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Germans are Making Desperate Stand Greatest Artillery Battle Now in Progress on New Line

SUBMARINE SINKS U. S. LIGHTSHIP

Washington, Aug. 7.—The Diamond Shoals lightship, off Cape Hatteras North Carolina, was shelled and destroyed by submarines late yesterday afternoon. The navy department announces that the crew in charge of the lightship escaped in boats and made their way to landing safely.

DIED

Reubin McShan, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McShan, of the Pony Creek country, died at their home Tuesday night at 1 o'clock from a protracted spell of typhoid fever. The funeral services were conducted at the residence and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Ballinger Cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

The Ledger joins the many friends of the family in condolence and sympathy for the sad relatives left to mourn the death of their loved one.

F. Blumintritt, of the Miles country, was transacting business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Thursday
Friday and
Saturday
Salvation Army Day.
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Weeks Drug Store

CALL MADE FOR NURSES RESERVE

At a meeting of the women committee of the County Council of National Defense Tuesday afternoon, a committee was appointed to give information and solicit aid for the United States Students Nurses Reserve. Mrs. B. B. Middleton was appointed chairman of this work in Ballinger, and the committee will be at the Library each afternoon at four o'clock for the three remaining evenings of this week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Young ladies who are interested in this work are urged to call at the Library at the above hour, where they will receive further instructions.

John Black, the Marie merchant, M. D. Smith, of the Hatchel country, and J. W. Poole, of the Winters country, A. Tidwell of the Mud Creek section and W. L. Hambright and son, of the Winters country were business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

Lieutenant Roy Sharp Wounded In Battle

Lieut. Roy F. Sharp has been wounded in battle in France. A cablegram to his mother, Mrs. Mary B. Sharp, was received Wednesday. The message said: "Wounded in thigh and ankle. Excellent care." The brief message was signed "Roy."

Lieut. Sharp is with the Rainbow Division and this division has been in the thickest of the fight for the past two weeks. As the message was signed by the young man himself, Mrs. Sharp and her daughters are hopeful that the wounds are not serious.

A cheerful letter from Lieut. Sharp came Tuesday and also another one came just as the message announcing that he had been wounded came. The letter received by his sister Tuesday appears elsewhere in this issue of The Ledger.

The news that he had been wounded brings sorrow to his friends, but can not be taken as



Lieut. Roy F. Sharp

a surprise, and out of the great number of boys from this county who are now in France, the worst can be expected from time to time, because war without casualties would not be war.

UNIVERSITY BOYS ON BATTLE LINE

Austin, Texas, Aug. 6.—Shortly after the close of the First Officers' Training Camp at Leon Springs forty of the young men who had just received their commissions were assigned as officers in the Rainbow Division. Many of these men are graduates of the University of Texas. This detail was confined chiefly to first and second lieutenants. In view of the fact that the Rainbow Division recently won the distinction of defeating the famous Prussian Guards on the Soissons-Rheims salient, the important part which these Texas young men probably played in the great battle will be a source of the deepest pride on the part of the people of this State. All of these young officers, it is stated, were detailed to infantry regiments. After spending three months at Camp Mills, L. I., they were in the early part of November sent across with the Rainbow Division to France. Their first service in the trenches began last February in the Lorraine sector. They remained there until the early part of July, when they were sent to the Campigny sector between Soissons and Chateau Thierry. On July 24 they were removed to the lower eastern side of the salient, where they shortly thereafter came into contact with the Prussian Guards, inflicting a terrible defeat on that crack military organization of Germans.

LEFT FOR CAMP CODY.

Stone Stribling, of The Ledger force, Darby Fox, of the Pony Creek country and Ed Heunecke, of the Rowena country, left from this point Tuesday afternoon for Camp Cody, near Deming, New Mexico, where they will enter the U. S. service.

MERCHANTS TO MAKE ONLY ONE DELIVERY

The retail merchants of Ballinger announce the adoption of a delivery system which has been put into effect in other cities, and which should meet with the hearty and unanimous approval of the public.

