

# BANNER-LEADER.

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, March 21 1903

NO 23

## LADIES

Our Spring and Summer Stock of

### Embroideries, Trimming

### and White Dress Goods

Are here. The finest line ever offered the buying public. Come while our stock is complete and select your summer dress wear. \* \* \* \* \*



The latest novelties in Spring and Summer Dress Wear always at \* \* \* \* \*

## MARKOWITZ & CO

### Our Millinery Opening a Grand Success

For which I thank the good ladies of Ballinger and Community. I sold more hats and a finer grade of hats than at any previous Opening.

### TO LADIES

Who have not yet made purchases, I will state that I will have another lot of Pattern Hats 10 days before Easter and I feel sure I can please you. Don't wait until the stock has been picked over to make your purchase but come early while the stock is complete.

Respectfully,

## Mrs. Stella Forbes

At Currie-Noyes Co.

#### Cupid's Capers.

Marriage license issued this week were as follows:

J. W. Rainwater and Miss Ida Montgomery.

Horace Estes and Miss Georgia Westfall.

The announcement of Pete McGregor for re-election to the office of city secretary, assessor and collector appears this week. Mr. McGregor has performed the duties of this office several terms and has always been courteous and obliging. If re-elected he promises the same faithfulness to duty as in the past.

Watch for the great hypnotic sleep in the window of Judge Guion's on eighth street. The subject will be hypnotized at the Opera House next Monday night and placed in an elegant state casket furnished by J. A. Oster-tag & Co. He will then be carried to the window and will be in public view for twenty-four hours being awakened during Tuesday night's performance. Seats now on sale at 35, 50 and 75 cents. One lady free with each paid reserved seat ticket

#### Brownwood People Pleased.

The following testimonial from the manager of the Mirth Opera House at Brownwood speaks for itself:

To whom it may concern:

The LeRoy Hypnotic Co showed my house all last week to good business, giving entire satisfaction and turning away pleased audiences every night. My patrons were more than pleased with the performances and should the company desire to return they can have any date I have open. R. W. Harryman, Mgr. Mirth Opera House.

See the new jewelry at Jas. E. Brewers.

White goods in endless variety at Markowitz & Co's.

Quick sales and small profits. T. S. LANKFORD.

Men's Laundered Shirts 35cts and up at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

New car of buggies and surreys just received at F. J. Williams & Co's and prices guaranteed to suit.

Let Jas. E. Brewer fit your eyes one time and be convinced that he handles the best spectacles and knows how to fit your eyes.

#### 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

#### To the Public.

I will be located in the future in the Spence building in San Angelo and will continue to look after the land business in the Miles country.

W. D. CURRIER.

If you are going to build it will pay you to figure with F. J. Williams & Co. Their stock is the largest, their prices the lowest.

#### Daughters of Confederacy Organized.

At a call meeting a chapter of the Daughters of Confederacy was organized at the M. E. Church South March 7, 1903. As a great many who are entitled to membership could not be requested to meet with us Monday March 23, 1903 at the Opera House and enroll their names and take part in all future meetings. The following program will be rendered, at the Opera House at 4:30 p. m. Monday, March 23, 1903:

Song by chapter.

Secretary's report.

Paper—Object of Organization—Mrs. C. F. Dickinson.

A Biography of Jefferson Davis—Miss Alice Routh.

Song by the chapter.

Some Anecdotes of the War—Mrs. Mary Hunt Odum.

Selection of name for chapter.

Vocal Solo—Miss Hermia Smith.

Enrolling of new members.

#### Squire Abney's Court.

In Squire Abney's court in office of the Banner-Leader Mr. Wolf, who sells goods for the Galveston Dry Goods Co. and is pretty well-known in and around Runnels County was fined \$5.00 "with no costs" for cruelty to animals to wit: over driving a horse.

Mr. Wolf's friend, Mr. Brumberg of Galveston, who is attorney for the Galveston Dry Goods Co., instigated the moot court and promoted the trial from which the boys derived so much fun.

Mr. Wolf was duly arrested and brought before F. P. Abney, who posed as justice of the peace. Mr. Abney asked the accused man if he desired an attorney to represent him. Mr. Wolf replied that his associate, Mr. Brumberg would act as his attorney.

Attorney Brumberg asked permission to consult his client and after the consultation decided to enter a plea of guilty. Judge Abney discovered a criminal statute in Vol. 1 Sayles Civil Statutes where for this specific charge a man could be fined \$5 with no costs and same was immediately paid by Mr. Wolf.

As soon as the fine was paid his friend and attorney informed him that it was all a joke and the boys immediately surrounded him and began beating him over the head with their old wool hats and yelled "treats." Mr. Wolf took the joke good-naturedly and did his duty with the boys.

Every day is bargain day on laces and embroideries at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

Those signet and locket bracelets at Jas. E. Brewer's are the latest thing

#### A Laugh Producer.

The Brownwood Daily Bulletin says: "The LeRoy Hypnotic Show filled an engagement here last week that was well attended and highly entertaining. As a laugh producer the show cannot be excelled, while the phenomena exhibited were marvelous. We found Mr. LeRoy courteous and prompt in his business dealings.

