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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUN TY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1916.

Price 5 Cents

WHY NOT BUY--A GOOD BUGGY

Moon Bros.

A NEW CAR JUST RECEIVED

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"Tell the TRUTH Advertisers"

GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL

By United Press.
BERLIN, March 9.—Germany declared war on Portugal today, making the fourteenth country involved in the European war. The war ultimatum came as a result of Portugal's refusal to release seized German merchantmen which were confiscated by the Portuguese government and interned in the Portuguese ports.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Beavers and her mother, Mrs. Bearee, who had been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, left for home Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Brown accompanied them to San Angelo to visit a week or two.



Stay With the First Episode—
"The Strange Case of Mary Page"
Begins SATURDAY, MARCH 18th at the
PRINCESS THEATRE
15 Weeks of Surprises.

WILL PLANT GRAIN LAND IN COTTON

C. A. Dooze received a half car load of pure Mebane cotton seed direct from the Mebane farm at Lockhart, this week and will use the seed for planting a big cotton crop at the proper time.

Mr. Dooze has about fifteen hundred acres of land in cultivation. He planted about one-third of this in grain, and he reports that most of the grain is dead and he expects to plant cotton where the grain was planted, and this will be for cotton acreage.

On account of the drouth and the failure of the grain crop which is now admitted, it is expected that an unusually heavy cotton acreage will result. In most cases farmers have the land in good shape, and with good season about planting time, the crop will be started under the most favorable circumstances. The failure of the grain crop will also call for a larger acreage in other feed crops.

MUD CREEK RABBIT HUNT.

The rabbit hunt Wednesday, which began at the Elkins farm and worked through the Wood & Wright pasture, was well attended and a splendid dinner was served at the noon hour by the citizens of that neighborhood.

Lute Mangum was reported the champion of the day with 41 scalps to his credit and Malcomb McGregor a close second with 40 killed. Quite a number of the hunters got 25 to their credit and all told it was estimated about 800 rabbits were killed. The rabbits were more plentiful in that section than any section visited this season and it was agreed to have another hunt near the same territory very soon.

SERIES OF SERVICES AT NAZARENE CHURCH.

Rev. W. E. Ellis, of Hamlin, arrived in the city Wednesday and preached at the Nazarene church Wednesday night and will preach each night throughout the week remaining over to preach Sunday. Every one is most cordially invited to attend the services and hear the visiting minister.

A. J. Nelson and Jess Perciful of Bronte, were looking after business in Ballinger Wednesday.

CITY BEAUTIFICATION CAMPAIGN IS ON

The city beautification meeting yesterday afternoon at the Methodist church was well attended, and considerable interest was manifested by those present and by others who, for various reasons, found it impossible to attend. In addition to the regular program published in yesterday's paper, there were several voluntary talks.

The following plan was adopted. The city is to be divided into five or six districts and a lady in each district is to take general oversight over the work in that district. Her duties will be principally to localize the work in her section by seeking entries in the contest. Each lady is authorized to appoint all necessary helpers. Mrs. C. B. Armstrong will supervise the work in East Ballinger, Mrs. M. E. Harle in East-Central Ballinger, Mrs. J. W. E. Meadows in North-Central Ballinger, Mrs. R. Gentry in South-Central Ballinger, and Mrs. W. T. Padgett will work in West End.

The Business League will offer the cash prizes if they are decided advisable and the secretary will carry on the publicity end of the campaign. There will be three classes of contestants: those who do all of their work on their premises, those who hire a part of the work done, and those who hire it all done. The prizes will not necessarily be given to those who have the best yards at the end of the contest, but to those who have made the greatest improvement on their yard.

The week beginning March 8th and ending on March 15th has been designated "clean up week". Let all citizens of the town, especially those who expect to enter the contest, take one of these days in which to clean up the premises. Mayor Powell has promised that if the people will clean up in that week that he will hire two wagons and teams to carry off the trash. Put all rubbish outside your yard in a convenient place for the wagons to get it. Place the tin cans in sacks and hang them on the fence. Hereafter, as Mr. Pileher suggests, do not throw out any tin can without first punching holes in the bottom to drain out the water which will surely collect in it and furnish a breeding place for mosquitos.

