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17 PRISONERS BURN IN JAIL AT ELPASO

By United Press.
EL PASO, March 7.—The death today of two of those injured in the jail fire at this place late yesterday afternoon, bring the total up to fourteen. It is expected that three others will die before night.

Two prisoners were burned to death before they could be recovered from the building yesterday and later ten more died from results of burns.

The fire originated from an explosion supposed to have been caused from disinfectants used in the bath room of the jail. All of the prisoners burned were Mexicans, except one, an American.

More than a score of prisoners who were thoroughly saturated with the disinfecting solution were enveloped in flames in a few seconds after some one struck a match and caused the liquid to explode. Surrounding the bath quarters are rows of cells, and these were filled with prisoners, and it was in these that most of the fatalities occurred. The screams of the prisoners as they burned to death was heart-rendering, and the attendants were helpless in lending aid.

C. W. Graves of Norton, W. F. Farmer and G. F. Crim of the Valley creek country, Brooks Dozier of Miles, H. C. Moten, of the Wingate country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

Tinker or Thinker—Which?
"Get an Overland."
O'Kelley & Walton.

BIG FLEET IS LINING UP FOR BIG BATTLE

By United Press.
LONDON, March 7.—Amsterdam sends message to the British government today reporting that twenty-five German warships are steaming northward in the North Sea. The report says that Prince Henry, brother of the Kaiser, has been given command of the German fleet for a dash on the North Sea and it is believed that a big naval battle will be fought.

J. W. Black, one of the prominent fruit and truck growers of South Ballinger, while in the city Monday availed himself of the Banner-Ledger and the splendid clubbing list for the year.

Watch the Fords Go By.

DR. GEO. W. TRUETT TO PREACH HERE

Dr. Geo. W. Truett of Dallas, Texas, is coming to Ballinger this week, and the announcement was made today that Dr. Truett would preach at the First Baptist church Thursday evening at seven-thirty o'clock.

Dr. Truett is one of the most prominent men in the Baptist church in the South, and is a man of national as well as statewide reputation. This is his first visit to Ballinger, and no doubt a large crowd will hear him.

When will the Tax Payers of Ballinger Wake Up?

With all due respect to the mayor of Ballinger and the board of aldermen and without criticising any of their official acts, we must say that the tax payers of Ballinger are not awake to their own interest and to the best interests of the city.

The city government is a corporation with a capital stock of at least \$60,000. The tax payers of the city are the stockholders. What is your dividend, Mr. Stockholder? What would your stock be worth today if all the indebtedness against it was paid? Don't you think that any business with an investment of \$60,000 should be managed in a business way, and by a man, or men who can devote their entire time to the business and be held strictly responsible for its failure or success? To be frank, would you invest your money in any enterprise knowing that it would be handled along the same lines that our city government is handled?

As stated above, we have no criticism to offer the men in charge of our city government, but we believe that a majority of the citizens of this city will agree with us that there are better ways for carrying on the city's business. Perhaps the men now in charge would accomplish as much as any one else, if modern business methods were adopted, and business principles made to apply in every department of our city government.

We believe that the city of Ballinger should own the sewer system and the light and power plant. The city should own such public utilities because the city must have light, and the light and power plant could be operated in connection with the water plant in such a way as to save thousands of dollars annually. At present the city is paying out cash for street lights when the power for such lights could be generated by the city at a much less cost.

The sewer system does not extend to every part of the city, and

is not patronized as it should be all because it is owned by a private company, and the city will not force connections, thus hampering our city from a sanitary point. If the city's water system is a success, and every one will admit that it is, even under our present method of management, why would not the light and power plant, and the sewer system be a greater success, if owned by the city and operated under the direction of men paid to deliver the goods, and held accountable for same?

The commission form of city government is the solution of the problem, and the people should wake up and co-operate in bringing about a change that will put the city on a cash basis, and in a short time give to the consumers a cheaper rate. What has been accomplished at other places, we know can be accomplished at Ballinger, and more, because no people are more progressive than Ballinger people when they determine to carry out plans for the upbuilding of the city.

Wherever commission form of government has been given a thorough and fair trial, free from political entanglement, it has proven a great success, and we need to go no further from home than to our neighbor Coleman. In a recent issue of the Coleman Democrat we learn the following facts:

"It is known, of course, that our city now operates under the Commission form of government, managed by a city commission, composed of a mayor and two

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DEMOCRATIC COM. TALKING POLITICS

The first call meeting of the Runnels County Democratic Executive Committee was held Monday afternoon of this week, at the call of the secretary.

