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## President Wilson Issues Alcoholic Proclamation

Washington, Dec. 12.—President Wilson issued a proclamation today limiting alcoholic contents of malt liquors, excepting ale and porter, to one and three-quarters per cent. The executive order will make it impossible for dealers to sell malt intoxicants, and while the proclamation comes as a war measure it will have a great effect on the prohibition movement.

## DISMISS CHARGES AGAINST OFFICIALS

Austin, Tex., Dec. 12.—Dismissal was had late yesterday in all of the state cases, with the exception of the cases against Former Commissioner of Labor Woodman. It was on motion of District Attorney Shelton that Judge Hamilton of the Criminal District Court dismissed the case against Former Governor James E. Ferguson, this being the case in which he was charged with diversion of public funds.

The other cases dismissed were against John G. McKay, former Secretary of State; Churchill J. Bartlett, former Secretary of State; Chas. O. Austin, Commissioner of Insurance and Banking; Chas. L. Stove, former Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, all of the last four being charged with the misapplication of public funds.

In his motion to dismiss, District Attorney Shelton said that the evidence was insufficient and would not warrant a conviction in any of the cases. The Woodman cases were passed for the present and may be continued for the term. Further investigation is desired in these cases.

Final disposition has now been had on all of the state cases except in the case of Woodman.

Auditor Cunningham of the West Texas Telephone Company, who had been in Ballinger and other towns in this section for a few days, returned to Brownwood Wednesday. He was accompanied by Guy Stephenson, who will assist in the Brownwood offices for a few days before returning here.

## DESERTER CARRIED TO CAMP TRAVIS

George Rayford Lindsey was examined by the local exemption board Tuesday and found to be A1 physically, and he left Ballinger Wednesday afternoon in custody of an officer, and the officer will turn the young man over to the military authorities at Camp Travis.

Lindsey caught one of the early numbers in the draft. He received his notice to appear before the local exemption board, but stuck the notice in his pocket and went the other way. He was caught at Coleman while "hogging" it on the California limited, and held in jail until orders could be received from the proper army authorities, and then he was brought to Ballinger and turned over to the local board.

When arrested Lindsey had the notice in his pocket. This is one of the serious mistakes in his life. He should have destroyed that evidence, or like almost all cases of try-to-get-away, some evidence, bobs up that tells the story.

Lindsey registered at Miles. As far as could be learned the young man is from everywhere, and is at home any place he hangs his hat, but preferred to "stay at home" and let the other fellow fight the Germans, and declined to answer his country's call. He has gotten off light for punishment, as all such cases are classed as deserters and supposed to be treated as such. If he remains in the army and makes a good soldier, the government will forget his mistake, but if he makes another attempt to leave his post of duty there will be another story to tell.

Judge J. W. Powell returned from Brownwood Wednesday. He says oil excitement is attracting many people to that city, and several Ballinger citizens are on the ground, and some of them are making money buying and selling leases. Many wells are in operation producing from five to fifty barrels of oil per day, and many others are being drilled.

## Blizzard Expected Thurs.

**WEATHER REPORT**  
Tonight, increasing cloudiness, freezing cold. Thursday, cloudy, cold.

At three o'clock this afternoon the government weather bureau flashed a bulletin announcing that a cold wave was sweeping southward, and was due to strike this country some time Thursday. The forecast predicted a drop of twenty degrees in the temperature which will put us in the frigid zone again after a four days freeze up and a pull out of only a few hours.

## RED CROSS TO SEND QUILTS TO SOLDIERS

The Runkel County Red Cross Chapter is preparing to send a bundle of comforts and quilts to Camp Bowie this week. On account of the sudden cold snap, the soldiers have not had sufficient cover, and since the government is unable to supply the demand immediately, the Red Cross is being called upon to assist in this work.

Although no direct appeal has been made to the local chapter, Mrs. Stephens, the chairman, says that Runkel county will help. A phone message from Norton Tuesday said that Norton already had a number of comforts ready and would send them to Ballinger Wednesday. Other towns in the county have not been heard from as yet, but it is expected that a good sized shipment will be on hand by Thursday.

Because of the large number of other demands being made upon the people of Ballinger at present, no urgent call will be made here, but anyone wishing to contribute to this cause can do so. All of these articles must be in the library by Thursday.

