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## CONCERT To-Night

AT  
**CARNEGIE LIBRARY**  
BY  
**Music Faculty of Daniel Baker College**  
**No Admission No Collection**  
**Everybody Invited to Enjoy a Musical Treat**

## NEW DRUG STORE MAY RECOGNIZE MEXICO SOON TO OPEN SEPT. 15

The Strain-Pyburn Drug Co., is the style of a new firm to engage in the drug business in Ballinger, and according to announcement made by Messrs. Horace Strain and J. M. Pyburn the new store will begin business with a formal opening about the middle of September.

It has been pretty well known for the past two or three weeks that Messrs. Strain and Pyburn were considering a proposition to open a new drug business in the building now occupied by the Young Men's Business League, but not until Thursday did the young men definitely announce that the business deal would go through.

been placed, and a stock of drugs, sundries, etc., purchased. Plans for remodeling the front of the building have also been worked out, and work will begin at once on arranging the building for the new store.

The fixtures will be modern in every detail, and the most modern and sanitary soda fountain machine will be installed, according to plans, and the stock will consist of all new goods, with a general line-up of drugs, sundries, candy, cigars, etc.

The proprietors of the new drug store are well known among the drug trade of this city, both having been associated with local drug stores here, and Mr. Strain at present being with the Weeks' drug store. They have many friends who will wish them well in the new enterprise.

**LOCKHART**—Miss Crystal Rae Ross of Lockhart, will leave here the latter part of this month for Europe. Miss Ross, who formerly was instructor at the University of Texas, has been awarded a scholarship at Strassburg University, Austria, and will study there during the coming year.

## ARMY OFFICERS ARE INDICTED

**NEW YORK, Aug. 23.**—Several prominent United States army officers were indicted today by the federal grand jury on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government. Those indicted are: Col. Launcelot Purell, retired army officer, Seattle, Washington; former chief of the surplus division; John Skinner, chief of the sales division of the quartermaster corps; Bertram Weiss, Herman Canter and Harry Miller.

(By Associated Press)  
**WASHINGTON, August 23.**—Arrangements for the resumption of diplomatic relations between the American and Mexican governments have reached that stage where an official announcement on the subject may be issued shortly.

In the meantime the state department has given out information regarding its position to the governments of Great Britain, France, Cuba and Belgium, and action may also be taken by them in the near future.

## LIGHT DRIZZLE COVERS COUNTRY

The big drop in temperature here Wednesday afternoon was followed by a slow drizzle rain early Thursday morning, but the precipitation was not sufficient to put out water and give a season to crops.

The weather was unusually cool for August Wednesday night, and summer togs failed to suffice in making comfortable those who went out to celebrate the breaking of an extremely hot summer. Coat suits suddenly came back in style, and there was an odor of moth balls, indicating that in some cases winter garments had been resurrected.

The temperature dropped to 63, while a few hours before it had been playing around the 100 mark, and hundred above has prevailed throughout the afternoon hours here for the past month or more.

The rainfall at Ballinger was about one-fourth of an inch, and from that to an inch was reported from different points in this county. Crews reported an inch; Hatchel, .58; Miles, .50; Norton, .50; Winters, .50; Wingate, light; Rowena, .25. Outside of the county the rain was heavier in some places. Leaday reported two inches; San Angelo, .66.

