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## BOLSHEVIKI FORCES SPLIT; MAYFACE RUIN GEN. WOOD NOMINATED PRESIDENT

LONDON, Dec. 31.—General Denekine's anti-bolshevik forces have been split. One half of the forces are retreating towards Odessa, and the other half are going toward the Don river, the war office advised today.

## ALL AMENDMENTS WERE DEFEATED

The state election board has announced that all the amendments voted on last November were defeated, not a single one receiving a majority vote. The Galveston bond amendment came nearer carrying than any of the lot, being defeated by only 1,111 votes.

When we stop to think about it the state wasted a good pile of money trying to adopt some amendments to the constitution. It was necessary to have all the amendments published in one newspaper in every county in the state, and that cost way up into the thousands of dollars.

Added to this must come the cost of printing the election supplies, and the cost of holding the election, which amounted to over one hundred thousand dollars.

And after all it was proved by the scattering vote cast that the people either did not want the laws changed, or were indifferent about the matter. If all legislation could stop for awhile, perhaps some expenses would stop and it would not take quite so much cash to keep the old ship of state floating.

## AUTO OWNERS GET FEW DAYS GRACE

"We will allow only three or four days grace," said Sheriff Perkins Wednesday, when asked what steps his department would take in enforcing the payment of the auto tax.

The law provides that auto drivers are subject to a penalty for every day they drive a car after December 31st without a 1920 seal. Today is the last day in which to pay and comply with the law, and only a small percent of the auto owners have paid their tax.

Mr. Perkins stated that the law would be enforced after three or four days, and unless auto drivers showed good cause why they had not supplied themselves with a 1920 seal, that fines would be imposed. "We do not want to be hard on any one," said the sheriff, "but the state highway authorities have instructed us to enforce the law, and we must do so without fear or favor."

According to the way the law looks at it there is no excuse for a man driving his car around town indefinitely without paying his tax and getting a new seal, and the law will not permit it.

It is different with the man who lives in the country, and perhaps has not been to town for a month, but he too will be subject to a fine if he drives his car on the roads without a 1920 seal.

The people have had fair warning, but perhaps a few lines will be more impressive and cause quicker action.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 31.—Major General Leonard Wood, nominated for president by the South Dakota republicans, filed his acceptance with the Secretary of the state today.

Governor Coolidge of Massachusetts, filed his rejection of the offer of republican nomination for the vice-presidency.

Seven other candidates filed acceptance for nominations with the Secretary of the state today. They were Poindexter, Lowden Johnson, republicans; Gerard and J. Monroe, democrats, and Abbie C. Whistler, the woman republican.

## SISTER IS KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Claud Wilmet left Tuesday afternoon to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Bomar, who was killed Monday evening by an auto in Dallas. Mrs. Bomar was living at Dallas, but the remains were shipped to McKinney for burial. She was a widow lady, her husband having died about two years ago. Mrs. Wilmet has the sympathy of her friends in her sorrow. The Dallas News gives the following account of the tragedy:

Mrs. Dona Bomar of McKinney, was run over by an automobile at Prairie avenue and Bryan street at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon and died an hour later at St. Paul Sanitarium. Dr. J. H. Marshall, who attended her, said that she died of the nervous shock, as she was not badly bruised and suffered no fracture of bones.

Mrs. Bomar, who was 42 years old, was the widow of the late J. H. Bomar, and had resided all her life in McKinney. She came to Dallas yesterday morning, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Ruth Bomar, to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. H. C. Ausburn, 4810 Virginia avenue. She and her daughter and Mrs. Ausburn had been down town shopping and were returning to the home of Mrs. Ausburn when the accident occurred.

They got off the Bryan car at Prairie avenue. Mrs. Bomar was walking behind the other two, who had reached the sidewalk, when an automobile came along and caught her before she reached the sidewalk. She was taken to the sanitarium by a young man who happened along in an automobile and volunteered his services.

The members of the family did not know who drove the car that ran over Mrs. Bomar, and the police department had no report on the accident last night. Mrs. Bomar is survived by two daughters, Misses Ruth and Ora. The body, which was taken in charge by George Londermilk, undertaker, will be sent to McKinney at 10 o'clock this morning.

Any little wound or abrasion of the flesh occurring in cold weather that is not promptly treated becomes a bad sore and is difficult to heal. Apply Ballard's Snow Lintiment at once when such accidents happen. The wound heals promptly and soon does away with the annoyance of a bandage. Sold by Jno. A. Weeks.

## BLANTON SPEAKS AT BROWNWOOD AND ABILENE

Congressman Thos. L. Blanton, is in the district for a short visit. He spoke at Brownwood Tuesday night and at Abilene Wednesday night. He reviewed his work in congress and paid his respects to the labor unions, which he said were being controlled by men who are enemies to the American government. He declares himself heartily in sympathy with labor, but bitterly opposed to the tactics adopted by the bolshevik tribe in the unions to rule by anarchy.

## Going Out of Business!!

I have decided to close out my business. Everything from the front to the back door must go. NOTHING-RESERVED. In order to turn goods into cash by Jan. 15th, I am throwing the whole stock on the market at prices which will save you from 11 to 23 per cent. Many items will be sold at less than wholesale cost today. If you want to go into business it would pay you to see me at once. A few prices below, get yours while getting is good.

Best Flour, per sack	\$2.98	Salt Pork Bacon, a pound	24¢
Best Meal, per sack	\$1.04	1 dozen Faultless Starch	94¢
6 lb. Crisco, a bucket	\$1.94	1 dozen Best Matches	59¢
12 1/2 lbs. Pink Beans	99¢	10¢ cakes and crackers	71¢
12 lbs. Pinto Beans	99¢	5 ounce Garrett Snuff, a bottle only	25¢
11 lbs. Navy Beans	99¢	5 ounce Honest Snuff, a bottle only	25¢
25¢ K. C. Baking Powder	19¢	1 dozen cans No. 3 Kraut	\$1.68
30¢ Calumet Baking Powder	24¢	1 dozen cans No. 3 Hominy	\$1.39
10 lbs. A. & H. Soda	7¢	Best Mill Run Bran, a sack	\$2.24
Ground Coffee, a pound	25¢	30x3 1/2 Goodyear Casing	\$15.94
Arbuckle Coffee, a pound	43¢	30x3 1/2 Goodyear Tube	\$3.09
Best Pea Berry Coffee, a lb.	42¢	4 Burner Perfection Oil Stoves now only	\$27.88
All 10¢ Spices, each	7¢	New Club Loaded Shells, per box now	78¢
Best Cooking Oil, gallon	\$1.92	Silver King Wash Boards	43¢
Best Peanut Oil, a gallon	\$1.99	Clarks' O. N. T. Spool Cotton, a dozen	54¢
1 dozen No. 2 Tomatoes	\$1.39	10 yards Cambric domestic	\$2.89
1 dozen No. 2 Wild Rose Corn for	\$1.59	Good Canvas Gloves, pair	15¢
17 bars C. W. Soap	98¢	Good Leather Gloves, pair	\$1.29
21 bars Labor-Saver Soap	98¢	Good Automobile Gloves, a pair only	\$2.48
21 bars Clean Easy Soap	98¢	\$2.00 value Alarm Clock	\$1.59
21 bars Clairette Soap	98¢	\$2.50 value Alarm Clock	\$1.97
21 bars Swift's White Soap	98¢	5 gallon Oil Cans	\$1.12
1 case 6-10 Blue Karo Syrup during sale	\$4.89	No. 3 Galvanized Wash Tubs each, only	\$1.29
1 case 6-10 White Karo syrup, during sale	\$5.24		
1 case 6-10 Green Velva syrup, for	\$6.74		
1 case 6-10 Red Velva syrup, for	\$5.88		

If you are contemplating laying in a supply of groceries to last until summer, this is your opportunity to save from 11 to 23 per cent. Many goods are in transit all of which will go in this sale. No goods will be delivered during this closing out sale.

## The Globe Store

R. P. CONN, Proprietor

## BIG FIGHT AGAINST W. O. W. INCREASE

The increase in insurance rates in the Woodmen of the World is scheduled to go into effect January first. The rank and file of the big fraternal order is making a bitter protest against the proposed increase, and committees are at work trying to overthrow the insurance lords at the head of the order which has been so successful up to this time.

Charges of graft and extravagance are made against certain branches of the order, and it seems that those in power, while in the minority, claim that they have the authority to run things their own way.

The committee elected by the masses to contest the increase in rate, is busy and has sent out circular letters to all the local camps over the country, recommending that they stand pat and continue to pay the old rate, which will keep in force their insurance.

The committee also recommends that a paper be issued to keep the members posted on matters of interest. It is claimed that the official paper of the order is not fair in its publicity, publishing propaganda favorable only to the faction which is trying to enforce the increase in rates.

The Woodmen of Texas are up in arms and are taking a determined stand to contest the raise in rates.

E. W. Gray and daughter, Miss Florence, left for San Marcos Tuesday afternoon, where the young lady will enter college.

T. F. Davis went to San Marcos Tuesday afternoon to place his son Foy in school at that place.

## BIG INCREASE IN COTTON RAISING

The government ginners' report, compiled on Dec. 8th, makes a showing for this county which is wonderful, when compared with figures for the same date a year ago.

Up to the above date one year ago only 1,957 bales of cotton had been ginned in Rannels county. For the same date this year 27,833 bales had been ginned.

What is true of Rannels county is true of all the West Texas counties. Brown county figures for the same date was 13,298 against 1,130 last year. Coleman county gin figures, were 23,188 against 566, Concho shows 8,566 against 677, Taylor county 30,003 against 2,371. Tom Green shows 5,780 bales this year and nothing last year.

Counties which show a falling off are Ellis, with a ginning of 35,096 this year as compared with 88,809 last year; Fayette with 10,222 against 23,277 last year; Grimes with only 8,055 against 24,775 last year; Fort Bend 10,583 this year and 54,634 last year. Practically all the Southern and Southwestern counties lost heavily, while the Northern counties about broke even, and East Texas counties lost from ten to thirty per cent.

## CALLED TO PAINT ROCK TO MARRY A COUPLE

Rev. J. B. Curry was called to Paint Rock Monday afternoon to perform the ceremony which united Robert W. Ratchford and Miss Dessa Davis. The ceremony was performed at eight o'clock Monday night at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davis.

## REORGANIZE MID-TEXAS TEACHERS

(Brownwood Bulletin.)

The re-organization of the Mid-Texas Teachers' Association, which suspended its 1919 meeting because of the interference of war activities and influenza with the work of the school year, was planned at a meeting held here Saturday afternoon by several of those most vitally interested in the educational work of this section. The meeting was held in the office of Miss Carrie Reaves, county superintendent of schools.

It was the general opinion of those present that the organization should be revived, and action immediately followed, the following being appointed to direct the Association during the ensuing year: President, C. H. Hufford, Superintendent of City Schools, Coleman, Texas, Secretary and Treasurer, J. C. Griffin, County Superintendent of Schools for Coleman county, Texas; Members of Executive Committee: Brown county, Miss Corrie Reaves; Coleman, Supt. C. D. Eaves, Santa Anna, Comanche, Supt. J. B. Lane, Comanche; Erath, Supt. Henry Sims, Stephenville; McCullough, Supt. W. L. Hughes, Brady; Rannels, Supt. John J. Bugg, Ballinger; Mills, Judge Weaver; Hamilton, Supt. C. C. Comer, Hico; Mason, Superintendent W. T. Griswold, Mason; San Saba, Grover Renfro, Locker; Llano, Miss Florence Ryan, Llano. The counties of Menard and Lampasas were not represented, and on motion the appointments of members of the Executive Committee from these counties was left in the hands of the President.

