

# BANNER-LEADER.

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NO 5

## JEWELRY AUCTION

### \$6,000 WORTH

## Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silver-ware, Etc.

To be sold at public Auction to the highest bidder, for cash.

I will positively sell the entire stock consisting of

### Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware-Solid and Plated

In fact everything kept in a first class Jewelry Store.

My Stock at present is very large and well assorted and if there is anything you want; now is the time to buy. It will pay you to buy whatever you need in the way of Holiday present, for now you can buy at your own price. Don't miss this opportunity you may never have another.

Sale each day at 2 and 7:30 p. m. until entire stock is closed out

I have arranged with Mr. T. L. Mulinix, of Kansas City, Mo., an experienced Jewelry Auctioneer to conduct the sale, and have instructed him particularly on two points:

1st.—Misrepresent nothing sold, even in slightest degree.

2nd.—Sell all goods no matter what the price.

Realizing that much of our goods is bought by the Ladies, we especially invite them to come out to these sales—the afternoon sales will be particularly devoted to their interests.

This will be the opportunity of a lifetime to buy first class goods at auction.

I especially invite all parties wanting Repair Work to call in the mornings.

Remember the time and place.

## JAS. E. BREWER,

First National Bank building.

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Try our hot beverages.

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WANTED—To exchange jewelry for money. Jas. E. Brewer

Call and see the "nobby" line of Fall Dry Goods at L. Markowitz & Bro.

Lee Maddox represents old line companies that will write country stores, dwellings and cotton gins.

L. Markowitz & Bro. have what you want—no difference what that is—shoes, dress goods, clothing, etc.

Try a policy in the Hartford, Liverpool London and Globe, or Aetna. They are strong, reliable and will pay your loss.

LEE MADDOX, Agent.

Notic.

I will be at the following places of collecting taxes on the following dates:

Wingate,	Oct 27 and 28
Maverick,	" 29 and 30
Miles,	" 31 and Nov 1
Crews,	Nov 10 and 11
Content	" 12 and 13
Winters	" 14 and 15

R. P. KIRK.

Halloween Party.

Last Friday night at the home of Dr. T. E. Butler the Stakespeare club celebrated Halloween. The preparations were unique and suggested goblins, ghosts and all sorts of weird phenomena. Musical selections both vocal and instrumental were interspersed to break the spell caused by the weird surroundings. A light repast was served to satisfy the inner man.

Witches were ready to tell your fortune if you so desired and the appearance of the ghosts reminded one of departed spirits.

A reading by Mrs. D. M. Baker was enjoyed by all.

The entertainment netted the club something like \$20.00 which will be used to pay the expenses of Mrs. W. R. Spencer, as Ballinger's delegate to Beaumont to the state convention.

The good ladies of the club deserve much credit for their efforts in preparing this entertainment.

Have you seen that elegant line of suits and overcoats at L. Markowitz's store? Call and let him fit you up for the winter season.

Phone J. A. Forbes at the new steam laundry for wood.

For Sale.

A good one horse, buggy and harness for \$75.00. Must sell at once. For further information call on Banner-Leader.

Cotton Receipts Compared.

Up to Oct. 31, 1900, Ballinger received 3750 bales of cotton and to the same date 1902 3833 have been received. In 1900 we got 15000 bales and we see no reason why the receipts will not reach that point this year.

A Hunting Party.

S. J. Carpenter, Harry Scott and John Hoffer left Friday for the Eden country on a week's hunting trip. Because of the warm weather there is some danger of snakes in that section, so we presume the party are prepared for emergencies by having plenty of snake medicine.

Live Stock Show and riding and roping contest, San Angelo, Texas. Convention rates. Dates of sale Nov. 11, 12 and 13. Rate on special train due at Ballinger at 9:30 a. m. Nov. 14th, one dollar for round trip. This train returning leaves San Angelo at 10:00 p. m.

Winters News.

Our public school opened Monday with a good attendance.

The latest and best thing for Winters is a public library in connection with the school. One of the rooms of the school building has been fitted up and we have already a good start of books. Among those who have assisted us in a financial way, we mention the following: F. L. Pierce, T. A. Fannin, Hiram Crowder, and Misses Lydia Eoff, Myrtle Eoff, Mattie Armbrrecht, Carrie David, Viola David. We have the assurance of help from many others. We have the people anyhow.

Mr. Proctor has recently moved into our midst. We welcome him.

Overseer Kit Cooper and hands have been making improvements on the Winters-Ballinger road this week.

The election went off quietly and every one seemed satisfied.

We are glad to welcome Mr. C. Driskell and wife to our town.

Mr. I. L. Beard is looking very blue these days—wife gone visiting.

Every one seems to enjoy the good rain. It does rain here too. More later. Cold.

Stock News of the Week.

C. C. F. Blanchard shipped to the St. Louis market one car of cows and calves. The cows sold for \$2.60 and the calves for \$9.50.

L. H. Reed sold a car of cows and two-year-old heifers at 2.50 this week.

E. H. Pfluger bought of P. J. Baron and G. Geotz nine steer yearlings at \$10.00 per head.

G. Schuchman bought 25 steer yearlings in the Rowena neighborhood at \$11.00 per head.

Tom Benge of Paint Rock sold to a Coleman buyer 100 fat cows at 15.25 per head.

Dr. Fowler sold to John Russel nine head of stock cattle at \$10.00 per head.

Joe Johnson shipped to St. Louis Friday 190 cows and 20 bulls.

Frank Miles shipped to St. Louis 5 cars of fat cows Friday.

J. M. Cain of Winters, sold to J. L. Miller 50 head of stock cattle at \$10.00 per head.

Prof. Miller this week tendered his resignation to the Board of Trustees as 1st assistant of our public school. Mr. Miller will leave shortly for Hugo, I. T., to accept a position in a bank at that place.

State Federation of Labor, Houston, Texas. Convention rates. Sell Nov. 14th.

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Cresceus will be matched against Walthour, the bicyclist, at Atlanta.

Many outrages have been committed by the ladrones in the Philippines.

Texas is getting the best of the new settlers being sent into the Southwest.

Three coal roads in Tennessee have been added to the Southern Railway system.

The condition of the iron industry in Germany is approaching a serious stage.

A good rain is reported from points in West Texas. It will be of benefit to the range.

The New York World's editorial practically concedes that the next house will be democratic.

The Sabine River Improvement association was permanently organized at the Logansport meeting.

Louis Botha has written to a fellow countryman in Chicago saying he will visit America some day.

The Southern Railway has reduced the time between New York and New Orleans to thirty-three hours.

The directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical college ask an appropriation of \$405,000 for the ensuing year.

It is stated that the company behind the Orange oil refinery will have ample capital to put the project through.

Robert Goettsche, given a life term for murder at Fort Worth, asked judge and jury to change it to the death penalty.

The coal companies of Northern France have decided to submit the question of an increase of wages to arbitrators.

Officers at Waterbury, Conn, will use every effort to prevent the proposed fight between Austin Rice and Young Corbett.