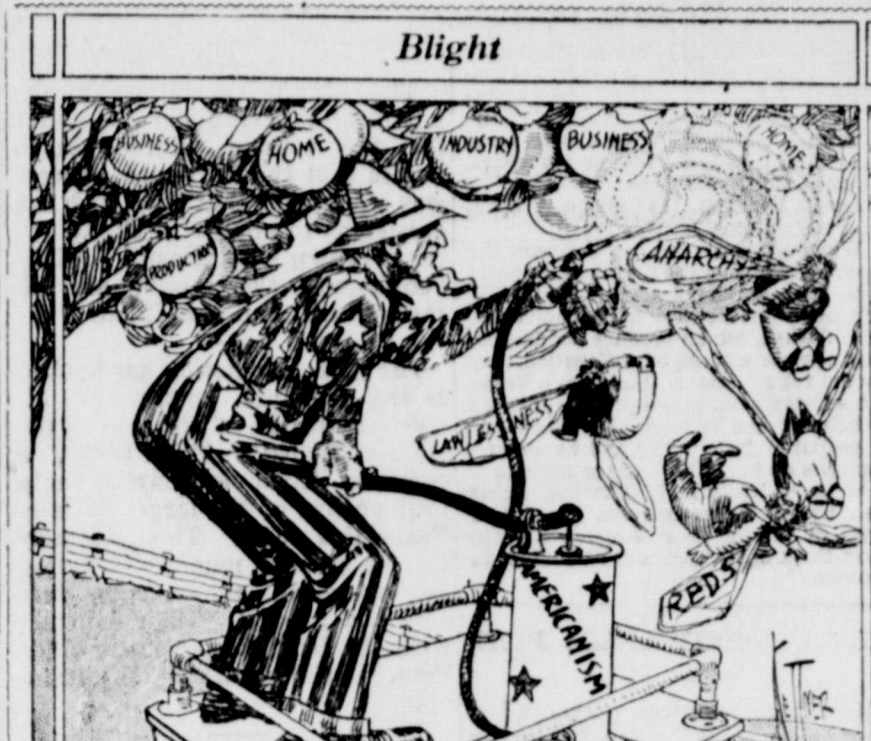
## ASK PERMIT TO BUILD NEW ROAD

(By Associated Press)  
**WASHINGTON, August 23.**—The Waco, Beaumont, Trinity & Sabine Railway line from Livingston to West Port Arthur, Texas, has made application for the construction of about eighty miles of new track and for leasing 20 miles from companies with intersecting or parallel lines.

The cost of the new line is not estimated in the application.

Judge A. O. Strother, of Winters, had business in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

## Breaking of Irrigation Dam Makes Thousand Homeless



(By Associated Press)  
**FOWLER, Colo., Aug. 23.**—Approximately one thousand persons are homeless today and damage estimated at more than one million dollars has been done by the flood waters rushing down the valleys of the Apishapa and Arkansas rivers yesterday and today following the breaking of an irrigation project dam near here.

Five hundred persons moved out of the danger zone in North LaJunta, according to word received here, and approximately that number fled from their homes in the valley below the dam.

Warned of the breaking of the dam scores of families hastily moved their household goods from the path of the water, and most of them reported here that they were able to save most of their livestock.

## DRY WEATHER HURTS GARDEN CROP IN TEXAS

(By Associated Press)  
**HOUSTON, Aug. 23.**—Continued dry weather has practically destroyed garden crops in many Texas counties with a general result of decrease in condition of truck products, according to county reports to the United States Department of Agriculture here, announced today. Rains are needed for garden and truck crops in practically every county reporting, it is stated.

Seed beds are being planted for winter vegetables in the Rio Grande valley, reports coming to the department state.

A summary of the general condition of truck and garden crops by counties, with the locality making the report follows:

Jack (Perrin), below normal; Kimble (Junction), irrigated crops late but good; Hill (Hillsboro), short due to drought; San Jacinto (Shepherd), poor, need rain; Brazos (Bryan), fair; DeWitt (Yorktown), average crop; Gray (Alanreed), condition good but rain needed to insure full yield; Palo Pinto (Mineral Wells), dried up for lack of rain.

Dallas (Hutchins), dried up; Gillespie, very poor; Parker, 60 per cent condition; Fannin (Bonham) lost for want of moisture; Marion (Jefferson), damage by dry weather; Jasper (Jasper), 75 per cent condition; Baylor, very short; Franklin, estimated 10 per cent crop, cold weather in the spring and continued dry weather in summer ruined crop; Madison (North Zuleh), 100 per cent normal; Panola, 40 per cent damage by dry, hot weather.

## WILL ASK FOR TAX RATE CUT

(By Associated Press)  
**WASHINGTON, August 23.**—Secretary Mellon will renew to the next congress his recommendation for a reduction in the income and surtaxes. The announcement of his purpose at the treasury department today, however, said that Mr. Mellon was uncertain whether the proposal would meet with a favorable reception at the capitol or not.

## TWO GIRLS DROWN WHILE IN BATHING AT COMANCHE

Miss Bernice Winfrey, age 19, and Miss Emma Laeky, age 21, were drowned while in bathing in Sabanna Creek near Comanche Monday.

Read the ads and profit

## FRENCH AND BRITISH WILL TALK IT OVER

(By Associated Press)  
**LONDON, Aug. 23.**—Recognizing the futility of further exchange of lengthy notes on the reparations issue, Prime Minister Baldwin has decided to meet Premier Poincare upon the former's return from his vacation at Aix-les-Bains, it became known today.

Baldwin will not formally ask for an appointment with the French premier, but will make it known through second parties that he is ready to discuss the whole reparations problem in the light of Poincare's latest note, and in which the French made it known that they would not retire from the Ruhr until they were paid, or until Germany showed a willingness to meet payments and discontinue her passive resistance.

## RENEWS TREATY WITH JAPAN

(By Associated Press)  
**WASHINGTON, August 23.**—The treaty of arbitration between the United States and Japan, which had expired by limitation, was renewed today for a period of five years without change.

Lynn Stokes returned home Thursday at noon from a business trip to Dallas.