Superintendent G. W. Page of Brownwood, was appointed chairman of the Program Committee.

The counties named above were by resolution, adopted as the nucleus of the Mid-Texas Teachers' Association but adjoining counties who may wish to become affiliated with the organization may do so by making application to the President, Supt. C. H. Hufford, of Coleman.

Mrs. G. Davis returned to her home in Knox county, Monday, after visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Harris, of the Hatchel country.

difficulty in straightening up again. I also had headaches that felt as if somebody was hammering me. Dizziness annoyed me and everything would get black before me. The secretions from my kidneys passed irregularly and were highly colored. I took a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got at Weeks' Drug Store and they relieved me entirely of the trouble. I advise all kidney sufferers to take Doan's Kidney Pills."

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

## STOP THE MILK MAN

Ask W. F. Jackson About This Column

A busy man, is the proprietor of a dairy, and he has hard work. W. F. Jackson tells how he was handicapped by backache. Ask him what Doan's Kidney Pills did for him. He says:

"About two years ago my back and kidneys were giving me trouble. At times my back was so sore I could hardly get around and when I did bend over I would have

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225-26-27 Oil Exchange Building

## Wichita Falls, Texas

### Financial Statement

Capital Stock - - - - \$1,000,000.00

#### Properties:

Production and Storage 400,000.00

Undeveloped Leases - 43,100.00

Treasury Stock - - - 556,900.00

1,000,000.00

Available cash assets 55.7 per cent of capitalization

#### COMPANY'S PRODUCTION

5 acres, lot number three (3) in Tidwell's Subdivision in Block 98, Northwest Burk Burnett Extension. The Company owns a one-half interest in this lease. There are two wells drilled into the sand, and are now being standardized, another well drilling at about 1500 feet, and the fourth well contracted for: a total of four wells.

1-2 acre, being in the North part of lot number eleven in Tidwell's Subdivision in Block 98 (adjoining the above 5 acre lease on the South). This well is now making about 500 barrels, daily production.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEASES

1 acre in lot eight (8) of A. A. Durfee Survey, being 600 feet from the Burk-Senator well in the bend of Red River. Our lease is on the bank of the river just outside the litigation area. This lease is subject only to a 1-8 royalty to the land owner. We are moving machinery on lease this week, and expect to bring in a well the latter part of the month.

10 acres in the Kemp-Munger-Allen district, on the same structure with the strike made by the K-M-A on November 8th. This well is variously estimated at from 500 to 1500 barrels. Derricks are going up thick on this section. This opens up an entirely new oil field.

40 acres in Callahan County, an excellent geological structure, located on the same ranch with Empire Oil Company's deep test, and completely surrounded by drilling wells.

160 acres in Fisher County about 1 1/4 miles of the Ashton well, which is beginning to drill on good geological structure.

50 acres in Hardeman County, just South of Red River, and West of the Burk Burnett Oil Field. Numerous tests are being made in the vicinity of this acreage.

5 acres in Block 97 Northwest Extension Burk Burnett. This lease is about 2,000 feet from production, and it looks favorable for a good producer. We expect to drill on this lease early in the next year.

1,000 acres in Persimmon County. This acreage is near a deep test well now drilling.

10 acres in Section 29-4-15 Tillman County, Oklahoma, lying just across the river from the General Oil Company well which came in a big one the latter part of November. This lease is fast becoming valuable, and there is now much activity on this side of the river.

60 acres in Northwestern Tillman County, Oklahoma, near deep tests, being drilled. Nothing startling so far has shown up in the vicinity of this lease.

#### STORAGE FACILITIES

On the 5 acre lease in Block 98 we have a battery of storage tanks with 2500 barrels capacity.

On the half acre lease we have 2,000 barrels capacity of storage.

Other storage is contemplated in the near future.

#### MARKETING

We have closed contracts with the Sinclair Pipe Line Company to purchase all our oil at the posted market price, which at present is \$2.50 per barrel. The Sinclair is connecting up their lines to our properties this week, and will begin running all our oil at once. The same company is under contract to purchase all our casing-head gas produced from our leases.

#### SALE OF STOCK

We are offering 200,000 shares Treasury Stock at par value of \$1.00 each for the purpose of erecting additional storage, telephone lines in the field, for acquiring additional production and proven acreage, and extending drilling operations.

#### POLICY OF COMPANY

The policy of the Production Oil Company is to make money out the production of crude oil, and to build up a large dividend paying organization by a continuous drilling program on close-in acreage, and by the purchase of production.

#### DIVIDENDS

Our policy is to declare quarterly dividends from the earnings, at the same time using a part of the profits for development, thus continually enhancing the Company's assets.

#### SUMMARY

Our part of estimated initial production is 1200 barrels daily from the three wells we are now completing; production of wells already producing, 500 barrels daily.

One other well commencing to drill this week.

One well to commence drilling in a few days.

#### TRUSTEES

The Trustees of Production Oil Company are T. E. Lipe, of Vance, Mississippi, large planter and oil operator.

W. I. Brashears, Wichita Falls, Texas, large oil operator lumber merchant and cotton dealer.

F. O. Harrell, Wichita Falls, Texas, oil operator in the Oklahoma and Texas oil fields.

Each of the Trustees are active in the Company's affairs and have in the Company's employ only skilled oil workmen.

I will be in Ballinger about January 5th to sell Stock in this Company. In my absence J. A. Freeman will be glad to give you all desired information

# F. F. Moore

Wichita Falls, Texas

### SCHOOL RESUMES AFTER HOLIDAYS

After a week's holiday the school children are down to work again. There was some complaint because the school board saw fit to give only one week, but when it is remembered that the children were given two days for Thanksgiving, there is no complaint coming.

The school will not suffer as a consequence of several of the teachers resigning, as new teachers have been employed and the work will continue. The first term will soon close and the school will enter upon the second term with prospects for winding up a successful year's work.

Notwithstanding that a scarlet fever scare and a few cases of diphtheria kept some out of school, the attendance held up well before the holidays, and as the health of the city is greatly improved the attendance will be almost one hundred per cent again in a few days.

Two of the vacancies caused by the resignations of three of the teachers, have been filled. Prof. Green, of Brownwood, has accepted the place made vacant by the resignation of Miss Ruby Goss. Miss Minnie Lane, who has been teaching in the northern part of the county, has accepted the place made vacant by Miss Rose Schooler. Miss Corine Eskridge is supplying in the place of Prof. Fry.

On account of sickness two or three substitute teachers were occupying places in the school Monday. Mrs. W. A. Bridwell is out on account of the illness of her little daughter. Mr. J. M. Skinner is teaching in her place. Misses Myrtle and Mae Bridwell were detained at home on account of the serious illness of their father Monday.

### ARRESTED FOR CARRYING PISTOL

City Marshal Flynt arrested a man for carrying a pistol Thursday, and took the gun off the man. It seems to be a case in which the man violated the law without malice and aforethought. The man had started hunting and was wearing the gun with the handle exposed when the officer's attention was called to it. The cost will be about \$125.

W. J. Gardner was here from Winters Sunday, attending the band concert. He was accompanied by his family.

### MEXICAN ROBS CHRISTMAS TREE

Officers were called out to the home of B. J. Niehues, six miles South of Ballinger, Sunday, to investigate a burglary case. They spent an hour or two working on the case and returned with a plea of guilty in which a Mexican confessed to entering the home of Mr. Niehues and stealing a quantity of goods. The goods were recovered, and the Mexican paid a fine amounting to more than twenty dollars.

The officers were called when Mr. and Mrs. Niehues discovered that their house had been robbed. A Christmas tree was arranged for the children on Christmas night and the family went to Olfin to a public Christmas celebration. When they returned home they found that some one had entered the house and robbed the Christmas tree and stolen other articles from the home.

A Mexican living near the Niehues home volunteered the information that a car had stopped in front of the house while the family was away, but the absence of auto tracks failed to verify the Mexican's story, and an investigation lead to the recovery of all the stolen goods from the Mexican, who had them secluded in a trunk in his shanty.

### THIRD DEATH IN CORNELIUS FAMILY

News was received here Sunday of the death of the little two year old boy of Rev. E. S. Cornelius. Death occurred at Marble Falls where Rev. Cornelius recently moved and was due to diphtheria. The message stated that a little girl, the only child left in the Cornelius family, was very low also with diphtheria. Rev. Cornelius moved from

### TEXAS WOMAN SUFFERS FROM PAINS IN HEAD

Houston, Texas:—"A few months ago my health became very poor. I was run-down, weak and nervous and could not eat nor sleep. I suffered with pains in my head. I was very miserable when my husband got me a bottle of 'Favorite Prescription' but by the time I had taken this one bottle my health was completely restored. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a fine medicine for women and I take pleasure in giving it a recommendation."—Mrs. N. J. Vess, 1520 Everett St.

San Antonio, Texas:—"For about three years I have been in a run-down condition. I would be so weak at times I could scarcely get around. I was extremely nervous, could not sleep and I was in a miserable state when just recently I was advised to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I have not taken all of one bottle but am feeling better than I have for a long time. I am going to continue its use for I know it is helping me more than any medicine I have taken."—Mrs. H. T. KNEPP, 913 Burleson St.

If a woman is nervous or has dizzy spells, suffers from awful pains at regular or irregular intervals she should turn to a woman's tonic made up of herbs, and without alcohol, which makes weak women strong and sick women well. It is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Druggists sell it in liquid or tablets. Send 10 cents to the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package.

Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets are intended for people who suffer from kidney disorders—whose backs ache, and whose systems are over-run with uric acid. Nearly everybody has too much uric acid. Anuric Tablets dissolve uric acid quickly, as they are made double strength.

Ballinger to Marble Falls a short time ago. During his residence in Ballinger and within the last few years, he lost his wife and two children, leaving him only two children, and the death Sunday and the threatened death of the other child, will leave him alone in the world.

Rev. Cornelius was a Baptist missionary in Rannels county for some time, and has friends over the county who will regret to hear of his misfortune.

Mrs. Sid Caskey, of Brownwood, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Starkey.

### Now Is a Good Time To Drive Out Catarrh

**The Trouble Is in the Blood.** Summer catarrh, with its nauseous discharge, stuffed up glands, difficult breathing, and summer colds, is bad enough, but the worst of it is yet to come if you neglect to check the growth that is forming to attack you with ten-fold greater power during the winter. That's why it is so important to treat catarrh with S. S. S. during warm weather.

It is now an established fact that catarrh is in the blood and that lotions and salves do not give relief. The experience of others has proven that S. S. S. strikes at the root of the trouble. Waste no time in this matter, for it is of the utmost importance. Write to our Medical Advisor about your case. Address Swift Specific Co., Dept. 53, Atlanta, Ga.

## The First National Bank of Ballinger

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Ballinger, Texas

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

As the year draws to a close we find great satisfaction in reviewing our business and personal relationship with you which to us has been most pleasant.

We hope that our co-operation and such service as we have been able to render have been of the sort to cement this relationship and equal to every expectation and requirement and it is our desire to increase our usefulness the coming year.

It being the custom of our BANK for a number of years and having had so many requests it is our desire to give each and everyone a slight token of our appreciation of the many favors rendered us and we know of nothing more acceptable than a neat, serviceable 1920 CALENDAR for your home. Until our supply is exhausted they are yours for the asking, whether you do your banking with us or not. Our CALENDAR is a reproduction of the famous painting "A LITTLE GREY HOME IN THE WEST" by Lamasure. CALENDAR cannot be mailed. Children must have a written order from parent or guardian.