Elsewhere in this issue the merchants entering into this agreement announce fully the new plan for making deliveries. In short it is this: No goods will be delivered free where the orders are placed after nine o'clock forenoon until the next day, when they will go out in the regular free delivery. Delivery wagons will leave the stores at nine o'clock each morning, and your orders must be in by that hour.

There is a big waste in the old way of delivering groceries and dry goods. The new system will eliminate the necessity for making deliveries of one or two small orders at all hours of the day. The customers can place their orders in the afternoon to be delivered the next morning, or they can place the order before nine o'clock every morning.

As "Jones pays the freight," it is to the advantage of the consumers to co-operate in cutting the cost of deliveries, and this can be done by approving of the new delivery system and placing your orders accordingly.

WEATHER REPORT.

Tonight and Thursday, generally fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith are just in receipt of a message telling them that their son, George Smith, had arrived safely in France, and ready for service as soon as called into action.

J. W. Jones of Miles, had business in Ballinger between trains Wednesday.

With French, Aug. 7.—The Aisne-Vesle battle front is a veritable inferno. The stubborn resistance of the enemy has thrown the entire battle front along these rivers into the grasp of a most deadly conflict.

Greater activity than ever before is reported this afternoon and heavy artillery is constantly at work on both the extreme wings of the Aisne-Vesle battle front, where the Germans have concentrated their heavy forces to oppose any flanking movement of the allies, while the allies are pressing hard for further advance. Official reports say that heavy artillery is underway on the whole battle front.

Paris, Aug. 7.—The allied troops have repulsed the German attacks against the Lagrange farm on the Vesles river line, and pushing forward captured Siry Salogne railway station, the war office announces.

West of Montdidier the allies are making progress and advanced today on a two mile front.

London, Aug. 7.—The British launched counter attacks between the Ancre and Somme rivers early this morning and regained all the most important positions lost yesterday southwest of Morlan Court according to official reports from General Haig.

Conditions on the battle front along the Vesle river between Soissons and Rheims remain unchanged and, relatively speaking, there have been no developments of outstanding importance on the line running from the region of Montdidier toward the English channel. In both regions, however, there is a tenseness which seems to forecast the approaching dawn of big events.

The bad weather, heavy rain-falls, the swollen river and the

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A. W. Sledge Editor

HOW HE WAS UPSET.

The woman vote upset the predictions of all the professional political dopesters. It proved as hard for the professional politician to tell how the women were going to vote as it is to tell which way a frog is going to hop by the expression of his eyes—Comanche Chief.

The Chief Editor was perhaps on the wrong side of the fence. The woman vote did not upset the Hobby forces in the least. All politicians who supported Hobby, and according to Ferguson charges that took them all in, for only the common people supported Ferguson, predicted that the women would vote for Hobby and now the used to be Ferguson supporters admit it. It may be hard to tell how a frog is going to jump, but when such questions as Fergusonism is involved, it is not hard to tell how the women are going to vote.

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The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.25. One small bottle is two months' treatment, and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for sworn testimonials from this and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.

Wm. Forbus, of Sweetwater, was greeting friends and looking after business affairs in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mrs. A. R. Jones, of Brownwood who had been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Zach Snell and Ballinger friends returned home Tuesday afternoon.

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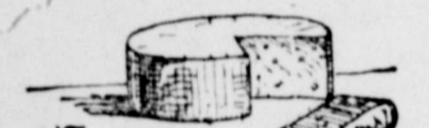
**DROUTH PRODUCES CRITIC-
CAL SITUATION IN WEST**

Before his departure Monday for Menard County, James Callan, president of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association drew a desperate picture of the conditions in the drouthy regions of Western Texas including his own section. Mr. Callan came here for a conference with Food Administrator Pedan.

"Rains must come in 3 weeks or desperate measures will have to be taken." Mr. Callan said. The burning hot winds of June and July scorched to death what grass was left; there are scarcely no crops. Cottonseed meal will not save cattle in the drouth section unless rains come to help. The only alternatives will be to ship to grass or sell for meat. Mr. Callan has disposed of all but 2000 head of his own cattle.—Houston Chronicle.

Wert Bayles, of the Hatchel country, passed through Ballinger Monday en route to Rock Port, to work in the U. S ship yards.

