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73 LIVES LOST IN SCHOOL HOUSE FIRE

People Panic Stricken When Oil Lamp is Overturned

KLAN MOTION WOULD PROBE PEDDY CHARGES

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, May 18.—The United States is called upon in a resolution offered in the Texas Senate today, to investigate fully the charges set forth in the contest of the election of Earle B. Mayfield as United States senator which were filed by George Peddy, Mayfield's opponent in the November election.

The resolution was introduced in the Senate today by Senator Rogers, of Collin county. It was immediately tabled subject to call because of the lack of a quorum. The resolution declares that the contest filed by Peddy charges that Mayfield prostituted the office of railroad commissioner to extort funds, and states that Peddy also charges that the Ku

Klux Klan contributed vast sums to Mayfield's campaign.

AUSTIN, May 18.—The Dinkie income tax bill will be the first general measure considered by the House, and Speaker Seagler announced that it would be given preference when the House convened next Monday.

2 INJURED IN SMALL TORNADO

HOUSTON, May 18.—Two persons were injured when a miniature tornado struck Qualline Mills, near Conroe, forty miles North of here early this morning, according to reports received in Houston.

The tornado was accompanied by rain. The home of S. Mador, a farmer, was destroyed, and Mrs. Mador and L. M. Whidden, a boarder, were seriously injured. No fatalities were reported.

UNLESS TROOPS ARE WITHDRAWN PISONERS TO DIE

(By Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, May 18.—American and British captives being held by the Shantung brigands will be shot next Tuesday, if the Chinese troops are not withdrawn, according to a final ultimatum of the bandits issued today.

This news was brought to the Chinese government from the mountain stronghold of the bandits today by M. Marce Oliver Berube, a Frenchman, who was being held as one of the prisoners and who was released on parole that he might come and report to the Chinese government for the bandits. Berube is under pledge to return to the bandits under penalty of death and death of his fellow prisoners who are being held by the bandits.

Mrs. L. A. Halley and niece, Miss Ruth Wilkerson, of Dallas, came in Friday to visit Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Halley. Mrs. L. A. Halley is Dr. Halley's mother.

FO-TO-SHO THEATRE

THREE DAYS

STARTING

Monday, May 21st

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WEEKS

Phones 12 and 13

(Bulletin; 3:45 p. m.)

CAMDEN, South Carolina, May 18.—Total deaths from fire which destroyed a little country schoolhouse eight miles from here last night, were increased to seventy-three at noon today when the bodies of Donnie Trusfale and Huey Hinson were taken from the ruins. It is believed that this completes the list of those who perished.

(By Associated Press)

CAMDEN, S. Carolina, May 18.—One of the worst tragedies in the history of this state was reported today from Cleveland, South Carolina, eight miles Southeast of here, where a little country schoolhouse was destroyed by fire last night.

Seventy-one persons are known to be dead; two unaccounted for, and many injured as a result of the fire which consumed the small rural schoolhouse. The fire was caused by the overturning of an oil lamp on the stage during the commencement exercises which marked the closing of a year's work of the school.

THE WEATHER—

Tonight unsettled, partly cloudy and probably showers. Cooler Saturday.

HUNTSVILLE—Huntsville engaged in a clean-up campaign this week, sponsored by the city officials. The members of the local American Legion post and of the Boy Scouts of America assisted in the campaign.

A check up of the death list shows that the following bodies have been identified:

- Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Humphries
- Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Brown
- Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McLeod, and two children
- A son of Rev. J. J. Johnson
- S. J. West and two children
- L. M. West
- J. E. Pearce
- Mrs. J. R. Phillips and three children
- Charles Hendrix and four children
- M. B. McLeod
- Mrs. M. G. McLeod and one child
- Mrs. Britt Croft and three children
- Wesley Hendrix and one daughter
- Mrs. M. R. Rhoden
- Mrs. Andrew Campbell and daughter Stoney Campbell
- Jack Rush
- Mrs. Walter Davis and three children
- Misses Grace and Ina Arrant
- Mrs. R. L. McCaskell and one child
- Two children of B. L. Trapp
- Jesse Smith and two children
- C. K. McCaskell
- Mrs. William Brown and one child
- Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Davis and four children
- G. L. Dixon and one daughter
- Mrs. L. T. Dixon and two children
- Mrs. C. L. Dixon and two children
- Mrs. R. L. Dixon and one child
- One child of Cleve Goodwin
- Two children of B. L. Sowell
- A negro nurse named Wade.