Some trouble was experienced in putting into effect a new law for separating whites from blacks in the New Orleans street cars.

The attorney general's report shows a very bad record in murder cases for the State, especially in some counties.

The antis will make an effort to carry the Johnson county local option case to the Federal supreme court.

J. B. Harrison thinks the acreage in grain in Texas will be largely increased during the coming year.

United States Treasurer Ellis H. Roberts has issued his annual report showing some striking statistics.

The rain is general over the State. It will not hurt cotton and will benefit wheat and stock.

Governor Sayers is glad that the time for his retirement from public life is so close at hand.

Negotiations with Colombia over the Panama canal treaty will soon be resumed.

President Palma's message to the Cuban congress was very optimistic.

The government of Santo Domingo has issued a new tariff decree.

Galveston is to have a carnival in December.

**The Brave Who Killed Custer has Confessed**

A former Sioux chief, now an Episcopalian rector, the Rev. Philip Daloria, of Flora, S. D., who is attending the council of the Protestant Episcopal church in Philadelphia, said to a North American reporter:

"It was only a year ago that I learned the true story of the death of General Custer. I had been the means of converting an old warrior named Appearing Elk. Unlike most Indian braves he was not much given to boasting of his exploits, but I knew that he had taken many scalps. "Appearing Elk became a fervent Christian, and one day after he had been baptized and taken into the church, I asked him to tell me of his experience in the battle of the Little Big Horn. Every Sioux wants to know who killed Custer, and that was my first question. I was surprised when the old man replied, "I did."

"I feel pretty sure that Appearing Elk told the truth. I drew his story from him in detail, and this is what he said:

"We had surrounded the last cluster of soldiers when my pony was shot from under me. When I got on my feet again I discovered that I had been wounded. Suddenly a man in blue loomed up in front of me.

"I knew he was a big chief. He was swaying like a drunken man from exhaustion and loss of blood because of many bullet and arrow wounds. I felled him with my tomahawk and then sat on his body to be sure that I should not be robbed of my spoils. In order to be doubly sure I took the revolver from the holster of the dead man and stuck it in my belt.

"I didn't scalp the man because his head was shaved, and I was ashamed to take a mere piece of skin."

"I know positively," continued Mr. Daloria, "that the revolver taken by Appearing Elk was subsequently identified as Custer's, and so far as I have been able to learn, Custer was the only man who had his head shaved." Appearing Elk died last spring.

**"Like Fish? Call Friday!"**

A social observer of humorous sympathies reports to the Listener a trait of a Chinese servant employed in a suburban family which reveals a certain capability with American methods of dealing with the tramp problem. A hungry tramp called one Monday afternoon at the kitchen door and was promptly challenged by John. To John the tramp told his tale of woe, ending with an humble petition for something to eat.

"Like fish?" asked John in insinuating tones.

"Yes, I like fish," the tramp answered.

"Call Friday," said John, as he shut the door, with a smile imperturbable.—Boston Transcript.

**Advertised Letter List.**

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office, unclaimed for two weeks, at close of business on Saturday Nov 1, 1902. In calling for letters please say advertised stating date of this list.

- Murray, Miss Gertie.
- Persall, Miss. Alice.
- Duncan, I. R.
- Ford, George.
- Hopkins, Billie.
- Holland, W. M.
- Hughes, L. W.
- Lee, J. M.
- Madell, J. E.
- Pucket, Houston.
- Reed, Walter.
- Riggs, Jeff B.
- Rogers, F. S.
- Wolf, Chas.

Five arbitrators are striving to settle the French mining strike.

**THE FACTS IN THE CASE**

When you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. The Dallas Semi-Weekly News gives the facts in the case.

**SPECIALLY EDITED**

If you'll read the News awhile you'll like it. It holds the attention. It is specially edited, that's why. Brains and not haphazard go into the makeup of the News.

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You need the Banner-Leader because it's your local paper. It gives a class of news you can't get elsewhere. You need the News because it gives you all the State news. The Banner-Leader and the Semi-Weekly News one year for only \$1.50, cash in advance.

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Easy Shaves at Jim Dancer's

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But would like a share of your trade. We do not sell 25 pounds of granulated sugar for \$1 but we do sell every article in our store as low as it can possibly be sold for and live. Experience has taught us that this is the best way to conduct a business, and we think a trial will satisfy you that it is so. We realize that our interests are mutual and in best serving you we best serve ourselves.

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BALLINGER, : : : TEXAS



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Standard Cultivators	<b>Buck's</b> STOVES AND RANGES	New Lamps
Dandy Wind-mills		Buck's Stoves and Ranges
Waukegan Barbwire	A failure unknown in one of the roomy, well-ventilated, enameled lined ovens of Buck's Stove or Range.	Sporting Goods
Tools and Hardware	<b>Hall H'd'w Co.</b>	Up to date Cutlery

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J. F. Currie  
Jo Wilmeth

J. N. Adams  
Walter Davis  
W. E. Allen

# Trade Headquarters

Doubtless the question is now being discussed by every family throughout the entire county as to the BEST and CHEAPEST places to make their purchases of Fall and Winter Dry Goods and Groceries. The Davis-Noyes Co. has probably given this more consideration than you have and to convince you we only ask you to visit our store and price throughout our mammoth stock of everything you need. We have had experienced buyers in the eastern markets where they have selected many bargains all of which we are offering to the public at the lowest possible prices consistent with legitimate business principal. We are making a specialty of our very large stock of clothing and in fact we are making specialty of each and every line. Come to see us we want your trade

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Dentist,  
Office over First National bank.  
Work guaranteed and prices right.

**For Sale.**

A piano in good condition, been used for two years. Original cost \$350, price \$175, \$50 cash, balance \$50 every three months until paid. For particulars call in Banner-Leader.

We represent nothing but strictly reliable Fire Insurance Companies R. G. ERWIN & Co.

Try Davis-Noyes Co. for any thing in the Dry Goods or Grocery line.

Glad to have you come in any time. J. E. Brewer.

We're the printers.

**Solid silverware at Brewer's.**

A fine lot of spectacles at Brewer's.

DRS. HALLEY & LOVE, Physician and Surgeons, Over Walker's Drug Store.

—Feed of all kinds can be had at Miller Mercantile Co., opposite the post office. Phone No. 45

**Notice.**

I have all my old notes and accounts for collection and they must be closed up. Please call and attend to them at once.

LEE MADDOX

**Wu Writing a Book.**

Minister Wu Ting-fang is already at work on the first of the books he declared he would write as soon as his diplomatic duties afforded him the opportunity. In this first volume Mr. Wu will give, in popular style, his impression of America, which will be published in England for circulation in this country. The book will later be printed in Chinese for circulation in his own land. Mr. Wu is reserving his choicest thoughts for this book apparently. Recently a reporter asked him for an interview on the coal strike. "I can't talk to you about these matters," Mr. Wu said. "Don't you know that I am now engaged in writing a book which will give my impressions of America?"

