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MOTHER AND CHILD ATTACKED BY VICIOUS SQUIRREL

While playing in the yard at her home Wednesday morning, little Miss Marybell Doss, daughter of Judge and Mrs. A. K. Doss, was attacked by a squirrel which appeared on the place, and painfully bitten on the neck and head. While attempting to pull the squirrel off the child, Mrs. Doss was bitten through the finger and on the hand.

The squirrel suddenly appeared in the yard where little Marybell was playing. She ran in the house to tell her mother about the squirrel, and the mother returned to the yard with the child when the squirrel ran at the child and viciously attacked her, jumping on her shoulders and biting her through the scalp and at the same time scratching her on the neck. Instead of acting like a pet squirrel the little bushy tail rodent attacked the child in a most vicious manner.

Judge Doss was called home and later shot the squirrel and its head has been sent to the Pasteur Institute at Austin for examination. It is possible that Mrs. Doss and the little girl may have to go to Austin for treatment, but their many friends trust that this will not be necessary, and that they will suffer no ill effects from the bites.

Judge Doss says they have no idea where the squirrel came from, as he knew of no pet squirrels in that part of town, and after the squirrel had attacked his little girl he did not take time to locate its home.

THREE SENTENCED AND ONE SUSPENDED

The criminal docket for the present term of district court was closed Wednesday afternoon. Three criminal cases were disposed of at the afternoon term, while the jury was out deliberating on the Alexander case. The Alexander case went to the jury a few minutes before twelve o'clock Wednesday.

The first case called at the afternoon session Wednesday, was that against Pat Coleman, charged with forgery. The defendant pleaded guilty and the jury fixed the punishment at two years in the pen.

The second case was that against Henry McKinney, also charged with forgery. The defendant entered a plea of guilty and the court fixed the punishment at two years in the pen.

Both the prisoners waived the two days time and asked that they be sentenced at once in order that their term in the pen begin. Standing before the bar they heard Judge Woodward in the most sympathetic way pronounce sentence upon them. Before sentencing the prisoners to the pen Judge Woodward admonished them to try to make good prisoners, reform and when they had paid the penalty for violating the law, to strive to live upright and make good citizens.

Rogue Rodriguez, a Mexican, was arraigned for trial on a charge of stealing a sheep. The Mexican could not speak English and some time was lost in waiting to locate and bring into court an interpreter. Father Goldbach acted as an interpreter, and the Mexican plead guilty and asked for a suspended sentence. Judge Guion defended the Mexican and it was brought out in the trial of the case that the Mexican had been a citizen of Runnels county for about ten years, and had always been a law-abiding and peaceful citizen, this being his first trouble. It was proven that he had a large family, and with tears trickling down the defendant's face he held up his hands and said he would never be guilty of violating the law again. The Mexican had been in jail for three months, and testified that his wife was sick and needed his support. The jury fixed the penalty at three years in the pen, but recommended that the sentence be suspended.

The jury for the week was dismissed and the court will take up the remainder of the term passing on civil cases, probably picking up a jury to try one or two cases yet to be tried before a jury.

Low Allen of Winters who had been in Ballinger for a few days attending district court, returned home Wednesday.

Miss Ora Lee Griegs of Carlsbad, who had been visiting H. C. Norwood here, returned home Wednesday.

WIDE PLOT AGAINST L. LOAN BONDS

St. Louis, Oct. 24.—The federal authorities are investigating reports received here to the effect that a wide spread plot has been formed and is under way in Southern Illinois to balk the sale of Liberty Bonds. Secret service men are on the task of locating those guilty of attempting to interfere with the government's affairs.

REFUSE TO GIVE OUT NAMES OF ASSASSIANS

Memphis, Oct. 24.—The eight men arrested here yesterday for conspiring to kill President Wilson are held in secret confinement. The secret service men who made the arrest refuse to make public the names of the eight men.

