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2 WEEKS GAIN SWELLS COTTON CROP FIGURES

WASHINGTON, August 24.—Up to August 16th 36,303 bales of 1925 cotton had been ginned in Texas, according to the government report made public today.

WASHINGTON, August 24.—The condition of the Texas cotton crop was placed at 46 per cent normal, and the production at 3,769,000, according to a forecast by the United States Department of Agriculture made public today.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The cotton market suffered a break following the crop report issued today by the Department of Agriculture, but reaction caused the market to regain.

WASHINGTON, August 24.—An increase of 424,000 bales in this year's prospective cotton crop is shown in the announcement made today by the Department of Agriculture over its condition report made a short time ago.

In its semi-monthly report on crop condition the government forecasts a production of 13,990,000 bales. The report says that the condition of the crop shows improvement during the last two weeks in all states except South Carolina, Alabama and Arkansas.

BAPTISM CLOSÉS REVIVAL AT HATCHEL

A revival which has been in progress for two weeks at Hatchel closed Sunday night, and Rev. T. C. Jester returned to his home at Taylor. Quite a number were received into the church and ten were baptised Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The baptismal services were held on the creek in the Holiday pasture near Hatchel. Several from Ballinger attended the services.

BREAKS HIS THUMB CRANKING AUTO

L. L. Stroble is wearing a bandage over his right hand and carrying his hand in a sling as the result of a painful injury sustained while cranking an auto. In the act of cranking the joy wagon, Mr. Stroble caught his thumb against the number plate hanging within the radius of the crank and as he was giving the crank a twist. The thumb was almost severed, and lacerated in a way which makes the market and cafe man a cripple for a few days.

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WORK STARTS ON FAIR BUILDING

Work was started Monday and is well underway on the new exhibit hall for the Runnels County Fair. The building is going up near the present building, and is a duplicate of the present building, as was recently reported in the plans for making improvements at the fair grounds.

The fair committee let the contract to G. W. Gunn, the contractor doing the work and the fair association furnishing all the material. Bids filed with the committee varied, there being a difference of about \$700 between the highest and the lowest bid.

The other work at Fair Park is going forward rapidly and all the improvements planned will be completed and everything made ready for the opening of the 1925 fair. The entrance to the carnival and show grounds, and the bridge spanning the gully is a part of the work being done. The new sheep sheds, and the new grandstand are also a part of the improvement program.

NEW YORK SEEKS TEXAS WOMAN

SAN ANTONIO, Aug. 22.—Advised today that a New York policeman is en route to San Antonio with a requisition signed by Governor Alfred E. Smith, of New York, for her extradition to New York for the kidnapping of her son, Roscoe Canaday Jr., Mrs. Roscoe Canaday expressed surprise. She said that she was confident that the requisition will not be honored by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.

Mrs. Canaday declared that she based her belief that Mrs. Ferguson would not honor the requisition on the fact that no law in Texas makes it illegal or unlawful for a parent to kidnap her own child.

P. B. Caldwell, of San Antonio, grandfather of Roscoe Canaday Jr., was in Ballinger Saturday afternoon, and when he learned of the requisition for his daughter, Mrs. Canaday, through the Associated Press dispatch to The Ledger, he left at once for his home to be at his daughter's aid should an attempt be made to take her back to New York.

Mr. Caldwell travels for a wholesale silk house and he has been coming to Ballinger for thirty years. He expressed the opinion that Gov. Ferguson would not honor the New York requisition, and that his daughter would not be carried back to New York to face kidnapping charges. Mrs. Canaday was granted a divorce from Canaday and also given the custody of the child by a Texas court. Canaday came to San Antonio and kidnapped the child and carried it to his Long Island home. The man was indicted under the Texas laws for kidnapping and an effort made to bring him back to Texas, but so far the Texas authorities have not been able to get hold of him. Mrs. Canaday went to New York and kidnapped the child. Canaday is a wholesale dress dealer in New York, and is rated as a millionaire.

AUSTIN, August 24.—A hearing on the requisition for extradition of Mrs. Roscoe Canaday, of San Antonio, wanted in New York on the charge of kidnapping her own child, has been set for Tuesday before Governor Ferguson, it was announced today.

A policewoman from New York arrived here today with papers for Mrs. Canaday, and when the matter was presented to the governor and she was asked to honor the requisition, she set Tuesday as the date of hearing.

CONCHO GAMBLERS IN SAN ANGELO JAIL

Sheriff Bob Miller and Deputy Sheriff Buck Bates were in San Angelo Saturday bringing two prisoners with them from Concho county whom they lodged in jail here. L. Northcutt, under a \$71.80 fine and C. Coker, under a \$35 fine, were the prisoners. Both of them have taken the pauper's oath and will get credit for \$3 a day for the time that they spend in jail. These men were arrested by Sheriff Miller and deputies for operating a gambling house at a farm house North of the Dry Hollow school, eleven miles from Paint Rock on the San Angelo-Paint Rock road.—San Angelo Standard.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fulcher are entertaining a fine baby boy at their home on 7th Street. The young man arrived August 20th.

Mrs. J. A. Stobaugh, of Fort Worth, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. Ira Sims.

LARGE ROOM FOR AUTO LICENSE LOCAL COURT BAR SET NEW RECORD

Carpenters have just completed the work of making a change in the district court room which relieves the crowded condition around the bar. The railing in front of the judge's bench has been set back three feet, giving more room for attorneys and those connected with the court.

Painters are at work repainting the interior of the court room, and the new seats will be placed in position before court convenes here next month. B. F. Corum is doing the painting, having already painted the lobby and offices on the ground floor, as well as the offices on the second floor of the building. The entire interior of the court house has undergone a repainting, and the building shows a marked improvement.

Mrs. R. P. Conn and son, C. B., and daughter, Miss Doris, will ship out for their new home at San Antonio within a few days. C. B., who has been with the F. & M. Bank, has resigned his position with that institution, and accepted a position with a bank in San Antonio. We regret to lose Mrs. Conn and family from Ballinger.

MOVES UP DATE OF JAIL OPENING

The date for the formal opening of the new Runnels county jail has been postponed until September 14th and 15th. It was recently announced that the jail would be opened on September 1st and 2nd, but the jail will not be completed by that time, and the dates have been moved up. The commissioners court was in session this week, and in order to make sure that the new prison would be complete before the public is invited to come and inspect it, the dates were set forward a couple of weeks.

H. W. Lynn was down from Winters Tuesday afternoon on business. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn recently returned home from a trip to Colorado, making the trip in their car.

With the year only two-thirds gone, automobile registrations in Runnels county have already exceeded the total number of cars registered last year. Tax Collector W. L. Brown reports 4,644 cars and 317 trucks registered for this year, as compared with the total for the entire year of 1924 of 4,379 cars and 273 trucks. In 1923 3,647 cars and 53 trucks were registered. The growth of the motor car industry, including both trucks and cars is reflected in the following table:

1923	3,700
1924	4,652
1925 (9 months)	4,961

The State Highway Commission has announced that the 1926 plates will be placed in the hands of the county collectors early this year, and the Runnels county quota of numbers is due to arrive about the first of October. The local collector has already been assigned his numbers, which will begin with 707*051 and run to 711*800 for cars and 70951 and run to 71300 for trucks. It is not indicated in advance notices what design the highway commission has adopted for the 1926 number plates. Probably there will be change other than the date of the year.

OFFERS SELF TO SAVE AMERICAN

HARBIN, Manchuria, Aug. 25.—A Chinese military officer has offered himself as a hostage for Dr. Harvey Howard, American, who was captured by Chinese bandits some time ago.

The Chinese military officer is proceeding to the bandit camp in Manchuria and the release of Dr. Howard is expected within ten days. The military officer who has volunteered to take Dr. Howard's place will remain with the bandits until the ransom that has been demanded for Dr. Howard is paid.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moody returned home Monday night from Bomarton, Texas, where they attended the funeral of A. H. Golden Jr., Mrs. Moody's brother.

STORY AND STIFF FACE CHARGES TRAIN MESSENGER DIES IN HOLD-UP

DENTON, Aug. 25.—Charges of robbery with firearms in connection with an effort to rob the Sanger National Bank on March 11th of this year, were filed today against Yancy Story and Shelby Stiff. Both the men are being held in the Dallas county jail.

The charges filed today are in addition to those filed yesterday against the men in connection with the robbery of a bank at Krum, Texas on June 9th.

Bailey Mack left Saturday for Oklahoma, where he goes to be with a cotton compress for the season. The company for which the young man is working is opening a new press and has transferred him.

SANTA ANA, Calif., Aug. 25.—Three pouches of mail, including a large amount of airplane mail, was missing from the Santa Fe train No. 75, which was boarded and robbed last night between San Diego and Santa Ana, when a check-up of the looted car was made this morning.

Elmer Campbell, age 62, express messenger on the train, was shot and fatally wounded. All hope of saving the man's life was abandoned at the hospital here today. Campbell was in charge of the combination express and mail car which the robbers looted and he was shot during the robbery. He was unconscious when brought to a hospital and has been unconscious since.

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Our mechanical treatment consists of manipulation, Swedish Massage and Chiropractic Adjustments. We do not treat the disease itself but adjust or remove the cause of the disease.

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The Winters State Bank

Winters Texas
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A Card of Appreciation

Words cannot express our appreciation to every one visiting us on our birthday.

We are glad you came in, you were just as welcome if you bought anything or not, we trust you made yourself at home and enjoyed it as much as we did.

We had hoped that every one would register and guess at the number of persons coming in, but we only had 1937 to register, which we are sure there were around 8,000 visitors. We had no way of telling for sure if you did not register.

The nearest guesses were 1950, these being by:

Mrs. T. J. Parrish, Ballinger
Mrs. J. C. McNoley, Rowena

L. W. Brown, Maverick

Again thanking you for your patronage during our first year and for being here Saturday, and trusting we will have the privilege of being your grocer and market with better service during the coming year.

Greatfully yours,

PIGGLY WIGGLY

STAY OFF WIRE DURING A FIRE

About 400 telephones on the local switchboard were put out of commission Thursday afternoon by the excited or curiously inclined persons ringing in to know where the fire was when the alarm sounded.

"Please don't do it any more," says Manager Atkins, and the manager says that it was the second similar occurrence for this city within the last year. When the R. T. Williams home burned the public overloaded the switchboard and out went the fuses and down went three or four hundred telephones.

That the public may understand the situation, we will say that not only is it impossible for the operators to answer several hundred calls at one time, but when several hundred ring in at one time it overloads the switchboard and the fuses are blown out. The exchange equipment is such that one fuse supplies about two hundred telephones, and to overload the board causes one of these fuses to blow out and that puts 200 phones out of commission at one stroke. And thus the service is crippled and emergency calls interrupted.

It is the rule of the members of the first company to ask "central" where the fire is, and this service cannot be rendered when everybody rings in, and thus the efficiency of the fire company is crippled because the firemen can not get "central" and cannot locate the place where their services are needed.

There is always more or less excitement when fire breaks out, and frequently accidents occur, making the services of a physician necessary, to say nothing of other important and emergency calls which might come in.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP IS CHILD'S BEST LAXATIVE



HURRY MOTHER! Even a bilious, constipated, feverish child loves the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to open the bowels. A teaspoonful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

With all the drops on the switchboard down, "central" cannot tell one call from the other, does not know which is an important call or which is coming in through curiosity on the part of someone wanting to know about the fire.

Next time the fire alarm is given, don't rush to your telephone and take down the receiver. Just be patient and you will soon find out where the fire is, and by so doing you may be the means of saving someone's life, or at least you will not be responsible for interrupting important telephone service.

To Stop a Cough Quick

Take HAYES' HEALING HONEY, a cough medicine which stops the cough by healing the inflamed and irritated tissues.

A box of GROVES' O-PEN-TRATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup is enclosed with every bottle of HAYES' HEALING HONEY. The salve should be rubbed on the chest and throat of children suffering from a Cold or Croup.

The healing effect of Hayes' Healing Honey inside the throat combined with the healing effect of Groves' O-Pen-Trade Salve through the pores of the skin soon stops a cough.

Both remedies are packed in one carton and the cost of the combined treatment is 35c.

Just ask your druggist for HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

WOMEN AND GIRLS CLUB MEETING

The South Ballinger Clubs met Tuesday, August 18th, at the home of Mrs. W. H. Doss, with the largest attendance we have had since organizing.