The period beginning March 15 and ending June 15 has been designated as the time for the city beautification contest proper. Citizens may register themselves at once as contestants in the campaign by phoning the lady supervisor in their section of the town or by phoning the secretary of the Business League. No entries will be received after April first. Don't forget that date.

The lady supervisor in your section of Ballinger will inspect your premises soon after you register as a contestant, preferably before your clean up so that you may get credit for greater improvement, and again at the end of the contest. A committee of judges will later be chosen and the lady supervisor in each section will recommend one candidate in each of the three classes and the committee, after inspecting each one of these yards will award the prizes. Get in the contest—you win if you lose!

BALLINGER VS. TIGERS OF VOSS, TEXAS.

There will be a basket ball game Thursday, March 10th, between two of the strongest teams in the West. Ballinger holds the championship.

The Tigers have played nine games and lost two. Ballinger has played six, and won all. The game is called at 2:30 o'clock on the High School campus. Come! and watch the local boys defeat the Tigers.

Watch the Fords Go By.

DOUBLE PRIMARY JUST AND RIGHT

Mr. Editor:
In yesterday's paper you published an interview with Mr. W. C. Penn, in which Mr. Penn says he said nothing while the subject of a double primary was being discussed, but that he was opposed to it two years ago, and is still opposed to it.

Mr. Penn and I have been partners in business for five (5) years and in our business relations we are the happiest little family in town, but when it comes to religion, politics, and prohibition, we are not together at all. I have favored a double primary ever since I came to this county, and advocated it openly two years ago, and when the Executive Committee met a few days ago I went before them and discussed it because I know it is Democratic, just and right.

Why is it right?
1. Because it gives the majority of the voters of Runnels County the right to say who should hold our offices.

2. It assures every man in the county, though he may live on the East, West, North, or South line a fair and square deal if he is fortunate enough to be one of the two high men in the race.

Why raise and educate our boys, and tell them all along that they have the same rights as a citizen and an equal chance with any other boy to hold the best offices we have, when we know under the present system of electing officers, we are not telling the truth? I had a man to tell me yesterday that if we would just shut up on this subject certain men that are friends of mine had a better chance to be elected. I am for no man except by a majority vote, and according to my way of thinking that is "fine politics," and a kind of politics that I shall never approve of.

Mr. Penn says that he believes that any of the men offering for office are qualified, and will make good officers if elected. I heartily agree with him, and I will say that Mr. Penn occupies the same position politically as that of every other good citizen of the county. He is not seeking office for himself, or any set of men, and his objections to a double primary are just as he states them. He says he is opposed to putting an extra expense of holding the election on the candidates, but he forgot to tell you that the two Ballinger boxes had been arranged for free of charge; some of the Committeemen told me they were sure it could be arranged nearly all over the county. When he says that the people won't turn out and vote in the second primary, that is just another one of Mr. Penn's mistaken ideas. If we have the second primary you will see the largest vote polled this county has ever had. I hope we people over the county will just forget for a moment that we have any candidates, and think this matter over from a stand point of what is just and right.

Yours truly,
W. B. RAY.

BIBLE INSTITUTE TO BEGIN HERE SUNDAY.

The program has been printed and everything is in readiness for the convening of the Bible Institute at the First Baptist Church Sunday. It will be remembered that a very successful institute was held just one year ago, and this one promises to be even better. A splendid program has been arranged for each day's session, and will be published in The Ledger later, and from day to day throughout the institute week. Rev. Jester, the local pastor, extends to one and all an invitation to attend the meetings each day.

Weather Report
Tonight fair, cooler, frost; Friday fair.

Villa Leads 400 Bandits in Attack on Columbus, N. M.

AMERICANS HAVE RECEIVED WARNING

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Senator Porter J. McCumber, of North Dakota, withdrew his resolution from the senate today, saying that he believes that the recent announcement of the State Department indicated that Americans intending to travel on armed ships have been effectively warned.