The chairman of the committee was the election of a new chairman. Judge A. K. Doss was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Judge J. B. Wade. C. R. Crews, the secretary, has the work of planning for the coming primary well in hand.

The committee also filled all vacancies by appointing a new man from each precinct where there was a vacancy. The new committees have been notified of their appointment and asked to represent their precinct for the ensuing year.

After perfecting the county organization by appointing committees, the committee discussed the double primary, and it was the opinion of all those present that a second primary should be held. The question of financing the second election was discussed, and it was the opinion of the committee present that a second primary should be held if the burden of expense could be provided for without "digging" the candidates extra for it. A number of citizens from the two Ballinger boxes were present and volunteered to guarantee that the expense of the Ballinger boxes would be provided for without calling on the candidates.

Judge Doss, the new chairman, stated that another meeting of the committee would be called in about two weeks, and the second primary question would be settled at that meeting, and in the meantime it has been requested that the committeemen from each precinct get an expression from some of the voters of their respective precincts and if possible be in a position to act in accord with the sentiment of the voters on the question of holding a second primary.

CONGRESS BACKS WILSON BY VOTE OF 256 TO 160

2 STATESMEN AIDED BY THE GERMANS

By United Press.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The New York Morning World published this morning a copyrighted story and copies of letters received from various sources alleging that the Gore and McLemore resolutions are being backed by the National German-American Alliance.

SELLING CHEVROLET CARS.

Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. touched the electric starter on two cars Monday and sent the new owners on their way rejoicing. H. C. Brunson, of the Dry Ridge country, purchased a new Chevrolet, and Will Stuart, of Ballinger also becomes the owner of a new Chevrolet.

UNLOADING CAR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

A carload of new school supplies for the Runnels county schools arrived at Winters Monday and part of the car is being unloaded at that place for the school in that part of the county, and the remainder of the car will be brought to Ballinger and unloaded here tomorrow.

The supplies consist of desks, blackboards, etc., and will be distributed to about twenty different schools in the county, that number of schools sharing in the shipment of supplies.

This makes the fifth carload of supplies received during the past term and about completes the work of equipping the rural schools of the county with modern furniture. The new supplies come with out a cent of expense to the patrons of the school, as far as direct cost is concerned, as they are paid for out of the appropriation received from the million dollar fund.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—After a four hours debate on the McLemore resolution in the House this morning and following one of the most tumultuous sessions in years Congress went on record in the armed merchantmen issue by standing squarely behind President Wilson and voted down the resolution.

The first test resulted in a victory for the views of the Wilson administration by a vote of 256 to 160. By this the House refused to permit the amendment to McLemore resolution. The rule to bring up the resolution carried by a vote of 271 to 138.

Texas Democrats who voted for the amendment were Buchanan, Callaway, Davis, McLemore and Slayden.

CLUB ENTERTAINMENT SLIGHTLY CRIPPLED

The Italian orchestra scheduled to give an entertainment at the Ballinger Club tonight arrived on the noon train today, and the Club will entertain as announced with the exception of the lady reader and singer, who it is reported is quite sick at Coleman and could not appear. The committee regrets that this part of the program can not be carried out, and they have announced the failure of the lady to arrive in order that those who come may not be disappointed. However, the evening promises to be a pleasant one for those who attend the reception tonight.

RECEIVES NEWS OF BROTHER'S DEATH

Abb Carey, formerly, a citizen of Ballinger, died at his home in Colorado City, Texas, Monday morning. This news was received by Mrs. L. F. Gressett, a sister of Mr. Carey, Monday afternoon. An earlier message brought the news that Mr. Carey was dangerously ill and Mr. Gressett left early Monday morning to be with the sick man, but he died before Mr. Gressett arrived at Colorado City. Mr. Carey will be kindly remembered by many of the pioneer citizens in Ballinger, who will regret to hear of his death, and will sympathize with Mrs. Gressett in the loss of her brother.