The girls had 17 on roll—11 present and 5 new members. The ladies had 14 on roll, 10 present, and 5 new members. The girls are working on the third club problem, the sewing bag. The cup towel and hot pan holders being ready, by most of the girls to hand in.

Our program for the ladies consisted of hat making, the renovation of old hats and the making of new ones. The problem of fall gardens was discussed, also the plans for the Improved Kitchen Contest for 1926 were suggested.

Our program as outlined for the next meeting, September 9th, with Mrs. W. H. Greer:

Roll call
Picture of the house dress I am going to make

Business

Discussions—
1. How to save in cutting
2. How to alter commercial patterns.

Demonstrations—
Cutting and fitting garments
MISS EULA KEY.

Home Demonstration Agent

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sharpe, of the Norton county, are entertaining an eleven pound boy at their home. The fine baby was born on August 19th.

J. W. Wood, of Sterling City, is here visiting friends. Mr. Wood was one of the pioneers of this county, but has been living in Sterling for quite a number of years.

Seeks Home for Babies and Then Supplies Them

"I am carrying this little fellow to a home out West of San Angelo," said Rev. W. A. Nichols to the editor of The Ledger as he stopped at a local cafe to get breakfast. Rev. Nichols had just arrived from Abilene. The little fellow in his care had been abandoned by his parents, but there was a childless home out West of San Angelo which had made application for a bright boy, and the saintly old gentleman, whose white hair shows that he has seen many years in service, was en route to fill the wants of the childless couple.

Rev. Nichols is known throughout sixty counties in West Texas, extending from Ranger to El Paso and from Brownwood to Dalhart, as the man who carries babies in a basket while traveling. He is known by every conductor and bus man, and is greeted by thousands of people wherever he goes. He sometimes gets calls to distant parts of the state outside of his territory. He recently answered a call to San Antonio, where he found a couple of babies, took charge of them, and placed them in good homes. The official baby carrier of West Texas is superintendent for the West Texas Children's Aid and Welfare Association. The board of directors, officers and advisory board members are selected from the various cities of West Texas. R. T. Williams, of Ballinger is a member of the advisory board, and T. S. Lankford was formerly a member of the board.

Rev. Nichols uses a basket for carrying the newly born babies. He often gets them when they are only a day or two old. He uses two sizes, one only large enough for one baby, while the larger basket will accommodate three, and he has often had three infants in the basket at one time, traveling from place to place with them. The old gentleman says that he knows more about babies than any woman on earth, and to see him handling and caring for them is proof sufficient that he is well posted on babies.

"I have been studying them for the last seventeen years," said Rev. Nichols, "and if a man can't learn something about babies in seventeen years, he ought to quit the baby business." Rev. Nichols has been in this work for seventeen years and six months.

"One day I was on a train with two babies," said the baby man, "one in my lap and the other in the basket. A woman came along and asked me why I didn't have a woman to take care of them for me. I told her that this business of caring for babies was a particular job, so I did it myself. She left me in a huff as the other women laughed. Half the women do not know how to care for their babies intelligently. Most women, whenever a baby cries will give it milk to drink. Then when a baby does get too much milk, it really does feel badly. At our home we feed the babies at regular hours on modified cow's milk provided at the rate of one dollar per day by the Red Cross.

"Whenever a baby cries, I can tell what is the matter with it. The main thing is to get the baby comfortable. Most women, when they take a baby to church, or travel with it, put too many clothes on it. The child gets hot and all that it can do is yell. The conductors will tell you that they have never heard a baby cry when I had it in charge on their trains. I carry bottles for them and whenever their feeding hour comes, I let them have it."

In an interview with a reporter Rev. Nichols talks interestingly of his experience in handling babies. He might be taken for a peddler of some kind when he is seen going down the street with a basket strapped over his shoulder, but his dignified appearance on close scrutiny will convince you that his call is one much higher than that of a peddler. "Whenever I go into a larger city all the bell hops grab for my basket," said the old gentleman, "but they will not accept a tip from me for carrying it." The baby carrier said that he received a great deal of attention when traveling with a basket filled with babies.

The work of the institution of which Rev. Nichols is the super-

intendent, is one of the most worthy works being carried on in a benevolent way. Rev. Nichols has a little folder which he hands out to interested parties, and it tells how the work is supported and how it is being carried on. It is strictly interdenominational, or non-sectarian. It is affiliated with no church, lodge, city, county or state government. It is supported strictly by voluntary donations.

During his seventeen years work Rev. Nichols says that he has placed 500 babies in good homes. Eighty-five per cent of them have made good, while fifteen per cent have gone to the bad, either left the homes after they had grown up, or were placed in reform schools. Sixty-five per cent of the children placed in homes are infants, while the age limit is fifteen years. "I recently placed two fine girls fifteen years of age in a good home," said Rev. Nichols, "and they are making good."

Rev. Nichols handled fifty-five children in good homes last year, thirty-five of the number being infants. The others were of different ages. He says that he has never placed a baby in a Ballinger home, but he knows of some homes here where he thinks there could be a baby. He has carried seven children from this city and placed them in homes elsewhere. Very few orphan children are handled by the society. Rev. Nichols says that nearly all the children he handles are children whose parents are not able to care for them on account of illness, or other causes, and a large majority of them are children who have been deserted by their parents, and left helpless in a cruel world. In such cases he steps in and supplies them homes. A wonderful work, and if there is a reward in the life beyond for the work done in this life, this old gentleman surely has laid up a crown filled with many jewels.

Rev. Nichols says that he has twice as many calls for girls as he does for boys. Girl babies are more popular he declares, but he says that he often has a greater demand for babies than can be supplied.

The society has a home leased in Abilene where children are cared for until they can be placed in a good home. It costs about \$1.25 per day to keep the babies until they can be placed in a permanent home. The cost of handling a baby, paying railroad fare and traveling expenses and all expenses from the time the baby is found until it is placed in a home amounts to a little more than \$100, on the average. Most of the children left at homes, are legally adopted by the foster parents which settles their future destiny. Rev. Nichols keeps a check on the children he distributes, and if anything goes wrong it is corrected. The child must not be mistreated. He makes a visit once a year to every home where he leaves a baby.

The foundlings turned over to him without names are immediately given a name by the saintly old man. Most of the families taking a baby change its name to suit their own fancy. Rev. Nichols said. Of course in the case of older children, they maintain the name given them by their deserting parents. How would you like to have the job of supplying names for 500 babies.

The venerable old gentleman says that the world is wet with tears, and he says that nearly every child coming under his care has a tragedy behind it. Some of the babies were given birth by mothers as young as thirteen years, he says. Not very many mothers who give up their babies ever reclaim or attempt to reclaim their child after they have been turned over to him, and the affections of the children and the foster parents become cemented in a way that results in happiness instead of sorrow and tragedy.

Ballinger folks will be interested in knowing that the seven children who were deserted by their father here, and who later were turned over to Rev. Nichols

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SCOTT'S EMULSION
The Vitamin-rich Food-tonic
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by their mother, are all now in happy homes, are well cared for, and educated to make good men and good women.

Rev. Nichols visits Ballinger frequently. He has not been called on here but the one time to help provide for the helpless, but he can be seen changing cars here, going and coming, to get a baby, deliver one, or visit a home where in years past he has left a child. The great friend of babies finds pleasure in his work, and it is no easy task either to travel over the country on trains, street cars, motor cars, carrying a basket of babies, and taking the great responsibility of caring for them.

When Rev. Nichols is gone, who will take his place?

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HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which quickly relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions.

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KEMP HAS A BIG DIVERSIFIED CROP

Geo. Kemp, living just Southwest of Ballinger, has one of the finest crops almost matured that it has been our privilege to see. A Ledger reporter walked over the field Friday afternoon with Mr. Kemp and was surprised to find cotton, milo, feterita and melons growing so prolifically on the Kemp place. While he is only cultivating a small acreage in cotton the outlook is that he will gather as many bales as other fields with many acres in it, in fact the adjoining fields only appear to have about one-third the crop that Mr. Kemp has. He attributes this to the proper cultivation and diversification. The cotton plants are almost hip high and literally covered with fruit to the top. One stalk counted showed 110 bolls, squares and blossoms, and practically every stalk shows the same proportion and the smallest showed to have around 85 bolls and blossoms to the stalk.

Mr. Kemp's entire crop was hauled out in the spring, and everything had to be replanted. The cotton has only been planted a few days over six weeks and has passed all the other early cotton in growth and fruitage.

The milo and feterita crops are all headed and will be ready to gather within a short time. The stalks are large and green all the way to the end of the foliage, while the heads are now large enough to pull the stalks over.

The watermelon crop is just coming in and a part of the vines will grow at least three weeks before the melons are ripe. The reporter knows they are good for he helped eat a couple and never tasted better ones.

Sufferers of Skin Diseases

Hooper's Tetter-Rem is guaranteed for all skin diseases or troubles makes no difference of how long standing. If you are troubled with Eczema, Tetter, Itch, (any form) Ringworm, Pimples, Salt-Rheum, Dandruff, Cracked Hands, Poison Ivy, Old Sores, Erysipelas, or any other skin disease or trouble, secure a bottle of Hooper's Tetter-Rem on our positive guarantee to give you entire satisfaction or your money back. A liquid. Will not stain. A germicide. Two sizes, 75c and \$1.50. Mfgd. by Escaline Medicine Co., Dallas, Texas. Sold and guaranteed by

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C. R. CREWS BACK ON JOB

C. R. Crews, pioneer undertaker and a man who perhaps has more friends than any man in Ballinger, is able to be back at his post of duty after a five weeks absence on account of illness. Mr. Crews was stricken with blood poison, and for several days he was in a serious condition. An infection on his hand caused glands in his arm to become inflamed, necessitating an operation. He was able to be up and went to San Angelo to visit his son while recuperating about ten days ago, and returned home Friday. His friends will be glad to know that he is regaining his strength and is rapidly becoming himself again.

Miss Louise Doss came in Thursday from Tennessee, and will make her home in Ballinger, having arranged to teach a class in piana music. Miss Doss is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Doss and a sister of Judge A. K. Doss. Her studio will be in the school building.

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ANY WOMAN, any man, can now have a well-developed face and form. The whole, simple secret of a well-developed form is in the number of blood-cells in your body. You can now forget all the theoretical talk about diet, exercise, fad treatments, food-fats and fat-foods. Nothing is of any use, after all, except blood-cells!

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S. S. S. is sold at all good drug stores in two sizes. The larger size is more economical.

S.S.S. The World's Best Blood Medicine

HOME BURNS AT ROWENA

The home of Fred Theterson at Rowena was destroyed by fire Thursday morning with a loss of \$1,500. The fire started from an oil stove which exploded while the family was preparing breakfast. The fire spread so rapidly that the family only had time to escape and the contents of the home were destroyed with the building.

BITES-STINGS
Apply wet baking soda or household ammonia, followed by
VICKS VAPORUB
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

NORTON FOLKS ARE WED IN BALLINGER

Rev. E. W. Bridges performed the ceremony Thursday afternoon in the marriage of Kirk Murphy and Miss Mattie Ellen Carter, of the Norton country. The young couple drove to the Methodist parsonage, were married, and went on their way rejoicing.

BUYS FIRE INSURANCE AGENCY FROM BARBEE

E. Shepperd has purchased the J. N. Barbee insurance agency and emerges the business with the Shepperd agency. Mr. Barbee has been writing life insurance for several years, and about a year ago he established a fire insurance agency. He has been officing in the E. & M. Bank building.

Mrs. J. R. Holloway and sons, Bud and E. A. Holloway and family, of Norton returned Monday from New Mexico, where they visited her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Warren and family. They made the trip by auto and report seeing some pretty country and good crops.

Renew Your Health by Purification

Any physician will tell you that "Perfect Purification of the System is Nature's foundation of Perfect Health." Why not rid yourself of chronic ailments that are undermining your vitality? Purify your entire system by taking a thorough course of Calotabs, —once or twice a week for several weeks—and see how Nature rewards you with health.

Calotabs are the greatest of all system purifiers. Get a family package, containing full directions, price 35 cts.; trial package, 10 cts. At any drug store. (Adv.)

Abilene Wide Open To Ballinger Trade Trippers

ABILENE, Aug. 29.—This city was thrown wide open to 300 citizens from Ballinger who swooped down upon the city about eleven o'clock today, invading the city with a throng of boosters for the Runnels County Fair.

