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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1916.

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D. REEDER

TALKING THROUGH BALLINGER TO ST. LOUIS.

Manager Day of the West Texas Telephone Co., says that he had the pleasure of experiencing "modern way" talking Tuesday, when a long distance message passed through his exchange en route from a nearby point to St. Louis. The connection was made and the conversation carried on in the most perfect way.

The two men conversed as though they were facing each other in the same room, no repeating or delay being necessary. The idea of a man sitting in his office here and talking to a man

seated at his desk in St. Louis sounds a little "fishy," but only recently a conversation was carried on across the United States, and we are only waking up to what is in store for the future generation.

OPEN RESTAURANT

Laxon & Long opened their restaurant in the Wooden building on Eighth Street Wednesday, formerly occupied by the Laxon Restaurant, and everything is thoroughly renovated from top to bottom, and in good shape.

Watch the Fords Go By.

WHITE CITY

Biograph Presents Vera Sission, Jack Mulhall, Greichen Hartman and G. Raymond Nye in

"Her Stepchild"

Vitagraph Drama

"Sam's Sweetheart"

Uim Comedy

"Speed Kings"

10c No Advance in Prices 10c

We have installed a telephone for the benefit of our patrons. Call your friends here. No. 63

CYMRIC WAS NOT WARNED

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 10.—It is not believed that the American government will take any action in the torpedoing of the Cymric, although Consul Frost, located at Queenstown, has reported to the American government that the vessel was torpedoed without warning, and the crew imperiled in a rough sea. There were no Americans aboard the Cymric. Germany dispatched a note to the American government today admitting the submarineing of the Sussex. The German embassy stated that all reparation for the loss of the vessel would be made in due course of time.

BANTRY, May 9.—(Via London).—One hundred and seven members of the crew of the Cymric arrived at Bantry this evening. Several suffering from broken limbs were sent to the hospital.

The officers of the Cymric declare that the vessel was torpedoed without warning.

A submarine was seen, but it disappeared immediately after firing the torpedo. The Cymric although badly damaged made her way for some hours, but finally sank. Many of the crew on their arrival here were barefooted and only partly clad.

WOULD CO-OPERATE WITH AMERICANS IF THEY WILL STAY IN OWN COUNTRY

Mexicans Massing on Border

By United Press
MARATHON, Texas, May 10.—A report received here shortly after noon today says that Demetric Garza, leader of the bandits who made a raid on Glen Springs Friday night, was killed in a fight with the American cavalrymen late yesterday, who overtook the bandits and engaged them in battle.

A report received here also says that the Mexicans are massing on the opposite side of the river from Boquilla. The Eighth Cavalry expects to cross the river this afternoon and strengthen the expedition that has been sent after the bandits.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Democrats Unqualifiedly Endorse President Wilson

The Runnels County Democratic Convention convened in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock and the business of the party was transacted in a harmonious way. The convention was in session a little more than one hour. There were about twenty-five delegates present from five precincts, the other nineteen precincts in the county failing to send representation.

The Democrats assembled went on record as "unqualifiedly" endorsing the Wilson administration and commending Gov. Ferguson for his stand with the president and for his business administration. This resolution was the only one reported by the committee on resolutions, and after electing delegates to the state convention, which meets in San Antonio on May 23, the convention adjourned.

When Chairman Doss called the meeting to order, he called for the election of a secretary. C. R. Stephens was nominated and elected without opposition.

Upon motion the chairman appointed T. T. Crosson, E. P. Scarborough and W. B. Ray, as a committee on credentials. The committee appointed reported the precincts of Miles, Winters, Crews, Ballinger No. 1, and Ballinger No. 24, represented by accredited delegates.

The chairman, upon motion, appointed J. W. Clampitt, D. P. Moser, and W. O. Cryer, as committee on organization and representation, and the committee's report was adopted and all accredited delegates from the above precincts were seated.

Upon motion the chairman appointed a committee on resolutions, composed of J. McGregor, J. Y. Pearce, A. E. Davis, Jas. P. Cogsdell, J. T. Davis.

Paul Trimmier, J. N. Adams, W. W. Cummings, J. H. Lewis, and W. R. Albritton were appointed as a committee to nominate delegates to the state convention.

The nominating committee reported to the convention the names of J. H. Baugh, A. E. Davis, J. P. Cogdell, J. McGregor,

and J. T. Davis, delegates; and W. B. Ray, A. D. Tally, W. O. Cryer, C. R. Stephens and W. W. Cummings, alternates. The report was adopted and the delegates named elected.

The resolution committee reported the following resolution, which was adopted:

To Hon. A. K. Doss, Chairman: Your committee on resolutions would most respectfully report as follows:—Resolved,

That this convention go on record as endorsing unqualifiedly the administration of Woodrow Wilson, President, and especially his policy of handling the many critical questions that have arisen between this country and foreign governments, and we desire also to express our confidence in his ability and heartily endorse him for re-election to his great office.

