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DO YOU KNOW WHAT  
**CHERRY BARK**  
WILL DO FOR YOUR  
COUGH?

—If you want a cough  
medicine that will relieve  
you and will not upset your  
stomach, you should try our  
pleasant-tasting

**REXALL**  
Cherry Bark Cough Syrup  
**WEEKS**  
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## HEAVY GINNINGS OF 1920 COTTON

Gin, yard and compress receipts  
reflect what would have made  
Russell county farmers independ-  
ently rich, had the cotton bears  
kept their paws out of the game.

The total ginnings for the coun-  
ty up to date are not available,  
but local gins have turned out  
more than 9,000 bales, and are in  
line for a total ginning of at least  
10,000 for the season. Following  
is the standing of the local gins:

Harvey & Malone .....1750  
Russell Co. Gin .....2135  
Toler Gin .....2355  
Day Gin .....2570  
11,000 bales of cotton in round  
numbers have been received at  
the local yard and warehouse, and  
thousands of bales are stored in  
barns, yards and feed sheds thro-  
out the county, which will swell  
the yard receipts from time to  
time as the farmers decide to sell.

38,170 bales of cotton have been  
received at the local compress,  
and the receipts are increasing  
every day, with a long run in  
sight due to the heavy holding.

Winters promises to be the banner  
cotton center of the county.  
Up to a recent date 13,965 bales  
had been ginned at Winters, and  
the yard receipts about equalled  
the gin receipts.

### MRS. THURMAN QUITS BIG SPRING SCHOOLS

A news item from Big Spring  
says that the schools of that city  
are suffering a teacher shortage.  
Four teachers resigned when the  
schools reopened for the holidays  
and among the number was Mrs.  
John Thurman, formerly Miss  
Kathryn Barnett, a teacher in the  
Ballinger schools for several  
years.

### SUGGESTIONS FOR UNDERTAKERS ADS

"Say it with tombstones."  
"Eventually we will bury you,  
why not now?"  
"Since using —'s embalming  
fluid I have tried no other."

## After Christmas

We are still ready to  
serve you in the same  
old way reliability.

**J. Y. Pearce  
Drug Co.**  
FREE DELIVERY

Headquarters for Everyone

## 12 YEAR OLD BOY CONVICTED OF FORGERY

Mrs. Della Houston, proprie-  
tress of the Nash boarding house,  
made application for the custody  
of Leonard Russell, the 12-year-  
old boy who was convicted for  
passing bad checks and sentenced  
to the reformatory by Judge Par-  
ish Friday morning.

Under the terms of the parole  
granted to the boy, he will be per-  
mitted to make his home with  
Mrs. Houston so long as he con-  
ducts himself properly. Any mis-  
conduct will be cause for revo-  
king the order, and the boy will  
be placed in the hands of the offi-  
cers and carried to the reformatory,  
where he must remain until he  
serves his term.

Leonard Russell, a twelve year  
old boy, was arraigned before  
Judge Parish in juvenile court  
Friday morning on a charge of  
passing forged checks.

The case is one of the most re-  
markable for a boy of this age in  
the criminal annals of this coun-  
ty. The work of the boy was so  
cleverly put over that the officers  
decided that he had an accomplice  
and have been working on the  
case in an effort to connect others  
with the case, but have failed.

The boy passed forged checks  
aggregating about \$150, eleven  
different checks having been  
passed on local merchants. The  
check on which the complaint was  
based was passed on the Cameron  
Lumber Co. and was for \$20. The  
boy purchased two gallons of  
paint and presented the twenty  
dollar check in payment of same,  
receiving about seventeen dollars  
in cash. He had no earthly use  
for the paint, and only made the  
purchase to get the cash, it is al-  
leged.

Among others who came in for  
a losing was the Ballinger Auto  
Co., who sold the boy two spark  
plugs and cashed an \$18 check,  
giving the boy proper change in  
cash. Moody's second-hand store  
was also presented a \$20 check in  
payment of a bicycle, and only  
prevented a loss by calling the  
bank before accepting the instru-  
ment. Higginbotham Bros. & Co.  
were victims, the Ballinger Elec-  
tric shop, the Fair, and others,  
accepted checks for the face value  
in serving the boy as one of their  
customers.

Not suspecting that an innocent  
looking boy of twelve years of  
age, and small for his age, was  
capable of working such a game,  
the dealers were cleverly put over,  
the merchants in most cases cash-  
ing the checks without question.

The boy readily confessed to the  
charges when he was brought face  
to face with the evidence against  
him, and a considerable amount  
of the money was recovered, and  
returned to those who cashed the  
checks, while some are still losers  
and have no hopes of recovering  
their losses.

The parents of the boy had no  
defense to offer for him, and  
seemed to realize that it was for  
his best interests that he be placed  
in a school of correction, and he  
will be sent to Gatesville, where  
he will be taught the principles  
which make for better manhood  
and citizenship.

### CLARA SMITH RETURNS TO ARDMORE TONIGHT

FT. WORTH, Jan. 7.—Clara  
Smith Hamon, charged with mur-  
der in connection with the killing  
of Jake L. Hamon, will re-  
turn to Ardmore tonight follow-  
ing a conference with her attor-  
neys here regarding the forth-  
coming trial.

### MAIL CAR BROKEN INTO AND ROBBED TODAY

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—A mail  
car on train No. 203 of the Penn-  
sylvania railroad, was broken in-  
to and robbed between here and  
Philadelphia today.

Officials of the road are inves-  
tigating to determine the value  
of the mail stolen.

## TWO CUT; ONE SHOT; IN FIGHT

ABILENE, Tex., Jan. 7.—B. N.

Billingsley was released on a thou-  
sand dollar bond, and D. H.  
Thomas was released on a five  
hundred dollar bond following  
the filing of complaints charging  
assault with intent to murder, re-  
sulting from a three cornered  
fight near Tye of this county.

Both Billingsley and Thomas  
received knife wounds. John W.  
Childress received several bullet  
wounds.

## SCOTT TRIAL SET JAN. 17 AT BROWNWOOD

George Scott, alias George  
Hornsby, the man who is charged  
with the brutal murder of J. N.  
Weatherby, an auto dealer in  
Brownwood on the night of Oct.  
18th, will be given a speedy trial,  
according to the Brownwood Bul-  
letin, which says:

"George Hornsby, alias George  
Scott, under indictment for mur-  
der in connection with the death  
of J. N. Weatherby in Brown-  
wood on October 18th, 1920, will  
be brought to trial in the district  
court of Brown county on Mon-  
day, January 17th, at which time  
a special venire of 144 men will  
be present, it was announced to-  
day by District Attorney Walter  
U. Early.

