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## GERMANY FIGHTS ALONE

Washington, Nov. 4.—The state department announces today that the complete and effective surrender of Austria-Hungary provided by the United States Allies armistice terms were now operative.

The terms of the armistice strip Austria-Hungary of the last shred of military power and places an iron clamp upon that country taking any further part in the war.

From the terms of this armistice may be gleaned some idea of what the nature of the terms to Germany will be, it was stated authoritatively today.

The terms to Austria-Hungary, and which that country has signed, include a cessation of hostilities, demobilization of her army, delivery of half of the enemy artillery equipment, evacuation of all invaded territory, the use of the enemy's railroads and waterways, the immediate return of all allied prisoners, the surrender to the allies of a stipulated number of submarines and other vessels, the allied supervision of the remainder of the enemy's navy, the opening of the Adriatic Danube to the allies, the occupation by allies of the Danube forts and Pola naval base, and the concentration of the aircrafts at designated points.

Austria-Hungary is out of the war.

Deserted by her last ally, Germany fights alone a battle which means ultimate defeat or abject surrender.

After days of pleading an armistice has been granted Austria-Hungary, whose badly defeated armies in the Italian theatre, are staggering homeward under the violence of the blows of the entente troops.

Trent, in Austria Tyrol, which the Italians always have claimed as their own has been captured. Trieste, Austria's principle seaport on the Adriatic over which there has been such bitter fighting now flies the Italian flag, and Belgrade capital of Serbia, has been re-occupied by the Serbians.

In France and Belgium the Germans are being sorely harassed by the British, French, Americans and Belgians and there are indications that a debacle is about to occur. The Argonne massif which has proven a great obstacle to the advancing French and Americans at last has been cleared of the enemy and the entire line appears to be crumbling. American airmen report that the Germans in front of the Americans are retreating northward, that the roads are densely packed with troops, artillery

and transports. Likewise, southwest of Valenciennes the Germans are retreating before the British who are in close pursuit and taking numerous prisoners. North of the Aisne in Champagne the French continue their pressure and have taken several important villages, large numbers of prisoners and great quantities of war stores.

The advance of the Americans and French on the Southern part of the battle front in conjunction with the operations of Field Marshal Haig and the Belgians in the north threatens to prove the culmination blow to Germany's attempt to hold ground in France or Belgium. Indeed it is not improbable if the advance from the south continues as rapidly as it is the greater portion of the German army will be trapped before the men can reach their border. The situation of the Germans, seemingly is critical.

Although the Austro-Hungarian have been given an armistice they are still being bitterly attacked by the Italian, British, French American and Czech-Slovak troops in the mountains and on the plains and will continue under chastisement until Monday at 3 o'clock when a cessation of hostilities will take place.

Entire regiment are surrendering to the Italians in the mountains and large number of the enemy are being made prisoners in the plains. Heavy casualties are being inflicted on the retreating troops many additional towns have been reclaimed.

In their swift drive against the Austro-Hungarians the allied forces have up to date taken more than 100,000 prisoners and have captured more than 2200 guns. So rapid has been the advance over the plains that Italian cavalry already has crossed the Tagliamento river and entered Udine.

### DR. STEPHENS GOES TO FT. ORGLETHROPE

Dr. L. B. Stephens, or Major Stephens, as he is known now, has been detailed for a special course in the medical corps, and will be sent to Fort Orglethrope, Ga. He has been in training at Leon.

L. K. Parr was in from the Spring Hill community Tuesday. He reports that his son Archie, who had been very low with pneumonia, was some better and hopes for his recovery and now entertain ed.

## 15 per cent Discount on

Everything in the Dry Goods Department except thread and overalls

For instance, you may buy an \$8.00 pair of shoes for \$6.80, or if you buy \$10.00 worth of Dry Goods you only pay us \$8.50, in other words for every dollar spent here you save 15c. All goods new and seasonable.

Sale Commences Saturday November 2

# A. J. ZAPPE

## Texas 5 to 1 Democratic; Free School Books Voted

Austin, Nov. 6.—Sufficient returns have been received from the election held yesterday to insure the adoption of both the amendments submitted to the voters.

The free school book amendment carried by a large majority. All Democratic candidates in Texas were elected by a majority of about five to one.

New York, Nov. 6.—Incomplete returns indicate that the Republicans will control both houses of Congress after next March.

On the face of the returns the Republicans have gained seven seats in the senate, losing only one to the Democrats. This will give them a majority of four in the senate.

In the House the Republicans apparently have gained twenty four from the Democrats and the Democrats gained eight from the Republicans.

This gives the next House 224 Republicans, 200 Democrats and 11 doubtful.

Many voters passed up the two amendments submitted on the ballot in Tuesday's election, and while a light vote was polled in complete returns indicate that this

county approved both the amendments.

The Ballinger boxes voted more than two to one for the free text book amendment. In some country boxes less than one-half the voters scratched this part of the ticket, expressing no preference in the matter.

With the exception of Rowena and Olin boxes, the county is almost unanimous Democratic, as shown by the returns. Rowena voted about eleven to one for the Republican ticket and Olin voted on about the same basis, the voters showing no regard for the pledge taken in the Democratic primary last July.

Only part of the boxes had made returns up to a late hour Wednesday, and it will probably be two or three days before we can give complete returns.

### BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Lewin McWilliams, Friday, a boy  
To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dunn, Saturday, a girl.

Will Francis was down town Monday after a two weeks round with the flu.

## MORE GAS IN RUSSELL WELL

At a depth of 2595 feet the gas supply in the Russell well was increased at least a half million feet, according to reliable reports brought from the well Wednesday. The new gas was struck late Tuesday evening.

This well looks better to the drillers as drilling progresses. The gas supply now is sufficient to furnish fuel for drilling purposes and then some. Arrangements have been perfected for burning the excess gas and a flame twenty-five feet long illuminates the country by night as well as burning throughout the day.

The oil from the well is carried into a storage tank by the gas pressure when the drill is pulled from the well. Those who visited the well Wednesday and saw the big gas flame says it is worth the trip to the well to see this.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnston have received a communication from their son, Sam Johnston, stationed at Camp Stanley stating that he has received his commission as second lieutenant. Lieutenant Johnston will be with the Ballinger cavalry troops.—San Angelo Standard.

Amsterdam, Nov. 6.—The German armistice delegation has gone to the western front, according to official dispatches received here from Berlin.

It is presumed that the delegation has gone to the front to confer with the military leaders concerning the armistice terms submitted by the allies.

London, Nov. 5.—The American troops of the first army resuming their attack early this morning, forced a crossing on the Meuse river at Brielles and Clery Le Petit, and made good progress against the enemy, says dispatches from the American front today.

The report states that the Germans retired only after the most desperate resistance had failed.

London, Nov. 5.—The British captured Le Quasony, an important fortified town eight miles southeast of Valenciennes, yesterday, together with its garrison of one thousand men. Gen Haig announces.

The British wiped out the sharp salient and made an additional advance of from three to four miles after overcoming strong resistance. Four other villages were taken. As the enemy draws back they offer stronger resistance.

Paris, Nov. 5.—The first French army launched a new attack on a forty mile front between Peron and the Aisne river this morning.

The French also pushed forward between Peron and the junction with the British army at Sambre river, extending the attack on a front fifty-five miles. The British struck simultaneously with the French army, both armies making successful gains at important points. The Germans offered stubborn resistance and suffered heavy losses.

Paris, Nov. 5.—(6:30 p. m.)—Premier Clemenceau announces that the armistice terms to Germany are based on conditions laid down by Marshal Foch.

These conditions, Clemenceau says are based on those given Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria-Hungary, and briefly are as follows:

First, Military guarantees of the security of the Allied troops.  
Second, Maintenance of the Allied military supremacy in case hostilities are renewed.

Third, The disarmament of the enemy as much as is necessary to prevent a renewal of hostilities.

"We have won the war, though we may have to wait" says the Chamber of Deputies. The announcement was chattered repeatedly.

J. A. Zaek, of the Rowena country, was trading in Ballinger Monday.

We hope the war will end before April 1st. but—

The only safe way is to figure that it won't end for another year.

This means that we must figure that there won't be any new cars next summer.

But you'll want a new car next summer, and won't be able to get one.

The next best thing to do is make your old car into a new one.

You have no idea how small an expenditure it will take to bring your car back to a youthful condition.

Furthermore, an inspection NOW may save you money later on, for attention to troubles when small prevents them from getting big—and costly.

Drive it in any day.

### Storage Batteries in Stock for Every Make and Model Car

We Do Expert Repairing of All Kinds

## BALLINGER AUTO CO.

PHONE 505.

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## WANTED

### AT ONCE

I wish to borrow for a few days a photo of every man that is now serving in the Army or Navy of the United States, from this immediate community. Also would like to have any souvenir that relates in any way to this war. Please bring them at once. Will take good care of them.

SCOTT H. MACK,

Chairman United War Work Campaign.

This space donated by Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

## A Texas Boy Gave His Life for You Today. What Have You Given?

Take care when you sign that subscription blank for Liberty Bonds that the amount you set squares as can with all your heart acknowledges this heritage to be worth to you.

"The More Bonds you Buy-- the Fewer Boys will Die."

## The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas



# Well "Armed"! GENUINE INTEREST OF PEOPLE IN WAR



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

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

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

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

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

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

**HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS**

## HOME TREATMENT FOR FLU.

Will you please publish this? Perhaps it will prove as efficacious in cutting short a case of "flu" as it did for me. When fever runs high and the whole system is on tension and coal tar derivatives prohibits on account of danger to heart, administer a hot mustard footbath in the bed of the patient with a blanket doubled around the foot tub to hold the steam. Bath should continue at least 10 minutes water added hot at intervals. This brings down the temperature almost at once, relaxes the nervous tension, diminishes greatly the headache and patient passes into quiet sleep and wakes refreshed and better in every way. This to be repeated as often as necessary as there are no harmful effects whatever. I learned of this thru my physician, Dr. Elliott, of this place, who lived many years in Durango, Mexico, and reports similar experiences in many cases of colds, fevers, etc., relieved by hot mustard footbaths repeated at close intervals. Respectfully,  
Mrs. P. M. Payne,  
San Diego.

## Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Do not imagine that because other cough medicines failed to give you relief that it will be the same with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Bear in mind that from a small beginning this remedy has gained a world wide reputation and immense sale. A medicine must have exceptional merit to win esteem wherever it becomes known.

Ben Spill and son Edwin, of the Winters country, passed thru Ballinger Saturday, en route home from San Angelo, where they had been for the young man to have his eye treated, having recently sustained injury while cranking an auto.

## A PATRIOTIC DUTY

• Almost as vital as that of protecting the honor of flag and country, is the duty of protecting and safe-guarding health. When strength is well-nigh exhausted and the resistive powers are reduced, then is the time disease germs are the most potent and when

# SCOTT'S EMULSION

affords splendid and effectual means of offsetting the tendency toward weakness and protecting strength. The abundant tonic and unique nourishing properties of *Scott's Emulsion* make it a dependable agent that may be used everyday, by anyone, to protect strength.

In the rural school district of one of the representative counties of Texas, there are approximately 3266 families. 340 individuals from these families, according to records of the community councils of defense, bought Liberty Bonds of the first issue; 651 bought bonds of the second issue; 1282 of the third; and 3548 individual subscriptions to the fourth loan, just closer, have been accounted, as against the 340 persons in the same communities buying the first bonds.

The genuine interest of the people in the war is thus proven by the figures, which also show that the rural population is turning some of its war profits from thirty cent cotton and two dollar wheat into the Government loans the same as the big manufacturers are doing.

These figures also indicate that the quotas in the United War Work Campaign of November 11 to 18 will be subscribed easily in the first few days of the campaign. S. R. Hankins, secretary of the Rural Division of the War Work Campaign, recently declared:

"The fact that the government appreciates the importance—and necessity of the United War Work in the winning of the war is demonstrated by the fact that many departments with their clerks are actively aiding in the campaign. This is especially true as regards rural communities, where the government is assisting through the county agricultural agents, the county school superintendents, and the rural sections of the American Bankers Association.

"Many leading farmers are speakers and organizers in the War Work campaign. Every rural and small town school teacher is lined up and has as many pupils to interest in the work for the soldiers as has the city teacher."

Mr. Hankins is himself directing some valuable work in the rural communities.

The United War Work is for every soldier, of ever home, of every community who is in camp or on the boats or "over there." This touches the heart of every citizen and every citizen responds.

## GIRLS! WHITEN SKIN WITH LEMON JUICE

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

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

## MORE FLU FLYING AT SAN ANGELO

Although influenza cases continue to develop in San Angelo, no deaths from the disease occurred during the forty-eight hours ending Friday at noon. From Thursday noon until the same hour Friday, thirty-three people were stricken, however, bringing the total number of cases since Monday noon to 144. Contrary to expectations, bright cool weather has apparently failed to have any affect in stopping the epidemic.—San Angelo Standard.