The entertainment was being held in the second story of the building and the room was jammed with people who had gathered to witness the closing exercises of the school. A panic followed the overturning of the kerosene lamp and the cry of "Fire!"

The stairway leading to the second floor of the building collapsed as the crowd tried to rush out, causing many deaths. Others, cut off from escape by the falling of the stairway, burned to death. Others jumped from windows and were killed or injured.

The school building burned before outside aid could be summoned, and many entire families were wiped out in the horrible holocaust.

CALL FOR ASSISTANCE COMES FROM MAVERICK

There will be a meeting of the citizens of the Maverick community tonight about 8:00 o'clock for the purpose of organizing a Community Club. The Maverick people have extended an invitation to Ballinger business men to

meet with them, and several have already signified their intention of going.

Every citizen who can make the trip is urged to leave here about 7:00, and meet with the Ballinger delegation at Maverick at about 8:00 p. m.

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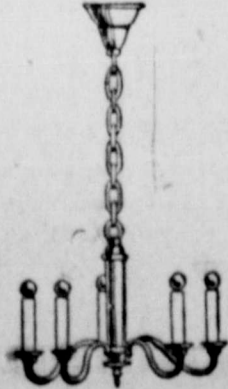
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That's just it, Bill, we're here to give you just as much tire service as you need. Come in again, today.

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Help to provide work for the boy out of school. It means better citizenship.

The ugliest thing in Ballinger is going to be the unpaved one-third of Seventh Street fronting the court house square. It will be paved some day, but it would be economy to do it now.

How to keep New York dry worries United States officials, according to a headline. And how to keep from being dry is worrying New York.

Chinese woman have the smallest feet of any people in the world. Maybe that has something to do with the Chinese bandits holding the Americans and other foreigners captive for the payment of a huge ransom.

The Los Angeles school board fired a teacher in mathematics because the young lady set bad examples for her pupils. The Ballinger school board adopted a rule forbidding teachers from attending dances or playing cards while under contract with the board, and the agreement is made a part of the contract.

ASTHMA
 No cure for it, but welcome relief is often brought by—
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COMMENCEMENT MARKS CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

Ballinger schools close today with the pupils reporting at the school building to receive their reports, say good-bye to teachers and class-mates.

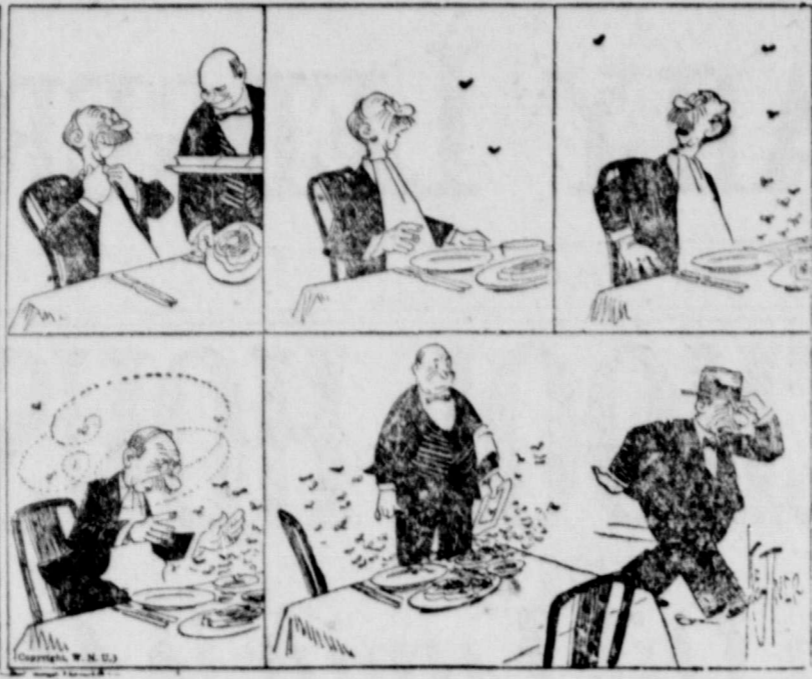
At eight-fifteen o'clock tonight the commencement program will be given at the Methodist church. Dean Taylor, of Howard Payne College, will deliver the commencement address and diplomas will be presented to about fifty graduates.