Second. That whereas, Gov. James E. Ferguson is and has always been in strict accord and sympathy with the policies of the Wilson administration, that we endorse his stand fully in this respect, and we further would endorse most fully his business like and efficient administration of our state affairs, and be it further resolved that it is the sense of this convention that the delegates from this convention to the state convention be and are hereby instructed to support him as leader of the Texas delegation to the National Democratic Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MCGREGOR,
JAMES P. COGDELL,
A. D. TALLY,
A. E. DAVIS,
J. Y. PEARCE,

Judge T. T. Crosson introduced the following resolution, which was adopted without discussion:

Resolved, that we believe President Wilson to be the greatest president of the United States since the war between the states, and that he is such for the reason that in all his walks of life he has strictly adhered to the principles of government as enunciated in the Declaration of Inde-

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Important Notice

Friday, May 12th
A Fashion Expert

From New York

At Our Pattern Department

This is an unusual opportunity that you should not miss to obtain advance information of the styles that will be most popular this Spring. We are glad to offer her expert service free of charge.

Spring Patterns
Now on Sale

THE McCALL QUARTERLY contains hundreds of illustrations of the newest fashions. Only 20 cents, including any 15c McCall Pattern Free.

McCall Doll Pattern FREE

Every little girl who calls at our Pattern Counter on May 12th will receive a dainty McCall Doll Pattern Free. Each pattern is for a complete doll dress.

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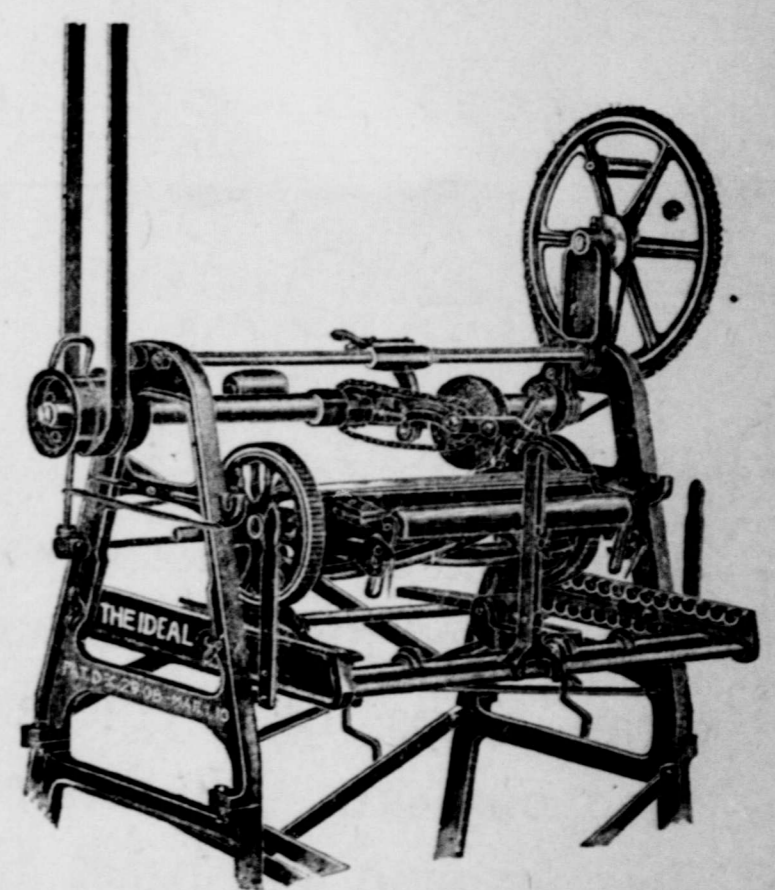
WHITE SALE STARTS

FRIDAY, MAY 12th.

See Weekly Banner-Ledger for further particulars.

ACCEPTANCE RECEIVED AT BERLIN TODAY

By United Press
BERLIN, May 10.—Unofficial reports circulated here today say that Germany has approved President Wilson's note accepting the submarine concessions made by the German government. No comment has been made on the attitude to be assumed at the refusal of Mr. Wilson to agree to use his influence to bring about a modification of the British blockade.



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Ballinger Auto Company

1000 lawn mowers to sharpen with our Automatic Grinding Machine at once. We guarantee to make them work.
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A. W. SLEDGE, Editor
G. P. SHEPHERD, Business Mgr.

HEART REVERIES

We have had the pleasure of perusing a beautiful little book of poems entitled "Heart Reveries," written by Mrs. Bessie Caries, written by Mrs. Bessie Caries, of this city. We were surprised to know that we had in our midst one so talented as the work of this little book shows its authors to be. It will be our pleasure to reproduce a poem entitled "Mother" from this book, some time during the latter part of this week, as it is most suitable for Mother's Day. Mrs. Hunt has her poems on sale at the Martindale news stand, and those who strengthen the sale of them will no doubt assist Mrs. Hunt in a way that will be appreciated.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *W. C. Parke*

F. M. Wood of the Mud Creek country, and E. F. Kre of the Pony creek country, were looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

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

Now is the time to clean-up, repaint and paper your house. We want to do your work.

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FIRE INSURANCE
The Best Companies
PROMPT SERVICE
Your business solicited
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Will Jackson
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Grocer and Baker
'Phones 93 and 94

BIRD DENIES CHARGE OF POLITICAL GAME

The following open letter was addressed to the editor of the Miles Messenger this week, and a copy of it handed to The Ledger for publication:

Editor of the Miles Messenger: I notice that in your last issue you say, among other things, "But, lo and behold! a little political game was set on foot at the eleventh hour—and it worked. The court appointed Prof. Bird of the Wolmeth community, to the place. . . . Prof. Hagan we understand was an applicant, but withdrew in favor of Prof. Wells."