# Goods

Our aim to furnish our customers with the very latest in design and our purchases have been made with the end in view. Our gents furnishings excel anything ever offered the buying public in Ballinger. Don't fail to look through our stock whether you buy or not.

# IT IS HERE!

## WHAT IS HERE

Currie-Noyes Co's Big Spring Stock of Dry Goods

Don't make your purchase of Spring Clothes until you look through our mammoth stock just from Chicago. Our styles are the latest. Our prices are the lowest

# CURRIE-NOYES CO.

# Groceries

A pleased cook means a happy home and there is nothing which makes a happy disposition more than nice fresh groceries. A hint to the wise is sufficient. Buy your groceries at the Big CURRIE-NOYES COMPANY store where price is right and the goods first class

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That Hon. "Jeems" Hogg will reenter politics now seems certain and when the old man gets to talking to the boys in the forks of the creek something is going to "drap." He has his eye on a seat in the U. S. Senate and in all probability will make a hard fight for this position.

For bargains phone 82. Everything bought and sold here.  
T. S. LANKFORD,  
The Saddle and Harness man  
W. W. Fowler, physician and  
over Walker's

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

## RUTS

The walking sick, what a crowd of them there are: Persons who are thin and weak but not sick enough to go to bed.

"Chronic cases" that's what the doctors call them, which in common English means—long sickness.

To stop the continued loss of flesh they need Scott's Emulsion. For the feeling of weakness they need Scott's Emulsion.

It makes new flesh and gives new life to the weak system.

Scott's Emulsion gets thin and weak persons out of the rut. It makes new, rich blood, strengthens the nerves and gives appetite for ordinary food.

Scott's Emulsion can be taken as long as sickness lasts and do good all the time.

There's new strength and flesh in every dose.



We will be glad to send you a few doses free.

Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.

SCOTT & BOWNE,  
Chemists,  
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50c. and \$1; all druggists.

The editor of the Dalhart Sun gives the following as his excuse for not allowing his name to be submitted as a candidate for mayor of that city:

Having lofty aspiration, political ambitions and an inclination to do the right thing at the right time, the editor of the Sun has, at the strong solicitation of many friends and with the approval of our many enemies—besides the consent of our host of acquaintances—decided not to become a candidate for mayor. The country may need him as minister plenipotentiary to the Fiji Islands, or he may be needed as referee in a prize fight in California or a bull fight in Mexico. So he will not permit his name to be pronounced, spoken, handled or used as candidate for mayor. Therefore, we trust a consideration of these feeble excuses will cause the solicitation of some other citizen to become a candidate for this office.

Some new diamonds at Jas. E. Brewer's, see them

Repairing turned out by Jas. E. Brewer is the best.

Let Lee Maddox write your tornado insurance at 25cts per \$100.

Lee Maddox writes tornado insurance in the best companies. See him.

You will find beauty and quality combined in Jas. E. Brewer's jewelry.

Lime, brick, cement and all kind of building material at the Ballinger Lumber Co.

If you want a hair cut let Mike cut it A La Paderweske. It's all the rage. Try one.

\$300,000--Responsibility of Stockholders--\$300,000

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No matter how small, no matter how large

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Office with the Banner-Leader.  
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Farmers when in town  
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Attorney-At-Law,  
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Building.  
BALLINGER TEXAS.

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  
on Banner-Leader.

I make a specialty of watch re-  
pairing Jas. E. Brewer.

### Vale Items.

Corn planting will be a thing  
of the past very soon in this  
part of the country. As for our  
small grain prospects, well Mr.  
Editor you will have to come  
and see for yourself. We can't  
begin to tell you how flattering  
it is.

Mrs. Millinax preached to a  
large audience at the Barnett  
school house last Sunday.

Mrs. McBennett says she will  
have to say goodby to her grand-  
mother, who has been visiting  
her during the past winter, as  
grandma informs her that she  
expects to return to her home  
in Coleman county on next Sat-  
urday. She is 86 years old.

The little daughter of Mrs. A.  
C. Bennett has been sick for the  
past two weeks but is a little  
better today.

We are informed that our  
school will be continued for five  
weeks longer. Miss Routh has  
given us good service in the  
school room, though this is the  
first school she has ever taught.

Now, Mr. Editor, will you  
please allow us a little space in  
the columns of your highly ap-  
preciated paper for the purpose

of dropping a few thoughts for  
the consideration of our worthy  
county attorney relative to the  
county road here. There is a  
strip of land sixty feet wide and  
fifty hundred and ninety nine  
varas long. Said strip of land  
has been officially surveyed  
three times, Mr. Williams, our  
county surveyor, officiating each  
time, and the object each time  
was to find the east boundry  
line of the T. M. Fowler league  
and labor survey No. 440. The  
east boundry line of the said  
T. M. Fowler survey is the center  
line of the Ballinger and  
Sweetwater first class county  
road and so described by the  
field notes of said road. The  
county has paid for thirty feet  
of land, to be taken from the T.  
M. Fowler survey No 440, ex-  
tending from the S E. to the N.  
E. corners of said Fowler survey;