## JUDGE KIRK HERE WITH WOUNDED BOY

Judge W. W. Kirk of Snyder was here today en route to Abilene with his son who had the misfortune of having his leg broken some time ago. The boy happened to the unfortunate accident about nine weeks ago, but the wound is not doing well and he is being taken to a sanitarium for treatment.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Judge Kirk is related to our Kirks, and formerly lived in Ballinger. He was at one time a teacher in the local schools, and has many friends here who will regret to hear of the misfortune of his son.

## ROWENA SENDS MONEY FOR RED CROSS

A check for a little over \$109.00 was received in Ballinger Tuesday from Rowena to be used for the general expenses of the Red Cross. This money was realized from a home-talent play recently given there, and was added to partly by individual subscriptions. This is a neat little sum, and sets a good example to the larger towns in the county.

## Holiday Cards for Late Shoppers.

The engravers have notified us not to accept any more orders for engraved Christmas Cards, but we have just received a nice line of plain and fancy cards for the late Holiday shoppers, and can print these up in any quantity with any wording. Drop in and see them. The Ballinger Printing Company. dtf.

## Explosion in Munition Plant Felt Eighteen Miles Away

## 5 HORSES LOST IN FEED BARN FIRE

A loss estimated at from twelve to fifteen thousand dollars was caused Tuesday evening when the feed and sale barn of Street & Middleton on Tenth Street was destroyed by fire. The property destroyed was owned by Will Street and Walter Middleton, mule and horse buyers and shippers. At the time of the fire both members of the firm were off buying mules, and were en route home from Floydada, Texas, where they purchased two car loads of mules. During their absence Ben Middleton, a brother of Walter Middleton, was in charge of the barn.

Just how the fire originated will probably never be known. Dan Middleton had just locked the gates and was en route home, when the fire broke out. He had not been away from the barn more than five minutes, and he is positive there was no fire, or anyone around the barn smoking, or with fire before he left. The fire caught in the hay loft in the back of the barn and flashed over the building before parties nearby could reach the scene.

Four horses, one mule and a fine Jersey were burned in the building, the horses and the mule being cremated in their stalls while the Jersey broke through the wall after being severely burned, and will die. Three of the horses, including Will Street's favorite claybank, and the mule were the property of Street & Middleton. One of the horses was the family horse of Mr. Street's father, J. A. Street.

Within the last two or three days five car loads of feed had been unloaded and placed in the barn, and in all seven cars of feed were destroyed. The feed consisted of five cars of hay, alfalfa, timothy, peanut and prairie hay, one car of bran and one car of shorts. At present feed prices this amount of feed represented about \$7000. The horses burned were good ones, Mr. Street having refused \$200 for one of them.

The barn was owned by Street & Middleton, and covered a space of about 60x120 feet, constructed of lumber and covered with sheet iron. It will take several thousand dollars to replace the barn.

Street & Middleton have been doing an extensive business, co-operating with the government, in buying horses and mules. At various times they have had the barn jammed full of stock and only a few nights before the barn was full of horses and mules. They had put in a large stock of feed to take care of stock they were buying and concentrating here.

The burn brings complete loss to the owners of the property, as they did not have insurance on any of the property destroyed. We understand that they had recently figured on taking out insurance, but due to the hazardous risk caused by adjoining property they decided to carry their own insurance.

On account of numerous fires throughout the nation, and in most cases the destruction included feed and food, many are inclined to believe that the fire was of incendiary origin. Assistant Fire Chief Cohen was among the first to arrive on the scene, and he says the fire spread throughout

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR FIRE BOYS

"We must have volunteers for the fire department," said L. Cohen, assistant chief, after Tuesday night's fire, "and if we don't get volunteers we will have to resort to the draft system."

Mr. Cohen is a "wheel horse" when it comes to fighting fire, but he says the burden of the work should not fall on a few men, and that without pay or appreciation by the public.

"At one time not so long ago," said Mr. Cohen, "we had thirty-three members, which is about the limit for a small company, and we often held up an application from a volunteer until there was a vacancy, but for various causes our men have left us, and we now only have nine members."