# Texas Is Behind In Her Quota Of Civilian Workers

Dallas, Nov. 2.—The state council of defense met this morning in answer to a call issued to discuss ways and means of meeting the Texas quota of civilian workers asked by the federal government through the United States Employment Service. Federal director H. W. Lewis advised the council that the state has been asked to furnish a quota of fifty seven hundred men by November 20th, to volunteer for work at munition and other government plants to back up the soldiers in France.

To date the employment service has been able to obtain only 1200 men for this quota. According to Mr. Lewis and in order to get the balance, in the stipulated time some concerted action is required to get men out of non-essential industries and into war work. "The government has no intention to disturb regularly organized essential industries," Mr. Lewis said, "but there are any number of men in the state, who will be willing to undertake the work when they know the urgent necessity of the government.

"The men especially desired are of the semi-skilled class, such as clerks, waiters, barber shop and poolroom attendants, and all others whose places can be filled for the period of the war by women, old men and boys.

"The government is not being misled by the peace proposals of Germany," said the Federal Director "and we are preparing for another year of war. The ordinance department at Washington last night issued a statement calling upon employers in ordinance work to speed up work of manufacturing guns and ammunition for the soldiers in France."

This morning the following telegram was received by the state council of defense from A. N. Smyth, assistant director general of the U. S. Employment Service, at Washington, which was read at the meeting:

"The U. S. Employment Service wishes to thank the council for your efforts in assisting this service to recruit the allotment of men from your state for war work. The importance of the assistance given to the country by the State of Texas in the furnishing of men to war industries cannot be over estimated. It is vital essential to the immediate prosecution of the war that the full number of men allotted be promptly recruited. We are counting on Texas to do her full duty and know that the state will go down in history as having done her bit."

At the afternoon session of the council meeting Mrs. T. P. Marshall, director of urban gardens for Texas, addressed the assembly on the matter of a state pure seed law for Texas. The council passed a resolution pledging its support to the movement and a special effort will be made to have the law enacted at the next meeting of the legislature.

Judge J. E. Carl, of San Antonio, chairman of the building committee of the council, made a report on the question of building contract. It is probable Judge Carl will visit Washington to confer with the war industries board on this question. In his discussion of the proposition before the council he emphasized the need of careful consideration of construction program so that too many men will not be kept from doing essential war work.

Mrs. Fred Fleming, of Dallas, chairman of the woman's division of Texas of the National Council of Defense, addressed the State Council on the service the women are doing and are willing to do for the national cause. Mrs. Fleming express a willingness on the part of the women of the state to aid every way possible in the recruiting of men at present employed in non-essential industries to take up active work in war plant.

Resolutions urging upon the people of Texas the immediate necessity of co-operation with the U. S. Employment Service were adopted. Illegitimate recruiting of labor means loss of time to both employer and employee, says the resolution as well as a financial loss to each. The United States employment service frowns upon fee charging agencies and renders its service without expense to the employer and employee.

Therefore be it resolved that the Texas State Council of Defense, desiring to support every governmental institution and measure designed to assist in winning the war, urge all employers of la-

bor both male and female, to secure their help through the United States Employment Service, and resolve that all workers, both male and female, whether skilled or unskilled, desiring employment immediately register with the nearest United States Employment Service, that the assistance of all workers now so urgently needed may be utilized.

Answering a question of one of the members of the council, Federal director H. W. Lewis, said if peace were declared tomorrow war activities would not close here in the United States. We must prepare to support the armies of reconstruction and reorganization of the shattered countries of Europe long after peace is declared.

He said it is a matter of common knowledge that the countries of our enemies will have to be patrolled. Russia will have to be reconstructed and Belgium and northern France rehabilitated. Of all times this is the most essential for a speeding up of our war program.

## \$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surface of the system thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarrh Medicine that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO. Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggists, 75c.

The physicians of Brownwood reported that the influenza epidemic is decidedly on the wane in Brownwood but there is still a large number of patients who have developed pneumonia and their condition is far from satisfactory. Every physician seen urged on the public the necessity of not getting out too soon after going through a spell of the influenza. They are a unit in declaring that a relapse is more than likely to prove fatal, and that no one should risk the chance of a relapse. The physicians are still puzzled over the disease, though most of them agree that it is bacterial. A sure remedy of prevention has not yet been discovered.—Brownwood Bulletin

## A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder for kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, cures weak and lame back, rheumatism, and irritability 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.

## ELMER SIMPSON MADE 1st LIEUTENANT

In general examination held at Camp Stanley, Leon Springs, Second Lieutenant Elmer Simpson was advanced to rank as First Lieutenant. Simpson has made his rank in military life rapidly having gone in as a private in the cavalry company organized here last summer.

## Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding piles. Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after the first application. Price 60c.

J. A. Palmer, deputy food administrator in charge of the inspection of bakeries and the enforcement of the sales for bread substitutes, was here Friday. He did not know that this city was bakerless until he arrived and failed to find a bakery. He spent several hours here checking up bread dealers and finding out whether the rules governing the use of flour were being conformed with. If he found any irregularities, he failed to mention them.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Young were here from Crews, Friday, trading.

Miss Lois Crews announces that her kindergarten school will open Monday as the ban has been raised on public gatherings.

"Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is certainly a most pleasant and efficient solution of the 'castor oil problem' that confronts most mothers." (From a letter to Dr. Caldwell written by Mrs. Chas. Daly, 412 Shonnard St., Syracuse, N. Y.)

For most children a mild laxative, administered occasionally, is all that is necessary to assure normal regularity and consequent good health. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a pleasant-tasting combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that acts gently, yet effectively; children like it and take it readily!

**DR. CALDWELL'S Syrup Pepsin**  
The Perfect Laxative  
Sold by Druggists Everywhere  
50 cts. (Per Bottle) \$1.00

A TRIAL BOTTLE CAN BE OBTAINED FREE OF CHARGE, BY WRITING TO DR. W. D. CALDWELL, 459 WASHINGTON STREET, MONTICELLO, ILLINOIS

## SOLDIER BOYS CHRISTMAS PACKAGE

As County Chairman for the distribution of cartons for the soldier boys across the sea I beg to outline as briefly as possible the purpose and conditions which will have to be met in sending parcel post packages to our boys for Christmas presents. There has been a supply of these cartons, size 3x4x9 shipped to us for distribution in this county. I am sending to Mrs. W. H. Robinson, Miles; Mrs. Theo Schuhmann, of Rowena; Mrs. T. J. McCaughan, Norton; Mrs. E. A. Shepperd, of Winters, and I will retain a supply for local consumption. In the appointing of the above local chairman we ask that they have a public place in which to keep this supply for the convenience of the public. November 1, to November 20 is the time for shipment, no cartons being issued to any one after the 20th.

Labels will be furnished each soldier on the foreign soil for this purpose of receiving his Christmas package. This label is to be mailed back to friends or relatives sending Christmas packages and on presentation of this label to one of the local chairmen named above you will be given a carton to send your gift. As soon as your gift is prepared you must bring the package together with the label to the chairman from whom you received your carton, and same will be in speckled wrapped and tied ready for parcel post shipment. The chairmen will be in position to give you the postage rate. The postage rate is one cent an ounce for the first four ounces, eleven cents up to sixteen and ten cents a pound thereafter. No package is to weigh over two pounds; and fifteen ounces. No note of messages can be sent in the carton.

Articles which are unmailable are about as follows: All spittes, malted liquors, poisonous articles, explosives, inflammable material, cigarette lighters, in fact anything that may ignite or explode, fragile articles and any article which may kill, hurt or injury another person or property.

Do not send articles which will not keep fresh until arrival. Candy is permissible if it is a hard variety and that should be wrapped. Soft chocolates would not be considered desirable. You may send most anything that will not endanger the property of others and that you can confine in a carton size above mentioned.

For wrapping gifts it is suggested that you use kahki colored handkerchiefs twenty seven inches square. Don't wrap packages or affix postage until inspection is made by your chairman. Don't lose the label which has been sent you as they cannot be duplicated neither can any package be mailed without them. Please inform yourself as these rules must be strictly adhered to in accordance with the war departments regulations.

E. Shepperd, County Chairman

W. J. Gardner was among the war workers in Ballinger Friday, coming in from his farm in the northern part of the county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Erwin, Jr. left for New Orleans, Friday after a visit to relatives here.

## WINTERS RECOVERS FROM INFLUENZA

Winters, Oct. 30.—The influenza epidemic seems to be on the wane just now, however, authorities have not seen fit to permit public gatherings of any kind as yet. The ban is still on and probably will remain so this week. The schools will likely reopen next Monday after a recess of three weeks. Physicians state that about fifty per cent of the population of the town and surrounding country have been affected by the malady, but comparatively few deaths have resulted. Most of the cases which terminated seriously were patients brought here from other parts.

Drouth conditions is no longer a subject for conversation but instead the splendid season which we have had caused a smile that could be removed only by a failure in a grain crop. Old timers are unanimous in the opinion that the rainfall of the current month, 1-2 inches, and the manner in which it fell gives the best season we have had for years. Farmers who have been away at work are returning now with a new zeal and a bumper grain crop is the forecast, notwithstanding Winters shipped eleven hundred cars of grain in 1914.

A local mill has sold enough seed wheat to sow 17,000 acres and the acreage is daily increasing and with an ordinary yield this country will produce a crop of wheat and oats the enormity of which will be a problem to handle.

San Angelo is mourning the loss of two of her prominent sons in France, James R. Findlater, son of San Angelo's pioneer and prominent hardware merchants, and Oscar Anderson, son of J. P. Anderson, a prominent ranchman of San Angelo, died in France with pneumonia. The news came on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

## 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-peeling way is the "gets-it" way. It is the only 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 it out. The corn finally loosens off from the toe, so that you can peel it 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 big with tape and bandages, toes squirming from irritating salves, it's all a barbarity. Toes wrapped by razors and knives, that's butchery, ridiculous, unnecessary, dangerous. "Gets-It," the liberty way—simple, painless, always sure. Take no chances. Get "Gets-It." Don't be insulted 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. Sold in Ballinger and recommended as the worlds best corn remedy by J. Y. Pearce Drug Co.



### The Wonderful Call When Baby Comes

Like the Blast of Heavenly Trumpet When Call of Motherhood is Felt.



Of all the most vital times in a woman's life the coming of baby is fraught with the greatest meaning. Care should be exercised to insure that the crisis is passed in safety. Apprehension is avoided by the timely use of Mother's Friend, a preparation of penetrating oils and medicinal ingredients, which renders the muscles, cords, tendons and ligaments pliable, and thus tension is avoided. The usual nervousness, nausea, bearing-down and stretching pains are counteracted and the period is one of calm repose. The broad, flat abdominal muscles relax with ease, and when baby comes the time of the crisis is less and pain and danger is avoided. Thousands of women for half a century have used this penetrating external application, prepared especially for expectant mothers, and every woman awaiting the crisis should give nature a helping hand. Write the Bradford Regulator Company, Dept. F, Lamar Building, Atlanta, Georgia, for their Motherhood Book, of great value to all women, and obtain a bottle of Mother's Friend from the nearest druggist, or its application regularly night and morning.

### OIL DEVELOPMENT TALK INCREASES

The exhibition of a picture of the Russell oil well showing the oil gushing twenty feet above the eighty foot derrick, and the report that the oil and gas pressure in this well is increasing as the drill sinks deeper in the ground, is responsible for increased activities in the oil development of this county.

Will Dunlap was present at the well Wednesday afternoon with his kodak when the well put on a show for the visitors and shot oil more than one hundred feet in the air, and spouted for a longer time than ever before. The picture makes a good showing for the well and what is now only intermittent the drillers feel confident will become regular when the drill penetrates the sand again.

The drill is down 2505 feet and is still working in black lime rock, and it is reported that the oil and gas supply for the present is not coming direct from the sand, but is crevice oil, and a strong flow is expected when the drill reaches the sand.

However, that must be admitted as a speculative opinion, and drilling must be complete to determine the value of the well.

The drilling is now being carried on at less expense as the well is supplying fuel for the boiler which is a big item on account of the high cost of fuel and the distance from the railroad.

#### Drilling at Rowena

The Rannels County Oil and Gas Co., well is reported in good shape. The open hole has been cased and drilling resumed. This well made a good showing of both oil and gas at a depth of about 1500 feet.

#### 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. 60c per bottle.

### LESS FLU CASES IN ANGELO

The spread of Spanish influenza in San Angelo during the twenty-four hours ending Thursday noon was not as great as for the previous day. Thirty-one people were stricken, however, on Wednesday morning. Thirty-eight cases developed from Tuesday noon until Wednesday at the same hour.

During the twenty-four hours ending at noon Thursday no deaths occurred, and not a patient contracted pneumonia.

One patient was dismissed from the Red Cross emergency hospital Thursday, recovery having been almost complete. Two patients were placed in the sanitarium Wednesday, bringing the total number to fourteen.—San Angelo Standard.