the county has also paid for  
thirty feet of land adjoining to,  
and directly east of the east  
boundry line of the said Fowler  
survey, extending the same dis-  
tance, and to the same objects  
as the above. Now, Mr. Stone,  
the nearest approach that the  
strip of land being considered  
has ever made to H. C. Wylie's  
east fence was, and is, 40 yards.  
Mr. Stone, will you kindly tell  
the citizens of your county who  
the above described strip of land  
belongs to. You are the law  
officer of Runnels county.  
There is no one else to whom  
we can appeal, hence this card.  
Will you hear our plea? Now  
Mr. Stone, please don't treat  
this matter with silent contempt.  
We know that you are acquaint-  
ed with the situation of the road  
along the line, as hereinbefore  
described. Mr. H. C. Wylie  
himself told you that he had set  
his fence over his distance east

and in telling you he, in effect,  
told you that he (H. C. Wylie)  
did have, and still has, the Bal-  
linger and Sweetwater county  
road fenced up in his pasture.  
We humbly submit that it is  
your duty to take possession of  
the road for the county Will  
you do it? Don't let Mr. Cros-  
son beguile you with his plea of  
settling land line disputes. You  
have nothing to do with personal  
matters, but we suggest in all  
kindness that it is your duty to  
protect the honor and financial  
interests of the county and that  
is all we ask or expect. Will  
you do it? Citizen.

B. B. Stone and wife and Miss  
Henderson left Tue-day for  
Bryan on a visit. Mrs. Stone  
will remain some time with her  
parents. B B. will return in a  
few days.

W. H. Furlong left Tuesday  
for Fort Worth where he ex-  
pects to engage in business of  
some kind.

Make your horse happy by  
getting a new saddle at Bob  
Shaffer's.

Tragedy Averted.  
"Just in the nick of time our  
little boy was saved," writes  
Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant  
City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had  
played sad havoc with him and  
a terrible cough set in besides.  
Doctors treated him, but he  
grew worse every day. At  
length we tried Dr. King's New  
Discovery for Consumption, and  
our darling was saved. He is  
now sound and well." Every-  
body ought to know it's the only  
sure cure for coughs, colds and  
all lung diseases. Guaranteed  
by J. Y. Pearce, druggist. Price  
50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

### DO YOU GET UP

#### WITH A LAME BACK ?

#### Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the news-  
papers is sure to know of the wonderful  
cures made by Dr.  
Kilmer's Swamp-Root,  
the great kidney, liver  
and bladder remedy.

It is the great medi-  
cal triumph of the nine-  
teenth century; dis-  
covered after years of  
scientific research by  
Dr. Kilmer, the emi-  
nent kidney and blad-  
der specialist, and is  
wonderfully successful in promptly curing  
lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid trou-  
bles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst  
form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not rec-  
ommended for everything but if you have kid-  
ney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found  
just the remedy you need. It has been tested  
in so many ways, in hospital work, in private  
practice, among the helpless too poor to pur-  
chase relief and has proved so successful in  
every case that a special arrangement has  
been made by which all readers of this paper  
who have not already tried it, may have a  
sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book  
telling more about Swamp-Root and how to  
find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble.  
When writing mention reading this generous  
offer in this paper and  
send your address to  
Dr. Kilmer & Co., Bing-  
hamton, N. Y. The  
regular fifty cent and  
dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Don't make any mistake, but remember  
the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's  
Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton,  
N. Y., on every bottle.

San Angelo, Texas, Jan. 24, 1903

Bass Bros. Drug Company,

Dear Sirs:—Please give me the price on 6 doz. Bass  
Prairie Dog Poison, I have used it for three seasons and  
it is good. Yours,

Copy of a letter received by us today We have such  
ones almost every day.

## BASS BROS. DRUG CO.

For Sale By J. Y. PEARCE

## Are you going to Build

The BALLINGER LUMBER CO., handle  
first class stuff for building purposes.  
They figure close and accurately on all  
bills and furnish just what they represent.  
When in need of anything in our line let  
me figure with you. Lime, Cement, Sash,  
Doors and blinds always on hand. : : : :

## J. R. McVAY, Manager

BALLINGER TEXAS

## It's Not What You Make It's What You Save

That makes you rich and if you are  
alive to your own interests you will find  
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Other people do. Why not you? Our  
groceries are the best.

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### Announcement Column

Fees for announcement for city offices \$1.00.

For City Secretary, Assessor and Collector:

MISS FANNIE SIMMONS  
BOB LUSK.  
P. MCGREGOR.

For Marshal:

B. W. PILCHER.

### Taxing Corporations.

Because of the fact that the question of corporation is now a live question before our present legislature we submit the following clipping from the Post for its sound sense and true logic on this vital question:

Mount Pleasant, Texas, March 10.—The Post sounds a note of warning against the disposition of the Texas lawmakers to indiscriminately burden corporations with taxes. The true principle of taxation is taxation according to benefits received. A corporation receives a grant of the exclusive use of the streets of a city for the purpose of operating a street railway service. It capitalizes this franchise, irrespective of the actual capital invested, at \$1,000,000, and pays dividends of \$50,000 annually on it. Surely this is a "benefit received" from government. A tax according to benefits received would be \$50,000 a year on this franchise. But how is it taxed? The entire plant with its franchise, worth probably \$1,250,000, is assessed at about \$100,000, and pays \$3000 taxes instead of \$50,000—or only 6 per cent of the benefit it receives. A one-horse merchant starts in business with \$1000 borrowed capital. In some States, Tennessee among others, he must pay a privilege tax before he can open his doors. He may never have a dollar equity in his stock of goods, owing it all, yet he must pay interest, insurance, rent, license, poll tax and an ad valorem tax on \$1000 or thereabouts. He does not get off with an 8 per cent assessment and society does not present him with seventeen times as much as it takes from him in taxes. Surely he is not taxed in proportion to benefits received. He may not be worth a dollar, but he is sadly burdened with taxes. What benefits does he receive? Police protection, fire protection, etc? He already pays for all these when he pays his rent.