Notice
 You will find me on the job at Jarrett's Barber Shop, on Eighth Street, when you want a shine. None better in town. I'll be here.
 FRANK TENNER.

Chester Cherry had business in San Angelo between trains Friday.

A small want ad in The Daily Ledger often saves you money.

Our Pet Peeve



CHIEF HOLDER IS PREPARING DISTRICT

Chief Engineer C. C. Holder was in Ballinger Friday on business, coming down from Bronte accompanied by Mrs. Holder. Mr. Holder has completed the survey for the new site of the Colorado dam near Bronte, and is now making surveys for canals preparatory to outlining the boundaries of the proposed irrigation district.

Mr. Holder stated that every day in every way things were looking better and better, and he had every reason to believe that the public would realize great benefits from the big irrigation project much earlier than many expected. Mr. Holder is so confident of the success of the proposition that he has acquired a light and power franchise for the town of Bronte.

Lumbago

This is a rheumatism of the muscles of the back. It comes on suddenly and is quite painful. Go to bed, keep quiet and have Chamberlain's Liniment applied and a quick recovery may be expected. Mrs. F. J. Dann, Brookport, N. Y., writes: "I can honestly say that Chamberlain's Liniment cured me of lumbago a year ago last summer. When I began using it, I was flat on my back in bed and could not turn to the left or right. I had a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment in the house and this was applied to my back. It promptly drove away the pains and aches."

Mrs. M. C. Smith is in receipt of a letter from her son, Clarence, in Dallas, in which the young man states that he will be through Ballinger next Tuesday with the Dallas boosters en route to San Angelo. He wrote his mother he was a member of a band which would furnish music for the excursion.

FT. WORTH—More than 100 Fort Worth business men have asked for reservations to accompany the trades excursion which will be staged by the local chamber of commerce. The number is expected to total 150 before registrations for the trip are closed.

SENIOR CLASS PUTS ON A GOOD PLAY

The Senior Class play was up to the standard set by Ballinger High School classes, and pleased those who witnessed the performance Thursday night, and at matinee Thursday afternoon.

Some twelve or fifteen members of the 1923-24 graduating class took part in the play and all carried their parts well, showing that they had devoted time and hard work in preparing the entertainment for their friends, and to raise money with which to defray class expenses for the year.

"Stop Thief" was the title of the play presented, and a play which has been very popular with theatre goers throughout the country. The lines are rather heavy ones even for professionals, and the local class deserves credit for undertaking to put on such a bill and then putting it over so successfully.

The patronage was not as good as the class deserved, but something like \$150 was realized from sale of tickets.

Mrs. A. K. Doss and baby went to San Angelo Friday at noon to spend a day or two with relatives and friends.

Service

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TEXAS IMPROVEMENT NOTES

BEAUMONT—The city council has gone on record as favoring adoption of the gravity sewer system upon recommendation of the city engineering department.

BIG SPRING—Issuance of \$60,000 of bonds for improving the city water works has been approved by Big Spring citizens.

BRYAN—Bryan citizens registered themselves overwhelmingly in favor of a \$25,000 bond issue for street improvements in a recent election.

BRESLAU, Tex.—Following issuance of \$8,000 in bonds, work on Breslau's new school building will begin within a short time.

BURKBURNETT—The mayor of Burkburnett has been authorized by local voters to enter into contract for \$40,000 for construction of an adequate sewer system.

CORSICANA—Three bond issues, for street improvements, sewer and waterworks improvements, were approved by voters here recently.

BRENIHAM—Washington county commissioners court has sold \$700,000 of road construction bonds. This is the last installment of a \$1,500,000 road bond issue voted recently.

WACO—Contract has been let for complete electrification of the shops of the Katy railroad at Waco.