Mrs. Mary B. Sharp, returned from Sweetwater, Thursday night, where she went to be with her son Harry, who was reported seriously ill. Mr. Sharp was rational when Mrs. Sharp left him, and was believed to be out of danger.

W. W. Farmer is here from Higginson, looking after his irrigated farm east of the city.

**Nature's Remedy**  
DR. TABLETS  
NR Tonight—Get a Tomorrow Feel Right (2) Box  
WEEKS DRUG STORE  
Ballinger, Texas

### ANOTHER TEXAS DIVISION READY

Camp Travis.—It will not be long now before Texas and Oklahoma will have another division ready to follow the 90th and 36th across the Atlantic. As soon as the 218th Engineer Regiment arrives from Camp Humphries, Va., where it is being organized, every one of the repaired units will have joined the 18th or "Cactus" division now in the midst of its intensive training at Camp Travis. Already three brigadier generals have arrived and the division rapidly is growing to war strength by the constant addition of recruits out of the depot brigade.

Rapid progress is being made in the training of the division. The school of fire for instruction in shooting with pistol and rifle has begun its work. The 35th Infantry have each put in a week on the rifle range at Camp Bulls and now the snipers and observers are receiving field training there. The school for gas defense which has been giving instructions to infantry units now is receiving students from the artillery regiments. Machine gunners and artillerymen are well along with their work.

Conquering of the influenza epidemic has started the machinery of the depot brigade grinding again and recruits, held back for several weeks, now are pouring in to Camp Travis by the hundreds from Texas and Oklahoma. Since the 165th Depot Brigade was organized here little more than a year ago, more than a quarter of a million men who but yesterday were civilians, have written home folks: "I am in the depot brigade now," but few of those who read knew just what a depot brigade is supposed to be.

The depot brigade is exactly what it implies. It is a place where soldiers are received, held and sent out to field units. But it does a whole lot of things while holding them. It is the depot brigade that receives the civilians and in the twinkling of an eye transforms him into a soldier. It outfits the recruit, determines where he is best fitted to serve, corrects minor physical defects and teaches him the A. B. C.'s of military life. It is the depot brigade that, in so many instances, must overcome the false impression that military discipline destroys a man's individuality, that must seek out conscientious objectors and show them their error or place them in some non-combatant branch of the service; and it is here that alien enemies generally are discovered and interned. It is the depot brigade that has to fight diseases brought to camp by recruits before a man can leave the depot brigade for a fighting unit he must be physically sound. The depot brigade is to the field army what the primary grades are to the public school system.

### SCHOOLS HAVE GOOD ATTENDANCE

After a three weeks "close up" on account of the influenza epidemic, the schools of this city resumed work Monday morning.

The teachers who had been enjoying a vacation, and some of whom returned to their homes for the time, were all present, and work was resumed without delay.

The attendance was better than was expected, there being only a few children absent, indicating that good health has been restored in most of the homes where the influenza invaded.

The patrons of the school are requested to keep a close watch on their children and not permit them to become exposed to other children who are ill, or send children with bad colds and sore throats to school.

The school term has lost practically three weeks. This will make it necessary for the classes to double up on their work and it is possible some scheme for making up the lost time will be announced later.

This city is fortunate in having stamped out the epidemic so quick and co-operation in sanitary work will help to keep it down. Other cities are still suffering. Another break in the school will work a great hardship on the children. Do your duty and it will be easier to keep out contagious diseases.

T. A. Baker, of the Maverick country, is back from Oklahoma, where he spent several weeks helping gather the crop.

### RHEUMATISM

The Way to Get Rid of It is to Remove the Cause.

The fact that rheumatism depends on an excess of uric acid in the blood, affecting the muscles and joints, producing inflammation, stiffness and pain, is well established. This excess is due to some defect in the processes of digestion and absorption, and to torpidity or sluggishness of the liver, kidneys and skin.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is very successful in the treatment of rheumatism because it acts directly, with purifying effect, on the blood, and through the blood on the liver, kidneys and skin, which it stimulates, and builds up the whole system.

Get rid of these rheumatic pains and aches by taking this medicine.

### VOLUNTEERS FOR PROHI ELECTION

Petitions requesting the immediate ordering of a local option election in Precincts Nos. 1, 2, and 4, which includes the city of San Angelo, will be presented on Monday, November 11, it was announced Saturday afternoon by Judge Joseph Spence, Jr., Henry E. Jackson, one of the city commissioners, and Judge Spence will likely present the petition about six in number.

Committees circulated the petitions throughout the past week and it is understood, several hundred names were signed. The petition of only ten per cent of the qualified voters in the county is necessary to make the ordering of an election mandatory upon the court, and this required number was probably secured the first day the petitions were started. The percentage of anti-prohibitionists who have signed the petitions is stated to be large and it is generally conceded that on overwhelming majority will be returned against the reopening of the saloons at the present time.

Some of the dry leaders are of the opinion that a sufficient number of volunteers can be secured to serve as presiding judges and clerks with out pay to eliminate much of the expense of holding the election. Some people have been heard to express opposition to the election because of the expense that will be incurred.

The election will be called for some date not far from Saturday November 30, if the prediction of leaders in the movement is borne out.—San Angelo Standard.

### YOU CAN'T FIND ANY DANDRUFF, AND HAIR STOPS COMING OUT

Save your hair! Make it thick, wavy glossy and beautiful at once.

Try as you will, 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 week's 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 immediate and amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance, the beauty and shimmer of true hair health.

Get a bottle of Knowledge'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. A 25-cent bottle will double the beauty of your hair.

Reports from Robert Herring today state that he is holding his own with probably some improvement over yesterday.

W. M. Smith, local express agent is in the Halley & Love sanitarium suffering with what is believed to be appendicitis. It had not been determined whether he would undergo an operation or not.

Luther Underwood, who accompanied the remains of Luther Harding home from Camp Mabry, returned to army duties Friday.

### LETTERS FROM TWO BALLINGER BOYS

The Daily Ledger received a letter written from "Some where in France," dated Oct. 11th, with the names of Clinton B. Penn and Francis Willard Wooden signed to it. The boys do not tell much of the war in their letter, but write interestingly of the beauty of France.

Dear Editor and Friends:

Having received the Ledger quite often since leaving the States and enjoying it ever so much, especially the letters written by the boys who are doing their bit in France, also in training camps in the States, we thought we might write a few words of interest about things we have seen since arriving "Over Here."

We landed at a French port after a very exciting but successful voyage which lasted for twelve days. After disembarking we hiked about three and one-half miles to a rest camp. Here we stayed in out pap tents for a period of seven days. This place was large enough to accommodate a regiment of men. We were then moved about two hundred miles to an old but very pretty little village of about five thousand inhabitants. Here we were "billed" all over the village. Some were quartered in residences while others were billed in barns. Private Wooden was quartered in the back yard of a Chateau, where there were seven dozen little houses previously used by the peasants who were servants on the place. Sergeant Penn was more fortunate as he selected the second floor of a barn for his quarters.

The Chateau spoken of above is one of the most beautiful places we have seen since landing in France. The lawn covered many acres. The beautiful drive ways, gigantic trees, fountains and statues of animals made an interesting and beautiful sight. On entering the place you followed a large drive way bordered by beautiful pines. This drive way leads first to a chappel which was used by the occupants of this Chateau. To the right of the drive way one would look upon a beautiful artificial lake which was covered with and surrounded by a mass of flower beds and shrubbery, also by four large marble columns each having a large bronze ball at the top. On these balls are the monograms of the owners.

Leaving the lake and chappel behind us we came to a sacred well, covered with rock with a statue of Virgin Mary in the back ground. Passing this you would then come to the Chateau, stone structure of wonderful workmanship. On entering the Chateau we came upon sights that would be impossible for us to describe.

We were stationed in this village nearly three weeks and regretted very much when the time came for us to leave. There were many things to occupy our time all of which were very interesting to us.

We left this place about noon on Thursday. After hiking full pack all afternoon, we finally reached a camping place which was some fifteen miles distance from the village we had just left. After eating our supper and spending the night in this camp we were up early the next morning and on our way. Noon found us in a large American camp which had formerly been used by the French. This camp had all the accommodations that we had in our camp while in the States. We are now having the experiences of smelling powder, but far from being Mary Garden. Nearly every day we are entertained by the aviator who performs daring feats while flying high above our heads, and a constant roar of the big guns while laying down a barrage makes a very exciting scene. (All of this helps to make an artillery unit before taking up their duties at the front which we hope will carry us there in the very near future.)

We are still reading of the awful drought that you are having in West Texas. We wish that old Ballinger could get about one-tenth of the rain which falls here, as it rains at least four days out of each week.

The huns are still advancing all along the front, but their advance is in the direction of Berlin, and we think that in a very short time that the allies will be in range of Limburger Palace which is situated in the center of "Soner Krout" square, and will also have wound up the watch on the Rhine. Wishing you all kinds of success and hoping to see you and the rest

### Don't Let Catarrh Drag You into Consumption

Avoid Its Dangerous Stage.

There is a more serious stage of Catarrh than the annoyance caused by the stopped-up air passages, and the hacking and spitting and other distasteful features.

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

sprays, inhalers, atomizers, jellies and other local applications.

S. S. S. has proven a most satisfactory remedy for Catarrh because it goes direct to its source, and removes the germs of the disease from the blood. Get a bottle from your druggist today, and begin the only logical treatment that gives real results. You can obtain special medical advice without charge by writing to Medical Director, 27 Swift Laboratory, Atlanta, Ga.

of our Ballinger friends some time during the year 1919, we remain, Your friends,  
Clinton B. Penn,  
Francis W. Wooden.

#### Mrs. Emily Huntington Clark

The death angel visited the home of L. M. Hughes, three miles north of Ballinger, for the second time within ten days, and on Wednesday night of this week claimed the life of Mrs. Emily Huntington Clark, mother of Mr. Hughes and B. B. Clark.

Deceased was 77 years, one month and 10 days old. She had been in poor health for some time. About one week ago Mrs. Hughes died, and it was announced at that time that Mrs. Clark was ill.

At three-thirty o'clock Thursday afternoon the remains were laid in the City Cemetery, Rev. J. H. King conducting the funeral services.

Mrs. Clark had lived to a ripe old age, receiving more than three score years and ten, and after serving a life of usefulness in this world she was ready to answer the call to a world beyond all sorrow and suffering.

### HEALTH TALKS

#### Spanish Influenza or Grip

By Dr. Lee H. Smith

An old enemy is with us again, and whether we fight a German or a germ, we must put up a good fight, and not be afraid. The influenza runs a very brief course when the patient is careful, and if we keep the system in good condition and throw off the poisons which tend to accumulate within our bodies, we can escape the disease. Remember these three C's— a clean mouth, a clean skin, and a clean bowel. To carry off poisons from the system and keep the bowels loose, daily doses of a pleasant laxative should be taken. Such a one is made of May-apple, leaves of aloë, root of jalap, and called Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Hot lemonade should be used freely if attacked by a cold, and the patient should be put to bed after a hot mustard foot-bath.

To prevent the attack of bronchitis or pneumonia and to control the pain, Anurie tablets should be obtained at the drug store, and one given every two hours with lemonade. The Anurie tablets were first discovered by Dr. Pierce, and as they flush the bladder and cleanse the kidneys, they carry away much of the poisons and the uric acid.

It is important that broths, milk, buttermilk, ice-cream and simile diet be given regularly to strengthen the system and increase the vital resistance. The fever is diminished by the use of the Anurie tablets, but in addition, the forehead, arms and hands may be bathed with water (tepid) in which a tablespoonful of salaratus has been dissolved in a quart. After an attack of the grip or pneumonia to build up and strengthen the system, obtain at the drug store a good iron tonic, called "Irontic" Tablets, or that well known herb- tonic Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. adv.

#### EYE INJURED BY ACCIDENT WHILE CRANKING MOTOR

Edwin Spill, young farmer and who lives near Winters is at the Hickman hotel near the Orient station, receiving daily treatment for injuries he sustained at his home Tuesday night. When he attempted to crank an automobile, the crank slipped and struck him in the eye. The eye sight in one eye was lost some time ago, and the boy was brought to San Angelo by his father by automobile in order to save the remaining injured optic. It is now believed that this can be done.

Only a short time ago, Spill was examined for the draft and found to be physically fit with the exception of his eyesight, which caused him to be rejected.—San Angelo Standard.

Jeff Brooks, of Miles, was here Friday, looking after war work for his end of the county.

Mrs. J. A. Reese and children, went to Talpa, Friday to visit relatives a few days.

### STAMP IS REMINDER OF GERMAN CRIME

New York, Nov. 4.—"Remember—Use Nothing German."

These words appear on a new stamp, resembling a postage stamp being circulated by the American Defense society.

The stamps are sold, and profits go to the Fatherless Children of France, a society of which Marshall Joffre is president.

On the stamp appears a design painted by E. H. Blashfield, New York. It represents Humanity, shielding her eyes from the sight of the sinking Lusitania, and Justice, with sword drawn in vengeance.

Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic destroys the malarial germs which are transmitted to the blood by the Malaria Mosquito. Price 60c.

#### PRO PETITION READY FOR ELECTION ORDER

The petition that is being circulated calling for the holding of a local option election in all of Tom Green county except the third commission precinct is making satisfactory progress, according to Joseph Spence, Jr., who is one of the leaders in the movement to settle the question that has arisen through the recent decision of the court of criminal appeals that the statewide prohibition statute was unconstitutional.

It is expected that the petition will be closed up in the next day or so, Judge Spence said, so that it can be presented to the county commissioners' court as soon as the court convenes next week.—San Angelo Standard.

#### FLU CONTINUES BAD IN SAN ANGELO

Influenza continues to spread in San Angelo, despite bright cool weather. Thirty-eight cases developed during the twenty-four hours ending Wednesday at noon, bringing the total number since Monday noon to an even 100 cases. Five patients contracted pneumonia Tuesday afternoon, night and Wednesday morning and two deaths occurred. From Monday noon until Tuesday noon there were only two cases of pneumonia and two deaths.—San Angelo Standard.

Geo. Murray is here from New Mexico visiting relatives. He is holding himself in readiness for the next call, being in line for draft when the next call is made.

Jack McKay came in from Paris, Texas, and is here on business and spending a few days with friends. Mr. McKay says that the North Texas country is in good shape, and the family are all well.

Chas. Baily and Baily Mack returned to their school duties in the State University, after spending the influenza epidemic period at home.

Col. E. C. Ryan came in from Aransas coast Sunday, spent a few hours and went to San Angelo on business. Col. Ryan is promoting a big wharf and warehouse proposition at Aransas Pass, preparatory to providing storage for Rannels county oil.

J. P. Knight and T. J. Russell, of the Winters country, had business in Ballinger Monday.

J. M. Stevenson, one of the pioneer settlers of the Token country, was in Ballinger Monday.

Ed Gentry was here from Marie Monday, mixing with the grain sowers.

Thos. C. Hall, of Temple, is back in Ballinger to look after his farm and livestock interest and to keep tab on the oil situation.

H. W. Lynn, of Winters, was here Friday attending the War Fund Workers conference.



THE BANNER-LEDGER

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The bumper grain crop was in 1915. This is the third year since, and it promises to be a good one.

The man at home who is yelling peace and saying the war is over, seems to forget that American boys are still falling on the battle front.

Some people frown upon agitation, but a little agitation some times helps things. It all depends upon what you agitate.

The shop early slogan has been started. The demand for early shoppers is greater than usual. The Christmas shoppers who wait will be and should be shut at the eleventh hour.

Start a bat roost and help rid the country of disease, is the admonition of a San Antonio doctor. Bats are enemies to malaria, so mosquitos and bats can not live in the same country. It seems that everything is placed here for a purpose.

Since the kaiser's valuables are being sent to Genoa, Gen Pershing should make that point the American's objective, and instead of planting Old Glory on the palace in Berlin, plant it on "Buonas" on the Lake of Zug. Do it and not wait for Switzerland's consent.

The country which harbors the arch enemy of America can hardly be the friend we would like to have. Switzerland should close her gates to the kaiser and return him to Berlin, and make it possible for the allies to administer a just punishment. Dozens of trunks containing the valuables of the kaiser are arriving in Switzerland, while thousands of lives are being shot out, and millions of lives have been shot out, to satisfy the greed of a beastly monarch. Let us have him, and Switzerland can have his trunks.

The American people should be made to realize that war work must continue for a long time after the last gun has been fired. There may be a slackening in munition making, but Red Cross work, Y. M. C. A. and kindred work must be kept up. Some people will be ready to desert the boys after they have won the victory. The time to show our appreciation and keep the home fires burning will be after the American and allied soldiers have put Prussianism to death. Don't forget your duty and lag when the peace note is sounded.

SKILL CUT THE CASUALTIES. Influenza has killed more American soldiers in the army camps at home than the Huns have killed in the battle lines in France. It is a new disease and one which medical skill has not conquered.—Banner Ledger.

In the old days before the science of preventive medicine had developed, such a scourge as this which has so recently assailed the world would have become a historic plague, like innumerable predecessors of ancient and medieval record. Whole cities and cities have been in other ages laid low or depopulated by such pestilences. In the present case, the harvest of death has been a heavy one. But it has been more easily prevented, to the extent that to the military population, vigilant medical inspection and strict discipline have combined with good feeding and proper clothing to shorten the casualty list. In the army camps. Even there, however, hundreds of deaths have occurred, more, apparently, in the home camps than in those abroad. In some of the American news papers, notably Philadelphia, columns have been given to army casualty lists and whole pages to civilian death notices. In Brooklyn graves had to be dug with ditching machines in order to prevent congestion of unburied bodies in the cemeteries. Nothing like this ever occurred before in America, not even in the days of cholera and yellow fever. Dallas News.

SEED WHEAT

Red Rust Proof Seed Oats and Seed Barley at Ladwigs Grain Store. 1 3/4W

A STENCH IN THE NOSTRILS OF AN HONEST PEOPLE

The American government received a stab in the back at the hands of the voters of Rowena and Olfm in the election held in Texas Tuesday.

At Rowena, where practically every voter participated in the Democratic primary last July, there were fifty-six votes polled for the Republican candidate for governor and only six for the Democratic candidate, in the election held Tuesday.

At Olfm, where a full vote was polled in the Democratic primary the Republican candidate received twenty-one votes Tuesday and the Democratic candidate received only two.

In view of the fact that practically every voter making up the above two boxes voted in the Democratic primary and pledged themselves to support the nominees of the Democratic ticket, the vote just polled can be construed only as a direct thrust at the American government.

In view of the fact that President Wilson, on the eve of the election, issued an appeal to the American people to support the administration and thereby cement together the American and allied nations in their peace plans, the voters making up the above two boxes, by their bolt have not only violated the party pledge, but have said to the American Democrats in Rannels county "We are against you," and have left no room for doubt of their attitude towards the Wilson administration.

While such bolting does not change the result of the election in good old free Texas, we are glad to say, and while the president's appeal was made for the benefit it might be to the Democratic ticket in the doubtful states, the vote cast at these two boxes by people who participated in the Democratic primary, and who were morally bound by their pledge to support the nominees of that primary, should be made a matter of record for future references.

Circumstances in this instance makes the case all the more obnoxious to the American Democrats. Truly this is a free country. In fact it is too free for some people. The voter has the right to go to the polls and cast his ballot for the candidate of his choice. The voters of the above voting boxes did that very thing in the July primary. Because the candidate of their choice was not the choice of the great majority of the American Democrats in Texas, they returned to the polls Tuesday and attempted to defeat the man whom they pledged to support.

This is a stench in the nostrils of the honest people. How long will the American Democrats of Rannels county tolerate such politics?

The Democratic leaders of this county are political cowards, and want for the backbone of true American citizens, if they permit this bunch to participate in the next Democratic primary.

The Joy Recipe! Take Cascarets. Regulate liver and bowels, and sweeten the stomach—spend 10 cents and see

Enjoy life! Straighten up. Your system is filled with an accumulation of bile and bowel poison which keeps you bilious, headachy, flabby, tongue coated, breath bad and stomach sour. Why don't you get a 10 cent box of Cascarets at the drug store and feel fine—Take Cascarets tonight and enjoy the sweet, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced—Give Cascarets to children also, they taste like candy—Never gripe and never fail. Sick, bilious children love to take this laxative.

R. S. Bowden was here from Maverick Friday en route to his new home at Midway, Texas, Madison county. Mr. Bowden shipped out his goods earlier in the week and he was following. He went to east Texas early in the fall and left his family there, and he came back to move. He is not burning the bridges behind him, still owns his farm here and if things do not go to suit him over in the sticks it will be back to West Texas for him. He has left his farm in charge of his son-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tuson and son B. J. are at home from a stay of some time in East Texas.

INFLUENZA WORSE THAN HUN BULLETS

Claiming More Victims Than Battle Fronts of Europe—Disease Can be Avoided.

According to carefully compiled statistics it is an indisputable fact that the Spanish Influenza epidemic which is now sweeping all parts of the country is daily claiming more victims than German bullets on the battle fronts of Europe. Although civil and military authorities have succeeded in checking the disease in some localities, it is growing worse in other and continues to spread at an alarming rate. That the disease can be avoided there is no longer any doubt. According to leading authorities the power of resistance of the human system can be so perfected that it can throw off almost any infection, not even excepting Spanish influenza, which is one of the most contagious diseases known.

It is persons who are suffering from lowered vitality, who are weak and run-down and who have not the strength to throw off who are the earliest victims. Persons who have had colds, who are suffering from catarrhal troubles, or inflammation of the mucous membranes are especially susceptible, as the inflamed mucous membrane linings of the nose and throat are an open door to the germs. This condition is almost always accompanied by a weakened condition of the system.

If you are suffering from any of these symptoms, nothing on earth will build you up and strengthen you like Tanlae, which contains the most powerful tonic properties known to science.

This statement is easily proven by the fact that Tanlae is now having the greatest sale of any system tonic in the history of medicine. In less than four years time over Ten Million Bottles have been sold and the demand is constantly increasing. Thousands are using it daily for the above troubles with the most astonishing and gratifying results.

Tanlae increases your strength and weight and creates a good healthy appetite for nourishing food. It keeps you physically fit and helps every organ of the body performs its proper function in the natural way.

In connection with the Tanlae treatment be sure and keep the bowels open by taking Tanlae tablets, samples of which are inclosed in every bottle.

Tanlae is sold in Ballinger by Weeks Drug Store.

MAY HOLD JOINT INSTITUTE HERE

Prof. J. J. Bugg is in receipt of a letter from county superintendent Griffin, of Coleman county, in which the proposition of Coleman and Rannels counties meeting together, in the school teachers institute.

Mr. Bugg has the matter under consideration and after discussing same with other interested parties and with the local boarding houses and hotels, will go into details with the Coleman educator, and it is very probable that the two institutes will be held together.

Mr. Bugg stated Tuesday that it depended largely upon what kind of rate the local hotels and boarding houses offered, and what kind of accommodations could be had for the two hundred and fifty teachers which would spend a week in this city.

The institute for this county has been scheduled for December 16th and will be in session five days. The Coleman county institute was recently postponed on account of the influenza epidemic, and the thought of bringing the two institutes together suggested itself to the Coleman county superintendent and is favorably looked upon by the superintendent of this county.

Bringing two hundred and fifty teachers together will make an interesting institute. Methods and plans of work in the public schools can be discussed to a better advantage by a larger exchange of talent. It is a proposition that the local citizens should encourage, and in turn the Rannels county institute could join the Coleman county institute next year.

WOMAN PASSES BAD CHECKS AT B'WOOD

Sheriff Perkins is anxious to locate a woman who used his name too freely at Brownwood Tuesday. He does not think the woman lived in Ballinger, but judging from the way she referred to the sheriff and a number of business men while trading in Brownwood, she is acquainted here.

Signing the name of "J. D. Perkins," and "T. D. Perkins," by Vera Perkins, the woman passed checks to the amount of about fifty-five dollars at Brownwood Tuesday and purchased from the Brownwood merchants, coats, gloves, shoes, etc. The woman drew the checks on a Ballinger bank. She passed herself off as the daughter of the local sheriff. The checks were of course declared bogus when presented for payment through the clearance on the Ballinger bank, and the Brownwood merchants are short good goods to the amount of the checks.

The woman's real name is not known here and the first hard work the officer has is to find out who she is, and then it will be to jail for her, unless she has friends or relatives who can put up the necessary bond. It is a plain case of forgery and the lowest penalty is two years in the pen. A party suiting the description is under suspicion and an arrest may be made before this goes in print.

CREAM PRODUCERS

Bring me your cream. I receive and pay for same on Wednesday's and Saturdays at the Ballinger Bottling Works. Vary truly yours. J. C. COOK. 8-2tw pd.

OLD PROGNOSTICATOR FULL OF OPTIMISM

T. P. Cole, one of the early settlers in Ballinger, and now one of the most familiar characters in this part of the country, was here from San Angelo Wednesday, gathering up an arm full of hats to reclean, block and make new.

The old timers in Ballinger will remember when Mr. Cole and his family lived, cooked and conducted a confectionery business in an old box shack which stood on the corner where the Zappe store is now located.

Mr. Cole later moved to San Angelo, where he prospered. He gave us a remedy for the flu while here Wednesday, and said, "try it and if it does not work I will give you a good home; I gave all my children a home and educated them. That shows to some degree how Mr. Cole has prospered."

However, we do not need the home he offers if his remedy fails bad enough to try the remedy, if we fall a victim to the flu. Here it is: "Remove your clothes, get out in the back yard and take a shower bath. If you have a bad cold, remove your shoe and soak your feet in cold water." Those who try this will please report to The Ledger.