The enthusiastic delegation was about the "peppiest" bunch of boosters to ever visit Abilene. Parking their cars near the Palace Hotel, the trade trippers formed in line and paraded through Chestnut, Pine, North Third and Cypress Streets, halting at the T. & P. lawn where the boosters gave a short program and where several addresses were delivered. The Turkey in the Straw Band lead the parade.

Judge Stinson delivered the address of welcome, extending a hearty greeting to Abilene to the visitors. Other speakers were E. E. King, Judge A. K. Doss, Judge Alfred Creager.

Immediately after the program and about one o'clock The West Texas Utilities Company lined up its street cars and carried the crowd to the Fair Park where they were the guests of Abilene at a barbecue. The Lions Club met with the boosters at the barbecue.

Returning to the city on the street cars, the visitors were turned loose for a breathing spell and little recreation to their own choosing. The city was thrown open to them to spend the time any way they chose. All the theatres of the city were thrown open and the boosters invited to attend them as the guest of the theatre managers.

With banners flying and horns honking, sixty-one cars and 259 people were in line for the procession of trade trippers and fair advertisers who left for Abilene at eight o'clock Thursday morning.

Several cars were not ready to get in the procession, but left later, and with those due to fall in line along the route, it is estimated that at least seventy-five cars and between 275 and 300 Ballingerites will invade the Taylor County city.

It was the largest crowd of trade trippers and the liveliest bunch of boosters ever started out of this city to spread the good news of Ballinger and the progressive spirit that has put the big county fair so prominently on the map.

In addition to the county fair banners which told the mission of the trade trippers at a glance, the members of the excursion were decorated with badges, hat banners, etc., and a program of stunts had been arranged which will attract the attention of the public wherever the boosters stop and stage their parade.

In addition to the "Turkey in the Straw" band, the Hawaiian Trio and the Ukalele girls will make music, and the song leaders were well tuned, and there will be something doing throughout the three hours stay in Abilene. News had been received here that our neighbors were planning a program of entertainment at the Abilene end of the line, the entertainment including a barbecue at the Abilene Fair Park and a street car ride cover the city.

Time permitting the boosters expected to stop at Tuscola, Buffalo Gap, and probably visit Winters again.

The boosters who visited Abilene Thursday were a credit to any county or town and the people of Taylor county know that a fair will be held in Runnels county, and they are coming on Thursday, October 15th, to claim that day as theirs. More than 300 people representing practically every town and community in the county were among the crowd and everybody did all they could to show Abilene the peppiest crew that ever visited that city. As Judge Stinson said in his address of welcome, "We had never seen anything until this bunch of boosters visited Abilene."

Following the parade in the forenoon and the feed given the boosters at the West Texas Fair Park the boosters went back to town and for more than two hours serenaded the city with a program of high-class entertainment. The Grace Hotel, Abilene Reporter, West Texas Utilities Co., Minter Dry Goods Co., and a

concert on the main street made up the places of serenades. W. C. McCarver, president of the Runnels County Fair Association, made a short address on the street at the last concert in which he told the Abilene people about the growth of the fair and gave them an invitation to attend on the day designated.

The big feature of the downtown serenades was a male quartet composed of J. I. Warren, of Winters; Oscar Robinson, of Wilmett; and J. R. Jennings, of Wilmett. These four men delighted the crowds at every stop with their vocal numbers and drew yells from the crowd of boosters every time they sang. It was one of the best balanced quartets ever heard and they know their "stuff." J. I. Warren demonstrated that he was an orator as well as a singer, making one of the best pep speeches for the fair that was made during the day.

The Hawaiians also made a hit at every stop. In costumes that made them look the part of real Hawaiians, they delivered the goods. They were led by D. J. Hudson, of Miles, who "steps on" a steel guitar, and assisted by Julius Bauman, Steve Hale and Doug Motley.

The Girls Club was full of pep and ready to work at all times with snappy songs. These with the "Turkey in the Straw" Band kept things humming all day, and it is believed did much to advertise the coming fair.

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NEW SCHOOL BOOKS ARRIVE

More than \$3,000 worth of new school books were received by the county superintendent and placed in the depository at the court house Tuesday. Superintendent R. E. White and his assistant, Hoyt Smith, will be kept busy for several days unpacking the books, checking them in and arranging them in proper place for quick distribution when the orders are placed by the fifty schools in the county.

The big shipment of books is a part of a requisition made by this county to replenish books and to take the place of those which were discarded by the text book commission, the newly adopted books being included in the shipment.

Under the free text book law free books are furnished to the pupils in all the public schools, and as there are about 5,000 school children in this county, it can readily be seen that it is no small task to provide books for all the children. It is the duty of the county superintendent to have these books on hand and issue them to the schools when they are called for. The teachers have to keep a record of the books, and this record must tally with the county superintendent's record when the schools close, all books being accounted for.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets). It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.

Frank Stuart came in from South Texas Thursday and will spend a week in Ballinger before going to his home at Tahoka. Mr. Stuart says that crops are pretty good around Wharton, but from Eagle Lake to Lampasas the condition of the country is deplorable and hard to describe.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Northington left Friday for an auto trip through the West. They will visit on the Plains, New Mexico, spending some time at Cloudcroft, N. M., and will return home by the way of El Paso.

GOES HUNGRY TO GETS BIG YIELD SEE THE MOVIES FROM PURE SEED

A man, a healthy looking fellow, one who would tip the beam to passibly 180, approached a couple of young men on the streets here late Monday and appealed to them for money with which to buy something to eat. He related a story of how far he had walked, and how long it had been since he had placed his feet under a table, or faced a lunch counter, or received even a hand-out.

Touched by the pitiful plea of the stranger, a couple of prosperous youths loosed their purses and divided their cash with the unfortunate transient, one of the young men advancing fifteen cents and the other a quarter. The stranger accepted the gift with an appreciative "easy mark" appearance, forgetting to thank his benefactors, and turned around and walked off.

Being a little suspicious that their charity inclined spirits had yielded to the pleas of an unworthy object, and probably a grafter, the young men kept an eye on the stranger. In short order they saw their money go for a ticket to the picture show. It was the thrill of romance and comedy that the man was hungry for, and not that which keeps soul and body together.

Naturally feeling a little sore, and with a determination not to be lugged in such an easy manner, the two charitable youths went in search of the chief of police and detailed to the strong arm of the law how they had been buncoed out of their hard-earned cash—money which they no doubt expected to appropriate in filling their hope chest, and in later years aid in furnishing a cozy nest for two.

"Come with us, we'll show you the son-of-a-gun who got our money," and the officer followed the two victims of the hold-up to the movie where the man was pointed out to him.

The chief of police never has been guilty of turning down a call from a friend in distress, and he hastened to gratify the spirit of revenge which was making itself so keenly felt by this time.

Inviting the stranger on the outside, the chief of police convened court on the sidewalk, the chief and the two charitably inclined youths constituting the whole court. After a few questions had been propounded to the itinerant defendant, it was the decree of the court that he be given one minute to make the start and nine minutes to get out of the city limits. The time limit proved ample with some to spare, and the movie fan went West.

Hereafter beggars will receive a cold reception when they call on Marvin Atkins and Walt Allen for help.

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100 DELINQUENT TAX SUITS FILED

Miss Georgia Singletary, district clerk, is issuing citations in about 100 delinquent state and county tax suits which have been filed and will be docketed for trial at the September term of court. An effort will be made to get service on most of the defendants in time to dispose of the suits at the coming term of court.

The law requires the county attorney to file suits on delinquent taxes, and all the records have been turned over to the attorney, suits filed, and the clerk ordered to issue the citations.

Foreclosure will be taken and further costs added, unless the delinquent comes forward, pays off, and stops the court proceedings. There is considerable money involved in the one hundred suits, and the property is good for the taxes.

Max Bentley, staff correspondent for the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram, was here Friday looking for big news stories. He had been to San Angelo to get a line-up on the hotel fire.

"This is what seed selection will do," said County Agent C. W. Lehmburg as he came in from the farm of R. A. Flanagan on Valley Creek Monday afternoon with an armful of as fine milo maize heads as a farmer could wish for.

Mr. Lehmburg was out scouting for exhibits for the county fair, and he brought in specimens that will make the world stand up and take notice. The county agent stated that Mr. Flanagan certainly had a fine crop of maize, and his cotton would go better than a third of a bale per acre, rain or shine.

Mr. Flanagan's maize crop shows the result of seed selection. He selected his planting seed with care, and every head almost in the field is a big one, well filled out and matured to the very end. The grain is thick and compact in the head, and notwithstanding that the seasons have not come right to produce the best feed crop, Mr. Flanagan's maize does not show the effect of a drought.

Mr. Lehmburg says that maize planted in an adjoining field from unselected seed is of the scrubby kind and does not show up like the maize from the pure

seed. The farmer who selects his seed with care, and who does not plant anything but the best seed, is the farmer who will carry off the blue ribbons at the county fair. It pays to plant the best seed just as much as it pays to raise the best stock, or the best poultry. This has been demonstrated many times.

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Lee Connell and family came in Friday from Austin on a visit to Mr. Connell's brother, A. C. Connell and family. The Austin man says that only about five inches of rain has fallen in Travis county within the last fourteen months and that what did fall

came in showers in such a way to be of no benefit. He stated that some people are hauling water for a distance of twenty-five miles, and others have been forced to dig wells.

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J. M. Slaughter, of Maverick, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Slaughter recently returned from an auto trip to California, going by the way of Colorado, and says that he climbed Pikes Peak in a Dodge. While on the mountain Mr. Slaughter says that he was in rain, hail, snow and sunshine.

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The public utility industry—for instance the service of West Texas Telephone Co., is peculiar in that it can do well only as the people served by it do well. It is an essential service, and experience has shown that an industry which is affected with a public interest serves well only through cooperation between the service and the people served.

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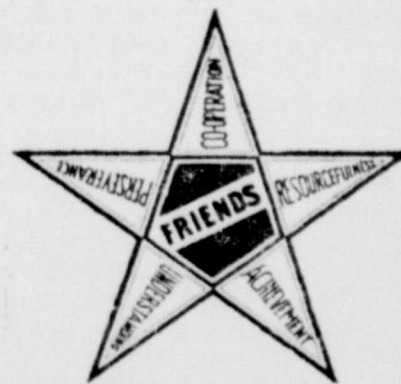
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A New Mexico man was killed last week for trying to stop a fight between two other men. It does not pay to meddle in the other fellow's affairs.

Laughter is the name of an undertaking establishments in a neighboring town. The name should help to lighten the sorrow connected with the business of burying the dead.

Some people scramble for the daily paper to get the baseball report, while others scramble to get the crop report. But then it takes all kinds of people to make a world.

One man advances the theory that it is the North wind which brings the grasshoppers. The question of from whence they come and whether they are going has not been answered.

The Texas turkey crop is also unusually small this year, according to a size-up of the poultry situation, and with a short cotton crop the state is crippled in two of its chief sources of revenue.

We have just about reached the season of the year when farmers will quit speculating on what the cotton crop might do if it rains and the figures are now up to the pickers. We are passing over the dead line.

Coleman is discussing plans for a new hotel. But it is hardly possible that Coleman will get ahead of Ballinger on the hotel proposition. Things are gradually assuming shape here, so we are reliably informed.

Summer colds, like most everything else which comes out of season, don't fit in very well. There is an epidemic in Ballinger, and the victims are generally out of humor and can easily be identified.

Testing your lights does not necessarily mean that you must have a lot of new equipment added. The highway department is only trying to eliminate a cause which has contributed to many fatal accidents. Cut out the glare.

Publishing a list of income tax payers, and making reports subject to inspection by the public, may cause some income tax payers to change their figures. There is a penalty for making false reports, and you know Uncle Sam is a little "hard boiled" in such matters.

It does not cost any more to plant a grain crop than it does a cotton crop, nor near as much to cultivate and harvest. We have never seen the time yet in this country when farmers made more feed than they could sell and keep their stock in good condition.

A South Texas county recently voted one million dollars in flood prevention bonds. A county a little further up in the state has just voted half a million dollars in road bonds to make employment for drouth sufferers. Come to Texas if you are looking for a variety of weather.

Winters received the first bale of 1925 cotton Thursday afternoon. The second bale came in about an hour after the first bale arrived. Both bales were sold for two-bits per pound, and a purse raised and divided on the basis of sixty-forty between the farmers. Fair enough, and all parties should be satisfied.