## Be as Careful as Your Doctor

When the little accident happens—be as careful as your doctor. He always uses sterile gauze, sterile cotton and sterile bandages. In case of accident will you be less careful? Strips of old linen or handkerchiefs—nearly always germ laden—will not do. Great surgeons and great physicians use Bauer & Black products, because they know they are absolutely sterile. We sell Bauer & Black dressings because we know you too can use them with the assurance of complete safety. Germ life has been made impossible by a double process of sterilization. Each package is marked sterile. Your home should always be prepared with Bauer & Black adhesive plaster, absorbent cotton, gauze bandages, and picric acid gauze (best for burns). The cost is small. Be prepared for the little accidents and for intelligent first aid until the doctor comes. Be as careful as your doctor.

**J. Y. PEARCE DRUG CO.**

## PREPARING FOR BIG LABOR DAY SAILING WITH MAIL ACROSS U.S.

(By Associated Press)  
**AUSTIN, Aug. 23.**—Preparations are being made for an extensive observance of Labor Day on September 3rd, according to State Labor Commissioner Joseph S. Myers. Elaborate plans are under way in the larger cities of the state for celebrations, parades, and contests, Myers said.

Austin labor organizations are planning an all-day jubilee and picnic at a local resort, with prominent speakers and a series of contests as outstanding features. Organized labor in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and other places will stage celebrations, reports to the state department show. Public gatherings on Labor Day will be addressed by prominent leaders from Texas and other states.

Commissioner Myers, also, is receiving requests for information in preparation for celebrations. A number of celebrations will be staged by farmer-labor union organizations.

Be Wise and Advertise—

**CHICAGO, Aug. 23.**—Barring unforeseen difficulties, the transcontinental air mail flyers on the third day of the five day test period, gave promise of establishing a record for cross-continent deliveries.

The East bound mail from San Francisco yesterday, left Cleveland at 8:29 this morning, flying on two hours and one minute ahead of the schedule.

West bound mail which left New York city yesterday, departed from Salt Lake City at 8:36 o'clock this morning en route to San Francisco and was flying 12 minutes ahead of time.

**SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.**—Pilot Winslow of the postal air service, took off here at six o'clock this morning with the third batch of mail to leave San Francisco for New York and intermediate points by air mail.

**HEMPSTEAD, L. I., New York, Aug. 23.**—Pilot Wesley Smith left here at 10:50 o'clock this morning with another batch of mail for the Pacific coast.

**NOTICE!**

We are no longer representing the Apex Vacuum Cleaner or other appliances manufactured by the Apex Electric Co., and we have no house-to-house salesmen.

**Ballinger Electric Co.**  
Phone 7 8th Street

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Ready for School?  
Only a few days until school starts again.

We have a complete line of all school supplies.

See our window.

**WEEKS**  
Phones 12 and 13

**Attention Merchants!**

You Can Buy Pants, Shirts, Overalls, Jumpers and Unionalls—Garments Made-to-Order from

**T. S. LANKFORD AND SONS**

They are Called the **Jay Bird Brand**



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We are told that money goes further now, but it doesn't get anywhere even at that.

It is better to overcome our opponents with reason than to try to overwhelm them with noise.

The report that the crop will not be as "bumpy" as at first predicted, does not seem to discourage the automobile makers.

A good honest cotton farmer who lives near this city, says he does not believe that all this talk about the next great war had anything to do with the sudden appearance of the army worm.

How exceedingly unfortunate it seems that those who really know how to solve the great problems of society and government, do not happen to hold office or to be running a newspaper.

A speeding auto running around over the country is said to be more dangerous than a locomotive pulling a heavy freight train on a carefully constructed steel road. Yet the railroads of this country refuse to employ twelve and fourteen year old engineers.

**Has Never Seen Their Equal**  
 "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for stomach trouble, biliousness and constipation off and on for the past ten years. I have never seen their equal yet. They strengthened my digestion, relieved me of headaches and had a mild pleasant action on my bowels. I take pleasure in recommending them" writes H. D. F. Parmenter, Cridersville, Ohio.

**PEOPLE BETTER OFF THAN THEY REALIZE**

Savings deposits in banks in the United States now approximate the stupendous total of 18 billion dollars, deposited by a little more than 30 million persons. In 1914 the total of savings deposits was 5 billion dollars, deposited by 11 million persons. Savings accounts are now considerably more than three times the totals of pre-war days while the number of depositors is quite a bit less than three times as many.

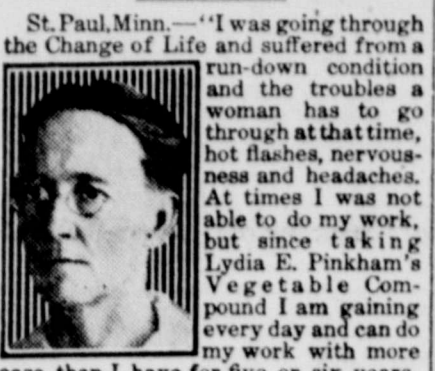
This savings total, equal to more than all the money deposited in all the national banks represents largely the savings of persons of small or moderate means. The total of all deposits in the 30,300 banks in the United States is about 44 billion dollars. Of this, 27 billion dollars is in the 22,080 state banks and 17 billion dollars in the 8,220 national banks. In New England, 65 per cent of all bank deposits are in savings accounts; 51 per cent, on the Pacific Coast; 36 per cent, in the South; 47 per cent, in the East Central states; 45 per cent, in the Middle Atlantic states; 38 per cent, in the West Central states.