Mr. Cole is one of the well known weather prognosticators of this part of the desert. He claims to have forecasted the severe drought. He told his people that there would not be enough sorghum raised in Tom Green county to feed his pony. He told them that Angelo would have forty vacant homes before the end of the year, and he says there are more than that number vacant now. He says he told them the river would dry up, etc., all of which has come to pass.

The old timer now comes forward with a most optimistic forecast. He says there will be more rain this week, a mild winter is in store for us, and a bumper grain crop and big crops next year.

He declined to say what the weather would be on Christmas day.

Mr. Cole has been failing in health recently, and his age begins to show on him. He is battling with the rheumatism, and says he is more than a month behind with his hat factory work.

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE COUNCIL DEFENSE

The County chairman, Mrs. Seott H. Mack, announces that the Woman's Committee of the Council of Defense will meet at the Library Tuesday afternoon, at four-thirty. The Government has placed special work upon the committee, and all the ladies are urged to be present.



THE First National Bank ESTAB. 1866 OF BALLINGER, TEXAS ESTAB. 1866

MOVED AWAY BUT COULD NOT STAY

Here's a little story for the knocker who said the country was going to the bow wows, and a story that gives us a chance to say "We told you so."

Two immigrant cars arrived here from the east Sunday. They were side tracked near the oil mill and Monday two farmers began to unload and set up for business.

One is an old timer (returning after an absence of only about three months. The other is a new comer, who came here last August and looked the situation over, rented a farm in the face of the drought returned home, gathered his crop and shipped out.

Last August H. L. Hamilton, the son of L. H. Hamilton, decided that it was too dry here for him. He chartered a car and shipped out to Ellis county. He found work plentiful for awhile, but as soon as the harvest season in good old Ellis was over, work stopped with a sudden and dull thud. Mr. Hamilton found it difficult for a man to get a foot hold in that county. No work, no land he could rent, no sale for his live stock, he shipped to that country.

The news of the good rains here reached Mr. Hamilton. He had not lost the way home. He chartered a car, loaded the same goods he shipped from here and was pulled back over the same railroad. He is here for keeps.

"This looks better to me than anything I saw while gone," said Mr. Hamilton, and I am glad to get back where I can get plenty of fresh air." As time rolls on others will do as he has done.

R. C. Tierce came here from Elgin, Texas, last August. He saw the drought at its worst, but he knew there would be a change and he arranged to get in with the change. He is unloading a car of household goods, feed, livestock farm implements, etc., and is here to make his home.

We stated in the column of this paper that two would come back for every one who left, and our statement is verified the first rat out of the box.

Watch Rannels county grow.

Brings the Best into Co-operation. It is no wonder that many are turning the new medicinal combination, Hood's Sarsaparilla before eating, Pepton, great iron tonic, after eating and Hood's Pills as needed, remarkably effective as a course of treatment for giving vitality, vigor and vim, and increasing strength and endurance.

Among the medicinal substances that this combination brings into co-operation are such cleansers, tonics and digestives as sarsaparilla, nux. iron, and pepsin, whose great merit has been fully established.

Good results from such a combination in cases amenable to treatment, seem to be among the "inevitables." The combination is especially recommended for those who are run-down, whose blood is poor, because of impurity or lack of iron, whose nerves are weak or unstrung, livers torpid or sluggish. Try it.

DON'T BE "AVERAGE" MAN

Young people must make themselves efficient and handle their earnings properly during their productive years if they are to escape the common lot of being dependent in old age.

The life insurance companies have compiled figures which abundantly demonstrate these facts. Give sober consideration to this digest of life experiences of one hundred average men, at the age of sixty five the records of these men are as follows: Thirty-five are dead, one rich, four wealthy, six are self supporting but are compelled to work for a living, fifty-four, or half the number are dependent on children, relatives, or charity. This is a sad state of affairs and only can be remedied by getting the proper kind of business training in youth.

The average educated man gets a salary of \$2,000 a year. He works forty years, making a total of \$80,000 in a life time. The average day labor gets \$3.00 per day, three hundred days in the year, or \$900 a year. In forty years he earns \$36,000. The difference, \$44,000, equals the financial value of an education. To require this earning capacity requires about five months time or one hundred and fifty days in the Tyler Commercial College. Divide one hundred and fifty days into \$44,000 the value of an education, and you will find that each day spent in the Tyler Commercial College is worth \$293 to you without considering the satisfaction and pleasure of living a much more successful life. Fill in and mail for free catalog. Get out of the average class. Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Name. Address.

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Allen will not move to Coleman, as was in prospect. They visited that city and failed to find suitable house at present, and will continue to make Ballinger their home.

WE BUY OLD FALSE TEETH

We will buy old false teeth (broken or not) and will pay you for them. Highest prices paid for old false teeth, gold, silver, platinum and steel. Send for our list of prices. Write to: MILLWAUKEE, WIS.

Banner-Ledger Want Ads

WORK—Anyone needing team work, plowing or hauling, phone 1082 or see J. H. Taylor, 31 1/2 W.

WANTED—Hides, Furs, Bones, Rags, Rubber, Paper, Brass, Copper, Zinc, and Metal. I. O. WOODEN 30 41 d&w.

LOST—Somewhere between West End in Ballinger any my South Ballinger farm, a matting cart square, nine by twelve. B. F. Corum, Ballinger, Tex. 5-1td 1tw. pd

WANTED—Some one to plant 100 or more acres in grain on shares. Phone Mrs. L. A. Nunn at Old Runnys 8-2tw



For the comfort and good care of the Boys "over there" this space contributed by

## Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

**Somebody's Dollars Will Do It—  
I Wonder if They'll Be Yours**

*By Bruce Barton*

WILL tell you what will happen some night this winter in France. Some night when its cold and dark. There will be a rustling through the front line trench, where our boys stand guard. And a heavy laden Secretary will make his way along.

In his hands will be great steaming pots; in his pocket chocolate and cigarettes.

From one man to another he will go, passing a cup full of hot coffee to hands that tremble with the cold; bringing the comfort of a bit of sweet and a smoke.

Men will hail him cheerily, slapping him on the back; and when he has gone things will be a little easier in that trench because he has passed that way.

How much will it cost to make that trip, do you suppose? Counting the pittance that the Secretary is paid, and the cost of the chocolate and the cigarettes and all?

Five dollars? Twenty-five dollars? I do not know.

But whether it is five dollars or twenty-five, I'd like to think that it is my five or twenty-five—wouldn't you? That some night when it's cold and lonesome, my money and yours might send a Secretary out along that front line trench. Let's make up our minds that we are going to pay for a score of those trips. A score of the nights this winter shall be our nights.

—nights when the boys greet joyously the chocolate and cigarettes that our money provided; and are happier because our representative has passed.

### MEN SELECTED TO GO TO CAMPS

The following men have been notified to mobilize for entrainment at five p. m. on November 13th, and ship for Camp Travis. Most of those who are at present located at other places will be allowed to entrain where they are without coming to Ballinger:

James H. Browder, Orange, Tex.  
Jim B. Evans, Rising Star, Tex.  
Bery N. Thomas, Kiowa, Okla.  
Paul D. Huffaker, Maverick, Tex.

Ira M. McNeil, Winters, Texas.  
George W. Gall, Dime Box, Tex.  
Clyde M. Powers, Wingate, Tex.  
Tom B. Lester, Goldsboro, Texas.  
Lillian R. Bowen, Winters, Tex.  
Otis R. Davis, Winters, Texas.  
Vidal G. Torres, Knickerbocker, Texas.

Harold H. Henniger, Winters, Texas.  
Edward H. Kinkle, Ciseo, Tex.  
William D. Duke, Lancaster, Texas.

Joe Brosh, East Bernard, Texas.  
Theo. W. B. Halfmann, Rowena, Texas.

Walter S. Darfink, Rowena, Tex.  
Glenn H. Danford, Winters, Tex.  
Wart S. Bales, Hatchel, Texas.  
Charley Sprinkles, Winters, Tex.  
Arthur F. Proise, Bay City, Tex.  
Frank Petty, Houston, Texas.  
Ruppert H. McCasland, Winters, Texas.

Walter H. Dean, Bay City, Tex.  
Harmen H. Perry, Brenond, Texas.

Sol Nicholas, Houston, Texas.  
Jas. H. Presley, Clarksville, Tex.  
Thas. R. Adams, Elk, Okla.  
Bertis B. Lockett, Orage, Okla.

Coast artillery, Fort Crockett, Galveston, Texas. Called for 5 p. m. November 11th:  
Calvin P. Dunn, Ballinger.  
Ted P. Caudle, Hatchel, Texas.  
Frank R. Hoffman, Benoit, Tex.  
Benjamin E. Schneider, Galveston, Texas.

George O. Lloyd, Winters, Tex.  
Marshall Stovall, Crews, Texas.  
James Raymond, Stacy, Texas.  
Thomas D. Commander, Ballinger.

George D. Nelson, Ballinger.

## Runnells County Soldier Highly Commended

S. L. Ferguson was in from Hatchel Wednesday morning, and kindly submitted to The Ledger for publication, a letter from his son D. D. Ferguson together with a printed order commending the officers and men of the 42nd Division of which the son is a member for the valient fighting done by them.

We publish part of the letter and reproduce in full the printed order issued by the Major General commending the 42nd Division, as it shows what our boys have been doing in France. The letter was written to Miss Jewel Ferguson, sister of the American soldier and in part is as follows:

Dear Sister:

I will try to answer your letter which I received yesterday. It was the first time I had heard from you all in over a month, and I was sure glad to get it. Sorry to note that you have dry weather.

This leaves me well and still going through this awful fight. We have been fighting for eight months without any rest and you can guess that it is getting old with us. I don't get excited at all now at anything that happens, and believe me, I certainly have seen some exciting moments and days. I sure do hope that it will come to a close real soon, and I am going to go right on through with it and just wait patiently, I'll be back.

Well, Henry is having his best days now. I guess he will be over here in about four months. But it is a picnic to the boys who come over now to what it was to us. Every thing prepared now and when we came over there was nothing. We had to prepare it, but we will get credit for what we have done and I am glad that I came when I did, but last winter I wished I had never seen France.

I am sending you a little write up about us, and you can see by that what we have done. Well, it is getting late, and I will close with best wishes to all.

Your brother,  
Corp. D. D. Ferguson.

Following is the order printed in letter form and enclosed in the above letter.

Headquarters, 42nd Division, American Expeditionary Forces, France, August 13th, 1918.

To the officers and men of the 42nd Division:

A year has elapsed since the formation of your organization. It is, therefore, fitting to consider what you have accomplished as a combat division and what you should prepare to accomplish in the future.

Your first elements entered the trenches in Lorraine on February 21st. You served on that front for 110 days. You were the first American division to hold a divisional sector and when you left the sector June 21st, you had served continuously as a division in the trenches for a longer time than any other American division. Although you entered the sector with out experience in actual warfare you so conducted yourselves as to win the respect and affection of the French veterans with whom you fought. Under gas and bombardments, in raids, in patrols in the heat of hand to hand combat and in the long dull hours of trench routine so trying to a soldier's spirit, you bore yourselves in a manner worthy of the traditions of our country.

You were withdrawn from Lorraine and moved immediately to the Champagne front where during the critical days from July 14 to July 18 you had the honor of being the only American division to fight in General Gouraud's army which so gloriously obeyed his order, "We will Stand or Die," and by its iron defense crushed the German assault and made possible the offensive of July 18 to the west of Reims.

From Champagne you were called to take part in exploiting the success north of the Marne. Fresh from the battle before Chalons, you were thrown against the picketed troops of Germany. For eight consecutive days, you attacked skillfully prepared positions. You captured great stores of arms and munitions. You forced the crossings of the Ourcq. You took Hill 212, Sergy, Merey Frene and Serinex by assault. You drove the enemy including an Imperial Guard Division before you for a depth of fifteen kilometers. When your infantry was relieved, it was in full pursuit of the retreating Germans, and your artillery con-

tinued to progress and support another American division in the advance to the Vesle.

For your services in Lorraine, your division was formally commended in General Orders by the French Army Corps under which you served. For your services in Champagne your assembled officers received the personal thanks and commendation of General Gouraud himself. For your services on the Ourcq, your division was officially complemented in a letter from the Commanding General, 1st Army Corps, of July 28, 1918.

To your success, all ranks and all services have contributed and I desire to express to every man in the command my appreciation of his devoted and courageous effort. However, our position places a burden of responsibility upon us which we must strive to bear steadily forward without faltering. To our comrades who have fallen, we owe the sacred obligation of maintaining the reputation which they have died to establish. The influence of our performance on our allies and our enemies cannot be over estimated for we were one of the first divisions sent from our country to France to show the world that Americans can fight.

Hard battles and long campaigns lie before us. Only by careful vigilance and tireless preparation can we fit ourselves for them. I urge you, therefore, to approach the future with confidence but above all with firm determination that so far as it is in your power you will spare no effort whether in training or in combat to maintain the record of our division and the honor of our country.