Profiting by the recent experience, San Angelo is taking steps to improve her fire fighting equipment. Life and property depend on it, and money invested in fire fighting equipment is about the best money any city could spend.

A New York concern is sending representatives to Texas to seek out a location for a milk condenser, and Brownwood is after it. We have often wondered why Texas, one of the best dairying states in the United States, ships

in all her dried milk. It is high time the South was waking up.

Apparently some parents get much satisfaction out of naming their sons for the president or some noted man. Twins recently born to a Texas father and mother were given the name of Coolidge and Dawes. There is nothing in a name; it is the "ambish" that counts.

Up at Ovalo workmen are speeding up to get a gin replaced which was recently destroyed by fire. The general opinion is that someone touched a match to the gin, and a handsome reward has been offered for his scalp. The fellow who will deliberately set fire to property should be roasted in the ashes of the ruins of his work.

More than 50 people gathered in the field of Louie Alcorn, in the Crews community, recently, and chopped out and cultivated Mr. Alcorn's crop. Mr. Alcorn had been sick and not able to work his crop. It is just such deeds as this that makes West Texas the best country on earth in which to live.

The Concho County Fair will be held at Eden on October 22nd and 23rd, according to the fair committee which has just fixed the dates. That will be one week after the Runnels County Fair and will give the exhibitors of Concho county time to get their exhibits back home after coming to Runnels county and winning some of the first money.

If you have the blues, or if you are not entirely satisfied with the ways things are running around your home town, take a little motor trip, go towards Central Texas for the distance of a day's drive and then you will return home and congratulate yourself that you are a citizen of Runnels County.

A peculiar situation presented itself at Austin this week. A New York policewoman asked a woman governor to give her the right to take a woman prisoner to New York. It was a case where woman won, and Mrs. Canaday will not be forced to return to New York and answer charges of kidnapping her own son from her husband.

Enough money has been wasted on the public roads in Texas within the last ten years by patch work methods to give the state a system of permanent hard surface highways. The same applies to streets. Roads and streets constructed on a scientific basis are the cheapest in the long run, and then the tax payers get something for their money.

The boosters who visited Abilene Thursday have nothing but words of praise for the citizens of that city. Not a complaint has been heard from anyone. If no other good results from these booster trips other than creating a better acquaintanceship and more friendly relationship between cities, the time and money will be well spent. Abilene will be our guests for an hour or two next week. We will be at home.

The Santa Fe safe at Tuscola was blown into smithereens by yeggs Thursday morning about 1:00 o'clock. We expected this to begin in West Texas, but did not expect it quite so soon. It is only a sample of what will follow, as this country becomes overrun with drifters from the drouth district. If you think anything of your valuables you had better hang around pretty close, and sleep with one eye open. We regret to have to say that about our country, but a little warning should not give us a bad rep, and perhaps not as bad as things might become if the warning was not sounded.

Shifting from two to three million dollars of the state's funds to banks in the drouth district will not benefit the poor devil who is being forced to borrow, beg or steal, unless some measure is adopted to help him get the money out of the bank. It is the fellow who has no credit or collateral who must look to some charitable means of getting him by until he can get work. There are plenty of good, honest men in the drouth area who are dead broke. Poverty may be a little inconvenient, but it is no crime. The only reason there are more poor criminals than rich crim-

inals is because there are more poor people than rich people.

An editorial in one of the larger daily papers of the state says that Texas will suffer financial loss on account of the publicity being given to the drouth condition of Central Texas, and thinks the situation is being a little overdrawn. The writer predicts that the Texas cotton crop will be seventy-five per cent of what last year's crop was. The man who wrote the editorial is no doubt an optimist, and probably he has not visited the drouth district. Texas will suffer, and is suffering financial loss, but it is due to the drouth and not to the publicity given on crop conditions and the drouth, and neither do we think that Texas will produce seventy-five per cent as much cotton as last year. It can't be did this year with sixty of the largest cotton producing counties taking the year off.

SAFE CRACKERS

Yeggs let Sweetwater down light Sunday night, and only blew three safes in that city. Last week the Santa Fe safe at Tuscola was blown.

Such occurrences will cease to be news during the fall, unless the citizens throughout this country adopt some method of dealing with the crooks and are on their guard.

A cast iron safe in some little shack, or even in the most modern business house, is a poor place to keep money.

Ballinger is no doubt on the itinerary of the safe blowers, and when it happens, the readers of The Ledger can't say they didn't have fair warning.

RADIO TO HELP WORLD PEACE

It has been announced that the ultimate technical success of international broadcasting and its unmeasured possibilities for public usefulness will make the radio an instrument for aiding world peace and good will throughout the world.

Announcement has been made that it has been practically assured that the radio fans of the United States, and that numbers people by the millions, may nightly listen to radio programs broadcast from England in the fall and winter of this year.

Wonderful strides have been made during the summer in overcoming static troubles and other mechanical defects in connection with broadcasting, and through an agreement between the British Broadcast Company and the Radio Corporation of America, the service promises to be greatly improved.

Programs carried across the seas to the Europeans, and programs broadcast from the European countries and picked up in this country, will no doubt bring the world closer together and create a spirit of good will that no other similar agency has ever created.

FAIRS

In 1810, one fair; in 1925, two thousand fairs.

In 1810, an attendance of about 5,000; in 1925 an estimated attendance of approximately 25,000,000.

These figures, in a nutshell, tell the story of the marvelous growth of the American fair from the humblest beginning to its present-day status as an important factor in agricultural education. They are of especial interest here in view of the approaching Runnels County Fair which will be held in Ballinger on October 13, 14, 15 and 16.

While the fair idea has been taken hold of tremendously in the United States, it is not native to this country. Fairs run back to ancient days, but in the olden times they were more after the manner of a bazaar or market, only held with less frequency, very much like the fairs in vogue in Germany and other European countries today. The American fair traces its ancestry back only to about the middle of the 18th century, when a group of progressive farmers in the Tees River valley in Northeastern Britain joined to bring their livestock together for comparison. It has been termed the first agricultural fair and was the model after which were patterned the hundreds of country fairs both here and in England.

Elkanah Watson of New York has been credited with being the father of the American fair. In 1815 Watson organized the agricultural society of Albany, N. Y., and proceeded to establish fairs and cattle shows in the neighboring counties. In 1819, due mainly to his influence, the New York legislature appropriated \$10,000 a year for six years for premiums on agricultural and home manufactured products. In 1832 the state agricultural society was founded and work commenced in other Eastern states. But while Watson was busy converting farmers and legislators to the value of fairs, the Columbian Agricultural Society held what is believed to be the first exhibition of its kind in Washington, D. C., in 1810.

MUST PROVIDE OWN SEED FOR PLANTING

Farmers of Runnels county who have fallen into the habit of looking to the Lockhart section and Central Texas fields for their cotton seed for planting, should begin to think about saving their own planting seed this year.

Thousands of dollars worth of cotton seed have been shipped to West Texas from the district now in the grip of the drouth, and the average West Texas farmer has become absolutely dependent on somebody else to furnish him with his planting seed.

We are not versed in the quality of cotton seed, and do not know why it is that this section must depend, or has been depending on Lockhart seed dealers to ship their seed into this part of the state at a fancy price, but it strikes us that seed gathered from a bale to the acre land in Runnels county would do for planting purposes.

It is up to West Texas to furnish the drouth area with planting seed next year, and the sowing process should begin with the picking.

A BIG STUNT

Ballinger put on a "stunt" Thursday that very few cities of her size could put over.

When three hundred citizens, many of whom are business men, or merchants, who release their employees, leave their business, and go out to spend a day boosting for their home town, it shows a progressive spirit seldom found in the smaller cities.

It is this spirit which has put Ballinger so prominently in the eyes of the outside world, and which is drawing the citizenship of the county closer together.

Ballinger is not noted for its capitalists, because men with money for doing things in a big way are very limited here, but what is lacking in money is made up in civic pride, and a progressive spirit of co-operation.

It was a big stunt which Ballinger put on in her four days trade trip and advertising campaign, and when someone suggested that we visit Abilene, the suggestion was adopted by unanimous action, and the boosters were off with a pep which caused out neighbors to sit up and take notice.

The hearty welcome received by the boosters at every stop and the friendly and most cordial greetings will also result in much good. Mixing with our neighbors brings about a better acquaintanceship, and prompts each town and community to fall in line and make it a pull all together for the development of this part of the state.

Yes, it was a big stunt, and the credit goes to everyone who had a hand in it. The final big result will be one of the largest attendances at the county fair to ever attend a county fair in Texas.

HOW COME!

Our friends the evolutionists have something else to explain; to-wit, why the brain of the late Anatole France, French author, was found upon examination to be away below the normal weight.

Brain capacity is supposed to be an indication of intelligence, or lack of intelligence. According to this rule, Anatole France was an imbecile, whereas the well established fact is that he was one of the brainiest men of recent times.

This discovery came fast on the heels of a South African fiasco that is calculated to cause the evolutionists to do some more ex-

plaining. Some years ago there was found in Africa a human skull of extraordinary size. Scientists puzzled over it for a long time; some said it must be 500,000 years old, while others insisted it was younger. It was finally decided that the skull was about 30,000 years old.

Then into a Cape Town hospital came the body of a man, 1925 model, for dissection. The head was found to be a dead ringer for the ancient skull which had been in the limelight for years—alike in size and general shape.

Now the evolutionists must explain why the 30,000 year old skull has been duplicated in the year 1925.

Not an easy job; but perhaps with a few suppositions and calculations and hypotheses it will all be explained to the satisfaction of the evolutionists.—Abilene Reporter.

O'KELLY THINKS DROUTH CONDITIONS OVERDRAWN

Ed O'Kelly thinks that conditions in the drouth district of Texas are considerably overdrawn. Mr. O'Kelly recently visited in Central Texas for the purpose of buying some of the stock which was reported to be on starvation and which was reported to be selling at sacrifice prices. He says that he failed to find anything that looked like a bargain to him.

"The land owners are taking care of their tenants," said Mr. O'Kelly, "and are issuing them rations until they can get work, or get back on another crop." He stated that one farmer told him he could take care of his hands for four years if necessary. Mr. O'Kelly said that crops were a failure in Central Texas, but he expressed it as his opinion, after talking with the citizens, that most of them were able to take care of themselves through the winter. The Ballinger man did not buy any drouth stricken stock to ship to this country.

MILES NEWS NOTES

MILES, August 25.—Mrs. N. Passur and daughter, Helen, visited friends in Ballinger Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Hudson and daughter, of San Angelo, visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Graves on Sunday.

A. J. Wallace, who attended to business in Miles last week, left Saturday for his home at Cleburne.

Mrs. J. C. McDonald visited her brother, C. W. Speed and family in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Eckert and children, of Locker, Texas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eckert and other relatives.

Miss Freddie Rogers returned Friday from Alpine, where she has been attending Sul Ross.

Miss Eldera Baugh returned Saturday from Alpine, where she has been attending Sul Ross summer school.

Sheriff Earl McWilliams was here from Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. J. F. Lacy and daughters, went to Mullen Tuesday to visit Mrs. Lacy's sister, Mrs. Noah Morrow.

Miles people were treated to a red hot ball game Saturday when the Miles and Trickham teams locked horns in the local baseball park for a sixteen inning game. At the end of the ninth inning the score was tied with 9 runs for each club, and remained that way until the sixteenth inning when the Trickham team brought in three scores in their half of the frame, the Miles team going them one better in their half. The game ended in a score of 13 to 12 in favor of Miles. The game was full of feature plays and fast fielding with very few errors on either side.

A. B. Legate and Ed Schuehard have recently returned from a very pleasant fishing and outing trip. Mr. Schuehard states that as the grocery stores were all closed when they left Ballinger they carried their milk "on the hoof," transporting a couple of nanny goats to supply the necessary liquid.

Prof. H. G. Seerest returned to Sul Ross Tuesday. He came home to look after business and went back in his car. He reported that most of the Runnels county pupils who were enrolled in Sul Ross for the summer had returned home. Runnels county held the second largest enrollment in the Sul Ross summer session.

GRADUATES FROM LOCAL NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOL

On September 10th Miss Leona Dunn will receive her diploma from the Ballinger Training School for Nurses, making the second graduate to complete her work in the splendid institution within the last six months. Miss Nettie Marguerite Bowden completed her training and went out as a registered nurse on April 5 of this year.

Nurses graduating from the local school pass the state examination, grading as high as the most of them, and go out to take up their work with a good record. The Ballinger school has turned out many nurses since it was established, and they have scattered to other points, where they are making good as trained nurses.