Should he pay twice for the same benefit? Is this just taxation? Take the same two properties—the street railway and the store. Say they were assessed at their true value—\$1,250,000 and \$1000 respectively. Say the former paid \$37,000 and the latter \$30. Would absolute justice be done between their owners? The ostensible owner of the store would be mulcted of \$30, although he owned no property whatever, while the owners of the street railway would continue to enjoy a liberal public bounty of \$12,500 a year.

There are corporations which enjoy practically no greater privileges than our supposititious merchant; they receive practically no public benefits. Then why should they be taxed? There is a growing conviction that the franchises of public service corporations should be public assets. It is also commonly believed that many corporations having tariff privileges are exercising private taxing powers. Hence the demand for the taxation of corporations. While the average voter is becoming somewhat discriminating and would tax only such corporations as are enjoying special favors, the recipients of such favors hasten to drag the general corporation tax herring across the trail.

A. Freeland.

Born to Jeff Brooks and wife Saturday the 14th a fine boy.

We're the printers.

Wall paper all styles and the best grades. J. Y. Pearce

Markowitz & Co's. spring goods have arrived.

Go to Hixson Bros. Racket Store for all kinds of fishing tackle.

See those new bracelets at Brewer's. They are right up-to-date.

You will find Jas. E. Brewer's stock complete and always up-to-date.

Summer underwear and straw hats cheap at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

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

Every day is bargain day on laces and embroideries at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

Lee Maddox will write you a \$1000 Tornado Insurance on your dwelling 3 years for \$5.00 in the best companies on earth.

I have a very fine assortment of spectacles and eye protectors. Come and have your eyes fitted correctly by Jas. E. Brewer.



### We Make

Bridles of every size and kind. Have a few in stock for cross eyed mules. Call and see them Everything up-to-now.

T. S. LANKFORD,  
The Saddle and Harness man.

# Spring Time is Approaching

You will need a new buggy to ride in during the summer days. VAN PELT & KIRK carry the Joseph W. Moon buggies and surries and they sell them cheap. Everyone knows the quality of these buggies

Our stock of Guns, Ammunition and sporting goods are always complete. When in need of anything in this line call on us

# Van Pelt & Kirk

### Your Laundry

Is an important part of your wearing apparel, so important that you should be careful who does your work

### The Home Steam Laundry

Does absolutely perfect work. You'll say so if you try it. We guarantee satisfaction and unless we give it, 'twill cost you nothing.

Strickland & Rutherford  
Ballinger, - - Texas



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Specialty of family washing.

A. H. FRIEMEL & CO.,  
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Buy, sell or repair all kinds of second hand goods at Lankford's saddle shop.

Your eyes tested and properly fitted with the best spectacles made, at Jas. E. Brewer's.

Read the Banner-Leader.

### WINDOW SHADES

White, Cream, Melroes, New Green and Olive Green colors just received at

Grews & McGregor's.

### Don't Buy Green Mesquite Wood

From off wagons when the wood yard will furnish for the same money, more wood, better wood and will saw to suit any stove. Phone Home Steam Laundry for your next wood.

J. A. FORBES

## FIRE INSURANCE

R. G. ERWIN & CO.

### Grand Millinery Display

At Mrs. Emma Godwin's Millinery Emporium, where she has on exhibition the most stylish line of street and dress hats ever exhibited to the buying public in Runnels county. Pattern hats in endless variety of styles, colors, etc. Don't wait till the stock is broken, for then you will not have the opportunity for such a wide range for selection

At The Hub MRS. EMMA GODWIN

Eggs,  
Chickens,  
Butter, Etc.

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Flour  
Meat  
Lard, Etc.

GROCERIES ALWAYS FRESH  
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THE MARKET AFFORDS.

COURTEOUS TREATMENT  
PROMPT SERVICE IS OUR  
MOTTO.

When you want groceries  
we should like to figure with  
you. Our stock is complete  
Prices the lowest possible.

# DAVIS, FANCHER & CO.

## Public Sale and Trade Day

### DON'T MISS IT

On the opening day, the  
1st Monday in March,  
property to the amount  
of \$965.10 was sold

Have you property of any  
kind to sell or trade? Do  
you wish to buy or trade  
for any kind of property?  
Then attend the next sale  
day the first Monday in  
April. Place of sale, court  
house square. Tell your  
friends and come yourself

Don't forget the  
day, April 6th.

