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IRELAND IN RIOTING KILLS 100

By United Press
DUBLIN, Ireland, April 29.—One hundred people have been killed in street fighting in this city since the outbreak last Monday. The greatest number of lives were lost in the sensational street fighting of Thursday night. The rebels are burning buildings and sniping from roofs, and now hold post office and other buildings. Troops are gradually closing in on the rebels and by outnumbering them expect to cause a weakening by Sunday.

ELECTED SUPERINTENDENT AT MILES.

Prof. C. Menitree, brother of our fellow townsman, I. A. Menitree, has been elected superintendent of the Miles public school for next year. Prof. Menitree has had ten years experience in the school room and comes highly recommended. He has been superintendent for the past few years at Barry, Texas. Prof. Menitree was in Miles on last Saturday and Sunday.—Miles Messenger.

A food expert says that one dish of ice cream is equal in food value to four dozen oysters. Order a gallon from the Ballinger Bottling Works and see how good you feel. J. C. Cook 24-6td

We would like to meet every Overland owner in the county. Come to see us. O'Kelly & Walton.

BRITISH SURRENDER TO TURKS

By United Press
LONDON, April 29.—The British garrison Kutelamaza, under the command of Gen. Townshend, in Southeast Bagdad, has surrendered to the Turks after a siege of five months. During the five months siege the Turks have succeeded in cutting off the food supply of the British in southeast Bagdad and while no official report of the surrender has been made, it is believed that a scarcity of food caused Gen. Townshend to lay down arms.

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION FOR CO-OPERATION

E. D. Walker, who solicited the cars for the excursion to Norton Friday night, requests us to say that he appreciates the splendid way in which the merchants and citizens co-operated in making the trip a success. Practically every car that was pledged made the trip and several who did not promise to go joined the excursion. The trip was a success because the citizens co-operated in making it so, as will always be the case where our people unite for the common good of all.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Knox Howlett, who has been with the construction gang of the West Texas Telephone Co., at Winters, passed through Ballinger Saturday to spend a day or two with his parents.

WAR CHIEFS MEET THIS AFTERNOON

By United Press
EL PASO, April 29.—The first formal conference between Gens. Scott and Funston and War Minister Obregon, of Mexico, will be held this afternoon, the exact hour and place had not been determined upon at one o'clock, but it is expected the conference will be held at El Paso.

After the conference Gen. Scott and Gen. Funston are planning to enter Mexico and inspect the American troops and devote some time to looking after the Villa expedition.

Gen. Obregon was formally received at El Paso this morning, troops lining the course of march for the Mexican war minister to enter the city.

El Paso, April 28.—Generals Scott and Funston made their first official call upon Gen. Alvaro Obregon at 8 o'clock tonight, at the Juarez customs house.

Generals Scott and Funston, using the private car which brought them here from San Antonio as headquarters, were busy tonight planning the final details for the conference over the Mexican situation.

Mexican Minister of War Obregon, in his private car just across the Rio Grande at Juarez, waited for the American officers to call on him. By this official visit, which is Obregon's due as a cabinet officer, the proceeding was started.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Large Body Infantry Has Entered Mexico

MONTHLY REPORT OF LEAGUE SECRETARY

The secretary of the Business League makes the following report for April activities.

Previous to the road tax election the secretary published two articles on the advantages of good roads, in general, and two others on the 15-cent special tax, in particular. He also designed a window display on good roads, about two weeks before the election which attracted considerable favorable comment and probably served to change some votes. The special tax carried by 23 majority. Had 12 of these men voted against the tax, it would have lost by one vote. If it may be assumed that the efforts of the Business League changed the minds of twelve men, it will be seen that the league should be given credit for turning the election. If it may be credited with this accomplishment, it will be seen that the league has repaid for at least a year the money which is being paid for its support.

The City Beautification campaign is now assured of success with 29 entries, the judges appointed, and the yards of the contestants carefully inspected for the sake of later comparison.

The farm terracing was continued from previous months by the terracing of three more farms.

In the way of advertising, two more articles about Runnels county have appeared in the Farm & Ranch, in addition to the usual number of local newspaper articles. A motion picture film advertising Ballinger is now being routed thru the state.

A three days short course for the farmers of Runnels county conducted by the A. and M. College, has been secured thru the efforts of the secretary. Information in regard to the peach tree disease now so common in South Ballinger has been secured and published for the benefit of the farmers.

While not officially the work of the Business League, it is nevertheless worthy of mention that a contract for the marketing of next summer's watermelon crop has been drawn up and signed by a majority of the melon growers. If this arrangement should prove to be satisfactory, it will be the greatest thing for this county that has happened in many a day.