We thank you for the business with which you have favored us and for your friendship and support which have contributed alike to our success, and we earnestly hope that each succeeding year will strengthen and draw closer the ties between us.

It is the sincere desire of our Officers and Directors that your NEW YEAR be a Happy and Prosperous one.

Yours very truly,

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience Against Experiment.

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### AFTER HOLIDAY MAIL IS HEAVY

Mail trains Saturday and Sunday brought heavy mail to Ballinger, notwithstanding that the holiday rush is over. The heavy mail is due to the general run of business mail which has been unusually heavy all the fall on account of the prosperity which prevails here. Much goods is coming by parcel post, as the express is congested, and those who come here to help pick the big cotton crop are writing to their friends and kin folks back home. The mail clerks on the West bound train could not work the mail coming west Sunday, and twenty mail sacks were unloaded at Miles and sent back east to be worked by the mail clerks on the east bound train. This was a ball up which could not be helped, and only a few hours delay was caused.

### Dyed Her Faded Skirt, Also a Coat

"Diamond Dyes" Make Shabby Apparel Just Like New—So Easy!  
Don't worry about perfect results. Use "Diamond Dyes," guaranteed to give a new, rich, fadeless color to any fabric, whether wool, silk, linen, cotton or mixed goods—dresses, blouses, stockings, skirts, children's coats, draperies—everything! A Direction Book is in package. To match any material, have dealer show you "Diamond Dye" Color Card.

**WILL CHECK CRIME WAVE IN BELL CO.**  
Temple, Tex., Dec. 27.—Vigorous steps to combat a crime wave that has been sweeping over Bell county in the last few weeks have been taken by the officers of the law. In the past seven days 63 criminal complaints have been filed in the county and district courts involving 46 persons. Gambling, burglary, felony, forgery, petty theft, false swearing, and receiving stolen property are the chief charges. Much loot has been recovered, ranging from a live colt to house paint, smoking tobacco and oats.

## A LINGERING COUGH

a tender throat, frequent colds, impoverished blood, loss of weight or lack of energy, are all ear-marks denoting lowered resistance. The system needs

# SCOTT'S EMULSION

two or four times a day to help restore the resistive powers of the body. Coughs, colds and the like do not linger long when Scott's Emulsion is taken consistently and regularly. **Better try it!**

The exclusive grade of cod-liver oil used in Scott's Emulsion is the famous "A. & B. Process," made in Norway and refined in our own American Laboratories. It is a guarantee of purity and palatability unsurpassed.

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## DECEMBER WEDDINGS BREAK THE RECORD

County Clerk McCarver issued forty-nine permits to wed during the month of December. This is perhaps a record breaker for this county for any one month, as recent records fail to show a greater number of weddings for any one month.

The idea that two can live as cheap as one seems to have overcome the high cost of living complaint, and it was a busy month for cupid.

The big rush for the month came on Christmas Eve and the day before when the clerk issued ten marriage licenses as follows:

W. N. Sellers and Miss Martha Andrea.

A. C. Tipton and Miss Eva Jones.

J. N. Lawrence and Miss Vonie Mae Lynn.

B. E. Cartwright and Miss Ha Street.

Ray Powers and Miss Clyda Smith.

Jasper H. Drake and Miss Edith Taff.

Walter Clay Rayburn and Miss Marguerite Laura Mapes.

Yates Boatwright and Miss Beatrice Holland.

Clay C. Bedell and Miss Stella Richardson.

Houston Williams and Miss Bertha Frederick.

### You Do More Work,

You are more ambitious and you get more enjoyment out of everything when your blood is in good condition. Impurities in the blood have a very depressing effect on the system, causing weakness, laziness, nervousness and sickness.

**GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC** restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value.

**GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC** is not a patent medicine, it is simply IRON and QUININE suspended in Syrup. So pleasant, even children like it. The blood needs Quinine to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. These reliable tonic properties never fail to drive out impurities in the blood.

The Strength-Creating Power of **GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC** has made it the favorite tonic in thousands of homes. More than thirty-five years ago, folks would ride a long distance to get **GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC** when a member of their family had Malaria or needed a body-building, strength-giving tonic. The formula is just the same today, and you can get it from any drug store. 60c per bottle.

## SOLDIERS ENTITLED TO A FREE VOTE

Soldiers who were discharged after January first of this year will be entitled to vote without payment of poll tax. Their discharge papers will take the place of poll tax receipts when offering to vote.

Women cannot vote without a poll tax receipt. Women will be allowed to vote only in the primary election, and they must be armed with a poll tax receipt if they enjoy this privilege.

The constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote in all elections, or in National elections, will probably become a law before next tax paying time, but in all events, a poll tax receipt is necessary.

Soldiers who were discharged before January 1, 1919, must pay their 1919 poll tax if they vote in 1920 elections.

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**  
THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no other. Buy your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Aways Effective. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

### TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

A special teachers' examination for State and County certificates will be held in my office on Friday and Saturday, January 2nd and 3rd, 1920.

JOHN J. BUGG,  
County Superintendent.

Miss Lillie Clayton and brother Ruper went to Talpa for a visit Friday afternoon.

Miss Aurelia McKenzie, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McKenzie, returned to Aspermont, to resume her school work.

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



## Where Is Your Money?

Is it hidden in a sock under the mattress? Is it buried in an old tomato can under the butternut tree? Or is it safely deposited in our bank, drawing interest and establishing credit for you? Wise farmers use our bank—progressive farmers who read wisely and well, and who know how to follow the good advice they find in

## The COUNTRY GENTLEMAN

In the January 3 issue of the Great National Farm Weekly, J. M. Henderson, Jr., a farmer-stockman-banker of California, discusses "The Banker as a Farm Leader." We're interested in that article and a good many of the same sort to follow, and we'd like to have every farmer hereabouts follow them with us. Fifty-two big issues of this lead-

ing agricultural weekly will cost you only \$1.00, which we'll gladly charge to your account if you say so. And it will pay you to invest the dollar. We know the big coming issues will give you new ideas for your farm, and we believe they will help you to make and to save more money. Come in to see us—and subscribe today.

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(1) Because you know me, enter my name for THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN for one year and charge the cost, \$1.00, to me. or

(2) Here's my dollar. I want THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN. Send it to me.

(My Name) \_\_\_\_\_

(My Address) \_\_\_\_\_

(City) \_\_\_\_\_

(State) \_\_\_\_\_

## POLITICAL POT SIMMERS A LITTLE

While there has been no one to throw their hat in the ring for county office, several of the county officers have expressed themselves, and it appears at this time that there will be a free-for-all with most of the old county officers out of the way.

When a Ledger reporter threw out a feeler Saturday morning and started some of the officers to talking, the impression was left on the reporter's note book that there would be vacancies in the judge's, the sheriff's and the tax collector's offices, and possibly one or two other offices.

"Unless I change my mind I will not be a candidate for reelection," said Judge Parish.

"I am in the same fix," said Sheriff Perkins, "and will not be a candidate for reelection unless I change my mind."

"I promised the people when I made my first race," said Tax Collector Chastain, "that I would only ask for the office for two terms, and I never promised a man anything that I did not live up to, and I will not be a candidate for tax collector." Mr. Chastain stated that he might make the race for treasurer unless he struck something that suited him better in private life.

It is reported that W. L. Brown, county treasurer, and who has been assisting Mr. Chastain in the tax collector's office, will be a candidate for tax collector.

County Clerk McCarver was not present and our feeler failed to reach him, but it is rumored that he will be a candidate for county judge.

Superintendent Bugg has only been on the job one term and it is expected that he will ask for reelection.

District Clerk Coekrell says he "has never quit running," and expects to be re-elected without opposition.

"Under no circumstances will I be a candidate for county attorney," said County Attorney Shepherd. Mr. Shepherd stated that he was not a candidate two years ago, and if he was re-elected it would be by his friends, and that he would make no race for the of-

ice. There is nothing in the county attorney's office, and lots of free advice.

The tax assessor's office will no doubt be open, as Assessor Boyd has made no statement, and this job will perhaps have more seekers than any other.

While those in office have expressed themselves and in so doing have left the field almost free, candidates are few and far between. However, the retiring of most of the old officers will no doubt stimulate politics and the race will be a free-for-all.

### Notice

Anyone caught getting wood off the C. O. Harris place, 3 miles East of Maverick, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. G. W. DARK. 16-47w

Ed Gentry is down from Abilene to look after his farming interests in the Marie country.

E. D. Futch left for Ardmore, Okla., Friday afternoon, where he will be for the remainder of the cotton buying season.

Feb McWilliams returned to Coleman Friday afternoon after spending Christmas with home folks.

Judge T. J. Gore of Chicago, is visiting his niece, Mrs. Frank Pearce, during the holidays.

**Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days**  
"LAX-FOS WITH PEP-SIN" is a specially-prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

J. M. Pyburn and Miss Bertha Van Pelt are at home from New York, where they went to buy goods for the new store which they will open in Ballinger about February first.

## Want to Feel Just Right?

Take an NR Tonight

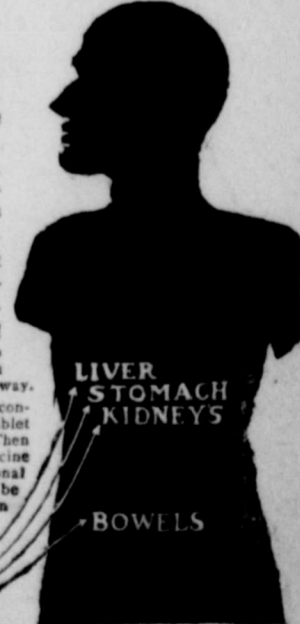
JUST TRY IT AND SEE how much better you feel in the morning. That "luggish" headachy, tired, don't-know-what's-the-matter feeling will be gone—you'll feel fine.

**TROUBLE IS**, your system is clogged with a lot of impurities that your over-worked digestive and eliminative organs can't get rid of. Pills, oil, salts, calomel and ordinary laxatives, cathartics and purges only force the bowels and prod the liver.

**Nature's Remedy** (NR Tablets) acts on the stomach, liver, bowels and even kidneys, not forcing, but toning and strengthening these organs. The result is prompt relief and real, lasting benefit. Make the test. Nature's Remedy will act promptly, thoroughly, yet so mildly, so gently, that you will think nature herself has come to the rescue and is doing the work.

And oh, what a relief! You'll be surprised to find how much better you feel—brighter, better every way. If habitually or stubbornly constipated, take one NR Tablet each night for a week. Then you'll not have to take medicine every day. Just an occasional NR Tablet after that will be sufficient to keep your system in good condition—keep you feeling just best.

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Tomorrow Alright  
Get a 25¢ Box

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 Johnson County Ledger were con-  
 nected January 28, 1913.  
 The Year .....\$1.50

Have you paid your auto tax?  
 Practice your New Year's reso-  
 lution before you make it.  
 Don't worry, there will be  
 plenty of political timber to fill  
 all offices.  
 The big crop in this county has  
 created a demand for Runnels  
 county homes. 1920 promises to  
 be a growing year for the county.  
 It is better to have resolved  
 and lost than to have never  
 resolved at all. Make them strong  
 and live up to them as long as  
 you can.

