

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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## Americans are Now Crowding Germans

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U. S. Free Employment Service Bureau, San Angelo, Texas.

Le Roy Nicholson came in from the Atlantic coast, Thursday, and will spend a few days with his wife and baby and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Nicholson, Mr. Nicholson has been doing service in the navy.

## \$50,000 Fire Follows Burglary at Winters

### CRAZED NEGRO ATTACKS RANCHMAN

San Angelo, Sept. 5—Andy Wilson, a negro cook on the X. Q. Z. ranch, who Tuesday afternoon attacked Bob Russell with a knife was brought to San Angelo Tuesday evening and lodged in the county jail. Sheriff Allen stated Wednesday at noon that a charge of lunacy would be filed and the trial will likely be held Thursday.

It required several men to take Wilson Tuesday afternoon when scene. Recognizing the office, he began to run, but was soon overtaken by Bob Russell. The knife with which the negro is said to have attacked the ranchman had previously been forced from him, and the man offered little resistance after being caught.

When Wilson rushed at Russell with the open knife in his hand, the ranchman took a rifle from his car and held him at bay until ranch hands arrived. It is said that Wilson has given the officers trouble in the past.

Geo. Pridecker was a passenger on the noon train Thursday, being en route to his home at Miles from St. Louis, where he had been for three weeks. He reports that there is a great demand for all kinds of hands where he has been and at good wages. He had to return home on account of his health giving away.

### LIGHT DIST. COURT AT PAINT ROCK

Judge J. O. Woodward and district attorney Early, passed through Ballinger, Wednesday, afternoon, en route to their home at Coleman and Brownwood, after spending two days at Paint Rock, where they went to hold court.

Court adjourned about noon Wednesday after a two day's session. The docket was disposed of in short order, there being no cases of importance to come before the court.

The grand jury returned two indictments, one of which was a felony, and which was the result of a killing in Concho county reported at first as being accidental. It was a case in which one young man killed another "accidentally" and it developed later that the parties were gambling and evidence placed before the grand jury caused the finding of an indictment.

The man by the name of Guthrie, who was arrested two or three months ago and was placed under bond to await the action of the grand jury, on a charge of killing his father, was released, the grand jury failing to find a bill against him. Guthrie's father mysteriously disappeared about a year ago, and several months later the young man was arrested charged with killing him; but the evidence it seems did not justify the finding of a bill.

Court will convene in Ballinger early in October, at which time it is expected that the Elms murder trial will be taken up.

### NO WEDDINGS FOR GERMAN WIDOWS

Amsterdam, Sept. 4—Enactment of a law in Germany to prevent widows from remarrying in order to leave the few available men for the single women, is urged in a letter to the Tag by a Munich doctor, Hans von Hertig. He points out that widows, remarrying after the war, would have a detrimental effect on the birth rate, as most of them are mothers already. "On December 1, 1910," he writes, "there were in Germany about 300,000 widows between 18 and 45. At the modest estimate there are now 800,000."

Cards were received in Ballinger Wednesday morning announcing the safe arrival of Will Gross in foreign land. Mr. Gross is a flyer with the rank of sergeant major. He volunteered from Ballinger several months ago, and did his training at Kelly field and Camp Hicks.

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

Circumstances surrounding the scene of a \$50,000 fire at Winters early Thursday morning, indicates that robbers robbed a safe in the J. T. Hardegree store, got away with \$90, and left a burning building to cover up their tracks.

Fire was discovered at three-thirty, Thursday morning and the Hardegree store was practically destroyed before the fire fighters got on the job and four buildings were destroyed before the fire could be checked.

The fire originated in the Hardegree building which was located about the center of the block on the east side and two doors south of the opera house building. Spreading north the fire destroyed the grocery store of Walter T. White, adjoining the Hardegree store and the opera house which adjoined the White Store.

Spreading south from the Hardegree store the fire destroyed the two buildings occupied by the People's Garage. One of these buildings was owned by O. D. Dillingham and one by C. W. Miller, and both were completed early this year, being designed especially for a garage.

The building occupied by Hardegree was the property of S. B. Wood. Loss on building and stock is estimated at about \$7,000 partially insured.

