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## HASSELL MUST DIE IS JURY'S VERDICT

FARWELL, Tex., Jan. 12.—Swift justice of the West was dealt out here in the early morning hours today to George Hassell, farmer and rancher, the self-confessed slayer of his family, when he was found guilty and assessed the death penalty for the murder of his stepson and nephew, Aldon Hassell.

The jury was out less than two hours, it having received the case shortly before midnight.

It had not been determined what will be done about the remaining eight indictments charging Hassell with murder.

The jury was given the case about 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night, and at 1:00 o'clock Wednesday morning, after one and a half hours of deliberation, the jurors returned the verdict.

Only a few spectators were in the court room at the time the verdict was announced as a large part of the crowd thought the decision would not be announced until today.

Hassell, sitting in the court room under guard, was unmoved. His attorney had left the court house. The prisoner showed no emotion when the sentence was read.

At 2:00 o'clock this morning Hassell had not been removed from Farwell.

### J. S. JONES PRESENTS FIRE COMPANY WITH \$5

J. S. Jones who had two or three cars and trucks in the Justice Motor Co. fire last week, Tuesday presented Chief Louis Cohen with a \$5 check for services rendered in the blaze. Mr. Jones is agent for the Gulf Refining Company here.

## ABBOTT GETS HIS RELEASE

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—J. B. Abbott, of Runnels county, was granted a pardon by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson today.

Abbott was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary for forgery in two cases.

He was pardoned because of poverty and the dependence of his family. The pardon was recommended by the jury.

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—James E. Ferguson endorsed the full pardon for E. A. Decherd, of Dallas, who as state Senator in 1917 voted for Ferguson's impeachment, the Decherd proclamation released today by Governor M. A. Ferguson showed.

The governor's clemency acts today amounted to a new mark, 3,177, with the granting of 32 full pardons.

### MOTLEY LEAVES FOR FAIR SECRETARIES MEET

J. D. Motley, secretary of the Runnels County Fair Association, and also secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, left Wednesday morning for Dallas where he will attend a meeting of fair secretaries from every section of the state.

At this meeting more than 100 secretaries will be present to look after booking of amusements for 1927 fairs. Secretaries from almost every fair of importance in Texas will be present and a general discussion will be held on problems confronting fair associations of today.

The meeting will continue thru Friday, it being convened Thursday morning.

Ed Hall, auto dealer of Brownwood, was in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon on business en route to San Angelo.

## DAVENPORT TO GET PARDON IF SENT TO ASYLUM

On the condition that he be confined in an insane asylum, Gov. Ferguson, Wednesday, granted a pardon to Gratton Davenport, sentenced to life from Tom Green county for the murder of Sam Rodgers, former Runnels county citizen, in Mertzon in 1925, while the latter was driving down the street in a wagon.

Davenport is now confined to the county jail at San Angelo, but it is expected that he will soon be removed to an asylum.

The governor stipulated that Davenport should be confined "continuously" and that the pardon would be revoked at any time the condition was violated.

Evidence in the record indicated strongly that Davenport was insane when he committed the offense, Gov. Ferguson declared in issuing the conditional pardon.

W. A. Wright, of San Angelo, counsel for Davenport, received a telegram Tuesday night, announcing the pardon for the slayer of Rodgers had been granted, conditioned upon his confinement to an insane asylum. Judge Wright did not divulge the source of his information but declared that it was authoritative. Earlier in the week, upon his return from Austin, the attorney said that a pardon had been promised by the governor.

Some time ago an effort was made by friends of Rodgers and some members of the court that tried Davenport, to have Mrs. Ferguson refuse the pardon for Davenport.

W. H. Rodgers, of Winters, father of the slain man, was in Ballinger Wednesday en route home from Austin where he had been urging that Davenport not be pardoned. According to friends here, Mr. Rodgers declared that while in a conference with James E. Ferguson, husband of the governor, Mr. Ferguson said that no pardon would be granted Davenport.

Charles Snell left Wednesday morning for Wichita Falls, after spending several days here with his mother and sisters, following the funeral of his father, Z. A. Snell.

## WILL CONSIDER NEW FARM BILL

WASHINGTON, January 11.—The House agricultural committee today voted to consider the new McNary-Haugen farm relief bill in a secret session.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—The House agricultural committee considering the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill today, refused to eliminate cotton from the immediate application of an equalization fee which is proposed to levy on the basic crops to provide a fund for handling the surplus problem.

### COMMISSIONERS COURT IN REGULAR MEETING

The Commissioners Court of Runnels county met in regular session Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of transacting regular monthly business.

The only special action taken was in regard to having the windows of the court house screened. These windows have never been screened and it was voted by the court to make this improvement.

## Rowena Citizens Organize First Chamber of Commerce

Rowena, one of the best towns in Runnels county, nine miles west of Ballinger, is now the proud possessor of its first Chamber of Commerce, which was organized Monday night at a mass meeting held in the auditorium of the First National Bank of Rowena, with a membership of approximately 50.

Seven directors were named, and officers elected as follows: W. A. Halameek, president; W. J. Wiesner, vice-president; Henry Teplicek, secretary. The four other men who serve as directors with the officers are: T. A. Rogge, C. R. Rossler, John Schuhmann and J. F. Shiller.

Five business men were named as a membership committee to canvass the little city for members. J. D. Motley, secretary of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, said Tuesday that Mr. Halameek assured him that the organization would start with as many as 50 members.

Mr. Motley and M. C. Atkins,

president of the local chamber, were invited to attend the mass meeting and assist in the organization of the commercial body at Rowena. The organization was completed and now gives Runnels county three organizations of this kind working for the advancement of their home towns, Runnels county, and West Texas.

Ballinger, Winters and Rowena now have chambers of commerce. Miles has had such an organization, and Mr. Motley declared he was informed they are preparing to organize again.

"I have been asked several times to go to Miles and assist in the organization of a new chamber, but something has always prevented my going over there," Mr. Motley said. "Miles, however, will have an organization within the near future."

Regular meetings of the board of directors of the Rowena Chambers of Commerce will be held on the first and third Mondays of each month.

## Much Freight is Shipped from this Point in 1926

Runnels county shipped its share of home-grown products from this city during 1926, according to figures obtained from J. J. Beck, Santa Fe agent; and E. M. Ubank, A. & S. agent.

The total number of freight cars carrying home products shipped out of Ballinger, not including cotton produced during the 1925-26 season is 1,793. This number includes carlots of cattle, sheep, horses, hogs, poultry, ice, wheat, oats, cotton seed oil products, sand and gravel.

The largest individual item on the list is sand and gravel. Both railroads shipped out about 1,192 carloads of sand and gravel which was sold by local contractors to construction companies all over West Texas, which are using the products for erection of new buildings and for paving purposes. Loads of sand and gravel are being taken from the Colorado River daily and dumped into cars here for shipping purposes. Ballinger's supply of sand and gravel is unlimited and is not to be exhausted any time soon as each time the Colorado comes down on a big rise, there is a new supply of gravel deposited about 600 yards East of the river bridge.

One hundred and sixty-six carloads of cattle were shipped from this point and together with shipments made from Rowena, Miles, Winters, Hatcher and Benoit, a larger figure is necessary. Most of these shipments were made to the Fort Worth stockyards.

The Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill assisted much in Ballinger's shipment of home products. Cotton seed products totalled 154 cars, while cottonseed oil required 36 cars for the past year, the records show.

Wheat and oats totalled 86 carloads. Sheep took 40 cars. There were 94 carloads of ice shipped from the local factory.

Poultry totalled 21 cars. There were 14 cars of dressed poultry and seven cars of live poultry shipped from here to Eastern markets. This is believed to be the largest amount of poultry ever consigned from Ballinger. Turkeys brought a good price during the season and this market helped more than one farmer in Runnels county to keep out of the hole on account of the low cotton price.

Wool concentrated and billed out from the local warehouses amounted to 252,000 pounds, and this does not include nearly all the wool clipped in this county.

The two railroads divided cotton shipments last year. Much of the cotton compressed here was not Runnels county cotton as growers and buyers from other points shipped much of their stuff here for pressing purposes, and both roads handled outgoing

cotton.

Freight traffic on both Santa Fe and A. & S. showed much increase during the past year. Both outbound and inbound commodities increased. The Santa Fe at times was unable to handle all its traffic over the single line from Ballinger to Brownwood without interference on account of the heavy oil production of the fields West of San Angelo which has been increasing steadily since the first wells came in. Other oil trains originating at Amarillo and Panhandle fields, added to the confusion East of Ballinger.

On account of much of this oil traffic, shippers were inclined to route some of the freight destined for Ballinger via T. & P. to Abilene and over A. & S. to this city.

Runnels county and Ballinger are showing a steady growth and prospects for 1927 are much brighter than they have ever been. Oil prospecting has been promised for this county during 1927 and in case any kind of a paying field is located, railroad business here will increase.

Crop prospects could not be brighter. A large small grain yield is in sight as many of the farmers have sown grain where they had cotton last year. Cotton acreage of the county will be decreased, it is claimed, but farmers will have more time to work this acreage and as a result will probably raise as much as they did during the past year.

## BOBBITT IS NEW HOUSE SPEAKER

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—The 40th legislature convened at noon today with practically the entire membership present.

The House was called to order by Mrs. Emma Meharg, secretary of state, and the Senate by Lieutenant Gov. Barry Miller.

Robert L. Bobbitt, of Laredo, was elected speaker of the House.

AUSTIN, Jan. 11.—Dan Moody announced today the appointment of Mrs. Jane McCallum, of Austin, as his secretary of state; Joseph Sayers as a member of the board of pardon advisers; Boyd Gateway, of Houston, as his private secretary; and J. D. Hill, of Georgetown, his first assistant secretary.

Mrs. J. M. Skinner has returned from Edinburg, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. George McCulley, and family for several weeks.

Mrs. Vaneil, of Winters, was in Ballinger Wednesday looking after business matters.

## JUSTICE MOTOR CO. HAS \$30,000 BLAZE

## SIX JURORS ARE NOW CHOSEN

COURT ROOM, Austin, Jan. 12.—The Norris murder trial was resumed here today with the continuation of questioning veniremen. Five jurors were selected yesterday in the case, in which Rev. J. Frank Norris is being tried for the slaying of D. E. Chipps, in Fort Worth.

After examining seven veniremen today, the sixth juror was accepted. He is C. A. Galbreath, a butcher, who said he was a Mason.

The line of questioning was about the same as that of yesterday, the prospective jurors being asked about different phases of self defense, Ku Klux Klan affiliation, and if they would give the defendant impartial treatment in view of the fact that he is a minister.

Galbreath was the 36th venireman examined. Most of the men dismissed today had fixed opinions.

Norris today issued a written statement, quoting Phil. 27, which he said was a reply to many telegrams and letters received from friends.

The audience in the newspaper gallery dwindled today as the lawyers questioned the veniremen.

## VICTORY FOR MOODY FORCES

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—Victory for the forces of Governor-Elect Dan Moody was seen today when the Senate refused to force the committee on the governor's nominations to report on Gov. Ferguson's recess nominations Friday.

George Kearny, formerly a resident of Ballinger, more recently of Comanche, was in Ballinger visiting this week while en route to Florida, where he and his family are moving. They made home in Ballinger and Comanche for a number of years.

Rev. and Mrs. Alvin O. Rue spent Tuesday with friends in Abilene.

Damage estimated at between \$25,000 and \$30,000 was caused here Thursday night about 11:00 o'clock when the M. G. Justice Motor Company was destroyed by fire.

Thirty-three cars and six trucks were housed in the building, a structure 60x100 feet. The building faces Hutchings Avenue. Tire stocks and other fixtures in the building were also badly damaged.

The repair shop of Ben Matthesen, located in the rear of the building was also badly damaged.

The loss is partly covered by insurance. Marvin Justice, owner of the business, estimated his loss at about \$23,000, but that did not include the building or Mr. Matthesen's loss.

R. G. Erwin, who has charge of the property of Mrs. Lulu Noyes, owner of the structure, declared the loss on the building to be about \$3,000. It was insured for about that much.

"Repair on the building will be started as soon as the insurance adjustments are made," Mr. Erwin declared.

It was on this building that the pumper was first used after it was purchased by the city. It was declared Friday morning that a garage was also housed in the building when it caught fire before, and the pumper was all that saved the structure.

Heaviest losers were Mrs. Lulu Noyes, M. G. Justice; E. A. Werner, who had about six or seven cars in storage in the house; Cecil Taylor, of San Angelo, who also had several cars in storage; and Ben Matthesen, owner of the repair shop.

Much of the property was covered by insurance but it is not known just how much insurance was carried on the entire business, including the stock, the building, the repair shop and the cars in storage.

Origin of the fire is unknown as the building was in flames when the trucks arrived. Some advance the theory that it was caused by electric wiring, another that gasoline in a burning car was vaporized before it became ignited and went to the ceiling of the building, which was burned more than any other part.

Tops of practically every car in the house were burned off and the varnish badly scorched.

Firemen fought desperately to save what little they could and had the fire been discovered five minutes later, it is believed the building would have been destroyed.

