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11,000 ITALIANS TAKEN BY AUSTRO-GERMANS

Berlin, Dec. 6.—The German war office announced officially today that a renewed Austro-German drive on the Italian front netted them 11,000 prisoners and 60 big guns. According to the official announcement the Italians suffered defeat severely at the hands of the Austro-German forces, who admit only slight losses.

HAIG REPORTS EVEN BREAK ON W. FRONT

London, Dec. 6.—The British lines on the southwest of Lavacquerie were moved further over on territory formerly held by the enemy today. Gen Haig reports the slight advance. Gen Haig also reports slight losses in the neighborhood of Royelles, and the British made another withdrawal for a short distance from Surlescat and Bourlon wood.

THREE PROMINENT YOUNG MEN GETTING READY TO GO

Arch Crews, Claud Stone and Noel Penn are in Brownwood today consulting the recruiting officer. These young men are attempting to "break in" some branch of the army, and will not be satisfied until they are fitted something to do in defense of their country. Like most of those who have volunteered, they do not want to lose any time in getting in line for service in France, and will make an effort to an assignment in some company, or some branch of the service that will give them quick shipment orders. After enlisting these boys will probably return to Ballinger to await further orders, and will then probably be sent to Ft. Sam Houston, and from there to a training camp on the Atlantic coast and they will go from there with the best wishes of all those who know them, and their presence in the army will be a help and not a hinder to the cause.

FLIRTED WITH RUSS. IN AUGUST

Petrograd, Dec. 6.—The present effort for peace with Russia is not the first time Germany has attempted to stop fighting on the Russian front. According to revelations made public by Trotsky, Germany made formal effort to obtain peace with Russia last August, the peace plans being promulgated through Spain diplomats.

FIRST CASH COMES FOR FARM LOAN

Runnels county received the first aid granted from the Federal Farm Loan Thursday. Paul Triemer, secretary for the Runnels County Farm Loan Association, deposited with the Farmer & Merchants State Bank, depository for the association, \$11,170 Thursday.

This money comes from the Federal Farm Loan Bank at Houston, and will be used in filling loan contracts which have been approved by the farm loan board. The amount covers a number of applications and will be paid out as fast as the final papers in the transaction are executed.

Under the terms of the loan contracts, those getting the money have a long time in which to pay and at a low rate of interest. In most cases the money will be used in making improvements or paying out homes for farmers.

This is the first money extended on loans by the Federal Farm board in this county.

Miss Ella Tidings of Little Rock, Ark., arrived in this city Thursday at noon for a visit to Mrs. A. H. Van Pelt.

Citizens and Stockmen Say Good-Bye to Cattle Tick

Out of quite a number of stockmen all have given the most hearty endorsement to the tick eradication work in this county. There was more or less opposition to the work here when the campaign was first launched, but some of those who opposed the dipping of cattle express themselves favorably now, and are hearty supporters of the work.

WITH THE EXCEPTION of a few herds of cattle the entire county is now free of cattle tick. It is up to the county commissioners to see that proper signs on the road leading into the county from tick infested counties, and fair warning given to those who might come in to the county with ticky cattle, and without having their cattle inspected. All transients should be prosecuted and the law enforced.

Following are expressions from a number of the local citizens and stockmen, and shows with what favor the work has met with and what the saving to the cattlemen amounts to:

Jas. Clayton: I think tick eradication will be of great benefit to the whole county. Will prevent heavy annual loss from fever. In 1915 I had 50 head of cattle and lost 8 from fever. In 1916-17 had over 200 and had no loss at all.

W. C. Wright: While the Wood and Wright ranch was already free from ticks and I did not have to dip my cattle, I am certainly glad to see the rest of the county cleaned up and put above the quarantine line. We can ship anywhere now and will have the world for a market instead of only the ticky country. I have never been able to move a bunch of cattle from my place for pasturing without suffering a heavy loss from fever, which worked a great hardship on me whenever my range was short and I had to go elsewhere for grass.

W. C. Jones: I am heartily in favor of tick eradication—think it will be a great thing for Runnels county and would like to see the whole state free. I have had no loss whatever from fever since I began dipping my cattle.