**C. H. WILLINGHAM**  
Auctioneer and Manager.

### If Love Be There.

(To Claude and Maggie)  
Your lives are yours to mar or make,  
To mould them as you will;  
The warp and woof are in your hands  
To weave for good or ill.  
The fabric will be smooth and fine  
It's colors fresh and fair,  
Fadeless and bright forever more,  
If love, sweet love, be there.  
The shifting shadows of the world  
Across the web may play,  
Some tints may brighten into light  
And some be turned to gray.  
But as the violets in the shade  
Send forth their rarest bloom,  
Life's pattern will be wrought in joy  
If love stands at the loom.  
'Tis not the costliness and pride,  
The richness of design,  
That gives enchantment to one's life,  
But love, deep love, divine.  
No human fate, however fair  
With opening bud and leaf,  
But holds within its folds somewhere,  
The passion flower of grief,  
No sea is always smooth and calm,  
No sky forever fair;  
But every tempest of the heart,  
Is quelled if love be there.  
Then cherish it above all else,  
O, hold it fast and true,  
'Twill breathe a fragrance over life,  
Whatever fate may do.  
—Mary Hunt McCaleb.

### District Court.

The spring term of the District  
Court closed here Tuesday and  
District Judge Goodwin left that  
afternoon for Brownwood. The  
jury on the Murray case could  
not agree, stood 10 to 2 for ac-  
quittal, and the case will come  
up for trial again next court.  
Two or three non-jury cases  
were disposed of Monday which  
wound up the business for this  
term.

Marvelous, mystic and mys-  
terious, wonderful and weird,  
strange, startling, fast, furious,  
and funny, will be the entertain-  
ment given by the famous Le-  
Rois at the Opera House next  
Monday, Tuesday and Wednes-  
day night. Seats now on sale.  
One lady admitted free the first  
night if attended by escort with  
one full paid reserve seat ticket.

You will laugh until you can't  
get your face straight for a week  
if you attend the LeRoy Hyp-  
notic Show at the Opera House  
three nights beginning next  
Monday nights. Seats 35, 50  
and 75 cents. One lady admitted  
free with each paid reserved seat  
ticket.

A few nice winter robes left.  
Price from \$1.50 to \$6.50.  
T. S. Lankford.

### Notice.

Colorado, Tex., March 16, 1903.  
Editor Banner-Leader,  
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by  
proper authority to nominate  
from the Sixteenth congression-  
al district of Texas a candidate  
for appointment as cadet to the  
U. S. Military academy, and also  
a principal and three alternates  
for appointment as midshipman  
to the U. S. Naval academy.

In order to give all who may  
wish to apply an equal opportu-  
nity, and at the same time secure  
the best material for these ap-  
pointments, I have decided to  
provide a competitive examina-  
tion as a means of making my  
selections, and have therefore  
arranged for such examination  
to be held at Abilene, Texas, on  
April 4th, 1903, beginning at 9  
o'clock a. m. The applicant mak-  
ing the highest grade, mentally  
and physically, will receive the  
appointment for which he ap-  
plies. All who desire to enter  
the examination should at once  
send me their names and post  
office addresses, if they have not  
already done so. Information as  
to requirements for admission  
will be furnished on application.  
As some of your readers may  
be interested, I send you this  
letter in order that you may give  
it such publicity as you may see  
proper.

Very truly,  
W. R. SMITH,  
M. C. 16th District of Tex.

The west-bound train which  
should have arrived at 12:45 Fri-  
day morning did not reach here  
until Friday afternoon. It was  
due to a washout on the main line  
between Temple and McGregor.

### Friend-In-Need

If you hold receipt for mem-  
bership fee and haven't your  
certificate call on agent. Office  
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Capital - - \$50,000.00.  
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10 cents a Drink

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Think about it "Old Foreman" Whiskey  
10 cents a drink. We handle "Old For-  
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When in town call around.

Respectfully,

# Sam Mapes

**W. E. ZWON BARTON**  
**DENTIST,**  
 Office in K. P. Bld'g.  
**BALLINGER, - - TEXAS.**

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**GUION GREGG**  
 ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
 NOTARY PUBLIC  
 Office over First National Bank

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**J. W. POWELL,**  
 Attorney-At-Law  
 Special attention paid to probate matters,  
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**BALLINGER, - - TEXAS**

**Attempt to Assassinate Ex-Gov. Hogg.**  
 Austin, Texas, March 12.—A desperate attempt to assassinate ex-Governor James Stephen Hogg about 10 o'clock last night in the rotunda of the Driskill hotel was only averted through the interference of friends of both parties, who carried the belligerent bellicose individual back into the saloon. The frenzied man, who was crazed with liquor, made several attempts to break away from his captors, they being finally compelled to disarm him and take him to his

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room to sober up. The ex-governor was sitting with his back turned to the proceedings, blissfully unconscious of the vicious attempt on his life.

Mr. Hogg at the time of the incident was sitting with his back turned toward the rear of the hotel and directly opposite the clerk's desk, talking to a few friends. They, like Mr. Hogg, were sitting with their backs turned toward the proceedings, being grouped together in a semi-circle. The man who made attempt is a well-known railroad attorney. He is of a very sensitive nature and cannot stand to

be called a lobbyist, as his rebuke of Senator Culberson, when the latter was governor, plainly indicates.