Mr. Cohen says quite a number of the boys have gone to the war. Others have left home seeking employment. Carlos Dunn, the chief, has moved away from Ballinger, and a man will be selected to succeed him at the next meeting of the fire company. Of the nine members left are W. S. Harmon, who does not stand back for anybody when it comes to fighting fire, and I. O. Wooden, another old member.

"We want some young men who will not have to go to war soon, to help us," said Mr. Cohen, "and we must have them," continued the assistant chief.

Mr. Cohen says that the boys get plenty help when the excitement of the fire is at its highest, and they some times get too much help and have trouble keeping the excited man from doing the wrong thing, but after the fire is put under control, and the real heavy work comes these minute helpers begin to drop off and pull for home leaving a few to put things in shape for another fire that might break out any minute.

Tuesday night, after the fire had been put under control, and the time came to put up the hose, there were only four men in sight. The crowd had left and the job of draining sixteen hundred feet of hose, uncoupling it and placing it back on the truck, fell on the four men, and they were freezing cold and suffering wet from head to foot.

"What we want is men who will become members of our company, attend its meetings and stay with us when they are needed," said Mr. Cohen. Those who will volunteer are requested to hand their names to Mr. Cohen, or some other member of the company at once.

This is a call to patriotism. Hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property are to be protected in this city, and every one knows that an organized and drilled body of fire fighters are worth more than a bunch of green hands. The Ledger appeals to those who are eligible to membership in the fire company, and that includes any able bodied man, will respond to the call for help, and fill the volunteer company up to the limit at once.

We can print almost like engraving and have nice line Christmas cards to select from. It is too late to order engraved cards, but we can deliver nice printed cards on short notice. Ballinger Printing Co. dtf.

Washington, Dec. 12.—An explosion in the loading room of one of the buildings of the Bethlehem Steel Company's munition plant was felt eighteen miles away. The explosion set fire to portion of the establishment and threatens to cause heavy damage. So far only one body has been recovered from the ruins and the casualty list will be light.

## AUSTRIAN BATTLESHIP TORPEDED

Amsterdam, Dec. 12.—Official dispatches from Vienna received here confirm the report of the sinking of an Austrian battleship, the Wein, by a torpedo Sunday. Details are lacking.

## WILL OUTLINE BRITISH WAR AIM

London, Dec. 12.—Chancellor Bonar Law announced in the house of commons today that Premier Lloyd George would make statement on war aims before Christmas adjournment of Parliament. The aims of the allies will be outlined in the speech to be delivered by Premier George.

## SOLDIER PAYS POLL SO HE CAN VOTE FOR WILSON

Henry Vandevanter, who came home from Camp Bowie to spend a few days with home folks, returned to Fort Worth Wednesday afternoon. Before leaving the young soldier went to the tax collector's office to get his poll tax, saying "next year is not the year to vote for president, and I may be in France, but I want my poll tax so if I get a chance to vote to help Mr. Wilson I want to be able to do so." The American soldiers are backing President Wilson to a man, and we have noted quite a number of times where they expressed their admiration for the man who is leading the fight against the enemy.

## CAPT. SHEPHERD FOUR MINUTE SPEAKER

Capt. F. D. Shepherd, who is here on a visit to his brothers, C. P. Shepherd and Prof. J. M. Skinner, has accepted an invitation to deliver the four minute talk at the Queen Theatre tonight. Capt. Shepherd will probably leave tomorrow as he is expecting to be called into duty at any time.

J. Milton Clayton of Benoit was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday and Wednesday.

## PORTUGAL PRESIDENT ARRESTED

Lisbon, Dec. 12.—President Macheda of Portugal, was arrested Monday afternoon by a new revolutionary regime and is being held.

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## JUDGE GUION GOES BEFORE PROBE COM.

Judge Jno. I Guion is at home from College Station, where he went to appear before the legislative investigating committee. In appearing before the committee Judge Guion held up for the A. & M. College, of which he is president of the board, and made comparisons showing that the A. & M. was doing better work than the State University, and was not trying to cover work the University was supposed to do, while on the other hand the University was attempting to take over work that justly belongs to the A. & M. college.