**The Story of the Ticket.**

"Every ticket has its story," said a man acquainted with pawnshops, and one of the little tales which he told is repeated by the Philadelphia Telegraph. It was a bitter cold day and a mite of a boy, not over nine years old, had had come in, wrapped in his overcoat. This he peeled off and deposited it upon the pawnbroker's counter.

"Give a dollar'n' quarter?" he asked in pleading tones.

"Dollar," said the money lender.

"Oh, please give me a dollar and a quarter!"

"Can't do it. Dollar."

The boy was almost crying and he begged earnestly for the sum asked.

"I want to get my sister's coat out," he said as he laid down 8 cents in interest money. This proposition the pawnbroker accepted and the boy went shivering into the cold with his sister's coat.

"Is your sister going to the dance tonight?" a bystander asked of him.

"No, sir; mom's been sick and Maggie had to hock her coat for feed. She's got a job now and she's got to have a coat to go to work in. I don't mind the cold; I'm use to it

**They Killed Her.**

Eva Miller, of Richmond, Va., stood before a mirror and fired a bullet through her heart.

She left a note saying that certain slanders had been circulated about her and that she could not endure them and so "thought it best to get out of the way of people."

Poor heart.

"Done to death by slanderous tongues."

Sensitive to the touch as innocence always is, foul slander, whose tongue outvenoms all the worms of Nile and whose breath rides on the posting winds, had pushed aside the shield over the poor girl's heart and fatally pierced it.

Neighborhood chatterers who had nothing else to do murdered this girl.

It was not a case of suicide but of murder. The murderers may have been malicious in their motive or only thoughtless. But whatever the motive they killed the girl, using her own hand as the instrument. They turned the pistol to her heart.

There is a lesson in Eva Miller's sad death.

And it is not for women gossips only.

A half dozen men sitting on a dry goods box can retail more scandal in a half hour than a woman's tea party in six hours. It is a mighty mean man who

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Good Tailors for 25 years.  
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will speak ill of a woman. It is a mighty mean man who will listen to it

The Master taught this ilk a lesson when He said to that lecherous gang who had taken the woman into adultery, "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone." How they must have slunk from His presence!

Poor Eva Miller "got out of the way of the people, masculine or feminine, who had slandered her.

The feelings of those thus responsible for the young girl's death are not to be envied.—Ex.

If you toot your little tooter and then lay aside your horn, there's not a soul in ten short days will know that you were born. The man that gathers pumpkins is the man who plows all day, and the man who keeps a humping is the man who makes it pay. The man who advertises with a short and sudden jerk is the man who blames the printer because it didn't work. The gent who gets the business has a long and steady pull. He plans his advertisement in a clear and thoughtful way and keeps forever at it until he makes it pay. He has faith in all the future, can withstand a sudden shock, and like the man in Scripture has his business on a rock—Swiped.

We had thought that photography had been brought to the limit of perfectability in all lines, with the exception of the reproduction of colors. But we are in error. Dr. Grun, of Brighton, England, has invented a lens, between the outer faces of which he places a transparent and colorless oil of high refractive power. With this lens, instantaneous photographs may be taken in the ordinary light of a theater. More than this, the lens makes it possible to photograph by moonlight with an exposure of one minute and a fifteen-minute exposure produces a satisfactory negative in the blackest night.—Corsicana Sun.

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### From San Angelo Press.

Mrs. M. D. Chastain, of Ballinger has been over on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Walter S. Robertson.

Judge W. R. Spencer, of Ballinger, spent Friday and Saturday in the city.

John W. Clampitt, a Ballinger land man and ex-sheriff, was here Saturday on cow business.

Chas. F. Dickinson, the big Ballinger lawyer, was here yesterday on land business.

O. Pearson and J. J. Martin, of Ballinger, were here Saturday, enroute home from a horse buying expedition in Sterling county.

Mrs. R. A. Hall and children visited Ballinger last week.

C. H. Murray sold his barber business last week and will make his home in the Indian Territory.

D. B. Kilpatrick, arrested at Sheffield, Tuesday of last week, on a charge of having passed Helena, Mont., bank bills, was brought to this city and examined by U. S. Commissioner J. B. Keating. He was bound over in the sum of \$1000, which he gave and was released from custody.

### The Pecan Crop.

H. H. Sigman & Co. have shipped so far this season three cars of pecans from San Angelo.

Lampasas, Texas, October 29. —A solid carload of pecans is now being shipped by W. C. Price & Co., of this city to a Northern market. Stokes Bros. have already shipped one car and have almost enough for another. About 75,000 pounds more are now stored here and a great quantity has been shipped by express.

There is one wonderful pecan tree on McAnally's bend, on the Colorado River, which belongs to Mr. Hollis. The pecans from that tree are of unusual size with a paper shell and are sold to a nursery for \$150 for a year's crop.

R. G. Erwin & Co will insure you in nothing but old line companies.

—W. W. Fowler, physician and surgeon over Walker's

### For Trade.

A good 3 room dwelling, good well, stable, etc., and 4 acres of ground. Will trade for cattle or horses. Price \$800. For further information call on Banner-Leader.

S. W. Pratt one of Winters leading merchants was shaking hands with friends on our streets Friday.

### A New Post Office.

The citizens in Joshua Brewer's community are elated over a prospective postoffice to be called "Vale" and the new road from Ballinger to Wingate recently surveyed under the direction of the Ballinger Commercial Club. A citizen of that community informed us that they were ready to co-operate with the Commercial Club in any move for their mutual interests.

### Ledger Changes Hands.

A deal was consummated this week whereby A. W. Sledge becomes sole proprietor of the Ledger, C. S. Bowden having sold his interest to Mr. Sledge.

Our relations under the old management have always been pleasant and agreeable and we see no reason why such should not be the case in the future. Mr. Sledge is an experienced newspaper man having filled every position from "devil" to editor and the Banner Leader wishes him much success in his new undertaking.

### The Election.

But little interest was manifested in the recent election, due to the fact that all matters of interest were settled in the primaries.

The amendment was "snowed" deep in this county but was carried in the state by a safe majority.

Stewart received 491 votes for public weigher and Leatherwood 35.

From a national standpoint it seems to be a republican victory. The next house of Representatives will be 183 democrats and 203 republicans. Texas sends a solid democratic delegation.

### Real Estate.

C. S. Miller reports the following sales this week:

Frank Bolf to Geo. Milliken and John Globber 105 acres out of J. P. Freeman survey No 1. Consideration \$800.

August Kruger sold to Milliken & Globber 300 acres out of W. R. Jackson survey No 2. Consideration \$2000.

N. J. Wardlaw bought 189 acres out of Martin Demmer survey No 420 at \$10 per acre.

P. M. Allen bought north half of H. G. Baggs section No 8. Consideration \$2240.

### A Bold Robbery Attempted.

Miss Alpha Freeman, who left here last Wednesday for Cleburne to accept a position as stenographer with the Santa Fe Railway Co., was assaulted by a negro just as the train left Belton.