On Friday the 28th was held the first of a series of trade excursions for the spring, this one being to Norton. Not less than 35 cars from Ballinger made the trip and carried something like 200 persons. The excursion was well received and seemed to please Norton and Ballinger alike.

NORTON PEOPLE THE DAILY LEDGER

200 copies of The Daily Ledger were distributed among the people of the Norton country who attended the band concert given by the Ballinger band Friday night. The Ledger extended the glad hand to the Norton citizens, and carrying the latest telegraph news served it to the people twenty miles from the railroad on the same day it occurred.

WINTERS MAYOR MAY GET DEATH CALL

Ed. P. Eason, of Winters, who is here today on business states that the condition of Mayor Dale is extremely serious, and little hope is entertained for recovery. Physicians in attendance on Mr. Dale do not believe he can live another day.

By United Press
COLUMBUS, April 29.—A large infantry column crossed over into Mexico from this place this morning. The troops were moved without any public announcement being made, and it is believed that the presence of Carrancistas along the communication lines is responsible for the quick move of the infantry.

Columbus, N. M., April 28.—The largest force of troops which has left Columbus since the initial command crossed the border six weeks ago, is encamped on the frontier, fifteen miles west of here. The troops, consisting of more than a regiment of cavalry are preparing to cross the line into Mexico at day break.

The soldiers left Columbus upon orders of General Pershing, expeditionary commander, and it was seated at military headquarters here tonight that no reasons have been outlined in the order. Persons in constant touch with the border situation offered various explanations, one belief expressed being that General Pershing feels that his shortened line of communication, which extends from Columbus to San Antonio, a distance of about 325 miles, is in need of further strengthening. Another was that the expeditionary commander fears that one of the stipulations in the conference between General Scott, Funston and Obregon will be that no more American troops shall cross the boundary and is anticipating such an agreement by bringing his command to a strength that will enable it to cope with any emergency.

Active preparations for continuing the expedition continued here today, aeroplanes and a device calculated to equip motors for railway travel being tested and supplies being dispatched to the troops in the field. Plans were being made also to equip a squadron of motorecycles with machine guns.

Some apprehension was aroused here today by press reports from the front that four train loads of Carranza troops who previously had been withdrawn from the district were being reconcentrated near Guerrero.

El Paso, Texas April 29.—Carranza cavalry has been sighted on the eastern slope of the Sierra Madre mountains within sixty miles of the American camp at Colonia Dublan. It is believed that this is the advance guard of Gen. Arnulfo Gomez' column of 5000 men from Sonora. This report reached here from Hachita, N. M. This is the first group of Carranza soldiers that has actually appeared in Chihuahua from Sonora since the Americans entered Mexico.

UNITY OF CHURCH THROUGH MISSIONS

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The Unity of the Church, long sought by religious leaders, can be brought to pass sooner by encouraging the work of missions than in any other way, speakers said today at the Men's National Missionary Congress.

The present convention, representing all denominations and all sorts of missions, is in itself a great move toward better understanding among churches, it was said, and the determination to advance together in the common field of missions is still another big step toward unification.


With sessions in all of Washington's churches, the Congress will close tomorrow.

Leaders agreed that in work done, agreements reached and plans made, it had done more to advance the general work of missions than any other conference since the World Missionary Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland.

COMPRESS MANAGER

P. T. Calloway of Hearne, came in a day or two ago and has accepted the position as manager of the Ballinger Compress. His family will join him here in a few days.

We would like to meet every Overland owner in the county. Come to see us. O'Kelly & Walton.



Opening Tonight

Rupert Hughes' Rip-Roaring Farce

"Excuse Me"

in five parts.

Features Original New York Cast in a Transcontinental Laugh Conveyor.

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Casings. We handle several standard makes. We give you 10 per cent off list, no one else will do it. We carry parts in stock for several makes of cars and springs for all makes. If you are having trouble with your storage batteries or starter let us look over it and keep it for you. We have the best charging apparatus in West Texas. Best equipped machine shop in West Texas and men that know how to turn out a car without keeping it in the shop for a month.

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

Laws are signposts marking the way to success—Temple Telegram.

Its remarkable the number of people who never see the sign posts, get on the wrong road and are lost.

Safe Medicine for Children "Is it safe?" is the first question to be considered when buying cough medicine for children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has long been a favorite with mothers of young children as it contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult.

Carranza complains of losing his grip on Mexican affairs, which comes from shaking his fists at Uncle Sam.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Its time to make a change, Carranza has been on the job long enough to lay by a few million for a rainy day, and should step aside.

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

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By Being Constantly Supplied With Theford's Black-Draught.

