

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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Rumors circulated here Tuesday to the effect that the well of the Gulf Producing Co., on the Russell ranch was spouting oil and that the Runnels County Oil Co., well near Rowena was filling the atmosphere with gas, caused considerable talk among the oil promoters and the onlookers, who are patiently waiting developments. There was nothing to the rumors circulated here Tuesday, further than splendid progress in drilling is being made in all the wells, and that the geological formations encountered are all that a well driller could wish for. Everything indicates success for those who are spending their cash to test out the field.

The Shultz well in Coneho county is down about 1000 feet and it is expected that oil will be found within the next two or three hundred feet, as oil was found in the old well which had to be abandoned at 1000 feet.

There is talk here of the formation of a million dollar company.

The company if organized could be composed of the various local companies which hold leases on large acreage, and the combine would make it possible to drill at

any point the company saw fit, and to put in operation a half dozen wells at one time.

That the field will be thoroughly tested out there is little doubt. Too much cash and time has already been expended to call off work until it is determined whether we are in the oil bearing region or not.

The shallow field of Brownwood is making that place move out in real city fashion, and the oil production is greatly on the increase, and a shallow field is not to be compared with a deep well field.

The itemized quarterly report of the production of the Brownwood field, which only shows one-half of the amount of oil produced, shows a total of 15,042 gallons. Of this amount the Richardson Oil Co., produced 5,269 gallons. Judge M. C. Smith, of Ballinger is a member of the Richardson Co. his nephew, Dick Richardson, being at the head of the company.

Judge Smith has interested Mr. Richardson in the Ballinger field, and Mr. Richardson is due to be here one day this week to look over the field and make a thorough investigation with a view of putting a drill in the field. He has made millions out of the Brownwood field, and if he sees fit to become interested in the local field he can put a well down to the very bottom. He will probably confer with local holders of leased acreage, and there is a probability of further drilling and the formation of the big company.

T. L. Humphries and family, of Paint Rock, passed through Ballinger Wednesday, en route to Trinidad, Colo., where they go to make their home. T. L. is a son of J. L. Humphries, formerly of Crews, and now of Ft. Worth. He had been manager of the West Texas Phone Co., at Paint Rock.

Shipping Tags and wires at The Ballinger Printing Co.

### HALF INCH RAIN AT SOME PLACES

Judging from telephone reports the rain at Ballinger was about as good as at any point in the county, the northern part of the county only reporting a half inch, while the fall at Ballinger amounted to .45.

Points north of Ballinger, including Abilene, Bronte, Ft. Chadbourne, report "good rain," while Bradshaw and Blackwell to the northwest report one inch.

The Colorado river is on a rise of perhaps five or six feet, indicating that the rain was heavy at points along that stream west of Ballinger, and probably from rains falling out on the shed of the river Monday night.

Following is the report furnished the Ledger by the West Texas Telephone Co.:

Winters, Hatchel, and Colman, good showers; Brownwood, Wingate, Wilmeth, Truitt, Pony, light showers; Talpa, Ovalo, Abilene, Ft. Chadbourne, Bronte, good rain; San Angelo, Santa Anna, Notton, Crews, Benoit, Half-inch; No rain at Paint Rock, Staey, Millersview, Menard, Eden, Coneho, Brady and points further south.

### R. A. HALL SAFE ON THE OTHER SIDE

R. A. Hall, San Angelo's first business man to enlist for important war work abroad, has arrived safely overseas. A cablegram announcing his landing was received here Monday morning by Mrs. Hall. Whether or not Mr. Hall is in France or Italy is not known the place where the message was sent from being omitted.

Mr. Hall sailed from an Atlantic port on August 15, on a ship presumably bound for Italy. In case he was landed in that country, he will go to France by rail, as his work as field representative of Red Cross hospitals is to be in that country.

Mr. Hall before enlisting in the Red Cross work was chairman of the Tom Green county exemption board. He is vice president of the San Angelo National Bank, secretary, treasurer and manager of the San Angelo Cotton Oil Co., one of the board of managers of the Western Gin Company and a director of both the First National Bank of Ballinger and the Coneho Valley Loan and Trust Co. of this city. —San Angelo Standard.

### Four Minute Speaker

C. P. Shepard will be the four minute speaker tonight at the White City. Subject: "Where did You Get Your Facts" This will be the last speaker on this subject.