Charles T. Menoher,  
Major General, U. S. Army

### FOR COLDS AND GRIPPE DOCTORS FIND REMEDY

Physicians and druggist are elated over the fact that they have at last found a genuine and dependable remedy for colds, sore throat, influenza and la grippe. For years they have depended chiefly up on the old style calomel which is certainly fine, but unfortunately many people would not take it because of its nauseating and dangerous qualities.

Now that the pharmaceutical chemists have perfected a nausealess calomel, called "Calotabs" whose medicinal virtues are vastly improved, the doctors and druggists are claiming that Calotabs are the ideal remedy to absorb a cold over night and cut short an attack of sore throat or la grippe. They are also finding it most effective as the first step in the treatment of pneumonia.

One Calotab on the tongue at bed time with a swallow of water—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating or your work and pleasure. The next morning your cold has vanished and your whole system is purified and refreshed. Calotabs are sold only in original sealed packages, price thirty-five cents. Your druggist recommends and guarantees them by refunding the price if you are not delighted.

### LOCAL OIL MAGNATE BUYS HARBOR I. LAND

Austin, Oct. 29.—The railroad commission has approved the application of Edward C. Ryan of Ballinger for the filing and purchase of 145 acres of land situated on Harbor Island in Aransas County, in which land it is proposed to construct wharves and docks. The purchaser has already purchased the land from the state through the general land office. The extent of the improvements to be made on this land is not disclosed in the application. —Houston Chronicle.

Col. Ryan left Ballinger a few days ago, stating to a Ledger reporter that he was going to south Texas on a little hunting trip. Judging from the above he was on the hunt for large game, and bagged all he went after.

Dick Barnett, of Route 2, Winters, was here Monday, having business with the war board. Mr. Barnett is in the draft age an he is afraid the war will end before he gets into the game.

J. B. Pace, of the Wingate country, was a Ballinger visitor Monday.

### Spot Cash Prices Good for One Week

25 lb. sack meal ..... \$1.30  
5 lbs. best Peaberry Coffee..... \$1.00  
6 lbs. Good Coffee ..... \$1.00  
25 lb. sack Salt, 35¢ for ..... 30¢  
50¢ grade breakfast bacon for ..... 38¢  
5 bars C. E. Soap ..... 25¢  
5 bars Bob White soap ..... 25¢  
5 bars Toilet soap cocoa ..... 25¢  
3 bars Lava soap ..... 25¢  
2 can Tomatoes, 1 1-2 lbs. 25¢  
No. 2 Tomatoes ..... 15¢  
No. 2 Clipper bran Corn 15¢  
No. 3 Kraut ..... 15¢  
No. 3 Hominy a can ..... 15¢  
Best quality pink beans 10¢  
No. 2 Peas ..... 15¢  
Everybody cane syrup ..... 90¢  
Raven cane syrup ..... 85¢  
Raven same as red Velva or green Velva ..... 85¢  
\$1.00 size Log Cabin sy. 90¢  
Fancy Apricots ..... 20¢  
Dried Apples ..... 20¢  
Bottle Garet Snuff ..... 24¢  
Glass Honest Snuff ..... 24¢  
Large size Crisco ..... \$1.75  
1 gal. Cooking Oil ..... \$1.80  
2 doz. Keg Pickles ..... 25¢  
\$1.10 blk. handle broom 85¢  
85¢ red handle broom ..... 65¢  
2 cans Vegetable soup ..... 25¢  
2 cans good Salmon ..... 35¢  
1 gal. Mary Jane Syrup ..... 75¢

1 gal. Lassic Syrup ..... 70¢  
White Crown Syrup ..... 90¢  
Red Karo syrup a gal. .... 75¢  
1-2 gal. red Karo syrup ..... 40¢  
1-2 gal. Mary Jane syrup ..... 40¢  
1-2 gal. Lassic syrup ..... 35¢  
1 pkg. Arbuckles coffee 25¢  
Blue bonnet blended Coffee \$1.10 size ..... 90¢  
\$1.00 size bucket coffee 80¢  
Full head rice ..... 10¢  
3 pkgs Spchetti ..... 25¢  
3 pkgs Macroni ..... 25¢  
25¢ size Cili Powder ..... 20¢  
25¢ size Pepper Sauce ..... 20¢  
Calumet Baking Powd. 25¢  
25 oz. K.C. Baking Powd. 25¢  
25 oz. Good Luck B. P. 25¢  
500 matches box run ..... 6¢  
35¢ Oat Meal ..... 30¢  
Post tonsties ..... 20¢  
3 pkgs. Soda ..... 25¢  
3 pkgs. Starch ..... 25¢  
No. 3 Crown raisins ..... 11¢  
1 lb. Peanut Butter ..... 25¢  
Dried Peaches ..... 12 1-2¢  
Fine eating apples per doz 10¢  
Best Onions ..... 5¢  
Babbit Canser ..... 4¢  
Shinola Polish ..... 9¢  
Irish potatoes per bushel \$1.80 or 3 1-2¢ per pound.  
Sweet Potatoes ..... 5¢  
25¢ bottle Chow Chow ..... 20¢  
35¢ Tea Mixed ..... 25¢  
Thick Penns tobacco ..... 70¢

COME BUY GROCERIES Gustavus Grocery Co., Phone 34

### Red Cross Nurse Writes From England

Miss Florence Parr, daughter of L. K. Parr, a graduate of the Ballinger Training Schools for Nurses, writes to her mother, the letter being dated "England" Oct. 9. The letter in part says:

My Dear Mother:

I am getting along just fine and getting plenty to eat. This is a most beautiful place.

Mother dear, don't write me here; I don't think I will be here very long. Don't worry for I am well and happy and getting along just fine and enjoying many sights. But one thing quite funny, I can't count English money. So it is very interesting learning all these new things.

They have the most beautiful flowers here you ever saw and it seems funny to see wild flowers this time of year.

I met a boy from Houston, Texas, yesterday. It is surely nice to meet some one from Texas, dear old Texas.

Now, mother dear, don't worry for I am perfectly safe, and I do want you to look well when I come home. Tell daddy dear to take care of himself and not to work hard.

With lots of love and kisses for all the family,  
From your loving girl,  
Florence.

### TWO CASES PER HOUR IN SAN ANGELO

The development of influenza cases in San Angelo during the twenty-four hours ending Saturday at noon was greater than during any similar period within a week. Forty-eight people were stricken with the disease, according to reports made by physicians to the Red Cross, while five patients contracted pneumonia. The death rate continues low, there having been no deaths from influenza since Wednesday noon.

Despite the expectations of some doctors, the change in the weather has had little beneficial effect in checking the spread of influenza. As many cases have developed since the storm clouds cleared a way as during the wet spell that lasted about three days. Health authorities urge that every precaution continue to be exercised. —San Angelo Standard.

W. W. Poe and John McNeil, were among the visitors to Ballinger from the north side of the county Monday. They report a blanket of wheat and oats covering their part of the county.

### TEACH YOUR CHILD TO BETHRIFTY

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

Miss Aurelia McKinzie returned to Mary Neal, Monday to resume her school duties after the influenza epidemic.

### JUST IN TIME Some Ballinger People May Wait Till It's Too Late

Don't wait until too late. Be sure to be in time. Just in time with kidney pills. Means curing the backache, the dizziness, the urinary disorders, That so often comes with kidney troubles.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for this very purpose.

Here is Ballinger Testimony of their worth.

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

Price 60¢ at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Williamson had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

### Money to Loan on Farm Lands

I represent a strong and liberal loan company

See me about new or renewal loans.

### Estes Lynn

Hall Hardware Co., Building

### Undertaking Goods Licensed Embalmers

Motor Hearse and Ambulance

### T. S. LANKFORD

Night Phone 81 Day Phone 82





## No Mystery in Meat

Some things are so simple that they have to be explained again and again. When things are obvious, people keep looking for mysteries behind them.

So it is with the packing business. The mere size of Swift & Company confuses many. Because their imaginations are not geared up to scale, they believe there must be magic in it somewhere—some weird power.

Swift & Company is just like any other manufacturing business run by human beings like yourself; it takes in raw material on the one hand and turns out a finished product on the other.

Swift & Company keeps down the "spread," or the expense absorbed between raw and finished material, to as low a figure as possible. (If it didn't it would be put out of business by others who do.)

How much Swift & Company pays for the raw material, and how much it gets for the finished product, depends upon conditions which Swift & Company does not control.

It depends entirely upon how much people want the finished product, and how much raw material there is available to make it from.

The profits of Swift & Company amount to less than one cent per pound on all meats and by-products—less than one-fourth of a cent on beef.



Swift & Company, U.S.A.

## BAN OFF EVERYTHING EXCEPT MOVIES

Dr. E. R. Walker, city health officer announced late Friday afternoon that the quarantine after Saturday, would be raised on all public gatherings except picture show.

Dr. Walker stated that the various churches would be permitted to hold their usual Sunday School and preaching services Sunday, and public schools would open Monday morning.

It will probably be another week with favorable health conditions, before the ban on picture shows will be raised, this apparently discrimination is due to the fact that the picture show is not as well ventilated as buildings where other

public gatherings are held, and to the fact that a greater number of transient people attend the picture shows than any other meeting, and there would naturally be more danger of coming in contact with the influenza.

Greatly Benefited by Chamberlain's Tablets

"I am thankful for the good I have received by using Chamberlain's Tablets. About two years ago when I began taking them I suffered a great deal from distress after eating, and from headache and a tired, languid feeling due to indigestion and a torpid liver. Chamberlain's Tablets corrected these disorders in a short time, and since taking two bottles of them my health has been good," writes Mrs. M. P. Harwood, Auburn, N. Y.

## To the Building Public

You can make any repairs or additions to your buildings that do not cost over \$2500.00. You can also make any improvements or build anything new or your farm, that does not cost over \$1000.00. Any other new buildings, of any kind, require a permit from the War Industries Board. We will be glad to inform you how to proceed in securing building certificates, as we have the blank forms on hand.

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

## TWO YEARS BEFORE OUR BOYS RETURN

New York, Nov. 2.—Demobilization of the American forces in France will require a period of two years after peace is declared, according to a statement made here tonight by Gen. T. Coleman, Dupont, who has just returned from a two month's visit to the western front.

Declaring that his views were the reflection of official opinion among the allied forces, he asked that Americans accustom themselves to the idea of a long demobilization as they had to that of long war.

"Our generals asked me," he said, "to tell the people at home that our boys in removing the barbed wire the huns have strung across France," have a years job.

Asserting that the civil war had "turned thousands of men back into civil life weakened and purposeless," General Dupont, said the seven war work agencies should be supported generously in the approaching campaign. He declared that "statemalike plans are being laid" for the trying period following peace.

"Every hut in France" he said, "will become a university class room on the day peace is sighted. The boys will be given every educational advantage under leading educators and business men from the United States."

## CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Ladies: Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills. They are sold in gold boxes, each with the name of the Druggist. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for Chichester's Pills. They are sold in gold boxes, each with the name of the Druggist.

## SOLDIER'S RELATIVES CAN'T BE FOUND

The local Western Union Office received a message this week addressed to Mrs. Bettie L. Brown, R. F. D. No. 1, Winters, announcing the death of Private Joseph E. Brown, in France.

The telegram states that Private Brown died on October 2, with pneumonia.

Mrs. Bettie L. Brown was located on Route One at Winters, but knew nothing about Joseph E. Brown, and stated that she had no relatives in the army by that name. She referred the telegraph company to Mrs. Bettie S. Brown, of Ballinger, and she also stated that the soldier was not related to her.

The records in the local draft board fail to show the name of Joseph E. Brown, and why Mrs. Brown of Winters was notified is not known.

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

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

## ONLY 15 OUT OF 244 DISQUALIFIED

Out of 244 registrants called for physical examination in Class 1 men of the last registration, only fifteen were found physically unfit for military service.

166 qualified for general service, Group A.

1 qualified remedial, Group B. 16 qualified for limited service, Group B.

15 disqualified, Group D.

46 men who would have come in Class One, but are in service, having volunteered, placed in Class 5 D.

21 men in Class One have not been examined.

25 have been inducted into S. A. T. C. at different colleges as follows:

- Simmons, Abilene 12.
- State Medical, Galveston 4.
- Southwestern Normal, San Marcos 1.
- Rice Institute, Houston 1.
- Howard Payne, Brownwood, 3.
- Meredian College, Meredian 1.
- Southern Methodist University, Dallas 1.
- A. & M. College Station, 2.

J. J. Erwin Jr. and wife are here from Temple, the guest of Mr. Erwin's parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Erwin and other relatives.

## WAR WORKERS CONFERENCE HERE

In response to a call made by Dr. J. H. King, a conference of the workers in the boys and girls division of the United War Work Campaign for this district was held in Ballinger Friday.