Be wise and advertise

Sixth Annual  
**Legion Show**  
"Turn to the Right"  
January 17th and 18th  
(Monday and Tuesday)  
Monday, Students Matinee 3:30 p. m.  
Monday Night 8:00 p. m.  
Tuesday Night 8:00 p. m.  
(No Mid-Night Matinee)  
Seats On Sale at Weeks Drug Store



**CANE CRUSH**  
Pure Open Kettle  
Louisiana Ribbon  
SUGAR  
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Plantation Packed  
NO Chemicals!

**BREEZY HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB**

The Breezy Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. L. K. Parr on January 6th, to elect officers and discuss plans for the new year.

Miss Eula Key, home agent, met with us, as did our new home agent, Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth. Refreshments consisted of cake and ambrosia. There were six members present and seven visitors.

The club will meet next with Mrs. Edward Allison on January 27th.

Club Reporter.



**LAFF-A-LOT HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB**

The Laff-a-Lot Home Demonstration Club met in regular meeting January 7th, with Mrs. W. L. McIntyre.

Mrs. Hollingsworth, the new demonstration agent, was present. Plans for the new year's work were made, also the following officers were elected: Mrs. Dee Oliver, president; Mrs. W. V. Tubbs, vice-president; Mrs. W. P. Murray, secretary and treasurer.

Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames Dee Oliver, W. V. Tubbs, I. M. Turner, W. P. Murray, W. L. Caudle, Percy Crimm, L. S. Nunn, E. H. Crawford, J. S. Flannigan, J. A. Patterson, R. Russell, W. M. Turner, Miss Velma Turner, Miss Fannie Nixon and Mrs. Crawford of Ballinger, and Mrs. Davis Nunn of Abilene, were visitors.

After all business was attended to the meeting adjourned, to meet with Mrs. J. A. Patterson, January 21st.

"Reporter."

**FOR WORKING PEOPLE**

The best of workers get out of sorts when the liver fails to act. They feel languid, half-sick, "blue" and discouraged and think they are getting lazy. Neglect of these symptoms might result in a sick spell, therefore the sensible course is to take a dose or two of Herbone. It is just the medicine needed to purify the system and restore the vim and ambition of health. Price 60c. Sold by

Weeks Drug Store

Miss Louise Kirk has gone to Austin where she will visit for several days. She will probably remain there until the legislature adjourns.

Mrs. M. A. Smyth, of Skitook, Oklahoma, near Tulsa, left Monday morning for her home, after a visit to her son, Rev. Leslie G. Smyth, and family.

J. T. Brandon, of Talpa, was in Ballinger and renewed his subscription to The Banner-Ledger for another year.

**How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu**

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of gripe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of cal-meil and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

**LEGION SHOW DATES ARE SET**

The Pat Williams Post American Legion announced dates today for their sixth annual show as Monday and Tuesday, January 17th and 18th. The midnight matinee will be cancelled and two night performances will be presented, starting at 8:00 p. m. The usual students' matinee will be given at 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Everyone holding tickets for the first performance will be asked to either attend the Monday night show or else exchange their tickets at Weeks Drug Store for the Tuesday night performance. The board that has been used for the sale of midnight matinee tickets will be used for the Tuesday night show and those holding tickets on this board can attend the Tuesday night performance or exchange their tickets for the Monday show.

The cast will hold one or two rehearsals next week to keep in form and the management promises an even better performance than would have been presented Friday night of this week. With another week to work on time will be given the stage carpenter and property men a chance to paint a few things and add to the properties already on hand for use in the play.

Owing to the many gatherings scheduled for next week it was thought best not to present the Legion show until the dates announced above. The Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday evening and the Lyceum offering Thursday, besides other affairs, will take up practically all open dates for the ensuing week.

Everyone is urged to hold the tickets already reserved and see "Turn to the Right," the best performance ever presented here by the American Legion.

**COMB SAGE TEA IN HAIR TO DARKEN IT**

It's Grandmother's Recipe to keep her Locks Dark Glossy, Beautiful

The old-time mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur for darkening gray, streaked and faded hair is grandmother's recipe, and folks are again using it to keep their hair a good, even color, which is quite sensible, as we are living in an age when a youthful appearance is of the greatest advantage.

Nowadays, though, we don't have the troublesome task of gathering the sage and the mussy mixing at home. All drug stores sell the ready-to-use product, improved by the addition of other ingredients, called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." It is very popular because nobody can discover it has been applied. Simply moisten your comb or a soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, is that, besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also produces that soft lustre and appearance of abundance which is so attractive.

**FIRE BOYS' FUND BOOSTED BY \$100 DONATION**

The fire company's treasury balance was boosted Saturday by a \$100 donation from the Noyes Estate, by Mrs. Lulu Noyes, when she handed Louis Cohen, chief of the fire department, a check for the firemen's work in saving the building of the estate when the M. G. Justice Motor Company was destroyed by fire.

The company has received in donations since January 1st, \$170 to apply to its fund.

The two fires since January 1st, caused losses of several thousand dollars, and were much worse than any during 1926. The loss in the first fire, that of the Mason gin, was alone more than the entire loss in 1926.

Chief Cohen says the donations received are all appreciated very much and that it is such donations as these that make the fire boys work harder in an effort to protect Ballinger property from fire hazards.

Rev. Leslie G. Smyth left Monday morning for Fort Worth, where he will attend an educational convention of the Christian Church. He will return later this week.

**BLANTON AIDS VETS IN LOAN CHANGE**

(Abilene News)

Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene, congressman from the 17th district, next Monday will present to a committee of the House the proposal of R. C. Winters, state commander of the American Legion, to so change the wording of the adjusted compensation law whereby war veterans may se-

cure loans on adjusted certificates, a message received by the commander from the congressman advises.

Immediate action to aid legionnaires in meeting present emergencies will be urged, Blanton stated. He promised to advise Winters what action the committee might propose to take.

It is impossible for veterans to secure loans on their certificates because of the peculiar wording

of the law, Winters claims. The bill states that "The director of the Veterans' Bureau may, in his discretion, accept the certificate and note and pay the bank in full" in case the veteran fails to pay his note.

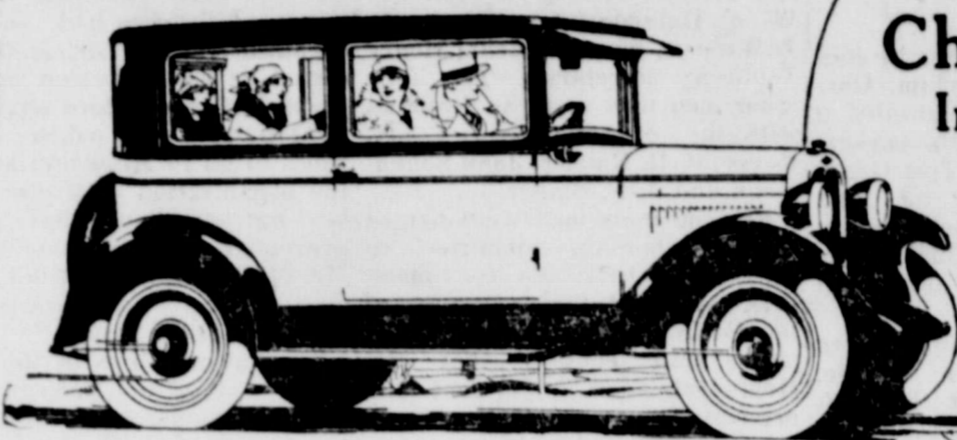
The bill does not make it compulsory for the Veterans' Bureau to pay such notes, Winters says. Because of this, he believes the banks are justified in refusing to grant loans.

Miss Frances Trail and Miss Naomi McWilliams have returned to Simmons University at Abilene after visiting relatives here over the week-end.

J. R. Orr, of Winters, formerly of the Dale community, was in Ballinger Saturday and renewed his subscription to The Banner-Ledger for another year.

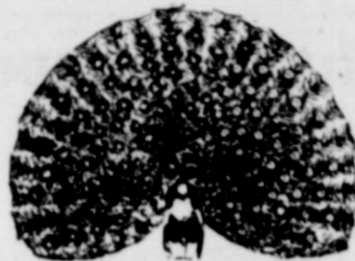
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—a host of Mechanical Improvements—New Features found only on the costliest cars

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America has always expected great things from its greatest industry. But the announcement of the Most Beautiful Chevrolet has been the automotive sensation of all time!

Here is a car which in beauty, luxury, quality and modern design challenges the costliest creations of the day.

Here, in a price class where average standards have been the rule, is now offered a car so far beyond all expectation that comparisons ceases to exist.

Seven superb models styled as low priced cars were never styled before and offered such marks of fine car distinction as: full crown one-piece fenders, bullet type lamps and "fish tail" rear deck modeling! New and supremely beautiful bodies by Fisher! And, above all, infinitely finer quality—the result of a host of additional improvements such as AC oil filter, AC air cleaner, coincidental steering and ignition lock, larger 17" steering wheel, gasoline guage and many, many others! All this is combined to a supreme degree in the long famous leader of the Chevrolet line—the Coach. It would be a brilliant achievement for any manufacturer merely to design such a splendid car to sell at ANY reasonably low price. But to sell it at the amazing price of \$595 is a feat of history making proportions. This one price reduction alone would suffice to center world-wide attention on Chevrolet. But due to economies of tremendous production plus the vast resources of General Motors, Chevrolet also announces striking price reductions on other models.

For years Chevrolet has led the world in providing Quality at Low Cost. But now with a new and more beautiful car—with a car infinitely finer in quality and greatly lower in price, Chevrolet stands supreme and unchallenged in dollar-for-dollar value!

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The **COACH** \$595  
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The **COUPE** \$625  
Former Price \$645

The **SEDAN** \$695  
Former Price \$735

The **LANDAU** \$745  
Former Price \$765

The **Touring Car** \$525  
Price includes balloon tires and steel disc wheels. Former price \$535 with balloon tires only.

The **Roadster** \$525  
Price includes balloon tires and steel disc wheels. Former price \$535 with balloon tires only.

The **Sport Cabriolet** 715  
Entirely new model with rumble seat.

**1-Ton Truck** \$495  
(Chassis Only)

**1/2-Ton Truck** \$395  
(Chassis Only)

Balloon tires now standard on all models

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**Ballinger Auto Co.**  
**QUALITY AT LOW COST**

## oneer Hotel Keeper Dies Here Saturday

C. Royalty, 88 years of age, neer resident of Runnels ty and owner of one of the hotels in Ballinger, died Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. Hagan, on Fifth Street. Royalty had been in feeble th for several years but until weeks ago was able to get and, especially in attending ch services.

eral services were held Sun- afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Hagan, Rev. Alvin O. Rue, pastor of Eighth Street Presbyterian ch, in charge. Rev. Rue was ted by Rev. W. H. Doss, red Methodist minister; Rev. R. Hooper, pastor of the First hodist church; and Rev. E. McLaurin, pastor of the First sbyterian church.

nterment was made in Ever- en Cemetery.

g-Holt undertakers prepared body for burial and were in rge at the cemetery.

ilas Clay Royalty, 88 years 23 s of age, was born on Decem- 15, 1838, in Virginia. He later ved with his family to Ken- ky and on to Missouri. He s married to Miss Miles at hley, Missouri.

n the fall of 1876, the Royalty nily moved to Brownwood, as, where Mr. Royalty first ured the hotel business. For 1 years that was called home, d then Mr. Royalty decided to e further West. He and his nily left Brownwood and trav- ed in wagons in 1886, moving Ballinger in May, shortly ere the Santa Fe railroad was tended to this city. For sev- al months they lived in a tent re, there being only one house eeted when they came to Ballin- r.

Mr. Royalty entered the hotel siness here. He purchased a ame building which stood here the Hardin lumber yard is w located and moved it to the ot where the Central Hotel is w. Later he did away with the ame building and constructed e rock structure of the Central otel which was only recently edeoded into a first-class struc- ure. Mr. Royalty operated one f the first hotels in Runnels unty.

In 1906, he retired from this siness and moved to a place in est End where he resided until e death of his wife, on October 1, 1923. After the death of Mrs. oyalty, he and a daughter, Miss adie Royalty, moved to the home f Mrs. E. L. Hagan, a daughter nd sister, and made their home ere since.

Mr. Royalty had been a faithful umber of the Presbyterian n church, having joined this church efore he was married. He was lways at church services of the ighth Street Presbyterian n church when his health allowed. Deceased is survived by three aughters, Mrs. E. L. Hagan, Miss adie Royalty, and Mrs. John I. uion Jr., all of Ballinger; three ons, R. L. Royalty, J. Boone oyalty, and C. J. Royalty; eight randchildren and two great rand children; also one brother, en Royalty, of Fisher county; nd two sisters, Mrs. Paul Ogden, otan, Fisher county; and Mrs. ary Irvin, of Missouri.

Relatives who attended the urnal were the three daughters, is grandchildren here, and a

## HEADACHE FROM A COLD? LISTEN!

"Pape's Cold Compound" ends severe colds or grippe in few hours



Your cold will break and all grippe misery end after taking a dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until three doses are taken.

It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness. Besides, it is an effective laxative. It keeps the bowels open carrying off the poisons that are making you sick.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only thirty-five cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Accept no substitute.

niece, Mrs. Frank Lewin, of Miles.