DALLAS—Seven bond issues were approved at a municipal election here recently. The issues voted total \$8,325,000, bringing the city's indebtedness up to \$22,135,000, according to officials.

DALLAS—A tour of Texas by members of the Texas Chamber of Commerce will be made beginning May 20. An industrial survey is the object.

TO REBUILD SANTA FE DRAINAGE SYSTEM

K. S. Hull Jr., was here Thursday arranging to begin work on the concrete culverts to be constructed in forming the new drainage system on Eighth and

Seventh streets crossings of the Santa Fe. The improvements will be made as a part of the paving program. The paving contractors have reached the Santa Fe with paving work, and the Santa Fe culverts must go in before the paving job can be completed.

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TRIALS SET FOR OIL FRAUD CASES

(By Associated Press)
 FT. WORTH, May 18.—Preliminary motions in the mail fraud case against Dr. Frederick A. Cook and others connected with the promotion of the Petroleum Producers Association, were argued today in federal court.

Dr. Cook and thirteen other defendants plead not guilty when arraigned for trial yesterday in the Revere Oil Company case. A speedy trial for the indicted oil promoters was assured when the court denied motions for separate trials in the Revere case.

The first trial is expected to be against the promoters of the General Lee Development Company, and is set for May 28th. The defendants plead not guilty yesterday.

Evils of Constipation

Perhaps the most serious of the diseases caused by constipation is appendicitis. If you would avoid this dangerous disease, keep your bowels regular. For this purpose Chamberlain's Tablets are excellent, easy to take and mild and gentle in effect.



Missionary Society Social

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Monday, May 14th, at the home of Mrs. E. L. Rasbury to study the fourth chapter of the Mission Book, "Building up India," and to spend a social hour afterwards.

Because of the dreadful sand-storm, some of our members were kept away, but more than thirty were present.

The devotional part of the meeting was conducted by Mrs. Lovelace and Mrs. Legate, after which "Christian Stewardship" was presented by Mrs. Carl R. Jeanes.

Mrs. Rasbury acted as teacher for the class on this occasion and she started the discussion by passing around numbered questions on little slips of paper, each member drawing one. Then the numbers were called for and the one holding that number answered the question orally.

This was a little different from the usual way of teaching the class and the ladies enjoyed the change and it proved again that "variety is the spice of life."

Afterwards Mrs. Rasbury served delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake and after a very pleasant social hour in this home, the ladies went away feeling that it was good to be again in the home of Mrs. Rasbury.

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A. & S. MAKES A SCHEDULE CHANGE

A slight change will take effect on the Abilene & Southern train time-table Sunday, which will bring trains over that line to Ballinger a little earlier than at present, and they will also depart a little earlier.

On Sunday, the train will arrive at 11:35 a. m., and depart at 12:20 p. m.

Every day, except Sunday, the train will arrive at 11:25 a. m., and depart at 1:00 p. m.

The new schedule is made in order that the incoming train may connect with the West bound Santa Fe here. The change will give A. & S. passengers time to get lunch here and catch the West bound Santa Fe.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McLaurin went to Dallas Thursday afternoon, where they go to consult a specialist and secure treatment for Mrs. McLaurin. Mrs. McLaurin has been ill for some time, and they went to San Angelo to consult a specialist, and decided to go to Dallas, and they passed thru Ballinger en route to Dallas Thursday afternoon.

R. G. Erwin is at home from Eastland, where he had been on business, and to Dallas, where he attended the bankers' convention.

Facts You Should Know About the San Angelo Trip

For the information of Ballinger citizens who plan to attend the San Angelo convention, the Young Men's Business League wishes to make the following announcements:

Ballinger's headquarters will be in the Roy B. Davis Motor Co. building, half a block North of the Central National Bank.

The Ballinger caps, badges and pennants will be distributed from the League offices until Monday morning. After that time they can be procured at Ballinger headquarters in San Angelo.

Every car from this city should bear a Ballinger pennant. Every man should wear a Ballinger cap, and every woman a Ballinger badge. Don't attend the convention without some sort of Ballinger insignia.

A parade is being planned for 11:00 a. m., Wednesday. Meet at our convention headquarters. This parade will include the fire department, American Legion, Boy Scouts, DeMolay and citizens, all on foot, preceded by the fire truck and the band.