This great advance in thrift in the American people is also shown in the next investment step, for 24 per cent more life insurance is being written this year than ever before and 1923 will end with probably more than 11 billion dollars of new life insurance for the year. Twenty years ago the total of life insurance in force was 10 1/2 billion dollars. The average life insurance premium is \$35 a thousand.

More people have more money, more life insurance and more sound investment securities than ever before in the United States. This country and its people are a great deal better off than they realize and infinitely better off than the people of most other countries. In addition to something like 3 million automobiles they will buy this year, Americans during the first six months of 1923 spent 603 million dollars, largely obtained through bond investments, in building new electric generating plants and transmission lines.

**WOMEN FROM FORTY TO FIFTY**

Will Be Interested in Mrs. Hooker's Recovery by Use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound



St. Paul, Minn.—"I was going through the Change of Life and suffered from a run-down condition and the troubles a woman has to go through at that time, hot flashes, nervousness and headaches. At times I was not able to do my work, but since taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I am gaining every day and can do my work with more ease than I have for five or six years. I owe it all to your great medicine."  
 MARTHA HOOKER, 114 College Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.

When women who are between the ages of forty-five and fifty-five are beset with such annoying symptoms as nervousness, irritability, melancholia and heat flashes, which produce headaches, dizziness, or a sense of suffocation, they should take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is especially adapted to help women through this crisis. It is prepared from roots and herbs and contains no harmful drugs or narcotics.

Write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Massachusetts, for a free copy of Lydia E. Pinkham's Private Text-Book upon "Ailments Peculiar to Women."

**WILL PRESENT CLASS PLAY**

Miss Ruth Wootton presents her expression class in the following plays at the Carnegie Library on Friday night, August 25th.  
 Admission, adults, 20c; children under 12 years, 10c.  
 The proceeds go to present the Carnegie Library with new reading material.  
 1. A Scene in Fairy Land.  
 2. At School in Mother Goose Land.  
 3. A Rip Roaring up-to-the-notch Negro Comedy.  
 Don't fail to see it.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beck and son left Thursday afternoon for Galveston, where they will be for a couple of days. Mr. Beck will attend a claims meeting.

**Y. M. B. L. NOTES**  
 (By the Secretary)

The Young Men's Business League continues to receive requests daily from cotton pickers who wish employment in this section. Those who will need cotton pickers are urged to file their names at once with the Y. M. B. L., stating the number of pickers they will need.

W. B. Lay, of Waller, Texas, writes that he can use several cars of watermelons averaging from 27 to 32 pounds. Watermelon growers are urged to get in touch with him.

The Star-Telegram radio department in arranging bookings for the coming winter season writes that the Ballinger concert was so popular that they wish the musicians to appear in Ft. Worth for a return engagement. Their bookings for the season are already more than half filled.

The Fair Association has booked as the principal amusement attraction for the 1923 Fair, the Dodson World's Fair Show, a company which is playing only four or five of the larger fairs in Texas this year. The company carries a large number of riding devices, clean amusements, free acts and a band. Their contract with the local management binds them to show nothing objectionable.

Plans are being discussed for the annual membership banquet of the Business League. It is expected that the meeting and dinner will be held sometime before September 15th. Comments from visitors to these banquets in the past indicate that they were among the most successful ever held in West Texas, but the directors are anxious to make this year's meeting the best one of all.

Suggestion: Two days spent in travelling over Ballinger's trade territory by fifty or sixty Ballinger business men would go a long way toward cementing the friendly relations which already exist, and would pay 1000 per cent on the investment.

Edwin Skinner, who has been doing reportorial work on Eastern newspapers, is at home for a visit to his parents, Prof. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner. Ed will go on to the Pacific coast after a visit here and will probably accept a position as publicity agent for a motion picture star. It has been three years since he left Ballinger to accept employment with an Amarillo newspaper.

Mrs. M. B. Singletary left

Thursday afternoon for Slaton, where she will visit friends. Miss Georgia Singletary and Miss Anna Jean Sharp accompanied her as far as Tuscola in a car, and Mrs. Singletary will go from there on the train.

SAN ANGELO—More than 100 San Angelo boy scouts will take a summer outing of a week early in September when the annual scout encampment will be held at Christoval encampment grounds 20 miles from here.

Developed through the growth and experience of more than thirty-seven years

**THE First National Bank**  
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offers a complete financial service, organized and maintained at a marked degree of efficiency.



**Order Canned Goods Now**

Then if unexpected company drops in you will always be prepared to serve them a most delicious meal at a minute's notice.

Our stock comprises a varied selection of the new season's pack which insures you the very best of everything.