## KIDNEYS NEED LOTS OF WATER AT TIMES

If Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers, Also Take a Little Salts

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, sometimes get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region begin drinking lots of water. Also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is intended to flush clogged kidneys and help stimulate them to activity. It also helps neutralize the acids in the urine so they no longer irritate, thus helping to relieve bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which everybody should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean.

A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in trying to correct kidney trouble while it is only trouble.

## CRAGER & DICKEY IS NEW LAW FIRM

Crager & Dickey will be the style of a new law firm in Ballinger, according to an announcement made by these two gentlemen Tuesday afternoon. Their offices will be located upstairs in the McCarver & Lynn building, where Mr. Dickey have been officed.

Until recently Mr. Crager was with the firm of Parish & Crager, that partnership having been formed some three years ago, and was dissolved on the first of this year by mutual consent of both partners.

Alfred Crager has made Ballinger home for the past five years. Prior to coming here he practiced law through the oil belt around Cisco and served as district attorney in that district immediately before coming to this city. Since coming to Ballinger, besides practicing law he has been active in civic work of all kinds. He served the Chamber of Commerce as president during 1926 and has delivered speeches all over this section of the country. Particularly has he assisted the local American Legion in their Americanization program. In addition to being a good lawyer Mr. Crager is an orator, which proves of great aid to him in his profession.

Mr. Dickey established a law office here a little more than a year ago and during even that brief period has built up a good practice and has made many friends. He also takes an active part in all civic movements.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-tfw

## Notice

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the co-partnership of H. G. Jones and M. L. Northington, operating under the firm name of Ballinger Auto Company was dissolved on January 1st, 1927.

H. G. JONES  
M. L. NORTHINGTON.  
7-1td-1tw

## TWO BOYS ARRESTED FOR AFFRAY HERE

Two boys were arrested Sunday night for fighting here. One was arraigned before the local justice court while the other was given a hearing before the city court.

Judge A. K. Doss has gone to Houston and Austin where he will look after business and in Austin he will attend the convening of the legislature.

Miss Helen Swift, of College Station, is here looking after the interests of rural club women.

## BURNS FATAL TO BABY BOY

Martin Benjamin Bilbo, the 13-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bilbo, of Bronte, died in the Halley & Love Sanitarium Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock from burns received more than a week ago when Mrs. Bilbo tossed what she presumed was kerosene oil on a fire at their home.

However, the liquid proved to be gasoline, and the five-gallon can which she used, exploded, throwing gasoline over her and the baby. The baby was brought here from Bronte and placed in the sanitarium with the hope that he would recover.

Mrs. Bilbo is at her home in Bronte in a serious condition. She is, however, expected to recover.

Funeral services were to be held from the Bilbo home Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Bronte cemetery.

The remains were prepared for burial by Higginbotham Bros. undertakers in their morgue here and carried to Bronte in their funeral car.

## 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 GROVE'S 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 Grove's 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.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES AVERAGE ONE A DAY

Ten marriage licenses had been issued here to noon Monday since January 1, 1927, according to the records at the county's clerk's office at the court house. If this record is maintained 1927 will be a good year in the matrimonial business, it is declared.

## THREE HURT AS MOTORS CRASH

A head-on collision between two motor cars on the Abilene & Southern Railway, 16 miles South of Abilene, Saturday evening about 7:30 o'clock, injured three people, two seriously, according to word received here through E. M. Eubank, local A. & S. agent.

Miss Mabel Jenkins, secretary to O. E. Flato, auditor of the road, was the most seriously hurt. She received a broken arm, and several bruises and cuts. Flato sustained a back hurt and severe bruises. R. L. Adams, a West Texas Utilities Co. lineman, received minor injuries.

Morgan Jones, formerly of this city, who was operating one of the cars, was not hurt. The railroad party had been visiting stations on the line between here and Abilene for the purpose of checking up the business, and were returning to the home

office. It is believed that a Utilities motor car was coming into Tuscola at the time of the crash.

Mr. Jones and his party had also been in Ballinger Saturday, and were returning to Abilene after the day's work.

## Notice

The First National Bank of Norton, Texas, located at Norton, State of Texas, is closing its affairs. All note holders and other creditors of the Association are therefore hereby notified to present the notes and other claims for payment. Dec. 15, 1926.

T. J. McCAUGHAN,  
Cashier.  
24-9tw

S. H. Miller, of Talpa route No. 2, was a caller at the Ledger office Saturday and subscribed for The Banner-Ledger for a year. Mr. Miller is one of the newest subscribers.

Be wise and advertise

# A STATEMENT

By the President of Dodge Brothers, Inc.

Within a few months, Dodge Brothers, Inc., will introduce a new line of motor cars, in no way conflicting with the market for Dodge Brothers present types, but occupying a considerably higher price field and produced in limited quantities.

Combining Dodge Brothers well known dependability with exceptional performance and striking beauty of appointment and design, these distinguished vehicles, we believe, will instantly set a new and higher standard in fine car practice.

Dodge Brothers will continue to produce their present line in maximum quantities to meet a demand which, during the year just ended, has called for an impressive total of 330,000 motor cars.

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Co-operation efficient work

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*Ed Storey*

the most hearty and helpful Advisory Boards, Territories, State Grain Inspection Railway Commissions, and the Eng Board. Shippers and receivers ped. And there was the whole of its own employees.

actical and convincing proof that co- n meet every transportation demand, a shortage and congestion, and save pro- d shippers hundreds of millions of dollars

Santa Fe wishes to express its sincere appreciation of this co-operation and of the efficient and service of its employees.

W. B. STOREY, President  
The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System

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The Ballinger Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held next Tuesday evening. You are not a progressive citizen if you do not attend this affair.

Sunshiny weather like Ballinger has been experiencing for the last three or four days makes a fellow want to stop work. Some of them do stop and go to the golf links.

Runnels county citizens are planning for a big year and Ballinger citizens are going to assist in making Runnels county the foremost in West Texas at the close of business December 31, 1927.

Two murder trials of state-wide interest will be in progress Monday unless the court at Farwell completes the trial of George Hassell, confessed slayer of nine people, before J. Frank Norris is called before Judge Hamilton at Austin to answer murder charges. Hassell's trial started Thursday. Dr. Norris goes to trial on Monday. State dailies will have much front-page news from these two sources for the next few days.

**FIRE BOYS GET MORE CHECKS FOR WORK**

Chief Louis Cohen Saturday exhibited a \$50 check, presented him by Mrs. W. F. Mason, of the Mason gin, which was burned last Saturday at midnight. The fire company's efforts to save the building and gin were in vain but their work was appreciated very much by Mr. and Mrs. Mason.

The fire chief also had a \$5 check from H. F. Demmer, blacksmith, whose business is adjoining the Justice Motor Company which was badly damaged by fire Thursday night.

**Colds Cause Grip and Influenza**  
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine."  
E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

**Calf Skin Trimmings and Accessories Are New and Smart This Season**



PAULINE STARKE

Black and white calf skin is one of the smartest furs this season when used for trimming and accessories as well as for coats. Hats and pocketbooks of this fabric make an otherwise simple costume extremely chic. Some of the smartest suits shown this winter are trimmed with the flat black and white or brown and white calf skin.

A smart coat for general wear is this simple black coat worn by Pauline Starke, Metro-Goldwyn-playaway, which has collar and cuffs of black and white calf skin. The coat is smartly lined with light colored kasha.

With this coat, Miss Starke wears a small hat of gray felt.

**NOTHING DELIBERATE IN CAPITAL TRAFFIC**

WASHINGTON, January 12.—The deliberate life in modern Washington is confined almost alone to the Senate chamber. Outside of the capitol building, the city "steps on the gas."

When the members of the nation's deliberative body emerge onto the streets they must look sharply to escape the crash of traffic which seems to have overtaken even the once wide and comfortable avenues charted by L'Enfant.

To hurry things along, 30 miles an hour now is prescribed as the speed limit on some avenues where dignified statesmen once railed at the recklessness of bicycle "scorchers" who frightened the spick and span teams drawing aristocratic equipages.

It is no novelty to see the coat tails of a cabinet official flying in the wind as he attempts to make a perilous street crossing, and secret service men who guard President Coolidge must be alert when he takes his customary strolls.

**NOTHING LIKE IT ON EARTH**

The new treatment for torn flesh, cuts, wounds, sores or lacerations that is doing such wonderful work in flesh healing is the Borozone liquid and powder combination treatment. The liquid Borozone is a powerful antiseptic that purifies the wound of all poisons and infectious germs, while the Borozone powder is the great healer. There is nothing like it on earth for speed, safety and efficiency. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by

Weeks Drug Store

**Endangers Life to Save Queen's Statue**

BUCHAREST, Jan. 12.—The statue of Carmen Sylva, the late Queen Elizabeth of Rumania, was one of the sentimental treasures lost in the midnight burning of the royal palace. An old soldier's attempt to rescue it was a dramatic scene of the fire.

When the flames swept through the roof and down the walls of the throne-room, a bearded old sergeant-major rushed to the statue of her who was his queen in his youth and tried to drag it out. It was far too heavy. He struggled vainly until the flames burned off his beard and ignited his uniform. Gasping, he brought his heels together, saluted and staggered back as the statue plunged into a pit of flames.

**Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days**  
Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Itching, Blood, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Instantly relieves itching, Piles, and you can get restful sleep after first application. 60c.

**French Road Shows, Too, Feel Expenses**

PARIS, Jan. 12.—The high cost of travelling has put a crimp in the provincial theatre business in France. Railway fares have risen more rapidly than the price of theatre tickets, so much so that road companies are finding it difficult to make ends meet and many are going out of business.

Others have taken unusual economy measures. Plays making hits in Paris are often rewritten before being sent out on the road in order to reduce the number of characters. The provincial theatre has other ailments, which are painful though not necessarily fatal. One is the competition of the movies and another is the high taxes which most municipalities assess against visiting troupes.

**Foresters' Overcoats Must Last 10 Years**

PARIS, Jan. 12.—Premier Poincare's economies have balanced the 1927 budget but many small functionaries have raised a great cry about their own budgets which are badly out of balance. The forest guards' worst complaint was what they called the government's "parsimony" in clothing them. The guards get a new overcoat every ten years, a coat every five years, and a cap

every three years, while a pair of trousers is officially admitted to be worn through in two years.

**Ban Red Ties of British Railroad Men**

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The famous red neckties worn by English railroad men are doomed. They are to be replaced by a more prosaic article in blue.

They caused a lot of trouble during the general strike, it was explained, because railway men were accused of being "reds" and communists.

The red tie was issued originally with the idea that in case of emergency it could be pulled off and used as a danger signal.

**NEW CASES ON JUSTICE COURT HIGHWAY DOCKET**

Three new cases were recorded on the justice court highway docket Wednesday against automobile owners not having their 1927 state highway plates.

"The automobile driving public has had plenty of time to obtain the numbers," John White, chief deputy sheriff, said, "and the sheriff's department will file charges against those who are operating cars without the proper plates."

**VOGELSANG AND BIGBY BUY CITY GROCERY**

Hugo Vogelsang and Walter Bigby have purchased the entire stock and fixtures of the City Grocery from George Kerley and Mrs. W. L. McAuley, the change of business being announced Wednesday.

Mr. Bigby has been connected with the old firm operating this store, and Mr. Vogelsang has been with other grocery stores in the city.

Mr. Kerley announces he will not leave Ballinger.

**Minting Coins an Industry**

VIENNA, Jan. 11.—Good, hard money is one of the principal of Austrian exports. The old imperial mint, equipped to supply an empire, is utilizing its facilities to make coins for Greece, Poland and other countries. Four tons of metal, mostly silver, are stamped into money every working day.

**GIRLS START BASKETBALL SEASON LAST FRIDAY**

Six games were played Friday in the Runnels county girls basketball league to open the 1927 season, according to Hoyt Smith, secretary of the league.

Results of two of the games played have not yet been received here.

Following are the results of the other four games:

Independence, 5; at Wingate, 38

Maverick, 13; at Miles, 11

Norton at Hatchel, forfeit to Norton

Mazeland, 13; at Drasco, 24.

First games in the boys' basketball league of this county will be played next Friday. The Ballinger high school Bearcats will play Rowena in their first league game on January 21st, at Rowena.

**APPLY SULPHUR ON YOUR ECZEMA SKIN**

**Costs Little and Overcomes Almost Over Night**

Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying Mentho-Sulphur, declares a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, stantly brings ease from skin this sulphur preparation irritates, soothes and heals the eczema right up and leaves the skin clear and smooth.

It seldom fails to relieve the torment without delay. Sufferers from skin trouble should obtain a small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist.

**China's Labor Still Depends on Manpower**

PEKING, Jan. 11.—Labor-saving devices are scarce in China, where man-power is abundant and wages low.

Two men working with a large, two-handed saw will spend a day cutting one plank from a rough 15-foot timber. A mechanical saw which would do the job in a matter of minutes is looked upon with disfavor by the Chinese employer.

Peking's streets are sprinkled the year round by men with rickshaws and shallow bamboo baskets on the end of a pole. They have been sprinkled in that manner for

generations from wells at intervals along the streets. Thousands of men would be thrown out of work if modern methods were substituted for the old practice. The jinrieksha puller's guild and the wheelbarrow-pushing water peddlers oppose the encroachments of street cars and waterworks upon their business.