McDuff, Va.—"I suffered for several years," says Mrs. J. B. Whitaker, of this place, "with sick headache, and stomach trouble. Ten years ago a friend told me to try Theford's Black-Draught, which I did and I found it to be the best family medicine for young and old. I keep Black-Draught on hand all the time now, and when my children feel a little bad, they ask me for a dose, and I does them more good than any medicine they ever tried. We never have a long spell of sickness in our family, since we commenced using Black-Draught."

Theford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable, and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms. It has been in constant use for more than 70 years, and has benefited more than a million people. Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. Price only 25c. Get 1 package to-day.

CROP REPORT SHOWS PLANT INCREASE

DALLAS, Tex., April 29.—From reports received within the past week by the Texas Industrial Congress from bankers, newspaper publishers, commercial secretaries, and other business men in one hundred and fifty of the agricultural counties of the state, based upon interviews with the best informed farmers in their respective localities, it appears that there are only a few counties in which the cotton acreage is not greater than that of last year.

The great majority of counties are planting an acreage equal to that of 1914, and some are breaking out new land. Owing to the scarcity and high price of seed, the planting is thinner than usual, but this may prove of little importance in the stand, the difference probably not being equal to the number of plants cut out in chopping. If the season is favorable and there are no unusually heavy ravages of insect pests, Texas may expect a crop of four and one half million bales or more, as in 1914, instead of the three million bales of 1915. Texas business will do well to adjust itself accordingly. Much of the area vacated by winter-killed wheat has been, or is being, utilized for corn and the sorghums, the reports foreshadowing the greatest acreage of corn in the history of the state, and a large acreage of grain sorghums. Another hopeful factor is the very

general replanting of spring oats to take the place of those that were winter-killed. Few counties will have the oat production outlook reduced thru losses of the winter crop.

Farmers and others who live at a distance from a drug store should keep in the house a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It may be needed at any time for cuts, wounds, sores, sprains or rheumatism. It is a powerful healing and penetrating remedy. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

John Peacheck has just installed a disk roller sharpener which adds much to the efficiency of his shop and also one of the latest patent hydrolic tire setters. Mr. Peacheck always believes in keeping abreast of this progressive age.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hetrick

WITHIN THE REACH of every woman—health and strength. They're brought to you by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Take this medicine, and there's a safe and certain cure for all the chronic weaknesses, derangements, and diseases peculiar to the sex. It will build up, strengthen, and invigorate every "run-down" or delicate woman. It regulates and assists all the natural functions. At some period in her life, a woman requires a special tonic and nerve. If you're tired or afflicted woman turn to "Favorite Prescription," you will find it never fails to benefit. Sold in tablet or liquid form.

Mrs. Lucy E. Yoakum, of 2322 Clinton Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, says: "I was in such bad health and so dependent at times that I couldn't do my work. Tried everything I could hear of. Doctors treated me but I only got relief for a short time until I tried Dr. Pierce's wonderful medicine. I have been in much better health since using 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I weighed 107 at that time now I am well and hearty and weigh 140 pounds."

Do You Want Value and Service as Well as Pleasure when You Buy an Automobile? If So, Read the Following:

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O'KELLY and WALTON, Agents

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Hal W. Greer ON DEFECTS IN OUR JURY SYSTEM.

The thirteen original American Colonies rebelled against a sovereign or autocratic form of government, and when the rebellion changed into successful revolution, these colonies sought to form a government in direct contrast to the one they had repudiated, by the creation of a Republic. This Republic was intended by its founders to be the antithesis to monarchy or oligarchy; they intended to protect individualism and abolish all class distinctions, as well as titles of nobility. Hence, they proclaimed as its cardinal tenet, "equal rights to all, special privileges to none."

Our forefathers incorporated many Constitutional provisions that might well have been left out, as the organic law of a Republic; and it may be that some of these will ultimately prove our undoing. Take our jury system as an illustration. It was first devised by the English Peers in the Magna Charter to prevent insincere charges of treason and confiscation of their estates by the Crown. These Peers demanded that no Peer should be held to answer a charge of treason without being tried by a jury of his Peers. And thereby Crown persecutions were curtailed. They soon extended this to embrace all charges preferred by the Crown. They had no notion of granting its beneficent effect to the common people; but after the Cromwell rule the House of Commons adopted the jury plan for the benefit of nearly all persons accused of crime. This too, was to relieve against persecutions of the Crown, as well as the over-lords, and thus it became a system in their jurisprudence. Now the fear of our revolutionary forefathers of the possibility of their going back under British rule caused them to adopt the Constitutional "right of trial by jury." And this, in my opinion, is the greatest disintegrating principle in our law today, and it is surely and persistently undermining and destroying all system in the law.