New subject to be announced by Jack McGregor at a later date.

J. W. Dancer, for several years a farmer in the Winters country, loaded out a car of household goods, implements, etc., and pulled for Wharton County, Wednesday, and will make his home in South Texas.

Sale Slices and Statements, loose leaf binders and indexes at The Ballinger Printing Co.

### AUTO VICTIM WILL RECOVER

While returning from a visit to an oil well north of Brownwood Sunday night Judge Terry Dumenil had the misfortune to overturn his car in a ditch by the roadside. The wreck occurred about three miles northwest of Brownwood on the May road. It seems that on account of the bad lights, the driver was unable to see the road and ran off an embankment and overturned the car.

At the time of the wreck only two people were in the car. Mr. Dumenil and Mrs. Gertrude McMillan, an employe of the local Harvey House, who had accompanied him to the oil field. Mr. Dumenil was more or less bruised, but was able to be on the streets yesterday. Mrs. McMillan's injuries were of a more serious nature and she has been confined in the Brownwood Infirmary since the accident. Owing to the fact that she was unconscious for several hours after the accident it was not possible to learn just how serious her injuries were, though it was known that she had several broken bones and was badly bruised.

She was conscious today and her condition is improving. While her injuries are very painful, she has a good chance for recovery. A broken collar bone seems to be about the most serious of her injuries. —Brownwood Bulletin.

### DR. HALE CALLED; RANKS AS CAPTAIN

Dr. F. M. Hale, received notice Wednesday to report for duty in the medical corps at once. Dr. Hale made application for service in the army some time ago, and was accepted and sent home to await further orders. He goes in with the rank of Captain and has been instructed to report at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Dr. Hale stated that it would take several days for him to wind up some of his business and dispose of cases he had under treatment; and he will not leave for three days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blagg came in from Brownwood, Tuesday, and Mrs. Blagg will be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilmeth for awhile, as Mr. Blagg will leave for the army training camp the last of this week.

J. B. Pace, of the Winters country passed through Ballinger Wednesday, en route to Bay City, where he will spend the fall helping gather the big crop. Mr. Pace recently returned from the gulf coast country to attend to some business at home.

Guy Adkins, of Abilene, passed through Ballinger Wednesday, en route to San Angelo on business. He reports good showers at Abilene and along the road to Ballinger.

Misses Irena and Bell Henderson, returned to their home, Tuesday after a visit to Mrs. Joe Hardin. They had been visiting in San Angelo and stopped off here Monday.

London, Sept. 4.—General Haig reports that the British have reached the line of the Canal Du Nord and now occupy Ecourt-St. Quentin. "We have reached the eastern part of Vaux Wood north of Moislains and have advanced slightly at other points," said General Haig in his official report. The British have also made further progress in Lys sector, where great number of German dead cover the battle fields and many prisoners are marching to the rear of the British lines.

London, Sept. 4.—The British have crossed the Canal Du Nord at Saut-Allaines more than two miles north of Peronne, it was learned here today. The British now hold Roamancourt, Inchy-En-Artois and Bernicourt and Hermies. The British have also captured Croix-Du-Bac.

Paris, Sept. 4.—The French war office announces today that the allied detachments along the Vesel front have crossed the river at several points and that the French and Americans are in the western outskirts of Coucy-Le-Chateau.

The Franco-American armies continue to make advances by leaps and bounds in the Noyon and Soissons region, taking prisoners.

The attempt of the enemy to withstand the advance cost the Germans many men in killed, wounded and captured.

### DALLAS STATE FAIR WILL NOT BE HELD

Waco, Texas.—The Dallas State Fair has been definitely called off for the duration of the war. An announcement made at Waco however, states that the annual Texas Cotton Palace exposition will be continued as usual. Plans for the Waco attraction are said to be on a more elaborate scale than ever before attempted which insures it the greatest exposition in the Southwest this year.