I emphatically deny the first statement, and can find no one other than yourself who seems to know anything of either statement. Naturally, I am not fighting Prof. Hagan's battles, but resent any unfair statement toward him, nevertheless.

You will kindly furnish the public any facts you possess or imagine you possess concerning either of these statements. The proof devolves upon you, and I shall expect you to produce it. Your silence will signify that you have no such proof.

Very respectfully,
L. S. BIRD.

THE ABILENE & SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Passenger Train 16, leaving Ballinger at 6:30 A. M. Connects with Texas & Pacific Ry. "Sunshine Special" East Bound, Leaving Abilene 9:25 A. M.

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J. SHIELDS,
Ticket Agent, Ballinger, Texas.

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Avoid Spring Colds.

Sudden changes, high winds, shifting seasons cause colds and grippe, and these spring colds are likely to turn into a chronic summer cough. In such cases take a treatment of Dr. King's New Discovery, a pleasant Laxative Tar Syrup. It soothes the cough, checks the cold and helps break up an attack of grippe. It's already prepared, no mixing or fussing. Just ask your druggist for a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery. Tested and tried for over 40 years.

Miss Cavitt of Holland, Texas, who had been the guest of Mrs. Fannie Johnson the past few weeks, left for her home Monday afternoon.

Watch the Fords Go By.

CANDIDATE FOR GOV. COMING TO PICNIC

What promises to be one of the most successful and largely attended picnics for the present season is staged for June 17th, when the people of the Northeast part of the county will come together for a big picnic near Crews. J. L. Humphreys was here from Crews Monday and stated that the people in that part of the county were already planning for the big event and the occasion was being extensively advertised. There will be eats and to spare, and the program committee has been successful in securing speakers for the occasion.

Judge Morris, candidate for governor, has accepted an invitation to speak, and Judge Blanton candidate for Congress, has also accepted an invitation. The candidates for representative will be expected to address the people, and other prominent speakers have been invited, including Congressman Smith, and the candidates for district judge.

Whooping Cough.

One of the most successful preparations in use for this disease is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. S. W. McLinton, Blandon Springs, Ala., writes, "Our baby had whooping cough as bad as most any baby could have it. I gave him Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it soon got him well. Obtainable everywhere."

Ike Honig returned home Tuesday afternoon from a visit to his ranch in Schleicher County and says grass is growing nicely in the pastures in that section but the rains were not so good as in this section the past few weeks.

PROMINENT LADY SPEAKER COMING

Mrs. Mary Harris Armor of Georgia, will deliver an address on Prohibition next Monday night at 8 o'clock. The people of Ballinger are peculiarly fortunate in securing an address from this speaker of national renown, while she is passing through town from Abilene to San Angelo. The Nashville Tennessean in its daily columns makes comment upon Mrs. Armor: "Probably not since the days of Frances Willard the great founder of the world's W. C. T. U., has there appeared a woman of such inborn eloquence and marvelous power to sway the multitudes with the mighty two-edged sword of truth as Mrs. Mary Harris Armor. Her burning satire and sparkling wit, her mighty grasp of truth, her perfectly natural and unaffected way of presenting it, born of desperate earnestness, her magnetic personality, and above all her absolute faith in God, makes her one of the most powerful factors on the American continent in the overthrow of the liquor traffic."

Mrs. Armor will speak at the court house in Ballinger, Monday night, May 15th. No charges, and every one is invited.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomiting. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic pains and diarrhoea. McGee's Baby Elixir is a grand corrective remedy for the stomach and bowel disorders of babies. It is pure, wholesome and pleasant to take. Price 25c, and 50c per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

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

OVERLAND MODEL 86, SIX; \$1140 F. O. B. FACTORY.

The advantage of the Overland Six are definite and tangible—advantages that, for the most part, you will recognize as soon as you see the car and ride in it.

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OVERLAND MODEL 83B \$695 F. O. B. FACTORY.

Overland Model 83B is to be preferred above any other automobile at or near its price, because of certain definite advantages.

OVERLAND MODEL 75, \$615 F. O. B. FACTORY.

A real automobile, an Overland, for \$615! That is Model 75—smaller, lighter and more economical to run, but with the advantages of larger and higher-priced cars.

The above facts are only a few of the many advantages. In the Overland line if you will call phone or write us we will be glad to give you all the facts without any obligation on your part. Let us hear from you.

O'KELLY and WALTON, Agents

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST

List of letters advertised, May 6, 1916.

- Campbell, Mrs. Will
- Cryer, E. R.
- Hart & Sons, J. F.
- Mahan, John
- Mitchell, Miss Susan
- Orheam, Mrs. Edith
- Rogers, Mrs. Lizzie
- Vaughans, Ned
- Wesley, James
- Witt, Mrs. Willie

When calling for the above letters please say "Advertised" and give the date of this list. After two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead-letter-office.
JAMES J. ERWIN, P. M.