**Telephones 66 and 67**

We feature Chase & Sanborn's Coffee and Tea. Always have something in Vegetables; and want your business.

**CURRIE MERCANTILE CO.**

*The Sign of the Guaranty Fund Is A Symbol of Safety to the Depositor*

It is stated upon good authority that the banks of the United States have total deposits of only about one-half the money in circulation. The other half is presumed to be hidden away in the family sock, buried in the back yards, hidden in the attic or concealed in private or lock boxes in vaults.

If this hidden treasure were put into circulation through banks it would work wonders for our country, and would finance many meritorious enterprises.

It may be that a large part of this private money is not in banks because the owners have not sufficient confidence in the banks.

The Guaranty Fund Banks of Texas have the very best means of creating this confidence.

The very fact that since the Guaranty Fund Law has been in operation, not a single dollar of non-interest bearing or unsecured deposits has been lost by depositors in the State Banks of Texas.

Avail yourself of this protection by depositing your money in—

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK**  
 A GUARANTY FUND BANK

*The Advertisements are More than Type and Talk*

The reason that the world is so much more comfortable and convenient a place nowadays, is because advertising has made it possible for merchants and manufacturers to tell you what they have to offer, without waiting for the news to spread by word of mouth.

The advertiser has been able to tell many people at once about his goods. In this way he can sell a great many more articles in a given time and therefore more cheaply. Because of advertising it has been possible to invent, develop and market countless articles of comfort that you now think of as necessities, which some years ago even the wealthy could not have bought. It would not have paid to make a few to order.

The advertisements are something more than type and talk. They are a daily service your paper furnishes you in addition to the other important news of the world.

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## PEPPY CROWD OF TRADE BOOSTERS

It was a live bunch of boosters who swooped down upon Ballinger about dark Wednesday evening, when a special train carrying 125 Abilene citizens and a band from that city arrived here.

A large delegation of Ballinger citizens was at the train to welcome the visitors and the Ballinger Booster Band made music for the crowd while the Abilene trade trippers were detouring and forming a line of march up Seventh Street from the A. & S. station.

After a war dance to music made by the Simmons College Cowboy Band of Abilene, on Hutchings Avenue, the crowd repaired to the court house lawn, where there was more music and speech making. Mrs. Maurine Williams, who had previously been delegated to represent Ballinger in the sponsors' parade at the Abilene fair, was presented to the crowd, and proffered a large box of candy by the Abilene delegation.

The Abilene excursionists were welcomed to the city in a brief address by Stuart L. Williams, and Judge Harry Tom King, of Abilene, responded. Dr. Hunt, president of McMurray College, made a short talk, but declared that he could not make a speech after being informed that a lot of ice cold watermelons were waiting for the hungry boosters.

After the brief speech making and getting acquainted, about fifty ice cold watermelons were quartered and served to the visitors. It was one of the best treats they had received since leaving home, according to the many remarks and the manner in which the melons were consumed.

After spending an hour or two down town, meeting friends, and carrying out their mission of advertising Abilene and the West Texas Fair, the boosters retired to their Pullmans and left some time during the night for San Angelo and other points on the trade journey.

### Constipation

Rachel Cribley of Beaver Dam, Ohio, was sick for two years with stomach trouble and constipation, taking one medicine after another with only temporary relief. "My neighbor spoke so enthusiastically of Chamberlain's Tablets," she cured of Stomach Trouble and says "that I procured a bottle of them at our drug store to try. A few days treatment convinced me that they were just what I needed. I continued their use for several weeks and they cured me."

### DANIEL BAKER FACULTY IN A CONCERT TONIGHT

The musical department of Daniel Baker College will present a program at the Carnegie Library here tonight. The musicale will consist of both instrumental and vocal music, and Ballinger music lovers are promised a treat, and it is all free, no admission charges being made.

In speaking of those who are to present the program, the Brownwood Bulletin says:

"Miss Claire Drey, instructor of voice in Daniel Baker College; Miss Camilla Winslow, instructor of violin; and Mr. Henry E. Meyer, Dean of the Fine Arts Department of Daniel Baker College, and director of piano, gave a splendid program in Comanche on Tuesday night before a large and appreciative audience. A reception was tendered the artists upon their arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick, and a royal welcome was accorded them throughout the evening."

John Hoffer Jr., a former Ballinger boy, was here Wednesday meeting old friends and representing a new invention which he has just put on the market, and which is proving very successful. John was at one time a "devil" in the Ledger office. He has been living in Dallas for some time, and has perfected a machine for freezing drinks in the form of "all-day suckers." A small stick is placed in a cup-shaped tube, the liquid which is served at soda fountains as a drink, poured in the tube, and by a freezing process is soon formed into a hard ice cube, and served in ice form instead of as a drink. The young man is making a success of the invention, finding a ready sale for the product to cold drink dealers.

Just about every investigation reports that living is so high because things cost so much.