In all important cases—especially those of a criminal nature—every effort is made by the attorneys on the side of desiring to defeat the law, to eliminate all intelligent well-to-do men, and to only accept those who do not read the papers or keep informed on current events. Why? In fact, the law itself, in providing the formula for jury service, shows it is inconsistent in the assumption that that is the safest way of obtaining justice, because in all important cases the twelve men are treated as felons; they are kept together, led together, and locked up to sleep together—taken away from the ordinary daily routine and association of their lives. Why? To prevent them from being corrupted? Why not also lock up the judge, the sheriff and his deputies, the district attorney, and the other attorneys in the case? We are wrong about this country having too many laws, or in holding the lawyers responsible therefor; the reform needed is to abolish trial by jury, substituting three judges in lieu thereof, and do away with the elective judiciary.

Stomach Catarrh Is Very Prevalent

In this climate catarrh is a prevalent disease. Catarrh affects the stomach as often as any other organ. Perhaps every third person is more or less troubled with stomach catarrh. Peruna is extensively used in these cases.

PERUNA THE RELIABLE FAMILY REMEDY

and two little daughters left Friday afternoon for a six week's vacation trip. They will spend two or three weeks at their old home at LaCade, Mo., and then will visit at Chicago, Denver, Seattle, Wyoming and other points of interest in that section.

Pills Best for Liver.

Because they contain the best liver medicines, no matter how bitter or nauseating for the sweet sugar coating hides the taste. Dr. King's New Life Pills contain ingredients that put the liver working, move the bowels freely. No gripe, no nausea, aid digestion. Just try a bottle of Dr. King's New Life Pills and notice how much better you feel. 25c at druggists.

Mrs. Carlos Dann and little baby son returned home Friday afternoon from a visit to friends at San Angelo the past few days.

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

WITH THE CHURCHES

Methodist Church Corner 10th and Murrell Streets Judge A. K. Doss, the new superintendent, will be on hand Sunday. All invited to come and be on time 9:45. Dr. W. W. Fowler will start a new class in Teacher-Training. The books have arrived and all interested in the course invited. Preaching 11 a. m. The second in the series on Fundamentals in Christianity. Subject, "The Place of Reason in Religion." 8 p. m. promptly. Subject "A Crisis in Life." Good music. Rev. E. Rosmond Stanford, pastor

First Presbyterian Church. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., when the pastor will preach on "Harnessing Your Life to the Power of God" and "The Gospel of the Second Mile." Sunday school and Men's Bible Class at 10 a. m. Midweek prayermeeting at 8 o'clock on Wednesday night. All are cordially invited to attend these meetings. CHARLES GHISELIN Jr., Pastor.

Church of Christ. The Bible study will be conducted at the court house at 9:30 a. m. until further room can be provided. Communion service at 10:45. A hearty welcome is yours at both of these services.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church In the absence of the pastor, Rev. T. W. Davidson, of Santa Anna will occupy the pulpit at the Eighth Street Presbyterian church Sunday morning and night. Sunday school will meet promptly at nine forty-five. All the members are urged to be present.

Pastor's Association The pastors of Ballinger will hold their weekly meeting at 9 o'clock Monday morning in the Eighth Street Presbyterian church. A paper on the "Resurrection of Christ" will be read and a general discussion will follow. CHARLES GHISELIN, Jr., Secretary.

Watch Child's Cough Colds, running of nose, continued irritation of the mucous membrane if neglected may mean Catarrh later. Don't take the chances—do something for your child! Children will not take every medicine, but they will take Dr. King's New Discovery and without bribing or teasing. Its a sweet pleasant Tar Syrup and so effective. Just laxative enough to eliminate the waste poisons. Almost the first dose helps. Always prepared, no mixing or fussing. Just ask your druggist for Dr. King's New Discovery. It will safeguard your child against serious ailments resulting from colds.

Sixty Years the Standard



MADE FROM CREAM OF TARTAR DERIVED FROM GRAPES. NO ALUM

Wm. Ledford and son, of Talpa, motored over to Ballinger Friday afternoon on a short business trip.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

All Copy for Political Announcements must be accompanied by Cash.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 22nd:

- For District Judge of the 35th Judicial District: JOHN W. GOODWIN. Representative 11th District: WALLACE 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, H. O. RHODES. For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD, SAMUEL C. HARRIS. For County Treasurer: W. L. BROWN. For Tax Collector: W. T. PADGETT, MIKE C. BOYD, M. D. CHASTAIN, JOHN BALLEW. For Sheriff: J. D. PERKINS, E. F. (Earl) EDWARDS. For County Judge: O. L. PARISH, C. H. WILLINGHAM. For District Clerk: (Miss) MARY PHILLIPS. For County Superintendent of Schools: E. L. HAGAN. For Commissioner Pre. No. 1: E. C. MOOR, R. P. KIRK, R. W. (Bob) GILLIAM.