**A CHILD DOESN'T LAUGH AND PLAY IF CONSTIPATED**

Look, Mother! Is tongue coated, breath feverish and stomach sour?

"California Fig Syrup" can't harm tender stomach, liver, bowels



A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour. Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleaning" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Fig Syrup," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company."

**THE HUB**

We Alone in Ballinger are Privileged to Present Co-Ed Frocks of Youth



For the Fashion-Wise School Girl  
CO-ED frocks for Spring emphasize the authentic, smart, youthful fashions of the Season.

Exclusive Paris ideas combined with originations of CO-ED Stylists, result in a collection of youthful modes that will delight the smart miss or fashionable young matron.  
Many are now on display at the incomparably low price of **\$15**

Other New Co-ed Frocks For Spring \$25 to \$35

**BUY NOW AND SAVE**

**SALE**

**MEN'S WEAR**

**Beginning Friday, Jan. 14th**

This sale includes Men's Suits and Overcoats, Shirts and Union Suits, and the makes are Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits and overcoats, Munsing union suits and Manhattan shirts. Note the low prices quoted below and remember you get Nationally known brands of wearing apparel at a great saving.

| Shirts                       | Suits                                  | Unions                      |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| \$1.25 Shirts, 3 for \$2.95  | \$30.00 and \$32.50 Suits, now \$24.00 | \$1.50 Unions, 3 for \$3.90 |
| \$2.00 Shirts, 3 for \$5.25  | \$35.00 and \$37.50 Suits, now \$28.50 | \$1.75 Unions, 3 for \$4.50 |
| \$2.50 Shirts, 3 for \$6.50  | \$40.00 Suits, now \$32.50             | \$2.00 Unions, 3 for \$4.95 |
| \$3.00 Shirts, 3 for \$7.95  | \$45.00 Suits, now \$36.45             | \$2.50 Unions, 3 for \$6.25 |
| \$3.50 Shirts, 3 for \$9.50  | \$50.00 Suits, now \$41.85             |                             |
| \$4.00 Shirts, 3 for \$10.75 | \$55.00 Suits, now \$43.00             |                             |
|                              | \$60.00 to \$65.00 Suits, now \$45.00  |                             |

**All Overcoats Reduced in Same Proportion as the Suits**

One lot of Suits, originally sold for as much as \$30.00, slightly out of style but good patterns, to close at **\$10.00 and \$15.00**

Many Bargains on winter and broken lots to close at a fraction of their cost. Come look them over.

**THE HUB**

Everything to Wear

## Throw Off that Cold by Taking Klok-Lax

Don't go around choked up with a cold this winter! Take Klok-Lax at the first sign of distress and you will throw it off. Stop using sickening drugs that get your stomach all out of fix. You have got to clean out the clogged wastes in your intestines and start a free bowel movement before you can get rid of a cold. Klok-Lax is the new, improved way to treat a cold. It thoroughly cleans out your entire 28-foot intestinal canal. Then,

the most miserable cold will disappear. Better still, keep your bowels cleaned out all the time—keep your system purified by taking Klok-Lax regularly—and the chances are you will never take a cold. Everybody is using Klok-Lax now! It's the thorough, effective way to keep from having constipation. That's why it is the best treatment for colds. Get Klok-Lax at any good druggist.

## BECOMES OWNER AUTO COMPANY

One of the largest and most important changes in local business during the new year was the sale of one-half interest in the Ballinger Auto Company to H. G. Jones by M. L. Northington. The consideration was not made public, but it is understood that Mr. Northington becomes sole owner of the building in which the concern is located while Mr. Jones retains the Chevrolet agency and stock.

The deal was announced Thursday afternoon.

The Ballinger Auto Company, under the management of Mr. Jones and Mr. Northington, has been operated since 1919 when the partnership was formed. They obtained the agency for the Chevrolet products and since have done rather well in the business.

Mr. Jones announced for the present that the concern would be housed in the 60 by 140 foot building which Mr. Northington took in on the trade. He will continue to operate the concern under his personal management.

Mr. Northington declared Thursday that he was undetermined as to what he would do next. He said he did not know whether he would continue to make this his home, or whether he would seek a new field, but for the present he is remaining in Ballinger.

### IT DRIVES OUT WORMS

The surest sign of worms in children is paleness, lack of interest in play, fretfulness, variable appetite, picking at the nose and sudden starting in sleep. When these symptoms appear it is time to give White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses drives out the worms and puts the little one on the road to health again. White's Cream Vermifuge has a record of fifty years of successful use. Price 35c. Sold by Weeks Drug Store.

### YOUTH ARRESTED FOR STEALING 56 FURS

Leonard Dietz, a boy who gave his home as Lawn, Taylor county, was arrested Thursday and brought to Ballinger, where he was identified as one of a party who sold fifty-six stolen furs to the Pecan Valley Produce Company here.

Deputy Sheriff Walter Poteet of Abilene returned the boy to Taylor county Friday morning.

### REV. W. H. DOSS IS MADE SENATE CHAPLAIN

Rev. W. H. Doss, retired Methodist minister, of Ballinger; and Rev. Randolph Clark, of Ranger, who has been here visiting Rev. Doss, were today made chaplains of the Texas Senate, according to information received here Tuesday afternoon.

The two preachers left Tuesday afternoon for Austin, where they will resume their duties.

Mrs. Joe Blagg and children, of Brownwood, are here visiting Mrs. Blagg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilmet.

## Annual C. of C. Banquet Has Good Attendance

Approximately 200 Rummels county citizens, most of whom were from Ballinger, attended the annual banquet of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, held in the new dining room of the Central Hotel, Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Quite a number of out-of-town guests were present. There were representatives here from Winters, Rowena, Bronte, Mexia, Dallas, Brownwood, Waco and San Angelo.

R. E. White, county superintendent of schools, acted as toastmaster and proved to the citizens of Ballinger that he was just as good a man for the place as could have been picked for the occasion.

Following the filling of the dining room with banqueters Mr. White called the house to order by asking T. P. Simpson to lead in one verse of "America." Rev. E. W. McLaurin, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, led in the invocation.

The banquet was served by several young ladies of the Senior high school. The "feed" was most excellent and everyone enjoyed the merry-making that took place while this part of the program was underway.

Extemporaneous speeches were called for from several of those present. Among those responding were: Scott H. Mack, who has served two terms as president of the Chamber and who has been a director ever since the organization was founded; Emnis A. Shepperd, Winters insurance man; W. A. Halamick, president of the new Chamber of Commerce of Rowena; E. E. King, former president and director of the local organization; C. R. Robertson, secretary of the Winters Chamber of Commerce; Judge Alfred Crager, former president and director of the Ballinger chamber; and M. C. Atkins, newly elected head of the organization.

Walter U. Early, of Brownwood, and sometimes of Ballinger, district attorney of the 35th

Judicial District, was next introduced as the principal speaker of the evening. Mr. Early was attending criminal court in Brady Tuesday and motored over from that city to attend the meeting, not because, he said, he thought Ballinger citizens would be any smarter after his address but because he wanted to mix and mingle with the citizens of this city and county.

Mr. Early, in a humorous manner, ever evident in his talks and addresses, told of the progress Ballinger had made since the first time he had the good luck to let his eyes roam over this city in 1893, the day after he had arrived on a midnight train with a typical blue Texas norther rager. The first hotel he saw here was a frame building with a lean-to for a kitchen and dining room.

"But there was never better hospitality afforded than at the time when my old friend, S. C. Royalty, was operating the hotel," Mr. Early said. "It was the best I had ever been extended, and it has not been beaten since."

He then told of the first rock structure here for a hotel and carried on the course of progress of Ballinger and its hotel until the present structure was erected. The speaker also paid his compliments to the owner and management of the present hotel.

Mr. Early talked at some length on present day conditions, declaring that they are better than ever before but that it does not seem that way on account of there being so many more people now than there were in years gone by.

Mr. White, in closing his part of the program, paid compliments to the owner of the Central Hotel, Col. G. G. Odum, and to its manager, M. H. Watson, in modernizing the hotel. He then turned the meeting over to President Atkins.

Just before adjournment Mr. Mack made a motion that Miss Winnie Trail, assistant secretary of the organization, who has been on the job for several years, be

given a rising vote of thanks for her work in the organization and this was readily responded to.

Miss Trail was recently re-elected assistant secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Music for the occasion was sponsored by the Pat Williams Post of the American Legion under the direction of Ernest Moody, the orchestra known as Moody's Melody Makers. Thanks of the Chamber of Commerce was extended to this orchestra and also to the young ladies of the high school who served as waitresses for the banquet.

Sheriff R. E. McWilliams left Tuesday for Austin where he goes to take a woman who was recently adjudged insane by the county court.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

J. F. Hudson and Mrs. M. G. Zimmerman.

A. L. Williams and Miss Ola Puckett.

Emmett Jenness and Miss Rutia Fowler.

Hardy Hay and Miss Evelyn Grimes.

Clarence C. Harding and Miss Marie Welch.

Thad Taylor and Miss Beatrice Berry.

T. J. Craney and Miss Lessie Davis.

Charlie Teague and Miss Edna Mae Rhodes.

Walt Allen, of Colorado, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.

For Headache

BAYER

ASPIRIN

Proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for

Headache Colds Neuralgia Lumbago  
Pain Toothache Neuritis Rheumatism

DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEART

Safe

Accept only "Bayer" package which contains proven directions. Handy "Bayer" boxes of 12 tablets. Also bottles of 24 and 100—Druggists.

Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacturer of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid

# Car Shortage Overcome by Co-operation

The Santa Fe gives this a practical demonstration in 1926. You are invited to read this account of an achievement which saved Santa Fe patrons millions of dollars.

Five years ago one of the most serious transportation problems was the handling of very heavy freight traffic resulting from unusually large production and requiring prompt movement to secure favorable markets.

Even though the railroads did their best, car shortage and congestion were the natural results of such peak movements. And because of this slowing up everybody suffered. Such losses involved not only large sums of money, but partial paralysis of business. These transportation enemies now have been overcome.

To illustrate, the Santa Fe in June and July, 1926, had an enormous wheat crop to handle from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas to the big markets. To provide for prompt handling 12,500 box cars in first-class condition had been distributed on sidetracks in the territory where they would be needed.

The demand for cars, however, resulting mainly from the use of "combines,"—which converted wheat standing in the field in the morning into wheat ready for loading in the afternoon,—was largely in excess of what had been anticipated.

For fifty days the average wheat loading was 1,050 cars per day, exceeding all previous records by 84 per cent, with one single day's maximum loading of 1,569 cars.

This huge crop, notwithstanding the new and rapid method of harvesting, was moved with a negligible car shortage, without congestion, and with little or no delay, something never before accomplished under similar car-loading demands.

What made such a result possible? Co-operation of everyone interested and the loyal and efficient work of Santa Fe employees.

To meet the crisis the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association, with the consent of other railroads, diverted to the Santa Fe every available box car at Chicago regardless of ownership.

The Santa Fe also had the most hearty and helpful co-operation of Regional Advisory Boards, Terminal and Port Committees, State Grain Inspection Departments, State Railway Commissions, and the United States Shipping Board. Shippers and receivers of wheat also helped. And there was the whole-hearted support of its own employees.

This is a practical and convincing proof that co-operation can meet every transportation demand, eliminate car shortage and congestion, and save producers and shippers hundreds of millions of dollars annually.

The Santa Fe wishes to express its sincere appreciation of this co-operation and of the efficient and loyal service of its employees.

W. B. STOREY, President  
The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System

# Wanted

—Pecans, we pay highest market price.  
See us.  
**Pecan Valley Produce Co.**  
Jeanes' Old Stand.



Constipation! How to Keep Bowels Regular

To Dr. W. B. Caldwell, of Monticello, Ill., a practicing physician for 47 years, it seemed cruel that so many constipated men, women, children, and particularly old folks, had to be kept constantly "stirred up" and half sick by taking cathartic pills, tablets, salts, calomel and nasty oils. While he knew that constipation was the cause of nearly all headaches, biliousness, indigestion and stomach misery, he did not believe that a sickening "purge" or "physic" was necessary. In Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin he discovered a laxative which helps to establish natural bowel "regularity" even for those chronically constipated. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin not only causes a gentle, easy bowel movement but, best of all, it cures gripes, sick-

ens, or upsets the system. Besides, it is absolutely harmless, and so pleasant that even a cross, feverish, bilious, sick child gladly takes it. Buy a large 60-cent bottle at any store that sells medicine or write "Syrup Pepsin," Monticello, Illinois, for a FREE SAMPLE BOTTLE and just see for yourself.

**Dr. Caldwell's SYRUP PEPSIN**

Geologists Party Lunch at the Central Hotel Sunday

Geologists who chiefly operate in Texas, with a few from New Mexico, Oklahoma and Louisiana, were here Sunday for lunch at the Central Hotel and also for the purpose of viewing surface formations of the Central mineral region of Texas. There were about 140 of the geologists traveling in 54 automobiles.