MANY BUY BONDS ON LIBERTY DAY

Without any hurrah or advance campaigning, Liberty Day in Ballinger was observed by quite a number placing their order thru the local banks for Liberty Bonds, running the total amount of bonds subscribed for in this city up to \$40,000. If you will look up the list of bond holders, published elsewhere in this paper, you will note the new names added today, and observe the rapid growth in the list of those buying bonds.

Oct. 24th had been set aside all over the nation as Liberty Day. The various governors had carried out the wishes of the president and in keeping with the proclamation issued by the president, has issued proclamations calling on the people to properly observe the day. There was no better way to observe it than buying a Liberty Bond and many of the Ballinger people did that very thing.

MOVEMENT NEGRO TROOPS DELAYED

The local exemption board received notice by wire Wednesday stating that the movement of negro troops had been postponed for a few days, and further instructions would be given soon.

Orders were issued a week or ten days ago for the movement of eight negro soldiers from this county to Camp Travis on Oct. 27th. The local board had a sufficient number of negroes rounded up and ready to fill the required quota, and these would have entrained here next Saturday.

A delay in the schedule for moving troops caused the adjutant general to wire postponement.

MICHAELIS HANDS IN PORTFOLIO

London, Oct. 24.—Amsterdam reports received here assert further trouble in German internal affairs. According to reports received Chancellor Michaelis has placed his portfolio in the hands of the kaiser and refuses to serve longer.

SANTA ELENA DESTROYED; 24 LIVES LOST

Buenos Aires, Oct. 24.—Dispatches received here from Spain reports the sinking of the American steamer Santa Elena. The cause of sinking and the place is not mentioned in the first brief messages, but twenty-four Americans reported lost with the ship.

BOY SCOUTS TO HELP RED CROSS

The Boy Scouts are taking a hand in the war. On Friday evening of this week an entertainment will be given at the Library under the direction of the Boy Scouts, the entire proceeds from which will go to the Red Cross fund. While the program has not been announced we have been informed that the entertainment will be well worth attending and the small admission price you will be asked to pay, and the boys will need your encouragement.

The public is urged to come and enjoy the evening with the boys and grown folks will be asked to pay ten cents and children five cents. Every little bit helps in the Red Cross work, and your little bit is needed. Be present.

MCGREGOR SPEAKS AT QUEEN THEATRE TONIGHT

The Hon. Jack McGregor will be the Four Minute Speaker at the Queen Theatre tonight, speaking for the Liberty Bonds. Mr. McGregor is a well known speaker in Ballinger, and no doubt a good crowd will hear him.

W. N. Moon of Abilene was a business visitor to Ballinger Wednesday.

PERSHING'S ARMY WATCHES FRENCH SCORE BIG VICTORY

FRUITLESS ATTACKS BY GERMANS

London, Oct. 24.—The Germans renewed their violent counter attacks on the newly won British and French positions around Houthulst Wood. The attacks proved fruitless and the British are holding all positions gained in recent fighting.

Mrs. J. D. Robinson returned from Dallas Wednesday, where she had been attending the State Fair.

Paris, Oct. 24.—The total number of prisoners taken in the great French victory on the Aisne front have reached 8,000, including 160 officers. Three full regimental staffs are included in the prisoners. Pershing witnessed the victory, close proximity.

Mrs. Smith Recommends Chamberlain's Tablets.

"I have had more or less stomach trouble for eight or ten years," writes Mrs. G. H. Smith, Brewerton, N. Y. "When suffering from attacks of indigestion and heaviness after eating, one or two of Chamberlain's Tablets have always relieved me. I have also found them a pleasant laxative." These tablets tone up the stomach and enable it to perform its functions naturally. If you are troubled with indigestion give them a trial, get well and stay well.

From the Grave Great Men are Calling to You

In modern wars the longest purse must chiefly determine the event.—George Washington.