The negro climbed on top of the coach while the train stopped at Belton and when they were about 2 miles from town, Miss Freeman had the window raised by her seat in the coach and the negro climbed half way in and grabbed at her purse which was in her hand next to the car window. Miss Freeman suddenly changed her purse to her other hand and began screaming. Sheriff R. P. Kirk who was on the train enroute for Austin ran to her assistance, but was afraid to take a shot at the negro for fear of hurting Miss Freeman. As soon as the negro saw Kirk's pistol pointed at him he fell from the coach to the ground without getting the purse. By the time they stopped the train the negro had escaped and so far has not been caught.

### Cotton Receipts.

The cotton receipts up to Friday night were 4100. Up to the same date 1900 Ballinger received 4348 bales.

### The Rain.

The rain which fell last Sunday was a great thing for old Runnels. The benefit to the crop of wheat was incalculable, and it came in such a way as not to do much damage to the cotton crop.

### The Election in Concho County.

The following were elected in Concho county: County Judge, C. Crozier; Sheriff, Bengé; Clerk, Houston; Treasurer, Joe Currie; Commissioner Precinct No 1, King.

## THE WINTERS RESTAURANT

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**Farmers Wagon and Feed Yard.**  
Close to court house. Good accommodations. Hay and grain for sale. Fees 5 d 15 cents. A. S. JUSTICE.

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Easy shaves and stylish hair cuts. Prices 10 cents for shave 25 cents for hair cut. Give me a trial.

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## VAN PELT & KIRK

## J. F. LUSK & CO.

Is the place to buy your grain, groceries and feed of all kinds. Fresh goods prompt delivery is our motto.

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May be had by buying your Furniture, Stoves, Queensware, Glassware, in fact every thing the household line from us. Also money saved for you on every purchase. Remember every day is bargain day at our store. Stoves and Furniture repairing a specialty

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I always keep the best the market affords and will treat you right. Give me a trial.

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## Fred Bollier Restaurant.

Meals at all hours, short orders from morning until after train time at night. Good cooking and polite service.

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Do you want Insurance? If so, look over the "BIG 13" and see how they strike you for strength:

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- (3) Royal of Liverpool, established in 1845 assets \$7,440,281.
- (4) Phenix of London, established in 1782 assets \$2,897,059.
- (5) Hartford of Hartford, established in 1810 assets \$12,259,076.
- (6) Scottish Union & National of Edinburgh, established in 1824 assets \$4,404,937.
- (7) Springfield of Springfield, Mass., established in 1849 assets \$5,898,887.
- (8) Fire Association of Philadelphia, established in 1817 assets \$6,315,526.
- (9) Liverpool, London & Globe of London, established in 1836 assets \$10,315,391.
- (10) New Hampshire of Manchester N. H. established in 1869 assets \$3,475,984.
- (11) Orient of Hartford Conn. established in 1867 assets \$2,200,723.
- (12) Penn Fire of Philadelphia, established in 1825 assets \$5,450,663.
- (13) Traders of Chicago, established in 1863 assets \$2,532,430.

For safety, security and prompt adjustments the above leads.

## R. L. MADDOX

But where to find that happiest spot below; Who can direct, when all pretend to know?

— Goldsmith.

Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good Crop Raiser. Not only Cattle but Wheat, Cotton, Corn, Feec Stuffs, Cantaloupes, Garden Truck and Good Health flourish here—in a district where Malaria is impossible and very little doing for Jails and Hospitals. Land, which is being sold at really low figures—the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and Farms and Ranches of all sizes, very happily located, are being purchased daily.

We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little Book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate Association, which contains an interesting series of straightforward statement of what People Have Accomplished along the line of

# "THE DENVER ROAD."

Passenger Department,

Fort Worth, Texas.

N. B.—We find our passenger patronage very gratifying. It is necessary to run three trains daily each way as far as Wichita Falls, and two clear thru. We continue the year round, the excellent Class A service that insures the preference of Colorado and California Tourists, Winter and Summer. By the way, we offer now now offer more than half a dozen routes to California, the newest being via Dalhart (also good for old Mexico), with first grade Eating Cars all the way.

We sell a Home-Seeker's ticket, good thirty days, at one and a third fare the round trip, allowing stopovers at Vernon and points beyond, both ways.

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Delicious hot milk drinks at J. L. Chastain's.

If your shoes need repairing go to Bob Shaffers.

Prof. Fuller of Winters was in Ballinger Saturday.

If you want a neat up-to-date lap-robe go to Bob Shaffers.

Born to Louis Massey and wife a fine girl on Nov. 1st.

Thos. Kirpatrick of Winters was in Ballinger Tuesday.

Everything in the saddle and harness line at Bob Shaffers.

Lee Maddox and wife left Tuesday for Waco, to attend the Baptist convention.

No failures ever occur with the Companies R. G. Erwin & Co. represent.

A. L. Burk, one of Paint Rock's leading merchants, was in Ballinger Thursday.

Henry Lagging, of Miles, remembered the Banner-Leader substantially Saturday.

There will be preaching at the Cumberland Presbyterian church Sunday morning and night.

O. V. Payne, a prominent business man of Moody, Texas, was prospecting in Ballinger Thursday.

C. O. Harris and C. C. F. Blanchard left Thursday for Beaumont to look after their oil interests.

Frank and Ernest La Motte left Thursday for Galveston in response to a telegram from their father.

F. M. Murphy, of Norton, one of the Banner Leader's substantial friends called on us Wednesday and left us rejoicing.

C. H. Eoff brought his daughter to Ballinger Monday to take the east bound train for Waco where she will enter school.

The Commissioner's Court will convene next Monday at the Court House to transact the regular routine of business.

Judge Garland of Paint Rock passed through Ballinger for Mineral Wells to spend a few days with his wife and children.

If you want groceries go to the grocery man, if you want drugs go to the drug man; but if you want high grade candies go to the candy man.

J. L. CHASTAIN.

The following parties left Thursday afternoon for Waco as delegates to the Baptist convention now in session at that place: Rev. Caperton, S. R. Munsey, and Misses Nel'e Alexander and Bess Miller

Last Communion Service for the year at the M. E. church South Sunday, Nov. 9th, 1902. Preaching at night by the pastor Subject—The Consolation of the Christian. Every one invited to the last service of the year.

The cemetery association will meet at Mrs. J. W. Powell's next Wednesday the 12th at 4 o'clock. Every member is kindly requested to bring their dues as the payment is now due. We also have other important business we would like for every one to take part in. Please attend if possible.

J. W. Powell.

To the Farmers.

We will gin and wrap your cotton for the seed and pay \$5.00 extra as long as present prices prevail. Will pay more or less as the price of seed goes up or down. BALLINGER MILLING CO.

Bob Shaffer puts nothing out the best grade of leather in his saddles.

## Ladies

We are ready at all times to show our line of pattern hats. Our designs are of the latest, material the best and as to workmanship we invite careful examination.