Walter T. White owned the building occupied by his grocery store. His loss is estimated at about \$9,000 with \$4,000 insurance.

The old opera house building was owned by Col. Henry James, of Abilene, and valued at about \$12,000. It was covered by insurance.

The building was being used by the Red Cross, and about \$500 worth of Red Cross material was destroyed. The lower story of the building was vacant.

The loss on the Dillingham and Miller buildings is estimated at \$17,500, partially insured.

The People's Garage was recently turned over to W. D. Meadows as trustee, the garage company having made an assignment in favor of their creditors. The loss on the garage is fixed at \$5,000.

Walter T. White lost four new autos which were stored in the garage, two Grant Six cars and two Emmerson cars, and two or three autos owned by other parties were burned.

The total loss is given at \$50,000 with about \$26,000 insurance.

Considerable damage was done to plate glass in buildings on the west side of the street from the fire. A wind from the north was blowing when the fire broke out, and this caused the fire to spread rapidly to the south.

A good water pressure was soon had and the volunteer fire fighters did good work in checking the flames, according to reports sent to Ballinger.

An investigation after the fire revealed that the safe in the Hardegree store, where the fire originated had been opened and the cash box taken out. The cash box and sales tickets of the previous

With the American Army, Sept. 5.—The main German forces have retreated across the river Asine and the American artillery is supporting the pursuit and will be ready to cross the river in close chase after the huns.

Bridging material is being rushed up for use in crossing the river and the American forces will be thrown over for further offensive advances.

Paris, Sept. 5—Closing in on Ham, striking eastward to flank the new German positions above Vesle, and advancing northward from Vesle river in pursuit of the enemy, the French gained steadily during last night, the war office announces. German prisoners continue to fall in the hands of the allies as the advance progresses.

London, Sept. 5—The famous Ploegesteere village in Flanders, has been taken by the British Gen. Haig reports. Hill sixty-three, southwestward of Messine, in Flanders, has also been captured, and hundreds of prisoners taken at each place, says the report.

Mrs. J. H. Price is in receipt of a letter from her son James, written on the train, and the young man says, "I am getting along fine. Am going across the hills of Virginia, and will soon be to our camp."

day's sales were found out some distance back of the store, and \$90 in cash was missing. It is the opinion of the officers that the burglars either set the building on fire to cover up their tracks or accidentally started the fire by dropping matches.

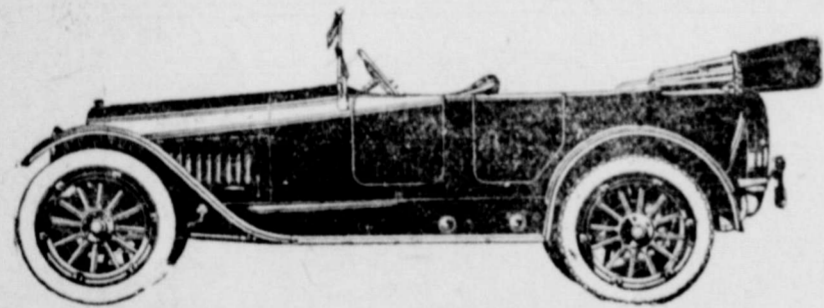
On account of the drought which prevails the loss comes heavy to the progressive town of Winters, as it is not probable that the buildings will be replaced for some time to come, and not until business conditions justify it, and the fire leaves an ugly place on the main street of the town.

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United States Civil Service Ex-  
amination

Place of employment, Ballinger,  
Texas.  
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Texas.

Date of examination, Sept. 14 1918  
The United States Civil Service  
Commission announces that on the  
date and at the place named a-  
bove an open competitive examina-  
tion 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, respect-  
ively. Clerks and carriers at first-  
class offices will be promoted suc-  
cessively, a grade at a time, to  
\$1,100, and clerks and carriers at  
second-class offices will be promot-  
ed 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 disabil-  
ity 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 eli-  
gible for appointment either as  
clerk or city carrier who does not  
weigh at least 125 pounds without  
overcoat and hat. It will be in-  
advisable for male applicants  
whose normal weight is less than  
125 pounds to enter the examina-  
tion. Female applicants are not  
required to be of any specific  
height or weight.