The group arrived in Ballinger at 11:45 o'clock Sunday morning, had lunch and then after posing in a group picture, proceeded to the rock quarry, on the North bank of the Colorado River in the western section of the city, to view formations there. They spent a short time there and then left for Robert Lee and other places West of here, where they were to view other formations. The party was to disband Saturday night in San Angelo.

The excursion was arranged by the West Texas Geological Society jointly with the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas. The objects of the excursion were to view the Central mineral region and the Pennsylvania and Permian systems West of San Saba, which extend to a few miles West of Robert Lee.

Gathering in San Saba at the Urquhardt Hotel on the evening of January 7th, the geologists were acquainted with the route which they were to make on the tour.

Saturday, January 8th, the party visited the facing fault escarpment, three miles South-east of San Saba on the Chapel Hill road. The formation seen there was of the Ellenburger, the Mississippi and limestone, the Burnet shales and the lower part of the Marble Falls limestone, with contacts. Returning through San Saba the party went East to near Burnet Springs, at Rough Creek, 12 miles from San Saba. Here the geologists view the exposure of the middle and upper Marble Falls formation, and at Bend, 17 miles from San Saba they saw the exposure of Smithwick shales.

Lunch, Saturday was had in San Saba. In the afternoon, they started West and stopped at Cherokee to see the Ellenburger strata at a marble quarry, nine miles from San Saba, and also the Cap Mountain formation. From Cherokee they went to Llano, crossing Cap Mountain, hickory sandstone and pre-Cambrian strata, stopping to examine the hickory sandstone, apaline granite and structural features of the pre-Cambrian rocks. A short stop was made at

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—Mrs. D. D. Williams, 627-10th St. Obtain Dr. Pierce's Prescription now, in liquid, large bottles \$1.35, or tablets, 65c, from your druggist or send 10c for trial pkg. of tablets to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel in Buffalo. Ever tried Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for the stomach and bowels? 40 Pellets, 29 cts.

NEW AGENT FOR RUNNELS COUNTY

Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth, from Spur, Dickens county, has arrived in Ballinger and is now situated in the offices of the county home demonstration agent, formerly occupied by Miss Eula Key, who has been transferred to Clarendon, where she will act as home demonstration agent.

Mrs. Hollingsworth has met with several of the women's clubs of the county and reports that they are all doing a great work in the rural districts. The new home agent is a graduate of the College of Industrial Arts at Denton, and is experienced in the line of work which she has chosen.

Miss Key has served this county for some time and was of great assistance in carrying out the Runnels county fair program, organizing rural clubs, and other activities. She was connected with the work in this county only a short time but did much while in the office.

Mrs. Hollingsworth expects to have some of the finest rural clubs of any county in Texas and is making such plans. Her work will be strictly educational and helpful to the rural women.

Miss Helen Swift, of College Station, district home demonstration agent, was here Saturday assisting Mrs. Hollingsworth in getting her work started in Runnels county.

Miss Key left Saturday for Clarendon.

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.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31st, 1926.

RESOURCES table with columns for Total, Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Government Securities, Other Bonds, Stocks, Securities, etc., Total.

LIABILITIES table with columns for Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, Less current expenses paid, Reserved for taxes, interest, etc., accrued, Circulating notes outstanding, Amount due to national banks, Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies, Total of items 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28, DEMAND DEPOSITS (other than bank deposits) SUBJECT TO RESERVE (deposits payable within 30 days): Individual deposits subject to check, Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed), Dividends unpaid, Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve, TIME DEPOSITS SUBJECT TO RESERVE (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings): Certificates of deposit (other than money borrowed), Total of time deposits subject to Reserve Items, Total.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels, ss: I, R. G. Erwin, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. R. G. ERWIN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1927. (Seal) HARRY LYNN, Notary Public. CORRECT—Attest: D. M. Baker, J. McGregor, J. Y. Pearce, Directors.

RECAPITULATION table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES, showing totals.

BEARCATS BEAT WINTERS TEAM

The Ballinger high school basketball squad started off their cage card successfully Friday night when they defeated the strong Winters Y. M. C. A. team 26 to 13 on the Winters court.

Coach Felton Wright has been giving his players some fine workouts during the past week and they were in fair form in the first clash. The Bearcats are booked to appear in the county finals with a representative of one of the other three districts.

The players all got a chance last night and they showed some very good skill in taking the big end of the score. They will play other games here this season.

OUCH! BACKACHE! RUB LUMBAGO AWAY

When your back is sore and lame or lumbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a 35-cent bottle of old, honest St. Jacobs Oil at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it right on your aching back, and the soreness and lameness is gone.

In use for 65 years, this soothing, penetrating oil takes the pain right out, and ends the misery. It is absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goss have returned to their home in Abilene after spending several days with their daughter, Mrs. Troy Simpson, and family.

Hammond O'Kelly has returned to Abilene where he is buying cotton after spending the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. O'Kelly.

Be wise and advertise!

NIECE KILLED WHEN HIT BY AUTOMOBILE

Mrs. W. E. Harvey and daughter, Miss Frances, are expected to return to Ballinger Monday afternoon from Forney, near Dallas, where they went to attend the funeral of Miss Dorothy Jones, a niece of Mrs. Harvey, who was killed Friday afternoon when she was struck by an automobile at Kaufman.

Relatives of the young lady had started to a Dallas hospital with her when she died in Forney. Her home was in Kaufman, but funeral services were held at Forney.

BAPTISTS HAVE SERVICES ALTHOUGH NO PASTOR

Although they are yet without a pastor, the Ballinger Baptist church has been very fortunate in arranging for preaching services, during the past two Sundays.

Sunday, January 2nd, Dr. F. D. Prevoto, of San Angelo, preached at both hours, and yesterday Rev. Jack Winsett, evangelist, of Abilene, preached at the morning hour.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE BALLINGER STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1926, published in The Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 6th day of January, 1927.

RESOURCES table with columns for Loans and discounts, Collateral security, Loans secured by real estate, Overdrafts, Bonds, stocks and other securities, Customers' Bonds held for safekeeping, Real Estate (Banking House), Other Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures, Cash on hand, Due from approved reserve agents, Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand, Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtably good, Total.

LIABILITIES table with columns for Capital Stock, Certified Surplus Fund, Undivided profits, net, Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid, Time Certificates of Deposit, Public Funds on Deposit, Cashier's Checks Outstanding, Bills Payable, Rediscounts, Total.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS,

We, E. D. Walker, as President and Sam Baker as Cashier of said Bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. E. D. Walker, President. Sam Baker, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1927. (SEAL) Gertrude Woods, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: C. P. Shepherd, Jas. E. Brewer, N. J. Allen, Directors.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

at Ballinger, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1926, published in The Ballinger Daily Ledger, a newspaper printed and published at Ballinger, State of Texas, on the 8th day of January, 1927.

RESOURCES table with columns for Loans and discounts, Collateral security, Loans secured by real estate, Overdrafts, Bonds, stocks and other securities, Real Estate (Banking House), Other Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures, Cash on hand, Due from approved reserve agents, Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand, Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund, Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtably good, Other Resources: County School Warrants, Total.

LIABILITIES table with columns for Capital Stock, Other Surplus Fund, Undivided profits, net, Due to banks and bankers, subject to check, Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid, Time Certificates of Deposit, Public Funds on Deposit, Cashier's Checks Outstanding, Other Liabilities: Reserve for Taxes, Total.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS,

We, G. G. Odom, as President and J. L. Chastain, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. G. G. Odom, President. J. L. Chastain, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, A. D. 1927. (SEAL) W. C. McCarver, Notary Public, Runnels County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST: Fred Kiechle, J. F. Currie, J. A. Zak, Directors.

RESOURCES table with columns for Loans and Discounts, School Warrants, Overdrafts, Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures, Other Real Estate, Stocks and Bonds, Interest in Guaranty Fund, Assessment Guaranty Fund, Bills of Exchange (Cotton), Cash and Due from Banks, Total.

LIABILITIES table with columns for Capital Stock, Surplus and Profits (net), Deposits, Cashier's Checks, Reserved for Texas, Total.

# Real Estate Transfers

## Warranty Deeds

T. W. and Clyde Hague to Joe V. Pace, part of lot No. 7 of block No. 1 of Terry's addition to the city of Winters, December 29, 1926, for the sum of \$1,750.

Cland Cimpbell et ux to Joe W. Pace, part of block No. 14 of Terry's first addition to the city of Winters, December 27, 1926, for the sum of \$1,333.

R. W. Bruce et ux to R. G. Ewin and A. J. Thorp, 46 1-2 acres of the H. J. DeBete survey No. 122, December 29, 1926, for the sum of \$930.

V. V. Sanders et ux to George Bankworth, lot 5 and part of lot of block No. 4 of Terry's addition to Ballinger, January 1, for the sum of \$900.

Rouster Richards to H. O. Jones, 29 acres of the J. Garvin survey No. 402, September 26, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

Zade Richards to H. O. Jones, 29 acres of the J. E. Garvin survey No. 402, December 27, 1910, for the sum of \$2,000.

E. L. McKneely and wife to C. L. Millsap, West half of lot 23 of the Robinson first addition to the town of Miles, December 28, 1926, for the sum of \$1,000 and other good and valuable considerations.

## Oil and Gas Leases

J. B. Dorsey et ux to Eugene Mays, 100 acres of the Robert Owen survey No. 436, October 29, 1926, for the sum of \$10.

V. H. Kincannon et ux to Eugene Mays, 94 1-3 acres of the Sealey, Seale and Forward surveys Nos. 31 and 32, October 20, 1926, for the sum of \$141.50.

J. L. Lee et ux to Eugene Mays, 707.7 acres of the Jacob Eyerler survey No. 319; 172.6 acres of the W. G. Green survey No. 18; 190 acres of the M. Cobb pre-emption survey No. 17 1-2; 160 acres of the Jacob Eyerler survey No. 18; 40.8 acres of the Chas. Lockhart survey No. 317; October 26, 1926, for the sum of \$1,101.

R. L. Sides et ux to Eugene Mays, 290 acres of the Robert Owen survey No. 436, October 29, 1926, for the sum of \$288.

G. H. Sturm et ux to Eugene Mays, 141.8 acres of the Mary Nugent survey No. 3 and of the Wm. Howell survey No. 821, October 29, for the sum of \$141.80.

## Warranty Deeds

J. D. Bledsoe and wife to Carrie L. Sebastian, a part of block "I" of the Farmer & Perry addition to the town of Miles, December 31, 1926, for the sum of \$1,100.99.

L. N. Smith et vir to M. N. Whittington, lots 9 and 10 of block "E" of the Terry addition to Ballinger, January 6th, for the sum of \$350.

H. A. McLean and wife to R. E. Cox, 243.8 acres of the Southwestern part of the George Ross survey No. 543, January 5, for the sum of \$175 and other considerations.

K. D. Peterson and wife to H. A. McLean, 243.8 acres of the

George Ross survey No. 543, September 16, 1926, for the sum of \$1,000 and other considerations.

E. C. Bennett and wife to C. O. and Venus Meador, 80 acres of block No. 52 of the J. F. McNeill survey No. 74, December 17, 1926, for the sum of \$2,070.

Feb McWilliams to R. L. Harwell, 297.75 acres of the R. M. Williamson survey No. 231, Jan. 6, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

Albert H. Andrae et ux to Herman F. Jacob, 48 acres of land, January 4, for the sum of \$3,120.

Joe Forman et ux to J. M. Garlington, lot 6 of block No. 106 of the first railroad addition to Ballinger, January 5, for the sum of \$100 and other considerations.

## Oil and Gas Leases

T. B. Wade and wife to W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix, 610 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, March 24, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

H. E. Wade and wife to W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix, 200 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, March 24, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

C. F. Tounguet and wife to W. A. Esmond, 200 acres of block No. 31 of the subdivision of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, March 27, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

C. E. McMillan and wife to W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix, 200 acres of block No. 28 of the subdivision of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, March 26, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

R. N. McMillan and wife to C. E. Sillix, 198 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, March 24, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

O. R. Lasater and Q. V. Miller to N. Frank Yates, 200 acres of block No. 27 of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, November 27, 1926, for the sum of \$10 and other considerations.

J. S. Flanagan and wife to W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix, 300 acres of blocks Nos. 29 and 30 of the subdivision of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, April 6, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

J. L. Elkins and wife to C. E. Sillix, 500 acres of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532 and of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, March 24, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

P. R. Dietz to C. E. Sillix and W. A. Esmond, 169.47 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, May 1, 1926, for the sum of \$1.

## Assignments of Oil and Gas Leases

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 200 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 300 acres of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 610 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, October 7, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 169.47 acres of the

of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, October 4, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 500 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 200 acres of block No. 31 of the subdivision of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 198 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

Jno. A. Weeks et ux to R. E. George, lot 7 and part of lot 8 of block No. 2 of College Heights addition to the city of Ballinger, August 6, 1925, for the sum of \$1,400.

H. W. Stringer et al to Guaranty Bond Bank, of San Angelo, Texas, lots Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive, lots 19 to 29 inclusive, and lots 34 to 36 inclusive, of the Voss & Kuykendall sub-division of block No. 8 of the Robinson second addition to the city of Miles, January 7th, for the sum of \$1,425.22 and other considerations.