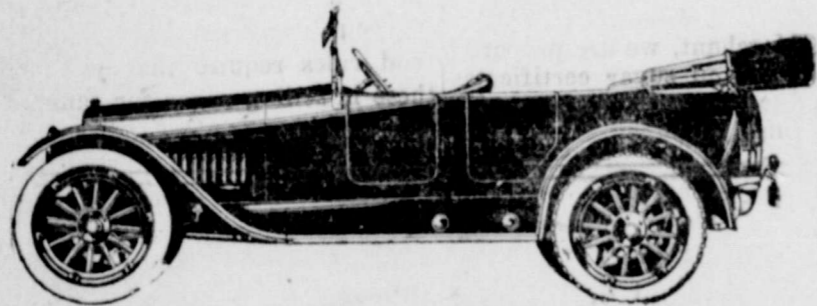
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**LOANS TO FARMERS**

The War Finance Corporation of the Treasury Department will make loans, in exceptional cases, directly and without the intervention of banks, to live-stock raisers, whose industry has been classified as one of necessary or contributory to the prosecution of the war.

These loans are to be made under section 9 of the War Finance Corporation act, and the loans will be made to individuals, firms, and corporations whose principal business is the raising of livestock which includes cattle, goats, sheep and hogs.

For the present the Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City and Dallas are designated as agencies to execute these loans, which are to be made to livestock raisers who are experiencing great difficulty in their operations owing to drought conditions, though cattlemen from other districts are not excluded from the benefit of section 9.

The War Finance Corporation has also effected an arrangement for extending financial assistance to the canners of New York state.

Section 9 of the War Finance Corporation act is not broad enough to reach the drought sufferers of this country to the end that the production of feed and food might be carried on successfully with the coming of good seasons, and Congressman Blanton's drought bill is timely and should be passed without delay.

The farmers must have help or this country will be unable to supply the great quantities of feed and food that is produced in good years in the past. It should not be treated as a question of charity, but should be dealt with as a war measure for in reality it is a war measure.

**A TEXAS WONDER.**

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.

Mrs. H. M. Jones came up from Coleman Tuesday, and returned home Wednesday, taking her little son, who had been here in the sanitarium for an operation for appendicitis, home with her.

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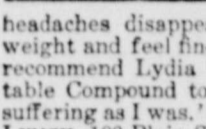
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**HOW TO AVOID BACKACHE AND NERVOUSNESS**

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Backache and nervousness are symptoms or nature's warnings, which indicate a functional disturbance or an unhealthy condition which often develops into a more serious ailment.

Women in this condition should not continue to drag along without help, but profit by Mrs. Lynch's experience, and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and for special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

**United States Civil-Service Examination**

Place of employment, Ballinger, Texas.

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Date of examination, Sept. 14 1918

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on the date and at the place named above an open competitive examination will be held for the position of clerk and city carrier in the post office at the post office at the place first specified.

Clerks in office or the first and second classes, and carriers in the city delivery service, are divided into five grades, the salaries of which are \$800, \$900, \$1,000, \$1,100, and \$1,200 per annum, respectively. Clerks and carriers at first-class offices will be promoted successively, a grade at a time, to \$1,100, and clerks and carriers at second-class offices will be promoted in the same manner to \$1,000.

Applicants must have reached their eighteenth but not forty-fifth birthday on the date of the examination. The age limits are waived, however, in the case of persons honorably discharged from the United States military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty. Eligibles resulting from this examination who were under 21 years of age on the date of the examination will not be certified for filling vacancies in the position of assistant postmaster.

Male applicants must measure not less than 5 feet 4 inches in bare feet. No male applicant who passes the examination will be eligible for appointment either as clerk or city carrier who does not weigh at least 125 pounds without overcoat and hat. It will be inadvisable for male applicants whose normal weight is less than 125 pounds to enter the examination. Female applicants are not required to be of any specific height or weight.

Joel A. Reese, Board of Civil Service Examiners.

**NOTICE**

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Mrs. S. M. Cameron and baby left for Sommersville, Tuesday, to visit relatives.

**Fish Killed in Battle**

Paris, Sept. 3.—It's an ill wind that blows nobody good. During a bombardment of a group of French hamlets far behind the lines most of the German shells fell in a river. The explosions killed hundreds of fish which the country folks eagerly harvested.

**FARMERS MAY HOLD THEIR COTTON SEED**

Report That Farmers May Not Retain Seed Raised by Themselves for Seeding Purposes is a Mistake.