Joel A. Reese, Board of Civil  
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but be sure that you have your  
birthday figured out correctly.  
Get out that old family bible and  
get the year, the month and the  
day figured out so you will not de-  
lay work when you go to the  
place of registering next Thurs-  
day, Sept. 12th.

Everything is being made ready  
for the clerks who have been  
drafted to conduct the registra-  
tion, and at seven o'clock a. m.  
registration will begin and con-  
tinue until nine o'clock. Those  
who will be out of the city, or  
away from their voting box on  
the 12th, should call at the board  
and fill out their blanks before  
leaving, and those out of the county  
should call at the draft board  
get a registration card, fill it out  
and mail it to the board in their  
county at once.

Every man who has reached his  
18th birthday and who has not  
reached your 46th birthday you  
register, except those who regis-  
tered on June 5th, 1917 and June  
5th, 1918, and August 24th, 1918,  
and men who are already in some  
branch of the service. Get the  
age down right; if you are 45  
years, 11 months and 29 days old,  
you must register. If you have  
reached your 46th birthday you  
do not have to register.

The penalty for failing to regis-  
ter is one year imprisonment  
and no man can exonerate him-  
self by the payment of a fine.  
Imprisonment for one year is the  
lowest penalty.

All men will register where they  
vote. The registration places in  
Ballinger will be at the two  
voting boxes at the court house.  
Men have been drafted for this  
job and are familiarizing them-  
selves, and every citizen is expect-  
ed to help in the great task, and  
report every man within the draft  
age who fails to register.

### Wealth of Forestry.

The coast forests of southern and  
southeastern Alaska are included in  
the national forests of Tongass and  
Chugach, which comprise over ninety  
six million acres, a large proportion  
of which is covered with trees. Of  
these, Sitka spruce averages about 27  
per cent and western hemlock about  
75 per cent. The spruce are occasion-  
ally six feet in diameter and 150 feet  
tall. The interior forests are prac-  
tically all found in the drainage basin  
of the Yukon and Koshokwina rivers  
and it is estimated that there are forty  
million acres bearing trees large  
enough for cordwood and logs.

### All Harmonious.

"So you are getting good results  
from juries of ladies?"  
"Yes," said the judge; "they don't  
want us men to have a chance to  
say they couldn't agree."—Louisville  
Courier-Journal.

### Not Always.

"The young fellow who's calling on  
your daughter, Smith, has a lot of  
'go' in him."  
"Not any to notice when he's calling  
on my daughter."

### PRIMITIVE WAYS IN ARABIA

Mode of Life Differs Little From  
What It Was in the Time of  
Abraham.

It appears that in certain parts of  
the Arabian desert life is as primitive  
as in Abraham's time. Sheep are  
still slain to seal a vow. The salt or  
brood covenant is observed and when  
a man dies his tent is torn down and  
destroyed.

Old names like Joseph, Moses, Alex-  
ander, etc., are still in common use  
among Arabs, although pronounced  
"Yusuf," "Musa" and "Skandar." To  
divorce his wife a man may repeat the  
formula "Ent telek" three times; usu-  
ally uttering it once makes the woman  
believe and the repetition is not neces-  
sary. The evil eye superstition is  
common, and the first injunction giv-  
en a foreigner by experienced Arabian  
travelers is that he must not point at  
animals or persons in Arab settle-  
ments.

Arabs say that a man possessed of  
this magic power can look at a bird  
flying in the air and it will drop dead;  
that if he chooses to cast his wicked  
spell on a camel it may go lame, or a  
child may be struck blind. None of  
the lower class can read or write, but  
the Arab is noted for his ready wit  
and his habit of speaking in allegory.

## CALENDAR IN HEAD

Good Method Now That So Few  
Are Being Printed.

Little Mental Arithmetic Required by  
System Which is Explained Here—  
Little Rhyme to Be Com-  
mitted to Memory.

Calendars for 1918 are going to be  
scarce, partly on account of the paper  
shortage and partly because advertis-  
ers are cutting down expenses, the  
large insurance companies, for in-  
stance, having made it a rule that their  
agents will have to print their own  
calendars. It used to be that one was  
flooded with calendars of all sorts and  
shapes about the first of the year; now  
one has to buy them.