Rev. W. Bion Adkins, formerly pastor of the Ninth Street Baptist Church of this city, is here to consult local surgeons, and may spend some time here for treatment. Rev. Adkins is now living at Alva, Oklahoma.

SHERIFFS VICTIMS OF BAD CHECK ARTISTS

Sheriff Bob Miller, of Concho county; and Sheriff Bob Hewitt, of Tom Green county; were easy marks recently of two cold check artists. A young man, a stranger, approached the Tom Green county officer and asked him to endorse a fifteen dollar check for him. Out of the goodness of his heart the officer placed his signature on the back of the check. The youth got the money at a San Angelo bank and went on his way rejoicing. The Sterling City bank upon which the check was drawn, in the process of bank clearing, sent the check back to the officer to keep as a souvenir.

Sheriff Miller, also out of the goodness of his heart, helped out a stranger by placing his signature on the back of a check the stranger drew on a bank at Novice. The check also found its way back to the Concho county officer and he is preserving it for future reference.

H. Giesecke and son Pete returned to Ballinger from San Antonio Wednesday, where they recently went to accompany Mrs. Giesecke and daughter, Miss Serena. Mr. Giesecke says that ten thousand Mexicans are coming west from San Antonio, the road being lined with covered wagons, trucks and almost every other conceivable conveyance.

P. R. Dietz was in from the Crews country Wednesday and placed an order for the Banner-Ledger to go to his brother-in-law, T. W. Klutts, at Terrell, Texas.

Miss Effie Parker is in the Kahler Hospital at Rochester, Minnesota. Doctors have made no definite diagnosis but think it necessary to treat her for several months. Those who care to write to her may address her in care of the Kahler Hospital.

R. G. Erwin is winding up the summer with a stay in the Rocky Mountains. He went to Colorado first of the week to join Mrs. Erwin and baby. Mrs. Erwin has been in Colorado for a month or more. They will return home at the first of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Spoons are moving from Ballinger to Lubbock, where they will make their home. Mr. Spoons was formerly with Higginbotham's store here. He has been traveling for a wholesale implement house, and the company for which he travels is transferring him to Lubbock. Their friends regret to see them leave Ballinger.

Mrs. H. H. Thomson was able to leave the sanitarium and return to her home Sunday. She spent more than a month in the sanitarium following an operation.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass and their niece, Miss Jennie Louise Copeland, of Cleburne, and Prof. J. B. Pace returned home Saturday night from an auto trip to Colorado, Yellowstone Park, Salt Lake City and other points of interest in the Rocky Mountains. They were gone about one month. In returning home the trip from Colorado Springs to Ballinger was made in two days, making Amarillo the first day and from Amarillo to Ballinger the second day.

Robert Kirk and Curtis Reese left Tuesday morning for Lubbock, where they expect to make arrangements to enter the Texas Tech for the coming term.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

SATURDAY SPECIALS

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3 Pkgs. large size new crop 90c
1-lb. SUGAR, Pure Cane FREE

PIGGLY WIGGLY
QUALITY PRICE

LEASES FORD GAS STATION

R. L. Harwell has leased his gas and oil filling station to Nicholson Brothers, LeRoy and Morris, and the Harwell Motor Company is retiring from the gas business.

Under the terms of the lease Nicholson Brothers will get possession of the gasoline and oil equipment and handle this part of the business separate and apart from the Harwell Motor Company's Ford and garage business. Morris Nicholson will be in charge of the station, LeRoy remaining at the Magnolia filling station as agent for the Magnolia Company. He took over this station some time ago.

BETHEL NEWS

The Methodist meeting closed here Sunday night.

The Bethel Choral Club met Sunday afternoon. All enjoyed some good singing under the leadership of Professor Daniel.

Gene Richardson and family were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lem Harvey.

Miss Josie Roberson was painfully hurt Thursday morning while hauling a barrel of water. The team became unmanageable, turning the wagon over. Miss Roberson was caught beneath the bed of the wagon where she was rescued by the family and near neighbors. She received numerous cuts and bruises, none of which proved to be serious.

Misses Vera Shelburne, Leora McShan and Alta Richardson; Messrs. Delbert Davenport, Paul Richardson and Dollie Nichols visited Miss Josie Roberson Saturday afternoon.

Rev. W. W. Killam went to Miles Sunday to fill the appointment of Rev. Tracy at the Methodist church, while Rev. Tracy assisted Rev. Cole in the meeting here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Leonard

and family and Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cotten and family visited relatives at Paint Rock Sunday.

—REPORTER—

LANKFORD SELLS PROPERTY HERE

T. S. Lankford was here from Abilene a couple of days this week, and while here he closed up deals in which he sold more than \$18,000 worth of property which he owned in this city.

Mr. Lankford sold his home on Broadway to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. DeMerville for \$9,000. Mr. and Mrs. DeMerville have been occupying the house since Mr. Lankford moved to Abilene.

E. A. Werner purchased from Mr. Lankford, the Tourist Inn, including the camp houses, garage, etc., and ten lots on Eighth Street for a consideration of \$9,000. Mr. Lankford also sold to Mr. Werner the corner lot on Ninth Street and Strong Avenue, rear of the Harwell Motor Co. building, for \$500.

Mr. Lankford still owns considerable property in Ballinger, including the building occupied by G. A. Ludwig dry goods store, the building occupied by the King-Holt Furniture and Undertaking Co., and the building fronting the court house on Seventh Street, and has other interests here.

Mr. Werner purchased the Tourist Inn and block of lots as an investment, and will continue to lease the property to other parties to operate.

Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Bandy are here from Valentine visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. R. Lusk. Rev. Bandy says that the drouth has not been hurting him as he farms by irrigation. He states he has twenty-five acres of cotton that will make two bales per acre, twenty-five acres that will produce a bale and a half per acre and ten acres that are good for a bale to the acre.

Mrs. E. L. McAlpine left for her home at Dallas, Monday morning, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. McGregor.

SPIKE ON RAIL SHAKES UP TRAIN

Three Ballinger lads, ages 13 and 14, were arraigned in the justice court Wednesday afternoon on a charge of placing an obstruction on the Santa Fe railroad near this city Wednesday morning, and which came near wrecking a train.

A spike was placed on the steel rail of the Santa Fe track near the city, and was discovered when the locomotive of a long freight train came near going off the track after running over the spike. Aside from shaking up the locomotive and subjecting the train to derailment, no damage resulted. When the engineer experienced the bumping he stopped his train and went back to investigate. He recovered the smashed spike.

Three men were seen loafing in the vicinity of where the spike was placed on the track shortly before the train came along, and later the men were seen at the passenger station up town. They left town walking down the track, and later officers were put on their trail.

Santa Fe Detective Will Futch, assisted by the local sheriff's department, began a search, as soon as Mr. Futch arrived here at noon, and in short order the three lads, all of good families, were in the clutches of the law, and made confessions.

The officers first followed out the clue offered by the disappearance from town of the three men. They were overtaken, but proved their innocence, and furnished the clue which led to the apprehension of the three boys. The first trio picked up stated that they knew nothing of the attempted train wrecking, but declared they saw three boys in the vicinity of where the spike was placed on the track, stating that they would be able to identify the boys if they should be found. The officers continued the search, taking the three men arrested along with them, and the three boys were soon found and identified by the first trio accused of the mischief.

The lads were apprehended at the railroad bridge spanning the Colorado River, still prowling and meddling around the Santa Fe tracks. When identified by the men first accused of placing the spike on the track, the boys made a confession. They told the officers that they placed the spike on the track to see what the train would do to it.

Whether placed on the track through criminal or mischievous intent, the spike might have derailed the train, causing injury to the train crew and damage to property. Trainmen say that a spike placed on the rails is sufficient obstruction to cause a wreck. Fortunately the train was running at slow speed and in the act of stopping when the locomotive passed over the spike.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank those who have so kindly helped us since our home was destroyed by fire. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one of you.
Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lander and Children.
26-114-11w

TAX ROLLS TO BE READY EARLY

The tax rolls of Rannels county will be turned over to the collector earlier this year than usual, according to Mike Boyd, assessor, who is making good progress in making out the rolls. Mr. Boyd is being assisted in the work by Drury Hathaway, and he expects to be ready to pass the rolls up to the commissioners court for approval by September 1st, or a few days thereafter. The property valuations will show a considerable increase, it is expected.

I will have for rent on Sept. 1st one rock business house in Talpa on Main Street and highway, size 30x60. If you want it and are a live wire get busy. W. J. Sayre, Talpa, Texas. 28-1w*

Lon Mapes orders The Daily Ledger to go to his son-in-law, Newt Wardlaw, at Orange Grove, Texas, for a year. Newt is agent for the Magnolia Oil Company at Orange Grove, and his Ballinger friends will be glad to know that he is getting along nicely in the Southern clime.

ACCEPTS CALL TO BROWNWOOD

Rev. R. B. Twitty, pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church, has accepted a call to the U. S. A. Presbyterian Church at Brownwood and will move to that city about October 1st.

Rev. Twitty will succeed Rev. R. R. Rives at Brownwood, who has served the church at that place for several years, resigning recently and has under consideration work at other places. Rev. Rives was formerly pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church of Ballinger.

Rev. Twitty came to Ballinger two years ago from the church at Abilene, and several new families and quite a number of new members have come into the Ballinger church during his pastorate here. It is with regret that the Eighth Street church gives him up and the many friends of the family will regret to see them leave Ballinger.

Rev. Twitty has tendered his resignation, but he will not leave the local church until about the last of September, and in the meantime efforts will be made to fill the vacancy caused by his resignation.

3 PLEAS GUILTY IN JUSTICE COURT

Business accumulated in the justice court at Ballinger over Sunday included a pistol case, one affray and one drunk. All three of the parties so charged plead guilty.

Jack Kelley, brick layer on the new school building, was arrested by City Patrolman Walter Watson, and charged with displaying a pistol. He plead guilty and paid the fine.

Tom King plead guilty to an affray, and Earl Rudder plead guilty to being drunk. All the defendants squared themselves with the strong arm of the law.

Dry Spots Get Good Rain; Season Was Not General

The rain Tuesday night was heaviest where needed the worst in Rannels county. A report compiled by the West Texas Telephone Company up to 10:00 o'clock Wednesday morning indicated that the rain was not general.

The heaviest rain in Rannels county was in the Southern part of the county, where it was needed most at this time. Offen, and Miles received an inch and a quarter, Concho and Paint Rock reported one inch.

In the Northern and Northwestern parts of the county only showers were reported. Winters and Wingate reported showers, but those sections of the county were not needing rain. In fact the farmers are apprehensive of the leaf worm pests should it rain too much at this time.

It began raining at Ballinger about 2:00 o'clock and rained slowly throughout the night and up late in the forenoon. About one inch fell at Ballinger, supplementing the four-tenths which fell here last Friday afternoon.

Following is the report for the Ballinger territory:

- Abilene, good
- Ballinger 1.20
- Benoit .25
- Blackwell, shower
- Bradshaw .75
- Brady 1.00
- Bronco .50
- Brownwood .75
- Coleman 1.10
- Concho 1.00
- Crows, shower
- Eden 1.00
- Ft. Chadbourne, shower
- Hatchel .25
- Leaday 1.00
- Maverick .75
- Menard, shower
- Miles 1.25
- Millersview 1.00
- Norton .50
- Offen 1.25
- Ovalo 1.25
- Paint Rock 1.00
- Pony .75
- Rowena .87

- San Angelo, shower
- Santa Anna .60
- Stacy 1.50
- Talpa .50
- Truitt, shower
- Wadsworth, shower
- Wingate, shower
- Winters, shower.

FARM BUREAU TO GIVE DROUTH AID

DALLAS, August 26. — The Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association is ready to aid immediately its members in the drouth affected counties of Central Texas to the extent of \$3,000,000, John Orr, president and general manager of the association, announced today.

Orr's statement came following a meeting of the board of directors yesterday. The board decided to make funds available through the Texas Cotton Growers Finance Corporation with its rediscout privileges through the federal intermediate credit bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cockrell returned home Tuesday from Marlin, where they spent some time for Mr. Cockrell's health. He returned home somewhat improved, but has not fully recovered.