K. D. Peterson et ux to Vat T. Billups, 200 acres of the Wharton county school land survey No. 509, January 7th, for the sum of \$5,398.70.

R. L. White and wife to F. L. Harper, an undivided half interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals produced on 307 acres of the W. L. McAuley survey No. 808, and of the B. S. & F. survey No. 31, December 29, 1926, for the sum of \$133.50.

Bud Miller to Eugene Mays, 97 acres of the T. T. Williamson surveys Nos. 12 and 13, November 3, 1926, for the sum of \$97.

Ellen Mackey et al to Humble Oil and Refining Company, 234 acres of the G. H. & H. R. Co. survey No. 807, November 8, 1926, for the sum of \$468.

J. A. Patterson to Eugene Mays, 149 acres of the Wm. Howell survey No. 821, November 5, 1926, for the sum of \$149.

L. H. Hamilton and wife to J. H. Meek Jr., 103.8 acres of block No. 54 of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, and of the Absalom Jett survey No. 330 4-8, October 28, 1926, for the sum of \$235.55.

W. L. McIntyre et ux to Eugene Mays, 200 acres of the H. & G. N. R. Co. survey No. 41, and of the R. K. Wylie survey No. 42, November 3, 1926, for the sum of \$200.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 200 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533 and of the Domingo Diaz survey No. 532, September, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 610 acres of the Norvell Travis survey No. 533, October 7, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other considerations.

W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 169.47 acres of the

No. 7 of the College Heights addition to the city of Ballinger, and a part of lot 4 of block No. 3 of Terry's addition to the city of Ballinger, June 5, 1926, for the sum of \$2,500.

J. M. Garlington et ux to Miss Samantha McElroy, lot 6 of block No. 106 of the First Railroad addition to the city of Ballinger, January 4, for the sum of \$2,500.

F. L. Duncan et ux to Earl Baker, lot 5 of block No. 1 of the Terry second addition to the city of Ballinger, March 6, 1926, for the sum of \$2,500.

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W. A. Esmond and C. E. Sillix to N. Frank Yates, 169.47 acres of the

Lula O. Dailey to Glen Jordan, 274 1-2 acres of the Thomas S. Muncey survey No. 465, June 1, 1926, for the sum of \$1 and other valuable considerations.

J. M. Cox et ux to J. H. Meek Jr., 214.9 acres of the T. T. Williamson survey, the Samuel L. Gates survey, and of the George W. Dyer survey, October 27, 1926, for the sum of \$430.

E. A. Brookshier et ux to Eugene Mays, 531 acres of surveys Nos. 31 and 32, October 29, 1926, for the sum of \$1,000.

R. L. White et ux to Eugene Mays, 307 acres of the W. L. McAuley survey No. 808, and of the B. S. & F. survey No. 31, October 29, 1926, for the sum of \$460.50.

D. R. Russell et ux to Eugene Mays, 100 acres of the Wm. Howell survey No. 821, October 29, 1926, for the sum of \$100.

Assignments of Oil and Gas Leases

The above described lands were assigned the Humble Oil & Refining Co., for the sum of \$1 and other good and valuable considerations.

Kansas golfers are being asked for \$2,000 to continue experiments at the agricultural college to determine the best grass seed for golf greens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barrow and daughter, Miss Ollie Mae, left Tuesday night for San Antonio in response to a message stating that a sister of Mr. Barrow was seriously ill.



News of the arrival of a fine baby girl in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Clappitt, of Cisco, was received here Friday by Mrs. Clappitt's mother, Mrs. R. A. Nicholson. The young lady arrived Friday. Mrs. Clappitt will be remembered here as Miss Ruth Nicholson. Both mother and daughter are reported to be resting well.

## COUNTY BASKETBALL GAMES HELD FRIDAY

The first scheduled basketball games of the Rannels county interscholastic league were played throughout the four districts last Friday, Jan. 7th.

Hoyt Smith, secretary of the league, declares he will be able to announce the standing of the clubs Tuesday of next week.

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## BRINGS THEM BACK

Certainly we are anxious to sell a lot of Used Cars! Because we figure that every Used Car of the kind we sell will eventually bring us a New Car Customer.

## HIGGINBOTHAM BROTHERS & COMPANY

A USED CAR IS ONLY AS DEPENDABLE AS THE DEALER WHO SELLS IT

## NOTICE

We feel that Ballinger is losing a mighty good grocery merchant when Currie Mercantile Co. discontinues the grocery end of their business.

We solicit your business, as you will need Groceries and Meat from someone—why not try the cash and carry plan? We buy your Produce and sell Groceries as cheap as we possibly can. No one will appreciate it more than

## Piggly Wiggly

## QUEEN THEATRE

Friday and Saturday, January 14-15

### Buddy Roosevelt

## "Twin Triggers"

A RED HOT WESTERN PICTURE FEATURING THE DARING COWBOY!

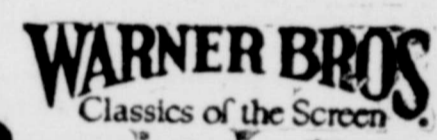
A young cowpuncher who had just returned from the effete East with its polished ways until he struck the hard-boiled cowboys of the Bar O Ranch.

Also a Two Reel Comedy.

and— CHAPTER 14 OF "RIDDLE RIDER"

## NEW PALACE THEATRE

Friday and Saturday



## "RED HOT TIRES"



## Monte Blue Patsy Ruth Miller

## 15c SPECIALS

### For Saturday

Master values, good quality, run of kiln, enamel on heavy steel base, uniform gray mottling.

- 2 1/2 quart lipped Sauce Pans, round handle
- 2 quart lipped Sauce Pans, round handle
- 3 quart Mixing Bowls
- 2 quart Pudding Pans
- 3 quart Pudding Pans
- 11x3 Wash Basins

For Only **15c** Each

## THE IVORY EVERYTHING

many other things you want to know "Mother's Friend" is sold by all druggists—everywhere.

Deputy Sheriff John White was in Winters on business Tuesday.

## TRUCKS

109 Broadway—Jeanes' Old Stand

**Banff's Winter Carnival Has Many Attractions**



Queen Mary Cross, Banff Winter Carnival Queen. Lodging in Banff.

Banff Ice Palace

Banff, the famous resort in the Canadian Pacific Rockies, discards her gay summer raiment for her mantle of snow. Her next big attraction is the Banff Winter Carnival which, for the season of 1927, will be held February 5 to 12 inclusive.

Banff, delightful at all times, is irresistible on a clear moonlight night when the white peaks are silhouetted against the sky, and the long shadows of spruce and pine

slant on the snow. Many people prefer it at this season. The beauties of Banff, Lake Louise and the Yoho Valley have been depicted by the brushes and pens of great authors and journalists, as well as such famous painters as John Singer Sargent, R. A., Carl Runge and Belmore Browne.

The carnival will be unexcelled anywhere in the world. Two outstanding events of the carnival will be the dog sled and the ski-jumping contest. A novel form of entertainment which can be enjoyed is bathing in the sulphur water in the open air and swimming contests are a part of the program.

The sports in this interesting winter resort are many and many. Snowshoe tramps are often taken to some quiet wooded cabin where an excellent meal will have lunch ready, or sometimes camp fires are lighted by the trees and picnics are the order of the day. It matters not whether it is snowing or whether it is ten or fifteen below zero for the atmosphere is dry and causes no discomfort.

Other sports are curling and many other sports are enjoyed in this beauty spot in the mountains where the air is keen and crisp and where skies are clear and bright. Northern lights can be seen in the night and seek west the stars.

The Carnival Queen chosen for 1927 is Miss Mary Cross of Calgary, Alberta. This popular young Queen will preside at many of the social functions, and will be a prominent feature during the carnival.

**CALLES ISSUES ORDERS TODAY**

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 12.—The Mexican Catholic episcopate is accused of the responsibility for the recent Catholic uprising in Mexico under the banner, "Long Live Christ, the King," in a statement issued today from the office of President Calles.

Orders have been issued to punish clergymen who are guilty of such practices.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 12.—Dispatches from Guadalajara today state that 26 rebels were killed when federal troops captured the towns of Cocula, Aranden and Tototlan, in the state of Jalisco. The rebels captured these towns several days ago.

**CANTON TROOPS SEIZE PROPERTY**

LONDON, Jan. 12.—Reuter News Agency dispatches from Peking today said the Cantonese troops were seizing American property at Shaowu and at other points in the province of Fukien.

American authorities have ordered missionaries to quit some places in Fukien and prepare for immediate departure from other points.

**ATTENDS DISTRICT METHODIST MEETING**

Rev. R. B. Hooper, pastor of the First Methodist Church, has returned from Brownwood, where he attended Tuesday a meeting of Methodist pastors of this district in their regular monthly meeting. Every pastor in the district, with the exception of two, was present, Rev. Hooper said.

Plans were discussed for 1927, and the goal of various churches set. "The prospects for a great year for Methodists of this district are very bright," Rev. Hooper declared.

This was the first meeting of 1927.

C. W. Roberts, of Lampasas, formerly owner and editor of the Lampasas Record, was in Ballinger Monday afternoon en route to Lampasas from Eden, where he had been looking after business.

**SAYS ARMS SENT FROM AMERICA HAS A TO SEARCH**

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 12.—Pedro Zepeda, agent here for Dr. Juan Sacasa, head of the liberal government in Nicaragua, today declared the arms for the Liberal forces were shipped from New Orleans under special licenses granted by the United States Department of State.

AUSTIN, Jan. 12.—A officer has the right to search an automobile for without a search warrant. The search is made probable cause, the Criminal Appeals here ruled today.

**PIGGLY WIGGLY**

- Saturday Specials**
- PICKLES, full gallon, per can ..... **74**
  - TABLE PEACHES, syrup pack, No. 2 1/2 this is a big value, can ..... **21**
  - RAISINS, seedless, 10-lb. box ..... **\$1.1**
  - BACON, breakfast, per pound ..... **35**

Bring us your Cream. We also want your Eggs and Chickens.

It Pays to Trade at

**PIGGLY WIGGLY**

**ORDERS STOCK SALES STOPPED**

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 12.—Cease and desist orders against 29 companies in selling oil or gold mine stock, located in Texas, Colorado and New Mexico, were issued today by Fenton Stockard, state securities commissioner.

Twenty-four of the firms are oil stock companies with headquarters in Texas cities.

**Dance at Rowena**

A dance will be given Saturday night January 15th in the O. D. H. S. Hall, Rowena.

Music will be furnished by the Rainbow Dance Orchestra.

Committee.

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L. B. Barker received a telegram Tuesday morning from

Clovis, New Mexico, stating that a daughter, Miss Opal Dale Barker, was seriously ill with pneumonia in the Baptist hospital there. She recently underwent an operation. A sister, Miss Lee Barker, left Tuesday for Clovis, to be with Miss Opal Dale. Miss Opal Dale was teaching in Northwest Texas and Miss Lee is teaching in this county.

LEVELLAND — Levelland's water works and sewerage bonds went "over the top" in a recent election here when citizens ratified proposed civic improvements and a \$75,000 issue a majority of three to one.

LITTLEFIELD — The Plains Electric Hatchery, owned by Albert Neunschwander, has recently established in Littlefield, equipped with a Buckeye incubator having a capacity of 10,000 eggs and two Petersine incubators of 13,000-egg capacity each.

Charles E. Kartak, mayor, and Jim Lewis, postmaster of Birchwood, Alaska, trudged 21 miles to Anchorage to cast the two qualified votes of their district at the last general election.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-tfw

Happy New Year!

**--KANSAS CITY LIFE**

To our more than 40,000 Texas policy holders, we thank you for your patronage. To all our Texas friends, we wish you a happy and prosperous New Year.

**Check Up On Your Life Insurance!**

As the wise merchant takes stock on January first; so should you check up on your assets and liabilities, consider your responsibilities and see if you have ENOUGH or the right kinds of Life Insurance to fit your needs.

The Kansas City Life Man listed below is more than an Insurance Agent; he is an Insurance SERVICE Expert and Adviser. Consult him about your affairs; he will conscientiously advise you as to your personal insurance needs.

The Company he represents is an old strong institution with over 170,000 policy holders, over \$340,000,000.00 Life Insurance in force and over \$40,000,000.00 in gilt-edged assets.

See him during January.