**Mrs. Emma Godwin.**

Do you want the latest Styles in a Winter Hat

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Is the milliner you are looking for. We invite you to visit us.

**Mrs. STELLA FORBES**

## A LUCKY MAN

That's what you will be if you buy groceries from

**GODWIN & ALVIS**

We always keep a fresh line of GROCERIES VEGETABLES and EVERYTHING kept in a first class grocery store. Phone us.

## GODWIN & ALVIS

Wingate Items.

We haven't been heard from for some time yet we are still growing in size and business. Our gin is kept busy most all the time. We have ginned 417 bales this season. Our merchants are holding the trade in our town by giving top prices for cotton.

We have preaching every Sunday in the month. Rev. Sullivan, Baptist, preaches on the first Sunday, Rev. Lewis, Baptist, on the second, Rev. Bates, Methodist, on third, and Rev. Bearden, Christian on the 4th. The Methodists have a good Sunday School and all denominations join in and have prayer meeting on Wednesday night.

All seemed to enjoy the nice rain that fell Sunday morning.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Whiggan's little son who has been sick of fever for three weeks has relapsed and is quite sick.

We are glad to say that Mr. Parish and Miss Laura Humphreys, who have been quite sick, are some better.

Last but not least was the fruit supper Monday night given by Miss Ethel Moore. There were twenty couple in attendance and all reported a delightful time, which we always have when we go to see Miss Ethel for she knows just how to make us feel at home and welcome. The crowd was entertained with games of different kinds and music.

Prospectors are quite numerous in our town which goes to prove that there is something interesting at Wingate.

The ladies are raising money to build a parsonage for the new preacher.

Quite a number of Wingate people attended the dog and pony show at Ballinger.

Country Talk.

Pianos-Pianos-Pianos.

Crews and McGregor have recently sold pianos to the following parties: Mrs. J. F. Currie, Mrs. J. B. Alvis, Mrs. Plummer, Miss Edna Odom.

When you want a piano, any grade or price, we can fit you up. Patronize home dealers.

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**LION COFFEE**

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### Stray Thoughts.

Don't worry.  
Worry kills more people than hard work.

The man who rides a hobby always wants the whole road.

Be the kind of man you would have your boy become.

Don't fail to keep up with your profession if you expect to follow it.

It is vain to pray "Deliver us from evil," unless you try to keep from sin.

Seek the company of those whose influence will be the most helpful to you.

He who cannot wait until the time comes to act will fail to gain the victory.

No one is in the place God wants him to be but can find opportunities to do good.

It will not help your own crop to sit on the fence and count the weeds in your neighbor's crop.

No matter what your situation in life may be, never be satisfied to do anything but your very best.

When God puts his children in the furnace he will always be with them to see that no harm comes to them.

The man who sits down to plan how he can make money without earning it is on the brink of ruin.

The service of the Christian is always acceptable no matter how small it may be, provided it is the best he can give.

The sermon never does the man much good who leaves his pocket-book at home for fear he will be asked to give something to help support the church.

The man who has made a mistake and learned of it has learned an important lesson; but the lesson will be of no value to him unless he seeks to correct his mistake.—Rev. J. W. Neyman, in Christian Standard.

### Managing the Crooks.

Over 100 professional crooks, including diamond thieves, pick pockets, confidence men and the like, were turned out of the San Antonio jail one day the past week. They had been put there to keep them from working their games on the visitors to the fair. Chiefs of police and detectives from all over the state aided the San Antonio force in spotting this class of men as fast as they arrived, and but few of them got to do any crooked work.

The crooks were tutted out just in time for Temple to catch about fifteen of them who sought the circus crowd to replenish purses made low by their treatment at San Antonio. Marshall Williams was fortunate enough to have the leader of a gang of ten pointed out to him and with two of the gang, "Yellow" was held in the calaboose. The others, fearing to be recognized, kept hidden all circus day, and as a consequence, not a case of robbery was reported to the police.—Temple Tribune.

"Do you keep matches?" asked a wag of one of our grocers.  
"Oh, yes, all kinds!" said the grocer.

"Well, I'll take a trotting match," said the boy.

Whereupon the grocer seized him by the nape of the neck and applied his right trotter vigorously. He found his match and trotted.—Ex.

Columbians are indignant at the supervision of the isthmian railway by Americans.

J. E. Brewer solicits your repairing.

There was a young man who had a face on him that was so homely that it would sometimes wake him up in the middle of the night and occasionally when he would look at a stray dog it would go away and have a fit. This young man loved a maiden and wanted to give her his heart and hand, but she gave him the ha ha and told him if he could trade his face off for a patent medicine cut or hang a chromo over his mouth she might consider his proposition. The young fellow went away sorrowful and also somewhat warm under his celluloid collar, but it cured him of most of his foolishness. He started the next week for the Klondike, opened up a restaurant and came back in four years \$3,000,000 to the good. The young woman who had given him the marble heart four years before was still single and was getting into the class where about all the gatherings she got a bid to were church socials, where the preacher announced that "all are cordially invited to attend." When the old girl learned that the man whose application she had turned down four years before had returned home with the dough, she determined that she would sidle up to him, but the sidle act didn't work worth a cent. Finally she had an opportunity to talk with him privately and said, "You don't know, Jim how I have regretted the remarks I made to you before you left here four years ago."

"Yes, I suppose so," said James, as he adjusted a thousand dollar diamond in his shirt front. "I suppose so. You are the tenth woman I have met since I came back who told me that I don't know how she regretted the remarks she made to me before I went away."

Moral: A million dollars will make a seed wart on the nose appear as beautiful as the dimple in the cheek of a maiden.—Missouri Valley Farmer.

### Dey Shall Rise Again.

A story is told of a colored preacher who was holding a meeting in a tobacco barn in a rural district in Kentucky. An empty hogshead was pressed into service as an elevation upon which to stand while delivering his discourse. Warming up with his subject, he soon became excited. Throwing his arms into the air above his head, and elevating his foot, he exclaimed: "De righteous shall rise and de wicked shall fall!"

At the word "fall" he brought his foot down vehemently upon the head of the hogshead, and like a flash it gave way, and he dropped out of sight, being short of statue. Amid the precipitated uproar he reached up and grasping the chime of the barrel drew himself into view, shouting: "Bless God, dey shall rise again."

The town of St. Pierre, New Foundland, was almost destroyed by fire.

The Sixth Annual Fair of the Southwest Texas Fair Ass'n, Victoria, Tex. Convention rates sell Nov. 9 and 10th.

Annual Convention American Banker's Ass'n, New Orleans, La. Round trip rate one standard first-class fare plus \$2.00

North Texas Annual Conference M. E. Church South, Temple, Texas. Convention rates. Sell Nov. 10th and 11th.

### Bargains in Real Estate.

No. 1. A good six room house, two galleries, two good wells, good stable, good fence around premises, one acre of ground situated in a desirable part of Ballinger, price \$1000.