G. B. Dixon: I think tick eradication is the greatest move ever made for the cattle industry. Will mean from \$3 to \$8 more per head to be able to get our cattle in the native pens.

Chas Evans: Am now and always have been very strong for tick eradication. We have been losing from 5 to 10 per cent of our cattle every year from fever but since we began dipping have not lost anything.

W. T. Nichols: I know that getting rid of the ticks will be a big thing for me as I have always had big losses from fever before we started dipping.

R. J. Clayton: In normal times, I believe that being able to ship to the northern pens will mean at least \$4 to \$5 per head more for us. I consider that getting rid of the tick is worth hundreds of dollars to me even if I never ship a cow to market as it has done away with the loss from fever.

Spreen Bros.: Wouldn't have the tick back for any amount of money. Have already seen the advantage of being cleaned up. In the two years just before the county took up the work, we lost at least \$1200 worth of cattle. During the past two years, while we were dipping, we lost nothing at all from fever. When the county was preparing to take up the work, we heard a great deal about the danger of losing cattle from dipping. In 1916 we dipped at our vat an average of 1500 head every 21 days and in 1917 about 750 head. Not a single animal was killed or injured at our vat.

Lon Muney: I think that the release from quarantine is worth all the time, trouble and expense it has cost us, and then some.

E. L. Rasbury: On account of

very unusual conditions, due to drouth, we have been denied the immediate advantages we should have enjoyed from this release. However, when conditions become normal again, it will be worth the expense and trouble many times over.

Lon Mapes: I would not have my pastures ticky again even for many times what it cost me to clean up. Being located on the river and having very ticky range I was often unable to buy bunch of tick cattle, no matter how cheap they looked to me as I knew I was sure to have a big loss from fever. However, I have not lost a thing since we began dipping and I know that I can buy stuff anywhere now, bring them home and be safe from any loss. Although my cattle are now clean I intend to continue dipping my cattle two or three times a year as I know my cattle will do better if they are dipped occasionally.

Earl McWilliams: I will endorse anything good you can say about tick eradication. I certainly think it will be a great thing for Runnels county.

J. W. Bigby: I think the release of the county quarantine is worthy of a great celebration. It is worth a great deal more to us than the time and money spent. I have lost nothing from fever since we began dipping, while in other years I always had some loss. Hundreds of cattle were dipped every 21 days for two full seasons at our vat and nothing was killed or injured from dipping. Ours is a community vat and the cost per head to clean up was very light.

Jno. Huffman: At the start I was not in favor of cattle dipping but when I saw that it did not hurt the cattle but was of great benefit to them, I changed my mind about the matter and now am very strongly in favor of the work. I had always lost a good many cattle from fever but during the past two years have lost nothing.

J. M. Schneider: When the campaign was started in Runnels County, I was against tick eradication, but when I found that the movement was to be statewide, I decided to support it and have done all I could to help it along. I am more than pleased at the success of the work here and I think it will be of immense benefit to the county.

Price Maddox: I would not have one single tick dropped in one of my pastures for a thousand dollars. I can't say too much for tick eradication. I have had no loss whatever from fever since I began dipping. Experience has shown me that dipping does not hurt cattle, in fact it is a positive benefit to them. My cattle are going into the winter in better shape than last year and on shorter grass.

C. S. Miller: I consider the eradication of the tick in our county one of the greatest economic benefits we have attained and is in full keeping with the high ideals of our citizenship who are unexcelled for their loyal efforts to progress and reach the highest standards of health and economic perfection.

H. Giescke: In the fall of 1915 I bought 80 head of high bred Heifer yearlings out of Tom Green county. In the spring of 1916 these yearlings commenced dying with the fever and I lost seven head of them before I could complete a dipping vat on my ranch. Since I began dipping I have not lost anything and all of my cattle are doing extra well in spite of the extremely dry years. I think that the tick eradication law is the best law passed in this county in many years as the loss of cattle by tick fever has always heretofore been very large.