My money is gone!! I was not a careful man after all. Are you going to hide your money in a hole in the ground or in your house and always be worried fearing that you may be watched by a robber? No. It is the robber's business to learn who keeps money hidden, and he will kill you, if he must, to steal. Be a careful man. Make Our Bank Your Bank ...THE... FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER MEMBER OF FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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In Use For Over 30 Years

The Kind You Have Always Bought

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People who allow themselves to get "unstrung" and unmoved should stop and consider that this is life.—Abilene Reporter.

Science tells us that to laugh lengthens life while anger shortens life. We believe it.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Mrs. R. H. Clem of Dallas, who is visiting in our city, Miss Cusenbary and Miss Erna Dickinson, left Friday afternoon to visit relatives and friends at Talpa a few days.

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Makes four trips eachway. Call for and deliver passengers any where in Ballinger or Winters.

Price: 75c One Way.

Leave Ballinger at—7:00 a. m. 9:30 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 4:00 p. m.

Leave Winters at—8:30 a. m. 11:30 a. m. 2:30 p. m. 5:30 p. m.

Phone Ballinger 123 Phone Winters 92

Good cars and careful drivers.

W. E. BROOKS

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Because Its Citizens Have Learned The Truth.

After reading this generous and encouraging report from Mr. Street, those who have the misfortune to suffer, as he did, will naturally long to get similar relief. But to get the same good as Mr. Street had, you should get the same remedy. There are of course, other kidney pills but there are no other kidney pills the same as Doan's. That is why Ballinger people demand the genuine.

W. F. Street, stock dealer, 1001 16th Street, Ballinger says: "About a year ago, I had an attack of kidney complaint. I had dull pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions passed irregularly. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from the Walker Drug Co., relieved all this trouble."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Street had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props, Buffalo, N. Y.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

W. A. Hanger

ON OUR COMPLICATED LEGAL SYSTEM.



The simplification of court procedure is an object which has always been sought and desired to be obtained by law-respecting and abiding men, and will continue to be, until the result is reached that litigants may have their rights vindicated and their wrongs redressed without delay. There can be no controversy about what we want to do, but the question to decide is how to do it.

When in the absence of legislative enactments the vigilantes administered what they believed to be justice between man and man, it was not encumbered by any political speech-making from the bench, or by any complicated machinery of appeal and delay. This is not an argument for a return to those primitive and forceful methods, but is employed as a preface to the statement that in Texas we are burdened with a legal machinery which contributes to the endless chain of judicial contradictions rendering it impossible for the layman and uncertain for the lawyer to have an exact knowledge of the law, or of the trend of judicial construction.

We have in this State eighty-three district courts, nine courts of civil appeals, one court of criminal appeals, and one supreme court. All appeals in civil cases from the district courts go first to the Court of Civil Appeals, and from that court on applications for writs of error, to the Supreme Court. All appeals in criminal cases go direct to the Court of Criminal Appeals, which is the court of last resort in such cases. And it is significant that the Court of Criminal Appeals is up with its work, while the Supreme Court, working just as laboriously and diligently, is far behind with its work. In this connection it may well be observed that when the present arrangement about the Courts of Civil Appeals was instituted under the constitutional amendment of 1891, only three Courts of Civil Appeals were provided for, and the task imposed upon the Supreme Court of harmonizing their conflicts was a small one compared with that which now exists when there are nine Courts of Civil Appeals. Surely no just complaint will be made against the Supreme Court for being behind with its work, but rather against the complicated system which we have. However, in my opinion, the chief cause of the trouble has not yet been stated. The greater part of it does not, in my judgment, lie in the appellate courts, but in the trial courts. We must improve conditions there. The salary paid to district judges should be made such as to induce men of ability and capacity to seek those positions. Of course, many of our district judges now are men of ability. I hope I may be permitted to say, with entire respect, that many of them are not. Whenever the personnel of the trial judges of this State is so elevated that the men who occupy them will be above employing their positions for political preferment, yielding to the clamor of one faction or another in the community, or of doing anything else except to fearlessly administer justice, then and not 'till then will the well founded complaints which exist against the laws' delays cease.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Wm. G. McAdoo

ON PREPAREDNESS AND OUR MERCHANT MARINE.



There is one feature of preparedness with which I am more familiar than with any other, and that is the necessity for the creation of an auxiliary merchant marine, or, in other words, a merchant marine that will serve as an auxiliary for our navy in time of war and that will give our commerce a fleet of ships in time of peace. This is economic as well as military preparedness.

