat. visiting his mother, Mrs. M. B. Sharp and family.

Luther Adams, a farmer from the Winters country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

J. R. Turner, of the Norton country, was here Saturday, and as part of his business for the day he subscribed for the Daily Ledger.

### WHAT CATARRH IS

Science has shown that nasal catarrh often indicates a general weakness of the body and local treatments in the form of snuffs and vapors only irritate and do little if any good.

To correct catarrh you should treat its cause by enriching your blood with the oil-food in Scott's Emulsion which is a medicinal food and a building tonic, free from any harmful drugs. It is helping thousands. Try it. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N.J.

### DR. KING TO PREACH AT SANTA ANNA

The drought and war has made it necessary for many churches in the drought stricken district to change their plans, and in quite a number of instances, permit their pastors to go to other places.

Ballinger has lost two of three pastors, and this week it was announced that Dr. J. H. King, would divide his time equally with the Eighth Street Presbyterian church and the Presbyterian church at Santa Anna.

Rev. T. W. Davidson has been pastor of the Santa Anna church for several years, serving that church on full time. He resigned recently and arrangements were at once made to secure the services of Dr. King for half of the time.

Dr. King's family will remain in Ballinger, and he will keep his boys in school here, but will devote one half of his time to the Santa Anna church. While no definite announcement has been made, it is probable that he will preach at Santa Anna on the first and third Sundays in each month, and the other two Sundays in Ballinger.

It was reported a short time ago that Dr. King would leave Ballinger, and he did have such plans under consideration, and his many friends will be glad to know that arrangements have been perfected whereby he can remain here.

BOCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP. Will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 30 and 90 cent bottles.

### NEGRO A CURIOSITY IN COKE

Robert Lee, Sept 18.—Many counties and vicinities possess their peculiarities, but probably Coke county is distinguished from every other Texas county for the reason that no negroes can be persuaded or induced to become residents within its boundary lines. A few of the race have come into the country and remained a short while, but never for very long. They invariably become discontented, and nothing can induce them to stay.

Probably the greatest length of time that a negro has sojourned here was in the summer of 1916 when Bill Coleman of San Angelo was detained in the county jail three months on the charge of bootlegging. The jail was visited daily by children wanting to get their first view of one of the race.

During the summer months of this year, when A. L. Seemmons of Dallas brought with his family a negro servant to Robert Lee, she proved a great curiosity to many of the Coke county children who had not previously seen a negro.

### OIL BOOM WILL DEMAND GOOD ROADS

Another reason why no time should be lost in building roads is the fact that when the oil boom strikes Ballinger, and it will strike soon, the demand for good roads will increase with such rapidity that it will work a great hardship on the public to be delayed with this kind of public improvement. In fact good roads and good streets should be the first step in the development of a city or country. To do otherwise is to build backwards. Build the roads first and time and money will be saved in building other things. Brownwood is now losing time on account of having to devote so much of the time to building roads Ballinger should profit by the experience of other oil towns.

Mrs. J. A. Guy was here from Talpa Monday, visiting her sister, Mrs. Sam Baker and buying winter clothing. It will be remembered that Mrs. Guy lost her home and all its contents by fire last Friday evening.

Judge A. K. Doss and R. T. Williams went to San Angelo Saturday with Ranger Flynt to carry Rev. Garnett who was under investigation for disloyalty.

Shipping Tags and wires at The Ballinger Printing Co.

### Why Putter With Corns? Use "Gets-It"

Common-Sense, Simple, Never Fails.

You can tear out your corns and suffer, or you can peel off your corns and smile. The joy-peace way is the "Gets-It" way. It is the only happy, painless way in the world. Two drops



"Get the Drop" on That Corn—Use "Gets-It" and the Corn is a "Goner!" of "Gets-It" on any corn or callus dries at once. The corn finally loosens off with your fingers in one piece, painlessly, like peeling a banana. "Great stuff, wish I'd done that before." There's only one corn-remover—"Gets-It." Toes wrapped up like with tape and bandages, toes squirming from irritating salves, it's all a farce. Toes wounded by razors and knives, that's butchery, ridiculous, unnecessary, dangerous. Use "Gets-It," the liberty way—simple, painless, always sure. Take no chances. Get "Gets-It." Don't be misled by imitations. See that you get "Gets-It." "Gets-It," the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

### 653 MEN TO GET QUESTIONNAIRES

The local board is sending out 100 questionnaires per day to the men who will be classified first. Within the next week 623 men will receive questionnaires, that number of men who registered on the 12th of this month making up the quota from 19 to 36 inclusive.