Feb McWilliams: Tick eradication is the longest single step that

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300 ARE KILLED WHEN MUNITION SHIP EXPLODES

20 AIRSHIPS RAIN BOMBS ON BRITISH

London, Dec. 6.—Twenty-five enemy airplanes made five simultaneous attacks on Kent and London today. Divided into squads the airships made bomb attacks on the two places practically at the same time, according to announcement made by Lord French. No casualty list has been given, and extent of damage is unknown, although many bombs were dropped from the air.

HIGHWAY AID PROMISED HERE

Mr. O'Dell, a member of the state highway commission, visited Ballinger this week, and as a result of a day's association with our local commissioners and county judge, Mr. O'Dell made the promise that brings to this county financial aid so badly needed in road building at this time.

Mr. O'Dell was on an inspection and road business trip to San Angelo, and County Judge Parish and Commissioner Kirk, visited that city and accompanied the gentleman to this city and held on to him until he had been made to see the great need of help in road work in this county.

The highway commissioner made a trip over the principal highways leading into Ballinger and while he found the roads in bad shape on account of the drouth, he expressed himself as being well pleased with the progress made here, and said that he would see that this county received immediate aid in any reasonable amount asked for.

The highway visitor paid Bob Kirk quite a compliment when he said that the road work done here under Mr. Kirk's direction was first class and that he had rather risk Mr. Kirk's judgement than half of the civil engineers now working under the direction of the commission.

The highway commission will be in session the middle of this month, and on the 18th or 19th, representatives from the local commissioners' court will appear before the commission and make application for aid. It is expected that the aid in a pretty good sum will be granted, and then if it ever rains in this county road building will be carried on most successfully.

DUTCH SENDING NEW MINISTER

Amsterdam, Dec. 6.—August Phillips has been appointed as Dutch minister to the United States. Mr. Phillips will go to America to succeed Chevalier van Rappard.

SPECIAL MEET BOY SCOUTS TONIGHT

The Boy Scouts have been called to meet in a special meeting at the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church tonight. While it is school night, the Scout Master, Rev. J. H. King, states that the meeting will not hold over one hour and all the boys are urged to be present at seven o'clock.

Truro, Nova Scotia, Dec. 6.—

The latest reports received here place Halifax explosion dead at three hundred, and many wounded and property loss running into millions. According to the advices received at this point, the munition ship caught fire after colliding with another ship and its crew remained with the vessel and fought bravely in making strenuous attempts to sink the ship before the explosion and prevent what was the greatest catastrophe to ever occur in shipping circles here.

Amherst, Nova Scotia, Dec. 6.—Scores are dead in Halifax, hundreds of buildings are destroyed and important sections of the city are in flames as the result of a collision between an American munitions steamer and another ship in the narrows near the suburb of Richmond today.

According to reports received here the crews of both vessels were killed instantly. Within a few minutes after the two vessels ran together a terrific explosion occurred and both vessels were blown to pieces. The docks near by were damaged and other ships put out of commission. Fire soon spread to warehouses along the water front, fire destroying store houses and spreading to other sections of the city.

FRANCE DRAFTS SHOE SHOPS

Paris, Nov. 20. (By Mail).—In view of the exorbitant prices for footwear, the Ministry of Commerce has decreed that all shops and establishments connected with the shoe-trade are open to requisition and must declare their stocks. The object of this decree is to force shoe-makers to give a greater vogue to the "National Shoe," which so far has only been obtainable in very limited quantities, at least in Paris. Everyone who has seen the "chaussure Nationale" declares it to be everything one could hope for. Besides being strong and well-made, it has even got style. So far the only thing against it, is that no one keeps it in stock.

WILL BUILD BIG OIL STATION HERE

The Agency of C. A. Doose & Co., of this city report the sale of Lots 14 and 15, Block 7, Ballinger, on the corner of Broadway and Hutchings Ave., (being the corner directly across Broadway from the Wm. Cameron & Co. office to the Magnolia Petroleum Co. of Texas, for a cash consideration of \$3000.

It is the plan of the company after the first of the new year to commence the construction on its recently acquired site, of a modern up-to-date up town Oil Station, to be constructed of either brick or stone, which will be set back on to the interior of said lots, the portion of ground space not consumed by its new planned structure, to be made beautiful into a park, surrounding said building, and the driveway into same, which will add another beauty spot to Ballinger and its already inviting appearance, besides which it shows confidence of this gigantic corporation in the future of Ballinger realty values.