Pay and prepare, or prepare to pay.—Robert Morris, superintendent of finance during the revolution.

We must all hang together, or most assuredly, we shall all hang separately.—Benjamin Franklin, at the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Down the vault of time these words ring out again on Liberty Loan Day, 1917, as true, as pertinent, and as meaningful as the day they were first uttered.

Time has proved the true greatness, the true understanding, possessed by these noble and capable men. Fellow-citizens, will you heed the advice of the men who

made this country? From the grave they call to you, to save yourselves from defeat by financing this war. From the grave they call to you, to heed the warning that you must pay and prepare, or suffer ruin. From the grave they call to you for unity and concerted action against a foe, who has sworn to crush us unmercifully.

The voices of the mighty dead call to you from the dim past. The silent voices of Europe's agonized millions call to you from across the seas. The handless arms of tortured children are raised to you in supplication. The most popular president that this country or world has ever seen, appeals to you to act, and act quickly—to oversubscribe the Liberty Loan.

As Patriotic as a German?

The Germans, after three years of physical and financial drain have just subscribed over three billion dollars to their seventh war loan.

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MAKING THE NATION DRY.

In practically every protestant church throughout the nation last Sunday, petitions were presented for the signature of the people, praying that the five-mile law not only be enforced, but that the limit be extended around army training camps and cantonments for the protection of soldiers against the liquor evil and other evils. The petitions bearing millions of names will be presented to the president as soon as they can be gathered together and carried to Washington. If the petitions prove effective it will make wet cities around the training camps dry, and will be a long step towards making the nation dry. The dyed-in-the-wool anti-boozers are free to admit that war and booze does not go well together.

DEFICIENCY IN POLITICS

There is constant complaint of the inefficiency of men in public employment. The people alone



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are to blame for this. If they fix the standard of public pay on merit, and not through politics, employ only capable men and pay them what they are worth, inefficiency will disappear. Yes, the voter does it. He has been voting for years carelessly—at least indifferently—more to satisfy a political preference than to protect the general good of the whole people. However, the voter is fast getting tired of this. He wants to see political conditions improve. He is not stingy; he does not mind paying taxes, but he wants to know what he pays them for. He has a right to know.—Austin American.

When an incompetent man is elected to look after the public's business the people pay extra for the bad business. No corporation, or great business enterprise will employ a man unless he fills the bill. Recent experiences in Texas politics should teach the people the importance of throwing aside personal friendship, or the paying of political debts, and hereafter men elected for office who are qualified to fill the places of public trust.

Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomach and you may find it best to eat them out.

A. C. Homann, of the F. & M. Bank, was among those who returned from Dallas, Tuesday.

The Ballinger Printing Co., can supply your wedding announcements as cheap as any house in Texas, engraved or printed.

WHY THE LIBERTY LOAN INTEREST RATE WAS CHANGED

The first issue of the Liberty Bonds bears 3 3/4 per cent interest and are exempt from all taxes of every kind except estate and inheritance taxes. Liberty Loan Bonds of the second issue bear 4 per cent interest and have the same tax exemptions as the first, except that they are liable to super-estate taxes and excess-profit taxes, as well as estate and inheritance taxes. They are not subject to the normal income tax. The reasons for the change of interest and taxability are stated by Secretary McAdoo in his speech before the American Bankers' Association as follows:

"We cannot sell bonds in billions on the basis of what they may be worth to the very rich. They must be offered to all the people alike at one price and should appeal to all alike and upon equal terms. The result of selling a bond which bears a low rate of interest and carries exemption from graduated and super-estate taxes will be this: The poor and the people of modest means will buy them for patriotic reasons but will be unable to hold them because the return is too small. The tendency will be all the time for these bonds to be purchased from them and accumulated by the very rich without any adequate consideration moving from them either to the United States or to the original subscriber. In these circumstances the value of the tax exemption depends not upon the bonds themselves but upon a wholly extraneous fact—the extent of the wealth of the holder.