The following report of Judge Guion's testimony before the committee, was given by the state daily papers:

Opposition to a one-third control of Texas' higher institutions of learning was voiced Friday by Judge John I. Guion of Ballinger, chairman of the board of directors of the A. & M. college, who appeared as the first witness before the legislative committee investigating the University of Texas and its branches, that committee having begun its sessions here Friday. Diversity of interests was the reason given, contention also being made that a paid board will not give as much satisfaction as able men who serve for the love of the work.

At the outset, Judge Guion said the A. & M. college had been lifted out of the mud in five years, that dilapidation had given way to adequate discipline succeeded riots and strikes, until the morale of the student body is 100 per cent improved. He said hazing had been responsible for the student explosions and that it has been abolished. President Bizzell refused permission to a star football player to participate in the recent Thanksgiving game because he left school in violation of the rules. "That refusal would have meant a strike a few years ago, but the president was indorsed at a pep rally."

Another declaration was "this institution used to be honeycombed with politics, while merit rules now." Also that professors are not now given leave on pay and "that there has been no wholesale increase in salaries," the late increases having ranged from \$50 to \$200 annually, and to the lowest paid men to meet the increased living cost.

Judge Guion asserted that the college is turning out splendid men, as attested by the demand for its graduates. "The university has not grown like this college," said he, "nor has it rendered the services to the state. There seems to be something lacking at

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the university, but I favor a university of the first class."

He added significantly, "Our instructors eschew politics for strive for efficiency in teaching. Our aim is learning. Salaries are not as large as paid at other institutions, but none of our instructors have threatened to leave."

In saying the university is different from the college, he also said "there is duplication of work which should be stopped. Some of it is superficial and done as an advertisement. All agricultural work should be centered at the college, a smattering of it is given at the university, and the state agricultural department attempts it." He maintained that the university as a classical school and the college vocational. An institution should not try to teach everything. The college is not teaching anything it should not teach.

Reasonable doubt was expressed by Judge Guion as to whether, under the constitution, the legislature can make appropriations for erecting college buildings not for the university. He denied there is any friction between the two institutions, declaring such rumors mere talk. He thinks the university land should be sold and the proceeds divided, being willing to accept one-fourth as the college's share. "I don't think Texas can spend too much money on education, but do it properly."

Judge Guion severely condemned establishing an A. & M. college at Abilene, declaring it was prevented by "intervention of the Lord," but favored six junior colleges, in time. He also objected to a normal at Alpine, which Representative Tilston defended, predicting it will become the most popular normal in the state because of healthy location.

Judge Guion objected to the system of high school affiliation, arguing that if a student can not pass entrance examination he should not be admitted on diploma. He said his boy of twelve finished arithmetic and spelling and

wanted the high school curriculum fixed to prevent such absurdities. He also expects to send his son to the university law school.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS—  
County of Runnels,  
In the District Court of Runnels County, Texas.  
M. S. Ujffly, Plaintiff vs. M. C. Hood et al Defendants.  
Whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Runnels county, Texas, on a judgment, rendered in said Court on the 25th day of October A. D. 1917, in favor of M. S. Ujffly and did on the 12th day of December A. D. 1917 at 10 A. M. levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Runnels, State

of Texas, and belonging to the said defendants, to-wit? Being all that certain tract of land lying and being situated in the County of Runnels, State of Texas, being Block Nos. 42, 54 and 55 of the South Ballinger Addition to the town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, as the same appears by the map of the plan of said addition on file in the County Clerk's office of said Runnels County, Texas, and on the 1st day of January A. D. 1918, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on said day at the court house door of said county,

**STATEMENT of Condition**

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## FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER

Nov. 20th, 1917

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U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
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
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The above statement is correct. R. G. Erwin.