Cotton farmers of Texas are greatly disturbed over reports on just how the Federal government, through the Food Administration, controls the distribution of cotton seed and its products. To begin with, the report has become current that farmers may not retain seed raised by themselves for seeding purposes. This, the Federal Food Administration for Texas announces, is a mistake.

The wrong impression has undoubtedly grown out of the special ruling which provides that:

The licensee shall not, without the written consent of the United States Food Administrator, sell or use seed for feed or fertilizer. (This rule does not prohibit the sale of cotton seed meal for fertilizing or feeding purposes.)

All persons who buy yearly between September 1 and August 31 twenty tons of cotton seed will be required to procure a seed merchant's license. If a person purchases cotton seed from tenants or renters and also receives cotton seed as rent, the amount he receives as rent must be included in calculating whether or not he handles twenty tons a year. Seed that a person raises himself or by hired labor need not be counted.

It is true that under this ruling few farmers operate independently of the labor of others, yet if their yield is under twenty tons, the Food Administration does not supervise the distribution; and under no circumstances does the Food Administration prescribe or countenance the denial to farmers of every pound of cotton seed for seeding purposes that they might require.

The need for close surveillance of the cotton seed industry is a military as well as an economic necessity. The entire supply of linters from a 15,000,000-bale crop of cotton will be needed for the making of high explosives and munitions to supply our army and the armies of the allies.

It will therefore be readily seen why the Food Administration is anxious to get all cotton seed not needed for seeding purposes on the market; and while regulations provide that all licensees shall not hold cotton seed for a period longer than sixty days.

**USE OF LIGHTWEIGHT BEEF MAY EASE SITUATION.**

As a patriotic contribution to the hard-pressed, drought-stricken cattlemen of Texas, A. C. Williams, assistant secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, has issued a statement in which he urges all private consumers and owners of public eating places to use only lightweight beef on their tables. In this request he is joined by E. A. Peden, State Food Administrator.

The National Food Administration, at the urgent request of the association, has lifted the restrictions as applied to lightweight beef, and it can now be served three times daily, if wanted. By the term lightweight beef is meant cattle dressing 435 pounds or under.

Because of the continued dry weather and the imminence of a feed shortage during the winter the cattlemen have recently been forced to place on the market large shipments of good heifers and cows, and lightweight steers. Unless the public rallies to their support and consumes this class of meat, it is explained that the cowman's market will be demoralized, resulting in great financial loss.

Only steers dressing over 435 pounds are accepted on government meat contracts, hence the use of lightweight beef in no sense affects the soldiers' supply, Mr. Williams explained. This beef is just as choice and wholesome as is the heavy stuff.

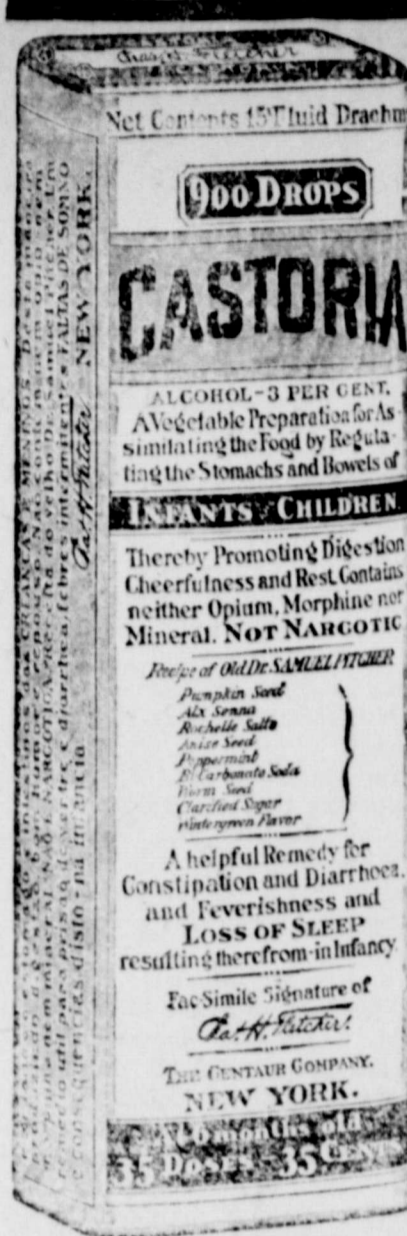
The official order in this connection issued by State Food Administrator Peden follows:

"Owing to the fact that Texas is a beef-producing State, and that there are many under-sized cattle now being killed which are not being exported, the following plan for meat conservation should be used by public eating places, in place of the meat program outlined in bulletin H. R. 28, dated July 3:

"All restrictions as to the use of lightweight beef, dressing 435 pounds and under are hereby removed, effective August 19. Public eating places may serve lightweight beef at any meal and in any amount desired.