CHEESE AT THE RIGHT PRICE



Because of the present good supply of cheese in the country and the prospect of continued abundant production this summer, those who know the food value of this dairy product and appreciate its appetizing flavor will be interested in the action the United States Food Administration has taken to facilitate its movement from the manufacturer to the table with as few delays and as small expense as possible.

Rules have been announced that will not permit dealers in American and Cheddar cheese to take advantage of advances in the market by selling cheese bought at a low price on the basis of higher costs that may prevail after the time of purchase. Commissions will not be allowed to enter into costs, reasonable margins have been fixed to prevent speculation and "dummy" sales have been prohibited. These and other regulations should make it possible for retailers to buy at lower prices, and, through the working of the fair price committees, the consumer should get a good food product at the cost of production plus only the reasonable charges for handling and a just margin of profit.

With the increasing demand for meat for our army and navy, and the request by the food administration for beefless days in hotels, restaurants and homes, the effort to stabilize the marketing of cheese comes at an opportune time. One of the best concentrated foods has a good chance to occupy a more prominent place on the menu as it already does in the allied countries.



**GERMANS ARE MAKING
DESPERATE STAND**

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resultant wretched condition of the terrain with which the allied troops along the Vesle now have to contend, not to mention the necessity of bringing up guns, ammunition and supplies is having more to do with the holding in leash of Marshal Foch's troops than the opposition the Germans are throwing in their way.

The Germans have been shelling heavily the American and French soldiers who have made their way across to the northern bank of the Vesle or delivering heavy counter attacks against them, but everywhere they have met with a stone wall of resistance that has not permitted them to counter balance their losses of ground.

They also have deluged the southern line of the stream with shells of all calibres, including gas projectiles, and even brought their famous flame throwers into play but all to no purpose. The allies everywhere have remained firm in the ground they have won.

But the Germans have not been permitted by the allies to have a monopoly of the initiative. Where they have thrown shells against the Americans in the Fismes sector, American missiles have been returned with added interest. This particular sector has been a veritable inferno. Gas in large quantities was released against the Americans, who with their gas masks adjusted, were virtually unharmed by the noxious fumes. A kindly switch in the wind at one time turned the gas back against the enemy. The French also have answered the Germans in kind.

During the hiatus in the fighting on the Soissons-Rheims sector the Germans are believed to be moving their bodies northward to positions they have chosen for a stand, and doubtless the German crown prince is endeavoring hastily to re-constitute as well as he may with the forces at his command, the badly shattered armies.

An inkling of what the Germans have lost in men made prisoner and guns captured by the allies has become public through an utterance of the French premier at a session of the ministerial council at which General Foch was made a marshal of France. "Thirty-five thousand prisoners and 700 cannons have been captured," said the premier, who added that Paris no longer was in danger, that Soissons and Chateau Thierry had been re-conquered and that 200 villages had been delivered through the formidable thrust of Foch's men through the Soissons-Rheims battle front.

The French north of Montdidier have crossed to the east side of the Avre river between Braehes and Morisel. Here a fairly deep penetration into the German line would become a direct menace to the junction point of the armies of the German crown prince.

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LETTER FROM BRYAN LUSK.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lusk are just in receipt of a letter from their son, Bryan, who is now safe in France, and he writes he is enjoying splendid health and that army life over there is pleasant enough so far, and they are being well taken care of in every respect. He gives the advice that many others might heed and that is not to worry if you do not hear from your boy as often as you would like, for no news is good news, and if anything were wrong the government would notify you at once.

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Children Cry for Fletcher's



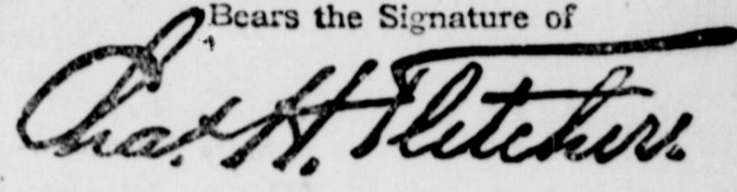
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Jesse Elms, of Winters, and Elgin Davidson, of the Wilmeth country were in Ballinger Tuesday, en route home from Abbott, where they had been visiting Mr. Davidson's father and family a week or two.