The attorney was passing by the party when he overheard ex-Governor Hogg talking about railroad lobbyists. This angered him to such an extent that he proceeded to the barroom where he commenced to boll up. Upon arriving at a proper stage of "prorenata" he confided his secret intentions to a few members of the house gathered near and also a few lobbyists. They, never dreaming of the man's serious intentions, pooked his supposed idle threats. This served to more thoroughly anger him. Proceeding out of the barroom, he made straight for Mr. Hogg, at the same time pulling out what is claimed to have been a big dirk knife. The friends to whom he had confided his intentions, seeing that he meant what he had said and knowing his sensitive and fiery nature, especially when under the influence of drink, made to disarm him. By the time they blocked his pathway the man and his dirk were within twenty-five feet of the intended victim. Hastily seizing him, they bore him gently back to the saloon. When turned loose he made another attempt to get at Mr. Hogg, but this time his friends coralled him again and disarmed him. The frenzied man struggled to free himself from the grip of his captors, but was finally compelled to disgorge his knife and go quietly to his room.

GUION GREGG, Attorney  
 F. E. RYAN, Manager  
 J. NO. I. GUION, Special Counsel

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LOANS negotiated on your FARM and RANCH Lands. VENDORS LEIN NOTES taken up and extended. MONEY LOANED at the lowest possible rate of interest. Your business transacted with the greatest possible dispatch. EXCLUSIVE representative of H. P. DROUGHT & Co., one of the OLDEST Loan Companies doing business in this State

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Fulfills the above requirements in every respect. Give us a trial order and we are sure you will be our regular customer.

## The Miller Mercantile Co.

**It Saved His Leg.**

P. A. Danforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds and piles it is the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25cts. Sold by J Y Pearce, druggist.

The Spooner Dramatic Co. furnished amusement to the theatre going public Monday night at the Opera House. The play rendered was "A Bachelor's Romance," which was rendered in a way that brought down the house time and again. Awkward situations continually presented themselves but each time by a scratch they would be escaped. This company has long enjoyed the reputation of being the best that comes out to this western country and they certainly sustained that reputation on this occasion. They will play again here Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights of next week and you will miss a rare treat if you do not attend.

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Original and only genuine. SAFE. A remarkable relief, as Druggists for CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH in 1875 and Gold Medal, Paris, 1875. Dangerous substitutions and imitations. House, 100 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. Solely by all Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Madison Square, N.Y.

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

his wonderful medicine positively cures Consumption, Coughs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Pneumonia, Hay Fever, Pleurisy, Laryngitis, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Whooping Cough, and all other lung troubles. One bottle guaranteed. No return. Price 50c. & \$1.00 per bottle free.

**Do You Enjoy What You Eat?**

You can eat whatever and whenever you like if you take Kodol. By the use of this remedy disordered digestion and diseased stomachs are so completely restored to health, and the full performance of their functions naturally, that such foods as would tie one into a double-bow-knot are eaten without even a "rumbling" and with a positive pleasure and enjoyment. And what is more—these foods are assimilated and transformed into the kind of nutriment that is appropriated by the blood and tissues.


Kodol is the only digestant or combination of digestants that will digest all classes of food. In addition to this fact, it contains, in assimilative form, the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties.

Kodol cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all disorders arising therefrom.

**Kodol Digests What You Eat**  
Makes the Stomach Sweet.

Bottles only. Regular size, \$1.00, holding 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50 cents.

Prepared by E. C. DeWITT & CO., Chicago, Ill.



**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 McEree's Wine of Cardui and Thedford'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**

**Working Overtime.**

Eight hour laws are ignored by tireless little workers—McEree's New Life Pills. Mil-

always at work, night curing indigestion, biliousness, constipation, sick head, all stomach, liver and bowels. Easy, pleasant, reliable. Only 25c at J. Y. drug store.

**Cures Cancer and Blood Poison.**

If you have blood poison producing eruptions, pimples, ulcers, swollen glands, bumps and boils, burning, itching skin, red-colored spots or rash on skin, mucous patches in mouth or throat, falling hair, bone pains, old rheumatism or foul catarrh take Botanic Blood Balm (B B B). It kills the poison in the blood; soon all sores and eruptions heal, hard swellings subside, aches and pains stop and a perfect cure is made of the worst cases of Blood Poison.

For cancer, tumors, swellings, eating sores, ugly ulcers, persistent pimples of all kinds, take B B B. It destroys the cancer poison in the blood, heals cancer of all kinds, cures the worst humors or suppurating swelling. Thousands cured by B B B after all else fails. B B B composed of pure botanic ingredients improves the digestion, makes the blood pure and rich, stops the awful itching and all sharp, shooting pains. Thoroughly tested for thirty years. Druggists \$1 per large bottle, with complete directions for home cure. Sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice also sent in sealed letter.

J. M. Sharp who recently moved here from Missouri and has been living in the Collier house has decided to locate in Fort Worth. They left Monday for that point. We are sorry to lose this estimable family from our town and trust they will find their new home pleasant and profitable.

**Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.**

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark. for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have every tried. Enclosed find post-office money order for \$1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by E. D. Walker druggist.

A fishing party, consisting of Mrs. W. E. Odom and two children, Mrs. F. T. Rather and Miss Mary, spent Saturday pestering the "finny tribe" on Coyote. They were the guests of Mrs. Doc Vancil while on their trip.