Under the selective draft law all men between 19 and 36 years of age will be classified first, and men of this age placed in class one will be called for service first.

These questionnaires are to be filled out and returned at once and the board will speed up the work of classifying the registrants.

The first call to be made between now and the middle of October may require some of these men, as class one in Runnels county from previous registrations is running low.

### WOMEN TORTURED Suffer Terribly With Corns Because of High Heels, But Why Care Now.

Women wear high heels which buckle up their toes and they suffer terribly from corns. Women then proceed to trim these pests, seeking relief, but they hardly realize the terrible danger from infection, says a Cincinnati authority.

Corns can easily be lifted out with the fingers if you will get from any drug store a quarter of an ounce of a drug called freezone. This is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. You simply apply a few drops directly upon the tender, aching corn or callus. The soreness is relieved at once and soon the entire corn or callus, root and all, lifts out without one particle of pain.

This freezone is a sticky substance which dries in a moment. It just shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. Tell your wife about this.

Miss Priscilla J. Jones went to Abilene, Monday morning, in response to a message stating that her cousin, Mrs. Pearce, was very low and not expected to live. Mrs. Pearce will be remembered in Ballinger as Miss May Butler.

W. M. Stevens and family were here from Winters Saturday, buying winter clothing.

### YOU ARE PARTLY MADE OF IRON

That is, iron is an essential constituent of pure, healthy blood.

Pepton, the new iron tonic, combines pepton, iron, nux, colery and other blood and stomach tonics that physicians prescribe.

It is a wonderful corrective of anemia, paleness, laguer, nervousness—whether caused by hard work, worries—over-use of salts and other blood-depleting cathartics that are doing so much harm to many people just now—or any other cause. Pepton will restore the iron strength that you must have for cheerful performance of daily duties.

Pepton is in convenient pill form, chocolate-coated and pleasant to take. Get it today.



DETROIT WOMAN'S LONG SEARCH HAS BEEN REWARDED

In The Years She Suffered Nothing Relieved Her Until She Took Tanlac—Five in Family Praising It.

"When my wife showed a gain of six pounds on her first bottle of Tanlac, another member of my family started taking it and now there are five Tanlac boosters at my house."

"For several years," he continued, "my wife suffered terribly from stomach trouble of the worst kind. She had no appetite and what little she forced herself to eat, formed gas that kept her constantly belching up sour, undigested bits of food and made her miserable at night and day."

"After trying many other preparations searching for something to relieve her, I finally got a bottle of Tanlac and she is like a different person already. She is entirely relieved of that gas trouble her headaches and nervousness are gone and she sleeps like a babe all night."

Tanlac is sold in Ballinger by Weeks Drug Store.

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of The Banner-Ledger, published every Friday at Ballinger, Texas for October 1st, 1918 State of Texas.

Before me a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared C. P. Sherherd, who having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Business Manager of The Banner-Ledger and that the following is to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management and circulation, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form to wit:

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C. P. Shepherd, Business Mgr. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23, day of Sept., 1918.

(Seal) E. Sheppherd, (My commission expires June 1919.)

Mrs. A. E. Freel and little son, "Capt Gerome," returned to their home at Dallas Tuesday, after a visit to Mrs. Freel's sister Mrs. Wm. Dooze.

FOR SALE—Scholarship in Drauzhus Practical Business College, Dallas Texas, good for life time and complete course in short hand and typewriter course. The government needs stenographers. This is a first class college and we will sell this scholarship at a bargain. Ballinger Printing Co. dwtf.

"UNCLE JOHNNY'S" LAST LETTER

The Dallas Semi-Weekly News, published Friday, Sept. 20, contained the following letter from John Ballew. The News came out Friday, and on Saturday morning following Mr. Ballew ended his life by placing a pistol in his mouth and pulling the trigger. The tone of the letter is proof conclusive that despondency was responsible for the taking of his own life.

Mr. Ballew had used more space in news papers throughout the country and in agricultural magazines, in boosting the advantages and resources of this country than any other individual, and when the reverses came he worried his life to a tragic end. His last letter in picturing the condition of this country may seem to some to be a little overdrawn, but with a few exceptions it is facts frankly expressed:

Editor The News:

I have seen it stated that rain had fallen over West Texas and that the drouth is broken. This statement is so far misleading that a denial from some source should be made public. Local showers have sloshed out in small spots, but, as a whole, 144 counties are suffering as never before in the history of the country. The cattle and hog industry is wiped off the map. Jersey milch cows are being sold for 4 cents a pound, and pigs and chickens are sacrificed for what they will bring. There is no grass, no feed and no available money at any rate of interest.