**The Orville Thorp Agency**

State Managers for Texas, Magnolia Bldg., Dallas  
 Total Insurance in Force in Texas Over \$85,000,000.00  
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 New Business in Texas During 1926 Over \$18,000,000.00

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 Local Agent Ballinger, Texas

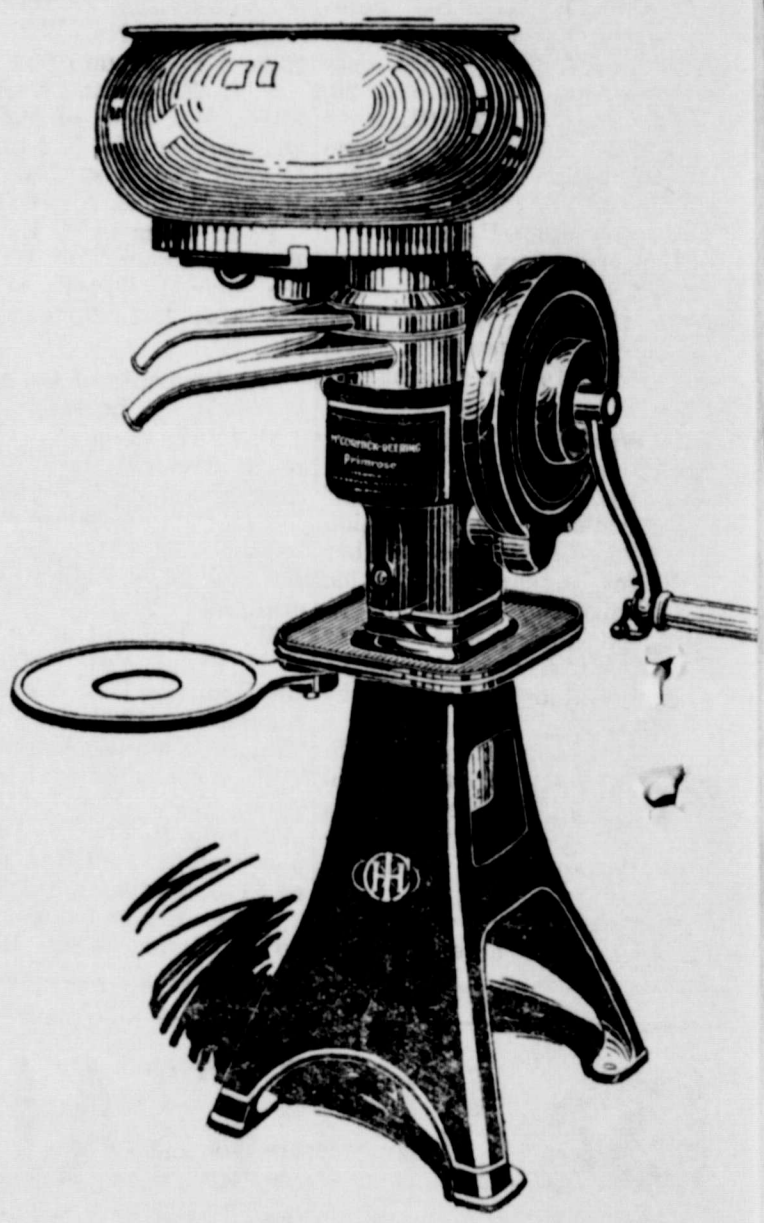
**Sweeping Price Reduction on WHIPPET**

Effective now the following prices are in effect on all models of the Whippet, delivered:

|                | Old Price | New Price |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Chassis .....  | \$590.00  | \$545.00  |
| Touring .....  | 748.00    | 728.00    |
| Roadster ..... | 798.00    | 798.00    |
| Coupe .....    | 819.00    | 740.00    |
| Coach .....    | 815.00    | 740.00    |
| Sedan .....    | 837.50    | 840.00    |
| Landau .....   | 882.50    | 872.50    |

Sedan and Landau are both new additions to the line and will be displayed on our floor next week.

This delivered price includes Snubbers and Four-Wheel Brakes, and either 28x4.75 or 29x4.40 Balloon Tires.



**12 Month to Pay**

To see the McCormick-Deering Primrose in actual operation, running smoothly and quietly and doing a real job of skimming, to want it for your very own.

A small payment down, and a year to pay, places "world's easiest running cream separator" on your farm. Thousands of dairymen and farmers have taken advantage of this liberal time-payment plan. Invest in a McCormick-Deering Primrose and you can save as you go and pay as you go. Our time-payment plan makes it easy.

Don't use all your time in the production of cotton, but devote a small portion of it each day to using a cream separator and it will pay big dividends.

**Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack**



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Must I Continue to Suffer the Unbearable Itching?

Are you one of those unfortunate who are going through life suffering with a skin disease, making you uncomfortable, making you less efficient, interfering with your working hours, ruining your sleep? You may have tried many things without relief. Why not try S.S.S.? For more than 100 years it has been giving relief in many forms of skin disease. Thousands of letters of gratitude prove its worth.

It was unbearable. During that time, I used all kinds of salves without receiving any real benefit. After taking six bottles of S. S. S., I was cured of this dreadful disease. I recommend S. S. S. to anyone suffering from eczema, because I cannot praise it enough for what it has done for me. (Casper's Fort, Soldiers and Sailors Home, Quincy, Ill.) S.S.S. is purely vegetable. It is extracted from the fresh roots of medicinal plants and herbs and gives to Nature what she needs in building you up so that your system throws off the cause. S.S.S. is sold at all good drug stores in two sizes. The larger size is more economical.

## Hoover Promulgates Rules Governing Airway Traffic

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Rules of the airways, designed to safeguard life and traffic in the clouds as do the older codes which guide vessels on the sea and vehicles on the highways, will take effect over the United States with the New Year.

They were promulgated today by the Commerce Department after Secretary Hoover's assistants in the task of drafting them called into conference representatives of all groups interested in the field of air navigation.

After New Year's day, every craft that flies the air must bear its license number, and if it is used for public conveyance of people or goods, its airworthiness and safety must be certified to by the Commerce Department on the application of detailed tests that touch its power plant, fuselage and wings.

Pilots and mechanics alike, according to the grade of their service, must be picked men of proven competence, who have survived the ordeal of both physical and mental examinations.

Once afloat, the ships must conduct themselves by set rules for meetings and passing in the air, by lighting at night, and by carrying instruments which will demonstrate the functioning of all portions of their contrivances.

As to airplanes, the new regulations recognize five classes of machines, ranging from the 2500-pound plane to the big machine that lifts 13,000 pounds and more. Tests were laid out which each machine must meet before its airworthiness can be certified, with the exception that when a manufacturer turns out an approved type of vehicle, the following identical machines may be given a certificate based on the demonstrated safety of the model.

Inspectors of the Commerce Department will see to it that machines in service are kept up to standard, and not put in shape for use after accidents without renewed testing. Operators of commercial vehicles, likewise, must make regular daily and detailed inspections, and keep a log of their findings, from which they shall make regular reports to the government.

Machines in the air must refrain from approaching within 300 feet of other craft. They must pass to the right when meeting, and airplanes must give way to balloons and airships. By night, a plane must carry a red light on its right and a green

light on its left, each visible for two miles, and must show a white light to the rear visible for three miles. Passing over landing fields, pilots must take notice if a red fusee is burning, for that will signal the imminent onset of bad weather, and if the fusee is doubled, so that two red lights are blazing, he must come instantly to ground.

The numbers that denote the licensed craft must be painted in large letters under the left wing, visible from the ground, and on top of the right wing, visible from the air, as well as along rudders to be seen from the sides.

The new code prescribes qualifications for drivers of passenger-carrying machines which are more severe than those for pilots of goods-carrying planes. A third class of pilots, for private machines, is also designated. One feature of the airman's license is that which makes it invalid under certain conditions unless the pilot has kept in practice at his difficult art. It takes at least months, with at least five hours solo flying per month, before the passenger-carrying airman, or "transport pilot", can qualify for his license.

All of the licenses granted under the new regulations run for limited periods, a year being the longest as to both craft and pilots. Violations of regulations can bring about suspensions or revocations of licenses for both craft and men.

Among the safety regulations is one forbidding any objects or materials to be dropped from craft in flight, except as a safeguard in times of stress. Another requires all planes for passenger carriage to be so constructed that at least two exits from the passenger compartment.

With certain exceptions, flying in airplanes is prohibited over the congested parts of cities "except at a height sufficient to permit of a reasonably safe emergency landing, which in no case shall be less than 1000 feet"; and elsewhere at height less than 500 feet. No flight under 1,000 feet in height can be made over an open air assembly except with the consent of the Secretary of Commerce, and aerobatic flying is prohibited over cities.

When serious injury results from an accident the owner of the aircraft must immediately report, by telegraph or telephone to the Secretary of Commerce. The owner or operator of every licensed aircraft must keep a navigation and engine log book, and quarterly transmit to the Commerce Department a navigation summary report, showing the number of hours and the approximate number of miles the aircraft has been flying during the quarter.

"Until otherwise provided," say the regulations, "the laws of the United States and regulations made thereunder with respect to the entry and clearance of vessels engaged in foreign commerce, are hereby made applicable to aircraft engaged in foreign air commerce."

**To Cure a Cold in One Day**  
(See LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) It stops the cough and headache and works off the cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 30c.)

C. L. Moore, an employe of the local office of the West Texas Telephone Company, left Tuesday morning for Coleman, where he will attend the funeral of a sister, Mrs. Chas. Ewing, who died there Tuesday morning.

Deputy Sheriff John White was in Winters on business Tuesday.

## DEATH CLAIMS Z. A. SNELL

Z. A. Snell, a resident of Ballinger for 22 years, died Thursday night at the family home, 504 Fourth Street, following an illness of several years, which came on after he received a serious injury when a horse which he was riding fell on him in August, 1920, six years ago. He had never fully recovered from the injury and had been gradually growing worse for several months.

Mr. Snell was 62 years 7 months and 5 days of age. He was born in Louisiana on March 1, 1864, later moving to Texas. He had been living here since December 21, 1906 when, he and his family moved to this city from South-east Texas.

Thirty-eight years ago on Dec. 23, Mr. Snell and Miss Emma McCaughan were married in Gonzales county. Later they moved to this section of the country where they have since made their home.

Mr. Snell was a cowman and was active in this business until the time of his accident. He also bought and sold horses, sheep and hogs.

Surviving is his widow, Mrs. Emma Snell; two daughters, Mrs. A. R. Jones, Mrs. R. L. Stephenson, and Charles Snell of Wichita Falls. Deceased is also survived by one brother, who lives in Arkansas, R. L. Stephenson, a son-in-law who is buying cotton in Lubbock, will arrive Friday afternoon to attend the funeral.

Services were to be held Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock from the home, with Rev. W. S. Yancey, Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will be made in Evergreen cemetery.

King-Holt undertakers prepared the body for burial. Pallbearers announced were: R. W. Earnshaw, T. P. Simpson, Harry Lynn, Cecil Thorp, C. W. Cheatham and K. V. Northington.

**Buck Richards**  
Buck Richards, 34 years of age, of Fort Chadbourne, died in the Halley & Love Sanitarium here Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock following an operation about thirty days ago. Richards, however, had been in the local hospital for only about 20 days.

Deceased was the son of the late M. A. Richards, of Fort Chadbourne, one of the early settlers of this section of the country, and a cousin of Tad Richards. Mr. Richards was born and reared in Coke county. He is survived by his widow, four children and two brothers, his mother and other relatives.

Funeral services were to be held Friday afternoon at Fort Chadbourne. Interment will be made in a Coke county cemetery. Higginbotham Bros. undertakers prepared the body for burial.

takers prepared the body for burial and removed it to Fort Chadbourne where services were to be held.

**Mrs. Curna Halley Tucker**  
Mrs. Curna Halley Tucker, wife of S. M. Tucker, who died Wednesday morning, was buried Thursday afternoon in Evergreen cemetery.

Mrs. Tucker was a third cousin of General Robert E. Lee.

She leaves a brother, A. B. Worley, Chandler, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. J. W. Dishman, Heber, Col.; a nephew and a niece here; three brothers-in-law, H. B. Tucker, Waco; G. V. Tucker, Covington; J. W. Tucker, Waxahachie; and a sister-in-law, Miss Primmie Tucker, of Waxahachie.

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist church with Rev. R. B. Hooper officiating. Interment was made in Evergreen cemetery with Higginbotham undertakers in charge.

**OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH**  
How to Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffing, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed up and miserable. Relief is sure.

## DEATH REGISTRATIONS OUTNUMBER BIRTHS

Eighty deaths were registered in Ballinger during 1926 while only 56 births were recorded, Dr. E. R. Walker, city health officer, announced Thursday.

"There is something wrong," Dr. Walker declared, "all local physicians have not recorded the births while all deaths have been reported."

Before burial is allowed the death must be recorded while the law requiring registration of births is not quite as forceful.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-tfv

Miss Opal Dale Barker, daughter of L. B. Barker of this city, who is teaching school at Bovina, Parmer county, underwent an operation in the Baptist hospital at Clovis, N. M., Friday morning, according to a telegram received by Mr. Barker. She was suffering with a ruptured appendix.

## FARMER HANGS SELF IN BARN

W. B. Page, 71, farmer, residing on the A. B. Legate farm 18 miles West of here on the Colorado River, committed suicide Monday morning about 11:00 o'clock, by hanging himself, it was reported here late Monday afternoon.

Mr. Page was found hanging in the barn at his home by his wife. Help was summoned and the dead man was cut down from his self-made gallows. He had been in bad health for some time and had remarked several times that he had rather be dead than alive.

Deceased is survived by his wife; one daughter, Miss Dorothy; and one brother, G. R. Page, of San Saba; who are all here to attend the funeral. Funeral services were to be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at Old Runnels cemetery.

Mr. Page came to Runnels county from Hamilton county about 20 years ago. For several years he resided North of the city. He was a member of the Christian church.

Higginbotham Bros. undertakers prepared the body for burial and were in charge at the cemetery.

**The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head**  
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

George Hooper, who has been attending Southern Methodist University at Dallas, is here on a visit to his parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Hooper, before going to Columbia, Mo., where he will enter the University of Missouri.

