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CONGRESS CONVENES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—With Speaker Clark's resounding smash with a mallet big enough for croquet in the House of Representatives, and Vice-President Marshall's light tap with a little piece of ivory in the Senate, both precisely at noon, Congress met today for the short session which will end March 4, 1915.

This short session will be the last one of the sixty-third Congress, a Congress that will go down in history as one which worked almost the entire two years of its existence (only one six weeks recess except the Christmas vacations) and as one which put through a number of bills which will affect the country, in all probability, for generations.

The program that must be carried out as the passage of the appropriation bills. These must be passed, and every short session of Congress in the past which has found difficulty in passing them. But no Congress in the past which has gotten them through successfully has had so many perplexing complications which threatened to kill weeks of time and prevent the passage of the appropriation bills.

The most dangerous of the immediately imminent complications is the cotton legislation. While there is no chance of any very radical legislation being passed, this temper being clearly shown by both House and Senate just prior to the adjournment, democratic leaders feared today that the Southerners who have been making the most noise about the cotton problem will not regard their work as completed to the satisfaction of their constituents unless they make a large number of speeches.

The difficulty of choking these off lies in the fact that this can only be done by bringing in a rule insuring a vote without more than a certain number of hours debate. And the chairman of the Rules Committee is Representative Robert Henry, of Texas, acknowledgedly the leader of the protection legislation group.

There are several bills for the relief of the cotton growers, however one of these is a bill providing for the licensing of cotton warehouses, and their inspection. This bill passed the Senate, with a number of amendments, so that it included not only cotton, but grain tobacco, naval stores, canned salmon, and several other products.

The other piece of cotton legislation which apparently will be passed without trouble consists of amendment to the Federal Reserve act. One of these permits member banks to keep all of their reserves in the regional reserve banks, and the other permits the issuance of the equivalent of 100 percent of the unimpaired capital and surplus of the bank in emergency currency, instead of only 30 per cent as under the present law.

Then there is the conservation in its many phases. Fights were also expected today to occur during this session on three porkbarrel bills, the rivers, and harbors, the public buildings, and the good roadbill.

The attitude of the President will probably determine the fate of the Ship Purchase bill, so far as the House is concerned. There is strong opposition to this measure in both houses, and, while it was admitted today that it would be easy enough to force it through the House, it means that the President is sure that the President will force the bill through in the brief time which is available. Opposition in the Senate with those senators intensely opposed to membership as a general principle.

The fiercest fights expect appropriation bills is an armament question. In war has, in their strengthened the argument both the little navy men

and the big navy men. The big navy men declare that the suddenness of this war proves emphatically the necessity of being prepared. The little navy men point to the destruction of battleships and cruisers by submarines, and say: "Why build battleships until we find out if there is any way to protect a battleship from submarines—all ships constructed along present lines may be made obsolete any day by some development in this war."

Over in the Senate the problem is much more difficult, owing to the fact that there is no way of putting an end to the debates on any question so long as any senator wants to discuss it. Possibilities in this direction are still fresh in the mind of senators from successful filibuster of Senator Burton last session against the rivers and harbors bill.

Besides the conservation measures already mentioned which have been passed by the House and are awaiting action by the Senate, there are a number of other important bills which have been acted upon by the House but which have not passed the Senate. Among these the one which is probably the most important is the Immigration Bill. The point of difficulty about this bill is the literacy test, which the President is said to be opposed to, while there is a wide difference of opinion in the Senate. Senator O'Gorman, who has been off the administration "reservation" considerably recently is leading the fight against the literacy test, for once with the President.

CAPES GALORE, IS THE FASHION HINT

BY MARGARET MASON (Written for the United Press.)

Eve's mantle has descended on the modern maid they say. But just what sort of mantle do they mean?

The only mantle poor Eve knew was when a rosy blush had mantled all her snowy brow serene.

The only coat she had, no doubt was just a coat of tan. Her only wrap when she was wrapped in thought.

The modern maid don't give a rap for any wrap like that. For they sport every cloak that can be bought.

They wouldn't even give a fig for Eve's bareskin outfit. Selected sealskins they prefer I've noted.

They have a different wrap and cloak for everything they do. Why even when they're ill their tongues are coated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Keeping up with the Fashion means adapting a bit of brogue and "capering" up with them this season. Such a bewildering array of capes and wraps and mantles and loose and coats and jackets and flaring cloaks are offered for each and every occasion.

The sumptuous evening wraps of brilliantly tinted velvet, fur collared, cuffed and edged are the same wonderful creations as shown earlier in the season. The military capes and flaring Cossack cloaks, the braided and frogged military jackets have their staunch adherents still. It is of the new sports coats however, delightfully appropriate for golf, for motoring for skating, for hiking or just plain knock about wear that descriptions are now in good order.

There is a great run of corduroy for sport coats and they are shown in all the brilliant colorings as well as in the more conservative tones of "tete de negre" Russian green, sand putty, mustard and particularly stunning model in this material is almost ankle length with a flaring bell shaped black and a belt consisting of two stitched straps across it. The collar is the new military effect and buttons up tightly about the throat. Short box coats buttoned up high around the neck and widely belted come in the corduroy as well as in the huge horseblanket plaid effect just like big brothers maekinaw. These shorter coats are of (Continued on last page)

MOST VIOLENT STORM RAGING ALONG COAST OF THE ATLANTIC FROM HATTERAS TO MAINE

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A violent storm drove several vessels ashore and is causing relatives of sailors and others interested in missing ships much anxiety, is raging along the Atlantic coast from Hatteras to the coast of Maine. It is declared by seafaring men to be the worst in many years to visit the Atlantic coast.

Scores of vessels are missing and little can be learned of their fate. An unknown warship grounded off Norfolk, Va., but after struggling for hours with a high tide and rolling billows, the ship got off under many difficulties.

It is estimated here that the damage to property will reach a \$1,000,000. Hundreds of cottages and breakwater resorts were totally demolished by the raving waves superinduced to small mountains by the great storm.

It is believed that the storm which struck the Atlantic coast is the same on which Saturday night, worked havoc over the towns situated on the North Sea, when scores of vessels were lost and shipping endangered.

Warship Escapes Undamaged

OCEAN CITY, Md., Dec. 7.—With the revenue cutter of the United States, the Itasca, en route to the scene, the unknown warship which was around one mile off shore from here, three miles north North Beach, escaped without being aided. The Itasca was expected to reach the scene of the grounding early today but before she could get to the vessel, she had pushed off with her own engines. The life saving station here was on the alert but unable to render assistance because of the thick weather.