"The principle is now firmly grounded in our national policy that graduated taxes shall be laid upon wealth in order that the burden of taxation be equally distributed and made to bear more heavily upon the rich than the poor. Government bonds, therefore should be issued upon a basis which will be equally just to the poor man and the rich man so that each may purchase these bonds upon practically the same interest basis after allowing for the different scales of taxation.

"The second issue of Liberty Loan Bonds are offered upon terms fair and equitable to all alike and will make the widest possible appeal to all the people without regard to the extraneous fact that the purchaser be poor or rich. The Government can not finance this war by making an appeal alone to the rich, nor the man of moderate means, nor to the poor. Its appeal must be to all the people, and all of the people must respond and by united efforts sustain the Government in its great credit operations."

WHY OLD BACKS ACHE

Many Ballinger Old People Have Found Backache to Be a Sign of Kidney Weakness.

What a pity that so many people past middle age are worried with lame backs, aching kidneys, poor eyesight, sick headaches, dizziness, gravel, dropsy or distressing urinary ills. Kidney weakness brings these discomforts in age or youth, and is a dangerous thing to neglect for it leads to Bright's disease and uric acid poisoning. Doan's Kidney Pills have brought new strength to many Ballinger old people. You will make no mistake by following the example of Mrs. C. E. Nelms, N. Ninth St. She says: "I had a lot of trouble in my back and it was so sore and lame at times I could hardly keep going. I suffered that way for a long time and used plasters and medicines with no good results. I thought the trouble was due to by advanced age. A friend recommended Doan's Kidney Pills and I started using them. Two boxes made my back strong and I felt better in every way.

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L. B. O'Brien of San Angelo, who had been visiting H. I. Armstrong, returned home Wednesday.

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1/2 teaspoon salt	1 1/2 teaspoons salt
4 level teaspoons Dr. Price's Baking Powder	1 1/2 cups milk and water
3 tablespoons sugar	1/2 cup sugar or corn syrup
1 cup milk	1 cup chopped nuts (not too fine) or 1 cup raisins, washed and floured
2 tablespoons shortening	

Mix thoroughly dry ingredients; add milk and melted shortening and beat well. Bake in greased muffin tins in hot oven about 20 minutes.

Our red, white and blue booklet, "Best War Time Recipes" containing additional similar recipes, sent free on request. Address Dept. H, 1901 Independence Boulevard, Chicago

200,000 AID EXPERTS TRAINED BY RED CROSS

Washington, Oct. 24.—The American Red Cross has developed and trained two hundred thousand and first aid experts in the last six months, it was learned today. They are all men, and all available for war service if needed. The course of instruction, which is in the hands of seven thousand Red Cross physicians and surgeons throughout the country, also is open to women.

Nearly a hundred thousand railroad men, half as many lumbermen and as many quarry men have received instruction in "first aid" this year.

The work covers the stoppage of hemorrhages, resuscitating following drowning or gas asphyxiation, the carrying of injured persons and many other phases of first aid, especially in the hazardous industries.

The course covers ten lectures, supplemented by the requisite practical work at the conclusion of which certificates are issued to those completing the course satisfactorily.

The Red Cross has two "first aid" courses for the instruction of railroad men, one of which has just finished a tour of three months giving instruction to the railroad men.

Through these courses the First Aid Division of the Red Cross is building up a reserve of trained men available not only for Red Cross war service, but also for sanitary training detachments to provide a sanitary reserve for the army and navy.

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

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

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

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PRO ELECTION IN AUSTIN NOV. 15

Austin, Oct. 24.—By a vote of 4 to 1, the Travis county commissioners' court Tuesday granted the petition of 1628 voters in the county for a local option election to include all portions of the county except precinct 6.