We cannot with safety rely upon our ability to purchase or charter suitable naval auxiliaries when a crisis appears. The very essence of preparedness for the Navy is to have these vessels of suitable types and construction where we can put our hands on them quickly. To prove this I need only tell you what happened when war with Spain broke out in 1898. We had no naval auxiliaries—no Army transports. We were utterly unprepared. We had to go into the market and buy immediately any and every kind of boat that could be hastily adapted to our purposes, and, of course, we paid fabulous prices for them. When a man or a government has to have something the other fellow has got, and that fellow knows that this something can't be gotten from anybody but himself, he exacts the highest possible price and gets it. This is human nature. The Navy alone bought at that time 102 vessels as naval auxiliaries and paid in round numbers the fabulous sum of \$18,000,000 for them. There is no officer of the navy who knows about these purchases who won't admit that most of these vessels were junk.

The Navy Department sold 25, or one-fourth of them, since the war for the paltry sum of \$1,167,638.

There were seven vessels, bought hastily for naval auxiliaries, at a total cost of \$1,736,922. They were sold for \$53,755.04, making a total loss to the government of \$1,383,166.96, or 80 per cent of the original investment. Isn't this a monument to American intelligence? But we had to take anything we could get and pay any price the shipowner or broker asked, in order to send our fleet just a little way from home—to Cuba. This is the penalty we paid for our failure to create a real naval auxiliary. Unhappily we have learned nothing from that painful lesson and are in worse condition today than we were in 1898, so far as merchant marine naval auxiliaries are concerned, because our Navy is much larger and its requirements more exacting.

In addition to the \$18,000,000 spent by the Navy, the War Department spent millions for vessels to transport troops. If we build a real and efficient naval auxiliary, we shall have the right kind of vessels to supply the Army with transports when it needs them.

We have not today under the American flag sufficient vessels to give our Navy, in case of war, the support and assistance which is indispensable to its efficiency.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

R. L. Batts

ON INEFFICIENCY IN ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAW.



The influence of the bar in the matter of the inefficiency of the laws is not often discussed. We have more to do with the administration of the laws than the judges and the juries. We are probably not in position to adversely criticize either. We help the juries to unrighteous verdicts, and are not without influence in bringing about indefensible decisions from the courts. The best of us are more zealous for our client than for justice; the worst of us are dangerous and criminal. The best of us will frame a pleading unmercifully, will shape an interrogatory craftily, will abstract an answer when the witness did not intend to give, will select a juror believing him prejudiced in favor of our client, will dogmatically assert a doubtful legal proposition, will discuss before the jury evidence favorable to our cause, and ignore the adverse testimony. The worst of us are credited with going much beyond these questionable doings.

It is not so much what we have done in the court house as in the legislative hall that should make us proud. A perfectly candid consideration of our condition leaves only limited latitude for the self-justification in which we so frequently indulge. To the proposition that we are most useful when least busy I do not subscribe. That we are in legislative matters ordinarily influenced by other than patriotic motives, I do not for a moment believe. But we have added little to that which is necessary for human happiness. We add little to the sum of human knowledge. We do little constructive work of any kind. We doubtless have our uses. We have been a conservative element. We have at times acted the balance-wheel. We have furthermore stood for liberty—at least, we have stood for the liberty as it is written in the books—insofar as it does not conflict with vested rights. But we get our inspiration from dusty tomes. We assume that to be right which has been adjudicated to be right. Finding no precedent for the progress which is passing us, we decline to join in the procession. But we are bound to learn that badly-conceived laws and badly-administered laws are too wasteful to be tolerated.

For the benefit of all mankind, the lawyer should occasionally think along other lines than the lines of precedent and in the capacity of law-maker in which he so frequently acts, should consider if his profession is not levying on mankind a tax unnecessarily large and if a little quick acting, inexpensive tyranny would not be preferable to the present Constitutional, Democratic, tortuous, dilatory, expensive system of determining the effects of the follies, the faults and misfortunes of mankind.

Do Not Let Time Slip away from You

Start now—for yourself, and have your children start in the path that leads to success—SAVING. Your savings, during brighter days, are the bulwark upon which your fortune rests and also are the means to make the declining years of your life more pleasant.

We invite you investigate the service we render to our customers.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK
BALLINGER, TEXAS
THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS.

Bad breath, bitter taste, dizziness and a general 'no account' feeling is a sure sign of a torpid liver. Herbine is the medicine needed. It makes the liver active vitalizes the blood, regulates the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Circulate two pledges among the people of your neighborhood; have one of the pledges read, "I am for the United States" and the other "I am against the United States." Make everybody sign—Temple Telegram.