BALLINGER COTTON BUYER DEAD

News was received in Ballinger from Houston Thursday morning stating that Earl Deckard died at seven o'clock Wednesday night. Mr. Deckard spent the last season here buying cotton, and returned to Houston only a few days ago. He was taken sick before leaving Ballinger, and we understand that he was sick several days at his room at the hotel here, and became worse after returning to Houston.

Deceased was a young man and he made many friends here during his stay in Ballinger, especially among the cotton men, and the business men with whom he came in contact daily, who will regret to learn of his death.

Martin Friek and Alex Adams of the Winters country, A. J. Zaak and son-in-law, Ben Schwertner, of the Spring Hill neighborhood, and R. L. Williams, of the Token country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Cathey, of Wingate, came in Wednesday to be at the bedside of his father at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford, and we are sorry to report the old gentleman very low and not expected to live much longer.

By United Press.
COLUMBUS, New Mexico, March 9.—Four hundred Villista bandits swooped down upon this town at four o'clock this morning killing Americans and burning much property. The town was in darkness and the attack of the Mexican bandits came as a surprise.

American soldiers fought for two hours before succeeding in driving the bandits off, and up to noon today the list of dead consisted of four American soldiers, seven American citizens and between fifty and one hundred bandits, and many wounded on both sides, eight American soldiers and five civilians being seriously wounded.

Three hundred United States cavalrymen and many citizens participated in the battle with the bandits. Four of the principal business buildings of the town were destroyed, including the Commercial Hotel. It is reported that several guests were burned to death in the building, but this is discredited and the ruins of the hotel are being searched.

Mrs. James Gean, the wife of a leading merchant of this city is among the killed by the bandits. It is believed that the attack was personally lead by Villa. After the two hours fighting the bandits retreated towards the border.

WASHINGTON STIRRED OVER MEXICAN ATTACK

By United Press.
Washington, March 9.—The report of the attack made upon the citizens at Columbus, N. M., this morning by four hundred Mexican bandits, was received here early, and stirred congress. Senator Fall began at once to gather information from Columbus to be used in his renewed attack upon the administration's Mexican policy.

Johnnie Ward, a prominent cotton buyer of Abilene, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.



TONIGHT

Metro Pictures Present Hamilton Revelle and Louis Meridith in

"AN ENEMY TO SOCIETY"

By George Bronson Howard, from a sensational story of a modern Robin Hood who robbed the rich to give to the poor. This tremendous play in 5 acts has been produced by Edgar Jones.

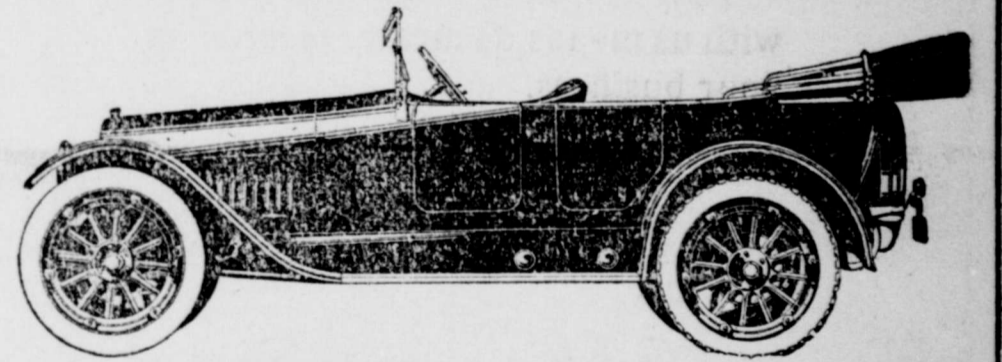
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1 Brush, will run, \$40.00 cash.

1 Overland, dandy good car, tires all good, cost \$1100 will sell for \$350; \$200 cash balance \$12.50 per month. This car is worth \$500.

1 Auburn, 5 passenger, electric starter and lights, spare rim and tire, cost \$1850; will sell at \$450; \$250 cash balance next fall. A snap for some one on an up-to-date car.

1 new Ford will sell for \$15.00 off list.

1 4 passenger Metz, cost \$650 good as new, will take \$250 \$150 cash balance \$10 per month.