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W. F. Sledge Editor

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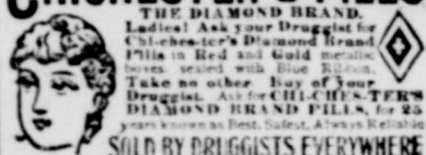


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USES HIS GUN TO CALL HIS BELL BOY

San Angelo, Dec. 6.—The days of the wild and woolly West were received for a few minutes in San Angelo Tuesday night when a cattleman from Sutton county unlimbered his light artillery at a local hotel. Fatigued from the day's activities, the young ranchman had retired to his room and had gone to bed. Suddenly he became aware of an intense thirst for ice water, which is said to be very natural for some visitors here, and he wanted a bell-boy. Here comes the climax of the story. Unwilling to arise from a warm bed, cross the room in the chilled night, air and press the electric button, the guest called upon his trusty revolver. Three times he blazed away a the bell button with a .38 automatic and each time the report was followed by a shrill shriek of a woman in an adjoining room—and splinters flew from the door facing. It is sufficient to say that prompt service was obtained, despite the fact that none of the bullets struck their objective. The manager, instead of the porter, however answered the call. The somewhat dazed cowman was relieved of his gun and was requested either to go to bed or to leave the premises. The gunner choose sleep to the cold outside world, and the incident closed. That the flying bullets did not hit someone in the room across the hall is considered nothing short of miraculous—but the hotel has seen even more stirring days and an officer was not even called to interrupt the proceedings.

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Texas, waybill SF 16 dated August 29th, 1917. Signed, J. J. Beck, Agent. 9-25td

Judge John I. Quion left Wednesday for Houston, where he will spend a few days on business.

Stomach Trouble and Constipation.

Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them on and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition," writes Mrs. Benjamin Hooper, Auburn, N. Y.

NOTICE ON ANNUAL EXHIBIT IN ESTATES.

THE STATE OF TEXAS—To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of twenty days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Runnels County, a copy of the following notice: THE STATE OF TEXAS—To all Persons interested in the Estate of Frank Bloek, Deceased. Frank Bloek, Executor of said Estate, has filed in the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, an Annual Exhibit of said Estate for the year ending on the 1st day of Sept. 1917, which will be heard by our said County Court on the first Monday in February 1918, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House of said County, in Ballinger, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest

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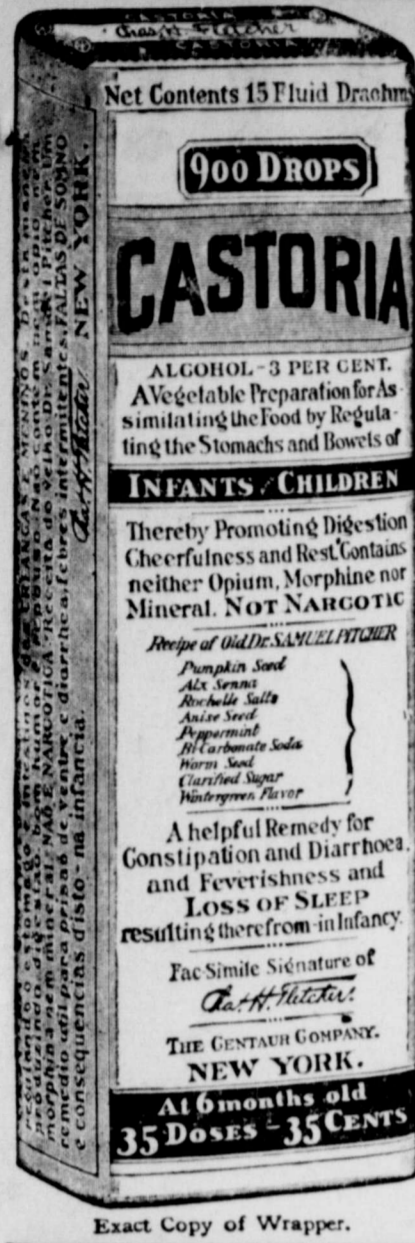
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**Blood-Lettings Helping
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Following is the first of a series of four stories by William G. Shepherd, lately United Staff Correspondent at Petrograd.