"All public eating places are requested to use only lightweight beef, but those hotels and restaurants that use heavyweight beef must be governed by the National beef program."

Judge T. C. Wilkerson, of Brownwood, had business here and at Paint Rock this week.



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Mrs. T. J. Stocks, returned from Miles Wednesday morning, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Lewin.

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R. A. Nicholson, is at home for a short visit to his family, from South Texas where he has been looking after his gin interest and buying cotton.

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**HOW PRICES ON FOOD STUFFS ARE STABILIZED IN TEXAS**



What is a Federal Price Reporter?  
A man or woman appointed by Administrator Peden to check prices as charged by retail merchants for licensed commodities of foodstuffs.

What is their duty?  
To check the stores in their respective communities not less than once a week on forms sent out by the Price Section of the Federal Food Administration for Texas.

How many are there in Texas?  
The list for August shows 300 names, but it is growing daily. Appointments are based on population and the plan is to have one reporter for each town of 1500 or over; two for each town of 5000 or over; three for each town of 7500 or over; four for each town of 10,000 or over; and so on adding one Price Reporter for each 2500 additional population.

How are the Price Report blanks checked?

Every retail store should be covered by the Price Reporters at least once a week, and as near a check made upon every community as possible. When the reports are received by the Price Section at State headquarters for Texas, the lists are checked against the Price Interpreting Committee fair price lists for the district in which they originate, and where there is evidence of excess profits the County Administrator is notified of the name of the offender, the date of the offense, and the person making the check. An adjustment is then up to the County Food Administrator.

How are the Price Reporters related with the Price Interpreting Committees?

Wherever possible the County Food Administrators should link the Price Reporting Committees with the Price Interpreting Committees. The two departments should work in close harmony and Price Reporters should thoroughly familiarize themselves with the interpretations of the Price Interpreting Committees, noting carefully the changes from week to week, and understanding the economic factors which enter into these changes. To not so UNDERSTAND is to miss completely the viewpoint and to render the work insufficient.

Are Price Reporters volunteers?

Yes—just as the Food Administration is essentially a volunteer work. There is no higher following today than that of Service to the Nation in one field or another, and men and women who are designated as Price Reporters should accept their appointments in the same spirit as the man entering the army under the Selective Draft reports for duty and remains "on the job" until the war is won.

Is the Price Reporter put to any personal expense?

No. He is supplied with all the necessary forms and each week a supply of envelopes addressed to the Price Section is mailed out. The supply may be increased or diminished according to the needs of the Price Reporters.

What has been the result of the work of the Price Reporters in Texas?

The result has been that the work of the Price Interpreting Committees in stabilizing prices on licensed food commodities has been sustained in a large degree and merchants who failed to observe the Fair Price Lists have come to understand that such failure will no longer be countenanced. Furthermore, the plan as working in Texas has been so effectual that it is fast spreading to other States.

**THE ROAD TO BERLIN.**

The road to Berlin begins in America—in Texas, don't forget that. The first line of defense is right here. In the measure that War Savings Stamps are purchased, in just that measure will the soldiers on the battle line in France be supplied with the things necessary to win victory. March down the road to Berlin today, walk along it tomorrow and keep treading it by investing in United States Government War Savings Stamps. Pay that pledge and pledge W.S.S. again.

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**Conditions**

are bad. We all realize this. But let's not get discouraged. We don't blame anyone from leaving here now and going where they can get work, but don't burn the bridges behind you. Twelve months can change conditions here until prosperity can abound on every hand. When you get to East Texas and the fever and chills begin to strike you, you will again begin to think of the sun-shiny days in the West, where you enjoyed good health, and when you at least felt like working when you had any work to do. You will hear of the prosperous conditions here. You will want to be back and you will come back; so don't burn the bridges behind you—we will be here to welcome you back.