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Wednesday, March 8th

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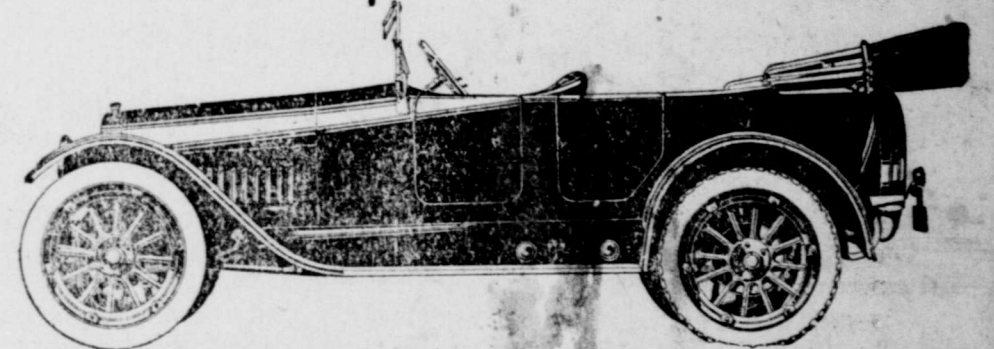
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PATRIOTISM

A nation is made great not by its fruitless acres, but by the men who cultivate them; not by its great forests, but by the men who use them; not by its mines, but by the men who work in them; not by its railways, but by the men who build and run them.

In 1776 our fathers had a vision of a new Nation 'conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.' Without an army they fought the greatest of existing world empires that they might realize this vision.

The cynic who can see in this history only a theme for his egotistical satire is no true American, whatever his parentage, whatever his birth place.

FIRE INSURANCE The Best Companies PROMPT SERVICE Your business solicited. Miss Maggie Sharp. Upstairs in old Fidelity Credit Co.'s Office. Phone 215. See Me.

Ballinger and Winters Service Line Makes four trips each way. Call for and deliver passengers any where in Ballinger or Winters. Price: 75c One Way.

Effective January 10th, 1916 To all Patrons of The Leach Auto Works I intend to keep employed a very limited amount of workmen and by so doing, conduct a Quality Service Station only.

It Is Economy to Buy the Best You can't afford to eat inferior groceries. It's poor economy to buy cheap groceries. We carry the best and we can convince you that the best is the cheapest.

him and who highly resolves to preserve this inheritance unimpaired and to pass it on to his descendants enlarged and enriched, is a true American, be his birthplace or his parentage what it may.

Lyman Abbott.

How to Prevent Croup.

When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an overloaded stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptom—hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse.

WASTING THE DEAR PEOPLE'S MONEY

We are in receipt of a package of garden seed from Congressman Smith, also a package each from Cyclone Davis, Senator Culberson and Senator Sheppard and an armful or two of valuable documents, such as congressional records, bulletins on how to cure big jaw in chickens, kill fleas on cats, etc.

Some Congressmen actually believe that their constituents will have their feelings ruffled unless the 'free' distribution of garden seeds and of political speeches is religiously attended to.

It is an extravagant waste of money that the intelligent taxpayers of the United States should protest against. The United States government should go out of the seed purchasing business, as far as supplying public officials with seed for campaign purposes count.

PAINFUL EFFECT OF Rheumatism, Lumbago, Gout.

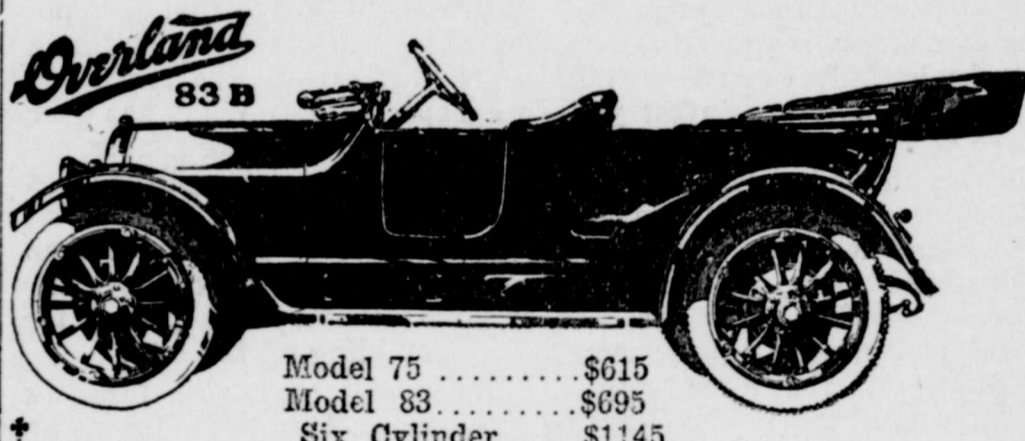
It is now asserted with confidence that these painful effects due to uric acid in the system are entirely eradicated. A new remedy, called 'Anuric,' has been discovered by Doctor Pierce, which he finds is 37 times more potent than lithia, and is the cause of a drainage outward of the uric acid with which it comes in contact within the body.