We Cut the Price on Everything for Autos
Gasoline 20c. Spark Plugs Champion X 30c. Any Plug not over 50c. Dry Batteries 30c. See us—

BALLINGER AUTO COMPANY

Corner Court House Lawn.

Telephone Number 505

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A. W. SLEDGE, Editor
C. P. SHEPHERD, Business Mgr.

We are ready with a stock of good healthy tomato plants, good variety. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 9-11w 4td.

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

Rev. Allan left Wednesday afternoon to preach at Coleman at night for his congregation, the occasion being Ash Wednesday.

Bank 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.

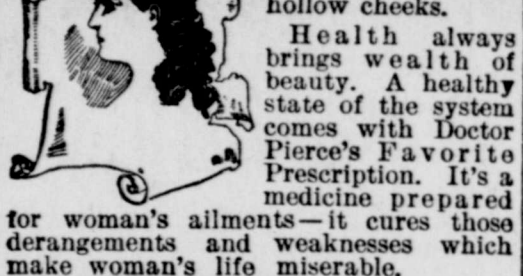
Uncle John Hoffman of the Benoit country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

How To Cure Colds.

Avoid exposure and drafts. Eat right. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. It is prepared from Pine Tar, healing balsams and mild laxatives. Dr. King's New Discovery kill sand expels the cold germs, soothes the irritated throat and allays inflammation. It seals the mucous membrane. Search as you will, you cannot find a better cough, and cold remedy. Its use over 45 years is a guarantee of satisfaction.

Pills Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c.

A PRETTY FACE is the result of a healthy physical condition. Beauty is but skin deep yet it greatly depends on a clear complexion, free from wrinkles and hollow cheeks.



Health always brings wealth of beauty. A healthy state of the system comes with Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It's a medicine prepared for woman's ailments—it cures those derangements and weaknesses which make woman's life miserable.

Mrs. MATTIE HALLMAN (daughter of Mr. J. C. Paris), 610 E. Richard St., Sherman, Tex., says: "I write this in the hope that it will assist some poor sufferer. I took Favorite Prescription when I was just entering womanhood. Can say it relieved me of suffering and built up my system in general."

Mrs. FANNY FARMER, of 203 West 13th Avenue, Corsicana, Texas says: "I certainly can praise Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for the good it did me when I was a girl just drifting into maturity. I certainly will recommend Favorite Prescription."

Mrs. G. A. Beaumont and two children, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Tom Ward and family, left Wednesday afternoon for Coleman.

Judge Jno. I. Guion presented the fire boys a check for \$10.00 for their good work at the fire on Eighth Street near his residence several days ago.

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 surfaces 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.

COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY STATEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels.

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared M. Kleberg, County Judge, Feb McWilliams, W. D. Meadows, J. D. Smith, and C. N. Craft, County Commissioners, all of Runnels County, Texas, who being duly sworn, each on his oath, deposes and says: That he has fully complied with the provisions of Article 867, R. S., as set forth in said Article, taken in connection with Chapter No. 164, Acts of the 29th Legislature, 1905, known as the Depository Law, by having actually counted and inspected all the cash in the hands of W. L. Brown, County Treasurer of Runnels County, Texas, as set forth in said County Treasurer's Report for the quarter ending January 31, 1916, and find the same to be as follows:

First Class, Jury Fund, cash balance	\$ 252.11
Second Class, road and bridge fund, cash balance	2,190.66
Third Class, common county fund, cash balance	1,459.83
Fourth Class, special fund, cash balance	2,360.98
Fifth Class, advertising fund, cash balance	168.75
Sixth Class, court house bonds sinking fund, cash balance	1,660.02
Seventh Class, B. B. sinking fund, No. 1, cash balance	1,808.53
Eighth Class, B. B. sinking fund, No. 2, cash balance	1,735.67
Amount due County	\$11,636.55
By balance commissions due	130.45
By outstanding checks	12.25
By amount overpaid by tax collections	18.00
By balance, January 31, 1916, as certified by depository	\$11,669.75
By amount included in report deposited since Feb. 1, 1916	127.50
	\$11,797.25

M. KLEBERG, County Judge.
FEB. McWILLIAMS, Commissioner Precinct No. 1.
W. D. MEADOWS, Commissioner Precinct No. 2.
J. D. SMITH, Commissioner Precinct No. 3.
C. N. CRAFT, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 1st day of March 1916.
O. L. PARISH, County Clerk, Runnels County, Texas.
By W. C. McCarver, Deputy.

