

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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## President Says America Will Unite with Nations For Maintenance of Right

### French Fear Wilson will be Too Easy in fixing Peace Terms

Paris, Dec. 30.—"I should be lying if I said I agreed with President Wilson on all his peace points," said Premier Clemenceau, speaking for the French government, today in addressing the Chamber of Deputies.

Continuing Premier Clemenceau said: "Mr. Wilson's ideas are not those of a man whose country has been devastated for four years, and which in justice must be restored by the nations which wrecked it."

The leader of the French government expressed confidence that the allies will enter the conference in the same spirit of unity which they have displayed in war. After the address the chamber of deputies passed a vote of confidence in Clemenceau and the government for which he stands.

Paris, Dec. 29.—France does not desire any annexations as a result of the war but reserves to herself the right of discussion concerning the boundaries of Alsace-Lorraine, according to a statement made today by Stephen Pichon, minister of foreign affairs.

M. Pichon said also that the French government had accepted

the principles of a society of nations and that it now is working on its effective realization in a practical way.

### BALLINGER BOYS TO LAND AT GALVESTON

It is planned to land Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas troops in Texas ports, according to statements made in Washington Thursday by Gen. Henry Jervoy, assistant chief of staff in charge of operations. The war department has adopted the view that this will avoid congestion in Atlantic ports when the great homeward movement of troops gets into full swing.

Telegraphic advice received from Fort Worth and Galveston are to the effect that those cities are preparing a royal welcome for the division when it lands. The Chamber of Commerce in both cities has been busy several weeks and arrangements were completed on receipt of the dispatch from Washington.

As yet no announcement has been made regarding a celebration in San Antonio. However, several hundred officers and men of the 36th Division are from this city and Bexar County, and it is safe to state that a welcome entirely suitable for the occasion will be arranged for shortly.

Prior announcement of the War Department assurance citizens of the cantonment towns that the organizations will be paraded through

### AMERICA IS UNPREPARED FOR PEACE

Washington, Dec. 30.—The task for restoring peace times and bringing the country back to a peace basis is now before congress. On the floor of the senate today Senator Chamberlain told the senate that the task was a big one, and one which the country must organize to handle.

"America is as much unprepared today to take care of the returning soldiers as she was a year ago to expedite their departure to foreign field," said Mr. Chamberlain.

the streets of these towns upon their return.

Fort Worth has planned to do honor to the heroes of the 36th. Hundreds of its members live in the city and other hundreds in Tarrant county. To greet the others, parents, wives, sweethearts and friends from all parts of Texas, Oklahoma will assemble here. A celebration that will make both the victory celebration and the review of the 36th pale into insignificance will greet the homecoming troops.

### GEO. P. ESTELL DIED SUNDAY NIGHT

George P. Estell, age seventy years, died at the Halley & Love sanitarium with paralysis, about midnight Sunday night. Mr. Estell had only been here a few months, making his home with his sister, Mrs. Ballou, of South Ballinger. He became ill recently and was placed in the local sanitarium.

Deceased had lived in Colorado, Menard, and at other places in this part of the state for several years. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Stuart, of Styles, who is ill and not able to attend the funeral, and by a son Nick Estell, who is in the United States Navy.

The funeral services were held from the home of Mrs. Ballou, in South Ballinger, Monday afternoon at three-thirty o'clock, and the remains interred in the City Cemetery by the side of his father who died eight year ago.

### KILLS LARGE EAGLE ON WOOD & WRIGHT RANCH

H. A. Wheelis, of the Hatchel country, was here Saturday exhibiting a large Mexican eagle which he killed on the Wood & Wright ranch. The eagle's wings measured six feet and two inches from tip to tip.

Manchester, England, Dec. 30.—President Wilson, in an address before five thousand workmen this morning, warns that America will join no combination of alliances of nations, except through the proposed league of nations.

Mr. Wilson declared that the

league must be constituted by a great covenant by which all nations will unite "for the maintenance and triumph of the right." This statement as well as many others Mr. Wilson made in his speech was wildly cheered by the workmen.