It is not necessary, we can spot them without the petition. And then why make it necessary for moving day for some people.

Why Constipation Injures. The bowels are the natural sewerage system of the body. When they become obstructed by constipation a part of the poisonous matter which they should carry off is absorbed into the system, making you feel dull and stupid, and interfering with the digestion and assimilation of food. This condition is quickly relieved by Chamberlain's Tablets. Obtainable ev-

A prudent mother is always on the watch for symptoms of worms in her children. Paleness, lack of interest in play, and peevishness is the signal for White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses of this excellent remedy puts an end to the worms and the child soon acts naturally. Price 25c. per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

H. C. Fletcher, the auto dealer, left Friday afternoon for Coleman and other points east in the interest of his company.

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.

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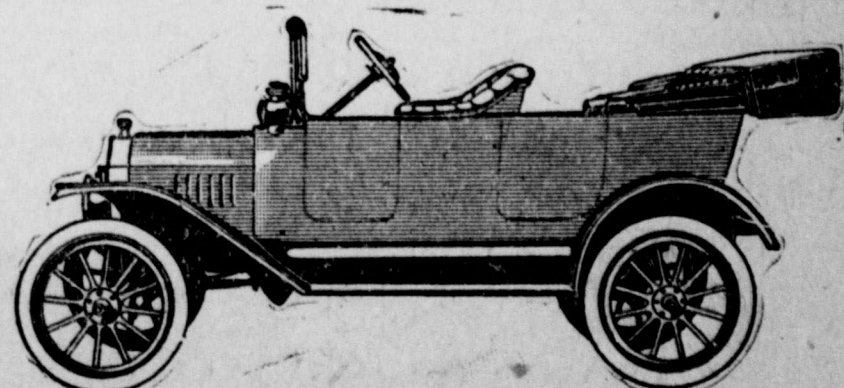
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About the first thing impressed on the young Mother is the necessity for regularity in her baby, which brings up the question of the most desirable laxative for children's use.

Mrs. Jesse Richardson, Philpot, Ky., says she has used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for the past year and that there is no medicine in the world like it. She writes, "My little son, William, Jr., just loved it because it is so pleasant to take, and everybody talks about his being such a fine healthy boy."

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Wm. J. Richardson, Jr.

land. Drug stores, everywhere sell it for fifty cents a bottle. Get a bottle of this excellent remedy, and have it in the house. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

DRIVES LAST

SPIKE TONIGHT

What has proven one of the most successful and entertaining serials ever reeled off at a picture show ends tonight when the last episode of the "Girl and the Game" will be shown at The Queen.

"The Girl and the Game" has been holding the crowds for Saturday afternoon and matinee for the past fifteen weeks, and many people have not missed a reel of the thrilling picture. The last episode promises to be the most thrilling of them all, and brings to a happy climax the completion of the railroad in which Helen Holmes made possible by her death defying ventures, and there will be a wedding that so many have been watching for. This story was carried in both The Daily and The Banner-Ledger.

G. Schuhmann and N. K. Freeman, of Rowena, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger a few hours Friday.

For the stomach and bowel disorders of babies McGee's Baby Elixir is a remedy of genuine merit. It acts quickly, is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

Homer McKinley, of the Parramore ranch near Hatchel, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

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FIRST RURAL CONCERT SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

Ballinger boosters never made a more successful visit to the rural districts of this county than the excursion to Norton Friday night. More than forty cars joined in the trip and about one hundred and fifty Ballinger citizens, including quite a number of ladies, spent nearly three hours at Norton where a large crowd of the citizens of that section of the country assembled and enjoyed the concert put on by the Ballinger band.

The trip from Ballinger to Norton and return was made without a hitch. Out of the long string of cars no one experienced any trouble amounting to anything and the drive to Norton was made in about one hour. Returning the cars forming a procession that extended over a mile, the lights resembling a long string of street lights made a pretty scene.

The party of boosters arrived at Norton about sun down and the band rendered quite a number of selections on the streets before dark, after which the crowd marched to the tabernacle, where the concert was continued, the musical numbers being interspersed with short speeches.

Prof. W. S. Fleming was the first speaker called on and extended the glad hand to the Norton people, briefly telling them the object of the visit. The other speakers responded were Prof. A. W. Cherry, principal of the Norton school, T. J. McCaughan, the Norton merchant, E. V. Bateman, C. P. Shepherd, J. H. Baugh, Don A. Swett.