The date for the election was fixed for Thursday, Nov. 15. Those voting to grant the petition for election were, Judge D. J. Pickle, Commissioners Giles, Mays and Comer; against the petition: Commissioner White. The date of the

election was fixed by unanimous vote of the court.

The hearing of 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon was held in the county court room, which was crowded with proponents of and opponents to the local option election.

Economy is the War Cry.

Our President tells us that we can do our "bit" in winning the war by practicing the most rigid economy. Dig up those old high top shoes, and take them to Wendorf for repairs and help carry our Great President's policy. We challenge comparison in the class of work we turn out.

"Dress Up" Your Home---
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It's surprising how dressed up you can make your home look with just a few little touches here and there—the addition of a few new steps—boards—a new fence—a new clap-board to take the place of that rotted old one. There are a hundred and one ways in which you can add to the appearance of your home by the use of our guaranteed and seasoned lumber. You'll find it a good investment to take care of these little things at once. For the longer you let them go the more expensive they become.

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R. A. Nicholson and son, Hobert, returned Tuesday from an extended business trip to various points in Texas.

OUR SLOGAN

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Croup.

If your children are subject to croup get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and when the attack comes on be careful to follow the plain printed direction. You will be surprised at the quick relief it affords.

Letters from Our Soldier Boys

To the Editor of the Daily Ledger:

I see in your paper that you will publish letters from us here, so I will take this method of thanking the good ladies of Ballinger for the lunches they gave us as we left on the 8th. They were the only food we had until we arrived at Taylor about 8:30 a. m. on the 9th.

We had a very pleasant trip, and our men were well behaved, (with one exception). I will state here that I have been told that a report is out (there) that I had to tie up Forrest Davis, no account of his conduct. Mr. Davis' conduct was that of a gentleman all the way and he was of more actual assistance to me than any other man on the train excepting Mr. Havenhill. We did have to tie up one man on account of drinking but was not Mr. Davis.

We arrived at Camp Travis about 3 p. m. on the 9th, and the officers were there waiting for us. We were examined for "ticks" as the boys say, but not one of us had to be dipped. We were next separated and every man went where he was best fitted.

I wish you would underseer that the boys who are to come will certainly be benefitted by the training that Capt. Cohen gives them there. If I had my part to do over I would never miss a day of his training. I think all of our boys are well pleased and anxious to get to France. Believe me, we will give the Dutchman something to study about when we get there.

This camp is about twice or three times as large as San Angelo, so if you don't know a man's address you will never find him.

Uncle Sam means business here, so when the boys come they can bet that they have work for them, while they do not overwork any one, but try to give them enough to keep them busy. They also feed good. Not fine food but good substantial stuff that stays with you from one meal to another.

I will close with the best of wishes to all Rannels county people. Truly,
BARTON WELLS,
360 Ambulance Co., 90th Div.,
Camp Travis, Texas.

His Address Will Be Ballinger After the War.
Dear Mr. Sledge:

Have intended writing you for some time but when one is away from home there is too many left behind to write to and he neglects lots of friends.

Have been watching the paper close in regard to the Liberty Bonds. There is more excitement here over them than over the war. You would be surprised to see how the enlisted men buy bonds. In headquarters company of the regiment to which I belong is 80 men and they subscribed a little over \$20,000 and will buy more. The highest salary paid any man in that company is \$51 per month, our company ranks about 4th in the regiment. In the band there is only 25 men and we subscribed more than \$8,000.