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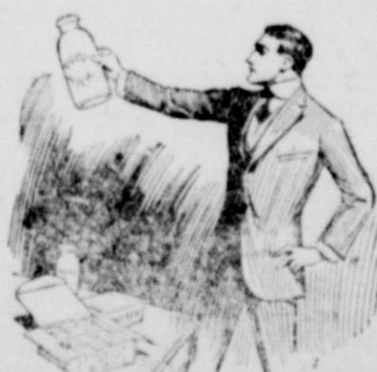
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- Grape Juice, 5c.
- Lime-ade, 5c.
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## ARMY TRAINING FOR SCHOOL BOYS

Austin, Sept. 4.—The announcement from Washington that the Students' Army Training Corps of the University and other educational institutions will be open to grammar school students as well as graduates of high schools will, it is expected, cause a large increase of the attendance. It is not yet known what courses will be prescribed for the members of the Student's Army Training Corps. This is a matter that will be determined probably within the next few days, it is stated. Grammar school boys do not have the necessary number of credits to enable them to enter the regular courses of the University will be assigned to vocational training which is now being conducted on an extensive scale at that institution.

It is further authoritatively stated that ample provision for the comfortable housing of all students who may enter the University under the Students' Army Training Corps plan will be made. If necessary the campus of the University may be converted into a tented field for the accommodation of several thousand students. It is possible to convert the wooden shacks into barracks or to erect temporary buildings for that purpose. In the matter of feeding the students soldiers, the University has already had much experience along that line. Since the war began it has fed thousands of students of the school of Military Auto Mechanics and the Radio school. This branch of the service is under the direction of I. P. Loehridge, business manager of the University.

The encampment of students and prospective students of the University is now in full swing at Camp Mabry. More than three hundred of these young men donned uniforms and are taking the month's course of military training under the direction of Major Walter Channing, Jr., commandant of the University.

## NO HELP IN THIS FOR THE HELPLESS

Dallas, Sept. 2.—Judge W. F. Ramsey, chairman of the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, acting on a plan suggested by J. M. Murphison, president of the First National Bank of Athens, Texas, has called a meeting of the bankers and all patriotic and forward-looking people of Texas to be held at Dallas on next Saturday, Sept. 7th, to consider and act on a plan for extending aid to the people of the drouth-stricken sections, as outlined by Mr. Murphison. This plan contemplates large deposits by banks of the more favored section of the state with the banks in the drouth section at low rate of interest to enable the banks in the drouth sections to take care of the demands made upon them.—Dallas News.

The people of the drouth district appreciate the interest manifested by the financiers, but their plan as briefly outlined will be worth nothing to the helpless.

The banks in the drouth districts or at least most of them, have a good credit and can get all the money they need, or can use. They are not unable to make loans when the proper security is put up. Banks can not loan money without exacting security. The banking

laws forbid it. The borrower must have a good credit.

Banks full of money in this country will be worth nothing to a vast majority of the farmers of this county. They have pulled through three years and exhausted their ability to borrow when gilt edge security is extracted.

There are hundreds of good farmers in this county who are honest and will pay what they owe when they make it. In many instances these farmers own their homes or an equity in them, but have exhausted their resources and in the parlance of banking are nothing but good moral risk, and if they obtain help in buying feed, groceries and supplies for making another crop that help must be granted strictly on the basis of a moral risk.

Money lenders who expect to put out their cash at a high rate of interest, and hold as security for such loans papers that they can negotiate at par, are losing time fishing around in this country. The helpless are the people who must have help, and not the man who has a bank account or can create a bank account by the signing of a promissory note.

We do not see in this anything akin to charity. It is strictly a business proposition for the government. Most of these helpless farmers can leave Runnels county and go to work at other places at so much per which will pay them more than they can make remaining here and gambling on a crop. The question of producing is one that should interest the government. Thousands of acres of productive land will remain idle unless help of the right kind is forthcoming. It is not a call for charity, but a call for sane co-operation between capital and labor in food and feed production in the country which is sure to come back.

## DOCTOR PRESCRIBES VINOL

For This Poor Mother Who Could Hardly Drag Around

Glasgow Jet, Ky.—"I am a farmers wife and was suffering from a nervous breakdown—loss of flesh and poor appetite so I could hardly drag around and do the work for my family. My doctor prescribed Vinol. It not only made me well and strong but I have gained in weight." Mrs. S. M. Gray.