Carlisle, England, Dec. 29.—President Wilson accompanied by Mrs. Wilson came to Carlisle today in rain and cold penetrating mist to visit the girlhood home of his mother. But the warmth of the greeting of the people of the town and of the thousands of strangers from the surrounding country more than offset the dreariness of the weather. Large crowds lined the streets and cheered the presidential party lustily as it drove from the station where the president was received by Major Bartram Carr, and local notables to the Crown and Mitre hotel where the president signed the free man's roll.

The President visited Annettwell street, where the site of his late grandfather's chapel was pointed out to him and the house in Cavendish place that was built by his grand father. Later he attended services in the Lowther Street Congregational church. Here during the services the Reverend Edward Booth, pastor of the church, requested president to come into the pulpit and address the assemblage. This the president did, delivering a short speech in which he touched simply but eloquently on his mother. The president spoke as follows:

"It is with unaffected reluctance that I inject myself into this service. I remember my grandfather very well, and remembering him I can see how beyond notaprove. I remember what he required of me and remember the stern lesson of duty he spoke. And I remember painfully about things he expected me to know that I did not know.

"There has come a change of times when laymen like myself are permitted to speak in a congregation. There is another reason why I am reluctant to speak.

"The feeling excited in me today are really too intimate and too deep to permit of public expression. The memories that have come of the mother who was born here are very affecting. Her quiet character, her sense of duty and her dislike of ostentation have come back to me with increasing force as these years of duty have accumulated. Yet, perhaps it is appropriate that in a place of worship I should acknowledge my indebtedness to her and her remarkable father, because after all what the world now is seeking to do is to return to the paths of duty to turn from the savagery of interests of the dignity of the performance of right.

"I believe as this war has drawn nations temporarily together in a combination of physical force, we shall now be drawn together in a combination of moral forces that is irresistible. It is moral force as much as physical force that had defeated the efforts to subdue the

world. Words have cut as deep as swords.

"The knowledge that wrong has been attempted has aroused the nations. They have gone out like men for a crusade. No other cause could have drawn so many of the nations together. They knew an outlaw was abroad, and that the outlaw purposed unspeakable things.

"It is from quiet places like this all over the world that the forces are accumulated that presently will over power any attempt to accomplish evil on a great scale. It is like the rivulet that gathers into the river and the river that goes to the sea. So there come out of communities like these streams that fertilize the conscience of men, and it is the conscience of the world we need men to place upon the throne which others tried to usurp."

### LITTLE FOLKS AT RED CROSS CHRISTMAS

As the glittering sunlight of God came peeping through the misty sky, playing hide and seek on the bright faces of a group of little Red Cross workers, gathered at the home of Mrs. E. L. Stewart to do their best to entertain in behalf of the Red Cross honor. The weather being in favor of the attendance was not so good, there being about forty persons present, but there was a good time for all.

We are sincerely thankful for every offering we received on this occasion. Language can not express our gratitude to our handsome militia boys who nobly supported us in our little Red Cross drive.

Those charming lassies who stood by and waved the banner of love and delivered their lovely readings were Miss Edith Powell, Marie Blewett, Mamie Gene Hale and Letha Blewett.

Lieut. Sharp gave us some experiences of real war fare and told of the Red Cross work overseas. After his talk cake and cream was served, and the little Red Cross workers got busy and dimes began to jingle and the cashier reported \$10 after all expenses had been paid.

We are under obligation to Capt. Cohen, Sergeant Wilke, Capt. Hale, Sergeant Major Williams, Lieut. Sharp, Arch Crews and LeRoy Nicholson, for assisting in making our entertainment a success.

A Red Cross Worker.

Bob Currie came in from England Monday, and will visit his sister Mrs. Joe Hardin here a few days before going on to his home at Paint Rock. Mr. Currie has been in the aero service, and was in England when the armistice was signed.

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**A LITTLE UGLY, BUT VERY APPROPRIATE**

"You can describe two and half years of arrogance towards ourselves and cruelty to the Belgians in any language you may select and tell the pair personally to go to hell with my compliments. If I have to deal with Germans it won't be with that pair."

Food Administrator Hoover sent this telegram to an intermediary at Rotterdam, who had forwarded to him a request to discuss German food conditions with Baron von der Lancken and Dr. Reith, formerly prominent in the German administration of Belgium, who said they had been appointed by the German government to meet Mr. Hoover and negotiate with him for food for the German people.