In the whole field of medicine there is not a healing remedy that will repair damage to the flesh more quickly than Ballard's Snow Liniment. In cuts, wounds, sprains, burns, scalds and rheumatism, its healing and penetrating power is extraordinary. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Miss Zelma Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Lewis of the Crews country, passed thru Ballinger Tuesday en route home from Hondo, where she had been teaching the past year.

E. J. Guin, W. A. Pace and C. P. Pruitt of Wingate, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday and while here Mr. Pruitt renewed with the Banner-Ledger for another year.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the past 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

National Bank of Commerce, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

W. O. Cryer, Judge J. P. Cogsdell of Winters, and J. R. Harris and little daughter of the Hatchel country, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday and while here Mr. Harris renewed with the Banner-Ledger for the ensuing year.

H. M. Harvey came home Tuesday night from Abilene, where he has been doing some building for Percy Jones and will leave in a few days for Ozona, where he has a contract to build two stone store buildings.

Miss Ann Van Doren left Tuesday afternoon to visit relatives and friends at Belton a few days.

DR. PRICE'S
Cream
BAKING POWDER
Pure, Healthful, Dependable
Made from Cream of Tartar
No Alum—No Phosphate

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Middleton of Carlsbad, came in Monday afternoon to visit his brothers, W. E. and B. B. Middleton, and families a few days.

A. D. Talley and J. L. Humphreys of Crews, J. L. Atwell, Tom Boykin, Cam Murray and W. D. Jennings of Miles, Clarence Harter of Wilmeth, John Hery Lewis and Mr. Davis of the Crews country, were among the number who were attending the county convention in Ballinger Tuesday.

Are You Bothered with Constipation?

You will have grateful relief from the first dose of Po-Do-Lax. It is a compound laxative for it not only empties the bowels but stimulates the bile and other secretions. It attacks constipation at its source and you get permanent relief. Po-Do-Lax will give your regular stool and only occasionally will you need it. An excellent liver medicine. 50c at Druggists.

Judge W. H. Gross of Mineral Wells, came over in his auto Tuesday en route to his ranch up the river and was accompanied by Dr. Fisher, Robert Jordan, and W. E. O'Neal, prominent citizens of Mineral Wells, who will spend a week or ten days on the Gross ranch.

David Guion, who holds the chair of Music at the Daniel Baker College at Brownwood, came in Tuesday night to visit home folks and Ballinger friends a few days.

"Chamberlain's Tablets Have Done Wonders for Me."

"I have been a sufferer from stomach trouble for a number of years, and although I have used a great number of remedies recommended for this complaint, Chamberlain's Tablets is the first medicine that has given me positive and lasting relief," writes Mrs. Anna Kadin, Spencerport, N. Y. "Chamberlain's Tablets have done wonders for me and I value them very highly." Obtainable everywhere.



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Fence Against the Filthy Flies

Let us help you do it. We carry a big stock of screen doors. All sizes and at prices you can pay. Screen your house and cheat the doctor out of a patient.

Ballinger Lumber Co.

Leroy Wilke, who has been editing The Big Lake News, came in Wednesday morning to visit home folks and Ballinger friends a few days.

H. O. Rhodes was looking after business affairs at Winters Tuesday.

Miss Beatrice Wilkinson, after a most pleasant and enjoyable visit with Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, the past week or ten days, returned to her home at Brownwood Tuesday afternoon.

The DeMerville brothers have just finished putting on some artistic painting on the front of the J. Y. Pearce Drug Store, and also on the front of the Walker Drug Co.'s place of business.

W. C. McCarver left Wednesday at noon for Rowena and Miles on a short business trip.

Miss Susie Rogers left Tuesday afternoon for Talpa, to visit friends a day or two.

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, J. O. WOODWARD.
- Representative 11th District: WALLACE E. HAWKINS, M. LESTER CHAMBERS.
- 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, H. O. RHODES.
- For County Attorney: C. P. SHEPHERD, SAMUEL C. HARRIS.
- For County Treasurer: W. E. BROWN.
- For Tax Collector: W. T. PADGETT, MIKE C. BOYD, M. D. CHIASTAIN, 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, L. S. BIRD, JNO. C. WELLS.
- For Commissioner Pre. No. 1: E. C. MOOR, R. P. KIRK, R. W. (Bob) GILLIAM.

Ballinger and Winters Service Line

Makes four trips each way. Call for and deliver passengers any where in Ballinger or Winters.
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Leave Ballinger at—7:00 a. m. 9:30 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 4:30 p. m.
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Good cars and careful drivers.
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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.

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Electricity does the work nothing else will do.

Electric lighting, cooking, Sewing and ironing make housekeeping easy.

If your house is not wired let us make an estimate of the cost.

We will probably be able to solve your problem.

An iron for a few days ON TRIAL will convince you.

Ballinger Electric Light and Power Company

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MAYOR POWELL MAKES STATEMENT

At the request of many citizens of the city of Ballinger I will try and give some light on the three questions to be voted on May 11th.