Send Dr. Pierce, chief physician at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., 10 cents for large trial package, or obtain 50c. package now at druggists.

HOG ASSOCIATION MAKES GOOD SHOWING

At the annual meeting of the Hog Growers and Shippers association held in the Business League room Monday afternoon F. T. Rushing was elected president and J. H. Taylor, re-elected secretary.

Mr. Taylor stated in his report for the year that twelve or thirteen cars of hogs had been shipped under the auspices of the as-



Model 75 \$615 Model 83 \$695 Six Cylinder ... \$1145 F. O. B. Toledo.

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on some cars must have a cause for they probably wish to get rid of a bad bargain. Remember that when one offers you a car for less than list price there must be something wrong—some good reason why they want to sell it.

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PARENTS URGED TO ATTEND BIG PICNIC

The pupils and teachers of the Central Ward School wish to invite every cordially all of the patrons and friends of the school to attend our big picnic and field day exercises to be held Friday, March 10th.

A very interesting field day program has been arranged, including races, jumping, wrestling, potatoe and sack races, and perhaps a ball game.

No swimming will be allowed without the principal is handed a written permission from the parents of the child who wishes to swim.

When Will the Tax Payers of Ballinger Wake Up?

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city commissioners. Prior to the 9th day of March 1914, our city operated under the general law whereby a mayor was elected and an alderman for each ward; also a city marshal and a city secretary.

"1.—The city owned its own water and light system. "2.—The city owned the lake of water southeast of town.

"In less than two years the present commission has graded and graveled more streets than had ever been done before in any five years.

"It has put up a brick fire proof pump house in place of the old wooden one, which stood for so long east of the city and which was not substantial, and it has cleared our streets of rocks, tin cans and trash.

"The present city commission has reduced the insurance rate from 63c upon the one hundred dollars insurance to 44 cents and will, so I understand, secure a further reduction about May 1st, at which time the city expects to have the new auto fire engine, which was recently purchased, and in this connection it might be well to say that recently the city has purchased a lot east of the O. B. Maines' property and will there erect an engine house, and will have a man to take charge of same and be on hand at all times to operate the fire engine and thus give us one of the best equipped fire departments of any town in all West Texas.

"The commission has paid out of the water and light fund, above operating expenses, for new water mains, meters, and extensions, for pump house, raising the dam, building the lake road and transferred \$2,000.00 (approximately) to the street fund, over six thousand dollars, besides paying all operating expenses.

LADIES! CAPUDINE TAKE FOR ACHE AND PAINS RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO IT'S LIQUID—NOT NARCOTIC

BIG BUILDING LITTLE PATCHING We can supply the material for your big building job or the little patch work around your home.

Ballinger Lumber Co. We can supply the material for your big building job or the little patch work around your home. You do yourself an injustice if you fail to let us figure on your lumber bill.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25th: Representative 11th District: WALLACE E. HAWKINS.

For County Clerk: W. C. McCARVER, C. C. COCKRELL, H. G. SECREST, A. L. SPANN.

For Tax Assessor: C. C. SCHUCHARD, T. H. CURRY, JOE TURNER, WILLIE STEPHENS, L. R. LITTLE.

For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD

For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN

For Tax Collector: W. T. PADGETT, MIKE C. BOYD, M. D. CHASTAIN

For Sheriff: J. D. PERKINS, EARL EDWARDS

For County Judge: O. L. PARISH, C. J. WILLINGHAM

For District Clerk: (Miss) MARY PHILLIPS.

For County Superintendent of Schools: W. W. WOOTEN.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1: E. C. MOOR, R. P. KIRK.

E. J. Keen left Monday for San Angelo to visit old friends a few days.

F. F. Ernst and Gus Glass, of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Watch the Fords Go By.

RATES FOR Classified Ads

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WANTED—Sewing to do, plain or fancy at 204 Sixth St. 6-6td pd.

WANTED—To trade for or buy a small house. Jewell Cunningham. 4-dtf

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BUFFALO, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Rhodes left Monday afternoon for Temple, where Mr. Rhodes is figuring on buying a barber shop and Mrs. Rhodes will visit her parents at Bruceville a few weeks.

E. W. Petty of Maverick was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Five pounds good Pea Berry Coffee for one dollar. Roten's Grocery Store. Phone 101. 13-1fd

Watch the Fords Go By.