W. P. Hawkins was here Wednesday en route to his home at Winters from a business trip to Temple. He reported rain along the route home.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McLaurin will leave Tuesday morning for Kerrville, where they go to attend a conference of the Texas Synod of the Presbyterian Church U. S., and also attend the Presbyterian Synodical meeting. They will be joined by Mrs. J. M. Pyburn of Winters.

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Ford Motor Company
DETROIT, MICH.

UTILITY MEN IN SAFETY MEETING

First aid methods were discussed and Dr. O. R. Lasater was the principal speaker before a safety meeting of the employees of the West Texas Utilities Company Friday night. Dr. Lasater gave a talk on first aid methods and also gave a demonstration on bandaging, how to stop bleeding, etc.

The meeting was held on the lawn at the utilities company's ice plant, with Wade Smith acting as chairman. Seats and a table were arranged on the lawn under an arc light maintained on its beautiful park by the utilities

company and the employees spent with intense interest at Dr. Lasater when he told how to dress wounds, in giving first aid, applying bandages, stopping bleeding, etc. Dr. Lasater made some recommendations for changes in first aid kits, and these will be adopted and the kits supplied with everything necessary for giving first aid in the case of accidents. Each crew of workmen is furnished with a first aid kit, and the meetings are held for the purpose of teaching them how to use it and what to do in carrying out first aid methods.

The meetings are held at regular intervals, as well as call meetings are held, and all the employees, including the women are expected to attend. The meeting Friday night was due to be held on the creek, and the social feature also emphasized, but a shower of rain in the late afternoon interfered with the plans as well as cut the attendance at the meeting. There were about twenty-five employees present.

Group G Manager Morley made a report of an investigation of the recent high line accident at Roby, where a man was killed while working on an electric light pole coming in contact with a "live" wire. It is the policy of the company to hold an investigation—court of inquiry—whenever there is an accident. A committee composed of a man from each group is organized to meet and take testimony and fix the blame for such accidents. If the foreman of the group crew is shown to be responsible for the accident he is discharged, or if anyone connected with the company is guilty of neglect and is responsible for the accident he is dismissed from the company's service. Mr. Morley stated that this rule must be enforced under orders from the general manager, and regardless of friendship. He stated that the lives of the employees must be protected above everything else. Mr. Morley said that the company furnished every kind of safety appliance necessary to protect their employees and the penalty for not using the appliances and proper precautions against accidents was dismissal from the service.

"We want safety first," said Manager Morley, "and we had rather take longer time in doing a job than to rush it through at the cost of a man's life. Let your conscience be your guide in doing a good day's work, but don't try to rush your work at the risk of being injured."

In a round table talk Chester Cherry, W. D. Werner, R. E. Dean and other employees present brought up questions for discussion. Cherry, Dean and Werner were appointed as a committee to investigate any unsafe conditions which might be reported from time to time, and to correct same, or report to the management. The employees present listened

FELT SLUGGISH

Illinois Man Tells About His Relief from Indigestion.

"I used to suffer," says Mr. Walter W. Macdonald, of 711 Fairview Ave., Edwardsville, Ill., "with indigestion, a tight feeling in my chest after meals—felt sluggish, lazy and dull and out of sorts. I would be very constipated. "Some one recommended Black-Draught. I began using it. I found it so very satisfactory I have used it ever since. I wouldn't be without it. "My work is inside. I do not get as much exercise as I would like, and at times my system gets clogged and I would see the necessity of a good active medicine. "After one or two doses of Black-Draught, my head clears up and I feel like new. "For stomach or liver trouble, Black-Draught does good." Theodor's Black-Draught is recommended by thousands of others for the relief of many common ailments due to a torpid liver, needing laxative or cathartic stimulation. Sold everywhere; 25c. C-30

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LIVER MEDICINE

PIGGLY WIGGLY BREAKS RECORD

You would have a hard time making Sam Behringer believe that advertising is a waste of money and that printer's ink does not pay.

If you visited the Piggly Wiggly Saturday you no doubt wondered where all the people came from. "My store is getting, the only reason I didn't do more business was because they could not get in the house," are some of the responses the Piggly Wiggly manager makes when asked how he came out.

It is strictly a matter of guess work as to the number of people who passed through the turnstile in the Piggly Wiggly store Saturday, and Mr. Behringer refused to say what his cash sales amounted to. The estimate on the number of people who visited the Piggly Wiggly during the day runs from 5,000 to 8,000.

Many registered in order to get a guess at a little wagon which the Piggly Wiggly was giving away to the person guessing the nearest to the number of people who registered. There were 1937 people registered, and it is estimated that not more than one out of every four who entered the store registered.

The closest guess was 1950, and Mrs. T. J. Parish, of Ballinger; Mrs. J. C. McNaley, of Rowena; and L. W. Brown, of Maverick, tied, all guessing 1950. It is up to the three parties to settle the tie among themselves, or if they wish to divide equally Mr. Behringer says that he will give each \$2.50 worth of groceries, as the one guessing had the choice of the wagon or \$7.50 worth of groceries.

The lowest number guessed was 44, and the highest was 500,250,000.

The occasion was the first birthday of the Piggly Wiggly, and the manager says that he is well pleased with the successful birthday party. People were here from all parts of the county, and the extensive advertising done by Piggly Wiggly brought people to town who helped other lines of business.

FORMAL OPENING NEW COUNTY JAIL

September 1st and 2nd will be opening days for the new county jail. They keys will not be turned on those who visit the jail on these dates, and everybody throughout the county is invited to visit the new prison and inspect the building.

The date for the formal opening of the new prison was fixed by the commissioner's court recently, and before the prisoners are transferred to the new jail the public will be welcome to come and see the building.

Several ladies living in other parts of the county, have, thru their commissioners, expressed a desire to see the new jail, and this prompted the commissioners' court to set a date for visitors and invite the public to inspect the new building. There will be guides in charge to show the visitors through, explain the combinations and methods not employed in guarding against jail breaks.

The new jail is nearing completion, and is one of the most modern in Texas. Strictly fire-proof and sanitary throughout. The lower story will be the sheriff's home, with an office for the sheriff and justice of the peace. The prison has a capacity of forty prisoners, about double the maximum Runnels county has ever been called upon to handle at one time. Wards for women prisoners, wards for insane, with both misdemeanor and felony cells for criminals are provided in the new jail.

If a jail can be classed as a credit to a community, the new jail is a credit to Runnels county. At least the new prison adds considerable to the civic appearance of the county government's holdings in Ballinger.

SICK TURKEYS?

use **Martin's Black Head Tablets** to treat and prevent disease. Money back guarantee by E. A. Jeanes at Economy Mills. Jy 3-12w

IS STILL WRITING LIFE INSURANCE

J. N. Barbee says that the little news item of his recent sale of his fire insurance agency to E. Shepperd left the impression that he had retired from the insurance field. Mr. Barbee says that he only disposed of the first insurance department of his agency in order that he might devote all his time to the life insurance business. He is general agent for the Amicable of Waco.

MAY'S REMEDY
FOR STOMACH TROUBLE
ONE DOSE WILL CONVINCE
AT ALL DRUGGISTS

R. L. HARWELL RETURNS HOME

R. L. Harwell returned home Wednesday afternoon from San Antonio, where he spent two months for the benefit of his health. Mr. Harwell was under the treatment of a specialist and we are glad to note that he returned home greatly improved in health. Mrs. Harwell, Mrs. Geo. Holman and Maurice Gressett who went to San Antonio a few days ago, brought Mr. Harwell back with them in Mrs. Harwell's Lincoln.

The employees of the Harwell Motor Co., arranged a little surprise party for Mr. Harwell on his return home. They gathered at the Harwell home on Eighth Street while Mr. Harwell was down town early Wednesday evening, and sent for him to come home. When he arrived home he found the lawn covered with ice cold watermelons and punch flowing pretty freely, and the employees and employer spent a social hour or two together.

SAYS DROUTH IS HURTING SCHOOLS

The representative of one of the prominent colleges of Texas, who has just made a tour of the drouth stricken district of Central Texas, says that the schools will be affected by the drouth. Not only will the public schools within the dry area feel the effects of the drouth, but parents who had planned to send their sons and daughters to college will be unable to do so, and the higher institutions of learning which generally draw on the central part of the state heavily will feel the hurt more keenly.

Mrs. Jack Walton, of Taylor, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Henry Jones. She returned home with Mr. and Mrs. Jones, who came in from a visit to South and Central Texas Thursday night.

Touches the Spot



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BALLINGER MAN IN A TEN MILLION CONCERN

James Blair Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Harris, of this city, and at one time a reporter on The Daily Ledger, is one of a company of men who are promoting the organization of a ten million dollar corporation at Dallas. Mr. Harris left Ballinger several years ago, was engaged in the newspaper business, being connected with some of the large city dailies for several years, and more recently has been in the real estate, loan and insurance business in Dallas. His Ballinger friends will be glad to know of his success in the financial world. Mr. Harris frequently visits his parents here, having been here on a visit a short time ago.

"Stop That Itching"

No matter how hopeless your case may seem, nor how long you have suffered from Eczema, Ringworm, Cracked Hands, Itch, Poison Oak, Old Sores and Sores on children, or any other skin disease, we will sell you a jar of Blue Star Remedy, on a guarantee. This is different from the ordinary skin treatment, it penetrates the skin, going direct to the seat of trouble and immediately relieves that terrible itching. Will not stain clothing and has a pleasant odor.

Weeks Drug Store

RECEIVING BIDS ON FAIR BUILDINGS

The building committee is receiving bids for the construction of the new exhibit hall for the Runnels County Fair. A duplicate of the present agricultural building will be built near the present building, and the plans provide for equipping and furnishing the space between the two buildings for a rest room for women and children.

Plans are going right ahead for holding one of the most successful county fairs ever held in Texas.

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. GROW'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. Future will then throw off or digest the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. One per bottle.

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SPECIAL EXAMINATION TO BE HELD AUGUST 29

County Superintendent R. E. White has received a letter from State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs stating that a special examination will be held Saturday, August 29th, for teachers who wish to complete building on their certificates.

Heretofore the state has issued permanent certificates on examination, but after September 1st no more permanent certificates will be issued except on college work. In order to give "builders" one more opportunity the special examination will be held Friday, September 29th.

This examination will not be open to applicants for elementary or high school certificates of the second class.

The many friends of Mrs. C. C. Gannaway will regret to know that she is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Gardner, at Newcastle. Mrs. Gannaway went to Newcastle to visit her daughter about two months ago, and she has been ill since reaching there, and for the last two weeks has been confined to her bed.

Capt. A. D. Talley came in from Mason Thursday and is here for a visit and to look after property. Capt. Talley reports his son Walter and family getting along all right, but says the drouth is making things a little hard in the Mason country.

NINTIETH DIVISION VETERANS REUNION

Plans for the Seventh Annual Reunion of the veterans of the 90th Division have been completed. The 1925 meeting will be held in Fort Worth, Texas, September 2nd to 4th. The 90th Division was composed chiefly of men from Texas and Oklahoma. It was selected as one of the divisions of the Army of Occupation because of its distinguished service in the World War.

It is estimated that fully 10,000 veterans will attend this reunion. The former Commanding Generals Henry T. Allen and J. P. (Patsy) O'Neil are expected to be in attendance.

Mrs. Abby Roberts returned home Saturday from Dallas, where she had been buying goods for Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

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Landon Hotel Destroyed By Fire; No Bodies are Found In Ruins

SAN ANGELO, Aug. 20.—The Landon Hotel, a \$100,000 structure, and one of the best known hotels in Texas, was destroyed by fire shortly afternoon today. The fire broke out in the linen room, it is believed, and the flames rapidly spread through the building to the top floor. The fire started at one o'clock and by two o'clock the building was practically gutted, and the fire company was bending every effort to prevent the flames from spreading to the Lyric Theatre.

The hotel register was destroyed, and it could not be learned at a late hour whether any lives had been lost in the fire or not. Mrs. S. R. Senior, wife of the publisher of the Forward Southwest, a magazine published at San Antonio, and formerly secretary of the Del Rio Chamber of Commerce, was trapped on the second floor and overcome by smoke. She was rescued and rushed to the hospital in an unconscious condition.

There were 125 guests registered at the hotel last night, but it was impossible to make a check up on account of the register being lost in the blaze. The fire was not discovered until a cloud of smoke burst into the lobby of the building on the ground floor about one o'clock. It is thought that the fire originated in the linen room. One of the local fire trucks was out of commission when the alarm was turned in, and it had to be towed to the scene of the fire, but was soon put into operation. Fearing that the fire would spread to adjoining property and wipe out an entire block a call put in for fire fighting equipment from Ballinger, and that city rushed one of its big trucks here.