The city council has closed a contract to buy a fire truck at a price of \$7,500, \$1,000 cash when the truck is delivered, and 4 yearly payments of \$1,625, with 6 per cent interest. Through the assistance of the fire boys this first \$1,000 is to be raised, then the city will give said four warrants. The council and fire boys think the fire truck much needed and a good investment for the city. It will reduce insurance and save property. (The fire boys have published an article on this subject). Should this deal stand as above set out, the truck company will hold a lien on the truck for deferred payments. No additional tax, no bonds.

We learn that the sewer company makes 10 per cent on their investment of \$20,000; that in the residence part of town where they are prepared to care for all residences they have an average of 3 residents attached out of 10 residences in the block. If the city owned the plant the law will compel all residences to make connections where the plant comes in a certain number of feet of said property. That would double the income at the same price now being paid by each connection enabling the city to pay for it in 10 or more years out of this income. No raise in price, no tax, and no bonds. The city would then own the plant in 10 years and not be out a cent.

The electric light plant is a more difficult problem. It is thought by many that \$35,000 will duplicate every dollar invested in this plant, and if so it would not be wise to pay this company \$60,000 or \$75,000 to get it. We have estimates showing us that the present city water works could be added to by machinery and power, at a cost of \$15,000. That would supply power to run the water and light plants and \$15,000 for wire and poles would give the city as efficient a system of light as we have today. The cost of running same would be less to the city than it is to the old company or the new company to supply power from San Angelo. If we must pay a price to make them interest on \$60,000 to \$75,000, the same price would give the city a surplus to go into a sinking fund, which would pay off the \$35,000 in 20 years and we would own the plant and not be out a dollar. The difference in interest on \$75,000 we now pay the old company and interest on a \$35,000 new company (the city) would pay this debt in 20 years. If we pay as now for 20 years we gain nothing. If we buy or build a plant and pay as now in 20 years we will own it and be out of debt.

The council has appointed a committee to look into these matters, they have not reported yet so I am speaking off hand, without authorized data. The city attorney, aldermen, and ex-aldermen may give more light and more detail.

J. W. POWELL.

A Symbol of Health.

The Pythagorians of Ancient Greece ate simple food, practiced temperance and purity. As a badge they used the five pointed star which they regarded as a symbol of health. A red pointed star appears on each package of Chamberlain's Tablets and still fulfills its ancient mission as a symbol of health. If you are troubled with indigestion, biliousness or constipation, get a package of these tablets from your druggist. You will be surprised at the quick relief which they afford. Obtainable everywhere.

J. M. Garlington informed us Tuesday that the West Texas Telephone Co. contributed very liberally with a ten dollar check for the public road working near the city of Ballinger.

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

Arch Brookshire of the Benoit country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Line Gresham, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to Comanche to visit a few days.

SAYS FIRE TRUCK CUT INSURANCE

Editor, Ledger,
Ballinger, Texas.

Will you allow me to say a few words regarding the proposed purchase of a fire truck for the City of Ballinger? The fire boys who give their time—and even money in some instances—who are working for a bigger and better Ballinger, realize that there is no concerted movement on the part of the citizens of Ballinger to defeat the election to be held May 16, at which time the matter of the city's purchase of a fire truck will be voted upon. We realize, however, that upon the votes of the people of Ballinger depend the future welfare of the volunteer firemen and Ballinger itself, and for that reason avail ourselves of this opportunity to present our claims for a fire truck.

It is needless to say that the smaller fire loss we have in Ballinger the smaller insurance rate we will have to pay. The present keyrate of 38 cents, by the installation of the fire truck, will be reduced several points and the amount saved the insurance payers of Ballinger in premiums, according to one of the larger insurance agents, will be considerably over \$1,000 and less than \$1,500. The exact amount of the reduction in the keyrate would be ascertained by an engineer of the state fire insurance commission who would make a visit to Ballinger to inspect the new equipment immediately following the installation of the modern equipment. The fact that the fire truck contemplated for Ballinger includes a chemical extinguisher should be sufficient inducement in itself to the resident of Ballinger to rise up in a body, making an unanimous demand upon the city council that the new equipment be purchased. At least 80 per cent of the fires originating in the downtown district could be extinguished by the use of chemicals and stock carried by the stores could thus be saved from water damage. Any insurance agent operating in Ballinger will tell you that the loss due to fires will be curtailed thousands of dollars by the use of chemicals on the greater part of the fires in the city. All fires originating in the interior, if the alarm is sounded quickly and the distance covered by the company is not too great, can be put under control without use of water. Wall paper and furnishings are preserved when chemicals are used, stock is kept intact, and fires combatted under the present conditions, entailing a loss of thousands of dollars annually, will fade into insignificance compared with those extinguished by a chemical attachment to the truck to be purchased by the city.

Is a fire truck costing the city of Ballinger only \$7,500 worthy of a saving of between \$1,000 and \$1,500 annually to policy holders?

Isn't one fire originating in the downtown section of the city extinguished by the use of chemicals worthy of the modern equipment to be voted upon May 16? Isn't the water damage to large dry goods or grocery stocks more costly in the course of a year's time than the entire outlay for a fire truck with the simple chemical attachment?

Is there any reason why Ballinger should pay the highest keyrate in West Texas by maintaining fire equipment ten years behind the times?