W. G. Allen and C. W. Groves, of Wingate, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Liniment and bound on over the seat of pain is often more effectual for a lame back than a plaster and does not cost anything like as much.

J. J. Sayers, who had been visiting his son and daughter in Louisiana, the past several months returned home Tuesday night.

L. J. Wilson and son, of Coleman, who had been here at the Halley & Love sanitarium and had a successful operation for adnoids and tonsils for the young man, left for home Wednesday morning. Mr. Wilson was the guest of his friend, R. L. Harwell while in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fox and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mapes, of the Pony Creek country, came in Tuesday to accompany Darby Fox, who left in the afternoon to enter the U. S. service at Camp Cody.

Be WISE and Advertise

A card from Washington announces the safe arrival of Bill Holland in France. Bill was a member of the Camp Bowie bunch of boys, who sailed some time ago!

Mrs. J. A. Freeman and children are at home from a visit to Mrs. Freeman's parents in Brown county.

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 MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

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

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams are just in receipt of the notice that their son, Sergeant Pat Williams had arrived safely in France, and was ready to get on the firing line at any time the call is made.

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the work of other organizations;
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Mrs. Forrest George and children and her mother-in-law, Mrs. George, left Friday afternoon for Clarksville, to join Mr. George, where they will make their fu-

ture home.

Emil Spill and nephew, Robert Spill, of Winters, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to Yoakum, where they will find work for the fall months.

J. P. Englert, of the Miles-Rovena country, passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route to South Texas, where he will find work for the fall months.

L. M. Hughes received a card Tuesday announcing the arrival of his son in France, or on some other foreign soil.

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Thursday-Friday-Saturday

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France, July 10.

Dear Sis:—

Happened to get hold of a piece of paper, so will write you. Am getting along fine, except for a few inconveniences, such as no place to sleep, not getting to pull my clothes off since July 3rd, a little rain, much artillery (all French and American) and the fact that we are to have only two meals today. The rations did not come up for some cause.

Really though, I had breakfast at 9:30 and dinner at 4:00 p. m. makes it all right.

Wish you could see my sleeping place now; twt shelter shevles and some tar paper keeps the rain off of Lieut. Moore and myself. We have grass on the ground and four blankets and two rain coats, and as we sleep in our clothes it really dosen't sleep so very badly. We work at nights and sleep all day, if we can and want too.

Our division has been cited one in orders and if we get another we will all be decorated. Some class, don't you think?

There is absolutely nothing to write, it seems, except that everything seems to be getting on fine. Had another letter from Will Stuart, and it is a funny thing that there is no way to find out where a fellow is over here.

Got two papers yesterday dated May 18th and 24th. They were surely interesting. I can keep up with a great deal of news form the papers.

We have surely hiked about lately and have seen quite a bit of France. This part is the worst we have been in as it seems such poorland, nothing but clay everywhere. The hills are all cut up with trenches and all one can see is row after row of white clay with little patches of green in be-woman doing some washing for

The last move we made was at 10:30 p. m. I was in bed and only had time to roll up my bedding and hike. It was'nt to the rear either. I had an old French woman doing some washnig for me which of course I had to leave. Now I only have what I have on, one towel and a rain coat. My bedding roll is somewhere in the rear. Gee, but we are a dirty bunch, but expeet to clean up in a few days. Can just imagine how a clean pair of socks will feel. I am sending you a copy of the citation which you can put in my serap book. Hope we can get another one soon, and may be a decoration. Have'nt had a letter from home in about a week, but can keep on expecting them tho for I know they are on the way. Will write every chance I have, and do not worry for I am getting along fine.

Love to all,

ROY

The above letter came Tuesday to Miss Maggie Sharp from her brother Lieut. Roy F. Sharp, Lieut. Sharp is a member of the Rainbow Division, and those who have been reading the newspapers during the past weeks know something about where the Rainbow Division is and what valient work that bunch of American boys have been doing. This letter was written about the time the Allies launched their offensive, and no doubt Lieut. Sharp has been in the thick of the fight since writing the above.