Why buy a calendar if one can carry  
the whole thing in one's head? There  
are several ways in which one can fig-  
ure out the day of the week upon  
which any day of the month will fall,  
but the majority of them require an  
amount of mental arithmetic that is  
beyond the powers of the man in a  
hurry, or the woman arranging for a  
party.

Here is a simple calendar arranged  
by a memory expert. It consists of  
twelve words arranged as a rhyme.  
These twelve words are indexes for the  
twelve months, and they are three  
in a line, so as to make it easier to get  
at the months by taking them three at  
a time:

Time Flies Fast,  
Men Wisely Say;  
Men Think, Alas!  
Time's Fooled Away.

The initials of these words give us  
the day of the week upon which the  
first of the months will fall in 1918,  
taking them in order. T stands for  
Tuesday, Th for Thursday, S is for  
Saturday and A for Sunday. M and  
W are for Monday and Wednesday re-  
spectively.

It is obvious that if one knows upon  
what day of the week the first day of  
any month will fall, one has only to  
add sevens to it to discover the dates  
of all similar days of the week in that  
month. If the 1st of August falls on a  
Thursday, the 8th, 15th, 22d and 29th  
must all be Thursdays.

Now suppose you have committed  
this little rhyme to memory and wish  
to know upon what day of the week  
the Fourth of July will fall in 1918.  
July is the seventh month and the sev-  
enth word in our couplet, beginning  
the third line, is Men. As M stands  
for Monday, the 1st of July must be a  
Monday, so the 4th will be a Thurs-  
day.

Let us suppose your birthday is  
March 23. As March is the third  
month the word is at the end of the  
first line, and the initial F shows that  
the 1st of March will be a Friday. If  
the following Fridays are the 8th, 15th  
and 22d your birthday will be on a Sat-  
urday in 1918.

Suppose it is Christmas day you are  
looking forward to. December is the  
last of the twelve months and the  
initial of the last word in our little  
rhyme is A, which stands for Sunday.  
Then the Sundays in December will be  
the 1st, 8th, 15th and 22d, and Christ-  
mas day will be three days after Sun-  
day, or Wednesday.

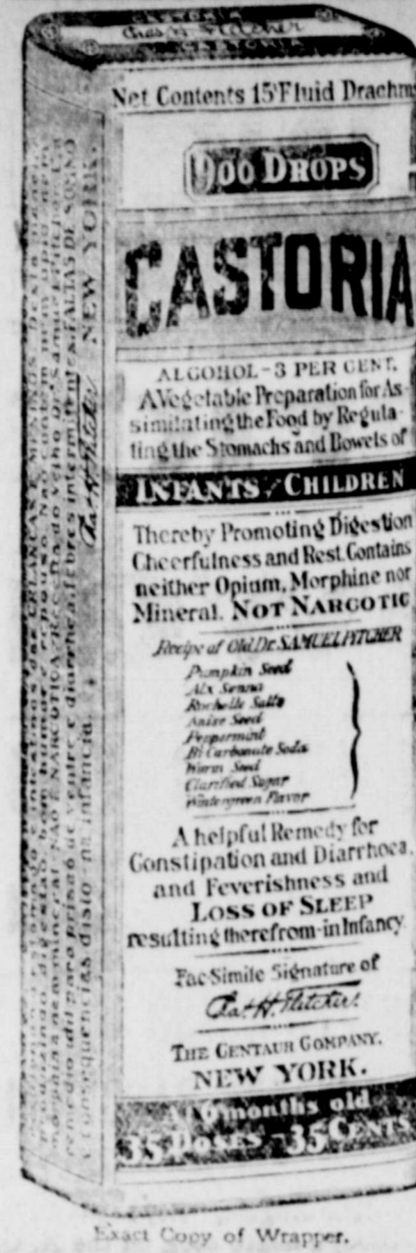
### Yellow Gasoline as Good as White.