**A Physician Writes**

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbine in bulk for prescribing purposes. It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected to their healthy activity." 50c bottle at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**The Stomach is the Man.**

A weak stomach weakens the man, because it cannot transform the food he eats into nourishment. Health and strength cannot be restored to any sick man or weak woman without first restoring health and strength to the stomach. A weak stomach cannot digest enough food to feed the tissues and revive the tired and run down limbs and organs of the body. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cleanses, purifies, sweetens and strengthens the glands and membranes of the stomach, and cures indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.—E D Walker.

The Comanche Chief came out in a 32 page special edition, illustrating the town and county, and showing the resources and development of the Comanche country. It reflects much credit to its editor.

**A Remarkable Case.**

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I run down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength."

**Miles Messenger.**

Deputy sheriff DeMotive was here Tuesday morning summoning a special venire on a murder case in the district court at Ballinger. He almost depopulated Miles for that day. We could not get the names of all those summoned.

Albert Doose, the Ballinger land man, was looking after business matters in the Miles section this week.

H. H. Halley, manager of the Miles Lumber Co., went east yesterday for a short visit to Ballinger.

Mr. J. A. Bondurant of Erath county and Miss Lula Parks were joined in holy wedlock last Sunday morning at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Parks near Mereta, Esq. C. C. Culwell performing the ceremony. The young couple took the evening train for their new home in Erath county soon after the ceremony was performed. The Messenger joins the friends of these young people in congratulations and well wishes.

Miss Parks is a former Ballinger girl and was educated in the Ballinger public school.

**What's In a Name?**

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered, some years ago, how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine.—E D Walker.

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

**Children's Coughs and Colds.**

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at E. D. Walker's drug store.

**Cold Facts Demand Consideration.**

We don't ask you to believe this because we say it. We offer you the unimpeachable evidence of those whose interest in the Byrne Shorthand is measured by the results they are enabled to accomplish with it—the evidence of those who have had the proof of the pudding—the evidence of PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO AXE TO GRIND. We refer you to more people who have finished shorthand in this school the past year than have finished this subject in all other schools in the state combined in the last two years, because of the following cold facts:

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This is by far the largest commercial and shorthand school in the South. More than 200 new students have enrolled since January 5th.

We secure positions for graduates.

If you would like the best business and shorthand course, under the best moral and religious influences, for the least outlay of money and time, write for large, illustrated catalogue, reduced railroad rates etc., free.

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The best pill neath the stars and stripes; It cleanses the system and never gripes. Little Early Risers of worldly repute— Ask for DeWitt's and take no substitute. A small pill, easy to buy, easy to take and easy to act, but never failing in results. DeWitt's Little Early Risers arouse the secretions and act as a tonic to the liver, curing permanently.—

W. W. McKinley was in town Saturday from his farm down on the Colorado and reports every thing flourishing "near to nature's heart" (on the farm). Mr. McKinley contemplates putting in a big cotton crop this year.

**So Sweet And Pleasing In Taste!**

Mrs. C. Peterson 625 Lake St. Topeka, Kan., speaking of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, says It has never failed to give entire satisfaction, and of all cough remedies, it is my favorite, and I must confess to my many friends that it will do and has done, what is claimed for it—to speedily cure a cough or a cold, and it is so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c, 50c and 1.00 a bottle by E. D. Walker.

In this issue appears an ad for L. Markowitz & Co. Read it.

**More Riots.**

Disturbances of strike are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There is nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the liver and kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nerve and the greatest all around medicine for rundown systems. It dispels Nervousness, Rheumatism and Neuralgia and expels malaria germs. Only 50c and satisfaction guaranteed by J. Y. Pearce, druggist.

Percy Moser came in from Caawford, Tex., Saturday night to spend a few days with home folks and rest up from the mud, as he expressed it. Percy is still as fat and handsome as ever.

H. A. Shurman, editor of the Concho Herald spent Tuesday in Ballinger on business. He brought his wife up Monday to take the train for Cameron.

**A Steady Income Assured**

To a man or woman in each town in Texas who will take the agency for the sale of our goods which have been sold for 25 years by our local agents, who earn good wages the year round. You take the order—we send you the goods FREIGHT PAID—you deliver them and collect the money. That is as good a small business as there is in Texas today, Send self addressed envelope today for particulars to A. Lea Wade, Genl. Agent, Boston, Mass.

C. B. Elliott, brother to our superintendent of city school left Monday afternoon for home. He decided not to stay for graduation.

**Ballinger Light and Power Co.**

Monthly residence rates: 16 cp lamps \$1 each the first two lights, additional 25c.

Business rates: \$1 the first light, 75c each the next 6, additional, 50c.

Saloons, \$1 each light.

For 32 cp lamps double the former ratio. Arch light \$10.00 each.

Meter rate 15c per K. W. hr.

Plain incandescent wiring \$1.25 per droplight.

No less than two lights will be installed.

Remittance must be made by the tenth of each month.

Your patronage solicited.

Respectfully,  
W. J. MILLER,  
Secretary and Manager.

**For Sale or Trade.**

Thirty head stock horses including two year old geldings. For particulars call on Banner-Leader.

**Notice.**

I hereby give notice that all parties that hunt, fish or get wood on my ranch will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

H. C. WYLIE.

Don't wait for a wind storm to come but have Lee Maddox write you some tornado insurance at once.