No. 2. A good 4 room house with two galleries, good well, stable and outhouses; situated in a convenient part of Ballinger, price \$900.

No. 3. A three room house, two galleries, stable, good well, located in a desirable part of Ballinger; 4 acres of fine land in cultivation upon which improvements are situated. This place can be bought for \$600 cash or \$800 on time payment.

No. 4. A good six-room dwelling, good picket fence around yard, water works, etc. two lots, price \$850. Easy terms.

No. 5. A good 4 room house; good cistern, good stable and outhouses, water works. Near the business part of town. Price \$700. \$4.50 cash, \$2.50 on time.

No. 6. 1099 acres in one enclosure 10 miles northeast of Winters. 885 acres in one tract with a good two room house, two tanks and 50 acres in cultivation. This will be sold at \$4 per acre. Tract No 2 contains 173 acres pasture land adjacent and enclosed by same fence as tract No 1. Price \$2.50.

This is a rare bargain and anyone wanting a good stock farm would do well to investigate this offer.

No. 7. One hundred and six acre farm. Forty acres in cultivation. Seventy-five acres good valley land, balance good grass. Good three-room house. Grainery. Schools and churches convenient. Price \$7 per acre.

No. 8. 640 acres. Permanent water. 100 acres in cultivation. 4-room dwelling. Underground cistern; cellar, lots, out houses, sheds etc. 150 bearing fruit trees in orchard. Convenient to church, school and postoffice. 10 miles north of Ballinger and 6 miles southwest of Winters. Price \$10 per acre. \$1500 cash, the balance on 5, 10 or 20 years time to suit the purchaser.

No. 9. A good 6-room dwelling, two galleries, halls etc. One lot. Good well. Located in the choicest residence portion of Ballinger. Price \$1000. Terms one-half cash, balance in two equal annual payments.

No. 10. 423 acres, all tillable land. 80 acres in cultivation. 2 good wells, one with windmill, both have unexhaustable water. Convenient to church, postoffice, and school. 17 miles from Ballinger. Price \$10.50 per acre. \$2500 cash, balance in two notes one and two years at 8 per cent. This is a rare bargain.

From now on I will publish a list of real estate listed with me for sale and parties desiring quick sales would do well to consult me. C. P. SBEPHERD.

### A Startling Surpris.

Very few could believe in looking at A. T. Hoalthy, a healthy robust blacksmith, of Tilden, Ind., that for ten years he suffered such tortures from rheumatism as few could endure and live. But a wonderful change followed his taking Electric Bit ters. "Two bottles wholly cured me," he writes, "and I have not felt a twinge in over a year." They regulate the kidneys, purify the blood and cure rheumatism, neuralgia, nervousness, improve digestion and give perfect health. Try them. Only 50cts at J. Y. Pearce's drugstore.

Silverware at Brewer's.

## Ballinger Lumber Co.

A full supply on hand of all kinds  
...of Building Material...

Lime, Cement, Sash, Doors and Blinds.

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**It's Your Liver!** Your appetite is poor, your heart "flutters," you have headaches, tongue is coated, bad breath, bowels constipated, bad taste in the mouth? If not all of these symptoms, then some of them? It's

# Herbina

containing no narcotics or narcotic poisons. It relieves any or all symptoms, makes your appetite and spirits good. At druggists, 50 cents.

Sold and Guaranteed by E. D. WALKER,

## DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS)

BLACK SPRING, Ark., Sept. 18, 1901.  
Rev. J. W. Berry (of Arkansas Methodist Conference, writes): "Enclosed find fifty cents for which please mail me two packages of 'TEETHINA.' We wonder how we have raised children without it. The other day a lady in Missouri sent us a package and it came at a most opportune time; our babe was in a serious condition; his bowels had been in bad condition for days, and nothing that we gave did any good; the second dose of 'TEETHINA' gave perfect relief and he has had no further trouble. Other members of the family have used it and every dose has been a perfect success."

### On Minut Cough Cur.

Is the only harmless cough cure that gives instant relief. Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Pneumonia, Asthma, La Grippe, and all throat, chest and lung troubles. "I got soaked by rain," says Gertrude E. Fenner, Muncie, Ind., "and contracted a severe cold and cough. I failed rapidly; lost 48 lbs. My druggist recommended One Minute Cough Cure. The first bottle brought relief; several cured me. I am back to my old weight, 148 lbs. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, relieves the cough at once, draws out inflammation, cures croup. An ideal remedy for children. E. D. Walker.

### Notic.

In order to clean up our old papers now on hand we will, until our supply is exhausted, sell old papers for wrapping purposes at 10cts per 100.  
BANNER-LEADER.

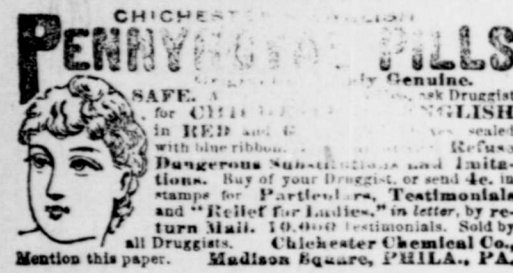
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which some coffee roasters use to glaze their coffee with—would you eat that kind of eggs? Then why drink them?

## Lion Coffee

has no coating of storage eggs, glue, etc. It's coffee—pure, unadulterated, fresh, strong and of delightful flavor and aroma.  
Uniform quality and freshness are insured by the sealed package.

If you are bilious and seeking advisers,  
Take De Witt's Little Early Risers,  
Just before going to bed.  
You will find on the morrow,  
You are rid of your sorrow.  
That's all; just enough said.  
These famous pills do not gripe, but move the bowels gently and easily, cleansing the liver. Their tonic effect gives strength to the glands, preventing a return of the disorder. E. D. Walker.

I guarantee all my repairing  
Jas. E. Brewer.



**THOUSANDS SAVED BY DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY**

This wonderful medicine positively cures Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Pneumonia, Hay Fever, Pleurisy, La-Grippe, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Croup and Whooping Cough. Every bottle guaranteed. No Cure. No Pay. Price 50c. & \$1. Trial bottle free.

## Things We Like Best

**Often Disagree With Us**

Because we overeat of them. Indigestion follows. But there's a way to escape such consequences. A dose of a good digestant like Kodol will relieve you at once. Your stomach is simply too weak to digest what you eat. That's all indigestion is. Kodol digests the food without the stomach's aid. Thus the stomach rests while the body is strengthened by wholesome food. Dieting is unnecessary. Kodol digests any kind of good food. Strengthens and invigorates.

**Kodol Makes Rich Red Blood.**

Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The \$1 bottle contains 2 1/2 times the 50c. size.



**Miss Ida M. Snyder,**  
Treasurer of the Brooklyn East End Art Club.

"If women would pay more attention to their health we would have more happy wives, mothers and daughters, and if they would observe results they would find that the doctors' prescriptions do not perform the many cures they are given credit for."