Weather Reports

Unsettled tonight and Tuesday probably rain.

J. M. Jennings, of the Norton country, was marketing cotton and supplying in Ballinger Monday.

W. T. Atnip, of the Valley creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and was exhibiting the champion feterita head of the county. It is now on exhibition at the Young Men's Business League office.

Cal Proctor, of Midland was greeting Ballinger friends Monday en route home from Belton where he had been on the sad mission of attending the funeral of

his mother, who was buried at that place Sunday. D. W. Turner of the Norton country, and John Tonggett, of Miles, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday. E. S. McWilliams and J. L. Faubion of the Norton country were among the first Monday visitors in the city. R. W. Bruce is now sporting a new five passenger Ford auto recently bought of R. L. Harwell of our city. Hugh Jones, of the Blocker ranch, up the river, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday and ordered the Banner-Ledger to his address for the ensuing year.

PROMINENT VISITORS ARE COMING TO B. M. BANQUET

Secretary Boler is in receipt of letters from Andrew McBeath of the Temple Telegram; Chas. B. Metcalf, of San Angelo; Rev. P. A. Heckman, of Temple, accepting invitations to attend the annual banquet to be held on the evening of Dec. 11th, and to occupy places on the program.

All three of these gentlemen are well known as orators. Rev. Heckman having quite a reputation as an after dinner speaker throughout the state.

All of these gentlemen have assured Mr. Boler that they would be present, and with the splendid program to be arranged from local talent, musical, both instrumental and vocal, and with short speeches from a number of local speakers, the program promises to be very attractive.

The various committees are busy getting everything in readiness for the social event of the season. The ladies in charge of providing the menu on this occasion have the work well in hand, and the hall is being put in shape for the decorating committee. The invitation committee, or the Young Men's Business League membership committee, report that they are meeting with splendid success in placing the tickets, and many new members are coming into the League. Each member in good standing for the month of December is entitled to one ticket to the banquet. If you have paid your

dues you are entitled to a seat at the banquet table. This is an event that every citizen of the town should take an interest in. It is nothing more nor less than a get-together social meeting. It is not a society event for the 400, or any particular class, but is being arranged for the purpose of bringing our people closer together in a social and business way and matters of great importance will be up for discussion during the evening.

An effort is being made to get the farmers who can't arrange to attend this banquet. What is to the interest of the business man of Ballinger is also of great importance to the farmer. Their interest is mutual, and they can get closer together and learn to appreciate the difficulties that confront them from time to time and by a method of co-operation these difficulties can be overcome. There is no room for knockers in this undertaking. With the interest being manifested a knock or will soon be made to feel out of place in such company.

Get your ticket, be prepared to enjoy the occasion and do what good you can towards making Ballinger a better Ballinger in which to live, in which to conduct your business and a better market for the farmer with produce to sell. We expect to publish the program in full in this paper within the next day or two.

Remaining Trenches of Germans are Being Attacked

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The official communique this afternoon says that the Allies are today continuing their attack on the few remaining trenches of the Germans on the left bank of Yser canal. The Germans, say dispatches received here, won a great victory over the Russians when they captured the city of Lodz.

GERMANS GAIN IMPORTANT CITY

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—It was officially announced today that Lodz had been occupied by the German forces late Sunday afternoon, following the most desperate battle of the eastern theatre of war. For the past two weeks, a fierce battle has been raging in this vicinity. Every effort the Russians put forth in trying to stop the advance of the Germans on the second largest city of Russian Poland, has been frustrated by the Kaiser's troops.

Lodz is a city of 400,000 population. It is located in the principle manufacturing district of Russian Poland. Numerous mills are located there, a majority of them handling cotton. Besides the cotton mills, it has many machinery plants, breweries, dyeing mills and flour mills. It is seventy-five miles from Warsaw, the objective of the German army in Poland. Owing to its strategic position Kaiser Wilhelm gained a most important victory in taking the city.

GERMANS ELATED OVER BIG VICTORY

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The best of good feeling prevails in Berlin today over the announcement that the Germans have achieved a great victory in the capture of Lodz, the city next in size to Warsaw of Russian Poland. The entire German army, it is declared, will be inspired with greater confidence now that the army of the west has gained a strategic point.

U. S. COMMISSION SUBMITS REPORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The United States Commission on Industrial Relations today submitted to Congress its first annual report, covering the year beginning October 22, 1913, when the funds appropriated by Congress first became available.

The report presents an outline of the research and investigation work now under way and a summary of the testimony of more than 500 witnesses, including employers, workmen, trade unionists, economists, public officials and others, who have appeared before the commission at public hearings in various cities from New York to San Francisco.

No conclusions are stated by the commission and the report is intended to be merely a record of progress. Under the Act creating the commission the final report, containing conclusions and recommendations, will be submitted to Congress before next August. Probably the most interesting part of the report is the summary of testimony at the public hearings. These have been held in Washington, New York, Patterson, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Lead, South Dakota, Butte, Montana; Seattle, Portland, Dregon, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

FOUR NAVAL TRAGEDIES ENACTED

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Four naval disasters occurred today.

The German submarine U-16 arrived this morning at Ezberg in a critical condition. She was badly damaged and put in for repairs. The cause of the accident is unknown.

Two steamers were sunk in the North Sea after they had struck mines. The crew of one of the vessels was lost. It is supposed that the ships struck mines placed by the Germans.

The Turkish cruiser, Hamidish, struck a mine in the Black Sea seriously damaging herself. No casualties, it is believed, there were.

HALLEY NAMED DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Dr. W. B. Halley returned Sunday afternoon from Waco where he attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Mason order last week. At the convention of the Masons, Dr. Halley was named by the body as District Deputy Grand Master of the 105th District, which embraces Runnels County.

SUPREME COURT REFUSES REVIEW OF LEO FRANK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The United States supreme court today refused to review the case of Leo Frank, found guilty by a lower court on a charge of murder in connection with the death of Mary Phagan, 14, a factory girl. The only hope of the Atlanta man is for the governor of Georgia to grant a stay of execution or a commutation.

NACO CITIZENS IMPLORE HELP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—"For God's sake help us" read telegrams sent late last night by citizens of Naco, Ariz., to Senators Henry Ashurst and Marcus A. Smith from Arizona, and United States Senators Albert B. Fall of New Mexico and William A. Smith of Michigan. The telegram implored that protection be given the people of Naco from the fire of Mexicans across the border. During the last two months, five persons have been killed and forty-two wounded.

Card of Thanks.