The Landon Hotel was owned by S. A. Naylor, of Chillicothe, Texas, and was valued at \$100,000. It was insured for \$60,000. The hotel was operated by the McBurnett Company under lease, and the company's loss is estimated at \$25,000, the amount of insurance is unknown at this time. About twenty years ago the Landon Hotel was destroyed by fire, several lives, including the wife of Jim Landon, owner and proprietor of the hotel, were lost. The hotel was rebuilt by Mr. Landon on a much larger scale, and later Mr. Landon sold the property and engaged in the livestock business.

SAN ANGELO, August 21.—There were still no known dead in the \$150,000 fire which destroyed the Landon Hotel, a three story building yesterday afternoon and damaged a dozen other buildings in the vicinity of the fire. The city employed workmen today to begin searching the ruins to determine for certain whether any lives were lost. Five persons carried to the hospital suffering with burns and bruises as a result of the fire were reported to be recovering from their injuries today, and it was said that none of them were in a serious condition.

Numerous wild rumors were afloat in Ballinger Thursday afternoon concerning the burning of the Landon Hotel. The Ledger received several inquiries, both local and over long distance telephone from parties asking about the fire, and for a time the office was kept busy denying false reports. A report received from San Angelo Friday morning stated that while the ruins had not been searched for bodies, it was not believed that anyone perished in the flames. The burning of the register made it impossible to check up the missing. One lady, a guest at the hotel, and who it was feared at first had gone to her death in the fire, was found several hours after the fire on the down town streets mingling with the crowd which was attracted by the fire.

Henry H. Ray, negro porter at the hotel, proved himself a hero of the catastrophe by rushing to the third story to wake E. E. Davenport, night clerk. The negro was cut off from escape after waking the night clerk, and made his escape by climbing down the fire escape. The night clerk escaped by jumping out the

window onto the roof of an adjoining building.

Mrs. R. F. Senior, of San Antonio, clung to the window sill of a second-story window until firemen could place a ladder for her to come down on. The fire drove her out the window and she clutched the sill with flames leaping around her. Her hair and shoulders were burned.

The Ballinger fire truck suffered a break down when near San Angelo and arrived at the scene of the fire an hour late. The trip, however, was made in forty-seven minutes running time. The fire was under control when the Ballinger fire fighters arrived, and they did not unroll their hose. The Sweetwater fire department loaded a truck on a special train and was ready to leave for the scene of the fire when they received notice that the fire had been placed under control.

Eight lives were lost when the Landon Hotel, on the same site was destroyed by fire on August 10, 1902. The hotel was built back on a much larger scale, and parties here from San Angelo Friday predicted that the hotel would be rebuilt on a still larger and more modern plan.

FOR HOME AND STABLE

The extraordinary Borozone treatment for fresh wounds, cuts, sores, galls, burns and scalds is just as effective in the stable as in the home. Horse flesh heals with remarkable speed under its powerful influence. The treatment is the same for animals as for humans. First wash out infectious germs with liquid Borozone, and the Borozone Powder completes the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by John A. Weeks

GOES AWAY TO GET BRIDE

Hubert S. Hays left Thursday morning for Abilene, but he got away ahead of the Ballinger boosters and went on a more important mission.

According to information from well informed circles, Mr. Hays and Miss Willie Mae Hooper, of Abilene, will be married at two o'clock Thursday, the wedding taking place at the First Presbyterian Church in Abilene.

Following the wedding Mr. Hays and his bride will go to Taylor for a visit to his relatives and from there they will go to San Antonio for a few days visit, and from San Antonio to Dallas and then return to Ballinger where they will make their home.

Mr. Hays is with the West Texas Utilities Company, being in the merchandise sales department and although he has been here only a short while he has made many friends who will wish him well in the new life he is launching out upon. It is said that he has captured one of Abilene's best.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Piles. Instantly relieves itching Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 6c.

E. E. Holt and son, W. A. and daughter, Mrs. E. E. King, left Friday for Dallas in response to a message stating that the senior Holt's brother was dying. They left in an automobile as soon as the message was received.

PEN PICTURE OF CENTRAL TEXAS

Some idea of the conditions which prevail in Central Texas, where an unprecedented drouth has bankrupted that country and left people without any means of support, is given by H. H. Schutz in an interview with the Houston Chronicle.

Mr. Schutz is the man who reports crop conditions in Texas for the United States department of agriculture. He had just returned to Houston from a five days tour of the drouth district when the Chronicle reporter interviewed him.

Following is the gloomy story told by Mr. Schutz:

The covered wagon has come back to Texas.

On the roads through the parched lands of Central Texas there are hundreds of them creaking a long, drawn by gaunt, plodding mules or drooping, lony horses. In each wagon is the worldly goods of a tenant farmer, and on the seat and atop the pile of bedding is his family. Now and then there's a covered cheap motor truck in the caravan.

They are moving out of the stricken section looking for the two things they lack, water and work. Up in East and North Texas the luckier farmers are paying \$1 a hundred for picking cotton; down in the Rio Grande Valley, where there are plenty of Mexicans the pay is only 75c a day. So all this tide of travel is to the east, the north and the northwest, out of Central Texas.

Sixty-eight counties are suffering from drouth; 28 of them, in the worst state, haven't had a general rain for 14 months.

About two weeks ago it began to rain here and there. Farmers hastened to plant feed crops, hoping to make something by fall.

Meanwhile the land-owning farmers, who could borrow from the banks, have been shipping in feed for their stock. Thousands of ears have come in. Unless a fall feed crop is made the feed must be shipped in through next spring, for the work at least.

Cattle are being turned loose on the roads to wander for water and grass. Some have been sold for what they would bring; some have been driven or shipped to places where there is water and grass.

The tenant farmers who are tracking overland looking for water and work and money and food aren't taking much livestock with them; just the animals that draw the wagon and perhaps a dog or two.

A million people on the farms in the drouth area are suffering directly; half a million more in the small cities and towns dependent on the farmers are suffering indirectly, Schutz estimates.

Austin is about the center of the drouth region. It runs several counties to the west of Austin and San Antonio, and to the south it dips down near the north edge of the Rio Grande, in Kleberg and Brooks counties. To the north it runs along above Ennis, Waxahachie and Corsicana, and to the east the edge of the green runs half way between Waco and Houston.

The rains of the last fortnight haven't been enough really to break the drouth, but they have sprouted the seed the farmers hastily sowed after the first showers, and there is a promise

of tender green across the land that may be fulfilled. The stouter hearts, and those with land or credit to borrow enough to feed the family and the work stock are sticking it out; a great many of the tenant farmers—which includes at least half the people of this rural area—are leaving.

As one man told his banker in a small town that hasn't seen a raindrop since June 1924:

"I been settin' round waiting for hit to rain until I wore out the seat of my britches. I been lyin' around on the floor trying to keep cool and sleep until I wore out all the quilts. So now I'm goin' to wear out my wagon gettin' somewhere where God ain't forgot how to make it rain."

And that made one more covered wagon for the caravan.

A TONIC

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 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 - Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

PRICES CUT BY DODGE BROTHERS

Announcement of a reduction in the prices of Dodge Brothers motor vehicles, both passenger and commercial, effective Monday, August 17th, has been received by Higginbotham Bros. & Co., local dealer.

New list prices, f. o. b. Detroit, are as follows:

(Standard Types)
Touring, \$875; A-Sedan, \$1195; B-Sedan, \$1045; Coupe, \$960; Coach, \$1035; Seven Commercial, \$85; Panel Commercial, \$960

(Special Types)
Touring, \$975; A-Sedan, \$1280; B-Sedan, \$1145; Coupe, \$1060; Coach, \$1135.

The price of the roadster, \$855, and that of the chassis, \$730, remain unchanged.

"These new prices come at a time when Dodge Bros. product has reached the highest peak of mechanical perfection in its history," declares Mr. Williams. "In an attempt to supply public

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Labor Day Xcursion

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GALVESTON

\$10.10 ROUND TRIP

Tickets on sale September 5 and 6. Limited to leave Galveston, Monday, Sept. 7th. Sleepers, Chair Cars and Harvey Meals all the way. In order that we can provide ample sleeping car accommodation patrons are asked to make their reservations early. For detail information and reservations, call on or phone your Santa Fe Agent.

Calomel Good but Treacherous

Next Dose may Salivate, Shock Liver or Attack Bones

You know what calomel is. It's mercury; quicksilver. Calomel is dangerous. It crashes into your bile like dynamite, cramping and sickening you. Calomel attacks the bones and should never be put into your system. If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic for a few cents which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

Don't take calomel! It makes you sick the next day; it loses you a day's work. Dodson's Liver Tonic straightens you right up and you feel great. No salts necessary. Give it to the children because it is perfectly harmless and can not salivate.

CHOC BEER CHARGE FILED

Pete Davis, of Winters, was in jail here Monday pending fixing of \$1,000 bond on a charge of possessing intoxicating liquor. Davis was arrested at Winters by Sheriff Earl McWilliams after the officer had searched Davis' home and found twenty-four quarts of choc beer.

Acting on information furnished his department, Sheriff McWilliams sued out a search warrant, and searched Davis' house with the above results.

The beverage confiscated in the raid was tested by a government tester and showed to have contained five per cent alcohol. The law makes any beverage which contains one per cent or more of alcohol illegal.

County Attorney C. P. Shepherd stated Monday that it was a violation of the law to make or possess beverage containing more than one per cent of alcohol, it made no difference what name was given the beverage. "You can call it dish water, if you want to," said the county attorney, "but if it contains more than one per cent of alcohol it is a violation of the Dean law to possess it."

GOOD SHOWERS IN SOME LOCALITIES

and the rain, skipping here and there, more than half an inch rain fell at Paint Rock Friday afternoon, there, continued over a strip across a good portion of Rummels county. Miles received a good shower, and spent between Miles and Ballinger, with a good shower at Ballinger, and extending North and to the Northeast, refreshed the atmosphere, and settled the dust wherever it fell. The rain was "spotted," but will benefit cotton where the showers were sufficient to cause water to stand in the cotton rows.

C. C. Lollar and family of the Norton country, returned this week from a trip to New Mexico where they visited relatives.

BACKACHE

Mississippi Lady Benefited by Taking Cardui.

"I took Cardui for backache and a weakened, run-down condition, and it strengthened and helped me," says Mrs. Mattie Hart, of Coldwater, Miss.

"Before the birth of my children, when weak and nauseated, I took Cardui. After the birth of my children, when just getting up to do my work, I took a couple of bottles of Cardui and it never failed to strengthen and help me when taking it."

"I seemed to enjoy my food and my back would feel stronger. I don't believe I could have kept going had it not been for Cardui and the strength it gave me."

"When change of life came on I got down in bed. Life seemed to be just a terrible drag. I did not have strength for anything. My back hurt. My limbs hurt. I was so nervous I couldn't rest. I knew what Cardui had done, so sent straight for it, and it did just as it had done before—strengthened and built me up."

At all drug stores. C-30
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Local Laundry Credit to City; Merits Home Support

Few citizens of Ballinger realize the up-to-dateness of the Ballinger Steam Laundry, recently improved, and which is now giving an unexcelled service to the residents of this city and surrounding towns. Under the proprietorship and management of A. B. Stobaugh, himself an experienced laundryman, the local cleaning establishment has been remodeled and added to make it one of the best of its size in Texas, and has eliminated the excuse for sending washing away from home by people in this part of West Texas.

Among machines for accurately and efficiently doing the work required in the Ballinger Steam Laundry are: one shirt machine, cuff press, neck bander, sleeve, shapers, collar press and three garment presses. Two large washers and one small washer turn out batches of clothes entirely cleaned every few minutes. The small pony washer is used in special work on silk and woolen runs. An extractor which attains the speed of over 1800 revolutions per minute takes out practically all of the moisture from the clothes dumped in from the washers. This drying process is further carried on in a two-cell drying room, which unloads its product every thirty minutes. The drying room is considered a model one, and is not excelled in this part of the state. Three boilers are fired at the local laundry, which is two more than has previously been used at the plant, and takes in part of the improvement program. Seven changes of water are used on each batch of clothes in the washers, and none of the water is used again even on hotel orders, which require daily washing and are therefore practically clean when sent in. Since the great improvement in Ballinger city water, and the addition of a special filtration and settling tank at the laundry complaints have been reduced to nil from use of murky water.