"In consulting with my druggist he advised McElree's Wine of Cardui and Theodor's Black-Draught, and so I took it and have every reason to thank him for a new life opened up to me with restored health, and it only took three months to cure me."

Wine of Cardui is a regulator of the menstrual functions and is a most astonishing tonic for women. It cures scanty, suppressed, too frequent, irregular and painful menstruation, falling of the womb, whites and flooding. It is helpful when approaching womanhood, during pregnancy, after childbirth and in change of life. It frequently brings a dear baby to homes that have been barren for years. All druggists have \$1.00 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

## WINE OF CARDUI

—Buy yourself a new dress, make biscuit for supper with Housekeepers Delight flour and "all will be well"—Davis-Noyes Co. 23-1f

Old papers for sale at this office 20cts per 100.

**Bright's Disease.**

The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, Aug. 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500.00 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases.

They commenced the serious investigation of the Specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its own merits by putting over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic, incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges. Up to Aug. 25, eighty seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably.

There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the clinical reports of the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application. Address JOHN J. FULTON COMPANY, 420 Montgomery St. San Francisco, Cal.

**Asleep Amid Flames.**

Breaking into a blazing home, some firemen lately dragged the sleeping inmates from death. Fancied security, and death near. It's that way when you neglect coughs and colds. Don't do it. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption gives perfect protection against all throat, chest and lung troubles. Keep it near and avoid suffering, doctor's bills and death. A teaspoonful stops a late cough, persistent use the most stubborn. Harmless and nice tasting, it's guaranteed to satisfy by J. Y. Pearce druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

**ANDREW CARNEGIE.**

**Gets Off his Little Joke on a Wall Street Messenger.**

Andrew Carnegie is not often a visitor to Wall Street, and when he went down there a few days ago he passed unobserved down the famous thoroughfare, right into the arms of a runner for a bucket shop.

"Come to put up a little money on the rise of the market?" asked the runner. "Sure thing; can't lose. Stocks are going up. I'll show you where you can double your money in half an hour."

"Double all I have?" asked Mr. Carnegie, assuming an air of eager innocence.

"How much've you got?" inquired the runner.

Oh, a little less than \$175,000,000, replied the canny Scotsman simply.

"Wh-what?" gasped the man.

"But I am trying to get rid of it, not double it," went on the iron-master.

"Why are you Andrew Carnegie?" asked the runner.

"I am," said he, going on and chuckling quietly to himself.—N. Y. Times.

**Worm Destroyer.**

White's Cream Vermifuge not only kills worms, but removes the mucus and slime in which they build their nests; it brings, quickly, a healthy condition of the body where worms cannot exist. 25c at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**Cured of Piles After 40 Years.**

Mr. C. Haney, of Geneva, Ohio, had the piles for forty years. Doctors and dollars could do him no lasting good. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him permanently. Invaluable for cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, lacerations, eczema, tetter, salt rheum and all other skin diseases. Look for the name DeWitt on the package—all others are cheap, worthless counterfeits. E. D. Walker.

**Beautiful Clear Skies.**

Herbine exerts a direct influence on the bowels, liver and kidneys, purifying and strengthening these organs, and maintaining them in a normal condition of health; thus removing a common cause of yellow, mothy greasy skin, and more or less of pimples, blotches and blackheads. 50c at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**A Smart Youth.**

A bright youth of fourteen or thereabouts walked into a certain grocer's shop one morning.

"Do you want a smart boy, sir," he asked.

The tradesman, who wasn't exactly in need of a boy, smiled at the youngster's business-like air.

"So," he remarked, "you consider yourself a smart boy, do you? Do you think you could run this business as well as myself?"

The youngster glanced round the shop and calmly replied:

"I think I could do some things a little better than you, sir."

"Indeed!" gasped the grocer.

"Yes. Now look at that butter, for instance. Don't you think it would be better to label it 'Can't be beaten,' instead of 'Can't be approached,' as you have it? Some folks'll think its scarcely fresh you know!"

That youngster wasn't long out of a berth.

**Best Liniment on Erath.**

J. M. McHany, Greenville, Tex., writes, Nov 2nd 1900: "I had rheumatism last winter, was down in bed six weeks; tried everything but got no relief till a friend gave me a part of a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment. I used it and got two more bottles. It cured me and I haven't felt any rheumatism since, I can recommend Snow Liniment to be the best liniment on earth for rheumatism." For rheumatic, sciatic or neuralgic pains, rub in Ballard's Snow Liniment. You will not suffer long, but will be gratified with a speedy and effective cure. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**A Thanksgiving Dinner.**

Heavy eating is usually the first cause of indigestion. Repeated attacks inflame the mucous membranes lining the stomach, exposes the nerves of the stomach, producing a swelling after eating, heartburn, headache, sour risings, and finally catarrh of the stomach. Kodol relieves the inflammation, protects the nerves and cures the catarrh. Kodol cures indigestion, dyspepsia, all stomach troubles by cleansing and sweetening the glands of the stomach. E. D. Walker.

**Startling, but True.**

"If every one knew what a grand medicine Dr. King's New Life Pills is," writes D. H. Turner, Dempseytown, P. "you'd sell all you have in a day. Two weeks' use has made a new man of me." Infallible for constipation, stomach and liver troubles. 25c at J. Y. Pearce's drug store.

**Great alarm was felt in Guatemala over the volcanic eruption which caused great damage.**

**Eleven Cuban children held at New York will probably be deported.**

**Mr. John Barrett regards the present as a critical period for American trade in China.**

**By sending 13 miles Wm. Spirey, of Walton Furnace, Vt., got a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, that wholly cured a horrible fever sore on his leg. Nothing else could. Postively cures bruises, felons, ulcers, eruptions, boils, burns, corns and piles. Only 25c. Guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce druggist.**

## Cures Skin Troubles. Cancer and Blood Poison. Greatest Blood Purifier Free.

If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching, risings and lumps, scabby, pimply skin, bone pains, catarrh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take Botanic Blood Balm (B B B) according to directions. Soon all sores heal, aches and pains stop, the blood is made pure and rich, leaving the skin free from every eruption, and giving the rich glow of perfect health to the skin. At the same time B B B improves the digestion, cures dyspepsia, strengthens weak kidneys. Just the medicine for old people as it gives them new vigorous blood. Druggists \$1 per large bottle, with directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co. Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. B B B is especially advised for chronic, deep seated cases of impure blood and skin disease, and cures after all else fails.

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## A Dangerous Month.

This is the month of coughs, colds and acute catarrh. Do you catch cold easily? Find yourself hoarse, with a tickling in your throat and an annoying cough at night? Then, you should always have handy, a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. J. A. Anderson, 354 W. 5th St. Salt Lake City, writes: "We use Ballard's Horehound Syrup for coughs and colds. It gives immediate relief. We know it's the best remedy for these troubles. I write this to induce other people to try this pleasant and effective remedy." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**Too Lonesome for Johnnie.**

Johnnie had been caught putting his little fingers in the jam, and in order to extricate himself from the dilemma had told a neat lie.