June 27, 1918.
 Somewhere in France.

Dear Elmer:

Our first mail came yesterday and I know you an not imagine how we celebrated. I never saw as many happy soldiers before in my life. I got an even dozen and I sure spent a good afternoon reading them. It was the first news of any kind we had had from the states since we left.

Mamma said in one of her letters that some of you had wired me at the camp I was last in and the wire was returned. I guess

that must have been about the time I left there. The whole trip was wonderful and if I could only tell you our route you would understand why it was so good, but of course I can't mention that. We traveled by every means known to man except by airship, and our eating was about the same, but on top of all I arrived here feeling better than ever and had gained about ten pounds. We have travelled several days by train since we arrived overseas, and the things I've seen have been wonderful to me. Some of the scenery along the mountains is absolutely indescribable. In some places trains that were pulled by one engine before, were cut into and three engines were put on each section. We wound around the edge of high mountains and from one side and looked almost a mile below us you could see a beautiful smooth valley with a small river winding along thru the mountains, so pretty that I thought such things only existed in the imagination of artists. And roads, oh, boy, if you could only see them. Just wide enough for a wagon or a car, with grass growing right to the roadbed, and the trees along both sides so even that you would think they were painted there, big trees that overlap the top. No matter where you find them, they are the same. And the fields and meadows every-where and always a hedge fence as pretty as you see around our yards at home. We have been traveling ever since we left except a day here and there in some rest camp and when we were in these camps it was my good fortune to go on a few sight-seeing trips and I will never forget them. I saw things that impressed me so I will remember them always.

In one place we went through an old cathedral and from the minute I came in sight of it I was simply bewildered. The architecture was wonderful and as I entered the inside and found myself first in what I would call the big auditorium, and began to learn its history I forgot myself until I had to leave. I heard bits of history about it that unless you were placed in the same circumstances that I was you would not believe. I saw statuary that you can't even believe when you see it, and even though it has stood (and is still in us), since about 1100 and its history dates back as far as 190, still new things, that have never been noticed are discovered almost every year. As I stood in the back part of the cathedral among the tombs and statues of kings, noblemen, and great conquerors, you can not imagine how I felt. In coffins along the wall within my touch was resting the very bones of kings I had read about and through as a myth. It will sure

be pleasure to tell you about these things some day for when you see you all around me and tell you one, so of course I am looking forward to the day when I can get you all around men and tell you some of my experiences. There are things far more interesting than there, but they are of such a nature that I can not mention them.

Mother wrote me that you had joined the cavalry. I hope you all the success you can possibly have and I am sure you will get along fine.

I am doing fine here. Our camp is the best I have ever seen and we are by far better fixed than we ever were over there. There is a little village close by by I rarely ever go there. You can buy beer, wine and champagne and other kinds of drinks and all you want but I am not having anything to do with such things. I am trying hard to live a better life than I ever have before, for after all there is only two crowds to run in, one is Christians, and the other is not. One way drags you down lower and lower, and the other elevates you and I am determined that when I return to my home I will be a better man physically and morally than when I left.

You will have to just guess how many temptations there is here, but I am determined to keep myself clean and to spend part of my time trying to get the other fellow to go straight.

You will have to pass this letter around the family and let it do for all for if I were to write you each one separately it would be almost a carbon copy, so please let them all have it and it sure would be fine if they all would answer it with a separate letter, for believe me, a fellow sure likes to get mail over here. Also show it to my friend Sledge, for somehow I think of him a great deal and believe I have missed him most next to the home folks. As soon as I can I will try and write him a long letter. Give my regards to all my friends and try and find time to write me some of the news.

Your brother,

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Mrs. C. C. Thomas and son, Jack, and daughter, Miss Nannie, left Tuesday afternoon to spend some time with relatives and friends in Limestone county, near Mexia.

The French Say;
"They Shall Not Pass"

Runnels county says: "We Shall Not Fail."