Isn't the saving annually to the policy holders worthy in itself of the purchase of modern fire fighting equipment. The firemen who give their time and attention towards making a bigger and better Ballinger think so and they are supported by hundreds of others. Are you for a greater Ballinger or are you one of the legarthie sleepers?

Yours for a smaller fire loss,
L. COHEN.

A Good Family Cough Syrup.

Can be made by mixing Pine-Tar-Aconite, Sugar, Hyoscyamus, Sassafras, Peppermint, Ipecac, Rhubarb, Mandrake, Capsicum, Muriae Ammonia, Honey and Glycerine. It is pleasant, healing and soothing, raises the phlegm, and gives almost instant relief. For convenience of those who prefer not to fuss, it is supplied ready made in 25c bottles under name of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Can be had at your druggist. Insist on getting Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey and see that the formula is one the package.

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

HOW CITY CAN GET ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT

Cities have the power to buy electric light plants without issuing bonds, by buying on credit and giving lien on the plant the same as a farmer buys land on credit and gives a vendor lien on the land.

The city is even better fixed than the farmer on that score. If the farmer fails to meet his payment he loses the land and a judgement held over him for any balance unpaid. The city holds the plant pay or no pay. The court will aid the creditor to this extent: Have a manager to run it and pay creditor out of earnings if any after all running expenses are paid. The city has the use of it all the time and when it pays itself out, it becomes the city's property although the city has not paid a dollar.

I wrote another article yesterday on this subject for publication which I suppose will appear in print today. I hope others will give light on these subjects to be voted on next Tuesday, May 16th, as each voter wishes to vote for the city's interests and should have information from those best informed on those issues.

I hope no one will wait to give

his views the last issue of the paper before the election when no reply can be made. Be fair in this matter.

J. W. POWELL.

Barbed wire cuts, ragged wounds, collar and harness galls heal up quickly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is applied. It is both healing and antiseptic. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

J. B. Pace of the Pumphrey country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Speaking Appointments for Judge Thos. L. Blanton, Candidate for Congress 16th Dist.

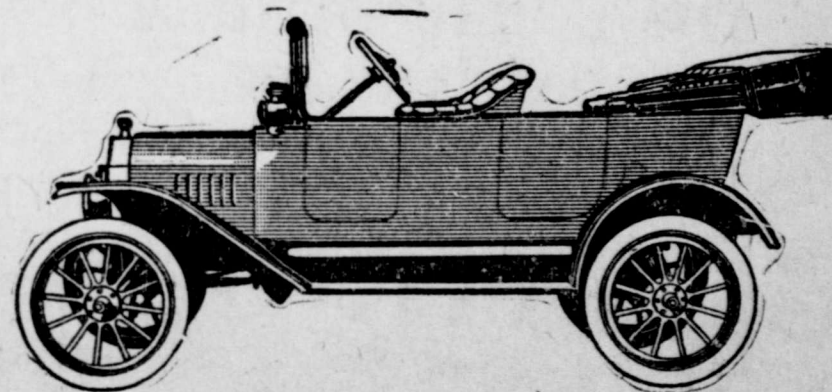
Pumphrey, May 15, 9:30 a. m.
Norton, May 15, 11:00 a. m.
Bronte, May 15, 3:00 p. m.
Robert Lee, May 15, Night.
Tennyson, May 16, 10:30 a. m.
Rowena, May 16, 2:30 p. m.
Miles, May 16, Night.
Mereta, May 17, 10:30 a. m.
Wall, May 17, 2:30 p. m.
San Angelo, May 17, Night.
Sherwood, May 18, 10:00 a. m.
Mertzson, May 18, 1:30 p. m.
Ozona, May 18, Night.
Big Lake, May 19, 10:30 a. m.
Rankin, May 19, 3:00 p. m.
Upland, May 19, Night.
Stiles, May 20, 10:00 a. m.
Garden City, May 20, 1:30 p. m.
Big Springs, May 20, 4:30 p. m.

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THE UNIVERSAL CAR

You must not judge the Ford car by its first cost. That is low, because the best manufacturing methods and the great volume of production reduce the cost of making and selling. Better materials, bought at lower prices, makes the Ford a better car for less money. Orders yours today!

Runabout \$390; Touring Car \$440; Town Car \$640; Sedan \$740. All prices f. o. b. Detroit. On sale at

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Ballinger, Texas



Health for Sick Women

For Forty Years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Has Been Woman's Most Reliable Medicine—Here is More Proof.

To women who are suffering from some form of woman's special ills, and have a constant fear of breaking down, the three following letters ought to bring hope:—



North Crandon, Wis.—“When I was 16 years old I got married and at 18 years I gave birth to twins and it left me with very poor health. I could not walk across the floor without having to sit down to rest and it was hard for me to keep about and do my work. I went to a doctor and he told me I had a displacement and ulcers, and would have to have an operation. This frightened me so much that I did not know what to do. Having heard of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I thought I would give it a trial and it made me as well as ever. I cannot say enough in favor of the Pinkham remedies.”—Mrs. MAYME ASBACH, North Crandon, Wis.

Testimony from Oklahoma.

Lawton, Okla.—“When I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I seemed to be good for nothing. I tired easily and had headaches much of the time and was irregular. I took it again before my little child was born and it did me a wonderful amount of good at that time. I never fail to recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to ailing women because it has done so much for me.”—Mrs. A. L. McCASLAND, 509 Have St., Lawton, Okla.