It may sound just a little ugly to the pious man, but the reply was appropriate and expresses the sentiment of all who are familiar with German arrogance and cruelty. If America must help Germany it will not be through any of the kaisers kin or kind.

**WHO WILL FOOT THE BILL?**

Up to a late hour Monday the resolutions adopted by the farmers in a meeting here Saturday, asking the Extension Service Department at College Station to appoint a man at Ballinger and authorize him to issue permits for half freight rates on feed, had not brought any relief in the situation. The resolutions were forwarded to College Station by wire as soon as the meeting adjourned.

The appointment asked for may be made, but who will foot the bill? The man who handles this work must establish headquarters, have an office, or be located where the farmers seeking his services will know where to find him. To ask a man to do this work without remuneration is exacting too much of any one.

As the New Year is here there is an increased demand for feed, and farmers are becoming more and more interested in this proposition. Two farmers called The Ledger over the phone Monday morning to learn whether the matter of half freight rates had been arranged.

This is only the beginning. The planting season will soon be here, and the government had already launched a campaign for assisting the farmers in procuring cotton seed, and the local farm agent had received his instructions for handling the work, when he was taken off the job. Following the planting season will come the harvest season, and a demand for lab-

or. The U. S. Employment Bureau is handling the labor question through the local farm agent. The Extension Service work is in its infancy. The government has profited by experiments and perfected the service given to the farmers through the extension service, and propositions will constantly be coming up in which the farmers will have to have one to whom they can go to get the benefits. The quicker the commissioners court learns this fact, and acts accordingly the better service they will render to their people.

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It is reported that Mrs. Cotton Bailey has pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Guin and children, who were stricken with the flu at the same time are reported to be getting along as well as could be expected. Mrs. Guin and Mrs. Bailey are sisters.

**Stomach Trouble**  
"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and felt nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Tolbott are both confined to their bed with the flu, and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Dorsey are also ill with this disease. There is a demand for nurses, and these people have been experiencing trouble in getting some one to wait on them.

Lieut. Neil Morfett, of the Love aviation field, returned to Dallas, Saturday afternoon, after a visit to the family of Chas. S. Miller.

Charlie Miller and Collis Douse returned to Lexington, Mo., Saturday afternoon, where they are attending school. They came home two or three weeks ago on account of their school being closed during the influenza epidemic.

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Miss Marion Wooden returned to her school at Llano, Saturday, after a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Wooden.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Moore returned to their home at Hillsboro, Saturday afternoon, after a visit to relatives.

Lieut. Hightower visited his wife and the family of S. A. B. Hamilton last week and returned to his army duties at Camp Travis, Saturday afternoon.

O. L. Sims, of Paint Rock, was here Saturday to accompany his aunt, Mrs. Thomas Cunningham, of Missouri, and Miss Pearl LaCompt, of San Antonio. The ladies were returning to their homes after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Sims, and family, of Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reese are among those suffering with the flu.

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Mrs. Joe Blagg returned to Brownwood, Tuesday afternoon, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wilmeth.

Mrs. Leon Ward, of Austin, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Jno. I. Guion and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. DeMerville and children came down from San Angelo Christmas Eve and spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. DeMerville and other relatives.

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John Norman, of Paint Rock, had business in Ballinger Monday.

Mrs. J. M. Joiner returned from a visit to Lampasas, Monday.

Rev. Gaines Hall passed thru Ballinger, Monday en route to his home at Plainview, after a visit to his father, at Winters.