"Hornsby, who was placed in  
the Tarrant county jail at Fort  
Worth a few days ago following  
his arrest in Birmingham, Ala-  
bama, was brought to Brownwood  
late Wednesday and placed in the  
Brown county jail, where he is  
now confined. The prisoner was  
brought as far as Dublin by train,  
and from that point was trans-  
ferred to Brownwood by automo-  
bile. Myrtle Scott, known as the  
woman connected with the case,  
was also brought to Brownwood  
from Fort Worth, but was not  
placed in jail. She is being de-  
tained here as a material witness.

Willie Carter, the youth who is  
also implicated in the case and  
who had been in the Brown coun-  
ty jail for more than a month,  
has been removed to a neighbor-  
ing county, in order, as District  
Attorney Early explained, to a-  
void the possibility of collusion  
with Hornsby in advance of the  
trial.

"When Hornsby was brought  
before Judge Woodward today he  
made no statement except that  
there is a possibility that he may  
secure an attorney from Birming-  
ham to assist in his defense.  
Meantime Judge Woodward ap-  
pointed as Hornsby's counsel for  
the coming trial, I. J. Rice, Mark  
McGee and Arnold L. Kirkpat-  
rick, who will assume responsibil-  
ity for conducting the defense.  
District Attorney W. U. Early  
will lead in the prosecution of  
the case, and will be assisted by  
T. C. Wilkinson and R. L. Mc-  
Gaughey, who, it is understood, have  
been retained by relatives of J.  
N. Weatherby.

"Judge Woodward said this  
morning that all arrangements are  
being made for giving Hornsby a  
prompt and fair trial. All other  
cases on the dockets of the court  
for this term will have been clear-  
ed away during the next ten days,  
and nothing will remain to inter-  
fere with the plans for the Horns-  
by trial."

Rubber Stamps.—The Ballinger  
Printing Co.

## TWO LIQUOR SMUGGLERS SHOT BY RANGERS

LAREDO, Tex., Jan. 7.—Two

liquor smugglers were killed last  
night in a gun fight with Capt.  
Ryan and six Texas rangers, in  
Zapata county, sixty miles East  
of here. Several other whiskey  
runners escaped. None of the  
rangers were wounded.

The rangers killed two pack-  
horses and two pack mules, cap-  
turing a large quantity of liquor  
in the packs. The dead smug-  
glers have not yet been identi-  
fied.

## IRISH PRESIDENT AND KING GEORGE WILL CONFER

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Eamonn de  
Valera, "President of the Irish  
Republic," is reported to have  
been invited to come to London  
and confer with Prime Minister  
David Lloyd George, says the  
Westminster Gazette, today.

Father Michael O'Flanagan,  
"Vice President of the Irish Re-  
public," is expected to arrive  
in London today. His coming is  
said to be in connection with  
peace discussions.

## WOULD STOP ALL RECRUITING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—A  
unanimously favorable report  
was ordered today by the Senate  
military committee on the resolu-  
tion of Senator New, Republican  
of Indiana, directing Secretary of  
War Baker to stop army enlist-  
ments.

Senator New's resolution  
would put an end to all recruit-  
ing for the military until the to-  
tal number of enlisted men is re-  
duced to 175,000.

## MILK PRICES IN BALLINGER CUT

The W. F. Jackson Dairy falls  
in line with the downward trend  
of price, and announces a reduc-  
tion of 25 per cent in milk prices,  
effective February first. This is  
the second cut in milk prices since  
prices reached the high peak some  
time ago.

Effective Feb. first milk will be  
sold on a basis of 10 cents per  
pint; 15 cents per quart; 30 cents  
per half gallon; and 50 cents per  
gallon.

Milk is one of the necessities of  
life, and with the recent cut in the  
staff of life—bread, the poorer  
class will soon be living high a-  
gain.

People should bear in mind that  
prices went up gradually. No ar-  
ticle doubled in price in one day,  
and no article will fall to the bot-  
tom price in one day. Prices  
must come down the same way  
they went up, one step at a time.

### LORD MAYOR OF CORK ON WAY TO NEW YORK

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 7.—Lord  
Mayor O'Callaghan, of Cork,  
Ireland, plans to leave here to-  
morrow for New York to attend  
the demonstration there in his  
honor by the American Associa-  
tion of Recognition for the Irish  
Republic.

## SIX DEAD; TWO INJURED IN ARKANSAS HOTEL FIRE

### AGENTS ASKED TO REFUND JAP CASH

HARLINGEN, Tex., Jan. 7.—  
Pending the arrival of a real es-  
tate dealer from California, who,  
it is said, sold the farms in the  
various sections of the Rio Grande  
valley to Japanese colonists, no  
effort will be made here to com-  
pel the two Jap families who ar-  
rived in Harlingen yesterday, to  
leave.

A party of eight Orientals, in-  
cluding four children, arrived  
Wednesday from California.  
They were met at the train by a  
committee of citizens and mem-  
bers of the American Legion and  
informed that their presence was  
undesirable. They were given  
until Thursday to depart, but were  
later told that they could remain  
until the arrival of the agent who  
was responsible for their coming,  
and who will be asked to refund  
to the Japs, the amount of money  
paid for the two farms.

### EGGS MOVING FAST. MARKET WEAKENING

Local egg dealers are sending  
out heavy express shipments of  
eggs daily, and will begin at once  
the concentration of car lot ship-  
ments from this point. Solid car  
loads of eggs will begin to move  
from Ballinger by the last of the  
month, and during the following  
two or three months the consign-  
ments will average a car a week.  
The market weakened this week  
and eggs are only bringing 49  
cents, against 75 cents thirty days  
ago.

Use Ledger Classifieds.  
Ledger classifieds bring results

## MILITARY PLANS BEING DISCUSSED

MARION, O., Jan. 7.—Represen-  
tative Julius Kahn, of Califor-  
nia, chairman of the House mili-  
tary committee, is here today at  
the invitation of President Elec-  
t Harding to discuss the questions  
of army re-organization and gen-  
eral preparedness.

This conference is one of a series  
to be held by Mr. Harding  
with those in charge of military  
and naval matters with a view to  
reducing appropriations of the  
two establishments, and develop-  
ing the reserve personnel of both  
the army and navy, agreeing that  
this definite policy be pursued  
until a possible plan of disarmament  
can be worked out by the  
"association of nations."

## Vital Statistics Report for Four Year Period

The vital statistic records of  
this county show that there were  
four times as many births last  
year as there were deaths, exclu-  
sive of the incorporated towns in  
the county.

The statistics for the rural dis-  
tricts of the county are filed with  
the county clerk, while those of  
the incorporated towns; Miles,  
Ballinger and Winters, are sup-  
posed to be filed with the city  
authorities.