THIS NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE AT BALLINGER

The Ballinger Printing Co. has arrangements perfected with The Worth Daily Star-Telegram whereby we can send you the daily and Sunday Star-Telegram, seven days in the week—every day from now until Dec. 1st, and The Banner-Ledger for the same time for \$3. This gives you a daily paper and your home paper practically a year for \$3. This is campaign year and from all indications there is going to be something doing in the old state and county and you will want to keep up with the procession. This combination is the best offer we ever made.

Send your check to this office and get both papers for the full ten months
BALLINGER PRINTING CO.

Election Notice.
By authority invested in me, as mayor of the City of Ballinger, I hereby order an election to be held on April 4th, 1916 in the City Hall, Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, for the election of three aldermen and a city attorney, who will serve the city the next ensuing term and J. F. Lusk is hereby appointed as presiding officer of said election.
J. W. POWELL, Mayor.
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Fat Stock AND Horse Show Ft. Worth
MARCH 11-18
\$4.25 Round Trip \$4.25
Tickets on Sale March 15 and for trains arriving Ft. Worth morning March 16
LIMITED MARCH 17

\$7.30 Round Trip \$7.30
Tickets on Sale March 16 to 17
LIMITED MARCH 29

THROUGH SLEEPER
A. H. WIGLE, Agent
Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure. The worst cases, no matter how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves cuts and heels in 24 hours. 25c. 50c. \$1.00

How About A New Spring Suit Made Up Specially to Suit Yourself?



Made to fit you perfectly, tailored in the most finished way with fine linings and the best of trimmings. Styled from some of the classiest new wide lapel models and costing no more than

\$15

FURNISHING GOODS
The kind that real men like to wear. All that's new in shirts, neckwear, hose, gloves, hats, etc. Everything is new and absolutely correct.



Paul C. Sulak, Prop.
Ballinger, Texas
"THE RED FRONT"

W. P. King, of the Crews country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take as other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known in Great Britain. Always in stock. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

Dee Underwood left Wednesday afternoon for South Dakota, where he will spend several months on business, and will possibly make that section his home.

When to Take Chamberlain's Tablets.
When you feel dull and stupid after eating.
When constipated or bilious.
When you have a sick headache
When you have a sour stomach.
When you belch after eating.
When you have indigestion.
When nervous or despondent.
When you have no relish for your meals.
When your liver is torpid.
Obtainable everywhere.

Watch the Fords Go By.

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. Can take care of any high-class technical job requiring skill and painstaking care.
Owing to the shop requiring all of my time and the extra cost of collections, I am discontinuing the monthly account system. Please govern yourself accordingly.
Yours Truly
H. M. LEACH

THE JACKSON DAIRY
WILL JACKSON, Proprietor.
Will deliver milk to any part of the city
Good Milk, Good Service, Prompt Deliveries
A Share of Your Patronage Solicited.
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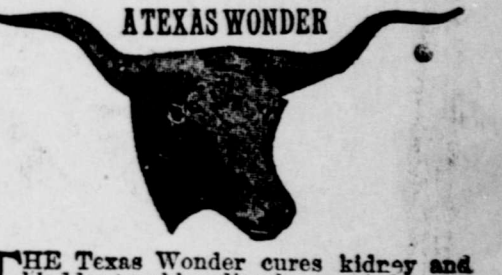
POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.
All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 25th: Representative 111th District:

- WALACE E. HAWKINS.
- For County Clerk:
W. C. McCARVER.
C. C. COCKRELL
H. G. SECRET.
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. H. 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.

I. K. Watkins, the boss painter, has just finished a very artistic piece of work on the inside of the C. A. Doose office, and will at once begin a similar job on the First National Bank and make it look as bright as a shining silver dollar.

Watch the Fords Go By.



ATEXAS WONDER
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, 2226 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists—Adv. e

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Ballinger Lumber Co.