Of the five counties in the district three were represented with twenty-seven delegates. The conference was held in offices in the F. & M. Bank building, a short session being held in the forenoon and a lengthy session in the afternoon.

Miss Jesse Woodward of Coleman District Executive secretary of the girls division, was present Miss Corbett, of Dallas, State Executive Secretary of the girls division, was also present and assisted in organizing the work for the coming campaign. Dr. King is district executive secretary of the boys division.

The conference was called for the purpose of organizing the boys and girls in the district in the work of supporting the United War Work Fund. The slogan is a "Million boys behind a million soldiers."

At the conference held here Runnels, Coleman and Concho counties were represented, delegates having come here to learn at first hand what their duties in the coming campaign are, and to assist in organizing the district into perfect working unit.

Those present were intensely interested in the success of the campaign and the communities represented will find it easy to go over the top by having these live workers present at the conference here.

The visitors were the guest of Dr. King and Miss Woodward at luncheon at the City Cafe where the noon hour was made a social hour.

## 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 nights 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.

## 57 MEN TO GO IN NOVEMBER

The draft call made on this county for November movement so far totals 57 men. The movement is scheduled for five days, beginning November 11th, and is as follows:

- 30 men to Camp Travis.
- 1 man to Camp Mabry.
- 9 men to Galveston.
- 17 men to Camp Bowie.

The local board is making up the list and same will appear in The Ledger within the next few days.

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

Old people who are feeble and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

## BOARD GETS CALL FOR NINE MORE MEN

For a five day movement, beginning on or about November 11th, the local board must furnish nine men for the coast artillery training camps.

This call comes in addition to the call for thirty men for Camp Travis for the movement to begin on or about November 11th, making a total of 39 men to be supplied from this county next month early.

The nine men for the coast artillery will probably go to Camp McArthur on the Pacific coast, while the call for 30 men for other branches will go to Camp Travis.

Mrs. J. H. Kelley has returned to city life and is now in charge of the Park Hotel north of the court house square, having leased that hotel. Mr. Kelley will remain on the farm just east of the city and furnish the essentials for a good hotel such as butter, eggs, chickens, turkeys and hog ham.

## Calomel Users! Listen To Me! I Guarantee Dodson's Liver Tone

Your druggist gives back your money if it doesn't liven your liver and bowels and straighten you up without making you sick.

There's no reason why a person should take sickening, salivating calomel when a few cents buys a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone—a perfect substitute for calomel.

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Calomel is a dangerous drug. It

is mercury and attacks your bones. Take a dose of nasty calomel today and you will feel weak, sick and nauseated tomorrow. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone instead and you will wake up feeling great. No more biliousness, constipation, sluggishness, headache, coated tongue or sour stomach. Your druggist says if you don't find Dodson's Liver Tone acts better than horrible calomel your money is waiting for you.

## FARMERS HOME BURNS NEAR CREWS

An oil stove, a little oil and a big fire is responsible for the loss of the home of Edgar Jayroe, of the Crews country, Thursday morning, October 31st.

Fortunately Mr. Jayroe carried \$1,100 insurance on his home and the contents in Estes Lynn's agency, The Ballinger Insurance Co. However, this only partly covers his loss, his home being worth about \$2,000.

The report coming to The Ledger says that the fire originated from the oil stove and the building was destroyed before aid could be summoned.

## Sleep and Rest

One of the most common causes of insomnia and restlessness is indigestion. Take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and see if you do not rest better and sleep better. They only cost a quarter.

## NEARLY A BILLION OVER THE TOP

Washington, Nov. 2.—Despite peace talk and influenza American citizens have responded for a fourth time to the government's appeal for war loans with more than was asked. Total subscriptions of \$6,866,416,300 from more than 21,000,000 individuals is the record of the Fourth Liberty Loan, as announced today by the treasury, based on careful estimates by the twelve federal reserve banks. The entire \$866,416,300 over subscription will be accepted and applied to reducing the size of the fifth loan, to be offered in the spring. Final figures may send the total even higher.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude to our friends for their kindness and sympathy to us during the recent sadness caused by the death of our son and brother in the army camp. Especially do we wish to thank you for the beautiful flowers placed upon his grave.

H. W. Henniger and family.

L. W. Henniger, a soldier in Camp Sheridan, Alabama, was in Ballinger Thursday. He came from the army camp with the remains of his cousin, Edward Henniger who died in that camp with pneumonia. The two cousins were in camp together, and L. W. was granted a furlough that he might accompany the remains home.

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Allen went to Coleman Thursday morning. Dr. Allen has been serving the Episcopal church at Ballinger and Coleman for some time making his home at Ballinger. Plans are underway which will probably cause him to move to Coleman, and he was called to Coleman by a message received Wednesday night.

J. N. Wells, of the Wingate country, was a business visitor in Ballinger Wednesday.

## WASHINGTON WORRIES

Washington, Nov. 1.—Republicans, confident of winning control of the next House of Representatives, today were discussing chances of various members for the speakership.

Democrats are just as confident of victory as Republicans, but in their case, it is practically certain that Speaker Champ Clark will succeed himself.

Republican leader James R. Mann, Illinois, would be the leading Republican candidate if his health permitted his accepting the place. Mann, however, has been away from congress for several months, and while he is on the road to recovery, friends say, he would not risk a set-back by assuming the burdens of the chair.

Acting Majority Leader Gillett, Massachusetts; Rep. Nick Longworth, Ohio, son-in-law of Theodore Roosevelt, and Rep. Horace Turner, Iowa, are mentioned after Mann.

If election returns show Republican strength still lies in the east, Gillett is conceded the place.

A big turnover which would send a big G. O. P. delegation from the west probably would result in election of Towner, the leading parliamentarian of the Republican side of the house.

A 3rd possibility is an even division of west and east with Ohio holding the balance of power. This would mean the election of Longworth, who has distinguished himself by his work on the ways and means committee.

Longworth's taxation ideas differ radically from those of Democrats in congress, but in many cases they closely parallel those of Sec. McAdoo.

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## JACK COMES AGAIN WITH NEWSY LETTER

Jack Ragsdals, a Brownwood boy, and pal of several Ballinger boys, writes another interesting letter from France. We are pleased to reproduce the letter as published in the Brownwood Bulletin:

On the Front Line, Sept. 19 1918, Dear Bunch—If there's such a thing as being in the middle of a scrap that's where I am now. In fact so near in the middle of it that there is no comfort in anything. Can't eat, sleep or even breathe with the fall assurance of knowing it is safe. An impossibility to find safety anywhere around here. It's true that I'm down deep in a concrete dugout that the Germans built for us during their four years here. Just last week at this time they were still in these same trenches and dugouts. Right now they are some six or seven miles away hammering the duce out of us with their artillery and machine gun fire and from the airplanes. This dugout is practically safe from everything except gas. These gas shells are our greatest danger, day and night and let me tell you that it's several times each day and especially at night that we have to don these gas masks of ours. There is no fun in it either.

To begin with, we have been

steadily on the march since I last wrote you. For weeks we have been marching by night and sleeping by day in the most miserable rainy weather that the great Almighty could conceive. In fact we are so hardened by now that we can not even ask for a dry spot or bed to rest our chilled bones on for a few hours. No one, unless they have been through it can imagine such hardships. Please don't get the idea that I am complaining. Far from that. We've made up our minds to stand just as much as any one, no matter what. When or where. I think I can still have such an optimistic view of it providing the end is within one year. But boy, oh boy, deliver me if I would have to face four years such as these brave, dirty looking French lads have done. Every one of those guys deserve a seat as well as a crown in heaven for their suffering. Just bear in mind that we have only one suit of clothes and one pair of shoes, so when they get wet they stay that way until the heat from one's body dries them. Such a thing as fire would be suicide for an entire regiment. They're not allowed under and conditions. I do hope we get something better for winter, as they say they are practically unbearable. Since our march started we have only had two days of sunshine; the rest were rainy, both day and night. Think of it, over three weeks straight.

To continue: As soon as we took our position with other divisions all hell turned loose about o'clock one night. It was nothing more than a million dollar fire works display, better known as a good old barrage cast upon the Huns, who were peacefully sleeping in these very same trenches. My position as liaison agent suddenly called me out of bed to make a "Paul Revere" ride right under all this fire to a position some three miles forward. For over two hours I was riding an old horse right in the midst of it with nothing to cheer me except an occasional burst from a Hun shell slightly in front or to the rear and seemingly directed over my few grey hairs. Was I scared? Listen boys, you may not believe me when I tell you that I actually laughed, sometimes out loud as I thought of how I could describe this one ride in after years to my many friends back home. Sometimes when we are around camp doing nothing and the shells start bursting near us we feel just a wee bit weak kneed; however, that one night when it was up to me to keep communications up—our telephone lines had been destroyed by a bursting shell felt a great responsibility on me with that old fatalistic idea uppermost in my mind. It was great experience for me and even now I enjoy telling the other fellows about my lonesome ride—I was all alone too, through that wet forest that resembled an overdone in red, painting of Hades.

Again I continue: For four hours we put this ghastly barrage on the boches then at the break of day our doughboys went over the top to show them what they could do. The result was just this: In twenty-seven hours we captured over fifteen thousand prisoners and released over one hundred and fifty square miles of territory that the Germans have held for over four years. This whole offensive was under direct American command and mostly American soldiers. Some French were with us and fought bravely. The French say that this is the greatest record ever achieved by any allied troops so it's not such a bad beginning after all.

I can't try to even begin telling of the horrors we saw afterwards. Dead and dying soldiers, some who had been our pals; wounded soldiers, ambulances and ambulances full of them; German dead and wounded who—the dead ones—were left untouched for several days before we could find time to

bury them, tanks, blown up; airplanes shot down and every thing that makes war more horrible. Why just last Sunday I had to don my gas mask two times between midnight and dawn, then as I managed to sleep near morning was suddenly awakened by a bomb bursting right over us. Before I could beat it for a dugout another one landed some fifty yards in front of me, in the middle of a very much traveled road, killing 3 Frenchmen, 2 officers and 6 horses. For over an hour they sent these at us as fast as they could. I might add that after I saw this one bomb burst I did not care for breakfast at all. Just at noon of the same day a boche plane broke through our air patrol—there's scores and scores of machines in the air all of the time—and shot an observation balloon anchored almost over our heads. The observer had no sooner jumped with his parachute before the great sausage shaped affair burst into flames. No lives lost, thank goodness, but an extra thrill in sight. During the late afternoon we saw an airplane battle in which some twenty or more planes took part. Seven boches were brought down as well as five American planes. Most every afternoon we see airplane battles until it's getting to be a common sight. Most all of these horrible things are common to the men who has hardened his soul to such things. As for me, well I just can't help but weaken every time I see such sickening sights. Perhaps it's wicked to say it, however the sight of several hand men out burying some dead German was well worth the trip to the shell hole. By the way hand men are not supposed to do such work, still when we are short handed every one jumps in and does his part no matter the task.

All Brownwood and our immediate friends are safe, sound and trying to be happy. To quote some of the other fellows, one of our slogans is "To work like Helen B. Happy." Regards to all.—Jack Ragsdale.

## A CHILD GETS CORSS, SICK AND FEVERISH WHEN CONSTIPATED

Look, Mother! If tongue is coated clean little liver and bowels.

If your little one's tongue is coated, it is a sure sign the stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once. When your child is cross, peevish, listless, pale, doesn't sleep, or act naturally; if breath is bad, stomach sour, system full of cold, throat sore, or if feverish, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the clogged-up, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again.

Sick children needn't be coaxed to take this harmless "fruit laxative." Millions of mothers keep it handy because they know its action on the stomach, liver and bowels is prompt and sure. They also know a little given today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a small bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

The explosion of an oil heater Thursday morning at the home of Dr. C. M. Alexander on West College Avenue seriously burned Mrs. Alexander and her aged mother, Mrs. Brown.

The explosion occurred in the room of Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Alexander was painfully burned about the face and arms while rescuing her mother from the room. It is believed Mrs. Brown's wounds may prove fatal.

The fire caused considerable damage to the Alexander residence before being extinguished by the volunteer fire company, which made a record run after the alarm was turned in.—Coleman Democrat.

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Just try one 50-cent bottle of LAX-FOSS WITH PEPSIN. A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Made and recommended to the public by Paris Medicine Co., manufacturers of Laxative Bromo Quinine and Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic.

## NO PLACE TO HAVE GOOD TIME

The Ledger is in receipt of a letter from W. T. Garner, who lives on Route Five out of Winters, Mr. Garner writes from Jacksonville, Tenn., where he is doing service for Uncle Sam in the powder plant. He says he will remain on the job until about Christmas and then he is coming back to his family who are holding down things at home.

According to Mr. Garner's letter the government work he is on pays well, but that people who are looking for an easy snap and a place to have good time should not go to Jacksonville. His letter in part is as follows:

"I am working in the government powder plant that is now under construction and operation by the Dupont Engineering Co.

"There are about sixty thousand men and women at work in this plant. The construction work in most all lines and departments is all right, but the work in a great many of the operating departments is not so good.