The records in the clerk's of-  
fice show that there were 241  
births during the year of 1920 and  
only 60 deaths, while marriages  
led with a total of 283. Of  
course the report on marriages  
include both the city and rural  
love makers.

It is somewhat of a coincident  
that there were the same number  
of marriages in 1920 as there  
were in 1919, 283 licenses having

ENGLAND, Ark., Jan. 7.—Six  
persons were burned to death and  
two probably fatally burned in  
a fire which destroyed the Royal  
Hotel cafe early today.

The dead are: Mr. and Mrs.  
Mack Rawles, who were employ-  
ed at the hotel, and the following  
guests: Mrs. Jennie Anderson  
and nine year old daughter; Mrs.  
A. Lallahan, and a man named  
Hooker.

Those thought to be fatally  
burned are: Dan Campbell, and  
Will Heffner.

The origin of the blaze is still  
undetermined. Guests were trap-  
ped on the second floor of the  
hotel building when two stair-  
ways leading from the upper  
floors were cut off by the flames.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 7.  
—Callie Huffenton, a victim of  
the hotel fire at England, Arkan-  
sas, who was brought here for  
treatment, died soon after she ar-  
rived, from the result of her  
burns.

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Jan. 7.—  
Several persons were seriously  
burned in a hotel fire at England,  
Arkansas, this morning. A relief  
train from this point has been sent  
to take the injured to Little Rock  
hospitals and to render aid to the  
homeless.

### FEAR OF LYNCHING AT BROWNWOOD

Jim Freeman returned from  
Brownwood Thursday. He report-  
ed that feeling was pretty bitter  
against the man Scott or Horns-  
by, charged with the murder of J.  
N. Weatherby in that city two or  
three months ago and who was  
brought back to that city Wed-  
nesday.

The prisoner was first placed in  
the Fort Worth jail after being  
brought back from Birmingham,  
Alabama, where he was captured.  
He was later brought to Brown-  
wood, the officers leaving the train  
at Dublin with the man, and en-  
tering Brownwood by auto, fear-  
ing that a committee of vigilantes  
would meet the train to welcome  
the prisoner. The case has been  
set for Jan. 17th.

E. C. Voss was in from the Win-  
gate country Friday, transacting  
business.

The death record for 1919 was  
one less than for 1920, there being  
only 59 deaths in the rural dis-  
tricts in 1919 as against 60 in  
1920.

There were 222 births in the  
rural districts in 1919 against 241  
for 1920.

Following is a four year record  
for births, deaths and marriages  
in the rural districts of the coun-  
ty:

Year	Weds	Births	Deaths
1917	206	337	85
1918	76	280	112
1919	283	222	59
1920	283	241	60

It will be observed that the war  
had its telling effect on the years  
of '17 and '18. The statistics for  
Ballinger are incomplete, there  
being only 35 births against 80  
deaths, and the statistics from  
Miles and Winters are not avail-  
able at this time.

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COUNTY AGENT WORK MORE IMPORTANT IN 1921 THAN EVER BEFORE.

We regret to learn of a disposition in a few counties to try to get along in 1921 without a county agent, or with a less efficient county agent.

Such a policy is like dropping the pilot just as the ship enters the most dangerous seas. It is like shutting up the lighthouse just as the storm comes on.

The farmers of the South will need the help of the county agent more in 1921 than ever before. And they will use him more than ever before.

In the first place, they need his help about production. How much cotton acreage will be cut is problematical, but it is certainly going to be cut. Farmers are going to grow a diversity of crops, and they are going to need guidance in new fields of effort. They are also going to grow more live-stock, and here especially they will need the help of a thoroughly equipped county agent.

No less urgently—in fact, even more urgently—farmers will need the help of the county agent in problems of marketing. Big and promising plans for reformed cotton marketing (as well as tobacco marketing and peanut marketing in sections growing those crops) are already under way. The county agent is the man who must do more than anyone else in bringing success to these plans for scientific and profitable marketing. Then, too, in growing corn, hay, hogs and cattle, farmers will find their diversification program of small profit unless plans for co-operative shipping and selling are worked out. They naturally look to the county agent for leadership in these matters.

For all these reasons the best investment your county can make is to pay enough to get a superbly qualified man to lead your farming forces as county agent in 1921.

Don't be content with a cheap man. Get a man whose training is such that farmers know he can give them real help in all the intricate problems of soils, fertilizers, crops, livestock, livestock diseases—a man who has enough ability and not only (1) to help farmers diversify wisely; but also (2) to help them market cotton and other "money crops" more wisely; and (3) who will help farmers in co-operative shipping and selling of the corn, hay, hogs, and cattle they are going to raise.

We shall indeed need county agents—and this year more than ever before. (From The Progressive Farmer.)

Catarrahal Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrahal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Circular, free. All Drugists, 75c. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

EARS—

"Bumpers for hats." "Trellises for the hair." "Quivering with anticipation, ready to curl like a tendril around the faintest bit of New Stuff."

FORT STOCKTON WELL IS GUSHER

A thousand barrel gusher, the miracle well in the annals of the oil history of the United States, was brought in Wednesday afternoon by the Grant Oil Corporation on the W. W. Turney ranch fourteen miles this side of Fort Stockton, at a depth of 96 feet. The well is the fourth producer developed by this corporation on the Turney land and all are less than one hundred feet deep. Mr. Turney lives at El Paso and is the President of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association.

Oil men who have visited the well say it is the wonder well developed in this vicinity. They are unable to understand how such a great volume of oil can come out of a hole less than a hundred feet under ground. A pond has been dug near the well and this afternoon it was estimated that it held more than a thousand barrels.

The amount of oil coming from the well was estimated yesterday at a thousand barrels a day. Judge Howell Johnson, of Fort Stockton, said it was at least a hundred barrels an hour.—San Angelo Standard.

BETTER THAN EVER IS EXPRESSION AT SHOW

"The Fighting Parson," last night at the Brunk's Comedians tent show, was the best performance presented so far this week and people were liberal in their remarks of praise as they left the show. Last night was probably the biggest crowd that has attended any performance this week and the big crowd was kept laughing or applauding throughout the hour and a half.

Harley Sadler was the big laugh and last night was the best role he has been in yet this week. Playing one of those silly boy parts in his own way, using his personality and slang he kept the big crowd laughing from start to finish. Someone said last night that "he gets you started to laughing and don't give you a place to stop," and especially was this true last night.

"The Musical Wizard" was a good feature on last night's bill and rendered some good jazz as well as classical numbers. Tonight he will play the xylophone and render some numbers blind-folded. This act with the music on the show is as good as you will hear in the big vaudeville circuits.

Tonight is the feature bill of the week and Brunk's Comedians will present "It Pays to Advertise." Saturday afternoon the company will repeat the play that made such a hit here last year, "Sputters," and Saturday night a sequel to it "Sputters, the Cowboy Detective," is the feature.