R. A. Bishop of the Winters country, was here Monday.

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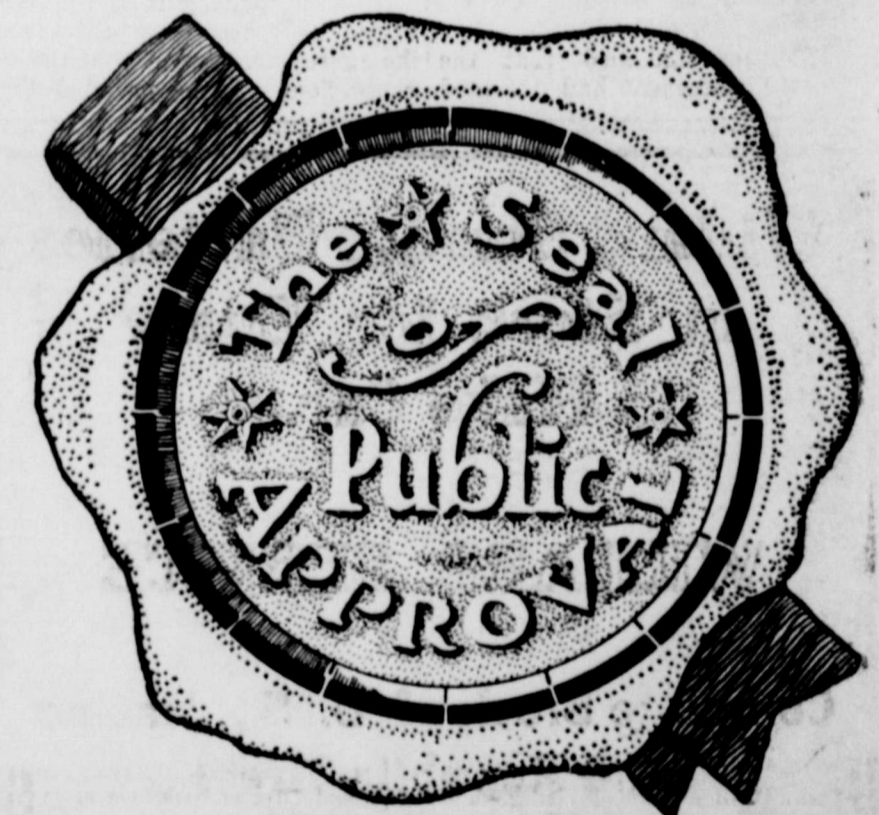
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Mrs. C. A. Doose left Sunday afternoon for Post City, where she goes to visit her parents. Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Stacy, Collis and Marie Bradt returned to their homes at Brownwood, Sunday afternoon, after a visit to friends here.

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Miss Sammie Padgett returned to her school at Lubbock, Saturday, after a Christmas visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Padgett.

### A BALLINGER BOY HUNG

Around his father's neck and begged him to have Moody save his "sole" that is the soles of his shoes. Moody can do the work and give satisfaction at the right price. He does general repair work and handles second hand goods, when in need of anything in his line call and see him. dtwf.

J. W. McCracken, of Palestine, returned home Saturday afternoon, after a few days visit with friends in Ballinger. It will be remembered that Mr. McCracken lost his wife and she was brought to Ballinger for burial.

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West Texas is to have a Chamber of Commerce to represent this section of the state as a whole, just as a local commercial organization represents a particular city. Representatives from fifty West Texas cities met in Fort Worth last week and formed the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and appointed a committee to raise the necessary funds and complete final organization. The meeting was the most representative West Texas gathering ever gotten together and was attended by more than one hundred leading business men and city builders from every part of the western section of the state.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be incorporated under the laws of Texas at once. Its purpose, as announced in the by-laws which were adopted, will be to foster, promote and develop the agricultural, livestock, mineral, manufacturing, commercial and other resources of West Texas.

The organization is to be non-political and will take no part in the election or defeat of any candidate or party. Membership will be open to any individual, firm, corporation or organization interested in the development of West Texas.

### Will Raise \$250,000.

It is planned to raise a sum of \$250,000. Membership dues will be based upon the financial ability of the proposed member, with a minimum of ten dollars. Officers will include a president, treasurer, vice presidents and general manager. Each West Texas county will select its own representative to serve on the board of directors. The board of directors shall elect the president, treasurer, and vice presidents from among their own number and shall also select from their number an executive committee of not less than five, which will employ a general manager. The board of directors will be the governing board and will have the authority to carry out the purposes of the organization.

A committee will start an immediate campaign for funds necessary for preliminary work. This committee consists of H. P. Brelsford of Eastland, Marion Sansom of Fort Worth, J. A. Kemp of Wichita Falls, P. H. Landergin of Amarillo, C. C. Walsh of San Angelo, Brooks Smith of Brownwood, Frank S. Hastings of Stamford, and W. W. Turney of El Paso.