FOR Cleaning, Pressing and Dyeing
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SCOTCH WOOLEN MILLS
Hutchins Avenue Ballinger, Texas

You May Lose Your Receipt Bill,
you may misplace a cancelled check given in payment of an account, but our records are maintained complete and we can furnish proof of your expenditures.
Your banking business carried with us means accurate records of your business.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank
"The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things."

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. No substitutes, but the standard line at our store.
MILLER MERCANTILE CO.
TWO PHONES 66 AND 77

COMING SOON UNDER CANVAS



Ballinger, Monday, 13th
Parade at Noon. Performance 8 P.M.

Notice

All consumers of electric lights, who have not settled their accounts, are reminded that March 10th, Friday, is the last discount day. All bills remaining unpaid after the 10th lose the discount and become delinquent.

BALLINGER ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER CO.

8th Street Phone 31. Ltd

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

Watch the Fords Go By.

D. Reeder visited his brother George Reeder at Miles between trains Thursday.

Liven 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.

R. A. Nicholson left Wednesday afternoon for Temple, where he will be under the treatment of a specialist at the sanitarium a few weeks.



The greatest of all Frank Spearman's railroad stories

SHOWN IN MOTION PICTURE AT THE QUEEN THEATRE EVERY SATURDAY.

(Continued from Yesterday)

No such sight as she made was ever before seen on the main line of the Copper Range & Tidewater. If Soda Water Sal had been dancing a two-step on the rails, she could not have plunged and cavorted more wildly than she did as Helen, pushing her to a pace undreamed of in her long and peaceful yard career, achieved a miracle of speed with her.

Up the line, Rhinelander, the deputies, the train crew and the engineer and fireman of the stolen engine surrounding the marooned coach, searched the horizon vainly for a sign of assistance. The conductor, the moment after he had raised Helen on the wire and told of their plight out between stations on the main line, had not been able to get another word from Las Vegas office. In his impatience and excitement, Rhinelander had taken over the telephone and used his best endeavors to make himself heard by Helen. The suspicion came to him that Seagrue, with some unsuspected devilry, had succeeded in cutting off even wire communication from the helpless rescue party. But as he dropped the receiver in despair, a shout arose among the deputies, and, looking down the far perspective of the long tangent that separated them from Las Vegas, Rhinelander's men saw a faint line of smoke on the horizon. It grew rapidly more distinct and spread blacker and heavier. An engine was bearing down on them. The railroad men were non-plused. None of them could recognize in the distance the shambling gait of the queer flyer, and Soda Water Sal was well upon them before they realized it was she. None the less hearty, however, was her welcome, and when the expectant throng made out Helen's face at the cab window a chorus of shouts went up to greet her.

With her hair in the wind and her eyes burning with excitement, the white-faced girl brought the astonished old machine to a stop close to the coach. Rhinelander and the conductor ran to greet her. Few words were needed in explanation, few were lost. Coupling the coach ahead of the switch engine and hustling the dep-

uties aboard, the conductor from the rear platform gave Helen her signal. Helen opened the throttle again and away went Soda Water Sal, pushing the loaded coach up the line ahead. To Soda Water Sal a coach was a mere toy—a plaything; indeed, she felt as if she were only now coming into her own when she had something in her hands to push. And without showing the slightest appearance of strain, Soda Water Sal ate up the miles ahead of her like city blocks and got within sight of Seagrue's two stalwart tools, who were trying to run away with the engine of the special. Indeed, the pair in the stolen cab felt quite secure in their quick getaway until Bill, acting as driver, looking back, saw a train behind and an ominous cloud of smoke pouring from the stack of Soda Water Sal—the conductor was firing for Helen and he understood his job.

In spite of everything the two outlaws could do, Helen closed up the gap that separated the coach from them, and on the front end of the latter the fleeing rascals could make out the armed deputies. Had there been any doubt in their minds as to the temper of the men pursuing them, little puffs of white smoke rising from the coach front, and the whine of rifle bullets about their ears would have convinced Lug and Bill of the danger threatening them. Safety first was a household word with the two. Nothing of the disposition of martyrs had place in their make-up, and, abandoning the engine, Lug, with a word to Bill to ease the pace, descended the steps of the tender and tumbled down a soft bank to the right of way; his companion followed; a few minutes later Soda Water Sal, rounding the curve behind, shot past them with her reeling coach.