Tonight after the show the orchestra will play a dance engagement at the Ballinger Club rooms and all members are urged to attend.

Aching joints, rheumatic pains, neuralgia, can be relieved quickly by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It is a powerful penetrating remedy. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

MANY ATTEND IRRIGATION MEET AT SAN ANGELO

Many business men and other citizens left Ballinger at 10:30 this morning for San Angelo, to be present at the meeting of the Colorado Valley Irrigation Association, which convened at 1:30 this afternoon. Some who could not get away with the Y. M. B. L. delegation this morning took the noon train West, in company with representatives of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and other state dailies, and press association correspondents.

The San Angelo Standard gave much prominence to the meeting in its issue of Thursday, and stated that the meeting would be opened by an address of welcome by Alex Collins, recently appointed attorney for the Orient railroad.

Fish are cold-blooded animals found in rivers, lakes, delictness, and tin cans. They are not intelligent; they think water is good to drink, and have extremely low foreheads.

THEIR LAST FEAST

Mohammedan Fanatics Paid Dearly for "Brain Stew."

Excess of Zeal Discouraged by French Authorities in Northern Senegal in Effective Manner.

Boomba is not the seat of Mohammedan culture in Africa. Boomba lies in northern Senegal, behind the west coast of Africa, humiliated at the onward strides of Dakar, a worldly seaport knowing neither religion nor shame. And let it be known to all men that the natives in the hinterland nigh unto Boomba are as the "wee sma' hours of the mornin'," in blackest darkness; but seeking the light of a great awakening.

Last month, while the Clontarf, stout shipping-board vessel, now at pier 23, foot of Pacific street, lay to in the roadstead at Dakar, a wave of revival hit the vicinity of Boomba, according to the assistant engineer.

The blacks got religion and the blacklands resounded with the chant of "There is no God but Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet"—in fervent Senegalese.

Now, the German found the Senegalese a fierce soldier. On his native jungle trail he is even more so. On the warpath went the newly converted Mohammedans, with fire in one hand and the sword in the other, after the fashion of Saladdin's host. They were bound to out-Mohammed Mohammed and great was their zeal. Furthermore, they were bound on a quest to show their brethren, unbelieving dogs on the docks of Dakar, that a warrior of the jungles could acquire that polish which some say comes only to citizens of the worldly state, dwelling in a great metropolis.

There chanced across their march a party of Frenchmen, hunting wild beasts of the field. The Frenchmen were, moreover, unbelieving dogs. The slaughter was swift, pitiless and almost painless. Eleven dead Gauls were laid at the feet of the chief of the Boomba hinterland.

"My children," cried he, in a rolling brogue such as is handed about in the jungle, "behold these men of culture and little faith. They have the wisdom of them who sit in high places, but they have the faith of the groveling jackal. We have done well to chop off their heads. Now we will do well to acquire their wisdom. Let us have brain stew, made from the brains of the Frenchmen, in whom there was wisdom but little faith."

About a week later, a dozen of these fierce seekers after a great wisdom were gathered in by the French authorities. And in another week they were sent to another land, far beyond the clouds, where the hours tread the mazes of the heavenly dance and wisdom comes to all men who are true believers. At least, that is the tale as told by the assistant engineer. And thus under the quest of the converts of the Boomba hinterland, searchers of Brooklyn Eagle.

The World's Advancement.

Those who, in retrospect, recall the days of the hand sickle may well marvel at the developments which have taken place within their recollection. They have seen, besides the development in agriculture, the inauguration of almost countless devices and utilities. They have seen railroads built across the continent, the telegraph and telephone perfected, great steamship lines established and more latterly the motor car and the airplane utilized in everyday affairs. Until the hand sickle was laid aside it had been used since that time to which the memory of men runneth not to the contrary. And yet to them, it may seem the advent of the grain cradle—the crude horse-drawn reaper—but as yesterday. Personified, those homely early devices seem almost like the explorers of the earlier ages who set out upon voyages of discovery with nothing to guide them but a vision of something grander and more beautiful than their eyes had ever beheld.—Exchange.

New Discoveries in Caste.

Excavations at Knossos, Psestos and other sites in Crete have not merely established the existence of a people whose form of civilization was the earliest in Europe, but have shown much about their daily life, games, amusements, their art, religion, writing—though hardly yet their language; their physical characteristics, dress and the houses they live in.

A huge palace, as big as Buckingham palace, has been unearthed at Knossos. It has a drainage system that an eminent Italian archeologist has described as "absolutely English," and that certainly anticipates the hydraulic engineering of the Nineteenth century. The men of science engaged in the work estimate the age of their discoveries at four thousand years.—Discoveries.

Dehydrated Fish Valuable.

Electrical dehydrating plants for fish are promised as a result of recent experiments in England, which demonstrate that it is possible with the aid of heated air to accomplish in a brief time results that now require many days of air curing, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. Deprived of every trace of moisture, the fish meat may be kept for years, and then restored for three days in water. The dried fish also may be ground into a fine flour of high food value. The process has been patented in all countries.

WOODWARD SAYS LAW HAS DEFECTS

(Brownwood News)

Judge Woodward has written Governor Eleet Neff, calling his attention to changes that are sorely needed in certain features of the criminal laws of Texas. Judge Woodward comes in contact with these deficiencies almost every day of the year and he has given them a close and serious study.

The attention of Mr. Neff is called to the suspended sentence law, and instances are shown wherein the spirit of this law can be and no doubt has been woefully abused. Suggestions are made for amending this law and attention is also called to that part of the criminal law wherein a person is accused of entering a building and using explosives on a safe, for instance, as was the case at the Santa Fe depot a few nights ago. The person so entering such place may be indicted and punished for theft or burglary or both, but when it comes to using the explosive there is no remedy, simply because the law governing such cases says the person convicted shall be confined a certain number of years, minimum or maximum, in the "state prison," and of course attorneys for the defense looking after the interest of their client or clients, take advantage of this fact and the accused escapes in this particular, whereas if the law said in the "state penitentiary" instead, the accused might be sentenced for as much as twenty-five years.

Other matters of importance that need rectifying were also pointed out by Judge Woodward in his letter to Mr. Neff, and the belief is all will be remedied if not cured.

Had Cold and Cough Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

Several years ago C. D. Glass, Gardiner, Me., contracted a severe cold and cough. He tried various medicines but instead of getting well he kept adding to it by contracting fresh colds. Nothing he had taken for it was of any permanent benefit until a druggist advised him to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He says "I was completely cured by this remedy and have since always turned to it when I had a cold and soon find relief."