From a Grateful Massachusetts Woman.

Roxbury, Mass.—“I was suffering from inflammation and was examined by a physician who found that my trouble was caused by a displacement. My symptoms were bearing down pains, backache, and sluggish liver. I tried several kinds of medicine; then I was asked to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It has cured me and I am pleased to be in my usual good health by using it and highly recommend it.”—Mrs. B. M. Osgood, 1 Haynes Park, Roxbury, Mass.



If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

SOUTH BALLINGER NEWS

Ed Eubank had business in San Angelo Wednesday.

Guy Middleton and bride of Christoval, are visiting Ben Middleton and family.

Master Barbee Tomerlin, of Paint Rock, is visiting his cousin, Wardlow McCamy.

Quite a crowd went from S. Ballinger Friday to Eagle Branch to attend the concert, and report a pleasant time.

J. C. Reese is laying the foundation for a new bungalow.

Master Carl Black entertained 45 playmates Saturday afternoon at his birthday party. Dainty refreshments were served, and various games were played and he received quite a shower of presents. All the youngsters came away reporting having had a most delightful time.

W. E. Branch left Wednesday for Mertzon on business.

ELBERTA PEACH.

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

Watch the Fords Go By.

Louis Tignor, the jeweler with Jas. E. Brewer, left first of the week for Lovelady and other points in that section on a two week's vacation.

ELECTION NOTICE

By authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, and by order of the city council, I order an election to be held on the 16th day of May, 1916, at the city hall in said city, by the qualified voters of said city, to determine the wishes of said citizenship on three propositions, viz: the purchase by the city of a fire truck; of the electric light plant; and of the sewerage plant.

J. F. Lusk is appointed manager of said election.

Dated May 5th, 1916.

J. W. POWELL, Mayor.

4-d10t.

Rheumatism

If you are troubled with chronic or muscular rheumatism give Chamberlain's Liniment a trial. The relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. Obtainable everywhere.

Watch the Fords Go By.

Democratic Unqualifiedly Endorse President Wilson

(Continued from First Page.)

pendence of this government, which declaration is in strict harmony with the fundamental principles of life taught by Christ.

And, that we believe for the above reasons he has accepted the doctrines of Democracy as enunciated by Thos. Jefferson, the founder of Democracy in this country; which Democracy is in strict harmony with the principles of government enunciated in the Declaration of Independence.

We as Democrats rejoice that our president has thus far kept us from war with Mexico, our sister republic, as well as from participation in the now bloody, unreasonable, uncalculated, and un-Christian European war. And we pray, trust, and hope that he may be able to so conduct the affairs of state that our young men of America may not be called to the existing European slaughter pen.

We pray that the special interests of this government, as well as the foreign governments now engaged in war, may not so saturate our president's mind with the spirit of hate, which is the poison of the soul, that he may be induced to drag this glorious country into the vortex of unhuman un-Christian warfare. And we believe and hope that he will so conduct the affairs of state as to relieve us of this dire disaster, which disaster would mean the destruction of the home, happiness, liberty and life; and install instead poverty, misery, death to liberty, and despair to fair America.

HELP THE OLD FOLKS

A Helping Hand Extended to Many Old People in Ballinger.

The infirmities of age are many. Most old people have a bad back.

The kidneys are often weak. Or worn out with years of work. Backache means days of misery.

Urinary troubles, nights of unrest.

Doan's Kidney Pills have helped to make life easier for many.

They are doing so for old and young.

Ballinger people are leaning this way.

Read the following local endorsement. Mrs. C. E. Nelms, N. Ninth St., Ballinger says: "I had a lot of trouble with my back and it was so sore and lame at times, that I could hardly keep going. I suffered this way for a long time and used plasters and medicines with no good results. I thought the trouble was due to advanced age. A friend recommended Doan's Kidney Pills and I started using them. Two boxes made back strong and I felt better in every way."

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

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Halfman, and Wm. Halfman of the Olfin country, were shopping in Ballinger Tuesday.

J. C. WELLS FOR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

With a view to carrying out the wishes of my lamented friend, Supt. Wooten, and in response to the requests of many friends of progressive education in Runnels County, I have decided to enter the race for County Superintendent.

I am a native Texan and have spent 23 years in the schools of the state, most of them in the rural schools. I have for the past three years been superintendent of the Miles High School, and my work here and in the county speaks for itself. I have co-operated with the county administration and am in perfect harmony with the state administration.

While much has been done for the schools of the county, all interested parties realize that there is much more to do. If elected I promise, to the best of my ability, to carry out the progressive policies of your lamented superintendent "who wrought so well."

I believe the district is and should be the unit of our school organization and that each district has its peculiar problems but that there are certain general needs that apply to all. I think our school grounds should be made more attractive by planting trees and flowers and that more attention should be given the out-buildings and the water supply. I rejoice in the fact that a great many have recently built new houses or improved the old and have installed modern heating plants and furniture; I believe these should be commended for what they have done and others encouraged to emulate their examples. I think we should be very slow about changing teachers but by better co-operation and longer terms we should assist them in accomplishing the work set before them. While I am always glad to welcome the stranger to the county I feel that first consideration should always be given the Runnels County boys and girls that have fitted themselves to teach. I am unalterably opposed to the employment of teachers that do not spend any time in the district except the five school days of each week.