It is with profound gratitude that we express through the paper our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the kindness shown us on the night our mother met with misfortune. The people of Ballinger were liberal in responding to our call for help, and spent the hours out in the cold helping to recover our mother. Especially do we wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bingham, who found our mother and cared for her until she could be carried to her home, and to all others who rendered aid we assure you that we appreciate it more than words can express. H. H. THOMSON, Ltd

THE GREAT DEFIANCE SALE

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COMMENCES WEDNESDAY,

On account of the low price of cotton and the unusually mild weather during the fall, we have that will move the goods, nothing reserved. This is to be the bargain event of the year-

Ladies' Shoes

\$5.00 Red Cross Shoes at	\$3.85
\$4.50 Red Cross Shoes at	\$3.65
\$4.00 Red Cross Shoes at	\$3.40
\$3.50 Red Cross Shoes at	\$2.90
\$3.00 Red Cross Shoes at	\$2.45
\$2.50 Red Cross Shoes	\$1.90
\$2.25 Shoes at	\$1.75
\$2.00 Shoes at	\$1.50

Children's Shoes

\$3.00 Shoes at	\$2.45
\$2.50 Shoes at	\$1.98
\$2.25 Shoes at	\$1.79
\$2.00 Shoes at	\$1.50
\$1.75 Shoes at	\$1.40
\$1.50 Shoes at	\$1.23
\$1.25 Shoes at	\$1.05
\$1.00 Shoes at	85c
75c Shoes at	60c
50c Shoes at	43c
Extraordinary values in odd lot shoes about 100 pairs \$3.50 to \$5.00 shoes at	30c
One table Children's Shoes, Tan, Patent and Gunmetal, values up to \$3.50, choice	\$1.40

Phoenix Silk Hose

\$1.50 values Silk Hose at	\$1.23
\$1.00 values Silk Hose at	85c
75c values Silk Hose at	65c
50c Dixie Silk Hose at	43c

Notions

25c William's Talcum Powder, per can	14c
15c Shaving Mirrors	11c
Hair Pins, at per package	1c
5c Pearl Buttons, 3 cards for	10c
20c Velvet Grip Garters	16c
10c Dress Cords, each	6c
25c Shinola Shoe Shine outfits	21c

Children's Hose

CHILDREN'S TRADE BOOSTER HOSE 50 dozen, all new stock 15c quality, Sale price	11c
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Ladies' Coats

\$20.00 Values at	\$13.35
\$16.50	12.15
\$12.50 Values at	9.95
\$10.00 Values at	7.55
\$8.00 Value at	5.35
\$6.00 Values at	4.95
\$5.00 Values at	3.95

Children's Coats

\$5.00 Values at	\$3.95
\$4.50 Values at	3.65
\$4.00 Values at	3.20
\$3.50 Values at	2.90
\$3.00 Values at	2.35

Warner's Rust-Proof Corsets

\$2.50 Values at	1.95
\$5.00 Values at	\$3.95
\$3.00 Values at	2.40
\$2.00 Values at	1.58
\$1.75 Values at	1.45
\$1.50 Values at	1.23
\$1.00 Values at	85c

Brassiers

75c Values at	48c
50c Values at	35c

Ladies' Sweaters

\$8.00 Values at	\$4.50
\$5.00 Values at	3.25
\$4.00 Values at	2.75
\$3.00 Values at	2.15
\$2.50 Values at	1.65
\$1.50 Values at	1.15

Ladies' and Children's Knit Caps

\$1.00 Values at	60c
50c Values at	35c
35c Values at	22c
25c Values at	18c

Dress Goods

\$2.25 Dress Goods, at only	\$1.45
\$1.50 Dress Goods at only	1.15
\$1.25 Dress Goods at only	1.05
\$1.00 Dress Goods, at only	79c
75c Dress Goods at only	57c
50c Dress Goods at only	38c
35c Dress Goods at only	23c
25c Dress Goods at only	19c
20c Dress Goods at only	16c
15c Dress Goods at only	11c

Table Linen

\$1.50 Values at only	\$1.20
\$1.25 Values at only	98c
\$1.00 Values at only	85c
75c Values at only	55c
50c Values at only	38c
35c Values at only	27c
25c Values at only	19c

Ladies' Gloves SIMMONS MAKE

\$2.00 Values at only	\$1.58
\$1.75 Values at only	1.45
\$1.50 Values at only	1.28
\$1.25 Values at only	1.05
\$1.00 Values at only	85c
50c Values at only	42c
25c Values at only	18c

Ladies' and Children's Underwear

\$2.50 Values at only	\$1.98
\$1.50 Values at only	1.20
\$1.25 Values at only	1.05
\$1.00 Values at only	85c
50c Values at only	43c
35c Values at only	23c
25c Values at only	19c

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H. Giesecke, Ballinger, Texas.

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The cost of the Iron is only \$3.50 and the cost of the current to use them is not much.

Phone 15 for one today.

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Before selling see them in the city.

American railways run their passenger equipment from 60 to 100 miles with periodical stops for lubrication. They expend annually large sums for expert mechanics to do nothing but make inspection and recommendation. Can the inexperienced afford to undertake what the high salaried ones are doing? Drive in and receive a thorough inspection at a nominal cost and derive the full pleasure of motoring.

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Nothing of the work and worry. Try the more easy way and let us supply you. Phone your orders to the Cream to 301.

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R. F. GREEN, Proprietor.

14 CLEAR \$400 IN COTTON FIELDS IN PERIOD 3 MONTHS

Special to The Daily Ledger
ABILENE, Dec. 7.—Can a man with twelve children and a wife make money picking cotton in General West Texas? That question has been heard many times and it has most of the time been answered in the affirmative. However, Morgan Jones, conductor, on the Abilene and Southern and nephew of Morgan Jones, Sr., owner of the Abilene and Southern, gives the details of a case which make the answer all the more in the affirmative.

Here's the story substantially as Mr. Jones related it:

"A man and his wife and a dozen children, the eldest eighteen years of age, boarded my train at a point in Jones county and traveled south. They were en route to Abilene where they were to take the Texas and Pacific for Fort Worth, thence to their home at a point in Mississippi.

"During the course of the ride on my train the man informed me that the fourteen members of his family arrived in the Golden West of Texas last September, about the first part of the month. He secured a place to pick cotton for the family, working part of the time in Taylor and the other part in Jones Counties. Cotton prices were ranging around the 60 cents per hundred with board as a side inducement.

"Did this family make money? Well, I think so. They have remained here three months and just what they realized with an even dozen children—this man and his wife. The amount they swaged off with to spend in dear old Mississippi was \$400. They are now half way home and the children are getting all the good things from the train butcher, besides numerous promises for a Merry Christmas.