FRENCH BOY STOWAWAY DIES IN GALVESTON

GALVESTON, Jan. 7.—His heart lonely for his vanished comrades of the A. E. F., Edmond Jervais, 13, an orphan from the shattered city of Verdun, arrived here as a stowaway only to succumb to pneumonia soon after he set foot on United States soil. Edmond secreted himself aboard the steamship Edfort at Brest, and was not discovered by officers until he became seriously ill.

The body of the French youth, whose quest for his soldier friend had ended in death, was escorted today to the grave by Boy Scouts of this city. His funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Marius Chataignou, himself of French descent and who served in France as a chaplain. Officers of the steamship Edfort acted as pallbearers.

When You are Bilious.

To promote a healthy action of the liver and correct the disorders caused by the biliousness Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent. Try them and see how quickly they give you a relish for your food and banish that dull stupid feeling.

MRS. SHEFFY MARRIES BRECKENRIDGE MAN

Mrs. C. M. Sheffy and W. T. Morgan were married at Brownwood last week, and returned to Ballinger a few days here they left Thursday afternoon for Breckenridge where Mr. Morgan has interests. Mr. Morgan has been in Ballinger about two months, and says that he and his wife will come back soon. Mrs. Sheffy has been living in Ballinger for several years, she and her former husband being engaged in the hotel and rooming house business. Her husband died several months ago.

Kidney weakness, bladder troubles and digestive disorders are all within the enervative power of Prickly Ash Bitters. As a tonic for the kidneys and urinary organs it has proved its value. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

EL PASO MARRIAGES 1,962; DIVORCES 578

EL PASO, Jan. 7.—While Cupid during the year 1920 was escorting 1,962 couples to the county clerk's office in El Paso county for marriage licenses, causes and effects from various sources forced 578 couples to the district courts and obtained for them divorces, and gained for 20 other couples annulment of their marriages—an average of one out of three marriages being recorded as a failure.

Six out of every ten cases were brought into court by wives. Ninety per cent of the couples had been married less than five years. One divorced couple in every six had children, according to the records.

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YOUR LAST CHANCE

December is the last opportunity to get Uncle Sam's Government Savings Securities of the 1920 Issue. Do Your Christmas W. S. S. Shopping Early. Commencing January 1, 1921, Uncle Sam's new 1921 Government Savings Securities may be obtained through our Bank or the Postoffice. The 1921 securities are 25c Thrift Stamps, \$1 Treasury Savings Stamps, \$5 Savings Stamps and \$25 and \$100 and \$1,000 Registered Treasury Savings Certificates. Thrift Stamps bought in 1920 are good in 1921. We Co-Operate With Uncle Sam!



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One Dollar will open the account

P. S. A bank book is a nice present for the grown up children too

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IN TIGHT CORNER

Trapper Tells How It Feels to Be Trapped.

Bear Hunter Experienced Uncomfortable Night in Snare He Had Prepared for Ferocious Old Grizzly.

"Old Mose" was one of the most ferocious bears in the Rockies. He was a notorious "bad actor," according to Mr. A. L. Corson in the Wide World Magazine, and foiled all attempts to shoot or trap him.

On one occasion a man named Hancock tried to trap him. In placing the bait inside the trap, Hancock accidentally touched the trigger, and the logs came down and imprisoned him.

He tried to pry the heavy timbers apart, but found that he could not shift them an inch. From one side of the trap to the other he went, unconsciously imitating the movements Bruin would have made in hunting for a weak point. All his efforts were fruitless.

The pangs of hunger were now coming on, and night was near. Hancock scraped up some chips and twigs, made a fire and roasted part of the deer that he had brought to bait the trap with. Being lightly dressed, he suffered keenly from the cold night air. He lay down on the ground, but suddenly he heard sniffling sounds outside and detected, by the dim light of the moon, a dark form gazing through the chinks between the logs. Hancock felt safe, although his gun was standing by a tree some distance from the trap; Mose—for it was no other—seemed to realize the fact.

Knowing his savage nature, Hancock withdrew to the other side of the trap as the big form rose up on his hind legs. He could feel the bear's hot breath surging through between the logs upon his face; and, fearing that the brute would thrust his claws in, he kept moving from side to side.

Daylight came at last, and Mose trotted off. Again Hancock built a fire and cooked the rest of the deer meat. He almost decided to set one end of the trap on fire and burn his way out. But what if he were unable to control the blaze? If he could reach his rifle, he would be in a position to shoot his way out, for he had a belt full of cartridges.

His horse, tired of standing round, had long ago made for home.

The next morning, the neighbors, seeing Hancock's horse in the yard, surmised that the "outlaw of the Rockies" had secured another victim. Several cattlemen started out in search of Hancock. In the middle of the afternoon they heard shooting, but at first they could see nothing.

Hancock had torn his shirt into strips, making a rope about 20 feet long. He had then tied two stones to a string about a yard long and fastened one end of the long line to the middle. Then he threw the stones out between the cracks of his prison toward the rifle. After two hours of practice he was able to drag the gun within reach. He then tried desperately to get his way out by shooting holes through a log about a foot in diameter. Before he got very far his comrades had located the shots and released him.

Had Feared the Worst.

It is a sad thing to have to relate, but Mr. Spongedry came home the other night "wet." Not externally, but internally; he had drunk wine or spirits or beer!

With uncertain footsteps he climbed the stairs, with itchy, nervous fingers he undressed himself, with swimming head he lay down in his bed.

Mrs. Spongedry had, however, heard his anti-cattle tread.

Thinking to frighten him, she covered her head with a sheet and approached his bed.

Spongedry sat up in bed and gazed in wonder at the spook.

"Who is that?" he asked.

"I am a ghost," came the answer from the sheet.

"Oh, that's all right, then! But you did give me a fright! I thought you were my wife!"—London Tit-Bits.

What He Liked.

Mr. T. had visited the D. family long enough to find that they were strong on culture but weak on comforts, such as a sufficient supply of hot water, food and even heat. One cold night the members of the family held a discussion on their pet hobbies. One said that she "dearly loved great paintings," another professed a fondness for "great works of literature," and the third spoke eloquently on "great works of sculpture."

Finally it came the guest's time to converse. He shivered a minute and then gave a feeble smile. "Right now," he said earnestly, "I have a decided fondness for a grate fire."

New Idea for Tombstone.

Austin J. Hayman of Custer, Okla., has invented what he calls a "new and improved tombstone." It is designed to represent a life-size human figure standing erect. For instance, it might be a soldier. The material is galvanized iron, made hollow, so that the lower part of it may be filled with cement to make a heavier base. The body is hollow in order that, if desired, it may hold an urn containing the ashes of the deceased. As for the head, it is meant to be screwed on, and may be made a likeness of the person for whom the tombstone is erected.

MAN'S CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Writer Denounces the "Life Imprisonment" Which Confinement in Zoological Garden Means.