I believe the school should be more closely correlated with the home and with this in view, I shall, if elected, advocate the organization of Parents Clubs to assist in improving the grounds, etc., Baby Beef Clubs and Pig Feeding Contests, to interest the children in caring for live stock and the raising of different kinds of feed crops. These not only employ the child during the hours he is out of school but fit him better for his school duties.

Should the people of this county see fit to elect me to this important office I promise not only to visit the schools but to spend an entire day in each district while school is in session. I believe that the best is none too good for Runnels County and insist that we all stand together to see that she gets this.

JNO. C. WELLS.

Rheumatic Pain Stopped. The drawing of muscles, the soreness, stiffness and agonizing pain of rheumatism quickly yield to Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the painful part. Just apply as directed to the sore spots. In a short time the pain gives way to a tingling sensation of comfort and warmth. Here's proof—"I have had wonderful relief since I used your Liniment on my knee. To think one application gave me relief. Sorry I haven't space to tell you the history. Thanking you for what your remedy has done for me."—James S. Ferguson, Philadelphia, Penn. Sloan's Liniment kills pain. 25c at Drug-gists.

DISCOVERS TONIC WELL A mineral well has just been discovered on my place and the water, as analyzed by an A. and M. chemist, shows it to be valuable as a purgative and general tonic. To get the water advertised, I shall deliver a sample gallon to anyone in Ballinger who phones for it before May 21. 8-6td G. A. LADWIG

FOR RENT. FOR RENT—rooms conveniently located, southern exposure, nicely furnished, reasonably priced. Phone 492. dtf-dh

FOR RENT. FOR RENT—two desirable rooms furnished or unfurnished. Apply to Mrs. Bacon, 400 Broadway. dtf.

MISCELLANEOUS 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-lmo-d.

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrup. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

In Use For Over 30 Years
The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

LODGE VERY THANKFUL MURIEL OSTRICHE SHOULD BE REMEMBERED

J. F. Lusk, clerk of the Ballinger Woodmen Camp, is just in receipt of a letter from the W. O. W. camp at Paris, Texas, thanking this camp for their liberal contribution to the Fire relief fund to the Woodmen sufferers in the recent fire in that city.

Sallow complexion is due to a torpid liver. Herbine purifies and strengthens the liver and bowels and restores the rosy bloom of health to the cheek. Price 50c Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

In "A Daughter of the Sea," which is coming to the White City Thursday night, the Equitable has made a notable addition to their excellent program. It is an innovation, and with Muriel Ostriche, one of the most attractive, dainty, and altogether lovable personalities in filmdom, as its star, will take a firm grip on the hearts of those who are fortunate enough to witness it. The story itself appeals to hearts and minds, and the manner in which it is presented, makes an equally strong appeal to the eye.

Among other exciting interesting scenes, is the blowing up of a big yacht. While there are some extra thrilling moments in "A Daughter of the Sea," the principal charm lies in the apt portrayal of the Down East fisher-folk. Picturesque settings of the Maine coast, and sumptuous interior scenes in a Boston banker's home are shown. If you like the sea, with its wealth of adventure and romance, you'll like this feature.

RATES FOR Classified Ads IN THE BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER. One cent per word first insertion. Half cent per word each subsequent insertion. Black face type double regular rate. Cash must accompany copy except where party has regular office account with us. Call Telephone No. 27.

WANTED WANTED—A salesman to handle our line in Ballinger and vicinity. Bond required. Good proposition. Write Grand Union Tea Co., Colorado Springs, for particulars. 8-4td.

AUTO TOPS WANTED at Wendorf's, where they will be repaired and made new.

FOR SALE FOR SALE—good driving or brood mare, good stock, 8 years old, gentle, good traveler. W. S. Fleming. 10-1td-1tw

FOR SALE—or trade, 141 acre farm near Ballinger. For particulars call on C. W. Northington. 8-d&w-2t

FREE—Call at the City Barber Shop, get a free bath and Mah-deen tonic. It will give you a free bath ticket with each one dollar cash worth of barber work at any one time, and with each fifty cents will give you a tonic, or a shine. Our workmen are as good as any in the city. H. O. RHODES. 4-d&w1mo

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is an easy matter for a big bank like ours. We have the resources, the capital, so are never caught napping. On the reserve capital depends its reputation for solidity and reliability. We handle the accounts of the best and shrewdest commercial men in the community and enjoy their confidence completely. We solicit new accounts from responsible concerns individuals.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
Ballinger, Texas

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Condensed Statement at the Close of Business May 1st, 1916.

Resources		Liabilities	
Loans and Discount	\$136,166.32	Capital Stoce	\$60,000.00
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	9,962.59	Surplus and Unvided Profits	15,629.59
Banking House, Fur. and Fix.	24,523.50	Deposits	153,128.92
Guaranty Fund	3,748.48		
Cash and Exchange	60,357.62		
Total	\$234,758.51	Total	\$234,758.51

The Above Statement is Correct
CHAS. S. MILLER, President and Cashier