Cured of Liver Complaint

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by all dealers.

Ed Baggett left Saturday afternoon for the West after a short visit to his uncle S. B. Baggett and family near Ballinger.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; Herbine is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

A. S. Pape and family left Saturday afternoon for their new home near Plainview. They expected to get off the first of last week, but owing to the heavy rains and bad roads were not able to ship out until Saturday.

SANITARY MEAT MARKET.

We have our place of business in a perfect sanitary condition, and in compliance with the pure food laws of the State, have just built a perfectly sanitary slaughter house, complete in every respect, and will keep it in splendid shape at all times.

We will buy your stock and hides from you at top prices, and will always supply you with the best the market affords. We will appreciate your patronage.

CITY MEAT MARKET.

Phone 185.
tfdw Stanley Cameron, Prop.

E. P. Scarbrough left Saturday afternoon for Abilene on a short business trip.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. Ballard's Horehound Syrup loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

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STOLEN HORSES LOCATED AT ANGELO

By diligent and constant search and enquiry, Sheriff Perkins located the three horses that were stolen near Ballinger last week.

The horses were stolen on Friday night, Sunday night and Monday night, from W. H. Seerest, J. W. Pipkin, Ed Eubanks, all living in the same neighborhood.

A man by the name of McFadden, of San Angelo, was here Monday attending public sales day and overheard Sheriff Perkins talking to other parties about the horse and giving a description of the horses stolen, when McFadden informed Mr. Perkins that he purchased a horse from a negro at San Angelo last Wednesday that suited the description of the horses. Further investigation brought to light the fact that all three of the horses were sold at San Angelo by the same negro. McFadden bought the Eubanks horse, and Jim Johnson of San Angelo bought the Seerest and Pipkin horses.

The stolen horses will be returned to their owners and within the next few days it is expected to have the negro in the lock up.

Mr. McFadden stated that he got the horse from the negro in a trade, and that the horse cost him \$38. He did not know what Mr. Johnson paid for the two he purchased. The negro told the parties buying the horses that he had been picking cotton over the country and had been trading horses and got these horses in a trade.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says "if it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

POULTRY SHOW IN JANUARY

It is the purpose of the Runnels County Poultry Association to hold the largest poultry show at Ballinger some time during the month of January that was ever held in this county. The committee will meet at an early date and fix the exact time for holding this show, and a move will be put on foot immediately to arrange the most attractive premium list ever published for any county exhibit.

A very successful show was held last season, and that too in the face of many difficulties. The association had no equipment for taking care of the poultry placed on exhibit here. It was necessary to raise the funds for which to buy pens. This required considerable money, and on account of the short money conditions that prevailed at that time it was a big undertaking, but the work was carried out, the money raised and the pens purchased. This is an expense that the association will not have to contend with this season.

Another great advantage that the association has this year over last, is the increased interest that has been manifested in poultry production, and the large number of entries that will no doubt be made.

Plans will be adopted, and with the co-operation of the citizens of the town, carried out that will put Ballinger and Runnels county more prominently on the map as a "chicken country."

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The most economical, cleansing and germicidal of all antiseptics is

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PROMINENT CITIZEN HERE.

Willie Brown, a prominent citizen of the Tennyson country, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday, and among other things said, Chas. M. Stanley, the irrigation man, has two outfits working out the levels and putting down the permanent stakes and getting the true levels between Bronte and Miles on his irrigation proposition and Mr. Brown says the prospects for the proposition grow brighter each day. When the work is completed the surveys will be made to each man's farm, and maps will be made showing exactly each farm that can be reached, showing the exact cost etc.

Mr. Brown feels sure the proposition will be a success and the farmers all along the line are better satisfied since this substantial evidence is being placed before them by Mr. Stanley.

The Magic Washing Stick

"The Magic Washing Stick is the finest thing in the world. Cleans the clothes without rubbing—makes the whitest clothes I ever saw. I cannot do without it anymore. All you say is true, it does all you say it will. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. Hope every lady will try it," writes Mrs. W. F. Gammill Ashdown, Ark. This peculiar article is sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Cobb and little daughter of San Angelo, came in Saturday afternoon to visit in Ballinger a few days.

For SORE or WEAK EYES, use Dickey's Old Reliable Eye Water. Don't hurt. Feels Good. 45-1-14-6m

Tom Watkins of Brady, came in Saturday afternoon to join his wife and baby on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen of West End.

S. H. Mathews and daughter of the Hatelch country passed thru Ballinger Saturday afternoon en route to San Angelo on a short visit.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Truly and children came in Saturday night from Milford and will again make Ballinger home. Mr. Truly and family are pioneer citizens of Runnels County and a host of friends welcome them back to their old home.

Judge J. B. Wade and family left Sunday morning for Fort Worth where they will make their future home.

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THE DIAMOND BRAND
Largest and Best
Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no others. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS for 25 years known as Best, Softest, Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

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Inferior flour, poor potatoes, any kind of foodstuffs that are a little "off" may spoil an otherwise perfect repast. Some grocers make it a point of honor to never sell an article that is "off." They build up a reputation from which they are inseparable. It is an invaluable asset in business.
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A poll tax for a Christmas present for yourself. Buy it now.

If you are not satisfied with the class of weather being served in this country, you can move just a little further to the Southeast, where heavy fogs prevail throughout the entire day.

The man who says he is in favor of good roads, yet fails to support any move to bring about the betterment of the public roads, for fear it will cost him a little, is inconsistent, to say the least of it.

Plant cotton, Mr. Farmer. If you don't your children might find time to go to school, and then you would have to buy school books. By all means plant cotton so the price will remain within reach of the speculator.

Why should we worry about good roads? We seldom use them. In fact we have not traveled twenty miles over Runnels county roads during the present year. The farmer is the man who uses the roads, and as long as he chooses to put up with bad roads, we should not interfere with his wishes.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed.

A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.

J. W. McCollough and family, of Coryell county, near Gatesville, came in a few days ago and have decided to locate in our city.

GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery Mfg. Co., successors to T. S. Lankford for Saddles, Harness, etc. Complete line of Saddlery goods, and accessories. Shoe work and general repairing our specialty.

L. J. CATHEY, Mgr. 124 Mon day.

R. L. Howell, the Ford auto dealer, is having a self starter and electric lighting attachment put on the Ford autos which makes the equal of any car on the market.

JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE

"Honey, let me carry your handbag," said a 50-year-old man to a lady on Elm and St. Paul streets Saturday noon, says the Dallas Journal. The lady called officer Whitner. He placed the man in jail. Saturday afternoon Judge Richardson fined the man \$25 but later reduced it to \$15, when the man pleaded that he had a family to take care of.

Poor man, what was the charge against him? He must have been a gallant old gent, and the terms in which he addressed the lady is one of the most common Webster placed on the list.

In Iowa state convicts working on the roads receive \$2.50 per day for their labor, they themselves paying for their keep and clothing and being at liberty to send the balance to their dependent families. They are still under restriction, but their right to wage lifts them out of the slavery status into that of state wards.—Brownwood News.

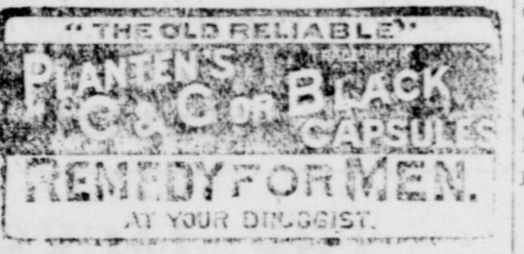
Pass that law in Texas and many unemployed men will make a rush to reach the pen, even though they have to sell a quart of bootlegging liquor to get there. We need the roads and the men need the \$2.50 per day.

We have read over the list of Governor-elect Ferguson's appointments for state offices and failed to find that either the name of Brownwood or Brown county is mentioned anywhere. Considering the fact that Brown county is a local option county and that it gave Mr. Ferguson a substantial majority over the prohibition nominee to any open mind it would be apparent that the county was due some recognition from the new executive. Mr. Ferguson's closest friends are saying that his appointments are directed entirely by a desire to reward fitness and ability. There's no doubt of his intentions in that respect, but in handing out the spoils, his partiality to the big cities is somewhat painful.—Brownwood News.

According to your argument Mr. Ferguson should have given the pros who voted for him preference in making up his official family. If he favored the dry counties in making appointments why not favor the dries? It was a sacrifice for both to follow him. Quit your howling.

It even pays to make good as a porter. One of the two request made by Colquitt to Governor Jim was to keep his porter. It is a good idea for the unfortunate who is now dragging along to remember it pays to make good and turn out the best there is in them.—Killeen Herald.

Yes, that's good doctrine. The man who fails to make good in small matters will not do to trust with more important matters. But did it ever occur to you that the janitor's job is a very important one along about this season, and that it takes a man to fill the bill Colquitt's janitor no doubt draws a salary that when compared with the salary of the average school



teacher of this state would make the janitor feel thankful that he was a janitor instead of a school teacher.

Indiscriminate buying will ruin any man. Just because you possess a good credit is no reason to abuse it. A good credit is an asset we should all cherish and appreciate. Some people are prone to blame everybody except themselves when they have reached the end of their credit and the fact is impressed on them that an "about face" must be made. The time to practice thrift and economy is before it becomes necessary. But how many of us do this?—McGregor Mirror.

"Charge it" is the word that has caused many a good man to be branded as dishonest. The merchant who insist on selling goods to a man on a credit when he knows that man's income is not sufficient to insure prompt payments is responsible for the "dishonesty." Pay cash, and avoid slavery.

Catarh Cannot Be Cured

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifier, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarh. Send for testimonials, free.

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THE MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY PRINCESS TONIGHT

Only three more releases of the "Million Dollar Mystery" are to be shown tonight's being the 20th number. This picture is undoubtedly the most expensive motion ever produced under any company of film-actors. Not alone do the expensive settings and mechanical effects but the beautiful and high-priced costumes worn by the female portion of the cast reaches the six figure mark. Airships, ocean liners, automobiles, and residences have been chartered and some bought outright for the biggest serial picture ever, and the cost is enormous. More than this "The Million Dollar Mystery" cost the exhibitor more than the other serials but it has been well advertised and exploited and the people who have been seeing it proclaim it the best picture made.

Tonight's installment will contain some surprises for the spectators and many things are crowded into the two reels to make quite a thrilling chapter for the story. Two other good titles are to be shown this evening: a Keystone comedy in 2 parts featuring Mable Normand, and a good Majestic drama with many favorites in the dramatic personae. Altogether a most pleasing offering for the night's program.

The Magic Washing Stick.

"I cannot speak highly enough in praise of the Magic Washing Stick. It saves half the labor in washing. Makes the clothes sweet, clean and white as snow without the use of rubboard," writes Mrs. R. M. Cardwell, Forney, Texas. Sold by druggists three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards, Co., Sherman, Texas.

J. H. Mills of the Winters country, E. D. Bowen of Hatchel, and D. W. Payne of the Valley Creek country, were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Fit His Case Exactly

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

A Mystery Tea. at Mrs. T. S. Lankford's December 8th; hours 3 to 6. Everybody invited to come and bring a silver offering for missions. 4-3td

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SOCIETY

Mrs. W. L. Brown, Editor

42 Club.

Mrs. E. V. Bateman was hostess for the 42 Club on Friday afternoon and in the cheerful environment of her home on Eleventh street and the one of few beautiful days we have had recently everyone enjoyed themselves to the fullest. Beautiful roses and ferns added beauty to the already delightful home.

The afternoon was spent as usual with forty-two. A delicious salad course was served. The personnel included the usual club members and six guests, who were: Mesdames J. Y. Pearce, Chas. S. Miller, Ed O'Kelley, Ed Walker, Chas. Ferguson and U. P. Melton.

Beau Not

On Tuesday afternoon the Beau Not Club met with Miss Florence Westbrook at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. M. Baker on Tenth street.

The game of auction bridge was entered into with much zest, despite the fact of bad weather. A tempting salad course was served in an intermission.

The J. U. G. Club will meet with Miss Abby Snell this week.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with each bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists. 312d

H. E. Dickinson of Reagan county, came in Sunday to visit relatives and look after business affairs a few days.

Sickly children need White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only destroys worms, if there be any but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.



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FIRST PENSION ISSUED TO BALLINGER MAN

AUSTIN, Dec. 7.—The drawer of the first pension warrant under the pension laws of the State of Texas is dead. This was the report received yesterday by the Comptroller's Department. Application No. 1 for a pension was made by J. M. Clendennen of Ballinger in 1899. The application was made from Anderson County and was the first to be approved under the pension law enactment. He continued to draw a pension quarterly since 1899 until the one drawn on Nov. 30, 1914, when the warrant was returned to the Comptroller's Department with the notation "deceased" there on.