## NEW SHOW TAXES SOON IN EFFECT

(By Associated Press)

AUSTIN, Aug. 23.—Letters explaining new taxes on traveling shows and theatres provided under acts passed by the last legislature have been prepared and sent out by the state comptroller's department as result of numerous inquiries coming to the department. The new theatre and show tax acts do not become effective until September 13th, it was said today.

A special tax is provided under the new act on traveling shows. The tax is fixed at \$5 for each day in towns of 1,000 inhabitants or under; \$10 in cities over 1,000, and under 25,000 inhabitants; and scaled to a charge of \$35 in all towns of over 30,000, the letter states. This tax embraces all shows of whatever nature not showing regularly in established theatres, it is said.

Permanently established theatres are placed under another series of taxes, including operative, and moving picture houses. Such establishments are subject to an annual tax scaled from \$5 in towns of 1,000 inhabitants or under, to \$75 in cities over 40,000. Counties and cities are authorized to collect one half of the state tax in each instance.

The new show tax acts, introduced in the legislature by Rep. Baldwin of Lubbock, repeals former show tax provisions, the comptroller said.

### ANGELO MAN IS FREED ON FORGERY CHARGE

George Richardson, prominent ranchman and former commission merchant of San Angelo, and who went bankrupt, was freed by a jury on a charge of forgery at San Angelo Wednesday.

Mr. Richardson was indicted on eleven different counts, and while he has been found not guilty on one, the district attorney stated that the other ten cases would be tried.

Mr. Richardson was charged with signing other persons' names to notes which he put up as additional collateral for money he had borrowed. He admitted signing the notes, and the parties whose names were signed to them testified that they did not authorize such signatures, and that their names were used without their knowledge or consent. The defendant plead that he had no intention of defrauding anyone, and only gave the notes to protect his property and the interest of his creditors, expecting to sell lands and pay off all his obligations.

W. C. Love and son Wilburn, of Florence, are visiting Mr. Love's brother, Dr. A. S. Love, W. J. Tomlinson and nephew, Clinton Jackson, also of Florence, are visiting Dr. Love and family. Mr. Tomlinson is a nephew of J. T. Moore, Mrs. Love's father.

Henry C. Fuller, of Brownwood, was here this week to attend the reunion of the Swift family. Mr. Fuller was a pal of Mr. Swift in their boyhood days, and when Mr. Fuller saw in the paper where the Swift family was to have a reunion he came to Ballinger to see Mr. Swift whom he had not seen in half a century.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hart came in Wednesday night and are here for a few days stay before going to their home in Arizona. Miss Bertha Van Pelt and Mr. Hart were married in Dallas a few days ago, Mrs. Hart playing quite a surprise on her Ballinger friends.

Miss Ethel Lovelace, of San Angelo, was in Ballinger Thursday in the interest of a violin class. Miss Lovelace is an experienced and efficient violin instructor, and if she can work up a class here which will justify it she will visit Ballinger on Tuesdays and Fridays and give violin lessons. She wants as many as ten pupils.

WEATHERFORD—The Weatherford school board has adopted resolutions prohibiting any teacher in the public schools under its supervision from dancing or playing cards. Resignation will be asked of teachers violating the rule, it was said.

RUSK—Dr. E. M. Moseley of Rusk, has been named assistant surgeon on the staff of James S. Davenport, Vinita, Okla., commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department, Sons of Confederate Veterans. The appointment was made by the commander.

## MOTHER!

Child's Best Laxative is "California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! A teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup" now will thoroughly clean the little bowels and in a few hours you have a well, playful child again. Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love its pleasant taste.

Tell your druggist you want only the genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother, you must say "California." Refuse any imitation.

### STRONG CHARACTER IS SHOWN IN "FOOTLIGHTS"

Transforming an American girl, reared in a simple New England town, to a pampered Russian actress is every bit as hard as it sounds. In "Footlights," a Paramount picture starring Elsie Ferguson, to be seen for the last time at the Fo-to-sho Theatre tonight, this development is shown step by step.

Lizzie Parsons, the American girl, as played by Elsie Ferguson, took years of complete isolation and hard study to accomplish this feat. Her entire life had to be changed. She had to surround herself with Russian servants and teachers. Instead of simple American food, she had to acquire a taste for herrings. For coffee, she learned to drink tea, mixed with lemon and whisky, without sugar, and she had to replace her after-dinner apple with cigarettes.

The hardest sacrifice that she had to make was when her little kitten was taken away as being too

American and she was given a monkey, an animal that she loathed, to make a pet of.

But Lizzie Parsons succeeds, as only an American girl can succeed, in the transformation. Her sham is not discovered even by Russians. Elsie Ferguson, who is starring in the picture, brings to the role a keen interpretation. Reginald Denny is leading man and others in the cast include Marc MacDermott, and Octavia Handworth.