The hundred or two deaths  
 caused by "prohibition booze" is  
 a mere drop in the bucket com-  
 pared to what the real booze has  
 killed in years past. Pretty hard  
 on the poor fellow who drank the  
 booze, but it teaches those left be-  
 hind to let bootlegging liquor al-  
 one.

Never in the history of united  
 charities was there as little for  
 the charity boards to do. The Chris-  
 mas dinner prepared for the poor  
 in New York by the charity com-  
 mittees went begging with nobody  
 to eat it. Did the closing of the  
 American saloons have anything  
 to do with it?

We believe that the citizens of  
 Ballinger are in favor of "fixing"  
 the streets. A bond issue for  
 public roads has always carried  
 in this city, and that too when the  
 bonds being voted were for roads  
 outside the city. Surely if we are  
 in favor of building roads for the  
 country people we are in favor of  
 building streets for ourselves. The  
 city commission should map out  
 some plan and ask the people to  
 put up the money. They will do  
 it.

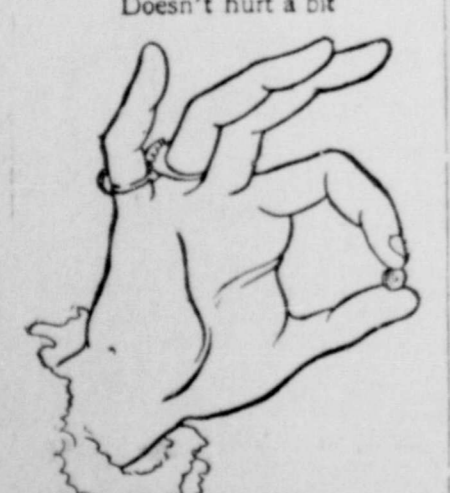
We regret to know that Run-  
 nels county has not put up its  
 quota of \$965 for the tubercular  
 sanitarium for sick soldiers. No  
 cause more worthy was ever pre-  
 sented to the people, and this  
 county is prosperous and the amount  
 should have been subscribed  
 and paid without the asking.  
 So far only about five hundred  
 dollars has been raised, and Bal-  
 linger put up \$498 of that amount.  
 Shame on the people of  
 this county.

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

M. C. Braden returned to Hous-  
 ton Monday, where he will be for  
 several days and will return to  
 Ballinger to stay. He has been  
 working at Houston.

Miss Carrie Wilson, teacher of  
 the Maverick school, and assistant  
 manager of the Ruralview, spent  
 part of her vacation work-  
 ing in the interest of the school  
 annual. She visited San Angelo  
 and made a number of advertis-  
 ing contracts with Angelo mer-  
 chants.

**WITH FINGERS!  
 CORNS LIFT OUT**  
 Freezone is magic! Corns and  
 calluses lift right off—  
 Doesn't hurt a bit



A few cents buys a tiny bottle of  
 the magic Freezone at any drug store.  
 Apply a few drops of Freezone upon a  
 tender, aching corn or a callus. In-  
 stantly that troublesome corn or callus  
 stops hurting, then shortly you lift it  
 out, root and all, without any pain,  
 soreness or irritation. These little bot-  
 tles of Freezone contain just enough to  
 rid the feet of every hard corn, soft  
 corn, corn between the toes and the  
 calluses on bottom of feet. So easy!  
 So simple. Why wait? No humbug!

**THREE IN FAMILY  
 REAP BENEFITS**

Jackson is Relieved of Indiges-  
 tion by Tanlac—Gains  
 Twelve Pounds.

"Tanlac soon ended my troubles  
 and I gained twelve pounds  
 by taking it," said W. E. Jack-  
 son, of 724 North 41st street, Bir-  
 mingham, Ala.  
 "I work at night," he contin-  
 ued, "and eating at unusual  
 hours gave me indigestion. My  
 food would sour on my stomach  
 and I suffered terribly after ev-  
 ery meal. I lost weight and be-  
 came so nervous, I couldn't sleep  
 hardly at all. Smoking too, ag-  
 gravated my trouble and I had to  
 quit it. I felt all down and out  
 and was miserable all the time. I  
 tried everything I could hear of,  
 but got no better and was just  
 about to give up, when I read a-  
 bout Tanlac helping someone  
 having the same trouble that was  
 worrying me.  
 "I felt better right after start-  
 ing on it and improved so much  
 that I was able to enjoy my pipe  
 again and get restful sleep. My  
 appetite is now fine and I can  
 eat anything I want and I am  
 not nervous and all unstrung like  
 I was before. I believe I am in  
 better shape today than in seven  
 years. My father, too, was ben-  
 efitated a whole lot by taking Tan-  
 lac; my wife took two bottles of  
 it and it helped her more than  
 anything she has ever taken. I  
 will never fail to recommend  
 Tanlac to anybody I see suffer-  
 ing from stomach trouble."  
 "Tanlac is sold by druggists  
 everywhere.

Will Gross shipped twelve cars  
 of cattle to the Gross ranch at  
 Rowena Friday, which add materi-  
 ally to the well-bred herds of  
 Runnels county. They are very  
 high grade, coming three year old  
 black milky heifers from the  
 Gage herd at Marfa and Alpine.  
 These with the black cattle al-  
 ready on the ranch, make one of  
 the best herds of Angus stocker  
 cattle to be found in the country.

Mrs. R. T. Phillips was called  
 to Springdale, Arkansas, Monday,  
 to look after property she and  
 Dr. Phillips left in the hands of  
 a man at that place, and who died  
 very suddenly a few days ago.

**HE WONT DROP DEAD ANY  
 MORE**

"My husband suffered terribly  
 from stomach and liver trouble,  
 which caused such bloating of  
 gas as to seriously affect his  
 heart. Doctor warned him that  
 he might drop dead at any time  
 from this trouble. A friend in  
 Cleveland advised him to take  
 Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, and  
 since taking it, 4 months ago, he  
 is feeling like a young man again.  
 All his friends are surprised at  
 his appearance." It is a simple,  
 harmless preparation that re-  
 moves the entartical mucus from  
 the intestinal tract and allays the  
 inflammation which causes prac-  
 tically all stomach, liver and in-  
 testinal ailments, including appen-  
 dicitis. One dose will convince or  
 money refunded. At druggists  
 everywhere.

**GAMBLING AT WINTERS.**

The officers were called to  
 Winters Tuesday to investigate  
 gambling devices, which are al-  
 leged to be in operation there in  
 violation of the law by transient  
 show people. A carnival set for  
 a stay in Winters a short time  
 ago, and it is presumed that the  
 charges are the result of the  
 gambling devices which generally  
 accompany such attractions. Sher-  
 iff Perkins went up to investi-  
 gate.

R. J. Wheeler is out and on his  
 post of duty again, after a three  
 days round with the grip.

Maurice Crews returned to his  
 work at San Antonio, Monday,  
 after a Christmas visit to his father,  
 C. R. Crews.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lake, of  
 Comanche, spent Christmas with  
 their sister, Mrs. Leslie Baker,  
 and mother, Mrs. J. M. Neely,  
 and returned home Monday.

Mrs. C. C. Prater returned to  
 her home at Hamlin, Monday,  
 visiting her sister, Mrs. L. D.  
 Baker, and mother, Mrs. J. M.  
 Neely.

Hal Nunn returned to his ranch  
 at Carlsbad, N. M., Sunday after-  
 noon after a visit to his parents,  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nunn, of Old  
 Runnels.

**SCHOOL PROBLEM  
 UP TO PARENTS**

The school board is at a loss to  
 know how to meet a condition  
 which threatens to greatly hinder  
 the school work of the Ballinger  
 schools, and which has already  
 worked a hardship on the schools.

The schools can not be main-  
 tained on the present schedule of  
 salaries, paid teachers. In a make-  
 shift way and through the sacrific-  
 e made by the teachers in remain-  
 ing on the job at unreason-  
 ably low salaries, the schools are  
 getting by, but getting by is all  
 that can be said.

Other schools are increasing  
 teachers' salaries and the better  
 schools are attracting the better  
 teachers, and as fast as teachers  
 can get away from contracts they  
 are now laboring under, they re-  
 sign and accept places elsewhere.  
 You can't blame them.  
 The presidents of six teachers  
 normals recently met in Fort  
 Worth to discuss recommendations  
 for the board of regents of the  
 various institutions. The  
 presidents estimated that the pay  
 of teachers must be increased  
 from fifty to one hundred per  
 cent in order to keep the forces  
 intact.

These presidents made the  
 startling statement that the calls  
 upon the normals for teachers are  
 now 400 in excess of prospective  
 graduates, and that the call is  
 increasing in number, daily.  
 It is estimated that there are 5,000  
 teacher vacancies in Texas today,  
 and schools are getting by the  
 best they can by using substitutes  
 and asking the people to make a  
 sacrifice in teaching the children.

This state of affairs is due to  
 the fact that school teachers are  
 giving up their profession to ac-  
 cept work in other lines where  
 they can make ends meet. They  
 can not make ends meet at the  
 present day high cost of living on  
 salaries which are no higher than  
 paid five or ten years ago.

Bringing the question to our  
 own doors, it is up to the patrons  
 of the school to solve the question.  
 Even though the teachers remain  
 on the work and teach for the old  
 salary, it is not the fair and hon-  
 est thing to do to ask them to  
 make such a sacrifice. Every  
 teacher in the Ballinger schools  
 should be paid a better salary  
 and that right now. Better pay  
 would encourage them in the work  
 and insure better schools.

The board is at its row's end.  
 They have no funds with which  
 to meet the emergency. The  
 budget of expense when figured  
 on the old salary basis will call  
 for all the money in sight at the  
 present rate of rendition and tax-  
 ation.

The work can be maintained on  
 a respectable basis for the re-  
 mainder of the present term only  
 by private subscription, or volun-  
 tary increase of tax payments.  
 There are parents with children  
 in school who do not pay any tax-  
 es, while there are those with no  
 children who pay what appears to  
 be heavy taxes.

The school board recently dis-  
 cussed the idea of asking each tax  
 payer to voluntarily pay an ad-  
 ditional sum of twenty-five per  
 cent of their taxes. This did not  
 seem feasible, and the idea was  
 set aside for the present.

The president of the school  
 board was instructed to communi-  
 cate with the state superintend-  
 ent and see if some suggestion  
 could be gained for relieving the  
 situation. The school board has  
 no authority to contract debt by  
 borrowing money.

This situation must be met and  
 the patrons of the school should  
 take some steps and co-operate  
 with the school board in solving  
 the serious problem.

The education of our children  
 should be first.

**Pearce Drug Co. Says**

After you eat—always take  
**EATONIC**  
 FOR YOUR ACID-STOMACH  
 Instantly relieves Heartburn, Bloat  
 and Gassy Feeling. Stops food souring,  
 repeating, and all stomach miseries.  
 Aids digestion and appetite. Keeps stomach  
 sweet and strong. Increases Vitality and Pep-  
 EATONIC is the best remedy. Tens of thou-  
 sands wonderfully benefited. Only costs a cent  
 or two a day to use it. Positively guaranteed  
 to please or we will refund money. Get a big  
 box today. You will see.

J. Y. Pearce Drug Company

Henry Truly is here from Pa-  
 trolia visiting his mother, Mrs. P.  
 E. Truly, and other relatives.  
 Edgar Ellis returned to Hous-  
 ton Sunday afternoon, after  
 spending a few days with his par-  
 ents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellis.