The Magic Washing Stick. The Magic Washing Stick is just fine. It did just what you said it would do and the clothes were so nice and white with all that hard rubbing left off," writes Mrs. Sarah Goodale, Preston, Texas. The Magic Stick is not a soap nor a washing powder. Sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Tex.

Mesdames A. H. Lewin and E. T. Davis of Miles, were among the visitors in Ballinger between trains Monday.

The Magic Washing Stick "All glory to the Magic Washing Stick—my clothes were as white as snow," writes Mrs. Sallie Cummings, Marquez, Texas. Not a soap nor a washing powder but a peculiar article which makes dirty clothes clean and beautiful without a bit of rubbing. Sold by druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.

John Sewell, of the Winters country had business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

LEGAL BLANKS.

We keep in stock legal blanks of all kinds and will sell in any quantity desired. Following is a list of stock now on hand: (1) Warranty Deeds, (all kinds) (2) Quit Claim Deeds, (3) Vendor Lien Notes, (4) Promissory Notes (5) Chattel Mortgages, (6) Release Mortgage or Deed of Trust, (7) Crop Mortgage, (8) Charge and Credit Slips, (9) Release of Vendors Lien, (10) Power of Attorney, (11) Transfer of Vendor Lien, (12) Carbon paper, (13) Rental Contracts, (14) Bills of Sale, (15) Deeds of Trust, (16) Bond for Title, (17) Contract between Principal and Agent for Sale of Real Estate, (18) Building Contract, (19) Contract for Exchange of Property, (Single and Double Acknowledgements) (21) Affidavit to any fact, (22) Protest Blanks, (23) County Clerks Certificates. When in need of any of the above call and we can supply you. THE BALLINGER PRINTING CO. dwtf.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen One red steer, 2-year-old, 1 ed J. H. C. connected; one bull two-years-old, branded C. connected. J. M. CORI Ballinger, Texas. 7-1td

Lame back may come from work, cold settled in the m of the back, or from disease the two former cases the remedy is Ballard's Snow ment. It should be rubbed thoroughly over the affected the relief will be prompt satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

J. S. Thompson of Hatchel business in Ballinger a few h Saturday.

It Makes a Difference Who Does Your Work. A good shave, a neat hair cut, adds a great deal to a mans feeling and appearance. We give you satisfaction along this line. The City Barber Shop H. O. Rhodes, Proprietor.

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Hose at 7 cts.

35c Ladies'

Vests at 22 cts.

Boys 50c

sweaters 39 cts.

Men's blue wash shirts

39 cts.

Men's Clothing

\$25.00 suits at	\$19.50
\$22.50 Suits at	16.70
\$20.00 Suits at	14.95
\$17.50 and \$18.00 Suits at	13.20
\$15.00 Suits at	10.90
ONE LOT MENS SUITS ALL SIZES, VALUES FROM \$12.50 to \$25.00	\$7.98
ONE TABLE MEN'S SUITS, SIZES 32 to 36 VALUES UP to \$12.50, CHOICE	\$2.75

Men's Pants

\$6.50 Values at	\$5.45
\$6.00 Values at	4.90
\$5.00 Values at	3.90
\$4.50 Values at	3.65
\$4.00 Values at	3.10
\$3.50 Values at	2.90
\$3.00 Values at	2.40
\$2.50 Values at	1.98
\$2.00 Values at	1.43
\$1.50 Values at	1.20

Boys' Suits

\$15.00 Values at	\$10.99
\$12.50 Values at	\$8.85
\$10.00 Values at	7.15
\$8.50 Values at	6.15
\$7.50 Values at	5.35
\$5.00 Values at	3.90
\$4.50 Values at	3.65
\$4.00 Values at	3.15

Men's Hosiery

50c hose at the pair	43c
25c Hose, at the pair	21c
20c hose at the pair	16c
15c hose, at the pair	11c
10c hose, at the pair	7c

For His Christmas

A full line of beautiful combination boxes sock, tie and handkerchief to match. All go at Sale Prices.

Men's Hats

\$7.50 Stetson Hats at	\$6.15
\$6.00 Stetson Hats at	\$4.85
\$5.00 Stetson Hats at	\$3.90
\$4.00 Stetson Hats at	\$3.40
\$3.50 Stetson Hats at	\$2.95
\$3.00 Hats at	\$2.45
\$2.50 Hats at	\$1.90
\$1.50 Hats at	\$1.20
\$1.00 Hats at	85c

Men's and Boy's Caps

\$1.50 Values at	\$1.15
\$1.25 Values at	95c
\$1.00 Values at	79c
75c Values at	48c
50c Values at	43c
35c Value at	27c
25c Values at	18c

Men's and Boy's Underwear

\$2.00 Values at	\$1.65
\$1.50 Values at	\$1.23
\$1.25 Values at	98c
\$1.00 Values at	85c
50c Values at	43c
35c Values at	23c
25c Values at	18c

Men's Gloves

\$2.50 Values at	\$1.90
\$2.00 Values at	\$1.60
\$1.75 Values at	\$1.43
\$1.50 Values at	\$1.23
\$1.00 Values at	79c
50c Values at	43c
25c Values at	21c
Men's \$6.00 Corduroy Coats, Sale price	4.95
Full line of Corduroy pants at Sale Prices.	

Men's Shoes

\$6.50 and \$7.00 Strong and Garfield	\$5.65
\$5.50 Regal shoe	\$4.55
\$5.00 Regal shoe	\$3.85
\$4.50 Regal shoe	\$3.65
\$4.00 Regal shoe	\$3.35
\$3.50 shoes	\$2.90
\$3.00 Shoes	\$2.45
Special lot Strong and Garfield \$6 and \$6.50 shoes to close out at	\$2.75
One lot \$4.00 and \$5.00 Regal shoes at	\$2.15

Men's Shirts

\$2.00 Arrow Shirts at	\$1.55
\$1.75 Arrow Shirts	\$1.40
\$1.50 Arrow Shirts at	\$1.23
\$1.25 Monarch Shirts	98c
\$1.00 Shirts at	79c
75c Shirts at	55c
50c Shirts at	39c

Men's Sweaters and Wool Shirts

\$4.00 Values at	\$3.20
\$3.50 Values at	2.86
\$3.00 Values at	2.45
\$2.50 Values at	1.98
\$2.00 Values at	1.55
\$1.50 Values at	1.20
\$1.25 Values at	98c
\$1.00 Values at	79c
50c Values at	39c

Trunks and Suit Cases

\$15.00 Values at	\$11.25
\$12.50 Values at	9.15
\$10.00 Values at	7.35
\$8.50 Values at	6.20
\$7.50 Values at	5.90
\$6.00 Values at	4.95
\$5.00 Values at	4.15
\$4.00 Values at	3.25
\$3.50 Values at	2.95

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Capes Galore, Is
the Fashion Hint

(Continued from first page.)

course more desirable for skating and golf but going them one better for these sports are the lovely light weight but fleecy warm belted sweaters of angora wool in softest pastel tints of old rose, old blue, old gold, sage green and grey. With jaunty caps to match what skittish skater or girlish golfer could ask for more perfect apparel.