## PEOPLE MUST ACT FOR FINAL TEST

Chas. Ferguson says the people must act quickly if the final test in the Safety First well is made. Mr. Ferguson was at Rowena Wednesday soliciting funds with which to complete the well to a depth of 4,000 feet, and he reported that he received considerable encouragement, and that he now has \$1400 of the \$3000 needed subscribed.

The stockholders of the Runnels County Oil & Gas Co. are being asked to take additional stock, and others are being solicited to take small amounts of stock in order to raise \$2000 with which to drill the well deeper. The hole is in good shape and producing some oil, and the producers want to drill deeper and make a final effort to bring in a well before abandoning it.

Mr. Ferguson stated that the drilling crew was ready to begin work and everything was in good shape to start as soon as the word was given, but that nothing could be done until the money was in sight. The stock being subscribed is backed by assets consisting of 3400 acres of lease near the well, an interest in the well and the 40 acres of land upon which the well is located.

No one is being asked to subscribe any large amount, and if the proposition proves to be a failure no one can be hurt very much.

Nice thing about summer is it is warm enough to wash out the tub after you bathe.

### "IT'S GOOD TO BE IN WESTERNS" SHE SAYS

Years ago, an elfish, brown-eyed little maid flitted into prominence on the silver sheet in western five reels. She was Bessie Love. Years passed, and with it, the whimsical little actress became a star in her own right and in heavier dramas. Fate did a flip flop, and for a time little was heard of the interesting player, until she was engaged to play opposite Dustin Farnum in his latest Wm. Fox offering, "Three Who Paid," showing for the last time tonight at the Maeroy Theatre.

In speaking about her return to westerns, Miss Love remarked humorously: "I should know something about western life and customs. I hail from the Southwest—Texas—and the home of the horned saddle and the bucking

brones. "Course I haven't so very much to do in 'Three Who Paid,' but I'm glad to know how, because there are some dangerous moments in this picture when Mr. Farnum and myself ride uphill almost perpendicularly and come down the same way. You've got to know how to sit in your saddle to keep on a cayuse riding at such a slant."

### ETHEL LOVELACE Teacher of Violin

Teaching days, Tuesdays and Fridays. \$6.00 per month, 8 lessons.

Anyone desiring more information address me

ETHEL LOVELACE, 122 S. Monroe Street, San Angelo, Texas. 23-6td.\*

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As Goodyear Service Station Dealers we sell and recommend the new Goodyear Cords with the bonded All-Weather Tread and back them up with standard Goodyear Service.

**BALLINGER AUTO CO.  
GOOD YEAR**

**MENARD TO ENTERTAIN  
EXRANGERS OF TEXAS**

(By Associated Press)  
MENARD, Tex., Aug. 23.—A large representation of the "old guard" of Texas Rangers is expected to be here September 6, 7 and 8, when the annual meeting of ex-Rangers will be held. Preparations are going forward to give the former state officers an extensive entertainment.  
Delegations from all parts of Menard and surrounding counties are expected to be here for the Rangers' meet. Races, ball games, polo, rodeo contests and free barbecue are features on the entertainment card.  
It is estimated that there are seventy-five surviving former Rangers. Many of these are picturesque characters in Texas history and are expected to retell some of the activities of the early Rangers.

**Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy**  
This is unquestionably one of the most successful medicines in use for bowel complaints. A few doses of it will cure an ordinary attack of diarrhoea. It has been used in nine epidemics of dysentery with perfect success. It can always be depended upon to give prompt relief in cases of colic and cholera morbus. When reduced with water and sweetened it is pleasant to take. Every family should keep this remedy at hand.

F. M. Pearce left for North Dakota Wednesday afternoon to join Mrs. Pearce and their little son on a visit. From a point in that state Mr. and Mrs. Pearce and son will go to different points on the Atlantic coast for a visit.  
Andy and Hal Nann returned to their home in Reagan county, after spending several days here and attending the cow punchers' reunion.

**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—Child Bed with Mattress. Phone 251. 23-3d.\*

WANTED—To rent for six months, one flat top desk. Rosenfield & Rowan. Box 272. 23-3td.\*

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HELP WANTED—If you need skilled or unskilled labor, use a Ledger want ad. They bring the buyer and seller together. dtf.\*

FOUND—Lost and found articles recovered thru The Ledger "wants" column. The Ledger goes into nearly every Ballinger home. 29-dtf.\*

**HARDING ESTATE  
WORTH \$750,000**

President Harding left an estate valued at about three-quarters of a million dollars, according to a new will which the president made just before starting on his trip to Alaska. By the will Mr. Harding placed all his affairs in such shape that in the event of his failure to return alive they would give his widow no trouble. Most of the estate goes to Mrs. Harding.

Most of the Harding estate came from his investment in the Marion Star. The president owned a controlling interest in The Star and he sold his interest in the paper a few months ago for \$423,000. He owned a home in Washington when he was elected president and he sold this for \$50,000 some time ago. He also sold a farm a short time ago near Blooming Grove, Ohio, and he had personal property and carried a \$50,000 life insurance policy. These items with bank stock and other investments in Ohio bring his estate up to about \$750,000.