**"SYRUP OF FIGS"  
 CHILD'S NATIVE**

Look at tongue! Remove poi-  
 sons from little stomach,  
 liver and bowels



Accept "California" Syrup of Figs  
 only—look for the name California on  
 the package, then you are sure your  
 child is having the best and most harm-  
 less laxative or physic for the little  
 stomach, liver and bowels. Children  
 love its delicious fruity taste. Full  
 directions for child's dose on each bot-  
 tle. Give it without fear.  
 "Mother! You must say "California."

Miss Lucille Yeager returned  
 to her work at Granger, Sunday  
 afternoon, after spending Christ-  
 mas with her parents, Mr. and  
 Mrs. H. S. Yeager.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Zureher return-  
 ed to their home at Houston, Sun-  
 day afternoon, after a Christmas  
 visit to Mrs. Zureher's parents,  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilke.

A. F. Robert and family, of Win-  
 ters, were here Sunday afternoon,  
 attending the band concert and  
 visiting friends.

Judge and Mrs. J. H. Baugh  
 are at home from a Christmas  
 visit to Brownwood and San An-  
 tonio.

**ITCH!**  
 MONEY BACK  
 without question if Hunt's Salve  
 fails in the treatment of Eczema,  
 Tetter, Ringworm, Itch, etc. Don't  
 become discouraged because other  
 treatments failed. Hunt's Salve  
 has relieved hundreds of such  
 cases. You can't lose on our  
 Money Back Guarantee. Try  
 it at our risk TODAY. Price 5c.  
 For sale locally by  
**JOHN A. WEEKS** Druggist.

**START YOUR PREPARATION  
 NOW FOR A BETTER  
 PLACE IN LIFE**

Continue what you are and  
 where you are and you are what  
 and where you will always  
 be. If you are satisfied don't  
 read further. The hopes, wish-  
 ers and hesitators of the world  
 are held down by foolish doubts  
 and empty fears. Endless thou-  
 sands of bright, fine fellows whose  
 wish bone is where their back-  
 bone ought to be, afraid, halting,  
 timid think business is a mystery  
 and they can never learn to suc-  
 ceed in it.

You must be more, have more,  
 and do more in this life or you  
 will always be seeing other men  
 that are getting more out of life,  
 more of this world's enjoyments  
 and comfort than you. We can  
 point you to hundreds of young  
 men and women no smarter than  
 you that are now successfully and  
 happily engaged in a business of  
 their own, because they attended  
 our institution and secured a busi-  
 ness training and prepared them-  
 selves to go into the business of  
 life and work along with trained  
 men and become masters of the  
 art of doing business.

Business is not a happy-go-  
 lucky, haphazard sort of thing.  
 If you understand it thoroughly,  
 you are sure to succeed. If you  
 have never been trained for it, it  
 is all left to luck and guess work.

Write for our catalogue today,  
 and read the unsolicited testi-  
 monials from many of our former  
 students, who were at one time  
 working at low salaries and are  
 today demonstrating their suc-  
 cess, and the value of our training.  
 Opportunity never comes to him  
 who waits. It comes to him who  
 goes after it with all there is in  
 him, with a deep, burning, in-  
 tense iron resolve of his utmost  
 being. Read our catalogue care-  
 fully. Why not you be one of the  
 4,000 that will go out of our insti-  
 tution this year into a good busi-  
 ness office? Procrastination is a  
 thief of time. Fill in the follow-  
 ing blank and send in by return  
 mail. It may be the turning  
 point in your life. You cannot  
 afford to be satisfied with your  
 present position in life. You can  
 do much better.

Name .....  
 Address .....  
 Tyler Commercial College, Tyler,  
 Texas.

**WEEKS APPOINTED  
 ON IMPORTANT COM.**

The following letter was re-  
 ceived recently by local pharma-  
 ceut John A. Weeks, and announ-  
 ces his appointment on an impor-  
 tant committee, that of Pharmacy  
 Laws in the National Association  
 of Retail Druggists. This is an-  
 other big honor for the Ballinger  
 man, and shows what the "high-  
 ups" in the pharmaceutical world  
 think of his ability, as he is one  
 of only five in the United States  
 who are to serve on the commit-  
 tee. This committee regulates  
 practices and procedure of re-  
 tail druggists all over the United  
 States.

Here is the letter received by  
 Mr. Weeks:

"Mr. John A. Weeks,  
 Ballinger, Texas.  
 Dear Sir:

"It is with great pleasure in-  
 deed that I inform you that Mr.  
 Theodore F. Hagenow, president  
 of the N. A. R. D., has appointed  
 you Chairman of the Committee  
 on Pharmacy Laws.  
 "You will doubtless agree with  
 me that the accomplishments of  
 the N. A. R. D. during the past  
 year have been of inestimable val-  
 ue to the retail pharmacists of  
 the nation and fill each one of us  
 with a keen desire for greater ac-  
 complishments during the present  
 year.

"The individual member of the  
 various committee can be of  
 great assistance in carrying on  
 the work which this organization  
 is doing and we are, therefore,  
 relying upon you to render that  
 assistance of which we know so  
 well you are capable.  
 "Fraternally yours,  
 "Samuel C. Henry,  
 "Secretary."

**The Best Cough Medicine**

When a druggist finds that his  
 customers all speak well of a cer-  
 tain preparation, he forms a good  
 opinion of it and when in need of  
 such a medicine is almost certain  
 to use it himself and in his fam-  
 ily. This is why so many druggi-  
 sts use and recommend Cham-  
 berlain's Cough Remedy. J. B.  
 Jones, a well known druggist of  
 Cubrun, Ky., says, "I have used  
 Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in  
 my family for the past seven  
 years, and I have found it to be  
 the best cough medicine I have  
 ever known."

Miss Evelyn Chaillette, of  
 Brownwood, came in Sunday and  
 will stay with her sister, Mrs. J.  
 A. Freeman, and attend the Bal-  
 linger schools.

Lester Dietz, of the Crews  
 country, was here Christmas Eve,  
 and made himself a Christmas  
 present by buying The Ledger  
 for a year.

Mrs. M. N. Gustavus returned  
 from a visit to Dublin, Sunday  
 afternoon, where she attended the  
 wedding of her sister.

Mrs. Wesley Sepler returned to  
 her home at Detroit, Texas, Sun-  
 day afternoon, after a visit to her  
 son J. A. Freeman.

**YOUR COLD ENASED  
 AFTER FIRST DOSE**

"Pape's Cold Compound" then  
 breaks up a cold in a  
 few hours.

Relief comes instantly. A dose  
 taken every two hours, until three  
 doses are taken usually breaks up  
 a severe cold and ends all the  
 gripe misery.

The very first dose opens your  
 clogged-up nostrils and the air  
 passages in the head, stops nose  
 running, relieves the headache,  
 dullness, feverishness, sneezing,  
 soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed up! Quit  
 blowing and snuffing! Clear your  
 congested head! Nothing else in  
 the world gives such prompt re-  
 lief as "Pape's Cold Compound,"  
 which costs only a few cents at  
 any drug store. It acts without  
 assistance, tastes nice, contains no  
 quinine—Insist upon Pape's!

Dayton, O.—A porker has got  
 Charlie Goleilas guessing. He  
 rescued the 250-pound pig when it  
 fell off a truck speeding past  
 his home. Now the shoat is eat-  
 ing three square meals a day off  
 Goleilas, who has asked the police  
 what to do.

SYDNEY, New South Wales.—  
 "Not quite nice," was the opin-  
 ion of latest American and British  
 fashions, expressed by Lady Dav-  
 idson, wife of the governor of  
 New South Wales. She advised  
 Australian women to have nothing  
 to do with them.

W. D. Bond, who is attending  
 the State University, returned to  
 his school duties Monday, after  
 spending Christmas with his father,  
 E. M. Bond.

Dayton, O.—Will I. Ohmer,  
 computing machine manufacturer,  
 will live in a park. Recently he  
 purchased Schantz park, a 14-  
 acre site, and announced he will  
 build a home there.

**"DANDERINE" PUTS  
 BEAUTY IN HAIR**

Girls! A mass of long,  
 thick, gleamy tresses



Let "Danderine" save your hair and  
 double its beauty. You can have lots  
 of long, thick, strong, lustrous hair.  
 Don't let it stay lifeless, thin, scraggly  
 or fading. Bring back its color, vigor  
 and vitality.

Get a 35-cent bottle of delightful  
 "Danderine" at any drug or toilet counter  
 to freshen your scalp; check dandruff  
 and falling hair. Your hair needs this stimu-  
 lating tonic; then its life, color, bright-  
 ness and abundance will return—Hurry!

**Resolved:**

"That I will not struggle through an-  
 other year, under the handicap of  
 haphazard financing, but will open a  
 Checking Account in the Ballinger  
 State Bank & Trust Company and  
 put my affairs on a sound, success-  
 assuring basis."

This is a good resolution. Think it over!

Then act upon it promptly. There is no more op-  
 portune occasion than the opening of the New Year

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

# Banner-Ledger Want Ads

**Agents Wanted in Every Locality** to look after new and renewal subscriptions. Liberal commissions paid. Also additional big cash prizes and other rewards given. The Progressive Farmer, Slaughter Bldg., Dallas. 19 3tw

**FOR ROCK, brick and cement work,** see J. Kavanaugh. Rt. B. Ballinger, Texas. Phone No. 509. 19-8tw.\*

**FOR SALE—Full blood Bronze turkeys,** Toms \$7.00, Tom and two Hens \$15.00. Mrs. L. C. Jameson. 19-1td-3tw.\*

**FOR SALE—Pure bred white Holland Turkeys,** \$15.00 per trio. Phone 5503, Mrs. Nick Stallworth. 20-6tw.\*

**LOST—Somewhere between the First National Bank and Hartman's store a razor strop and razor.** Finder please return to Ledger office and receive reward. 20-2td-2tw.\*

**WANTED—A family to rent 65 acres of good land,** two room house, in good condition. Other conveniences, will rent on half or third and fourth plan. W. W. Allen, Bradshaw, Texas. 26-1td-1tw.\*

**FOR SALE—Bundle cane and maize and feterita.** Close to Ballinger, see or telephone me at 4012 Rural, J. P. Clifton. 23-5td-1tw.\*

**FOR SALE—I still have some good Jersey milch cows.** R. W. Bruce. 31-2td-1tw

**FOR SALE—Jersey milch cows heavy springers.** See me at once. L. H. Hamilton in New Home community. 2-3tw.\*

**FOR SALE—20 head of Hereford bulls,** some subject to register. Also seven mares and colts, and two young fillies. Call Carl Wilson at Paramore ranch—Phone 3603. 2-4tw

**FOR SALE—Seed oats, free from Johnson grass.** 80c per bushel at granary. Ben F. Curry, Norton. 2-2tw.\*

**WANTED—To rent on the halves a farm of about 200 acres.** W. J. MILAM, Ballinger, Texas. 27-4td-1tw.\*

**FOR SALE—New Ford with starter,** and second hand Ford in good condition. C. M. Gibson, Benoit. 26-5d-2w.\*

**LOST—On the road between Ballinger and Crews, pair mud chains for Ford.** Finder leave at Ledger office and receive reward. C. B. Armstrong, "The Singer Man." 31-td-1tw

**FOR SALE—The Globe Store,** consisting of Groceries, Hardware, and Racket Goods. If you want a good going business, one that is well advertised and doing a big cash business, see me at once. R. P. COX. 29-3d-1w

**Undertaking Goods  
Licensed Embalmers**

Motor Hearse and Ambulance

**T. S. LANKFORD**

Night Phone 81 Day Phone 82

## New Year Greeting

to everyone in Ballinger and Runnels County.

We sincerely thank you for your patronage and will strive to make our bakery goods merit your patronage during 1920.