"Purely as a matter of ethics, abolition is the ultimate logic of all zoological gardens." Such is the opinion of a writer in the Nation of London. "Animals have committed no crimes against the community," he says, "and therefore the community has no right whatever to give them life sentences of imprisonment." A very few of the larger animals, he admits, may affect human life injuriously, but they form an infinitesimal portion of the inhabitants of a zoological garden. On the other hand, it is argued that we never thought of confining those animals believed to be the most injurious, namely insects—and therefore it is plain that "the punishment does not fit the crime."

Even if it were granted that animals are happier in captivity than in their native wilds, this can only be meant relatively, for though protected and cared for, animals in captivity are denied the primal joys of liberty and fitness to environment, among such jobs being their power of exercising their suppleness of body or strength of wing in graceful movements, and not least of all joys, the power of satisfying their continual curiosity.

Much has been done for animals, and much more might be done for the wild birds. For the eagles, hawks, condors and vultures the writer feels that nothing can be done. He quotes from that great lover of birds, W. W. Hudson, to whom the sight of any bird in a cage, be it robin, redbreast or bird unknown to William Blake, literally sets him in a rage. He has somewhere described a sermon he heard on genius, in which the preacher likened the life of the ordinary person to that of the canary in its cage. But of the genius—"A cloud came over his (the preacher's) majestic features, he drew himself up and swayed his body from side to side, and shook his black gown and lifted his arms as a great bird lifts its plumed homologues, and let them fall again two or three times, and then said in deep measured tones which seemed to express rage and despair—'But did you ever see the eagle in his cage?'"

The brooding hopeless gaze of those stern eyes offers only one solution to the aquiline problem, the keys of the city of the air.

Every Man to His Trade.

A devoted couple, married a short time ago, took up their abode in a dainty cottage in a suburban quarter. Everything in the house was the latest and gave unmixt satisfaction. But one evening when the husband returned he found, to his disgust, that a water pipe had burst. The rooms were flooded and the carpets, which were the husband's special pride, were in danger of being spoiled.

"Well, well," said he impatiently to his wife, "why on earth didn't you hammer the pipe up! Here, give me a hammer and I'll do it in a twinkling."

He got the hammer and pounded away at a pipe down in the cellar. When he had finished he paused to examine the result of his labor. Then, to his complete chagrin, he heard the sweetly chiding voice of his wife at the top of the stairs.

"Howard!" said she, "the gas has gone out, and the water is still running."

Then he sent for a plumber.—Answers.

Unfortunate Apology.

A certain editor of a country newspaper in Kansas was asked to leave the community as the result of a typographical error in his report of the wedding of the mayor's daughter, relates Pep. After exhausting his supply of large words about the "blushing bride," he had said: "The large elaborate bouquets of roses were pink."

The mayor demanded a correction and apology in the next week's issue, all of which the editor was glad to promise. The next issue contained:

"We wish to apologize for the manner in which we disgraced the beautiful wedding last week. Through an error of the typesetter we were made to say 'the roses were pink.' What we wanted to say was 'the roses were pink.'"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Gorilla Fond of Music.

A gorilla beating a drum astonished Marseilles. The animal had been taken to the French port from Africa by a colonel. One day the gorilla was seen walking down the boulevard holding a negress by the hand. The woman entered a toy shop and bought a trumpet and drum. Delighted, the gorilla beat the drum and blew the trumpet lustily. A hard blow broke the drum, whereupon the gorilla looked worried, scratched his head perplexedly and re-entering the shop, seized another drum and ran down the street, beating it triumphantly. The negress followed, but the beast climbed to a balcony and remained there half an hour, beating a military march in perfect rhythm.

Crops of Hawaii.

The two main crops of Hawaii are sugar and pineapples. The greater part of the land best suited to agriculture is in parts of the territory deficient in rainfall. This has made a large irrigation necessary. The imports for the fiscal year of 1919 were \$50,743,783. The exports amounted to \$88,256,621. Most of Hawaii's commerce is with the United States. Other products of the island are coffee, fruits, nuts, rice and hides.

SEALS ARRIVE; GET YOURS NOW

Your old auto seal is no longer of any value. You can replace it with a new one. The 1921 seals arrived Wednesday, just a month late, and the traffic officers will be just one month late in enforcing the law.

Collector Brown is issuing the receipts, and seals and taking the money. The seal for your old car will cost you the same price it did when your car was new, and it is essential if you expect to appear in public with your car.

Collector Brown stated Thursday that it was not necessary for those who had paid their auto tax and left their address with him to call for their seal. He stated that he had rather those who had paid would not call, as he will mail the seal to them, and it will prevent a rush at his office. Those who have paid will receive their seal within the next few days.

Not If As Rich As Cresus.

If you were as rich as Cresus you could not buy a better remedy for constipation than Chamberlain's Tablets. They are easy and pleasant to take and when the proper dose is taken produce a mild and gentle effect. They also strengthen the digestion.

WHEN CALLING CENTRAL SAY 'OH' NOT 'NAUGHT'

DALLAS, Jan. 7.—"Naught" became "oh" in Texas, telephonically speaking, with the advent of the New Year.

Although the figure "0" in a telephone number should be pronounced "naught," telephone officials declare, Eastern cities have abandoned the correct pronunciation in favor of "oh." Therefore, they say, to avoid inconvenience to visitors to the Lone Star state and to prevent the impression getting abroad that Texas considered itself "high-brow," the companies decided to conform to the general practice.

The order, according to officials, affects all exchanges in Texas.

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THE DIAMOND BRAND. Indigestion, constipation, biliousness, headache, neuralgia, migraines, etc. Sold by druggists everywhere.

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We are paying 18c today, and if you will see us tomorrow we can tell you what they are worth then.

E. A. Jeanes & Company, 6-21d.

Jim Johnson and Walter Neely were here from the Winters section Thursday, paying taxes and attending to other business.

Don't Forget

—that we will discount any merchant's credit or 30-day prices 5 per cent on same quality goods.

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We are glad to note that W. R. Clark is getting along as well as could be expected after a serious operation for appendicitis Thursday.

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BABY FOUND AT MILES TO MAKE HOME HAPPY

Rev. Nichols, representing the Children's Home Society, was in Ballinger again Thursday, coming in from Miles with a three-months old baby girl in his care. The sweet little baby was tucked away in a basket, which Rev. Nichols carried in one hand and his grip in the other.

Rev. Nichols was here about a week ago en route to Miles with a three-year old girl, and he placed it in a good home at Miles. After he returned home he was notified to return to Miles and get the baby which he had with him Thursday.

"I have a good home ready for this little tot," said Rev. Nichols, "and it will make the home happy. I found it at Miles. The mother is dead and I did not ask anything about the father."