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Mitchell, Ind.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me so much during the time I was looking forward to the coming of my little one that I am recommending it to other expectant mothers. Before taking it, sometimes I suffered with neuralgia so badly that I thought I could not live, but after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was entirely relieved of neuralgia, I had gained in strength and was able to go around and do all my housework. My baby when seven months old weighed 19 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine do me so much good."—Mrs. PEARL MONYHAN, Mitchell, Ind.

Good health during maternity is a most important factor to both mother and child, and many letters have been received by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., telling of health restored during this trying period by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

J. M. Cordell and family, of Bullard, Texas, who had been visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger and this county, returned to their new home Wednesday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Earl Averett, who will visit with them a few weeks.

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

Albert Spill and sister, Miss Emma Spill, of Winters, were among the visitors in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

HOW IT RAINS HERE IN AUGUST

Twelve years ago it rained twelve inches in August. Out of the past twenty-three months there have been only two months of August in which it failed to rain. This country received no rain in August 1899, 1907 or 1911. Here is a twenty-three year record for August:

- 1895—2.37 inches.
- 1896—1.47 inches.
- 1897—2.67 inches.
- 1898—0.74 inches.
- 1899—0.00 inches.
- 1900—4.12 inches.
- 1901—0.63 inches.
- 1902—0.62 inches.
- 1903—2.97 inches.
- 1904—0.92 inches.
- 1905—0.17 inches.
- 1906—11.54 inches.
- 1907—0.00 inches.
- 1908—2.44 inches.
- 1909—2.05 inches.
- 1910—0.35 inches.
- 1911—0.00 inches.
- 1912—1.16 inches.
- 1913—0.90 inches.
- 1914—6.20 inches.
- 1915—4.72 inches.
- 1916—0.30 inches.
- 1917—2.11 inches.

Average for the twenty-three years for the month of August, 2.10 inches.

Cure for Dysentery.

"While I was in Ashland, Kansas, a gentleman overheard me speaking of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes William Whitelaw, of Des Moines, Iowa. "He told me in detail of what it had done for his family, but more especially his daughter who was lying at the point of death with a violent attack of dysentery, and had been given up by the family physician. Some of his neighbors advised him to give Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, which he did, and fully believes that by doing so saved the life of his child. He stated that he had also used this remedy himself with equally gratifying results."

1,000 UNSKILLED WORKMEN WANTED BY VIRGINIA GOV.

One thousand unskilled workmen are needed immediately for government work in Virginia, according to a bulletin received Tuesday by the United States employment office here. All men without jobs, whether they live in San Angelo or in adjoining towns and counties, should report to Maurice E. Hornish, in charge of the employment bureau in the St. Angelus hotel building, if they want work and desire to help the government.

Transportation to Virginia will be advanced and later will be deducted from wages which the government assures will equal to those paid by private firms for similar work. The men are guaranteed comfortable houses in which to live and other favorable conditions.

Men accepted for the places now open will be sent to Virginia at once. —San Angelo Standard.

FEEL LIKE GIVING UP?

Many Ballinger People on Verge of Collapse.

A bad back makes you miserable all the time—

Lame every morning; sore all day.

It hurts to stoop—it hurts to straighten.

What with headache, dizzy spells, urinary weakness,

No wonder people are discouraged.

Who do not know the kidneys may be the cause of it all.

Give the weakened kidneys needful help.

Use a tested and proven kidney remedy.

None endorsed like Doan's Kidney Pills.

Geo. B. Eskridge, Prop. of shooting gallery, Main St., Ballinger, says: "I had a spell of grip that settled on my kidneys. I suffered so much from my back I could hardly keep going and I had dull, throbbing pains across my loins. My sight blurred and I had dizzy spells. The kidney secretions were irregular in passage. I used Doan's Kidney Pills which I got from the Walker Drug Co., and they strengthened my back and relieved all symptoms of kidney complaint."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Eskridge had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

R. C. Henniger and daughters, of the Hatchel country, came in Wednesday to accompany their friend, Mrs. Bornecke, who was returning to her home at Brownwood after a visit with friends.

Keys Williams, of Hatchel, W. A. Hamlicek, of Rowena, and H. W. Bigler, of Miles, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday afternoon.

SUGAR AFFIDAVITS.