"The accommodations here are not very good, as we have to eat in mess halls or short order restaurants where you may have to stand in line for an hour or more in order to get to the table.

"We are also having a great deal of rainy weather, so this muddy slippery ground does not suit us fellows who are from West Texas, as you know we are not used to rain.

"West Texas is well represented here, as well as most every other nook and corner of the United States.

"Jacksonville is located about 18 miles from Nashville, on a part of the old "Hickory" Jackson plantation at Hadley's Bend on the river.

"I will say this for the benefit of my Rummels county friends: if they want to put up with hardship and risk their health in this damp atmosphere and make good money, they can get plenty of work here. But if they want to dress up and have a good time, they had better go somewhere else."

## THEY'LL QUIT THIS KIND OF TRICK SOON

London, Oct. 9.—(by mail)—An English sergeant, just back from imprisonment in Germany, tells the following story about the treatment he received there:

He was captured at Cambrai. During one of the visits the German doctor to the prison camp he suddenly looked at the prisoner's right hand and said: "Ach! What's the matter with your finger?"

The sergeant assured him the finger was quite all right, but the doctor insisted that the finger was poisoned and that he would have to lance it. He did so, and three days later three of the Englishman's fingers became very much inflamed. It went from bad to worse and eventually the hand had to be amputated.

The victim of this atrocity declares that originally there was nothing wrong with his hand and that the finger was lanced in order to make him unfit for service in the army should he ever get back to England.

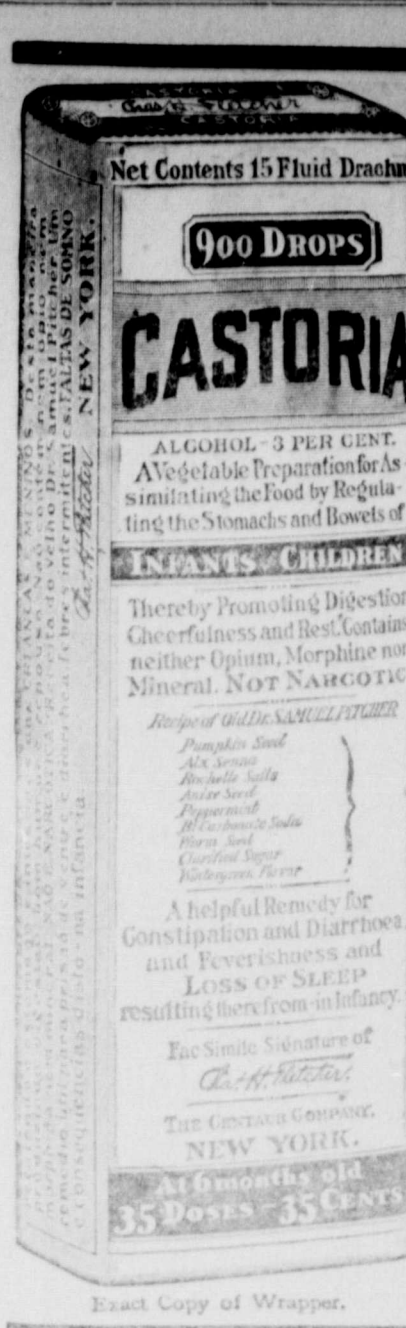
### About Croup

If your children are subject to croup, or if you have reason to fear their being attacked by that disease, you should procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and study the directions for use, so that in case of an attack you will know exactly what course to pursue. This is a favorite and very successful remedy for croup, and it is important that you observe the directions carefully.

### TWO DEATHS IN SAME FAMILY AT TALPA

Mrs. John Roberts died at her home in Talpa, last Wednesday with pneumonia. Friday her brother, Mr. Shorder, of Rowena, died in the same home with pneumonia. He went to be with his sister, and became ill himself. There are three other cases of pneumonia in this home. The remains of Shorder were carried to Rowena and buried Saturday. Mrs. Roberts was buried at Talpa.

Miss Marion Wooden went to Llano Friday afternoon, where she will resume her school duties, the public schools of that city having been released from quarantine.



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The proven territory of the field embraces a five mile area, and the most producing territory appears to lie southward and west of the town. Development right now in that section is progressing at a rapid rate and many more completions may be expected within a short time.

The average depth of the wells in the field is 300 to 400 feet and many wells have been brought in which have steadily produced from twenty to thirty barrels a day. The average life of the wells has been proven to be from three months to a year and the average well production of the field is slightly better than five barrels daily.

The Empire Gas & Fuel Company is one of the biggest producers in the field. Other big producers include the Richardson Oil company and the Pippin Oil company.

About forty wells are being drilled at present in the shallow field and some prospecting is being done outside the proven area. Several deep test are also being made and it is in this vicinity that leasing activities are the liveliest.—Et. Worth Record.

Rev. W. H. Teague, of Oklahoma, came in Saturday and is visiting his daughter-in-law, Mrs. G. P. Teague and the family of C. C. Cockrell.

H. W. Henniger, of Winters, was here Saturday.

T. P. Brown came in Saturday, from a trip to East Texas.

## SOLDIER'S CAKE BOX LOST IN BALLINGER

J. Y. Pearce received by express this week a box containing a large chocolate cake, razor and razor strap. Mr. Pearce was at a loss to know who was so kind to him, but a brief investigation convinced him that it was all an error and some soldier is wondering why the cake mother sent him fails to arrive.

The lost cake box presents somewhat of a conundrum. Here are the facts, see if you can work it.

Some one at Dallas prepared a box for their soldier boy in some army camp, and evidently carried the box to the express office without placing an address on same. Paying the express charges the party left the box for the express agent to bill out and send on its way. On the side of the box is an old label bearing the address of "J. Y. Pearce, Ballinger, Texas."

This label was used by some whole sale house in Atlanta, Ga., in December, 1914, as shown by the date stamped on same, in shipping goods to Mr. Pearce. The box bears no other mark, and the express clerk in billing out same billed it to Mr. Pearce. The way-bill fails to show who the consignee was, and efforts to trace the box back through the express office failed. The large cake is wrapped in an ordinary flour sack cup towel and an old copy of the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News. The news paper shows on the label the name of C. A. Pyburn.

The question is, how did the little white pine box from Pearce's Drug Store, which by label dated on the same is four years old, get to Dallas. Answer this question and it will no doubt lead to the unking happy of some soldier boy's appetite for chocolate cake. Mr. Pearce is very anxious that the soldier get the cake.

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

Mrs. Clyde Harville left for Ft. Sam Houston, Friday where she goes to be with her husband, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gressett.

## Catarrh for Twenty Years PERUNA

Mrs. M. S. Davis, 1607 10th Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn., writes:

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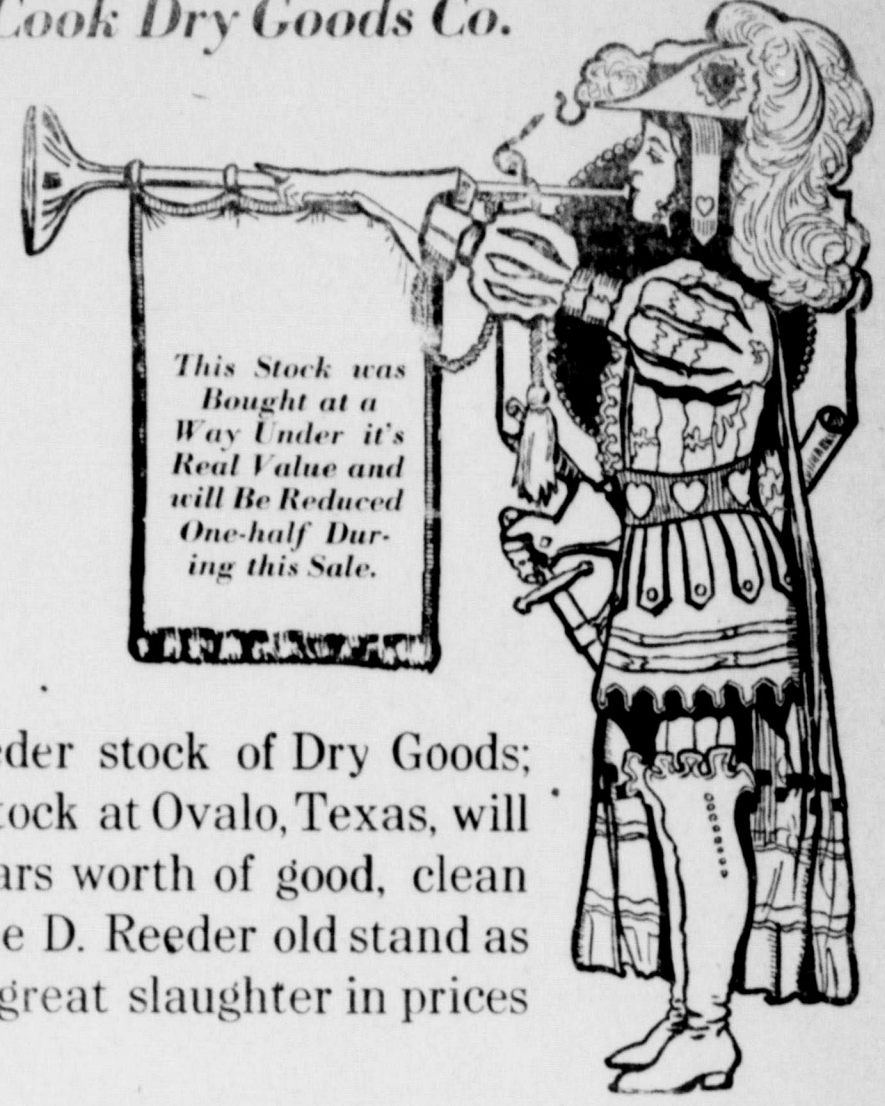
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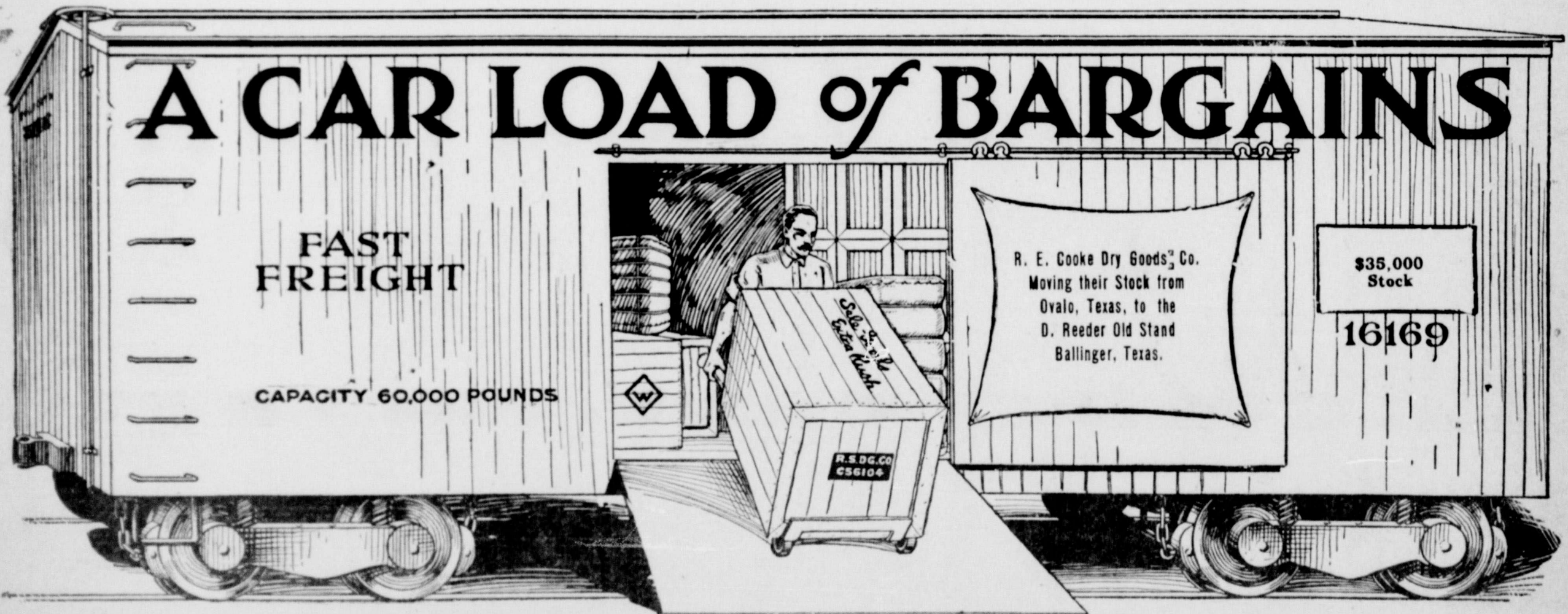
at sunrise and will continue 'till stock has been reduced one-half or ten-thousand dollars cash has been sold.



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