Nine women and three men are regularly employed at the Ballinger plant, and this figure does not include those acting as agents in other towns and special delivery men who solicit, pick up, and deliver back the cleansed

articles. Three women are employed on the big flat work ironer which dries and irons at the same time. This machine has a capacity of about 1500 pounds of linen per day, but is run only about three or four hours a day, which demonstrates that the Ballinger laundry is capable of taking care of twice or three times as much work of this character. Other women and girls are utilized at Hoffman presses, in hand finishing, seamstresses, checkers, bookkeepers, and on the other various machines. Even denims are pressed, where not specified otherwise. To show how styles in clothing affect the laundry business, one special shaper has been discarded on account of the passing of a certain mode, and other special attachments are being ordered from time to time to keep up with the trend of fashion.

Clothes to be cleansed are first taken to the marking room from the delivery trucks. Three checkings are made on each piece listed to prevent errors, and the pin system is used to further prevent mistakes, and other special checkings are made to complete the service. Most laundries charge extra for special one-day service, but the Ballinger Steam Laundry adds on no extra tariff for the twenty-four hour service. Garments that are torn are mended, buttons are sewed on, and where a piece is spotted or soiled after the last process it is sent back to the wash room, cleaned and ironed again. All valuables attached to or found in clothing are pigeon-holed and returned to the owners.

Uniforms of white are worn by the regular employees of the laundry, and the suits are changed every day.

Two agencies for the local laundry are located in Bronte, and Coke county people are given a twenty-four hour service on their linens. A special delivery wagon picks up on Mondays and delivers bundles on Wednesdays at Eden, Miles, Paint Rock and Rowena.

Part of the credit for the good work now being done in the Ballinger laundry should go to Roy Green and Joe Thomas, first assistants to Manager Stobaugh. Mr. Green has been in the wash room and general laundry business for the past fifteen years. Mr. Thomas, who is well known here, solicits, picks up and delivers all city work with celerity and accuracy.

"Everything back but the dirt" is the slogan of the Ballinger Steam Laundry, and "Keep Ballinger Money at Home" is another one of the rules practiced.

REVIVAL MOVED OUT OF RAIN

On account of the wet weather the Crimm revival has been transferred to the Baptist church and the services will be held at the church instead of at the tabernacle until the weather is favorable for outdoor meetings.

Evangelist Crimm arrived here Tuesday night about 9:00 o'clock, appearing at the church as the service was coming to a close. The pastor, Dr. Alvin Swindell, preached again Tuesday night, but the services have been turned over to the evangelist.

The first floor of the auditorium of the church was filled with people for the Tuesday night's service and those present enjoyed the good singing, as well as being inspired for better living by the pastor's message. The singer, the pianist and other members of the Crimm party arrived Tuesday and were in charge of the music.

Evangelist Crimm came thru from his last engagement in Louisiana in an automobile, and was due to arrive in time for the Tuesday night's service, but encountered wet roads and was delayed. He stated that he drove in rain all the way from Cameron to Ballinger.

I will have for rent on Sept. 1st one rock business house in Talpa on Main Street and highway, size 30x60. If you want it and are a live wire get busy. W. J. Sayre, Talpa, Texas. 25-17*

Three Weeks Jury Drawn Next Court

The fall term of district court convenes at Ballinger at 1:30 p. m., September 21st. While a four weeks' term is scheduled only a three weeks' petit jury has been drawn. The grand jury will begin work with the convening of court on the first day, and the petit jurors will be summoned for the first, second and third weeks. No jury was drawn for the fourth week.

A special venire will be summoned for the third week when the Kirk-Cope murder cases will be called for trial. These cases are set for October 5th, and are expected to be disposed of at this term of court. Kirk and Cope are charged by grand jury indictment with murder in connection with the killing of Crawford A. Tabor.

The criminal docket contains fourteen cases, as follows: two for murder; four for liquor law violations; four for forgery; one for manslaughter; one for false entry; and two for rape.

Since the last term of court twenty-two civil cases have been filed, ten of which are divorce cases. The district clerk says this is the smallest number of divorce cases filed between terms in several years.

Following are the names of the grand and petit jurors drawn for the term:

- Grand Jury**
 Carl Henslee
 S. H. Davidson
 H. A. Mitchell
 Hugh Campbell
 W. C. McGarver
 W. A. Bridwell
 Ira L. Sims
 A. F. Livingston
 Bert Fletcher
 B. E. Curry
 G. W. Prinzing
 Henry Topfbeck
 F. M. Currie
 Clyde Dunn
 Geo. Holliday
 Edgar Jayroe

- Petit Jury, First Week**
 Henry Hemmig
 Frank Hirt
 J. T. Hill
 A. W. Matejowsky
 Ed S. Kubela
 Frank Kro
 Gus Beckman
 C. W. Curry
 Ray B. Johnston
 W. M. Ashton
 R. M. Batts
 Ross Black
 Tom Caudle
 J. E. Brewer
 J. W. Clayton
 Floyd J. Carr
 S. H. Daugherty
 Collis Doose
 C. C. Carter
 J. B. Caswell
 J. D. Good
 E. F. Kevill
 R. S. Bowden
 C. Black
 C. C. Gentry
 M. E. Harrell
 W. S. Syler
 J. R. Willis
 A. F. Harkins
 P. C. Davis
 E. W. Patterson
 V. E. Bartlett
 Charlie Chapman
 W. C. Evans
 E. T. Bridwell
 M. L. Owens

- Petit Jury, Second Week**
 Anton Pustka
 John Rector
 E. A. Sommer
 Dan Eckert
 J. C. McAlley
 S. A. Blumentritt
 S. D. Childress
 Dee Curry
 J. F. Mackey
 F. M. Turner
 Ernst Gaston
 R. S. Bowden
 W. A. Francis
 E. A. Giesecke
 E. A. Jeanes Jr.
 Hardy Jones
 O. J. Harwell
 R. F. Lane
 Fred Holliday
 S. M. Jonas
 M. S. Karmany
 Geo. A. Kirk
 J. W. Bright
 Frank Berryman
 J. F. Hudson
 J. L. Downing
 T. O. Williams
 F. D. Bedford
 K. I. Collinsworth
 H. B. Marks
 W. F. Rheden
 E. Clements
 W. P. Hawkins

- J. A. Lamberth**
W. B. McKown
M. T. Hensley
Petit Jury, Third Week
 J. A. Seidel
 Henry Beimer
 Wm. Gallia
 A. H. Willberg
 Paul Gerhardt
 M. W. McShan
 G. W. Cheek
 C. S. Coleman
 V. H. Kinannon
 J. M. Slaughter
 Claude Lee
 R. J. Wheeler
 M. B. Wardlaw
 James Skinner
 B. S. Vancil
 C. R. Stephens
 C. R. Stone
 Dan Moser
 W. E. Middleton
 Malcolm McGregor
 Oscar Routh
 H. S. Murphy
 K. V. Northington
 W. H. Schleyer
 B. C. McCasland
 R. J. Queen
 M. L. Roberts
 C. L. Whigham
 John Curry
 L. M. Bales
 C. M. Gooch
 T. E. Frierson
 J. D. Mills
 W. B. Hodges
 W. T. Gardner
 H. M. Edwards

RESULTS THAT LAST

Proven by Ballinger People

Thousands of kidney sufferers have tried remedy after remedy with only temporary benefit. That's mighty discouraging! But one kidney remedy has earned a reputation for lasting results and there's plenty of proof right here in Ballinger.

Read the experience of one who used Doan's Pills years ago and now makes his endorsement even stronger.

W. F. Jackson, prop. of dairy, Route A, Ballinger, says: "My back was so sore I could hardly get around and if I bent over my back pained so I could hardly straighten. I had headaches and dizzy spells, too. The kidney secretions passed too often and were highly colored. After using Doan's Pills from Week's Drug Store, I was relieved." (Statement given April 29, 1919.)

On June 3, 1925 Mr. Jackson said: "I have had no kidney trouble since Doan's Pills cured me."

60c. at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

THIRD PLAGUE OF GRASSHOPPERS HERE

The third convention of grasshoppers within the last ten days convened in this city Thursday night, when a few billion hoppers invaded the city and took possession of the streets, alleys and sidewalks. Where they came from, or where they are headed for, is not known. No damage from the hoppers has been reported, and it is presumed that the bright lights are attracting the large nimble insects from the country.

MORE SHOWERS HELP COTTON CROP

Showers fell at different places in the county again Sunday. A heavy downpour was reported

West of Miles, and also South of Ballinger. The rain did not cover a wide area in any community, the showers being confined to small spots, but where the showers fell much benefit will result to cotton crops.

RETURN FROM MARKET

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. George are at home from the Eastern markets, where they spent two weeks buying goods for The Hub. They visited all the principal markets, including Baltimore and New York, and purchased heavily of new fall and winter goods. Many of the early purchases are arriving by express. Mr. and Mrs. George report a very pleasant visit, finding a little time to mix pleasure with business.

QUEEN THEATRE

Not Occasionally, but Always a Good Show!

Friday and Saturday
Big Double Program
Pictures and Vaudeville
Fred Thompson

and his wonder horse SILVER KING, in

"The Wild Bulls Lair"

You'll laugh 'till you're weaker than boarding house coffee.
 Also—2 reel Comedy—and AESOP'S FABLE COMEDY

EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!
 Moving Picture Star in Person, featuring

Baby May Rose

in Latest Songs and Dances

Also—

Lowe and Lowe

Direct from Big Time Vaudeville, in Specialty Acts.

It's Our Treat!

No Advance in Prices.

10c ADMISSION 30c

SCHOOL DAY AT COUNTY FAIR

It is probable that every child enrolled in the schools of Runnels, Coke, Concho and Coleman counties will be presented with a free ticket to the Runnels County Fair. The fair will designate a school day, and on that day the parents of the four counties will be urged to come and bring the children.

Last year the attendance at the fair amounted to more than thirty-five thousand, not counting the children of twelve years of age who were admitted free. It is expected that the attendance will amount to more than fifty thousand this year, and reaching out and taking in the other counties with a premium list of \$5000 cash will no doubt bring a greater number of people from a distance.

The fair has received wider publicity and more advertising this year than last. Last year's fair was the first fair ever held in this county where an admission was charged, and some were skeptical and afraid that they would not receive their money's worth. They were wrong, the show was the biggest ever staged in this city for two-bits.

Some announcement concerning various days to be designated at the fair will be made by the fair board soon, and it is expected that school day will be made a big day again this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Black will move to Winters on September 1st, where Mr. Black has accepted a position with the Nance-Brown Motor Company as tractor salesman. Mr. Black is at present, and has been for some time, with the Harwell Motor Co. of this city.

Judge A. K. Doss returned home Tuesday at noon from a business trip to Dallas.



The Farmers and Merchants State Bank transacting a banking business along sound and constructive lines and soliciting the accounts of forward looking firms and individuals. :-: :-: :-: :-: :-:



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CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR RENT—Will have on Sept. 1st, one rock business house in Talpa on Main Street and highway, size 30x60. If you want it and are a live-wire get busy. W. J. Sayre, Talpa, Texas. 28-17*

LOST—One black mare Mule, 2 years old, 15 1-2 hands high, with front foot cut. One sorrel pony Mare, 6 years old. One bay pony Mare, 10 years old. Will pay for any information leading to them. W. L. McMillan, Ballinger. 26-24-2w*

FOR SALE—Car load of milk cows. Crockett & Fulcher Barn on Tenth Street. 22-34-1w

FOR SALE—160 acres three miles Southwest of Ballinger. Good, long terms. Dr. J. F. Nooe, Boerne, Texas. 25-1d-3w*

FOR SALE—Six room house and 20 acres of land at Hatchel. E. T. Branham. 20-34-1w

Notice to Livestock Owners
 When in need of veterinary services, phone Dr. Richard F. Zedlitz, Nos. 12 or 13, Ballinger. 9-wtf.

FOR SALE—Dry mesquite wood at my place on Valley Creek five miles West of Ballinger, \$3 per cord. L. E. H. Barnett. 29-tfw

FARM FOR SALE—Four miles north of Winters, 167-810 acres, well improved, about 140 acres in cultivation. For particulars apply to W. H. Brown, Winters, Texas, Box 092. 14-4w*

FOR SALE—150 acre farm, 1-2 mile of Ballinger school. Special price until Sept. 1. Good terms. L. Deceuil. 21-27*