Overtaking the abandoned engine on a grade, a few miles ahead, the coach was again coupled to it by the Rhinelander party, and when the queer-looking combination reached the first passing track, the engine of the special, almost dead, was vigorously kicked by Soda Water Sal, together with the car, out into the clear. And Helen, with the more venturesous of her legal lights clinging to the footboard and running boards of Soda Water Sal and others swarming in her tender and crowding the cab, again rushed the posse on to the scene of the trouble.

At the camp Rhinelander's forces were in trouble. Seagrue's strategy

had completely blocked them—everybody was stumped by Seagrue's audacity. And while the leaders were trying to pull themselves together, Seagrue's men were rapidly extending their possession of the disputed ground.

Storm, realizing that at any cost the situation must somehow be recouped, ran over to where Wood was watching the enemy and whispered to him. Whatever the proposal, the old man was startled when George Storm made it.

Wood looked toward the camp dubiously. "I don't know," he said finally. "That's pretty radical medicine. But we've got to do something. It's a cinch they've got us beat out of three months' time in another hour, for if they once get hold of this section, we've got to drag them into court. If you think the old man will stand for it, George, slam away. You know as well as I do. But I can't take the responsibility."

(Continued Tomorrow.)

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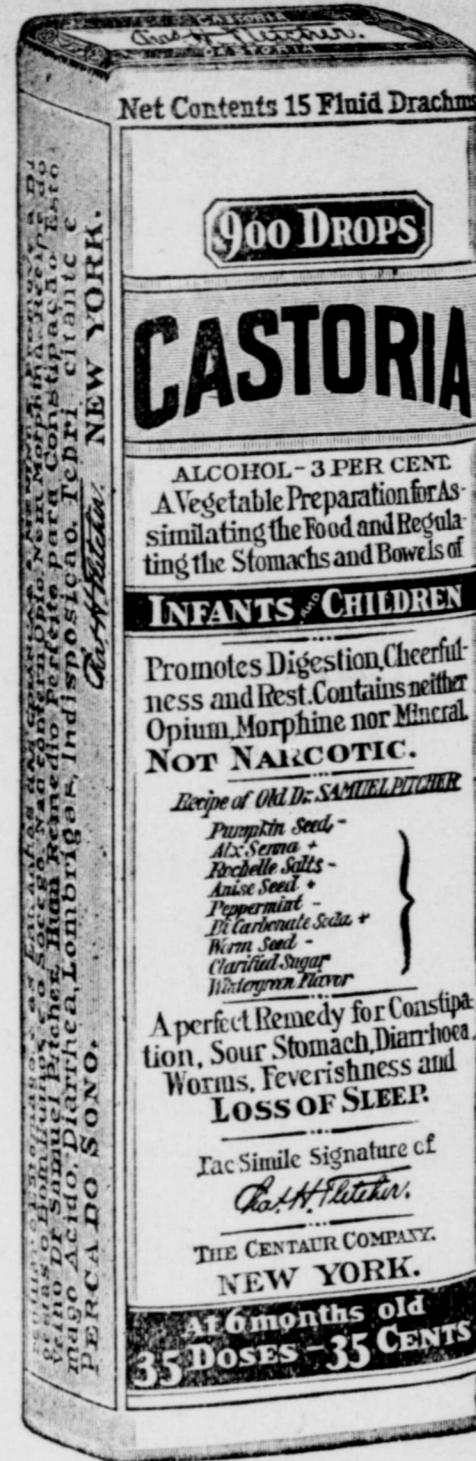
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The Californians will no doubt be glad to pay the ten thousand dollars and give the rain maker credit for the rain if he will make good the loss sustained in the floods.

When people begin to use the same judgment in voting that they do in employing men for private positions, we will get bet-

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It will be a gala day for the pupils of the Central Ward school and their friends tomorrow, when between four and five hundred strong they line up at the school building and go in a body to the picnic ground on Elm Creek at what is known as Runnels Crossing.