A declaration of purposes adopted unanimously by the meeting follows in part: "The necessity for concerted expression of public opinion of the people of this district exemplified itself in the manner in which publicity was given to West Texas during the drought. This was a matter on which West Texas should have expressed itself officially and emphatically before other sections of the state and nation gave our temporary misfortunes nationwide publicity. The proposed organization would eliminate this kind of undesirable advertising and give West Texas the right of censorship on its own publicity."

"The masses of West Texas are dependent directly upon agriculture for a livelihood. Improved and scientific cultural methods, systematic marketing and distribution of farm products, assisting the tenant and farm laborer to become home owners, improvement of dairy herds, stabilizing the price of cotton are some of the important problems of agriculture that this organization should consider. There should be some medium for the expression of the common judgment of the people on these vital matters and they should not be left to chance or to the untried judgment of inexperienced persons. Organized effort is necessary for the common good."

"There is a most pressing need for a campaign for the conservation of flood waters in order that excessive rainfall may be utilized for the production of crops. At the present time there is scattered activity along this line but no more general concerted movement exists. There is no more important question than this, and it is a problem in which all West Texas is vitally concerned. Conservation of rainfall is the greatest single need of Texas today."

"One of the first tasks this organization should undertake should be to encourage the full development of our vast petroleum deposits. There will arise in all probability occasions where concerted action on the part of the business men of West Texas will be necessary to protect and defend this vast industry and certainly some central organized body should voice the judgment of the people."

"Another matter which is not en-

tirely foreign to the general purpose of this organization is that when there are problems that should be called to the attention of our state and federal governments they would be received more seriously if presented by a non-political organization representing all the combined interests of West Texas. This feature alone manifests the pressing need for a central organization, and with such a medium West Texas would become a potent power in shaping the destinies of this great state."

Miss Hallie Ruth Price, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price, returned to her school work at Waco, Saturday.

Ira Thurman left Monday afternoon for Big Springs, where he has accepted a position in a bank at that place. Ira was offered his old place in the First National Bank at Ballinger, with a better salary than he was receiving when he enlisted in the army, but the position at Big Springs offers him better opportunities, and he will be with his brother John in the bank at that place.

Jack Blasdel returned to Houston, where he is attending school, Saturday, after spending Christmas with his father, Dr. J. W. Blasdel.

### PADUA HONORS ITS FIGHTERS

Big Celebration in Italian City to Welcome Brigade That Has Made Splendid Record in War.

Great enthusiasm was aroused by the recent celebrations which took place in Padua in honor of the brigade which bears the name of the city and has to its credit such a splendid record earned both in attack and defense during the present war. The city of Padua has had some severe experience in the course of the war. It seemed at one time to be the especial objective of the enemy's air raid expeditions, and it is not so very far away from the front, and these circumstances may have served, perhaps, to lend an especial warmth to the welcome which its citizens gave to the representatives of the brigade which bears the city's name. Padua was gay with flags for the occasion and the inhabitants of all classes, men, women and children flocked to the station to greet the brigade's representatives who had to make their way through the city under a rain of flowers thrown to them by the enthusiastic crowds. The commander of the brigade, General D'Antonio, had with him Colonel Klein and Colonel Borgese besides other officers and a few hundred soldiers. Later in the day the king presented medals to some of these who had especially distinguished themselves, among those to receive the silver medal being Major General D'Antonio himself.—London Times.

### IT MADE DOUGHBOY WEARY

He Simply Couldn't Understand How It Was French Colonel Didn't Know the Alphabet.

Neyna Moran McMein, the young and charming New York artist, is entertaining the troops in France, and she tells a story to illustrate the difficulties of the French language.

"Everything is so differently pronounced," so her story begins. "It's the pronunciation that stumps the doughboy."

"A doughboy usher at a Red Cross concert had difficulty with a French colonel in showing him his seat."

"The colonel's ticket," said the doughboy, "called for row E, but he said he wanted row A. I showed him row A to satisfy him, and he shook his head and said that was row R."

"We ain't got no row R, colonel," I says. "Your seat's in row E."

"But he pointed to row I, sayin' that was row E, and then he walked into row E like a lamb, with the idea that he was in row A."

"You'd think," ended the doughboy—"you'd think a colonel ought to know the alphabet, wouldn't you?"