If motorists realized that their prej-  
udice against yellowish gasoline was un-  
warranted the gasoline supply might be  
increased considerably. In the early  
days of the oil industry poor refining  
methods were responsible for the pro-  
duction of yellowish kerosenes and  
gasolines, which were sometimes dan-  
gerous. This led the public to demand  
that gasoline be "water white," and the  
prejudice has hindered the develop-  
ment of cracking processes which pro-  
duce perfectly safe gasoline with a  
slightly yellowish tinge.

Another handicap in the industry, ac-  
cording to petroleum experts, is the  
necessity for refiners treating gasoline  
with sulphuric acid and caustic soda  
to remove unsaturated hydrocarbons,  
which have a high fuel value in an ex-  
plosion engine. It is estimated that  
there is a loss of \$10,000,000 a year in  
the United States through these prej-  
udices, represented by 30,000,000 gallons  
of gasoline, 55,000 tons of sulphuric  
acid and 3,500 tons of caustic soda.

### Improvised "Armor."

The way in which the Londoner  
makes the best of his air raids has  
often been commented on, and one of  
the latest incidents described is  
worthy of special recognition. A wom-  
an appeared on a balcony wearing a  
heavy dishpan on her head. She  
thought the raid was over, but took  
that precaution against shrapnel. An-  
other woman, having to cross a square  
to reach her shelter, also wore a dish-  
cover with a cushion under it, while  
yet another had a pewter dish as a  
shield.—Christian Science Monitor.



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W. E. Branch was able to be over in the city, Thursday. He has been quite sick at his home in South Ballinger for two or three weeks.

Miss Lula Gilmore, of Ft. Worth spent a day or two here this week and left Thursday morning. She is working in the interest of the training school of the Ft. Worth Baptist Seminary. She was the guest of Mrs. W. C. McCarver, while in Ballinger.

**For a Weak Stomach**

The great relief afforded by Chamberlain's Tablets in a multitude of cases has fully proven the great value of this preparation for a weak stomach and impaired digestion. In many cases relief has become permanent and the sufferers have been completely restored to health.

Rev. J. H. King returned Thursday from Goldthwaite, where he had been to attend the Presbytery of the Brownwood district.

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Strange forces give men purpose and jar them into action. Love, pride, sorrow, fear—all sorts of hidden feelings are responsible for the shaking of men out of ruts and into fields of undreamed of achievement. More than one big success finds its real origin in the personal disappointment of some man—perhaps over a college education he couldn't get, or a toy he couldn't afford, or a trip he was not able to make. Of course some men are downed by such emotions, but others are made by them.

Most men have perfectly good boilers in them, and fine equipment. But so many never get up steam and go anywhere. They just stand still—waiting for a call from within to "get a move on." The call is likely to come any time. If your call is late in coming, why not ring up your inner self and ask him if he can't think of some place he would like to go? It's a shame to have all that expensive machinery and not use it.—American Magazine.

**EMERSON FELT WAR'S PINCH**

Letter Written by Him Tells of Bad Conditions in New York in the Year 1862.

It is interesting to go back to the early days of the Civil war in this city, when Emerson wrote to a friend of the financial crisis:

"The 1st of January (1862) has found me in quite as poor a plight as the rest of the Americans. Not a penny from my books since last June, which usually yield five or six hundred a year; no dividends from the banks or from Lidian's, Plymouth property. Then almost all income from lectures has quite ceased, so that your letter found me in a study how to pay three or four hundred dollars with fifty. Meanwhile we are trying to be as un-consuming as candles under an extinguisher, and 'tis frightful to think how many rivals we have in distress and in economy. But far better that this grinding should go on bad and worse than we be driven by any impatience into a hasty peace, or any peace restoring the old rottenness."—New York World.

**Where He Fell Down.**

Recently an American was showing an English friend about the capital.

"Our government is very economical," said the American. "When we've an extra thick fog they suck it into a big cistern and convert it into paint for warships and buildings."

"Really?" said the Britisher. "Talking about fogs reminds me that my brother invented a machine for compressing fogs into bricks, and one thick November day he turned out enough material to build a country house."

"Yes, he did. He moved into this new house the next April and was a happy man for two weeks, until one morning he found himself, also his family, lying out on the cold, damp ground, in company with some bits of furniture and some miscellaneous joinery. The house had gone, but it was the thickest morning ever seen in those parts. Of course, you can guess what had happened. In the night those fog bricks had somehow got back into their original element."