"We went out in the country two miles and found the grandmother in the field picking cotton, and she came very near backing out at the last minute and not letting us have the baby. It was hard for her to give it up."

Rev. Nichols left for Abilene Friday morning, and he will place the Miles baby in a good home which is waiting for it at that place. He reiterated that there was a good demand for babies and he had no trouble in finding homes for them.

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## DEATH CLAIMS MRS. C. J. LYNN

After lingering for a long time Mrs. C. J. Lynn passed away this morning at 10:15 and a sorrow was cast over the entire town as it mourns the loss of this good woman. For several weeks, it has been known that she could not live and that death was the only remedy for her suffering, still a cloud of gloom has spread over the city and many hearts are sorrowing with the family and relatives.

Mrs. Lynn had lived in Ballinger a good part of her life and her acquaintances, are her friends—she was a good woman, a good mother and wife, a good friend, and a good Christian. She had reached the age of 48 years, 5 months and 25 days and it had been a life of long usefulness, Christian devotion and love that when spent and departed leaves the world a better place to live.

The funeral will be held tomorrow morning from the family residence on Seventh Street at 10:00. Rev. C. B. Simpson will officiate and interment will be made in Evergreen cemetery. She leaves a husband and one son in the immediate family, and several brothers who live away from here, two of which were at her bedside when she died.

The Ledger joins, with many friends in mourning the loss of this good woman.

**For a Persistent Cough**  
Some years ago, H. P. Burbage, a student at law in Greenville, S. C., had been troubled for a long while with a persistent cough which he says, "greatly alarmed me, causing me to fear that I was in the first stage of consumption." Having seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised he concluded to try it. "I soon felt a remarkable change and after using two bottles of the small size was permanently cured."

**FUNERAL OF D. C. McCALIB AT AUSTIN WEDNESDAY**  
AUSTIN, Jan. 7.—Funeral services, over the body of Captain D. C. McCaleb, Texas newspaper man and veteran of the Spanish-American and the world wars, who died at Wichita Falls Monday, were held here Wednesday. The body arrived from Wichita Falls and was taken by an escort of Travis Post, American Legion, to the Senate Chamber of the State capitol, where it lay in state from 10 to 12 o'clock. Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Armstrong and Travis Post of the American Legion had charge of the service, at the grave at Oakwood cemetery.

The funeral was attended by numerous friends and local newspaper men acted as pallbearers. Floral tributes were numerous and beautiful.

Fresh bunch Vegetables from South Texas gardens. E. A. Jeanes & Company. 3-d&w-tf

## Daily Ledger Want Ads

**FOR SALE**—Good 5 passenger Ford for sale or trade. Will trade for cotton or cows. See Will Stuart at compress. 4-3td-1tw.\*

**LOST**—Ladies' brown Coat, with brown plush collar, trimmed in fur, between Hatchel and Ballinger. Leave at Ledger office and receive reward. 6-2d

**LOST**—Pair side cutting pliers return to Frank Cameron and get reward. 6-3td.\*

**WANTED**—Light house keeping rooms. Call Ledger office. 5-3td.\*

**FOR SALE**—Oliver typewriter in A-1 condition. Can be seen at Ballinger Auto Co. 5-3d.\*

**WANTED**—Your tire and tube repairing. Holmes Tire & Battery Service. Phone 116. 1-7td.\*

**FOR SALE**—Dodge touring car, a good one. Shepperson Auto Co., Chevrolet dealers.

**WANTED**—Will pay liberally for big, white, clean, cotton rags. The Ballinger Printing Co. tfd

## WOMAN'S LOVE DEMANDS ALL

Can Never Be Satisfied With Anything Less Than Absolute Dominion Over One Man.

What every woman wants more than anything else in the world is absolute dominion over one man. There is a peculiarly vampish trend in feminine love which takes the form of demanding entire possession of the creature upon whom the affections have been fastened.

Every woman wants to feel that, no matter what his occupation—be it the most engrossing business or merely a game of golf—she is ever the compelling note at the back of her man's head. He must not forget her for a single instant, and he must be regretfully conscious that nothing is quite satisfactory, lacking the saving grace of her presence. And she requires continually to be assured of this. She believes that in hoarding her perpetual recollection he holds a talisman rendering him immune from the attractions or blandishments of all other women.

It is difficult for the feminine mentality to grasp the curious power of detachment of the masculine. A woman cannot comprehend, much less sympathize with, that trait by which a man can divest himself completely of any thought of her while absorbed in something else.

A man's mind—and this particularly refers to the man of many serious interests—is like a number of compartments, each sealed from the other and docketed as to contents. While he is in one, he shuts out everything pertaining to any other.

A woman has not this capability of detachment. Whether she is playing bridge or apparently obsessed with some knotty domestic detail, she is always subconsciously aware of the one.

The retentive quality is the prevailing characteristic of woman. It is at once her greatest strength and her greatest weakness—she cannot bear to let go. If she sees the flame of a love on the wane she tries frantically to restore it to its full force. A man faced with the same contingency is apt to be more resigned—or brutal—and makes haste to finish completely the cooling affection.

A man likes to do a thing, have done with it, and consign all memory to oblivion—to wipe the slate clean and be ready for something new.—May Isabel Fisk in the Continental Edition of the London Daily Mail.

## Succeeds in Molding Basalt.

The common volcanic rock known as basalt cannot be easily shaped with chisel and hammer, but Dr. Ribbe, a French experimenter, claims much success for his method of shaping by molding after it has been melted at about 1,300 degrees Centigrade. His first product was a glassy substance, which he has since been able to change to the crystalline structure of the original rock by a devitrifying process. The rock which has been melted and molded is found to be superior to the natural basalt in resistance to scratching and wear, and it proves to be especially desirable for such purposes as paving, curbstones and stairs. It can be shaped with great smoothness and exactness. As the material is not attacked by acids, it is suitable for vats for chemical use; and it is also an excellent electrical insulator, and a useful substance for firmly fixing metallic posts or other fittings in place by using as a hot paste.

## Danger in Unclean Dishes.

Just how serious is the danger of infection from imperfectly washed dishes in eating places has not been determined, but the high count of bacteria left upon restaurant utensils suggests unpleasant possibilities. In the investigation of Roy S. Drapkin, health official of Charlotte, N. C., the utensils were from six eating houses, of which one used a modern electric dishwasher. The bacteria on hand-washed coffee mugs from different lunch rooms ranged from 26,000 to 290,000; on water glasses, 23,000 to 130,000; spoons, 3,400 to 70,000; knives, 1,500 to 20,000; forks, 1,500 to 11,000. With the cleanly machine washing, the coffee mugs had 3,800 bacteria, no other utensils more than 2,000.