As soon as you reach San Angelo, register at general headquarters and get your badge. It admits you to all events.

You are on the reception committee to meet the Plainview train, Sunday evening; Brownwood train, Monday morning; and the Waco, Dallas, and Fort Worth trains, Tuesday morning.

Clip this schedule and the program which appears below and keep them for reference.

Program for West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention San Angelo, May 21st, 22nd and 23rd

Monday
 Morning—Registration
 Afternoon—Baseball; Opening round of trap shooting, golf, tennis, etc. 3:00 p. m., reception St. Angelus for visiting ladies. 5:00 p. m., tea dance, St. Angelus.

Night—Band concerts. Open air dance, Santa Fe park.

Tuesday
 Morning—Convention; 10:00 a. m., First Baptist Church.

Afternoon—Group meetings; Secretaries; Agriculture; Irrigation. Ladies' meeting, First Methodist Church. Addresses at these meetings by prominent speakers. 2:30 p. m., Opening of band contest. 4:00 p. m., trap shooting, golf, tennis, baseball.

Night—Pageant, Ft. Concho baseball park. Entertainment, Country Club, sponsors and escorts. Open air dance, Santa Fe park.

Wednesday
 Morning—Business session, First Baptist Church; addresses by prominent speakers. Committee reports, 10:00 a. m., continuation of band contest.

Afternoon—1:30 p. m. Grand Parade, decorated cars. Cowboy sports. Auto tour. Baseball, golf, trap shooting, tennis, etc. Reel races, fire departments.

Night—Fifth annual banquet. Announcement of winners of athletic contests and band contest. Selection of next convention city.

5 TRAIN LOADS BOOSTERS COMIN'

Dallas will also operate a special train to the convention at San Angelo next week. The Dallas train will pass thru Ballinger about ten o'clock Tuesday morning, and will consist of eight or nine Pullmans.

The first train passing will be the Plainview special which will stop for supper at Ballinger Sunday evening about six o'clock. Monday morning the Brownwood special will pass thru Ballinger en route to San Angelo.

Following close behind, or ahead of the Dallas train, a special from Waco, and one from Fort Worth will pass thru Ballinger Tuesday morning. The exact schedule has not been announced. All the specials will stop at Ballinger, and the Fort Worth and Waco trains will probably spend an hour here, giving the boosters time to take in the town.

It is probable that a sixth train from the Panhandle will be operated over the Santa Fe either going or coming from San Angelo, making one trip over the Orient. The railroads announce that so far forty-eight Pullman cars have been ordered for the convention at San Angelo, and these cars will be used as sleeping quarters for passengers while parked at San Angelo, and will house from 30 to 50 people per coach each night.

Thousands of automobiles will carry people to the convention. Word received here this week stated that 100 cars were coming in a body from Lamesa, and nearby points.

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Rothal O'Kelly returned home Friday at noon from a visit to Houston on business.

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MAKING ESTIMATE ON COST NEW HIGHWAY

Engineer Pirie has made the preliminary survey for the new road from Ballinger to connect with the Winters end of the Ballinger-Abilene pike, and is now busy compiling figures to get an estimate on the cost of the new road. The road will follow the Pumphrey road out for several miles and turning North will intersect the old road near old Runnels. Mr. Pirie says that the highway will cost between forty and fifty thousand dollars, if constructed according to original plans. The road will shorten the distance from Ballinger to Winters, and eliminate two crossings

on Elm Creek, the one near town and the one at what is known as the second crossing on Elm.

Chamberlain's Tablets Are Mild and Gentle in Effect

The laxative effect of Chamberlain's Tablets is so mild and gentle that you can hardly realize that it has been produced by a medicine.

B. S. Taylor and wife left for Tennessee Thursday afternoon, where they will spend six weeks or two months visiting relatives.

Willie Fay, the eleven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Neas, was operated on Thursday for appendicitis.