"Well," drawled the Yankee, "I reckon yer relative ought to have glazed those bricks."—Ladies' Home Journal.

**Confidence Has No Envy.**

Ambition doesn't fear to admire what it would like to have. Show bigness in any guise to a brave, bold man and he'll prepare to parallel it. It's the cowardly, double-sweet weakling with secretly accepted bounds who always hates the strength and merit beyond reach.

The fox didn't believe the grapes sour until he had quit trying for them. Scurrilous tongues are bitter with self-surrender. Stern, determined men refuse to discount the future; no attainment is beyond their hopes. They never "knock." It might be construed as evidence of inability to prove equality. Confidence has no envy.

**Melting Aluminum Chips.**

Fine aluminum chips, such as are produced in the machining of the aluminum alloys used in motorcar construction are hard to remelt without excessive loss, a loss of 40 per cent being common. According to the bureau of mines, the total loss from this cause throughout the country amounts, with aluminum at its present price, to \$200,000. The bureau has recently published some valuable suggestions for minimizing this loss. The main cause of trouble seems to be the lack of ready coalescence of the metallic globules, and this means that the problem is one of colloid chemistry applied to metals.—Scientific American.

Birth Announcements can be obtained at The Ballinger Printing Co.

**Wrens Valuable in the Garden.**

The examination of 88 stomachs of house wrens showed that 98 per cent of their contents was composed of insects or their allies, and only 2 per cent of vegetable matter, made up of bits of grass and other vegetation evidently taken in catching the insects.

As the wren often raises in a season 12 to 16 young, all of which become mature very soon after they are able to leave the nest, it is evident that a pair of these lively little birds are very desirable tenants in garden or orchard.—People's Home Journal.

Mrs. Odell Moore came in from Ft. Worth Thursday, and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford.

E. M. Setser was here from Norton, Wednesday. He reports that oats planted some time ago are coming up from recent rains and that he was planting a big grain crop.

Joe Blagg, who came here first of the week with Mrs. Blagg, to spend a few days before going into the army service, left Thursday morning for Brownwood. He will report for duty Friday and go to Camp Travis. Mrs. Blagg remains here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilmeth, for the present.

County attorney Shepherd and Sheriff Perkins went to Winters, Thursday afternoon to investigate the burglary and fire which occurred at that place Wednesday night.

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### EX. AGENT RETIRES NEW MAN ON JOB

After a service covering a period of forty-one years, H. G. Stokes, local express agent, has been placed on the retired list with a monthly pension that will pay expenses for a comfortable living for he and his family for the remainder of his life.

This is carrying out the rule of the Wells Fargo Express Co.,

which has been in effect for many years. Mr. Stokes served his time and could have retired several years ago, but did not ask for it desiring to remain in active service, and let the order retiring him come voluntarily from the company.

When one is reminded that Mr. Stokes is not yet an old man, it will be readily shown that he entered the service of the Wells Fargo Express Co., when he was quite a young man, as he has been on the job for forty-one years.

medals of distinction and honor for the service rendered, it being the rule of the company to issue these medals after forty-five, thirty, and thirty-five years.

Mr. Stokes has been in charge of the local office for about seven years, having been transferred to this point from Austin. He will be furnished transportation at an early date and will visit relatives at Austin, and later take a trip to California, and then will probably locate on a ranch with his son in the western part of the state.

Mr. Stokes is a native of England and has brothers and nephews on the firing line, and has received sad news of the loss of nephews while in action. He has many friends in Ballinger who will regret to see him leave here.

W. M. Smith, who has also been with the Wells Fargo for many years, and up until recently representative at Camp Logan, at Houston, has arrived in Ballinger and will relieve Mr. Stokes. Mr. Smith brings with him his wife and child, and they are now at home in the home to be vacated by Mr. Stokes. The new man is an experienced man in his line and while we regret to lose Mr. Stokes, the public is fortunate in getting the new family and the courteous express representative to be found in Mr. Smith.