"I feel very much ashamed of you, Johnnie," said his mother, sadly. "I fear a little boy who tells lies will never go to Heaven."

"Did you ever tell a lie?" asked audacious Johnnie, sucking the remainder of the jam from his fingers.

"Well—I hope—I fear—" began his mother.

"Did pa ever tell a lie?" Johnnie went on mercilessly.

"Your father is a good man," came the diplomatic rejoinder.

"Then ma," said Johnnie, irreverently. "I don't want to go to heaven. It would be awfully lonesome with just God and me and George Washington."—New York Times.

**Luck in Thirteen.**

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## Why She Didn't Holler.

A young woman over in Van Zandt county was suing her recreant lover for breach of promise and the lawyers were as usual making all sorts of seemingly impertinent inquiries.

"You say," remarked one "that the defendant frequently sat very close to you?"

"Yes, sir," was the reply with a hectic flush

"How close?"

"Close 'nough so's one chair was all the sitting room we needed."

"And you say he put his arm around you?"

"No; I didn't."

"What did you say then?"

"I said he put both arms around me."

"Then what?"

"He hugged me."

"Very hard?"

"Yes, he did—so powerful hard that I come mighty near hollerin' right out."

"Why didn't you holler?"

"Cause."

"That's no reason. Be explicit please. Because why?"

"Cause I was afeered he'd stop."

The court room here exploded and the sheriff had to rap for order.—Henderson Times.

## Very Simple.

A rather simple looking lad halted before a blacksmith's shop on his way home from school and eyed the doings of the proprietor with much interest.

The brawny smith, dissatisfied with the boy's curiosity, held a piece of red-hot iron suddenly under the youngster's nose, hoping to make him beat a hasty retreat.

"If you'll give me half a dollar I'll lick it," said the lad.

The smith took from his pocket half a dollar and held it out.

The simple looking youth took the coin, licked it, and slowly walked away whistling.—Chums.

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# It's About Now!

This is the time of the year when you wonder if a new suit of clothes will help your good looks, generally it will and from our large stock you can pick one that will please you and wear splendidly.

We will give a special discount of **10 per cent**

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## ...LADIES...

Now is time to buy your dress goods and trimmings. See our line before you buy. A most beautiful line of fine Embroideries, the prettiest ever brought to Ballinger.

Remember this is the first month of our CASH system and we reduced prices considerably.

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# Chilton Dry Goods Company Has It For Less

Will Woods spent Sunday in San Angelo.

Miss Eva Marshall of Maverick, spent Saturday in Ballinger.

Miss Edna Pettit of Wingate was in Ballinger Saturday attending the show.

Ed Schawe, manager of his father's store at Bronte Sunday in Ballinger.

Harry Sharp came down Sunday afternoon and spent a short while with home folks.

Clarence Clampitt left Monday for Dallas to accept a position in a wholesale house of that city.

Ed Gentry and wife of Maverick spent Saturday in Ballinger and took in Gentry Bros. show.

Carl Wilson began work at the City Hotel Saturday Nov. 1st, B. W. Pilcher having resigned.

Mrs. Z. C. Nelson left Monday for Brownwood for a short visit. From there she will go to De Leon.

Mr. Cooper and wife of Belton spent last Friday in Ballinger. Mr. Cooper buys cotton up and down the Santa Fe.

C. C. F. Banchard returned from Kansas City the latter part of last week where he had been with a shipment of cattle.

John Dale, one of Winters most progressive merchants, took in Gentry Bros. show here Saturday with his lady friend.

W. C. Bowden of the firm Bowden Bros. left Sunday afternoon for Russelville, Ark., to attend court. Mr. Bowden is the plaintiff in a suit against the Railway Co. for damages sustained some time ago in the shipment of some stock.

Miss Euna Gustavus left last Friday for Glen Rose where she has been elected teacher in the public schools of that city. Miss Gustavus is a graduate of the Sam Houston Normal Institute and is well qualified for teaching.

J. W. Wescott and A. P. Blakeley of Farmersville, Tennessee, were prospecting in Runnels county this week. The former bought the old Herring place near Runnels and both gentlemen will farm same next season.

Dr. C. A. McBeth, of Miles, was in Ballinger Saturday with a petition to have his father appointed to the position of carrying prisoners to the pen over the Santa Fe line.

Mrs. C. W. Odom of Maverick spent Monday in Ballinger the guest of Mrs. G. G. Odom and took the afternoon train for Coleman to visit her sister Mrs. Cole.

W. W. McKinley has leased his shop to W. D. Wilson and Dan Moss, Messrs. Wilson & Moss taking possession last Monday.

Miss Alpha Freeman, niece of Mrs. J. A. Forbes left Wednesday for Cleburne to accept a position with the Santa Fe in one of their main offices.

Ross Moss has rented his wagon yard for 14 months to a Mr. Caruth from Rockdale. Mr. Moss and wife will leave for Arizona shortly.

C. A. Loyd and J. A. Johnson, two prominent farmers of Wingate, were in town Wednesday.

R. P. Kirk left Wednesday for Austin.

Ed Stone of Winters was in Ballinger Thursday.

John Simmons is suffering with an abcess on his hand this week.

Mr. McAdams has rented the Brown Hotel and will keep boarders.

W. G. Allen the gin man of Wingate brought in 15 tons of cotton seed Thursday.

W. H. McLaughlin of Hylton passed through Ballinger Tuesday, enroute for Hubbard City.

H. H. Luckett came in Tuesday night from his El Paso county ranch to spend a few days with home folks.

O. L. Clark, general manager of the real estate for the G. C. & S. F., passed through Ballinger Thursday. He had been to San Angelo to look after the sale of some lots.

F. M. Jackson and wife passed through Ballinger Thursday for Mullin and from there to Temple to attend Conference. Rev. Jackson was pastor of the Winters circuit the past year.

Judge C. H. Willingham brought in from his ranch Wednesday a sample of corn and cotton raised on his "Colorado Valley" farm. The stalk of cotton had 125 bolls on it and the sample of corn was the best we have ever seen in Runnels county. Both are now on exhibition at Lange & Doose's land office and anyone interested may call in and see it.

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If you trade at this store. Our large stock, low prices courteous treatment and quick service count for nothing if we can not please you, and we are not content unless we can arrange matters so that you're a satisfied customer. We want every detail of your trading here to be pleasant. We do not ask anyone to purchase our goods on anything but the merits of the goods. The goods and prices must be right. It's your regular business that we want and if you'll give us a chance we think we can prove that your interests are best served by trading here.

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Prepare for that "norther" by ordering your wool from J. A. Forbes.

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Wiley's chocolates and bonbons received fresh twice a week at J. L. Chastain's candy and oyster parlor.

L. Markowitz & Bros new goods have arrived and a nobbler line of clothing was never exhibited in Ballinger.

Oysters in all styles at Jack Hill's. Short orders and regular meals too. Everything in season and the best the market affords.

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