## When Sunday Was Abandoned.

The movement to enforce a "Blue Law" Sunday on the people of the United States recalls the fact that only once since the days of Moses on Mt. Sinai has Sunday been abandoned by any nation claiming Jehovah as God. That once was during and immediately after the French revolution. A decree was drawn up by Gobet, archbishop of Paris, that the French should worship Liberty, Equality and Reason in place of God, and to make sure of the people's forgetting of the church, the buildings were denuded of their sacred ornaments and civic feasts substituted for the feasts of saints' days, while Sunday was wiped from the calendar by creating months of 30 days each and giving a holiday every ten days.

## Made Fun of Canadian Flag.

Ribald comment by sailors of the world has caused the government to have the house flag of the Canadian government merchant marine changed. Until now the flag displayed on it the Canadian beaver, but the likeness of this industrious animal to another rodent caused sailors the world over to refer to the Canadian government service as "the rat line." Hereafter the house flag will display in place of the beaver a cross enclosed in a circle.

## MRS. L. MARTIN REPORTED DYING

A telegram was received here today by Mrs. A. J. Thorp that Mrs. Louis Martin, her sister, was dying in a sanitarium at Houston. Mrs. Thorp phoned her mother, Mrs. Carpenter, but was told that it would be useless to come; that Mrs. Martin was dying then.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Martin have been living at West Columbia, near Houston, until a short time ago when they went to Houston and Mrs. Martin entered the Baptist Sanitarium there for an operation. Mrs. Martin will be remembered here as Miss Ora Carpenter, having spent a good part of her life in Ballinger, as well as her husband, Mr. Martin.

In case of her death it is likely that she will be brought here for burial.

Constipation is the starting point for many diseases that end fatally. Healthy regularity can be established through the use of Prickly Ash Bitters. It is a fine bowel tonic, is mildly stimulating and strengthens the stomach, liver and kidneys. Price \$1.25 per bottle. Jno. A. Weeks, special agent.

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well known optician of San Antonio, Texas, will be in Ballinger at the Lankford Rooming House, Jan. 10th, for one week. If you need specks or lenses you can get them reasonable. 7-1d-1w

Pictorial Review for February, concluding "The Beloved Woman," by Kathleen Norris. For sale now by Underwood News Co. 1td

A bad wound, burn or cut should be cleansed of dirt or impurities and dressed with Liquid Borozone. It heals the flesh with marvelous speed. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by all druggists.

Miss Fannie Wilmeth went to Talpa Thursday afternoon, where she will resume her class work after suspending for the holidays. She spends one day out of each week at Talpa.

**COUGHS**  
Apply over throat and chest—swallow small pieces of—  
**VICKS VAPORUB**  
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

Rev. D. Bierbaum and wife of Rowena, were shopping in Ballinger Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wood and little son, of Eden, were visiting in Ballinger Friday. Mr. Wood was formerly proprietor of the Maeroy Theatre here.

## WINGATE MAN FAVORS AGENT

Edwin C. Voss of Wingate was in town today and spoke very freely expressing his opinion of the County Farm Agent. Mr. Voss asked "What do our County Commissioners mean by discontinuing this work?" The Wingate man said he had learned that the County Agent had done immense good for the farmers in Rannels county.

On his farm of 210 acres, Mr. Voss has 55 in cultivation, and of that amount he is only going to plant 20 acres in cotton this year and the rest will be along the general idea of diversified farming, planting enough feed to take care of his stock and thereby probably saving himself a good amount that would ordinarily be paid out for grain. He stated that on his place the ground is still moist and that at present he is not in need of rain at all and will not need any soon.

Mr. Voss came to Ballinger in his Studebaker light four, one of the few in this section of West Texas. While here he renewed for the Banner-Ledger, saying that he hated to miss a copy.

To drive our worms that are eating away the strength and vitality of your child, use White's Cream Vermifuge. It expels the worms without injury to the child. Price 35c. Sold by all druggists.

Will Good, of Bronte, came to Ballinger Thursday to bring J. M. Glenn, of that town, who was brought here for an emergency operation in an advanced case of appendicitis.

## HENS HENS HENS

We are paying 18c today, and if you will see us tomorrow we can tell you what they are worth then. E. A. Jeanes & Company 6-2td.

## Waste Rags Worth More Than Low Grade Cotton

The Ledger will pay more for clean cotton Rags than you could sell low grade cotton for. Bring in your discarded cotton dresses, shirts and petticoats, and turn them into cash. The Ballinger Printing Co.

Herbine corrects biliousness, indigestion and constipation. It is a fine herbal medicine that drives out impurities and restores healthy conditions in the system. Price, 60c. Sold by all druggists.

## MILK PRICES REDUCED

Beginning February 1st, the following reductions will be made in milk prices: Pint, 10c; quart, 15c; 1-2 gallon, 30c; 1 gallon, 50c. 7-3d.\* W. F. JACKSON.

**STATEMENT of Condition**

...THE...  
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER**  
Dec. 29th, 1920

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$549,159.48
U. S. Bonds	26,500.00
Stock and Bonds	1,745.60
Stock, Federal Intl. Banking Co., [amount of sub. \$4,500.00]	1,125.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
Banking House, F. and F.	26,900.00
Acceptance	125,265.97
Cash and Exchange	314,104.85
	\$1,049,300.90

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	86,770.79
Circulation	24,600.00
Reserved for Taxes	2,000.00
Deposits	835,930.11
	\$1,049,300.90

The above statement is correct.  
R. G. Erwin, Cashier

Bad digestion robs the body of the nourishment it needs to maintain health and strength. To restore tone in the digestive organs there is no better remedy than Prickly Ash Bitters. It is the remedy that men use for purifying the stomach, liver and bowels. Price \$1.25 per bottle, John A. Weeks, special agent.

Buy your Groceries where you can get them at cash system prices, with an extra 5 per cent discount. E. A. Jeanes & Co., "Great is the Power of Cash." 6-2td

Will pay liberally for big, white, clean, cotton rags. Ballinger Printing Co.

## CATHEY IS MOVING HIS SHOE AND SADDLE SHOP

E. J. Cathey is moving from the South side of Hutchings Avenue to the North side and into the building which he purchased some time ago and which was recently vacated by Hamilton's confectionary.

Take a dose of Herbine when you are bilious or constipated, or your stomach is out of order. It is a marvel of promptness in correcting these conditions. Price 60c. Sold by all druggists.

Paying 50c for eggs today—inquire for our prices tomorrow. E. A. Jeanes & Co. 1d

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A beautiful historical romantic love story. The first historical production introducing an original character.  
A Six Reel First National Attraction.  
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**Tomorrow**  
Harry Sweet in "Tails Win"  
Hoot Gibson in "Tipped Off"  
Franklyn Farnum in episode 2 "Vanishing Trails"