C. Kornegay, Winters gin man, was in Ballinger Tuesday looking after business.

## COMMANDER SELLS WHITE ROSE CAFE TO McCLEAN

T. D. Commander, for many years in the restaurant business here, has sold the White Rose Cafe to H. A. McClean, whose sons are now in charge and will make various improvements in the near future.

Mr. Commander will move to San Angelo where he owns a lunch room, and will make home in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Brown, of Cross Plains, returned to their home Tuesday after a visit to Mr. Brown's parents in South Ballinger.

## Keep Fit!

Good Health Requires Good Elimination

To be well, you must keep the blood stream free from impurities. If the kidneys lag, allowing body poisons to accumulate, a toxic condition is created. One is apt to feel dull, languid, tired and aching. A nagging backache is sometimes a symptom, with drowsy headaches and dizzy spells. That the kidneys are not functioning properly is often shown by burning or scanty passage of secretions. If you have reason to suspect improper kidney functioning, try Doan's Pills—a tested stimulant diuretic. Users praise them throughout the United States. Ask your neighbor!

## DOAN'S PILLS

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We can make you a 34 year loan at 6% interest payable either annually or semi-annually, no stock to buy and no association to join, simply interest at 6%.

We can also make you a 10 year loan at 6 1/2% simple interest, with option to pay as much as one-fifth of principle each year. No extra cost in securing our loans. Get ahead of low cotton and feed and get your land notes extended NOW.

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## FURS Wanted

Skunks, Possum, Coons, Civet Cats—in good demand. Bring us your Furs, we have a St. Louis fur buyer with us.

**Pecan Valley Produce Co.**  
109 Broadway—Jeanes' Old Stand

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Graham Brothers Trucks are built so simply and so ruggedly that they need little attention.

But service is always right at hand when needed. There are no delays waiting for repair parts. Complete stocks are carried.

Whatever the hauling need of your business, there is a Graham Brothers Truck of size and body style for you. And it will stay on the job.

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**The Joy of Motherhood**  
JUST how to make motherhood a joy is one of the most important things in the world for you to know, right now, mother-to-be! Learn the great truth; use the simple method of an eminent physician who dedicated his life's work to this great accomplishment for your benefit!  
"I was in labor only 25 minutes with my last child, but suffered agonies with three previous children," writes an enthusiastic mother who used Mother's Friend. Great has been the praise of Mother's Friend for over three generations!  
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Mother's Friend is safe for you to use because it contains no harmful drugs and is applied externally.  
Mother! Insist on Mother's Friend—the same as used by our mothers and grandmothers—don't wait until you are in pain—and meanwhile write Broadfield Regulator Co., Dept. 32, Atlanta, Ga., for free valuable booklet "Motherhood and the Coming Baby" (sent in plain envelope). It tells how Mother's Friend can help you during expectancy and at childbirth. This booklet also tells you many other things you want to know. "Mother's Friend" is sold by all druggists—everywhere.

**CLASSIFIED ADS.**

**FOR SALE**—Poland China sow, will farrow in April 1; and male ready for service. Jno. E. Minshew, Norton, Texas. 11-1tw

**LOST**—A Hereford yearling with ring in his nose. Finder phone H. S. Morgan at Norton. 14-3tw\*

**FOR SALE**—All my household and wash house furnishings. Phone 330. 12-4d-1w\*

**POSTED**—Positively no fishing or hunting allowed on the Padgett Grape Creek Ranch, Tom Padgett. 19-7tw

**FOR SALE**—Wood, \$4 per cord. J. L. King. 7-2w\*

**FOR SALE**—30 bushels of Red Top dwarf cane seed at two cents per pound. Sold in any quantity. Ralph Ballard, Concho star route. 7-2w\*

**FOR RENT**—Farm of 150 acres. Want a family that can handle it. Situated two miles West of Crews. Phone on Winters line. R. M. Davis. 7-1td-1tw\*

**FOR SALE**—Johnson grass and Sudan hay. Delivered in town. H. J. Zappe. Phone 239. 10-2td-1tw

**HERRING TOPICS**

The farmers of this community have made good use of the fine weather of the past week, breaking land and getting ready for another crop.

Rev. Golden filled his regular appointment at the Hopewell Baptist Church Sunday and Sunday night. The B. Y. P. U. Sunday night was well arranged and well rendered and enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Addie Grace returned to Boston Wednesday after a ten day visit with her mother, Mrs. Clarke, and her sister, Mrs. Sam Miller, of this community.

Mrs. Alleorn and son, Leslie, of San Angelo, were visiting Lonnie and Arthur Alleorn of this place Sunday.

We are sorry to report that Grandpa Edwards of this place is on the sick list. We hope he will soon be well again.

The young people of the community attended a pound supper at William King's home in Crews Wednesday night. All report a nice time.

Joe McCartney and family, of near Ballinger, have moved into our community and their children have started to school. We welcome them to our school and hope they will be pleased to live among us.

The party at Joe Bragg's Saturday night was well attended and all report a splendid time.

Clifford Powe, of Brownwood, spent this week with his mother and family of this place.

We are glad to report that Grandma Clarke, who had been very ill, is convalescing nicely at this writing.

Mrs. Tom Brevard, of Dale, and her daughter, Mrs. Artie Hale, of Houston, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hale and family Sunday.

Mrs. Ruby Matthews and children, of Roscoe, are visiting her father, J. J. Fuller.

Miss Bernice Hale, one of the guards on our basketball team, was ill Friday and could not play in the league game with the Victory team. Miss Loy Brevard took her place and played a good game. The score as announced by the Victory scorekeeper was 38 and 18. It was a hard game.

Mrs. Walter Kerby has gone to Waco to attend the funeral of her brother, Mr. White.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Grounds and Mrs. Willeen Alleorn spent a pleasant day with Mrs. Alleorn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Day, of Santa Anna, Saturday.

"Reporter."

Be wise and advertise!

**DEATHS**

**Duke Infant**  
William David Duke, Jr., 21 days old, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Duke, who reside South of here on the Paint Rock road, died Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, after an illness of ten days caused by pneumonia. Services were held Wednesday morning at the home, with Rev. Cole, of Paint Rock, officiating. Interment was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Higginbotham Bros. undertakers were in charge of the burial arrangements.

**Page Funeral**  
Funeral services for G. R. Page, 71, who was found dead Monday morning at his home 18 miles West of Ballinger, were held at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Old Runnels cemetery.

E. M. Page, a brother, of San Saba; his widow, and a daughter, Miss Dorothy, were relatives who attended the funeral.

**RED PEPPERS STOP BACKACHE, LUMBAGO**

The heat of red peppers takes the "ouch" from a sore, lame back. It can not hurt you, and it certainly ends the torture at once.

When you are suffering so you can hardly get around, just try Red Pepper Rub, and you will have the quickest relief known. Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers.

Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you will feel the tingling heat. In three minutes it warms the sore spot through and through. Pain and soreness are gone.

Ask any druggist for a jar of Rowles Red Pepper Rub. Be sure to get the genuine, with the name Rowles on each package.

**CREWS NEWS**

We are glad to report that the sick folks of this community are improving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson and family have moved to Crews from Oak Grove community. We are hoping they will like their new home.

The young folks enjoyed a pound supper at William King's last Wednesday night. It was given for Mrs. King's brother, Ellis Madison, who returned to his home in San Antonio Thursday.

The Crews basketball teams, both boys' and girls', met the Novice teams at Star, Friday afternoon, and played. Crews won both games. The score of the girls' game was 16-44; the score of the boys' game was 16-32.

Messrs. J. W. Wood and Pascal Dietz have returned from Kaufman county.

Mrs. W. P. King's sister, of Sweetwater, visited her last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. White and family have gone to Waco to be at the bedside of their sick son and brother.

Thad Taylor and Miss Beatrice Berry certainly gave the people a surprise Sunday, when they motored to Talpa and got married.

"Reporter."

**H G C RELIEVES**  
A special prescription for catarrhal diseases of the urinary tract. Pains, non-pains. Package contains all needed, without extra orders. \$1.00 at Druggists or postpaid.

**ATTEND LUNCHEON IN COLEMAN**

E. E. King, H. C. Lyon, T. P. Simpson and J. D. Motley left Tuesday morning for Coleman, where they were to attend a joint luncheon in the new Coleman Hotel. The Coleman Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club sponsored the get-together to open the new hostelry.

The Coleman chamber is also having its annual membership banquet at the hotel, the management having its opening dinner in the dining room, and the Rotary Club is having its first meeting since organization in Coleman. The three luncheons will be held as one.

**FEW CHANGES IN BANK OFFICERS**

Little change was made in the officers and directors of the Ballinger State Bank and no change whatever in the Farmers and Merchants State Bank at annual stockholders' meetings held Tuesday, January 11th.

**Ballinger State Bank**  
Officers of the Ballinger State Bank, as elected Tuesday are as follows: E. D. Walker, president; C. P. Shepherd, vice-president; Sam Baker, cashier; and Ross Murchison, assistant cashier.

The board of directors was decreased from nine members to seven members. They are as follows: N. J. Allen, M. B. Dankworth, E. F. Batts, Jas. E. Brewer, C. P. Shepherd, Wm. Halfmann and E. D. Walker.

**Farmers and Merchants State Bank**

The old officers and board of directors were elected to serve another year at the annual meeting of the F. & M. Bank stockholders.

The officers are as follows: G. G. Odom, president; J. F. Currie, vice-president; Fred Kiechle, vice-president; J. L. Chastain, cashier; Edw. Sommer, assistant cashier.

**First National Bank**

At a meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Ballinger held on Jan. 11th, 1927, the following directors were elected for the year: J. Y. Pearce, J. A. Walker, D. M. Baker, W. W. Fowler, J. McGregor, F. M. Pearce, C. L. Baker, R. G. Erwin; with officers as follows: J. Y. Pearce, president; D. M. Baker, vice-president; R. G. Erwin, cashier; W. R. Bogle, assistant cashier; J. Whit Patterson, assistant cashier.

It was with deep regret that the resignation of A. J. Thorp to take effect Feb. 15th, 1927, was

accepted, and the following resolution was adopted:

"It is with feelings of very real and deep regret that we have received today your resignation from this Bank to take effect on February fifteenth.

"The associations of more than twenty years are not easily nor lightly severed, but when those associations are marked by such pleasant, such agreeable relations as have always existed between yourself and the other members of the Board are terminated, it can only bring us the very deepest feeling of regret that it should have become necessary.

"And in accepting your resignation please be assured that you will carry with you our very warmest and sincere wishes for your success and happiness, not only as business associates but as your strong personal friends. This friendship we trust and believe will never be marred nor broken."

**No Worms in a Healthy Child**

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 60c per bottle.

**TO DRILL TEST FOR OIL NEAR BRADSHAW**

BRADSHAW, Jan. 8.—Actual work has begun on the oil well on the Halbert block in southern Taylor county.

Location was made by a civil engineer by name of Parell, last Tuesday, on a tract owned by C. M. Hunt. This location is eight miles due West of Bradshaw.

On the strength of this well being drilled, there are two other blocks forming in this vicinity, and prices on leases and royalties are steadily climbing.

**FOUR NEW CIVIL CASES SINCE JAN. 1**

Four new civil cases have been filed in district court here since January 1st, the docket shows. There are three divorce suits and one suit for debt and foreclosure.

**SEVEN ARRESTED FOR NO HIGHWAY NUMBERS**

Seven arrests were made Monday, charging automobile owners with operating cars without the 1927 highway numbers, the local justice court docket showed Tuesday morning.

The sheriff's department is making arrests in all such cases now.

Rio Coffee per pound 25c. Cane Syrup 75 cents per gallon. U. E. Hartman, Grocer. 19-tfw

**FOUR FINED IN JUSTICE COURT SINCE JANUARY 1**

Four fines have been assessed in the justice court here since Jan. 1st by Judge C. H. Willingham. The first cases were put on the docket Wednesday. All entered pleas of guilty.

Those fined were: I. J. Young, trapping without a license; Derwood Pogue, vagrancy; Jim Garner, vagrancy; Bertie Scholfield, vagrancy.

Be wise and advertise.

**SANTA FE STATIONS HERE REPAINTED**

Both the Santa Fe freight and passenger stations are getting new clothes this week with company painters giving them several coats of paint.

The freight depot is being painted yellow and will brighten up the neighborhood quite a bit. The interior is also getting a reworking. The passenger station is getting both the exterior and interior repainted and soon will be in an apparently new condition.

**Correction**

In Wednesday's issue of The Ledger it was stated that Mrs. W. E. Harvey had presented the fire company \$5 when it should have been \$15. The check was given Chief L. Cohen of the company for services rendered in affording protection for the Harvey gin when the Mason gin was burned here last Saturday night.

George Kerley went to Big Spring Wednesday to look after business matters.

**Farm Finances**

Farming is more than just crop raising. Keeping farm finances in good condition is as hard a job as running any other industry. And the farmer seldom has a bookkeeper to make it easier for him.

But he often finds this bank of real assistance to him in running his farm in a businesslike manner. We try to help farmers with their problems as well as handle their bank accounts.

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**Ballinger State Bank**