W. V. [unclear]

**AUTO SALES**  
Higginbotham Bros. & Co. delivered to Edgar Rasbury and to Leroy Nicholson each a Sensible Six lately. The young men came home from Eden to spend Christmas. They have been operating a gin and buying cotton and cotton seed at that place.

**To the Dyspeptic.**  
Would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles are over, that you can eat any kind of food that you crave? Consider then the fact that Chamberlain's Tablets have cured others—why not you. There are many who have been restored to health by taking these tablets and can now eat any kind of food that they crave.

W. R. Hall, of the Wingate country, went to Belton and Temple on business Monday.

London.—A swarm of bees interrupted trading in an Ilford confectioner's store, settling on the cakes and sweetmeats, and defying all efforts to eject them for several hours.

Mr. J. M. Skaggs went to Winters, Tuesday to see his son, Ray, to the young man was returning to his school duties at Dallas.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by Herbine. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Sold by Jno. A. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Tindall were here from the Winters country, Tuesday. Mr. Tindall dropped in to have The Ledger sent to his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Moses, at Leavenworth, Kansas, where Mr. Moses is a prison guard at the federal penitentiary.

London.—A Bishop's Stortford bride received on her wedding-day a postcard, mailed fourteen years previously, from a former lover, making an appointment. The postoffice did not attempt to explain the delay.

## The New Year Brings With it a New Business Stone & Thorp

Successors to SCOTCH WOOLEN MILLS

### Gents' Furnishings, Fine Tailoring, Cleaning and Pressing

This New Year we solicit your business and guarantee prompt service and satisfaction.

## New Year's Resolution

Having just opened a Tailoring Business in the C. S. Miller Building across the Street from Weeks' Drug Store, I have firmly

### RESOLVED

"To give a tailoring Service that will please you in every way.

"That I will keep you looking well pressed all the time,

"That I'll do it without fuss or worry and at reasonable prices."

## V. Weinberg

Phone 63

Work Called for and Delivered Promptly



Imitation "Ford" parts are being sold by many mail-order houses and garages to unsuspecting Ford owners as "Ford" parts. But they are not Genuine Ford parts, made by the Ford Motor Company. They are made by concern who have no connection whatsoever with the Ford Motor Company. These imitation parts are not even made from the same grade of steel, or under the same formulas used by the Ford Company. They are counterfeit parts. Tests have shown them to break when the genuine Ford parts didn't even bend and they generally are from thirty-five to one hundred per cent lower in quality.

The Authorized Ford Dealer is your protection. As such, we handle nothing but the Genuine Ford parts. They are made from the famous Ford Vanadium Steel and each part—according to its use—is heat-treated in the way that will give it the longest wearing qualities.

## Harwell Motor Company

**ASPIRIN FOR HEADACHE**  
Name "Bayer" is on Genuine Aspirin—say Bayer



Insist on "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" in a "Bayer package," containing proper directions for Headache, Colds, Pain, Neuralgia, Lumbago, and Rheumatism. Name "Bayer" means genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for nineteen years. Handy tin boxes of 12 tablets cost few cents. Aspirin is trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monacoeleic-acidester of Salicylicacid.

We regret to note that Uncle Joe Routh is quite ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Emma Nash.

W. L. Lollar and E. M. Setser, two Norton citizens, were transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday and called to kick because The Ledger did not reach them on time during the Holiday rush.

J. T. Russell, of the Winters country, was here Wednesday.

Mrs. B. T. Vinson has returned to her home in Ballinger, after a visit with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Gresham.—Brownwood Bulletin.

T. L. Aerea, formerly manager of the Ballinger Lumber Co. is here on business. He is living at Desdemona.

R. B. Rogers, who had been here several days checking up his Ballinger business and assisting the clerks in taking stock, returned to his home in Brownwood, Tuesday afternoon.

### Our Best Guarantee is our Record

Your interest and ours are mutual. We depend upon you for business and you depend upon us for lumber to satisfy your requirements.

Our customers are our best friends—some of you have been customers and friends for years. You know we have always given you our best in properly graded and assorted yellow pine lumber.

We have all grades and sizes to meet your requirements.

**Ballinger Lumber Comp'y**

Riches mean two things—getting it; and keeping it from getting away. My girl must young stay from temptation.

## Here's a New Year's Thought---

for many centuries in as many ways, men have wished men well on New Year's Day. We wish you well on New Year's Day—we wish you well for all the years to come.

If all has been well with you during the year just closing we are glad. If all has not been well with you it is our hope that the drakes' hour is passed and that the sun of the new year shines brightly for you.

It is the object of our profession to make you see things in their best light. We examine eyes to determine the kind of glasses, or if any are needed.

Glasses only when necessary. Prices moderate.

**DR. McGUIRE**  
Optometrist  
F. & M. Bank Building, Ballinger, Texas.

**GRANARY**

STORE YOUR GRAIN FOR HIGHER PRICES IN THIS MODERN SUBSTANTIAL BUILDING AT A COST OF 10¢ PER BUSHEL FOR OATS AND 12¢ PER BUSHEL FOR CORN.

Every farmer in Runnels County should build one of these granaries NOW. The advance on the price of grain will more than pay for it. You will still have it left to serve you for another twenty years. We can furnish you blue prints for any kind of building.

**Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.**

## Did You Keep Up With Hog Creek?

Hog Creek in Comanche and Eastland Counties made more rich men than Gold did in California.

They say that an old fellow from Killen had a hunch, and got part of it. I did. I am that old man.

I am now playing Dog Ridge in Bell County. What for? Oil. Just another GREAT OIL field at Dog Ridge. I do not believe it will take very long to prove it.

I am going to put the drill down and now working both day and night, with two good crews, and think it won't take long to tell.

I want forty men with nerve enough to put one hundred dollars each in stock in the Bell County Oil Co., and if it hits they are sure to get ten thousand dollars back on each hundred.

Turn this over in your mind three or four times.  
Hog Creek, Comanche County.  
Dog Ridge, Bell County.  
Fifteen months ago Desdemona was almost unknown just this far away. Now it is known all over the entire world.

If you are willing to take a tip, and put a hundred dollars with us, use the blank below.

We own 5,500 acre lease.

WILL RANCIER, Manager  
Bell County Oil Co.,  
Killen, Texas.

Enclosed find my check for \$..... for ..... shares in Bell County Oil Co., at \$100 each.

Name .....

Town .....

State .....

If you are too late your check will be returned. Are you going to keep up with Dog Ridge?

I started the first bank at Desdemona. When the deposits reached \$1,500,000, I sold out. I have been in the banking business in Killen 24 years.

**WILL RANCIER**

Walt Allen is at home from Ft. Worth, and is carrying his hand in a sling as the result of an accident while roping cattle at Spur recently. He had the misfortune to break his hand.

It is said Baltimore still holds about 5,000,000 gallons of bonded booze. And we suspect Baltimore would hit anybody who tried to take it outside the city limits.

F. Roper, of the Norton country, was here Saturday looking after business.

J. N. Wells and wife, of the Wingate country, were here Saturday.

The Boston teachers are to get a raise of \$384 each. The day of jubilee is coming, little school-marms. The American conscience isn't dead; it's merely chloroformed.

### TAX MONEY IS COMING SLOWLY

The year will close with more than \$125,000.00 unpaid taxes on the rolls, according to Tax Collector Chastain. The people have plenty of money this year, and will pay before the delinquent line is reached but they have been too busy to pay taxes.

The collector's cash book shows that he collected \$28,056.43 during the month of December, and \$45,000 since the 1919 rolls opened.

Poll tax payments are coming just as slow as the big collection, less than 200 out of more than 2100 assessed having been paid up to date.

School money is also coming in slow, according to Mrs. L. D. Futch, deputy collector, and the schools are being operated on a credit basis. It is expected that January will be a big month for the tax collectors and the delinquent list will be cut lower than usual.

### GOOD SEASON FOR PLANTING GRAIN

Quite a number of farmers are exerting every effort possible to get their farm work in shape; to sow grain early in February, and the last of January.

Due to the rush in the cotton fields, and the unusually bad weather through the fall, very few farmers are up with their work, and have not had time to break their land for sowing grain. The excessive rains make it necessary that ground be plowed before the grain is put in. This was not the case a year ago, and grain was sown at little expense.

There are a few wheat fields in the county, but the acreage will be small. The seasons were most favorable for planting fall grain, but farmers were not prepared to plant, and it appears now that a good grain year is going to get by without this county getting the benefit of it.

### IMPRESSIVE WEDDING AT WINTERS THURSDAY

WINTERS, Dec. 29.—The marriage of Miss Marjorie Ruth Hall of this city and John William Green of Barstow, Texas, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hall Thursday afternoon, December 25th, the Rev. Solon Johnson officiating with the ring ceremony. The ring was borne by little Miss Frances Johnson, who wore all white.

The house was decorated with ferns and mistletoe forming the altar over which a wedding bell was suspended. The bridal party entered the room to the strains of the wedding chorus from "Lohen-grin" played by Miss Mildred Johnson.

The bride was beamingly attired in a tailored suit of blue serge and wore a black picture hat, and carried a shower bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

After the ceremony an informal reception was held, and refreshments were served. Among those present were: Mr. J. S. Hall, Mrs. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vance, Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smiley, Mrs. Lucy Townsend, Mrs. Solon Johnson, Miss Mildred Chase of Woreestert, Miss, Miss Mildred Johnson of Dallas, Texas, Miss Loula Hall, Miss Gladys Hall, Miss Helen Chase, Mr. Dorsett, Miss Mary Dorsett, Mr. George Hall, and Mr. Joe Vance Jr.

Mrs. Green has a host of friends in Winters who regret to see her leave the community, and whose best wishes go with her to her new home in Barstow, Texas.

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

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props, Toledo, O. All Drugists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

### BOY GOES TO JAIL TO EARN LIVING

MANDAN, N. D., Dec. 27.—The North Dakota Training School here is perhaps the only reformatory in the country with a voluntary inmate—a sixteen year old boy committed by his own request.

A chance to earn an honest living—to specialize in a trade—was what this orphaned boy of Cass county wanted. His only opportunity seemed to be the industrial school of the state reformatory, and he sought admittance thru the juvenile commissioner. His plea was granted and he was enrolled, the term to expire at any time he wishes.

**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.

Now they say General Pershing is a candidate for the republican nomination for president. Doesn't anybody but Bryan want our nomination, for goodness sake!

**K. Dose J. H. Baugh**  
**DOSE & BAUGH**  
**Lawyers.**  
Office over Ballinger Loan Co.  
Ballinger, Texas

**Frost-proof Cabbage Plants For Sale**

Cabbage Plants postpaid, \$2.50 per 1,000. Cabbage Plants, express a fleet, \$2.00 per 1,000. Ask price large quantity, all varieties.

Georgia-Texas Plant Co.,  
19-4w Dallas, Tex.

W. P. Hawkins and family drove down from Winters Sunday afternoon to attend the band concert and spend a few hours in the city.

**Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days**

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

## NOTICE

The Parramore pasture of 5000 acres of unimproved land has been subdivided into small tracts and is now on the market at reasonable price and terms. For sale by **H. Giesecke** Ballinger, Texas.

## Put Your Car In Good Hands

No matter what work you may want done on your car, you can rest assured it will be properly done if it comes to us. We handle accessories, gasoline and oils. See us for anything your car needs.

## Rowena Garage

A. L. Ruppert, Proprietor Rowena, Texas



**HOW GOOD IS Your BAKING?**

Mrs. Housewife, are you satisfied with the results of your baking?