The children will meet at the school building at eight o'clock and wagons will be ready to transport them to the picnic grounds. Some of the boys have promised to furnish teams and wagons, and those who have no team to furnish are contributing towards hiring wagons, and it is to be hoped that all those who can help get the children a way to go to the picnic will do so.

As previously stated in this paper, every precaution will be used to prevent accident. No guns will be allowed on the picnic grounds, and there will be no swimming without the parents give their written consent.

LADIES TAKE CAPUDINE FOR ACHE AND PAIN... IT'S LIQUID-NOT NARCOTIC

W. A. Jolly left Thursday morning for Brownwood and will go out near May, Texas, to look after a piece of improved land he recently bought.

HOW DO YOU STAND ON THAT SPECIAL ROAD TAX

(A. E. Burge's Sec. Y. M. B. L.) Next month there will be held an election which will decide for a time, at least, whether Runnels county is to have good roads. How are you going to vote?

It is to be assumed that every man in Runnels county is in favor of better roads of some sort. There is not any difference of opinion there. The difference of opinion arises when the subject of what kind of roads shall be built and how much money shall be spent on them is proposed.

Let us consider the question of a 15 cent special road tax which we will soon be required to pass on. Is it preferable to a bond issue? A bond issue would raise more money, it is true, but not much money, relatively speaking, is necessary to put into good condition the roads we already have. A special tax has two good advantages over a bond issue: the tax can be stopped at any time, either by a vote of the people or by the refusal of the commissioners' court to again levy the tax, and the people do not have to pay any interest on money raised by special tax. A third advantage is that a special tax does not require any raise in the property valuation, which, in turn, would mean a greater amount of state taxes.

The county is now receiving about \$15,000 per year on the present road tax. Three thousand of this is set aside as a sinking fund to cover outstanding bonds on roads and bridges. The remaining \$12,000 is scarcely sufficient to make any noticeable improvement on the county roads. But if the 15 cent special tax carries something more than \$15,000 in addition will be added to that available for road improvements, making more than \$27,000 annually. With that amount all the principal roads in the county could be graded and kept in shape. After a time the number of men trained to properly drag roads would increase and then,

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QUEEN THEATRE TONIGHT TODAY'S PROGRAM "GRAFT"- "The Railroad Monopoly," featured by Harry D. Carey, Hobart Henly, Jane Novak and Glen White. Rev. W. B. Harris and family, of El Campo, came in a few days ago to make Ballinger their future home. G. W. Tyree, who had been with the Jeanes produce store at Miles the past winter, came home Thursday morning for the summer. J. L. Seohler, of San Saba, who had been here at the bedside of his father H. R. Schooler, left for his home Thursday morning and we are glad to learn that Mr. Schooler was improving when he left here.

OPPOSES DOUBLE PRIMARY

When Judge M. C. Smith was interviewed with reference to a second Democratic primary he said, "I am emphatically opposed to it, and I am a prohibitionist, I did my humble part in keeping saloons out of Ballinger, but am now in favor of letting the subject drop, as I feel that the large vote cast last Saturday for prohibition settles the question for all time to come as far as Runnels county is concerned, and further I will say I have never allowed my prohibition sentiments enter into my vote for county officers, and I vote for anti or pro without distinction when qualifications and other things being equal. There is no need in our county for the second primary as there is no strong political foe to fight, and all the candidates I feel sure are democrats and so accepted by the democratic party of the county, and as to qualifications I dare say any one of them is qualified to fill the office to which they aspire."

"We should now turn our attention to the study of questions for the uplift of all the people and for good of our county and state. President Wilson is not a majority president, yet I am sure he is acceptable to all Democrats and is making us a splendid president. We must not take any action tending to divide our citizens, but all work in harmony together."

Dr. E. C. Baskin says with reference to the second primary spoken about, thinks the candidates should be the ones to decide as to the second primary as they will be the ones to stand the heavy expense, and thinks the precinct chairmen should consult them with reference to the matter and be governed by their wishes.

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W. G. Harrison and daughter, Mrs. Woods and children, of Georgetown, who had been visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. R. E. Duke and family the past few weeks, returned home Wednesday afternoon.

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