Mr. Merchant, we are prepared to furnish you sugar certificates to be used in selling sugar for preserving purposes. We have the blanks printed and can supply you in any size quantity. The food rules require that you use these in selling sugar for canning and preserving purposes.

J. H. Taylor ordered the Banner-Ledger this week to be sent to his son, Leslie Taylor, who is engineer at the cotton oil mills at Frederick, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Breedlove left Wednesday for Amarillo, where they will make their future home.

Sam Weams left Tuesday afternoon for Houston, where he is doing carpenter work on the U. S. army camps.

Let Your Dollars Volunteer for The Salvation Army War Fund

Campaign Begins Thursday

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SHERIFF SALE

The State of Texas, County of Runnels

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable Justice court of Prec. No. 1 Runnels county, on the 8th day of July, 1918, by Paul Trimmer Justice of Peace of said Court for the sum of fifty one and 48-100 dollars and cost of suit, under a judgement, in favor R. P. Conn in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1893 and styled R. P. Conn vs. M. C. Braden and Emma B. Braden, placed in my hands for service, I, J. D. Perkins as sheriff of Runnels County, did on the 10th day of July 1918, levy on certain real estate, situated in Ballinger, Runnels Co., Tex., described as follows, to wit: Lots 6, 7 and 8, in block 12 original town of Ballinger, Texas, and Lots 1 in block 10 original town of Ballinger, Texas all in Runnels County Texas, and levied upon as the property of Emma Braden and that on the first Tuesday in September 1918, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels Co. in the town of Ballinger, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and execution and levy I will sell

said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Emma Braden and in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Daily Ledger, a newspaper published in Ballinger, Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 7th day of August 1918.

J. D. PERKINS,

Sheriff Runnels County, Tex.
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Daily Ledger Want Ads

WANTED

Cash paid for old houses or second hand lumber. See Henry Bagley at Ballinger Lumber Co. 6-5d-pd.

LOST.

LOST—A cameo ring at the Ballinger Club rooms. Finder leave at Ledger office. 6-2d.

Notice to Public

In order to conserve our manpower, gasoline and general up-keep of cars and to assist in a general way to aid our citizens to save an economize:

We, the retail merchants of Ballinger, agree to reduce the delivery expense to at least a marked degree. In order to do this we have agreed to make only one delivery each day, this one delivery to be made beginning at nine o'clock each morning and continue until all orders placed before nine o'clock are delivered.

In making this change we believe it to be to the best interest of all concerned and we ask the hearty cooperation of our entire citizenship. As nearly all new business methods work a hardship on some individual, we earnestly ask that all study this new method thoroughly and assist in every way to make it a success. As stated, each merchant will make only one delivery each day, all orders in before nine o'clock in the morning will be delivered that day before noon, and all orders received after nine o'clock will not be delivered until after nine o'clock the next day. If goods are ordered after nine o'clock and are wanted the same day, the purchaser will either come or send for them. This will go into effect on the morning of August 15th. If you are willing to aid in this movement please do not hesitate to call up your merchant and tell him that you are willing to cooperate.

SIGNED.

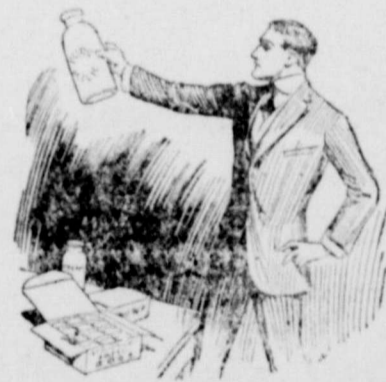
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| Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack | L. B. Stubbs |
| R. P. Conn | Higgingbotham Bros. & Co. |
| W. B. Wood & Son | T. F. Bridwell |
| The Hub | The Cash Market |
| A. J. Zappe | E. A. Jeanes & Co. |
| U. E. Hartman | Ladwig Bros. |
| Melton Dry Goods Co. | Gustavus Grocery Co. |
| E. A. Trail Cash Grocery Co. | Hall Hardware Company |
| The Miller Mercantile Co. | |

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- Lime-ade, 5c.
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