As usual clever woman has helped herself to the best of masculine garb for her own needs. She has taken his new peadilly raglan of Scotch mixture or English tweed and lifted it bodily to her own fair shoulders. There to do for a storm coat, a motor coat, a hiking coat or travel coat of much and

varied service.

A novel raincoat of transparent rubberized crepe de chine is the latest chic covering to keep milady from the wrathful elements. They come in shimmering and shining greens and yellows and are as durable as they appear delicate. Perky little hats to match make up a moisture proof outfit guaranteed to keep their lucky wearers as dry as the state of Kansas. You are sure to be spotted as ultra smart if you are wearing a leopard skin coat this winter. These seems to be something particularly fitting about this feline fur that adapts itself to most types of femininity.

Certainly not, Geraldine, no catty insinuations are meant. There's something fascinatingly barbaric and elemental about it that makes it especially alluring on a sinuous brunette with glowing olive skin and scarlet lips and dusky eyes. Thus coated lovely woman has

it on the leopard whose skin she is sporting in as much as she can change her spots with impunity by simply shedding his hide.

Leopard skin coats collared and cuffed in beaver or seal skin are very striking but even simply trimmed they have a three weekish effect that out far Glynis Eleanor's old tiger skin.

GEORGIA BLOODHOUNDS.

Keen Scent Enables Them to Perform Almost Incredible Feats.

What the Georgia bloodhound can do seems almost incredible. A convict sleeping in one bunk of a hundred, shod and clad precisely as the hundred convicts about him, may slip his chain and flee. Ten miles away he may meet his fellow prisoners again, may run to and fro among them or walk with them a mile and leave them.

Six hours after these bounds, put on his track where he slipped the camp, will follow him to where he met his gang, will tread his track in and about with hundreds of tracks, take it up where he leaves them and run him down though he cross convict gangs every mile he runs.

This escaping convict, clad in stripes cut from the same bolt with a hundred others, may run through the woods touching weeds and bushes as he runs. Fifty other convicts may run through the same woods in every direction. The dogs will hold his scent, running full tilt, breast high. If he makes a curve of forty-five degrees the dogs will not run the line, but will catch his scent thirty yards away and across the angle though it were filled with the convicts who had eaten and slept with the fugitive.

Often a dog will carry a scent in a gallop, running parallel thirty yards to the windward. An uncanny and terrible little beast is the red bone hound, trained for the hunting of man.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

SAVED BY A WAGER.

Doomed by the Surgeons, Hay Bet He Would Live, and He Did.

When Colonel Hay, notorious for his love of gambling and betting, was severely wounded in the Peninsular war two brother officers came across his apparently lifeless body.

"Poor Hay! He's gone at last," said one named Winsor.

A faint voice came from the ground. "I'll lay you a hundred he's not." His death seemed only a question of minutes, but he continued, "Enter the bet, and you, Marston"—addressing the other officer—"be witness."

He then faintly, when he was taken to the hospital the surgeon told him the bullet could only be removed by sawing through two ribs and introducing a child's hand to extract it, as forceps could not touch it. "The chances are," he added, "that you will die under the operation."

"If Winsor will make his bet double or quits I'll consent," said the colonel. Winsor agreed.

"Now saw away," said Hay. "I won't die." And he did not.

"But for that bet," he said afterward, "I should be a dead man. It was my determination to win it that kept me alive."—Pearson's Weekly.

Information.

It was a very fashionable concert and the artists very well known ones, but the two young things were too busy with picking out their peculiarities to hear the music.

In the midst of a beautiful selection the pianist suddenly lifted his hands from the keys and one of the young things was heard to say clearly:

"I wonder if that hair is his own?"

The old man who sat beside her was slightly deaf, but he turned with a benevolent smile.

"No, miss," he imparted pleasantly; "that is Schubert's."—Philadelphia Press.

Old Forts of Antwerp.

As long ago as 1641 an English traveler to Antwerp was impressed by the extensive character of its fortifications. "The grills, ramparts and platforms are stupendous," writes John Evelyn in his diary. "But there was nothing about this city which more ravished me than those delicious shades and walks of stately trees which render the fortified works of the town one of the sweetest places in Europe; nor did I ever observe a more quiet, clean, elegant built and civil place than this magnificent and famous city of Antwerp."

Compensation.

If it is true, as our business philosophers tell us, that "those who never do more than they get paid for never get paid for more than they do," then it is quite clear that if you want to get paid for more than you do you must do more than you get paid for. Even a philosopher ought to see how impossible that is, but, of course, the true philosopher cannot be expected to hesitate over a mere impossibility.—Life.

Where Procedure is Slow.

"What's your excuse for speeding?" asked the judge.

"Oh, we live in rapid times, your honor," answered the motorist blippantly. "Everything has to speed up a bit these days."

"Not at all," said the judge. "And you will observe the contrary if you will sit down and spend the day in this courtroom. Ten dollars."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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RATE INCREASE NECESSARY

FARMERS' UNION OFFICIALS THINK RAILROADS ARE ENTITLED TO MORE REVENUE.

Products of Plow and Farmer Who Lives at Home Should Be Exempt From Increase.

Fort Worth, Texas.—It is the policy of the Farmers' Union to meet every economic issue squarely and it is the duty of the organization to promote and protect the interests of the men who follow the plow and we shall do so in every instance where the business of the farmer is vitally affected. The application for an increase in freight rates now before the Railroad Commission is of more importance to the farmer than to any other class of citizens, for he pays directly or indirectly the greater portion of the freight revenues, and we want to ask permission of the press to express our views on the subject.

The Farmers' Union in convention assembled at Ft. Worth last January declared "Our railroad facilities should be improved and our mileage increased" and as the set of resolutions, of which the paragraph above quoted is a part, was adopted as the platform of a majority of the members elected to the 34th legislature, it fairly reflects the will of the people as well as represents the views of the farmers of the State, and, if in the wisdom of the Railroad Commission, an increase in rates is necessary to accomplish this result, then an increase should be granted.