The quality and beauty of my watches and jewelry are unexcelled.

Jas. E. Brewer.

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

**THE OLD RELIABLE**

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**BAKING POWDER**

**Absolutely Pure**  
**THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE**

Second hand store phone 82.

Have your shoes half-soled at Bob Shaffer's.

Embroideries the finest on the market at Markowitz & Co's.

Miss Verna Moser left Wednesday for Belton to visit her brother.

Percy Moser left Wednesday for Crawford to resume his duty as manager of a lumber yard there.

Wagons, buggies and surries in endless varieties, to suit all kinds of pocket books at F. J. Williams & Co's.

Dr. T. L. Todd, who administers to the sick in the Maverick community, transacted business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Mrs. S. A. Benham accompanied her husband to Ballinger Wednesday and spent the day with Mrs. E. D. Walker.

Mrs. Clara Ransom and little son Jack left Wednesday for San Saba where she will make her home with her mother.

Mrs. Wadkins, sister of Mrs. B. B. Stone, who has been visiting the latter the past month, returned to Bryan Tuesday.

Asa Cordill has on exhibition in his show window an elegant cut glass punch bowl which is a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

H. Winkler came in Friday evening from eastern markets where he has been to purchase his spring and summer stock of goods.

Ballinger enjoyed a splendid rain again Wednesday night which was of immense value to crop interests. Watch old Runnels come to the front this fall with 20,000 bales of cotton.

Mr. Arnold who has been holding down the position as depot agent here the past month left Wednesday and J. M. Edwards, of McGregor, took his place.

Better put an iron hoop around your ribs when you go to see the LeRoys at the Opera House next week. You will surely split your sides laughing. Seats 35, 50 and 75 cents.

Miss Bessie Eoff, daughter of C. H. Eoff of Winters, came in Tuesday night from Waco, where she has been attending school. Her father came to Ballinger Wednesday to meet her.

Don't miss the great rock break scene at the LeRoy Hypnotic Show next Monday night. A 500 lb rock will be broken on the chest of a hypnotic subject while suspended between two chairs. Seats now on sale 35, 50 and 75 cents each. One lady admitted free with each paid reserved seat ticket.

Wagons, buggies and surries in endless varieties, to suit all kinds of pocket books at F. J. Williams & Co's.

**Robert Lusk.**

In this issue of the Banner-Leader we announce Robert Lusk for the office of city secretary, assessor and collector.

Robert is one of the boys, having been reared and educated here. He graduated at our public school, took a business course in one of Dallas best business colleges and is well qualified to fill the office for which he aspires. His conduct has always been that of a gentleman and we take pleasure in submitting his name to the voters of Ballinger for this responsible office, believing that if elected he will do his duty to the satisfaction of the public.

On Saturday the 19th inst Miss Clara Guion gave her Sunday School class an outing on the creek near Runnels. The little folks had a bright happy day. An elegant lunch was spread under the trees at midday and all seemed to enjoy the good things immensely. Miss Guion was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Mary Hant Odom and Mr. Duncan McGregor.

Rector Thomson came in from El Paso Monday where he has been attending the stockmen's convention. He reports a fine time and says that El Paso is the best city in Texas. He has been for the past two months at Marlin for the benefit of his health.

Four varieties fine violets, including Mammoth California, for sale at 50 and 75c per dozen. Come and see what you are getting. Call on or phone Mrs. T. H. Shaw or Miss Francis Cady.

Nothing but high class material leaves F. J. Williams & Co's Yard and they sell the best at prices for which most yards sell second class stuff.

A protracted meeting will be held at the Cumberland Presbyterian church, beginning the 3rd of June, to be conducted by Rev. P. M. Fitzgerald.

Rev. R. M. Hall of San Antonio will preach at the Presbyterian church on Sunday March 22. Everybody cordially invited to hear him.

Men's Laundered Shirts 35c and up at Hixson Bros. Racket Store.

C. O. Harris went to Dallas Thursday.

T. S. Sharp came down from San Angelo Thursday.

Plow harness at Bob Shaffer's in endless variety.

All kinds of second hand goods bought and sold. Phone 82.

Mrs. R. A. Smith left Thursday afternoon for Austin to visit relatives.

Judge T. T. Crosson and R. A. Terry were in San Angelo Thursday.

New car of buggies and surries just received at F. J. Williams & Co's. Prices guaranteed to suit.

Mrs. J. W. Powell and Mrs. W. J. Miller spent several days this week in San Angelo the guests of Mrs. A. J. Marberry.

If you are going to build it will pay you to figure with F. J. Williams & Co. Their stock is the largest, their prices the lowest.

Mrs. A. S. Love came in from Florence, Texas, Monday night where she has been visiting her parents the past month. The doctor is all smiles now.

**Call Meeting.**

The members of the Home Mission Society are requested to meet at the Methodist church Tuesday, March 24, 1902 at 4 p. m. Important business on hand and a full attendance is requested. Mrs. C. F. Dickinson, President.

**New Bank for Ballinger.**

Washington, March 17.—The application of Jo Wilmeth, R. A. Hall, W. C. Parks, Cicero Smith, Tom Ward and others to organize the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger, Tex., with a capital of \$75,000, has been approved by the Controller of the Currency.—Dallas News.

**For Rent.**

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