Farmers and stockmen have borrowed to the limit. The credit stores have long since closed their doors, and many industrious land owners are in a predicament that is not only embarrassing but distressing in the extreme. Thousands have gone east to work for bread to feed their loved ones, but some are situated so they can not leave and others have no working force. These will suffer unless relief comes from some source and that immediately. They have killed their last calf and sold their last hog to procure food for the stores, for their families. Some have accepted help from kinsmen in other counties, and this is exhausted. Only about four inches of rain have fallen this year and the situation is beyond description. We have read of starvation in foreign countries, but the most pessimistic never dreamed that such a calamity would overtake the rich western prairies of Texas.

We are not exaggerating the awfulness of it all, and have hesitated for reasons obvious to all thinking men to even frankly and honestly confess the real truth. Our local pride has held us back too long. Suffering and distress is so acute as to make it criminal to conceal the awful facts.

Unless some measure for relief is forthcoming and that immediately the suffering will be such as has never been known. To be conservative, conditions are abnormally distressing, and no man has lived long enough to remember anything to compare with it.

Refined, godly, christian women wringing their hands, and strong men consult each other in whispered tones. Not a grain of feed not a ball of cotton, and no seed to sow for winter grazing. The fields are being grazed to keep work stock from starving, and this grazing will soon be exhausted. This is no time for mincing words or concealing facts. A calamity is on us.

Why some organized effort has not been made is one of our mysteries. But this may be accounted for by the fact that this is no time to be calling on the Government for help, but a time to help. And our people have helped. They have helped ten times more than they were able to help. They are patriotic, but unless help comes from some source thousands of acres of rich West Texas prairie land will be idle next year. Under these awful conditions the homestead law is against us. The Federal Farm loan act has helped some, but many home-builders owe more on their land than the local appraisers are willing to advance.

To conceal these facts on account of being afraid of giving the country a black eye, and to allow innocent women and children to suffer, I repeat, is criminal.—John Ballew, Wingate, Runnels

County, Texas. P. S.—Within a radius of two miles from where I write I can count fifteen vacant houses, including a church, high school building and tabernacle. In the same territory there are only seven houses occupied, and two of them only by women and children. There is not a better farming section in Texas. One year I made 24 bales of cotton. This year on 200 acres I will not make 134 pounds. How these vacant houses are to be filled again is a problem but not as serious as how those here shall be fed.

DOUBT DISAPPEARS No One in Ballinger Who Has a Bad Back Should Ignore This Double Proof.

Does your back ache? Have you suspected your kidneys? Backache is sometimes kidney ache.

With it may come dizzy spells. Sleepless nights, tired, dull days distressing urinary disorders. Doan's Kidney Pills have been endorsed by thousands.

Are recommended here at home. You have read Ballinger proof. Read now the Ballinger sequel. Renewed testimony; tested by time.

J. A. Maxwell, 100 Twelfth St., says: "I consider Doan's Kidney Pills excellent and always recommend them to others. My back had been hurting me for some time. Seeing that Doan's Kidney Pills were endorsed by people whom I knew, I decided to try them. I used one box and was well satisfied with the results, for they removed the trouble and I am now in good health."

More than Three Years Later Mr. Maxwell said: "I think as highly of Doan's Kidney Pills now as I did when I first endorsed them. They have been of great benefit to me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Maxwell has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

LOCAL FOOT BALL SEASON OPENS

The local foot ball team will open the season Friday, October 4th when they go to San Angelo to wallop the "Chalk Eaters."

Other games will follow in short order, several having already been scheduled with high school teams of this district.

The San Angelo high school team got away with the majority of the games in the contest with the locals last season, and an effort will be made to get even with the "Chalk Eaters" this season.

The local team will compare favorably with the 1917 team, several of the old players still being in high school and entitled to play on the team. They will average in weight about 150 pounds, although several of them are young and have had no experience. Local fans are ready for the fareus and are banking on success for their favorites this season.

FATHER GARMANN RETURNED HOME

Rev. Father Garmann, who was detained for an investigation last Saturday, and carried to San Angelo for a further investigation, was released and returned home Saturday evening.

Ranger Flynn and R. T. Williams and Judge A. K. Doss, went to San Angelo with the priest, and assisted in conducting the investigation. After making many promises to be good and not do or say anything disloyal, the man was released on probation.