Ballinger Summer School

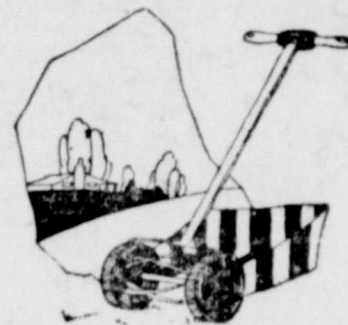
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| Civics | Spanish |
| Latin | General Science |

This school is underwritten and being advertised extensively by the business men of Ballinger and the Young Men's Business League. It is growing in strength every year, and is rapidly becoming a valuable asset to this city. High school students in Ballinger and surrounding towns are urged to patronize their home institution.



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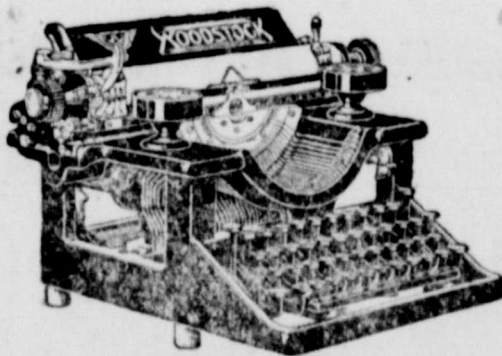
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"Common Sense," a Selznick picture featuring Pola Vale and Ralph Lewis, is booked to appear at the Fo-to-sho Theatre today and tonight. The picture promises to be one of absorbing interest and is unusual in many respects.

The story is a romance, a light wood idyl, played against a background of tragedy. A hermit, who, because of an unfortunate incident that occurred in his early life, has only bitterness in his heart for his fellow men, meets a fresh young girl who, by the simple application of common sense, brings him to a healthier frame of mind and much happiness. The tragedy is one that affects both of them vitally and contributes an element of suspense and foreboding.

Leota Statten Morgan, who is responsible for the plot, handles her material very skillfully, and by clever manipulation straightens out the complication that threatens to result in the wrecking of three lives.

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BALLINGER AIDS STORM VICTIMS

A check for \$100 was forwarded to the storm relief committee at Colorado, Texas, Friday by the local committee who handled the subscription. The money was paid in by different citizens, and it is expected that others will contribute.

It will be recalled that Rannels county suffered loss of life and property in a similar storm a little more than a year ago, and while very little aid was received from outside of the county, except a liberal donation from the Red Cross, Rannels county people have been made to realize the effect of such a storm and their sympathies go out and their purse strings loosen to help the storm sufferers in our neighboring county on the West.

The committee will be glad to forward any other amounts subscribed to the proper party at Colorado, and The Ledger will receive and acknowledge all subscriptions handed in. A large number of families were left destitute by the storm at Colorado, and many are homeless.

E. D. Walker, former chairman of the local Red Cross chapter, received the following telegram Friday morning:

"Colorado, Tex., May 16, 1923.
"Chairman American Red Cross
"Ballinger, Texas

"We are appealing to your chapter for whatever financial assistance you feel inclined to give us. We have several hundred homeless people, some two or three hundred are receiving medical assistance. We assure you that whatever aid you give us will be appreciated and properly disbursed.

"J. H. GREENE,
"Chairman American Red Cross"

Cash remitted, \$100.00—C. S. Guin \$5.00, R. E. Lane \$1.00, C. W. Cheatham \$1.00, E. P. Talbot \$1.00, E. L. Rasbury \$1.00, Cash 50c, E. M. Lynn \$1.00, H. M. Jossey 50c, B. F. Jones \$1.00, Asa Cordill 50c, E. Shepperd 50c, D. Reeder \$1.00, B. C. Kirk 50c, J. N. Barbee 25c, E. J. Cathey 50c, I. G. David 50c, E. F. Batts 50c, J. L. Chastain \$1.00, J. C. Cook 50c.
Edwin Day received a message from a girl at Colorado asking him to ship 150 bushels of cotton seed. Mr. Day shipped the seed and donated \$10 worth of cotton seed.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Hathcock*

BRADY TO CLOSE TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Special to The Ledger: BRADY, May 18—This city will close up shop and all hands will motor to San Angelo Wednesday for the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention. The merchants have agreed to close for the day, and banners, badges, etc., are being prepared for the large crowd which will attend the convention. Brady, "in the heart of Texas," will stage a parade and put on a demonstration which will advertise this city before the large crowd which will be at the convention from many points.