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Dated at Ballinger, this 12th day of Dec. A. D. 1917.  
J. D. Perkins,  
Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas.  
12-1926-2

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.**  
There has been some misunderstanding about the new traffic law in Texas all this year and for that reason City Marshal Pileher has been a little lenient on the public in reference to violations of the traffic laws of the state. The Regular session of the 35th Legislature 1917, passed a lengthy traffic law containing 44 sections, some of the sections were penal and some civil in their nature, but for some reason in framing up the law, its makers failed to attach ANY PENALTY whatever to any of the penal sections, so of course, the penal sections were a dead letter on the laws of the state, so when the first called session of the 35th Legislature met, it passed an amendment to this said act of 44 sections, known as section 45 which attempted to provide a penalty to all penal section in the said original 44 section act, but again the law makers got ball-up and failed to include section 8a, which section provides, "That every motor vehicle, other than a motor cycle, or bicycle shall carry, when in operation, two lighted lamps in front and one red lighted lamp in the rear, when in operation 1-2 hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, etc." so this section was a dead letter till the second called session of the 35th Legislature met later on, and amended section 43 and included section 8a, and this law become effective on and after October 10th, 1917, and provides a fine of not more than \$100 for the first offense and not less than 10 nor more than \$100 for second offense.

So we see by reviewing the legislation on this question that we have today a valid law on the statute books of our state covering the subject.  
Mr. Pileher is asking that all drivers of motor vehicles and riders of bicycles and motor cycles take notice, as he intends to enforce the said section 8a in the future to the letter, and if there is anyone who thinks that there is now, no effective law governing this matter they have another "think" coming, as is explained above.  
So after this notice, be careful to have your lights in operation as provided by law or else you will be subject to a fine for the violation thereof. 2d-1w.

**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.

**REFUSED APPOINTMENT; DRAFTED FOR SERVICE**  
(Brownwood Bulletin.)  
When Fred S. Abney of the Citizens National Bank received, several days ago, an appointment as county manager of the government war savings stamp campaign, he declined the honor because of the press of private business affairs. The government agent wrote Mr. Abney a letter urging him to accept the appointment, and again Mr. Abney declined. A telegram then came to him, declining to release him from the appointment, and strongly urging him to accept it. Mr. Abney telegraphed in reply that it was impossible for him to do so.

Thursday Mr. Abney received a telegram from the government headquarters, announcing in no uncertain terms that he had been drafted for the service of the government, and that every day's failure or refusal to perform the service required would subject him to a heavy fine. Naturally the Brownwood banker decided to accept the job.  
A meeting of the county chairman of Texas was scheduled for Saturday but Mr. Abney could not attend. He is arranging to take up the work at Waco, but Mr. Abney could not attend. He is arranging to take up the work early this week, and will conduct a strenuous campaign in this county.

## CATTLEMEN MEET IN SAN ANGELO

San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 11.—The executive committee of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association is in session here today. Yesterday's train brought many members of the committee and delegates who are coming here to invite the committee to meet with them in the annual meet next spring.

The executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas while in session here will attend to many financial matters connected with the organization. It is expected these matters will consume considerable time, as all claims and accounts against the association are handled by the committee. It is possible that several matters that may be disposed of before the annual meeting of the association will be considered by the body Tuesday. Whether there will be discussions and considerations of cattle transportation, feed and the like could not be learned today. A report to the effect that certain recommendations to the food administration concerning handling of empty cars, cattle shipments and feed-stuff would be made by the committee could not be confirmed.

Another matter that the executive committee will consider Tuesday is selecting the place of meeting for the next annual convention of the organization. The organization had selected San Antonio, but that city lately notified the association that it could not provide accommodations owing to the fact that the city is overrun with soldiers at this time. Five cities are avowed candidates for the next meeting place of this, the largest attended convention in the state. These cities are Galveston, El Paso, Dallas, Houston and Oklahoma City. Strong delegations from each of these cities will present their claims for the next meeting to the board Tuesday. It was stated today that delegates and attendants at the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas go not single file, but in herds and droves.

San Angelo has made arrangements for properly entertaining the members of the executive committee and their friends. Friends include visiting cattlemen and convention delegations. Tuesday evening there will be a "stag banquet" in the banquet room of the St. Angelus hotel. No menu has been announced for the occasion. This banquet will begin as soon as the members of the committee have concluded their business, and will continue until every member and his cattlemen or convention delegate friend has had what he wants to satisfy the inner man. Speeches will be of the five-minute variety, and the banquet will be concluded in time for a dance that is to be given in honor of the cattlemen, beginning at ten o'clock.