Belle of Wichita is the flour you've been looking for.

From a bag of Belle of Wichita you'll get bread, pastry, pies and cake that will delight both family and friends, and win you praise of baking skill.

*Flagg Brothers Baking Co.*  
CAPITAL \$1,000,000

**Belle of Wichita FLOUR**

### OZONA RANCHMAN SHOT TO DEATH

OZONA, Tex., Dec. 26.—One of the most sensational killings in recent years in the Peecos river country occurred Wednesday morning just over the Val Verde-Crockett county line in Val Verde county when Jack Kirkpatrick, prominent Ozona ranchman, was shot to death. Three brothers—Buster, Boy (or Boyd) and John Babb, were taken into custody and escorted to Del Rio. A Mexican in the employ of Kirkpatrick also was held, probably as a witness.

The first news of the shooting reached Ozona Wednesday short-

ly after the noon hour, Walter Babb telephoning to Sheriff Chas. Williams of Crockett county that his brother, Boy Babb, had killed Kirkpatrick. A party composed of John Bailey, Roger Dudley, T. A. Kincaid, Ben Ingham and Deputy Sheriff Eugene McSparran, all of Ozona, left immediately for the scene of the killing, about forty or fifty miles away.

Arriving there about 3:30 p. m., they found Kirkpatrick's dead body on the ranch of Mrs. R. L. Caruthers of San Angelo, located about a mile and a half inside the Val Verde county line. Kirkpatrick lay on his back with three bullet wounds in his body. Any of them, in the belief of physicians, would have caused death. One bullet penetrated the neck and came out the lower part of the left jaw; another plowed thru the body from side to side, and a third went directly into the abdomen. All were fired from a rifle.

The dead man lay on his back, with his right hand stretched above his head. The hand clutched a Colt's revolver, containing empty shells that gave evidence of having been fired only a short time previously.

The supposition would be that Kirkpatrick fought until his ammunition was exhausted. Deputy Sheriff Dan Murray of Val Verde county hurried from Del Rio to the Carruthers' ranch Wednesday and took the three Babb brothers and the Mexican

into custody. Boy (or Boyd) Babb is reported to have made a statement corroborated by his two brothers, to the following effect:

He and Kirkpatrick had had a dispute over the possession of a well on the ranch, both men claiming it.

Wednesday morning Babb and Kirkpatrick met on the ranch a short distance from the well and a quarrel began, which had not ended when they reached the water hole. There Babb joined his two brothers. Shortly afterward, no settlement of the argument having been made, one of the three brothers said, "Let's go."

"No, I am going to kill you first," Kirkpatrick is declared by the three brothers to have stated. Whereupon the Ozonan drew his revolver and began firing, the statement further adds, Boy (or Boyd) Babb says he ran about twenty steps to his horse, and, unstrapping his thirty-three calibre Winchester, returned the fire Kirkpatrick fell dead.



*The third Generation to use it*

**My Mother used MOTHER'S FRIEND before I was born**

26 years ago and my birth was practically a painless one," writes one enthusiastic mother. How very natural then, that her own mother, whose experience had unqualifiedly proven the virtue of Mother's Friend would have her daughter enjoy the same benefits. Mother's Friend is used externally.

At all Druggists.

Special Booklet on Motherhood and Baby free. Bradfield Regulator Co., Dept. F-11, Atlanta, Ga.



**Your Chickens Won't Look Like This**

If you kill the Blue Bugs and all blood sucking insects by feeding **Martin's Wonderful Blue Bug Killer** to your chickens. Martin's Egg Producer will keep your chickens well and makes 'em lay more. Martin's means your money back if not absolutely satisfied. Ask.

**John A. Weeks**

**M. C. SMITH**  
**Attorney-at-Law**  
Office up-stairs in G. A. Dooce Building.  
Examining Land Titles a Specialty.

**RECENT WAR CONDITIONS**

have proven **THE GRADUATE NURSE MOST VALUABLE ASSETS** to be one of the World's MOST VALUABLE ASSETS in Present Peace Conditions she is in **Even Greater Demand.** There is now Opportunity to Gain Immediate Entrance in One of the very best scientific Schools for Nurses in the South. The erection of Added Hospital Buildings makes this possible.

**Student Nurses** are cared for in an up-to-date Nurses' Home. Apply now. New class being organized for January, 1920, without tuition fees or other expense, and are paid a monthly incidental fee. Write without delay for full information to **Miss Helen T. Holliday**, Superintendent Nurses' Training School of the **TEXAS BAPTIST MEMORIAL SANITARIUM**, Dallas, Texas



## Your Every Need

THE kind of a store that deserves your steady patronage is the one that always has exactly what you want whenever you want it.

We try to anticipate all the needs of our many customers and then supply quality goods at the most reasonable prices possible.

### For Men, Women and Children

This store is for all—and everybody is welcome always no matter how small the purchase. Pleased customers become regular customers. That's why our business grows.

WE SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY

### Men's Work Clothes

Our line of overalls and work shirts is complete and will stand the hardest wear. We can supply all your needs in work clothes and give you the kind that are good honest quality all through.

## Schuhmann Co.

General Merchandise

Rowena, Texas



## The First Step

on the road to

## SUCCESS

is a saving account.

The saving habit develops a man's character; makes him reliable and trust-worthy; a citizen of standing in his community.

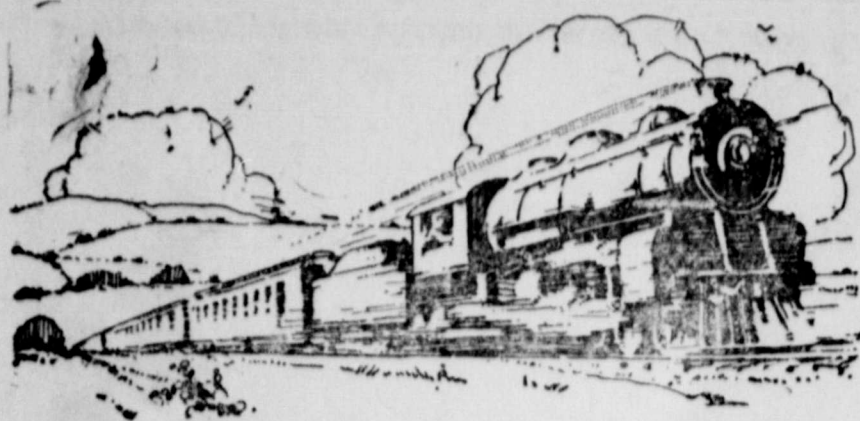
Start a saving account at this bank today.

## The First State Bank

Rowena, Texas

Capital Stock \$25,000

Surplus Fund \$9,000



A vast amount of work now remains to be done which the intervention of war has necessarily delayed and accumulated, and the result is that very large capital expenditures ought to be made to make up for the interruptions inevitably due to the war, and to prepare the railroads to serve adequately the increased traffic throughout the country.

WALTER D. HINES,  
Director General of Railroads.

*Work more—  
Produce more—  
Save more—*

But we can't continue increasing our production unless we continue increasing our railroad facilities.

The farms, mines and factories cannot increase their output beyond the capacity of the railroads to haul their products.

Railroads are now near the peak of their carrying capacity.

Without railroad expansion—more engines, more cars, more tracks, more terminals—there can be little increase in production.

But this country of ours is going to keep right on growing—and the railroads must grow with it.

To command in the investment markets the flow of new capital to expand railroad facilities—and so increase production—there must be public confidence in the future earning power of railroads.

The nation's business can grow only as fast as the railroads grow.

*This advertisement is published by the Association of Railway Executives.*

Those desiring information concerning the railroad situation may obtain literature by writing to the Association of Railway Executives, 61 Broadway, New York.

**QUIET CHRISTMAS  
IN BALLINGER**

With all that any soul could desire in the way of weather, Christmas in Ballinger passed off quietly. The day was an ideal one, not too hot and not too cold, with balmy bright sunshine appealing to the shut-ins to come out and enjoy outdoors. The prosperous times prevailing left little for the charity committee to do, and notwithstanding the high cost of living, there were perhaps more Christmas dinners spread than for many years, and good cheer and the merriness of the occasion was written on the faces of all. The afternoon was spent in joy riding while many attended the picture shows. The social event of the holiday was the Christmas dance at the club rooms. The members of the club and their friends in large numbers attended the dance and it was long after Christmas day had passed before the orchestra played "Home, Sweet Home."

So far as The Ledger has been able to ascertain, there were but

few accidents, and whether prohibition prohibits or not, there were no drunks.

**POSTOFFICE HANDLES  
XMAS MAIL ON TIME**

All packages and regular mail was up in the boxes, or already carried out, and all outgoing mail had been sent away from the local postoffice on Christmas morning. Everything had been cleaned up and the postal clerks only had to wait for other trains to bring in more mail.

The clean condition of the office was due mainly to the fact that most people mailed their packages and Christmas mail earlier this year than usual. People, as a rule, were afraid that their Christmas mail would be delayed, and consequently began mailing their presents earlier. The heaviest run of mail, of course, was on the three days before Christmas day, but the rush was nothing compared with what would have been had not early mailing been the slogan.

Some held the idea that large numbers of packages were lying in the local postoffice, and that the postal clerks were unable to handle the volume of business. Such was not the case, however, as the mail was made up from each train as it came in, and none was held over, excepting a few packages whose owners had not called for them.

**Colds Cause Grip and Influenza**  
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 50c.

**BUSINESS CHANGES  
DUE JANUARY 1ST**

Among the business changes scheduled for the New Year will be the launching out for themselves of two of Ballinger's prominent young men. C. R. Stone and A. J. Thorp have purchased the Scotch Woolen Mills business and stock of gents' furnishings from C. C. Gilliam. An inventory is being made and Messrs. Stone and Thorp will take over the business on January first.

Claud Stone has been associated with the dry goods and clothing interests of Ballinger for quite a number of years, and is one of the best known and most popular salesmen in the city. He was with the Metlon Dry Goods Co. as a stockholder and employee when he volunteered for service in fighting Germany. He saw service in France, and returned home with an honorable discharge and was recently placed back on the job with the Metlon Dry Goods Co.

When this business changed hands recently Mr. Stone's stock went in the deal, and he remained with the store up until the present, and last Saturday he resigned his resignation effective January 1st.

Mr. Stone will be in charge of the business which he and Mr. Thorp have just purchased, and the style of the new firm will be Stone & Thorp. Mr. Thorp will not be actively engaged in the business, but will remain with the First National Bank. Mr. Stone knows the gents' furnishings business and being placed at the head of the already successful tailoring and furnishings shop will fulfill the wishes of his many friends for success.

"We expect to make only changes in the business which will be what we deem for the best interests of our customers," said Mr. Stone Monday. "We will put in a new line of spring goods for boys and men as soon as we can get the goods here, and we will look after every interest of those who wish to dress in the latest style and comfort."

Engaging in business for himself is the second best thing Mr.

**QUICK! STOP  
INDIGESTION**

Pain in Stomach, Sourness,  
Gases and Acidity relieved  
with "Pape's Diapepsin"

Your upset stomach will feel fine! No waiting! When your meals don't fit and you feel uncomfortable; when you belch gases, acids or raise sour undigested food. When you feel lumps of indigestion pain, heartburn or headache from acidity, just eat a tablet of harmless and reliable Pape's Diapepsin and the stomach distress is gone. Millions of people know the magic of Pape's Diapepsin as an antacid. They know that most indigestion and disordered stomach are from acidity. The relief comes quickly, no disappointment, and the cost is so little too. Pape's Diapepsin helps regulate your stomach. You can eat favorite foods without fear.