Read Ledger "wants" column

Daily Ledger Want Ads

WANT ADS 25c up to 12 words, over that 2c per word first insertion, 1c per word each additional insertion. All want ads are cash.

FOR SALE—Tomato Plants, Phone 513. 18-4d.*

FOR SALE—Good fresh Milk Cow. Phone 3403. J. B. Estes, Hatchel. 16-12td.*

FOR SALE—Good oak Bed Room Suite and \$250.00 Phonograph cheap. Phone 309. 15-tfd

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 342. 7-tfd

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping room after Saturday, May 5. Also several South bed rooms. Phone 179. 2-tfd.*

"HUNTING BIG GAME IN AFRICA" IS FILLED WITH THRILLS AND ACTION

"Hunting Big Game in Africa with Gun and Camera" which opens for a run of three days at the Fo-to-sho Theatre next Monday, May 21st, is full of tense, thrilling moments, punctuated with genuine, mirth-provoking scenes, and great lessons from nature taught in such a way as to make everybody a willing pupil, are the high points of the film.

Everyone who ever read "Big Game Hunting in Africa" from the pen of our late, red-blooded President, Theodore Roosevelt, has felt the call of the Dark Continent and made most of us vow to emulate him at some future time if we ever got rich enough to carry out our dreams. It is no longer necessary, for we can make the trip next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday with H. A. Snow, the intrepid hunter, and his son, Sidney Snow, the photographer, whose confidence in his father's aim will remind you of William Tell.

The expedition was undertaken under the auspices of the Oakland (Cal.) Museum of Natural History and consumed nearly three years.

The picture shows animals charging the party. It shows the natives taking to the trees for safety, with Sidney Snow coolly "rinding away at the camera. Once, however, he was forced to adopt similar measures, only to return and find his camera a complete wreck. The vicious, man-killing African elephant is shown in all his majesty and bulk charging down on the party, as well as a wide swath cut in the jungle when the herd stampeded.

Laughs come when a warthog, chased around the "veldt by a flyver, is shown to suddenly decide to charge his pursuer. After numerous attempts to render his assailant hors de combat he sat back and surveyed the battered radiator with astonishment. A hyena tried the same thing and was shot after he decided that he could not conquer it. Interest centers around water holes where the denizens of forest and plain come to quench their thirst. The shooting of a lion and his mate and the capture of three tiny cubs will doubtless evoke considerable applause from an appreciative audience.

In addition to the pursuit of game there are scenes of whale harpooning, the mining of diamonds and many pictures of tribes and customs. More than fifty distinct varieties of animals will be shown.

Mrs. John I. Guin is here from Austin on a visit. She came in first of the week and will take care of her daughter's children while Mrs. E. A. Giesecke spends a while in Mineral Wells.

U.B. Thrifty says



There are roads to riches—but most of us travel in the wrong direction.

It's an uphill problem—this business of getting rich. So many different pitfalls hob up that the road is hard to travel.

There is one thing sure however, that is, if we

WORK AND SAVE
we will get ahead of the fellow who spends it all.

We welcome your account and pay 4% to savers.

Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Ballinger, Texas.
A Guaranty Fund Bank

J. A. Reese Accepts Local Postmaster Appointment

J. Audie Reese will be checked in and succeed C. S. Guin as postmaster at the Ballinger office on May 24th. Mr. Reese came down from San Angelo Thursday afternoon, where he was on duty as deputy income tax collector, expecting to tender his resignation with the income tax department at once and enter upon his duties as postmaster, but he discovered that he could not be relieved of his present duties until May 23rd, and he returned to San Angelo Friday morning.

Announcement of the appointment of Mr. Reese and notice to Postmaster Guin last Wednesday, instructed Mr. Guin to check out and turn the office over to his successor as soon as it was convenient to both of them. Mr. Guin immediately got in touch with Mr. Reese over the phone, and it was agreed to make the change Sunday, but later the date was postponed until Thursday of next week, as above stated.