The following is the personnel of the executive committee:  
Ewing Halsell, Vinita, Okla.; A. M. James, Dalhart; H. M. Stonebreaker, Kansas City; T. M. Pyle, Longfellow; H. C. Harding, Amarillo; W. E. Weathersbee, Del Rio; C. M. Newman, El Paso; R. R. Russell, San Antonio; R. B. Materson, Amarillo; Abe Meyer, San Angelo; John M. Moore, Richmond; P. L. Childress, Ozona; C. E. Shults, Llano; G. D. Scott, Houston; G. R. White, Brady; W. L. Corn, Fort Worth; Ed L. Mears Menard; H. D. Mendel, Ft. Stockton; J. M. Crowder, Midland; G. W. Shield, San Angelo; J. L. Barron, Cedar Vale, Kansas; W. L. Kingston, Fort Davis; R. C. Sutton, San Antonio; E. P. Lucas, San Antonio; D. H. Snyder, Jr., Colorado City; F. S. Hastings, Stamford; T. T. East, Kingsville; W. H. P. McFaddin, Victoria; J. B. Wood, Victoria; M. Sanson, Ft. Worth.

The following officers and honorary vice presidents are entitled to a vote on executive committee matters and are expected to attend the meeting:  
President James Callan, Menard; First Vice President John Landergin, Amarillo; Second Vice President R. J. Kleberg, Kingsville; Treasurer S. B. Burnett, Ft. Worth; Secretary E. B. Spiller, Fort Worth; Assistant Secretary A. C. Williams, Fort Worth; Attorney Dayton Moses, Ft. Worth; Honorary Vice Presidents W. W. Turney, El Paso; Ike T. Pryor, San Antonio; Ed C. Lasater, Falfurrias; A. B. Robertson, Slaton; Sam Davidson, Fort Worth; Al H. McFaddin, Victoria; R. J. Kle-

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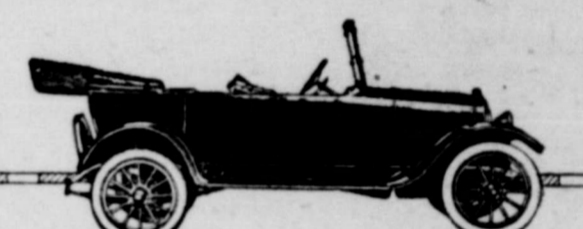
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### Ladies' Boots

Ladies Boots, special 8 to 11-in. tops, blacks, grays, browns, white kid—good assortment values up to \$8.50, choice lot \$5.00  
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Clean up lot Shoes up to \$3.50—choice \$1.50

### Thread

Big lot Thread—Clark's and other brands, per spool 3c

### Hosiery Special

Big assortment Children's Hose—sold up to 25c 10c  
All our 75c Silk Hose 50c  
All our \$1.50 and \$1.75 Blacks and Colors Silk Hose \$1.00

### Fleece Underwear

Heavy Fleece Line Shirts and Drawers, worth 75c 50c

### Men's and Boys Overcoats and Mackinaws

Boys Overcoats, value \$6.00, all wool, Nobley styles, 6 to 10 years choice \$2.50  
Boys \$10.00 Late style coats 12 to 18 \$5.00  
Mens warm all wool Coats up to \$12.50—choice for \$7.00  
All our \$17.50 to \$22.50 Coats—choice \$12.50  
Lot \$20 Suits—special \$10.00  
Lot \$15.00 Suits—special \$7.50  
\$3.50 Boys Suits, sizes 4 to 18 years, Clean Up Sale

### Men's Hats

Full line Stetsons—300 Hats values up to \$3.50—choice \$2.00

### Drummer Samples

Just opened \$500.00 Drummer samples—all big saving in Sale—75 odd Coats out of Suits—choice \$1.50

## Holiday Specials For Men

FULL ASSORTMENT OF NECKWEAR IN HOLIDAY BOXES, CAMP SETS FOR SOLDIER BOYS.

JEWELRY, RINGS, CUFF BUTTONS, COLLAR BUTTONS, ETC.

See us early on Holiday buying. You will double your purchasing power by taking advantage of this sale. Don't ask for approvals or for goods to be charged.

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8th Street and Hutchins Avenue.