#### 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.

#### BOARD CALLS FOR QUESTIONNAIRES

The local draft board announces that all registrants who registered on Aug. 24th, and have been supplied with questionnaires, must fill them out and return same to local board at once. The war department has notified the board to classify all registrants in the last registration before the big registration takes place on Sept. 12th. New registrants are requested to take notice and hurry up with their questionnaires.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin returned Thursday morning from a ten day's stay at Galveston. They report a pleasant vacation, having enjoyed a sail out in the gulf where they saw some fighting vessels of Uncle Sam's navy, including submarines, sub destroyers and chasers, and battle ships. Mr. Erwin says things are greatly on the move in the gulf coast country where the big crop was made, and he saw cotton when lined up waiting their turn at the gins.

### NURSES MAKE HIKE TO ROWENA

When it was suggested that perhaps a little hike would prove beneficial to their health, four young ladies who are nursing in the local sanitarium, accepted a challenge to visit Rowena and make the trip on a cross-tie ticket.

As a result of the challenge Mrs. Arch Crews must dig up the price of four tickets from Rowena to Ballinger. She proposed to pay the freight on the return trip, and the young ladies won the wager, made the hike and got a free ride home, bringing back the receipt issued by the Rowena ticket agent for railroad fare.

Looking none the worst from the ten mile hike, the nurses, Misses Hunt, Sester, Sayre and Smith, returned on the afternoon train Wednesday. They left Ballinger a few hours before and walked to Rowena in about two hours.

The young ladies are looking for a piano agent, who they expect to make a fit subject for training nurses care. The piano peddler motored by the young ladies with an empty truck, and instead of offering them a lift on the journey gave them the glad ha-ha, and said "that's the way I got my start."

The return of the young ladies solved a mystery the officers had been working on, caused by a phone message from South Ballinger farmer stating that a bunch of suffragettes made a raid on his orchard.

### THE THREE WORST THINGS IN BALLINGER

Evangelist Evans has announced as his subject for tonight, "Three Worst Things in Ballinger."

The announcement says there will be services regardless of weather conditions. If the weather is favorable the services will be held in the tabernacle; otherwise the services will be held in the Eighth street Presbyterian Church. You should make a special effort to attend the service tonight, come with the three worst things in Ballinger figured out in your mind and see how they correspond with what the evangelist considers the three worst things in our city. Guess what they are, then go and see if you are right.

While the shower of rain and dust somewhat broke into the services Tuesday night, the services Wednesday were well attended and interesting. The cool north-er, the first of the season and which caused many to dig for their old discarded winter clothing, did not keep the crowd from gathering in the tabernacle early Wednesday evening, the evangelist made a happy talk on a happy subject. The congregation was almost unanimously made up of christians and church going people, the irreligious class being conspicuous by their absence.

There were sixty-two women present at the cottage prayer meeting Thursday was held at the

### Daily Ledger Want Ads

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#### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

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according to the report made at the evening service. The men's meeting Thursday was held at the Cathey shoe shop.

### ANGELO TO HOLD DROUTH MEETING

Charles B. Metcalf said Wednesday morning that he is looking for a large attendance at the meeting of farmers that is to be held at the post office at two o'clock Thursday afternoon to discuss the drouth and the measures that should be taken to relieve the situation that the drouth has created.

All the farmers of the community are invited to be present, Mr. Metcalf says, but the meeting, he says, is designed to be strictly one of the actual farming farmers. Lawyers, bankers, newspaper men and every other class in the community have been heard from he says, except the farmers themselves.

And while he says that the work that has been done by those who have so far put their ears in the matter should not be disparaged, he thinks there is just enough chance that the farmers may themselves be able to throw a little light on the subject to be willing to take a sporting chance on the meeting that he in common with two other prominent agriculturists of the county has called.—San Angelo Standard.

## STOMACH TROUBLE

Mr. Marion Holcomb, of Nancy, Ky., says: "For quite a long while I suffered with stomach trouble. I would have pains and a heavy feeling after my meals, a most disagreeable taste in my mouth. If I ate anything with butter, oil or grease, I would spit it up. I began to have regular sick headache. I had used pills and tablets, but after a course of these, I would be constipated. It just seemed to tear my stomach all up. I found they were no good at all for my trouble. I heard

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