Notice was received here Wednesday stating that Mr. Reese had been appointed acting postmaster, and it is presumed that he will serve as acting postmaster until congress convenes when he will no doubt be regularly appointed.

Mr. Reese came to Rannels county with his parents when a boy, landing here in 1900. He resided on the farm for the first few years. In 1909 he moved to Ballinger and accepted a place in civil service, and was appointed a city mail carrier in this city. He served as city mail carrier for about three years.

On April 15, 1912, Mr. Reese was made clerk in the local post-office under Postmaster H. A. Cady. He filled that position for nearly seven years, resigning on January 15, 1919 to go with the Ballinger State Bank, where he was employed for more than a year. In September 1920 he accepted a position with the Weights and Inspection Bureau, having to do with compress work, and was assigned to duty at the Brownwood compress, where he remained until January 17th of this year when he was appointed deputy income tax collector.

Mr. Reese was an applicant for postmaster to succeed J. J. Erwin, but lost out, the appointment going to C. S. Guin. When Mr.



J. A. Reese

Guin resigned a few months ago, and the department called for an examination to select his successor, Mr. Reese again applied, and received the support of the state republican machinery.

He is a young man, aggressive and progressive, and fully capable of making a good postmaster, and in soliciting endorsement of his friends for the place he frequently stated that if appointed he would strive to give the patrons of the office the very best service possible. He is familiar with the details of the office work and declares that he expects to make a full hand on the job.

If you want cash for your used Furniture, or Stoves—call 260, Ballinger Furniture Co. 17-27td.*

Water Stamps—The Ballinger Co.

A Live Paper

The Ft. Worth Record is now reaching Ballinger four hours ahead of any other state paper. Get the news while it is news. Read the Record, eat our sandwiches, drink our bottled goods and smoke our cigars and cigarettes.

THE ALCOVE

FO-TO-SHO THEATRE

"Where the Best Pictures are Shown."

Community Night

Vola Vale and Ralph Lewis

in

'Common Sense'

A human, sympathetic story of love's great influence over a man who saw life through green glasses.

A Selznick Production

Also Selznick News

Admission 10 Cents Each

Let Us Bake for You

Hot Rolls

Cinnamon Rolls

Whole Wheat Bread

and the Best White Bread on Earth
Fresh Every Morning

Telephone 25—We Deliver
Ballinger Steam Bakery

MANY JITNEY LINES LEAVING BALLINGER

Ballinger is rapidly developing into one of the main points for a number of service car lines. Cars can be seen on the streets at regular times during the day with

signs reading out for different points, including Brownwood, Abilene, Coleman, San Angelo and Brady. The public is patronizing the jitney service as better connections can often be made.

Use Ledger Classifieds

It Sounds Like a Fairy Story But It's the Gospel Truth

A certain amateur film enthusiast, who prefers to remain unknown, decided to take a flier in the picture business on his own account.

He is an ardent movie fan; he thought he knew how pictures should be made; and was willing to back his judgment at no matter what cost.

As money didn't matter, he engaged John Barrymore to play the leading role. He gave Marshall Neilan a free hand in the production. Neilan assembled a fine cast, including

WESLEY "FRECKLES" BARRY ANNA Q. NILSSON COLLEEN MORRE and J. BARNEY SHERRY.

The vehicle selected was Albert Payson Terhune's story "The Lotus Eater," a tale of a young man of twenty-five who never saw a woman until he stepped off the palatial yacht upon which his millionaire father's will had held him prisoner.

And the first woman he met was an adventuress.

That's the origin of one of the most dramatic, most beautiful and altogether most perfect productions yet made.



John Barrymore

"The Lotus Eater"

Personally Directed by
Marshall Neilan

MAEROY THEATRE TODAY

MATINEE COMMENCING AT 2:30
Admission 10c and 25c

A Real Business Firm



Mr. Farmer & Company

Who's the "Company?"

Statistics (not hearsay) shows that the Farmer who raises some of most everything—especially feed stuff—and actually makes partners of his cows, his hogs and his poultry is the man to whom his neighbors go for advice.

He usually has a surplus of cash. He never wants to borrow money—seldom has to and always can do so when necessity requires.

Cotton is good, to be sure it is, but you can't eat it, you know, neither can the stock.

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