Three of the series were written at Stockholm on the eve of the successful Bolshevik uprising. The fourth and concluding story is a summary by Shepherd, written in New York and combining what he saw in Petrograd with the developments of later days.

Shepherd's stories from Stockholm are strikingly prophetic of the uprising that later swept Kerensky from his power.

The second, to be printed tomorrow, tells something of Premier Kerensky's long and bitter quarrel with Bolsheviks, who subsequently triumphed over him.

—The Editor.

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Stockholm, Oct. 23. (By Mail).
—It will be some weeks before this article will be printed in America. At that time, anything may be happening in Russia. But I am willing to have this article

matter how bloody and disturbing the news in it may be and have these following words side by side with the description of the latest Russian crisis:

Russia is following the lines of all revolutions—and she is hurrying along toward ironing out her difficulties.

If my American readers do not chance to see this article alongside exciting news from Russia, the chances are that the exciting news will have occurred a few days before; or that it is due to occur shortly. For crisis are going to occur in Russia at an alarming rate. I expect bloodshed in the streets of Russian towns and cities. I expect anything in the way of a human storm that imagination can picture, but I stand pat on the declaration that Russia is being rushed through the series of crisis that must come to any country in a revolution and that each crisis makes the Russian people canner and the Russian republic stronger.

Kerensky knows revolutions by heart; as a physician might desire to hasten the various stages of a disease in order that the cure may be made more quickly, Kerensky has not avoided one single crisis. Bloodshed at wholesale, danger of death, the apparent risk of civil war—he has shrunk from none of these. He will not shrink, if his life is spared, from any crisis that may come in the future. This grim man knows of only one path for the Russian revolution to take; it is the path that all countries must follow, and he knows there are no daisy fields or resting places alongside that rocky bloody way.

The world may expect crisis after crisis, thrill after thrill, shock after shock in Russia, but it will all mean that Russia is forging ahead toward new strength.

I have seen in Russia almost great crisis.

The first crisis was a bloody one—the Bolshevik uprising in Petrograd and other cities and towns of Russia. It was a crisis that made us lose faith in Russia. The killings of 500 men, women and children in the streets, the terrifying of 3,000,000 citizens of the capital of the largest country on earth, the orgy of blood in which the Kronstadt sailors and the working men of Petrograd made it appear that Russians were madmen, lusting for blood. There seemed no hope for Russia if such madness were to have sway.

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how it was a natural part of the good progress of Russia toward freedom and strength.—Editor.

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**RUNNELS COUNTY CHILD
DIES AT FORT WORTH**

News has been received in Ballinger of the death of William Buff, the six year old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Buff, formerly of this county. The child died last Friday with pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Buff formerly lived near Miles. They moved to Fort Worth several months ago. Their friends here sympathize with them in their loss.

In Memory of Little Tom Patterson.

Little Tom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Patterson, was born February 10, 1916, and was buried November 25, 1917.

He was a bright, sweet child, and filled the home with sunshine. He was only a flower budded on earth to bloom in heaven. To the family we extend our heartfelt sympathy. We can only ask them to look beyond the grave,

where little Tom is waiting for

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But today, after having seen two other great crisis, and looking back the 10 weeks to those bloody days, it is easy to see that those blood-lettings helped Russia along the road toward liberty and national unity.

There came the second crisis of the Moscow conference, when we who sat in the beautiful Moscow theatre that sunny August forenoon, expected, with good reason, that a rifle shot from the troops outside the theatre, or a shot or a bomb in the theatre itself would dye mighty Russia in blood and set its cities and towns aflame. The Moscow conference ended on the edge of a catastrophe, and again we felt that Russia's case was hopeless. But today, looking back, and putting together into one whole the red results of the Bolshevik revolution and the bitter ending of the Moscow conference, Russia's approach toward success is plainer than ever.

Then came the Korniloff affair when the world looked on with flat lungs at the Cossack "up-throw," not knowing the reasons for the extraordinary event or realizing that the Korniloff cause was a lost one, even before it began.