We have at present approximately 2500 miles of railroad in Texas in the hands of receivers and during the calendar year 1914 less than 50 miles of new track was laid. It is quite clear that to "improve our facilities and increase our mileage" there must be an increase in net revenue, which can only be obtained by an advance in rates or a reduction in expense of operation. We leave with those who have authority to deal with the problem the responsibility of determining which course should be pursued.

The Farmer Wants a Square Deal.

We are perfectly willing that capital invested in railroad property should receive as good compensation as capital invested in agriculture, which, as a general average, is about 5 per cent per annum, and we want employees on railroads to receive as good wages as employees on the farm, who get an average of about 7 cents per hour, board and washing, and work 13 hours per day. The farmer should not be expected to pay a better wage to capital and labor employed in hauling his products to market than he pays to these same agencies employed on the farm, but he is willing to pay them as well. We do not advocate a reduction of wages as a solution of the present difficulty but think the farmer is entitled to earn as much for his labor as any other class of industry.

Perhaps the regulation of expenses in operating railroads and in constructing and manufacturing railroad equipment and supplies is not entirely within the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission or the legislature, and relief can only be obtained by an increase in rates. If, in the judgment of the Commission, such a course is necessary we want to say a few words concerning the class of commodities that should bear the burden of increase.

Freight Rates Follow Lines of Least Resistance.

The freight rates of the nation have been built up along lines of least resistance. The merchant the manufacturer, the miner, the miller, the lumberman and the cattleman have had their traffic

bureaus thoroughly organized and in many instances they have pursued the railroad without mercy and with the power of organized tonnage they have hammered the life out of the rates and with unrestrained greed they have eaten the vitals out of our transportation system and since we have had railroad commissions, these interests, with skill and cunning are represented at every hearing in which their business is involved and

they will be at Austin when the case is heard by the Railroad Commission, carefully preserving their interests.

The farmer is seldom represented at rate hearings as his organizations have never had the finances to employ counsel to develop his side of the case and as a result, the products of the plow bear an unequal burden of the freight expense. A glance at the freight tariffs abundantly prove this assertion. Cotton, the leading agricultural product of this State, already bears the highest freight rate of any necessary commodity in commerce, and the rate on agricultural products as a whole is out of proportion with that of the products of the factory and the mine.

We offer no schedule of rates but hope the Commission will be able to give the railroad such an increase in rates as is necessary without levying a further toll upon the products of the plow. The instance seems to present an opportunity to the Railroad Commission to equalize the rates as between agricultural and other classes of freight without disturbing the rates on staple farm products. This is one instance in which we do not relish a "back to the soil" movement and would like to see it confined as nearly as possible to the city limits.

What is a Fair Rate?

We do not know what constitutes a basis for rate making and have never heard of anyone who did claim to know much about it, but if the prosperity of the farm is a factor to be considered and the Railroad Commission concludes that an increase in rates is necessary, we would prefer that it come to us through articles of consumption on their journey from the factory to the farm. We would, for example, prefer that the rate on hogs remain as at present and the rate on meat bear the increase, for any farmer can then avoid the burden by raising his own meat, and a farmer who will not try to raise his own meat ought to be penalized. We think the rate on coal and brick can much better bear an increase than the rate on cotton and flour. We would prefer that the rate on plows remain the same, and machinery, pianos, and such articles as the tenant farmer cannot hope to possess bear the burden of increase.

The increase in rates should be so arranged that the farmer who lives at home will bear no part of the burden, but let the farmer who boards in other states and countries and who feeds his stock in foreign lands, pay the price of his folly.

Let the Guilty Suffer.

The greed of organized shippers, organized capital and organized labor has contributed largely toward depleting the railroad system of the country and oftentimes outraged the public welfare by its conduct, and the present condition should seek revenge upon those who brought this situation about, and not punish the farmer who is in no way responsible for the results. Likewise the farmer, by his hesitation to work through organized channels, must suffer for his lethargy.

In closing let us again appeal to all farmers who follow the plow to rally around the Union and give their organization sufficient power and energy to cope with the problems that confront agriculture and avoid the penalty of indifference from which they now suffer.

W. D. LEWIS, President, Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas. PETER RADFORD, National Lecturer, Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America.

W. T. Padgett returned home from South Texas Monday at noon and was accompanied home by his father and wife, who will spend some time in our city.

BETTER THAN SPANKING

Spanking does not cure children of bedwetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. It can't help it. This treatment also cures adults aged people, troubled with urine difficulties by send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are Box W, Notre Dame, Ind., will day or night. (4)

PRINCESS THEATRE
...Tonight...

Picture Program

"The MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY"—episode number 20. TIANHOUSER—story by Harold McGrath; Director Howell Hansel

"MABLE'S NEW JOB"—2 Reel Keystone featuring Mable Normand.

"THE OLD DERELICT"—Majestic drama.

Admission . . . 10c

Miss Whitfield, bookkeeper, for the Henderson Auto Co., accompanied by her little niece Miss Cora Fletcher left Monday at noon to visit relatives at San Angelo.

PILES CURED AT HOME BY NEW ABSORPTION METHOD

If you suffer from bleeding, itching, blind or protruding Piles, send me your address, and I will tell you how to cure yourself at home by the new absorption treatment; and will also send some of this home treatment free for trial, with references from your own locality if requested. Users report immediate relief and speedy cures. Send no money, but tell others of this offer. Write today to Mrs. M. Summers, Box P, Notre Dame, Ind.

R. L. Sides, C. G. Seible and E. M. Burrow, of Hatchel were transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Compton, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, were interviewing Santa Claus in Ballinger Monday.

How to Stop a Headache

If you have a headache don't suffer. Get Hicks' Capacine at the drug store—either take a dose in some water at the fountain, or a 10, 25 or 50c bottle to take home. The reason it is so successful in stopping a headache, is because it gets at the cause, whether from heat, cold, grip or nervousness. It's a pleasant remedy, liquid and easy to take. After it cures your headache you will be so happy that you know about it.

QUEEN THEATRE
TONIGHT

TODAY'S PROGRAM

(Powers) "The Padron's Ward" in this 2 reel powerful melodrama the spectator gets an insight into a certain phase of the Italian Criminal in the U. S. metropolis. The action swings around a little Italian girl brought to this country to be used virtually as a slave. She becomes the sweetheart of an American banker, it makes the play sure of its hold upon the spectator's heart and interest. (Victor) "The Funny Mr. Dingle" He leaves his wife to drown when boat is wrecked. Lucille Love Tomorrow

Admission 10 CENTS