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- Our Grocery cheer last throughout the year, and never fades, and it is all in what you eat.
- Hungry people are happy as a lark when they eat our groceries, because the quality is in what they eat.
- When dad pays the bill he, too, is some happy, and his satisfaction is over the price.
- Fact is, they just flood the whole family with cheer because they are fine to eat, easy to cook, and stimulating to a degree.
- Can you beat it?

L. B. Stubbs

'Phones 93 and 94



The greatest of all Frank Spearman's railroad stories

SHOWN IN MOTION PICTURE AT THE QUEEN THEATRE EVERY SATURDAY.

(Continued from Yesterday)

Rhineland, considerably taken aback, impatiently assented to the exorbitant sum named, and going inside the cottage, wrote out his check for it. In exchange he received Cassidy's rather uncertain signature, on the customary legal form, granting to the Copper Range & Tide Water Railway company privileges over the Cassidy land as a freehold owner.

Seagru, arriving from town, learned from his foreman of the status of the insignificant plot of ground, adverse possession of which might frustrate their persistent plans for obstructing Rhineland. With his surveyors Seagru hurried to the end of the work, and reached the ground just in time to encounter Rhineland coming out of Cassidy's house and the agreement duly signed and delivered in his hand. And behind Rhineland came George Storm ready to bring the men up to take possession of the Cassidy demesne.

Seagru and his followers halted them and Rhineland, feeling the victory all his own, explained the situation to Seagru, while Storm, amiably, but firmly, ordered Seagru's men to get off the Copper Range property.

Seagru, without saying anything to controvert what he had heard, walked straight into Cassidy's house. "I'm sorry to be a little late, Cassidy," he began, bluntly. "You know we want your property. And we're prepared to pay you a reasonable price for it—not an extravagant price," declared Seagru, impressively, "nothing of that kind, but—" he asked, buttonholing the old man with friendly emphasis, "just what is right and fair. I don't know what you consider your property worth," he continued, talking so fast the old man could not get a word in edgewise, "but I have written out a check here for fifteen thousand dol-

lars. And if you will give me your signature to this right of way contract the check, old boy, is yours."

"But—" sputtered Cassidy, with difficulty, "I've sold this place this minute, Mr. Seagru, to this man Rhineland here for ten thousand dollars."

"Do you mean to say," demanded Seagru, impressively, "that you don't consider your property worth fifteen thousand dollars?"

"Sure, I do," agreed Mike, his eyes blinking with astonishment.

"Then," exclaimed Seagru, solemnly, "this man has fraudulently imposed on you."

Cassidy, bewildered, looked to his friendly adviser for a suggestion. "Phwat the divvie 'n I to do?"

"Do!" thundered Seagru, seeing now that he had his victim coming. "Tear up your fraudulent contract here and now and sign an honest one."

The sturdy pioneer, with a show of indignation, tore up his copy of Rhineland's contract, signed a more equitable one for the obliging Seagru and put another and untainted check for fifteen thousand dollars into his pocket.

Seagru beckoned to his posse of men and, headed by Cassidy, they told Rhineland and his companions to get off the premises before they were put off.

Rhineland, familiar with the bullying tactics of his enemies, saw the situation he faced. But he stood his ground before Seagru and Cassidy, listening patiently to what the victimized old man had to say, but absolutely firm in his resolve to stand on his rights.

"My right of way is legal," he said to both men. "And I'll bring the law here right now to enforce it."

Hastening to the telegraph office inside one of his outfit cars, he telegraphed to Helen:

Seagru is using force to protest my right of way. Have attorney meet me at the depot at 11 o'clock. Arrange for a special to bring deputies up here.

RHINELANDER.

The move was not lost on Seagru. When he saw Rhineland board the car containing the telegraph outfit, he summoned his own operator and dispatched him to a spot between Rhineland's car and the main line with instructions to "tap in" and take whatever messages passed. Rhineland thus sat in his own car watching the operator tick off his message to Helen, and her reply came promptly:

Attorney will meet you on arrival. Special will be ready to leave any time after eleven.

HELEN.

But Seagru's operator industriously copied both message and answer and turned them in to his employer.

Storm, in the meantime, was making the most of his opportunity, and with his men on Cassidy's place was

preparing to push possession as far as possible.

"Run the steel cables around the house, George, and we will swing it in later."