## Building Restrictions Have Been Removed

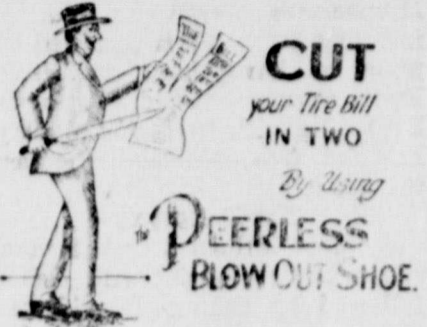
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Miss Hattie Miller returned to her school at San Saba, Saturday, after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Miller.

Miss Melva Walker returned to Cleburne, Saturday afternoon, where she is teaching school, after a Christmas visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Walker.

Miss Elizabeth Alexander returned to her school at Jasper, Texas, Saturday afternoon, after

spending the holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rodgers, who had been visiting their sister-in-law, Mrs. R. F. Green, went to San Angelo, Monday, where they will visit a few days before returning to their home at Groesbeck.

Miss Mary Peehacker returned home Monday from Brownwood, where she had been visiting friends for several days.

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## SPANISH INFLUENZA -- A NEW NAME FOR AN OLD FAMILIAR DISEASE

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### Origin of the Disease

Spanish influenza, which appeared in Spain in May, has swept over the world in numerous epidemics as far back as history runs. Hippocrates refers to an epidemic in 412 B. C., which is regarded by many to have been influenza. Every century has had its attacks. Beginning with 1831, this country has had five epidemics, the last in 1889-90.

### The Symptoms

Grip, or influenza as it is now called, usually begins with a chill followed by aching, feverishness and sometimes nausea and dizziness, and a general feeling of weakness. The temperature is from 100 to 104, and the fever usually lasts from three to five days. The germs attack the mucous membrane, or lining of the air passages—nose, throat and bronchial tubes—there is usually a bad cough, especially bad at night, often times a sore throat or tonsillitis, and frequently all the appearance of a severe head cold.

Go to bed at the first symptoms—take a purgative, eat plenty of nourishing food, remain perfectly quiet and don't worry. Nature herself is the only "cure" for influenza and will throw off the attack if only you conserve your strength. A little Quinine, Aspirin or Dover's Powder may be given by the physician's directions to allay the aching. Always call a doctor, since the chief danger is in its weakening effect on the system, which allows complications to develop. These are chiefly pneumonia and bronchitis, sometimes inflammation of the middle ear, or heart affections. For these reasons, it is very important that the patient remain in bed until his strength returns—stay in bed at least two days or more after the fever has left you or if you are over 50 or not strong, stay in bed four days or more, according to the severity of the attack.

### External Applications.

In order to stimulate the lining of the air passages to throw off the grip germ, to aid in loosening the phlegm and keeping the air passages open, thus making the breathing easier, Vicks' VapoRub will be found effective. Hot, wet towels should be applied over the throat, chest and the back between the shoulder blades to open the pores. Then VapoRub should be rubbed in over the parts until the skin is red, spread on thickly and cover with two thickness of hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck as the heat

of the body liberates the ingredients in the form of vapors. These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carry the medication directly to the parts affected. At the same time VapoRub is absorbed through and stimulates the skin, attracting the blood to the surface and thus aids in relieving the congestion within.

### No Occasion for Panic

There is no occasion for panic—influenza or grip has a very low percentage of fatalities—not over one death out of every four hundred cases, according to the N. C. Board of Health. The chief danger lies in complications arising attacking principally patients in a run down condition—those who don't go to bed soon enough, or those who get up too early.

### How to Avoid the Disease

Evidence seems to prove that this is a germ disease, spread principally by human contact, chiefly through coughing, sneezing or spitting. So avoid persons with colds—which means avoiding crowds—common drinking cups, roller towels, etc. Keep up your bodily strength by plenty of exercise in the open air, and good food.

### Keep Free from Colds.

Above all, avoid colds, as colds irritate the lining of the air passages and render them much better breeding places for the germs. Use Vicks' VapoRub at the very first sign of a cold. For a head cold, melt a little VapoRub in a spoon and inhale the vapors, or better still, use VapoRub in a benzoin steam kettle. If this is not available, use an ordinary tea-kettle. Fill half-full of boiling water, put in half a teaspoon of VapoRub from time to time—keep the kettle just slowly boiling and inhale the steam arising.