I saw several men drawing \$36 per month buy \$250 and \$300 to be paid out monthly, that \$25 and \$30 of their \$36 gone the first day. Some times you will hear a soldier claim that he has done

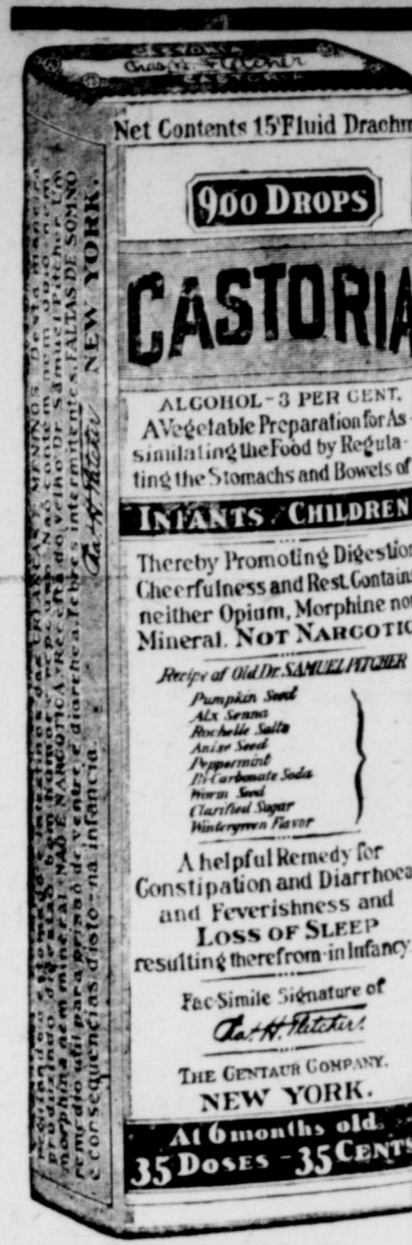
enough by giving his self into the service, but it is seldom, and in most cases every man will buy one anyway. For several days airships have been flying over and on the bottom of each is a word. When four have passed you have read: "Buy a Liberty Bond."

Last night we played for a big rally at the officers' training camp and listened to men from Germany, France and other countries, who have served already, talk in behalf of the loan. Be showed us how little we know of this war. At home I used to get excited but somehow, here you never hear anyone talk war, we read about it but with no excitement. Every one wants to go and some times reports gets out that we are going in a few days, but somehow we are still here. The most definite thing we have been able to learn was, Washington headquarters asked how much transportation we would need to move. If they let me come home for a few days I will be ready to go.

Is it getting cold at home? I am still sleeping outside on a canvass cot, two blankets and a quilt, but if you want to know, I would like to have about 12 more. My work is still easy. Play about two and a half hours a day and off Saturday and Sunday.

Sledge, I sure do enjoy the daily. Just about five times as much in it when you are away. All the letters I get with news in them, I have usually already read them in "The Ledger, and that is what I call giving the news."

I see lots of the boys from home every time I go to town and they seem to be well satisfied. James Skinner is the only one I don't see. Saw him the first day I was



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you help to make it a success? This has been endorsed by the Government. Through the efforts of this paper, arrangements have been made with a tobacco company to send 45c worth of tobacco for 25c.

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- 3 packages of Bull Durham Tobacco " " 15c
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- 1 tin of Tuxedo Tobacco, Retail at 10c
- 4 books of Tuxedo Cigarette Papers 45c

A return post card is enclosed in each package, so that every contributor will receive a personal acknowledgement of his gift. You will treasure this message from the trenches. Everybody wants to give a little. Will you help make it a success by doing your bit.

The Ballinger Ledger's Tobacco Fund

here but have never seen him since I see more of the men from home are getting some thing better than a private and they have their friend Cohen to thank. He has sure done a wonderful work and he should be praised for he not only did the home boys a big service, but he has put men into the camp capable of imparting the same knowledge to "rookies". Have you the same force yet, and does Platt and Jones still argue? Lookes as though they would get this thing settled before long.

Am going to try and be with you all a few days next month. And will sure be glad to see the old town again. Our band has been offered a job after the war if we come back, but not for me. The day after we are discharged my address will be Ballinger, Texas.

Your friend,

TROY SIMPSON.

David Gregory returned Wednesday from a visit to the Dallas State fair.

Mrs. P. E. Griffin and children left Wednesday for Paint Rock, where they will visit relatives.

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