Stone could do for himself. The first best thing was taking unto himself a partner for life, and he did this a short time ago. His friends will continue to wish him well in the new venture.

Mr. Thorp has been with the First National Bank for several years and is well known in business circles. His name connected with the business guarantees sufficient financial backing for successful conducting of the business.

Will Stephens has tendered his resignation with the Rogers-Higdon Co., where he has been employed since last summer, and on January first he will engage in business with W. B. Curry, who recently purchased the H. & H. Mercantile Co.

Mr. Stephens buys an interest in the grocery business, forming a partnership with Mr. Curry, and the style of the firm will probably be the Curry Mercantile Co., as Mr. Curry has sent out notices to the public designating that name before Mr. Stephens acquired an interest in the business.

Mr. Stephens will remain with the Rogers-Higdon Company until the end of the year, and on the first of January he will be found in his new business across the street.

Mr. Stephens has many friends who will be glad to note that he is launching out for himself, and locating permanently in a business in Ballinger. He was elected county tax assessor a few years ago and was serving in that capacity when called to fight for his country. He gave up his office and went to camp where he served several months. He has made good in every place filled by him and we predict that he will be successful in his new business.

H. H. Hardin, who sells the grocery business to Mr. Currie, will remain with the new firm indefinitely. Hugh Yeager will also remain with the new firm as delivery man. The market fixtures are being moved to the grocery store and the market will be run in connection with the grocery business.

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

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

**BIRTHS.**

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones, of the Crews country, received a baby girl for a Christmas present.

Mary Kathleen Wilson is the name of a new baby girl which arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wilson down the river, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Straley have a new boy at their home for a Christmas gift. The young man arrived Saturday night.

Miss Nell Guion is at home for a visit with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Jno. I. Guion, during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Juliet Miller is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller, during the school recess for Christmas. Miss Miller is teaching at Nacogdoches.

Misses Julia Garrett and Lucy Taylor returned from Miles Sunday afternoon, and went to their school at New Home. L. H. Hamilton was here to meet them.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Smith returned home Sunday afternoon from Stephenville, where they spent a few days with their son, George, and wife.

**POOL HALL NOT  
OPEN HERE YET**

Notwithstanding that a Federal judge issued a writ granting a stay in the pool hall case which is pending on appeal before the supreme court, and attorneys for the pool hall men of Texas, advised them to open for business and continue to operate until Jan. 25th, G. W. Dunlap had not opened his pool hall in Ballinger up to late Friday afternoon. Mr. Dunlap stated that he did not want to violate the law, and if the courts had any doubt about the question he preferred to wait until he had a reliable authority for going.

Reports received here stated that pool halls at other places were operating as of old, acting upon advice sent out by their attorneys.

**DON'T WHIP!**

Stop Lashing Your Bowels  
with Harsh Cathartics but  
take "Cascarets."

Everyone must occasionally give to the bowels some regular help or else suffer from constipation, bilious attacks, stomach disorders, and sick headache. But do not whip the bowels into activity with harsh cathartics.

What the liver and bowels need is a gentle and natural tonic, one that can be constantly used without harm. The gentlest liver and bowel tonic is "Cascarets." They put the liver to work and cleanse the colon and bowels of all waste, toxins and poisons without griping—they never sicken or inconvenience you like Calomel, Salts, Oil, or Purgatives. Twenty-five million boxes of Cascarets are sold each year. They work while you sleep. Cascarets cost so little too.

The federal court recently upheld the constitutionality of the pool hall law, and the case was immediately appealed to the supreme court, and pool halls closed. A motion was made before the supreme justice asking that the law be held inoperative until the supreme court passed on the constitutionality of the law. However, the attorney general holds that if the supreme court should uphold the law pool hall men who are operating their halls will be subject to one year in jail and a heavy fine for every day they operated.

R. B. Rogers is spending several days here looking after his dry goods interest.

A. E. Jones returned to Brownwood Sunday afternoon, after spending a day or two here with his wife, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Snell. Mrs. Jones will remain for a few days longer.

Judge J. H. Baugh attended the wedding of Miss Hattie Baugh to Arch Lewis, at the ranch home of the bride's parents, ten miles from Brownwood, on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Minnie Poe and daughter, Miss Ila, returned to their home in Milam county, Sunday afternoon. They had been the guests of Mrs. Poe's uncle, J. A. Street, and family, for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gregory are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Tibbs, at Itasca.

R. A. Pery and family were down from Miles Sunday afternoon, visiting friends, and attending the band concert.

**DEATH RATTLE OF  
CALOMEL IN SOUTH**

Dodson is Destroying Sale of  
Dangerous Drug with His  
"Liver Tonic."

You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels.

Here's Dodson's guarantee! Ask your druggist for a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick I want you to go back to the store and get your money.

Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of harmless, vegetable Dodson's Liver Tonic tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate so let them eat anything afterwards.

**CATARRH DOES HARM**

Whether It is of the Nose, Throat, or Other Organs, Get Rid of It.

Catarrh of the nose or throat when it becomes chronic weakens the delicate lung tissues, deranges the digestive organs, and may lead to consumption. It impairs the taste, smell and hearing, and affects the voice. It is a constitutional disease and requires a constitutional remedy.

Take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which by purifying the blood removes the cause of the disease and gives permanent relief. This alterative and tonic medicine has proved entirely satisfactory to thousands of families in three generations.

If there is biliousness or constipation, take Hood's Pills—they are a thorough cathartic, a gentle laxative.

**GASOLINE FAMINE  
STRIKES IN MILES**

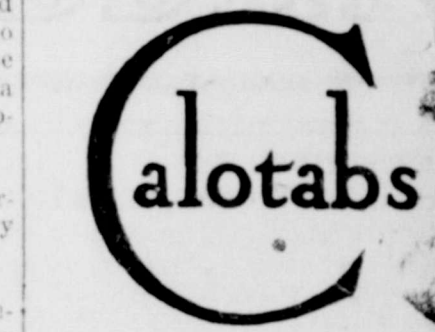
Joy riders, at Miles had to take their joy in walking, or stay at home Sunday, according to reports reaching Ballinger. A gasoline famine struck that town Saturday, and cars without gasoline had to be pushed into the garage and kept there until a shipment of gas could be received.

Parties who had a sufficient quantity of gasoline to motor to Ballinger, tanked up here before returning. Trucks from Ballinger will deliver gasoline to that place today, and car lot shipments will reach there in a day or two.

**REPORTS NEWS OF  
HER FATHER'S DEATH**

Mrs. W. A. Taylor has the sympathy of her friends in her sorrow caused by the death of her father, who died in Tennessee last Friday. Mr. Taylor received a telegram announcing the sad news. Mrs. Taylor visited her father a few months ago, and other children were with him when he died. He was eighty-six years old.

To abort a cold  
and prevent complications, take



The purified and refined calomel tablets that are nausealess, safe and sure. Medicinal virtues retained and improved. Sold only in sealed packages. Price 35c.



Shoes with a soul for business—and soles.

Modern business demands a lot from shoes—

That keen, alert, up-to-the-minute style that breathes ability, success—

And the power to keep going through all weathers, till it's time to take 'em off for good.

It takes good shoes to meet the test—shoes with a soul for business—and soles.

We've got 'em—and at surprisingly moderate prices.

**D. Reeder's  
DRY GOODS**

TWO FRONTS—MUTCHINS AVE. 6-30-31



**HEARTBURN**  
or heaviness after meals are most annoying manifestations of acid-dyspepsia.

**KI-NOIDS**  
pleasant to take, neutralize acidity and help restore normal digestion.

MADE BY SCOTT & BOWNE  
MAKERS OF SCOTT'S EMULSION

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

Year 1919 has gone, taking with it much of joy and much of sorrow, of happiness and heartache, of success and disappointment. The curtain has fallen on the final scene of one of the most eventful periods of all history.

For many it has been a year of marked success and prosperity; others have felt the touch of failure and disappointment and walked beneath the shadow of grief and loss.

For us it has been a year of uncertainties and difficulties, but through it all we have done the best we could to serve the needs of our friends and customers throughout this community.

Filled with the true "Spirit of Service," this store pledges itself during the bright and promising new year that is now just beginning, to serve a little better, to make friendship a little stronger, and to prove itself worthy of the confidence and patronage of its friends and customers.

We thank you for your patronage during the closing year and solicit a continuance of co-operation during the year of 1920, as we wish for you and yours a full measure of success and happiness for the New Year.

## HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & CO.

**MOTHER FINDS HER BABY DEAD IN BED**  
 ANSON, Tex., Dec. 29.—The 4 months old infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Wagley was buried Friday.  
 When the mother of the child

took it out of bed to dress it, Christmas morning, she discovered that the baby was dead. The child was in excellent health when the family retired the night before, and breathing perfectly when the mother left the bed the

### Tubes Free With Every Casing

that we sell from now to Jan. 1.

We will give you an inner tube free.

Complete stock of Goodrich, Pennsylvania and Brunswick Tires.

Exide and Columbia Batteries.

We take your old battery in at \$5.00, regardless of condition.

See us for anything in the Auto line and save money.

### Complete Stock of Supplies Nance-Stroble Auto Electric Company

Dodge Bldg. Main St. Opposite Bateman Lumber Y.  
 Night Phone 327 Day Phone 109

### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

The co-partnership of Victor Rosenwasser & Co., composed of Victor Rosenwasser and A. Heidenheimer, heretofore doing business in the City of Ballinger, Texas, was, by mutual consent, dissolved on the 31st day of December, A. D., 1919, Mr. Heidenheimer succeeding in the business, which will be conducted in the future in the name of A. Heidenheimer, who assumes all liabilities of the firm.  
 31-3rd-31w.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back or from disease. In the two former cases, the right remedy is Ballard's Snow Liniment. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Sold by John A. Weeks.

Mrs. Tom Pickett and children returned to their home at Temple Tuesday, after spending their holidays with Mrs. Pickett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gressett.



### Can You Answer These?

- Is your generator working properly?
- Are your starting motor brushes O. K.?
- Are your spark plugs clean?
- Is solution at the proper level?
- Is the charge too low?
- Are the terminals tight or loose?
- Is the battery firmly wedged or clamped into place?
- Drop in and see us and we'll give you the answers in a few minutes. It may save you a repair bill.

**BALLINGER AUTO CO.**  
 Opposite Court House Law  
 Telephone 505.



following morning. On returning to the baby in about 20 minutes, death had claimed it. It is believed that the child became strangled and ruptured a blood vessel.

Surgeons agree that in cases of cuts, burns, bruises and wounds, the First Treatment is most important. When an Efficient antiseptic is applied promptly, there is no danger of infection and the wound begins to heal at once. For use on man or beast, Borozone is the Ideal Antiseptic and Healing Agent. Buy it now and be ready for an emergency. Sold by John A. Weeks.

One of the old timers in the person of Joe Rich, spent several

days here this week visiting his friends. Mr. Rich was accompanied by his wife and little girl. The drouth got the best of him in this country and he went to the oil fields, where he is prospering, and he returned there Tuesday afternoon.

### Don't You Forget it.

Bear in mind that Chamberlain's Tablets not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. They contain no pepsin or other digestive ferment but strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally.

Mrs. C. C. Cockrell spent Christmas with her brother, Mr. Wilson, who lives down the river.



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THE BANK OF DEPENDABLE SERVICE