**NOTE**—Vicks' VapoRub is the discovery of a North Carolina druggist, who found how to combine in salve form. Menthol and Camphor with such volatile oils as Eucalyptus, Thyme, Cubeb, etc., so that when the salve is applied to the body heat, these ingredients are liberated in the form of vapors VapoRub can be had in three sizes, at all druggists. While comparatively new in certain parts of the North, it is the standard home remedy in the South and West for all forms of cold troubles—over six million jars were sold last year. VapoRub is particularly recommended for children's croup or colds, as it is externally applied and can therefore, be used freely and often without the slightest harmful effects.

## Farmers want Man appointed To Handle Farm Agent work

That the farmers of this county want a farm demonstrator was thoroughly indicated when about fifty farmers met at the court house in Ballinger Saturday afternoon, and passed resolutions asking the Extension Service Department of the Department of Agriculture at College Station, to appoint a man at Ballinger and authorize him to issue permits for half freight rates on feed shipments. The resolutions were wired to College Station as soon as the meeting adjourned.

This is a branch of the work which the farm demonstrator has been handling in this county. Mr. Eaton was present, and assisted the farmers in drafting the resolutions, and explained to them that this was the only way in which the work could properly be handled since the commissioners court had refused to maintain the farm demonstrator.

It is not known whether the de-

partment will grant a permit to any one except a farm agent, and in the event they do, the man delegated to handle the work must have pay for his services. It would be unreasonable to ask any one to devote his time to the work without remuneration, as it will require much time, and the man so delegated must establish headquarters and remain on the job where the farmers seeking his services can find him.

The farmers in meeting here Saturday afternoon also passed a resolution asking the legislature to suspend the payment of taxes for this county, and other counties where the drouth prevailed during the past year, until January 1920.

Roe Stocks returned to his army duties at Camp Travis, Saturday afternoon, after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stocks.

## BALLINGER BOYS WRITE FROM FRANCE

We are pleased to publish in part letters from two Ballinger boys. Aubrey (Speck) Smiekle, writes from France, to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Smiekle. Speck was wounded, and judging from his letter he has been permanently disabled and will soon arrive at home. His letter was dated Dec. 1, and says: Dear Father and mother:

Today is Sunday and I have nothing to do so will drop you a few lines to let you know I am well. I saw Mr. R. A. Hall on Thanksgiving Day. He was giving away candy. I sure was glad to see him. He is captain in the Red Cross. Tell all the boys at the mill that he is getting along fine. He is so fat I thought he had the rubbers.

I think I will leave here for home about the 6th of this month. I am going to try to beat this letter there. Hoping to see you soon. I am as ever,

Your loving son,  
Aubrey

J. D. Justice is in receipt of a letter from his son First Sergeant Marvin Justice. The letter was dated some where in Belgium. Marvin is in the U. S. Marines. He says:

Dear Daddy,  
I am still alive and fat as ever and am some where in Belgium. Our division was picked to go to the Rhine River and guard one of the bridgeheads and we started a few days ago, and have stopped for a few days rest, and I am trying to answer several letters. We were on the front 15 days before we started for the Rhine and we have not had a chance to write for two months.

I hope you all are as happy as the soldiers over here are. I think all the danger is over, we will get to come home to join our friends but don't know when that will be.

Our division was in the last attack made by the Americans. We are now in a small village and the Belgium people are the best I have ever seen over here and we hope to see more of them on our march through their country.

I don't know much to write as we have been fighting for over a month and I have not had a chance to learn anything of interest. I will write often when we get located on the Rhine. We have been trying to get there every since we came over here and now we are to have the pleasure of doing so.

The people in this little village heard we were coming and they came six miles down the road to meet us, and an old man met us with a Belgium flag, and walked in front of us all the way back to the village. They also had the band out to meet us, and when we

## GLAD TO TESTIFY

Says Watoga Lady, "As To What Cardui Has Done For Me, So As To Help Others."