After giving this order, Rhineland had hastened to the station to meet the local train when it came in. So swift, however, had been Seagru's dispositions that his redoubtable scouts, Bill and Lug, were already at the station with instructions from Seagru to delay the special until nightfall; by which time he reckoned he could make his possession secure on the Cassidy place.

These worthies had already reached the special and boarded it. On the platform, Rhineland met Helen and the attorney she had summoned, and with him, Rhineland hastened uptown to get armed deputies—Bill and Lug now trailing behind to keep track of every move.

(Continued Tomorrow.)

Rank Foolishness

You occasionally see it stated that colds do not result from cold weather. That is rank foolishness. Were it true colds would be as prevalent in midsummer as in midwinter. Microbe that causes colds flourishes in damp, cold weather. To get rid of a cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effectual and is highly recommended by people who have used it for many years as occasion required, and know its real value. Obtainable everywhere.

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Our melon seed are grown for us under contract by W. H. Robinson of Cairo, Georgia, one of the most reliable melon seed growers in Georgia and we do not hesitate to say that our seed are as high grade seed as can be had from any seed house in the entire country.

We are offering these high-grade seed in small lots at 50c per pound and in 25 to 100 pound lots at 40c.

It will pay you to see us before you buy your seed.

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LENTEN SERVICES.

The following services may be expected in All Saints Church during Lent:

Ash, Wednesday, March 8th: Holy communion and sermon 10:30 a. m.

Every Friday evening, service and sermon 7:30 p. m.

Every Wednesday service and sermon 7:30 p. m.

Every Saint's Day, Holy communion 10:30 a. m. Services every first and third Sunday in the month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

REV. W. T. ALLAN,
2td
Rector.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mrs. Max Zechang and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bruno Zechang of the New Home neighborhood, left Monday afternoon to visit relatives and friends at Bracken, Texas.

LADIES' CAPUDINE
TAKE CAPUDINE
FOR ACHE AND PAINS
RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO
IT'S LIQUID - NOT NARCOTIC

Clarence Raburn, of the Norton country, was among the large crowd in Ballinger Monday.

Shoes Wanted.

at Wendorf's Busy Shoe Shop Work done by the Champion shoe finishing machine, soles sewed on in quick time. Come to see us.

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For Infants and Children

Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of

Chas. H. Fletcher

In Use For Over Thirty Years

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Rev. G. W. Fender of Brownwood, who had been spending the past several days in Ballinger, returned home Monday afternoon.

Mr. Alexander, the Truitt merchant, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to San Angelo on a short business trip.

In An Emergency...

A Bank Account is your best friend. It can be built up during your regular work and is at your command at all times.

Your banking business transacted with us will insure you of assistance in time of need.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank

"The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things"

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THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Economy—in low first cost and small cost to operate and maintain. Strength—ability to stand up under the hardest sort of use. Simplicity—a plain sturdy motor in a wonderfully strong and light car, easy for anyone to run and care for. The Ford car—your necessity. Touring Car \$440; Runabout \$390; Coupelet \$590; Town Car \$640; Sedan \$740 f. o. b. Detroit. On display and sale at

Harwell Motor Co.

Ballinger, Texas

Rubber Goods Week

March 4 - March 11

Special Offers—Bigger and Better Values

OUR Semi-Annual Rubber Goods Event! Your chance to select needed items from our complete stock. Visit this store this week, see our display of better quality rubber goods and profit by our reasonable prices.

"WEAREVER"

Hot Water Bottles have no seams to leak; no bindings to come loose. Their Patented Neck Construction prevents leaks at the neck and protects your hands. They have improvements that make them the best obtainable. These are our leading values. Select yours from this list:

No. 2 size\$2.00
No. 3 Size\$2.25

"WEAREVER" No. 50 De Luxe.

The finest bottle made. Beautiful Colonial design with handles. Maroon color, full capacity and furnished with Hold Fast Stopple Attachment. 2 qt. size \$3.00.

"WEAREVER" No. 75. A pretty bottle; black and maroon mottled color; or all maroon; Moire surface. Full capacity. Hold Fast Stopple Attachment included. 2 qt. size \$2.00.

"WEAREVER" No. 45. Blue or Gray. Pebbled surface. Good quality.

Size 2\$1.50

Infant Syringes, 25c up.

Ear and Uicer Syringes, 25c up.



"WEAREVER" Household Rubber Gloves

Protection against stained red, rough hands. Useful for housework; comfort to wear. Very finest quality and guaranteed. We fit you perfectly. Pair, \$1.00.