Ballinger,

Texas

### 3 Horses Lost in Feed Barn Fire

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the building almost instantly, and it was impossible to save the livestock.

The fire company did valiant work, playing three streams of water from five minutes after six until nine-thirty o'clock, enduring the freezing cold weather. After the fire had been confined to the pile of hay which had been thrown together when the building fell in,

Mr. Cohen called for two of his men to volunteer to stay with the job throughout the night and Joe Peechee and Elmer Rogers responded and stood watch throughout the cold night.

Will Street was due to arrive home Tuesday night. A few minutes after the fire broke out he called Mrs. Street over the phone, calling from Rosege, and stated he was spending the night at that place to have repairs made on his car, and called up to see how the family was getting along and to let her know that he would not be at home. Of course she told him

that his barn was burning, and he hurried home, arriving here early in the day Wednesday.

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## Breezes of Prosperity are Coming this Way

Before I creep into my sepulchre I want to say that if a man lives in the West, he ought to have a head hard enough to crock walnuts on. And some have got 'em and some haint. Some are sticking and some are hiking. Some are sitting tight and some have to go to San Angelo, oh! and be soaked like an old wagon.

The drouth covers a large territory. The war area and the awful tragedy of it are expanding every day.

But mein Gott, we can't afford to organize suicide clubs. Neither can we sit like a crying babe and bawl for milk and bread. The way to get the cream, I key, is to go after Old Sookee and juice her good and plenty, and the way to get the bread to erumb in the milk is to plant the little grain that multiplies a thousand fold.

The old hard-headed Red-neck that sticks always wins. He always will.

The old Limberneck that gets "skeered" and takes to his heels gets it in the back—gets it in the neck. There is no use side-stepping and throwing jenny fits. Bring your theory and the common practice of the practical farmer together and let them hug and kiss. You must adapt yourself to extremes—extremely dry weather and extremely wet—extremely short crops and big bumper crops.

A Limbernecks chance is like a peach—too green, over-ripe, or out of reach. But you can no more convince some people than you can catch a jack rabbit a foot. Now there goes my pen, letting me in for it again.

My enemies call me "Old Busy Face." Granted, Old Gink. Every word that leaves my face is the truth, by-gum. Now, Old Bluff, take this from me: Cut loose from your franchised overflow of knocking and grouching, and breaking the dry air into a 1000 pieces with your small squeaking voice. Let the angels do the weeping and you beat it over to my way of thinking and go up against it, proper.

Sure enough, there never was a clearer bugle call, not only to arms, but to the farms, than at present. If an acre of level prairie land in Runnels county will make half a bale of cotton and half a bale will sell for \$80.00 spot, then it stands to reason without saying that land must inevitably sell for that amount per acre.

Day follows night; rain follows drouth. A group of little failures lay the foundation for some big successes. It is not how many little failures we make but how big a success. My advice to friends and enemies, and I've got some good "un's" on both sides, is to get your toes well grounded in a little piece of Runnels county dirt, while the getting is good and easy. And then go to plowing and hoeing and sowing and mowing. Cheer up—you can do your best work when cheered up. Think hard. Think hard and straight. Smile on and sing on. Work hard, play hard, then rest. Get the "Go" spirit and put springs in your heels and wings on your feet, young sprout. You can make as

much here as any other where. If I couldn't cultivate 100 acres here I would buckle on a kicking machine and start it at a thousand volts a minute.

We must get into harmony with environments and confine our powers to one particular channel—producing the "eats."

Youngster, let what you do be in your bones. The drawing of a new day is in sight.

The breezes of prosperity are going to come whistling and singing forward. Mark my prediction! Put away your tear jug.

Turn your mental artillery loose and get you knee joints made acquainted with the moist furrow. It gives birth to a thousand joys. Get homes of your own, boys, and be "Somebody." What applies to Runnels county applies elsewhere.

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Mrs. Susie Jackson. d&wt

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FOR RENT—Eight room house near Central Hotel. Phone R. P. Conn. 12-3d

FOR RENT—The Judge O. L. Parish residence on Eighth Street. Phone R. P. Conn. 12-3d

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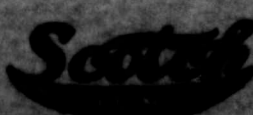
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