Watoga, W. Va.—Mrs. S. W. Gladwell, of this town, says: "When about 15 years of age, I suffered greatly. . . Sometimes would go a month or two, and I had terrible headache, backache, and bearing-down pains, and would just drag and had no appetite. Then . . . it would last . . . two weeks, and was so weakening, and my health was awful.

My mother bought me a bottle of Cardui, and I began to improve after taking the first bottle, so kept it up till I took three. . . I gained, and was well and strong, and I owe it all to Cardui.

I am married now and have 3 children. . . Have never had to have a doctor for female trouble, and just resort to Cardui if I need a tonic. I am glad to testify to what it has done for me, so as to help others."

If you are nervous or weak, have headaches, backaches, or any of the other ailments so common to women, why not give Cardui a trial? Recommended by many physicians. In use over 40 years. Begin taking Cardui today. It may be the very medicine you need.

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DO YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR OIL STOCK?  
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Before doing any of these things write for a report on the company and its performance before acting. Get this information from a reliable disinterested oil reporter who can furnish the information on drilling, production, and dividends of any company in the North Texas fields.

Almost every company in the fields about Wichita Falls have had some degree of success but the dividends vary from 5 per cent to several hundred per cent. Before acting on any stock get a report.

The cost of a general report on any company is ONE DOLLAR. Payment must accompany order for report.

**Patrick W. Murphy**

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arrived in the village they made us move in their bed rooms and they had fires burning in all the rooms for us, and they had a big dance in one of the cafes, and we did not get to bed until 12 o'clock. It was a great celebration they had and we all did everything we could to help them feel that we were as happy as they were. And now it is morning and every Belgian girl has about a dozen soldier boys and is trying to treat them all alike, so you can see they are having a great time.

Your loving son,  
M. G. Justice.

P. S. We are now in Luxembourg on the border of Germany and are waiting for the ban to move on. He had stopped for a few days rest, and we are also glad to rest for we have been going pretty fast for the last few days. I did not get to mail this letter at the last stop we made, so will try to get it off this time. Just wanted you to know where we are, so added these few lines.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than in all other diseases put together and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine manufactured by J. F. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials.

J. F. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by druggist, 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

County Treasurer Willie Brown, who is helping Tax Collector Chastain take in the money spent Friday at Tokeen and Saturday at Winters. He reports pretty good business at both places.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children  
In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Oscar Williams, who recently returned from the army, will be associated with the Walker-Smith Company again after a few days vacation. The place to be filled by Mr. Williams has not been assigned to him yet, and it is possible that his work may take him away from Ballinger.

### Mrs. Isley's Letter

In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as a laxative and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.

## TWO RUNNELS COUNTY BOYS AMONG WOUNDED

The casualty list released for publication Sunday, and printed in the Sunday papers, carried the names of two Runnels county boys as among those slightly wounded. Corp. Cliff A. Smith, next of kin, Mrs. Verlyn R. Smith, Ballinger, was slightly wounded in action. Max C. Keifer, son of Wm. Keifer, Winters, was slightly wounded. It will be remembered that Mr. Keifer received notice a couple of months ago that his son Adolph died from pneumonia in France.

### Few Escape

There are few indeed who escape having at least one cold during the winter months, and they are fortunate who have but one and get through with it quickly and without any serious consequences. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and observe the directions with each bottle, and you are likely to be one of the fortunate ones. The worth and merit of this remedy has been fully proven. There are many families who have always used it for years when troubled with a cough or cold, and with the very best results.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd and daughter, and J. F. Currie joined Mrs. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. Conda Wylie at Fort Chadbourne, Sunday and spent the day and night at the Odom ranch.

W. H. Arnold, who lives in the center of the coming oil field, east of Winters was here Monday.

## FOR SALE

Improved Paper Shell Pecan Trees, budded or grafted, \$1.00 to \$2.50 owing to size and age, roots 3 to 6 years old, also seeding Pecan trees from choice selected thin shelled nuts, 2 to 3 years old roots, 50c each. Fine healthy trees carefully inspected and so declared by State Inspector of Nurseries. Some of the nuts from which these trees were grown cost me from 50c to \$1 per pound.

S. B. Howard,  
107 N. 12th Street  
Ballinger, Texas.

## QUEEN

Tonight

Edith Storey

in

The Silent

Woman