When first placed under investigation, Rev. Garmann, who admitted that he was an alien of thirty years residence in this country, was rather indifferent as to what action was taken against him, and declined to say whether he had any preference in whether Germany or America should win the war, but when arraigned before the federal authorities, had a plead for the mercy of the court; and promised to be a good citizen. It had been reported to the Council of Defense several times that Rev. Garmann was hostile to the American Government.

POVERTY STALKING AT OUR FRONT DOOR

One of the most pitiful cases, and we might say unworthy objects of charity, ever thrown upon this community was called to the attention of the officers this week.

Two women, known among the county authorities as the Martin women, and the little six year old son of one of the women who have been in and out of Ballinger for the past two years, returned here Tuesday evening. They claim they have been staying at Eldorado for some time, and were drifting east, going they knew not where, driving the skeleton of a donkey to an old rattletrap buggy.

The women halted for the night between the stock pens and the creek just east of the city, and it was reported the next morning that there was a crazy woman on the creek. The writer accompanied the officers to the scene, and what we saw is hard to make believe in a civilized community. The camp outfit consisted of one frying pan, two tin buckets, a piece of an old wagon sheet and an old dirty quilt. The unfortunates did not have a bite to eat, and the mother of the boy claimed that she was sick. The donkey could not carry them further, and such things as cash would have been a curiosity. Dirt and filth was plentiful, and soap was the first thing put down on an emergency order for groceries.

Aside from their unclean appearance, the women appeared to be able to work, and when there is such a demand for hands, they seemingly have no one to blame for their condition but themselves unless it is a lack of common sense and lack of energy.

The husband of one of the women so the story goes, formerly worked on the railroad, being a section hand on the Ballinger section at one time. He died leaving his wife \$1,000 insurance and a baby about one year old. The other woman is single. They expressed no desire to remain here, but desired to drift on, stating that if they had food for themselves and their donkey they could make eight or ten miles per day. The county furnished the desired articles, together with a good supply of soap, and instructions how to use it. The county had rendered aid several times before, the objects of charity drifting away and returning with the winter months.

The court had under consideration the question of taking charge of the little boy, as it was an evident fact that the mother was not capable of taking care of the little fellow, but when this was mentioned pitiful wails from both the mother and child showed that only the strong arm of the law and drastic steps could separate them.

The child was thinly clad and in filth, so were both the women the three having upon their back all the clothing they possessed, and these were hanging in rags and almost ready to drop from their bodies. The mother of the child begged merciful that her child be not taken away from her, saying that she would leave here at once if she could only keep her boy. Before the necessary legal steps could be taken to take charge of the child, the trio of unfortunates were on their way, drifting without an objective. This county needs a poor farm.

PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR RESIGNS AT ANGELO

Rev. Louis D. Grafton, pastor of the Harris Avenue Presbyterian church, has resigned his pastorate here and will leave during the next ten days to take charge of a federated Presbyterian church at San Marcos. The two Presbyterian churches at San Marcos has entered into an agreement for federation for a period of five years because of the war in part, and have called Dr. Grafton to take the ministry.

Mr. Grafton has occupied the pulpit of the Harris Avenue church for the last two years and one-half year, having come here from Hubbard in Hill county, where he had had the same church for eight years. His ministry here has been regarded as unusually successful and much regret is being expressed that he is to leave the city.—San Angelo Standard.

The Remarkable Record Of 1000 Runnels County Men

JURY DRAWN FOR DISTRICT COURT

The fall term of District court for this county convenes here Monday, October 7th, at 1:30 p. m. The criminal docket will be light with the exception of the Elms murder case, and there will be little doing on the civil docket. Unless the Elms case goes to trial there will be a short term of court.

Grand Jury Summoned to appear at 1:30, October 7th.

- Mills Kopecky, Jack Monroe, C. L. West, F. W. Wilcox, J. A. Handcock, S. A. Mathra, C. Mapes, A. Schuhman, F. M. Curry, E. F. Allen, Edgar Jayroe, E. J. Wonnack, H. M. Josey, J. E. McAuley, Monte Brown, Geo McWilliams

Petit Jury, First Week:

- R. P. Taylor, J. P. Toungate, J. M. Tindall, H. A. Allgood, J. M. Nichols, W. B. Pruitt, Ed. D. Bowen, J. Block, C. Seyer, R. W. Bruce, D. L. Brevard, T. O. Tidwell, W. Boatright, J. R. Burton, S. B. Caperton, Claude Brookshire, R. R. Reams, E. F. Beck, F. E. Clayton, R. B. Armstrong, A. F. Aycock, R. L. Atkins, W. B. Wardlaw, W. E. Blair, J. W. Clayton, J. J. Bedford, C. L. Chapman, Audie Gustavus, A. E. Brunson, T. E. Chambers, Jim Clark, S. V. Brandon, R. N. Campbell, R. S. Bowden, N. M. Clark, W. L. Bell

Petit Jury, Second Week:

- W. F. Beaver, W. T. Baker, A. W. Reach, H. A. Mitchell, Ed Proctor, E. J. Schwartz, I. M. Stephenson, R. N. Cotton, John Book, C. Black, H. E. Brooks, Geo. W. Cotter, L. W. Cooper, Bill Gray, W. E. Barbee, T. G. Carr, J. A. Nichols, W. W. Cummins, L. H. Voelker, H. W. Robinson, Jr., G. W. Blackwell, August Bredemeyer, H. G. Bradley, Will Francis, H. C. Gardner, J. H. Jones, Crews, D. E. Caudle, Tom Vandervanter, Dick Thorp, Pat Mapes, J. H. Crow, I. C. Browder, W. B. Cary, M. McGregor, R. M. Albritton, T. A. Brevard

Petit Jury, Third Week:

- C. Slayton, A. F. Lee, D. E. Bartlett, A. Y. Crow, T. M. Glaze, N. J. Alexander, J. M. Stevenson, Lawn, Texas, W. H. Cain, C. A. Compton, Roy Tyree, J. O. Donaldson, E. F. Batts, J. B. Carleton

Killed in action NONE. Seriously wounded in action: NONE.

Slightly wounded in action: Lieut Roy Sharp and Lieut Ewing Taylor.

Lost at sea: Oscar Smith, Arthur Strach, and Roy Scoggins. Died of disease while in camp: Carl Hinkle and Roy Sission. Sission died while at home on a furlough.

The above is Runnels county's casualty list out of about 1,000 men who have responded to the call since America called the Kaiser's hand and resolved to put an end to the blood thirsty greed of the world.

When about forty men shall have been inducted into the service by the local board early next month, this county will have in service 800 men, who registered and were enlisted through the selective draft system.

It is estimated that since April 1917, 200 men have volunteered for all branches of the service.

Of the 1000 men from this county now in the service, about 600 of them are on foreign soil, most of the 600 being in France, while Runnels county is represented in Italy and Russia, several Runnels county boys having been sent to Italy and at least two going direct from training camps to Russia, where they are doing special war work, T. P. Martin, former band instructor here, being one of the number.

Every branch of the army has been honored by Runnels county men, including the radio, or wireless service. There are at least two men who have been commissioned flyers, Elmer Allison and Eugene Kipp.

The Marines, the navy, the infantry, the cavalry, the quartermasters corps, the signal corps, the aviation, the mechanical corps, the engineering corps, the truck and motorcycle corps, the messenger corps, the ambulance corps, cooks, etc., have all drawn on Runnels county for the best young manhood of the county.

So far as we have been kept informed not a single man of the 1000 has brought disgrace upon himself and upon the county from which he enlisted since being inducted into office, or since volunteering and learning just what his duties were and how he should conduct himself in the performance of those duties.

The little army of Runnels county men are represented at home by parents, sisters, brothers, wives children and friends. Of the 800 draft men there are many married men, some with one or more children. Of the 200 volunteers there are quite a number of married men, who have gone to the front and left their families in the care of loved ones.

Then why should we not fight on? Practically every home in Runnels county has been drawn on directly or indirectly, for man power. The supreme sacrifice has been made, and while the loved ones at home long for the homecoming, they are not ready to say "let's give up the fight, and make peace."

Others will go, and willingly, until the world shall know no such thing as German militarism, Kaiserism, and fight on until the fire of hell which Germany kindled on this earth shall have been quenched with the blood of the devils who started it.

The records of the Runnels county men is a remarkable record. We can not hope for it to be maintained to the end.

- W. H. Baker, B. M. Batts, C. S. Coleman, Sam Baker, E. J. Cervenka, W. E. Branch, W. B. Oliver, W. M. Ashton, Arch Brookshire, J. D. Branham, Ed Bland, R. M. Allen, W. O. Beard, L. M. Bales, Dick Barnett, W. L. Bagwood, E. M. Blackwood, Chas Allen, V. B. Bailey, Walter Brison, T. E. Frierson, D. G. Arrant, U. G. Thomas