But all these crisis are connected and only natural in any revolution. They would happen in any other country under similar circumstances and they are as much to be expected, in a revolution as a wind in a storm.

I want to tell about them, in three articles. They show how Russia is heading and speeding toward strength and safety.

Note—The next article will depict the Bolshevik uprising in Petrograd last July and describe

BALLINGER'S WHITE WAY.

The Ballinger Light & Power Co. has just made up their up town office conspicuous by placing a large light on the corner of the side walk just in front of their office. This makes four of these lights in the business district, the others being located in front of the Weeks Drug Store, the Melton Dry Goods Co. and the First National Bank. For a block each way the lights illuminated the streets, and with the adding of a few more such lights Ballinger would have a white way that would reflect credit. These lights are being maintained at the expense of the individual firms and bespeaks for them a progressive spirit.

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Liberty Loan Bond	10,000.00
Banking House, F. and F.	25,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	3,900.00
Acceptances (Cotton)	87,602.92
Cash and Exchange	271,732.90
	\$761,603.87

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	69,016.33
Reserved for Taxes	1,500.00
Circulation	25,000.00
Deposits	566,087.54
	\$761,603.87

The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.
We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted to us, making it possible for us to render this most satisfactory statement.



Jack Alvin Spurgeon and Willis Jenkins of U. S. S. Seattle, "rolling their own" with good old "Bull" Durham.

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—writes Corporal T. B. SWIFT, a Spanish-American War Veteran, now with Canadian Troops in France.

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**EARLY DAYS ON THE
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A pastoral Narrative—a volume of verse that is interesting from cover to cover, and carries one back to the day when this country was the Paradise of the old time cow puncher. We are in receipt of a copy of the book, printed and bound with the real art of the printer's know-how-to-do-it by Sherman, French & Co. of Boston, Massachusetts. The little illustrated volume comes to us with the compliments of Co. C. E. Walsh, the author.

The volume carries twenty-four illustrations, half-tone reproductions from actual cow boy and ranch scenes in the west and the poems are based upon actual experiences and conditions of early days in this country. "Chuck wagon trail camps, lassoing, branding 'brone' riding, camp fire tales, told in poem keeps the reader longing for the turning back of time when he could live over the early days on the western range.

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Ira Thurman returned Thursday from San Antonio.



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Mrs. A. P. Luckett of Miles came to Ballinger Thursday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rasbury.



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**Citizens and Stockmen Say
Good-Bye to Cattle Tick**

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Runnels county or the State of Texas has ever taken for the advancement of the cattle industry. It means that the world will be an open market to us. We will no longer be confined to the comparatively small area below the line. We can ship to the northern or "native" pens and sell our cattle as stockers or feeders at an average of five dollars a head more than the same cattle would bring in the "Quarantine" pens. On the other hand, we can import, without fear of loss from fever, high grade breeding stock to improve our herds. It means improved cattle for ranchman and farmer—bigger beef cattle and better dairy cattle. Tick eradication has cost me in time and trouble and money as much as any man in the county, but I think it is worth all that to me—and more. From observation and experience, I can state that the stories that are circulated in counties about to take up the work, regarding the injury to cattle from dipping are either exaggerated or wholly untrue. There was an average of over a thousand cattle dipped at my vat every 21 days for two full seasons and not a single head was killed or injured by dipping.

D. F. Eaton: One of the most far-reaching accomplishments, in its ultimate results is the raising of the quarantine in Runnels county against the cattle tick. Especially is this an opportune time since adjoining counties have also shared in having the quarantine raised thus expanding largely the territory now free from this extremely harmful pest. For years there was a prevalent idea in the South that we could not grow a perfect livestock in this section as in the North; but this has been conclusively proven a fallacy as in both dairy and beef classes shown by Southern breeders, they have taken first places at the national shows in competition with the best breeders of the country. Especially are we fortunate in getting this burden lifted now as soon as the state wide law takes effect and this work would then have been necessary. This section will continue to furnish a large amount of the livestock of the country because of its adaptability and the growing tendency to diversify among its agricultural classes, and also because of the fact that there is an extensive area not suitable to cultivation but well adapted to stock growing and livestock farming. So well may our people give thanks that this task has been completed and by so doing add to the wealth and fold more than has been expended in the effort. Certainly Texas will not take the back seat in so important a move as freeing the state of ticks when other southern states have long since cleared their borders of this troublesome pest for which there is no reason for its existence. Especially now in the face of a world meat shortage and when no individual or state can afford to be found in the slacker class. Today Mississippi is having a great feast celebrating her delivery from the ravages of this insect in which celebration our government has been represented by a famous Texan now assistant secretary of agriculture. Certainly an event is important when a great nation joins in celebrating its conclusion.