The reason Vinol proved such a wonderful strength creator in Mrs. Gray's case is because of the beef and cod liver peptonates and glycerophosphates combined in a pure, native tonic wine, which makes Vinol the most successful tonic.

J. Y. Pearce, and Druggists everywhere.

L. Doughtry, was here from Winters, Wednesday.

New supply National Bank Bond letter heads and envelopes, Ballinger Printing Co.

### THE IDEAL WIFE

One of the most successful men of this country recently wrote "Whatever I am, and whatever success I have attained, I owe it all to my wife. She has ever been an inspiration and the greatest helpmate of my life." To be such a successful wife should be the ambition of every woman, but how impossible when dragged down by headaches, backache, dragging-down pains, nervousness, and the blues. Every woman in this condition should start at once to build up her system by a tonic of specific powers, such as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which for three generations has been restoring American women to health and consequent happiness.

## REVIVAL RESUMED AFTER GOOD SHOWERS

All services except the evening service of the revival in progress here drew good crowds Tuesday. The dust storm followed by a heavy shower just as the congregation began to assemble Tuesday evening caused the crowd to disperse and there were no evening services.

The morning service was attended by good representation of the christian people of the city and heard evangelist Evans preach on the subject, "German Conspiracy vs. Christianity." The men's meeting was held at the Higginbotham Brothers store in the afternoon, and prayer meetings were held in five different sections of the city by the ladies.

The services Wednesday morning were held as usual with a fairly good attendance, and the men's meeting was held at the Bank Barber Shop. Wednesday afternoon, and the service tonight will be held at the tabernacle. The rain was sufficient to settle the dust and the tabernacle will be a comfortable place tonight, and the service will no doubt be well attended and one of the best for the week.

## ENDORSED AT HOME Sure Proof as This Should Convince Any Ballinger Citizen

The public endorsement of a local citizen is the best proof that can be produced. None better, none stronger can be had. When a man comes forward and testifies to his fellow-citizens, addresses his friends and neighbors, you may be sure he is thoroughly convinced or he would not do so. Telling one's experience when it is for the public good is an act of kindness that should be appreciated. The following statement given by a resident of Ballinger adds one more to the many cases of Home Endorsement which are being published about Doan's kidney Pills. Read it.

W. F. Street, stock dealer, 1001 Tenth St., Says: "About a year ago I had an attack of kidney complaint. I had dull pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions passed irregular. I bought Doan's Kidney Pills from the Weeks Drug Store and they relieved all signs of the trouble. Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Street had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y."

Louis Hale, came in Wednesday, on a furlough and will spend several days with his parents, Dd and Mrs. F. M. Hale. The young man has been at the Great Lakes Naval training station.

## CHICHESTER'S PILLS

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## SHOULD GET CHEAPER MEAT NOW

HOUSEWIVES ADVISED TO DEMAND BEEF DRESSING BELOW 475 POUNDS.

Such Beef Can Be Sold for Less Than Heavier Cuts—Wholesome, of Good Quality and Government Inspected.

Housewives who have been accustomed to purchase beef from heavier weight carcasses should now be able to buy at much lower prices than the average which has ruled during the past year if they observe the Food Administration's request to demand meat from cattle which dress below 475 pounds per head.

The Food Administration states that the lightweight cattle are now moving rapidly to market, the producers in the Southwest endeavoring to dispose of them before they suffer from the effects of long continued drouth.

Heavy steers are being sold in Eastern meat centers for \$26 to \$27 per 100 pounds; good steers, somewhat lighter in weight, at \$24 to \$25; medium weight steers at \$19 to \$21, and lightweight steers at \$14 to \$18.

While prices are not uniform throughout the country, it will be found that this ratio will rule in practically every market. Meat markets which formerly cut \$26 beef can obviously give their patrons the benefit of such a wide difference in first cost. Selling light cuts bought at \$14 to \$18 there should be a material reduction below the selling price of meat bought at \$26.