"WEAREVER"

Fountain Syringes evidence the same high quality as "WEAREVER" Hot Water Bottles. They have no seams or bindings to leak and are made of highest grade rubber; strong and tough for severe service.

"WEAREVER" No. 24 Fountain Syringe. Matches No. 40 in style, finish, color and grade. Furnished with full length, extra large tubing, three screw pipes and shut-off. Full Capacity.

2 qt. Size\$1.50
3 qt. Size\$1.75

"WEAREVER" Rubber Sponges. A perfect delight in the bath or for a "wash-up". Handy for the children and useful in many ways about the house. Very porous and most sanitary—can be sterilized repeatedly in boiling water. Seven sizes—one for every hand, 50c to \$1.00

Transparent Nipples, both LIGHT and DARK. We have a large assortment of these new sanitary nipples in all shapes. Each 5c.

Phones 12 & 13 **The Walker Drug Co.** Phones 12 & 13
The REXALL Drug Store. "In Business for Your Health" The NYAL Quality Drug Store.

OFFERS HOME.

On account of the recent fires in the city, Rev. Father Goldbach was reminded that possibly persons might be out of a place to take their families until home could be secured, and he very generously offers his home for temporary use to any one who is out of a home at any time their premises are destroyed by fire. He has a large comfortable home and plenty of room for

several without inconvenience to himself.

BAD STOMACH TROUBLE Yields to Delicious Vinol

Shreveport, La.—"I had a bad stomach trouble for years and became so weak I could hardly walk or do any work. My appetite was poor my food would not digest I bloated and was very weak and nervous. I tried many remedies without help. I saw Vinol advertised and tried it and now my stomach trouble is completely cured and I am well."—E. L. Marshall.

Vinol is guaranteed to tone up the tried, over-taxed and weakened nerves of the stomach and creates strength. City Drug Store, Ballinger, Texas.

T. D. COOKE, M. D.
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.
Office over Pearce's Drug Store, Ballinger.

Election Notice.

By virtue of an order passed by the Board of Trustees of the Ballinger Independent School District, at their regular meeting on March 3rd, 1916, I Scott H. Mack president of the Board of Trustees order an election to be held at the City Hall in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, on Saturday the 1st day of April, 1916, between the hours as prescribed by law, to elect four trustees for said Ballinger Independent School District as provided by the amended special act of the 29th legislature of Texas, creating and regulating the said Ballinger Independent School District.

J. F. Lusk is appointed manager of election.
SCOTT H. MACK,
President Board of Trustees.
H. W. LYNN,
Secretary Board of Trustees.

Notice to Prospective Candidates of School Trustee

All parties who desire their names on the ticket for school trustee, of the Ballinger Independent School District at the coming election on April 1st, 1916, will please hand their names to either the president or secretary of the School Board not later than Friday, March 31st, 1916 at 1 o'clock p. m. so that the ticket may be printed in time for the election Saturday.

The names will be placed on the ticket in alphabetical order.
SCOTT H. MACK,
President Board of Trustees.
H. W. LYNN,
Secretary Board of Trustees.
47-11-15-20-25-30 w-30

To Cure Children's Colds. Keep child dry, clothe comfortable, avoid exposure and give Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It is pleasant, soothing, antiseptic, raises phlegm and reduces inflammation. The first dose gives relief, continued treatment with proper care will avoid serious illness or a long cold. Don't delay treatment. Don't let your child suffer. Get a bottle today. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c. at Druggists.

Mrs. S. H. West, who had been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Ben S. Long and family, left Monday afternoon for her home at Corsicana.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Cole, of Bryan, Tom Gustavus, of Houston and C. E. Gustavus, of Amarillo, are in the city at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. W. A. Gustavus Sr., who is seriously ill.

BLANTON ENDORSED FOR CONGRESS

The Reporter is pleased to announce to the people of the 16th Congressional District its support of the candidacy of Judge Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene for the Democratic Nomination for Congress. In a preferential primary in Taylor county a majority of the Democrats of the county voted to make Judge Blanton their candidate. For almost eight years he has served the 42nd Judicial District and his record is a good one. He promised the people to dispatch business, to run the courts in a business like way and to treat everybody fair and he has made good his promise. He is a young man full of life and energy—the most indomitable worker we ever met—and if successful in the race for congress will represent the district with ability and an earnestness that will be recognized even in the halls of congress. Judge Blanton is a life long Democrat, has always stood for the highest order of morals and has the courage to advocate issues that make for clean politics, clean social life and a clean government. He is an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Abilene and teaches a class of young men in the Sunday School of that congregation.