C. A. Doose: With reference to the eradication of ticks, not only Runnels county, but in all sections of the South where this pestiferous little creature has been depredating for low these many years, owing to the position occupied by the Federal Government relative thereto and which it has so occupied for the past fifteen or twenty years, the Federal Bureau having given out information through the columns of the press and through bulletins it had published and distributed from time to time, after digesting same thoroughly and observing the destructive work and great amount of damage sustained by the cattle interests of the state of Texas, and the so-called tick infested region, firmly convinced me that the government was on the right track, and that its campaign of education had not been waged for naught, and with this end in view I myself voted for the eradication of ticks in Runnels county at the time that the election was held for the purpose of eradicating said ticks, and after the result of the election was canvassed and declared and found favorable, I not only built a vat myself, but encouraged the construction of vats all over the entire county and did whatever I personally could to aid the government in the extermination of said ticks. And now since Runnels county has been released from tick quarantine with a few possible exceptions, which exceptions would not have been had the proper spirit of co-operation on the part of the entire citizenship of Runnels county been injected into this proposition. I want to congratulate the citizenship of my home county for their spirit of co-operation thus manifested, which in my humble opinion, rebounds to the financial benefit of every man, woman and child in Runnels county. Not only in the saving of hundreds of thousands of dollars to the stock growers of said Runnels county by preventing and precluding the possibility of splenic fever within our home county, but it also enables "Old Betsy," the family milk cow, to put on more flesh on less feed and produce more milk and butter for each respective family she is serving, and do it with greater peace of mind and ease than if her life blood was constantly being sucked away by these said pestiferous little ticks, in addition to which it now permits us to move our cattle at will above the Federal Quarantine line so established by the federal government, thereby opening up to us avenues of sale for our livestock which have never heretofore existed, being permitted to go up in the extreme northwest, thereby obtaining a much better price for our livestock.

In conclusion, owing to the fact that we are yet partially quarantined in certain local localities, may I not employ you Mr. Reader, in view of your being protected, by Old Glory, which bears the stars

**Life
Was a
Misery**

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes: "From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me until, one day, . . . I decided to

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and stripes, being sustained by the best government on earth, of which you are a potent factor, if you have not heretofore co-operated with your government in the eradication of the ticks in the proper spirit and manner, that you now get busy and do so and after we shall all have been finally released, yet each citizen of Runnels county resolve himself into a committee of one to look after his cattle carefully and should there be any further development of ticks to immediately commence the further eradication thereof with the ultimate end in view that the eight or ten thousand dollars heretofore expended by the tax payers of this county be not lost in its entirety and the citizenship of this county forced under the present state laws governing this condition of affairs to reinstate this work here at further greater cost, and outlay in this work to the tax payers of our said county.

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**ANOTHER BALLINGER
BOY MAKING GOOD**

News has just been received in Ballinger of the success of Wallace Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Francis, who came to Ballinger in the early days, and a few years ago moved to Calvert, Texas. Wallace is strictly a Ballinger boy, having spent all his life here up to the time his parents moved to Calvert.

The young man was in the A. & M. College and was finishing his education, when he heard the call of his country, and volunteered his service in the aviation branch of the army. He enlisted in the training camp and for some time has been stationed ind Camp Kelly. He was the only one out of a class of sixteen to receive a commission, recently being made first lieutenant and placed in charge of a squadron of aviators.

Wallace has many friends in Ballinger who will be glad to hear of his success, and to know that he is among those who are going after the Boche's scalp.

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