The Food Administration believes that its request for consumption of the light cattle will not only do much to relieve the producers who are affected by severe drouths, but should be followed by a general downward trend in retail purchasing prices, the demand turning to the cattle which are now in abundance and relieving the strain on the market for heavier beef, which is still badly needed for the military and for export to the civilian population of the allied countries. The market should naturally follow in its price reduction the difference in first cost providing a reasonably low price to those who utilize the lightweight cattle. They are wholesome, of good quality, and before being marketed have passed government inspection.

Conference in Houston Lays Plans for Price Fixing, Shipment of Fish and Deferred Classification.

Dividing the coast of Texas into six zones, each zone to have a Price Interpreting Committee determining a minimum compensation for the fisherman and a minimum to maximum price, subject to periodical revision, was one of the principal achievements of the conference of fish dealers of Texas in Houston on August 15. The conference was held with the Food Administration for Texas and the plan of zoning the coast was presented to the fish industries by Administrator Peden as the most feasible one to bring about a stabilization of prices on fish.

A second important decision of the fish men was that hereafter fish will not be classified as "choice," "medium," etc., but fish will be shipped under the name of the specie; that is to say, trout as trout, mackerel as mackerel, pompano as pompano. Under the old plan an interior dealer might buy "choice fish" and find one-half of the shipment made up of lower price fish. The practice has resulted in uncertain prices, as dealers have been compelled to make up their losses by charging more for the reduced quantity of the fish ordered.

The most important factor affecting the fish industry was the information that there is such a growing shortage of fishermen due to the inroads of the selective draft that the industry will be paralyzed unless men engaged in this essential industry are given deferred classifications. A resolution was unanimously adopted by the fish industries of Texas urging Administrator Peden to write the County Administrators at coast points to take up the question of deferred classification on men engaged in fishing with the local draft boards, and that he also communicate direct with, or hold a conference with, the chairman of the district selective draft at San Antonio and Houston with a view to presenting the need of retaining so far as possible men in the highly essential occupation of fish production.

## Daily Ledger Want Ads

LOST—My pocket book. Had four checks aggregating \$74.30. E. Shepperd. d 1t.

WANTED—A girl to help with kitchen and house work. Phone 439. 3 3td

FOR SALE—Scholarship in Draughts Practical Business College, Dallas Texas, good for life time and complete course in shorthand and typewriter course. The government needs stenographers. This is a first class college and we will sell this scholarship at a bargain. Ballinger Printing Co. dwtf.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

This is not only one of the best and most efficient medicines for coughs, colds and whooping cough, but is also pleasant to take which is important when a medicine must be given to children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been in use for many years and has met with much favor wherever its good qualities have become known. Many mothers have given it their unqualified endorsement. Wm. Serogy, Chillicothe, Mo., writes, "I have raised three children, have always used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and found it to be the best for coughs, colds and croup. It is pleasant to take. Both adults and children like it. My wife and I always felt safe from croup with it in the house. Chamberlain's Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic."

## TEXAS COTTON CROP 43 PER CENT NORMAL

Washington, Sept. 3.—Cotton report: This season's cotton crop was forecast today at 11,137,000 equivalent 500 pound bales by the department of agriculture basing its estimates on the condition of the crop Aug. 25 which was 55.7 per cent of a normal.

Condition of the crop by states: Virginia 84; North Carolina 77; South Carolina 67; Georgia 66; Florida 60; Alabama 66; Mississippi 67; Louisiana 53; Texas 43; Arkansas 52; Tennessee 58; Missouri 60; Oklahoma 33; California 92; Arizona 96.

A disaster unparalleled in the history of the cotton industry in the United States has befallen the American cotton crop this year. As a result of a severe drouth in July and August the government's September cotton report, issued today forecast the prospective production this year at 11,137,000 equivalent 500 pound bales, 4,098,000 bales less than was forecast at the beginning of the season.

Cotton growers planted this year the second largest acreage on record and prospects seemed bright for one of the largest crops ever grown. Drouths during July however, reduced the crop by 1,616,000 bales, and dry weather in August caused the greatest deterioration ever recorded in a single month, there being a decline in the condition Aug. 25, as compared with July 25.

The entire cotton belt was affected, but in Texas and Oklahoma and the western part of the region it was greater than in the east. The extent of the depreciation amounted to 2,482,000 bales, reducing the prospective production to 11,137,000 bales.

A crop of that size would be slightly smaller than those of the last three years.

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