The platform which Judge Blanton will present to the people of the District for their endorsement contains many fundamental principles of sound government. The interests of all classes are included in its demands and Judge Blanton will, if elected, work faithfully to have the measures which he proposes become laws of the nation. He will conduct an active campaign by visiting every county and community in the district and the people will find him to be a friendly man who will recognize them on all occasions.—Abilene Reporter. dwlt

TRUSTEE ELECTION APRIL FOOL'S DAY

April first will be general election for school trustees in Runnels county, as well as the other counties in Texas. On this date trustees will be elected for the various school precincts of the county, including the independent districts, and also one county trustee and one trustee at large for the county.

Tickets have been printed and are being distributed to the various precincts of the county for electing the trustee at large, and tickets have been forwarded to the Miles precinct for the election of the county trustee from that precinct. The other county trustees hold over, only one being elected this year. T. E. Davis, of Miles, is the only name authorized to go on the ticket for the county trustee from Miles, but space is left on the ticket and those desiring to vote some one else can do so by writing the name thereon. B. J. Clayton is authorized candidate for the trustee at large, and other names can be substituted by the voters if they desire to do so.

Ballinger Trustees.

An order has been issued for the election for the Ballinger Independent District, and appears in this issue of The Ledger, also a notice from the president of the board requesting that names of men selected to go on the ticket be handed in to the board by a given time.

Four trustees are to be elected, or the old ones re-elected at the coming election, three members of the board holding over for another year. The retiring members are Scott H. Mack, E. D. Futch, H. W. Lynn, J. W. Clappitt. The hold-overs are R. P. Kirk, W. B. Ray and W. A. Francis.

We understand that the retiring members are not campaigning for votes, and are perfectly willing to step down and out if the patrons of the school desire to elect others to serve. If there is any dissatisfaction or criticism, the retiring members will be glad to retire to "private" life. However, none of the old members have declined to serve if re-elected.

As far as The Ledger can learn there is no objection to the present board. The schools have made splendid progress notwithstanding that the board has faced troublesome propositions from time to time, and considerable scheming has been necessary to maintain the full term of school on the resources at hand. The Central Ward building has undergone repairs during the past year that speaks well for the management of the board, and several thousand dollars worth of school bonds have been retired, the improvements of the central building being made from a new bond issue.

"LITTLE COMRADE."

is a term complimentary to any wife; but how few now-a-days deserve the compliment! If ill-health prevents women should remember that there is one tried and true remedy for their ailments, that is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This medicine made from roots and herbs has for forty years been alleviating the suffering of women, making them healthy and strong and better wives and mothers.

W. J. Gardner, one of the prominent citizens of the Winters country, came in Tuesday to bring the election returns from the Baldwin voting precinct, and to look after business affairs in Ballinger between trains.

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In Use For Over 30 Years

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

Miss Marion Wooden, who is attending Howard Payne College at Brownwood, after a pleasant visit to home folks the past few days, returned Tuesday morning to resume her school work.

Live Up Your Torpid Liver. To keep your liver active use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They insure good digestion, relieve constipation, and tone up the whole system—keep your eye clear and your skin fresh and healthy looking. Only 25c at your druggist.

THANK YOUR GROCER

if he asks you to try a can of

KC BAKING POWDER

He wants to do you a favor—he knows what brands to recommend from experience.



RABBIT HUNT.

W. L. Duke, of the Fuzzy creek country, was in Ballinger Monday and requested us to announce a rabbit hunt on Fuzzy creek on Friday, March 17th to begin at T. J. Parish's place and a good dinner will be spread on the creek at the noon hour and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come and bring your guns and help exterminate the long eared pests.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Service Day or Night. I am now running a jitney. Don't forget the old reliable Red Allen. Phone Walker Drug or No. 460. 6-6td



THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other States. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2326 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

QUEEN THEATRE

TONIGHT

TODAY'S PROGRAM

ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE. Bison Three reel drama of the West, an exciting story of an American civil engineer, who arouses the enmity of powerful and unscrupulous forces in Mexico. The scenes are full of thrills, and the action gripping.

Big U "BABBLING TONGUES" Murdock Mackvaris and Edna Payne.

Tomorrow Broadway 'Universal' feature Edwin Stevens "The Man Inside."

Admission 10 CENTS

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