The Aches of House Cleaning

The pain and soreness caused by bruises, over-exertion and straining during house cleaning time are soothed away by Sloan's Liniment. No need to suffer this agony. Just apply Sloan's Liniment to the sore spots, rub only a little. In a short time the pain leaves, you rest comfortably and enjoy a refreshing sleep. One grateful user writes: "Sloan's Liniment is worth its weight in gold." Keep a bottle on hand, use it against all soreness, Neuralgia and Bruises. Kills pain. 25c at your druggist.

SICKNESS PREVENTS SPEAKING TONIGHT

Waco, Texas, 4-28-16
J. L. Chastain,
Clerk Modern Woodmen,
Ballinger, Texas

A brother seriously sick with pneumonia makes it impossible to be with you Saturday night. On receipt of this please tell Pastor Jester why I can not come. Express regrets to all concerning my absence.

PAT NEFF.

The above telegram explains itself. Judge Neff was billed to speak on Fraternalism at the Carnegie Library in Ballinger tonight, and was scheduled for a religious lecture at the First Baptist church Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. The speaking had been extensively advertised and the failure of the speaker to get here will cause regret to many who expected to be present.

LADIES! CAPUDINE
TAKE CAPUDINE
FOR ACHE AND PAINS
RELIEVES THE NERVOUSNESS ALSO
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Prof. Chas. Plachy, principal of the Rowena public school, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday.

I now have employed an expert alternation man, who can handle anything in this line. W. H. W. H. ROARK, The Tailor 3tdpd



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Watch the Fords Go By.

R. S. Bowden and J. W. Borders of Maverick, Dick and Clarence Harter and W. D. Davis, of the Wilmet country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Friday.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co. Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by Druggists. Price 75c per bottle.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

BIG ATTRACTION TO OPEN WHITE CITY

"Excuse Me," will be the headline attraction tonight at the re-opening of the White City Airdome. "The Strange Case of Mary Page," installment number seven; and an Essanay cartoon comedy "Dreamy Dud in Love," will constitute an eight reel program of more than ordinary excellence.

Always popular with all classes of Ballinger theatre goers, the White City should be doubly so this season, with the many attractions of strong dramatic interest booked for showing there. In the close future the new "Triangle" plays will be seen at this place, and these pictures are said to be the highest class features obtainable, being produced by D. W. Griffith, Tom Ince, and Mack Sennet. A Keystone comedy will accompany each Griffith or Ince Triangle feature. A contract has been signed by Manager Reeder for the exclusive showings of the Chaplin features at the White City, and other good comedy has been booked.

A band concert will be given tonight at the White City, and the regular Saturday night concerts by the band will be repeated.

Some additional features will be shown at the airdome next week.

Good For Colds.

Honey, Pine-Tar and Glycerine are recognized cold remedies. In Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey these are combined with other cough medicine in a pleasant syrup. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar Honey quickly stops your cough, checks your cold, soothes irritation of the throat. Excellent for young, adult and aged. Its one of the best cough syrups made. Formula on every bottle. You know just what you are taking and your doctor knows its good for coughs and colds. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Only 25c at druggists.

MORTUARY.

S. N. Cantrell

S. N. Cantrell died at his home on Valley creek Friday night from that dread disease consumption, and the remains were prepared for burial by C. R. Crews of the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., and the remains were shipped Saturday afternoon to Lancaster, Texas, and will be laid to rest in the cemetery of that city Sunday afternoon.

He was 43 years of age at the time of his death and leaves a wife and seven children and his brother H. H. Cantrell and other relatives of Valley creek, to mourn his early demise.

The Ledger joins amny friends in sympathy for the sad relatives in this hour of bereavement.

Insomnia.

Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less, and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper, and see if you do not rest much better. Obtainable everywhere.

E. E. Chamberlain, of Memphis, Texas, who had been visiting in Ballinger the past day or two left Saturday to visit relatives at Miles before returning home.

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WILL STAND—at our stables, two Registered Jersey bulls, at \$2.50 with return privileges. Will call and get your cow. Phone 414. Street & Middleton. 14-1mo-d.

We would like to meet every Overland owner in the county. Come to see us. O'Kelly & Walton.

M. C. Harrell of the Blocker ranch above Ballinger, came in Saturday morning to accompany his sister-in-law, Miss Newman, who was en route to her home at Valera.

If you don't think we can put out a suit now on time, try me. ROARK, The Tailor. 3tdpd

Spring.

Spring is looked upon by many as the most delightful season of the year but this cannot be said of the rheumatic. The cold and damp weather brings on rheumatic pains which are anything but pleasant. They can be relieved, however, by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Obtainable everywhere.

Jeff Riggs of the Wingate country, was greeting friends and transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

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, 2026 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Adv.

QUEEN THEATRE TONIGHT

TODAY'S PROGRAM

The Last Episode of "THE GIRL AND THE GAME"
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