Financially at least ten of the presidents of the United States were rated as "poor." Six presidents were rated "rich," "well-to-do," or "wealthy," and the remainder carried a moderate rating.

The following list shows the material circumstances of the presidents:

Adams	Moderate
Jefferson	Moderate
Madison	Moderate
Monroe	Moderate
J. Q. Adams	Moderate
Jackson	Poor
Van Buren	Poor
W. H. Harrison	Moderate
Tyler	Wealthy
Polk	Moderate
Taylor	Poor
Fillmore	Poor
Pierce	Wealthy
Buchanan	Poor
Lincoln	Poor
Johnson	Poor
Grant	Poor
Hayes	Well-to-do
Garfield	Poor
Arthur	Moderate
Cleveland	Moderate
Benj. Harrison	Moderate
McKinley	Poor
Roosevelt	Well-to-do
Taft	Moderate
Wilson	Moderate
Harding	Well-to-do
Coolidge	Moderate

**CATARRHAL DEAFNESS**

Is often 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. Unless the inflammation can be reduced, your hearing may be destroyed forever.  
HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over Forty Years.  
Sold by all druggists.  
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer and daughters returned home Tuesday from an auto trip over the Rocky Mountains, visiting points of interest in Utah, Colorado and the Yellowstone Park.

**TEACHERS PLAN  
ONE INSTITUTE**

The city and rural teachers of Runnels county will hold a joint institute this year, and the institute will convene at Ballinger one week before Christmas. This plan will be carried out instead of the Ballinger schools holding a separate institute as was the case last year.

According to the program and plan of the institute, all schools in the county will dismiss one week before the holidays and the teachers meet here for the institute work. Last year the Ballinger teachers held their institute at the beginning of the schools, and did not join the county institute.

The Ballinger schools are opening a week earlier than most of the schools in this section of the state this year, the board fixing Sept. 3rd as opening day. This will bring the schools to a close a week earlier in the spring, and the plan seems to meet with the approval of most of those interested.

After one more week of vacation the schools here will open. Everything is being put in shape for the convening of school, and it is expected that the enrollment will be considerably larger than last year. In order to take care of the increase four more teachers have been added to the faculty, and more rooms in the ward buildings will be utilized, and with the new recitation hall on the

Central campus, the crowded condition of the schools will be relieved to some extent.

**Child Cured of Bowel Trouble**

A child of Floyd Osborn, Notary Public of Dungannon, Va., was taken with bowel trouble. Mr. Osborn gave it Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy and it quickly recovered. In speaking of this remedy he says, "It is the best I ever used."

**COTTON SELLS HIGHER  
ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE**

(By Associated Press)  
BROWNSVILLE, Aug. 23.—Cotton prices across the Rio Grande River from this part of Texas are eight and nine cents a pound higher than in the Brownsville market. Growers on the American side of the river have been receiving from 20 to 21 cents a pound for the staple, while Mexican growers on the other

side of the border are receiving either 29 or 30 cents a pound.

The difference in price is due to the Mexican tariff of eight cents a pound, custom officials say. Several textile mills have been built in Mexico during the past year, and the Mexican growth of cotton is not expected to fill the demand.

Thousands of acres in the Matamoros district have been planted to cotton this year. One planter has more than 3,000 acres averaging one-half to three-fourths of a bale to the acre. Some of the small growers are getting a full bale to the acre. Gins on the Mexican side are operating 24 hours a day.

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School will soon start and that all-time worry of keeping your children in shoes will begin again. Bring me their shoes and see how much longer they can wear them. It is far cheaper to have your shoes repaired in time than it is to purchase new ones. A trial will convince you.  
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Celebrates Her Diamond Jubilee in 1924  
Seventy-fifth Annual Session Opens September 19, 1923  
A self representative will be in Ballinger within two or three days. Address in care of this newspaper. Later, for information, write THE REGISTRAR, AUSTIN COLLEGE, SHERMAN, TEXAS

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

We have returned to Ballinger and will be open for business in the Zappe Building on Hutchins Avenue, Friday, August 24th, with a complete line of Dry Goods.

We have had the entire building worked over, renovated and made larger and will stock it with nothing but new goods and standard goods that we sell over our Guarantee. We will have nothing that has been carried over from season to season, but all New Goods that have been bought within the last few months and we are unpacking many cases of goods direct from the markets. We are opening our place to the people of Ballinger and Runnels County where they can find Style, Quality and Price.

We will strive as heretofore to please our friends and customers with courteous treatment and nothing but the best goods at prices that are within reach of all. We invite the trading public to come and visit our store and see the many values we have to offer.

Remember we are always glad to have you call and will stand behind every article we sell.

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A Smashing Drama of Action  
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