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

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Visit the New Dry Goods Store

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H. WINKLER

Crews News.

Editor Banner-Leader:

Finding a few moments idle time I will endeavor to give the local happenings. Health of the community seems to be good, no sickness at present.

Cotton has begun to open, and it is thought by Sept. 1st that the gin will be running.

Messrs. H. L. Bull, D. N. Owen and families have gone to the Colorado fishing we wish them good luck and hope they will catch plenty to eat and some to bring home, knowing they will not forget their neighbors on their return.

Mrs. H. L. Bull's brother of Alvin is visiting here this week.

Mr. Charley Borders and sister, Mrs. Sam Gray, have gone to Fisher county visiting relatives who are reported to be dangerously sick. We hope they will find them improving.

The Baptist meeting which began at Deitz's school house Saturday before the third Sunday, seems to be progressing finely. There seems to be great interest taken by all in attendance. The meeting is being conducted by Rev. Dunlap, with Revs. Maddox and Hicks as helpers.

We understand there is some talk of the debate between Rev. Lockhart and Schoutz being set for Aug. 25th, but we do not think arrangements have yet been completed.

Mr. Jim Mitchel is just about ready to begin ginning, though having some small repairs yet to complete.

Mr. W. H. Trout made a business trip West this week, so we understand.

We people of Crews have had the pleasure of a visit by the representatives of both our county papers the past week.

With best wishes and success to the Banner-Leader, I am
Your Correspondent.

News from Miles.

What are the happenings from Miles this week? We are having plenty of big meetings and prospectors, and—we are sorry to say—some dry weather. Health is very good.

Crops are good but needing

rain.

The new stone building which will be occupied by the Miles National Bank is now nearing completion. The inside work is being finished; the vault is already completed, and as soon as the glass front is put in, who can say we haven't a first class stone building in Miles?

The Presbyterians are holding a protracted meeting at the Methodist church this week, with Rev. Hardin in the pulpit. C. P. Shepherd of the Banner-Leader, made a business trip to our town Monday.

C. C. Thomas spent a few days in Miles the latter part of last week, returning to Mexia Sunday.

Dr. Barron, dentist of Brownwood, was up first of the week practicing his profession.

W. E. Voss, with Campbell & Sons Lumber Co. at Talpa, spent a few days in the city first of the week.

W. D. Currier was down from San Angelo several days this week.

C. H. Whitaker, one of our most popular dry goods men, returned Monday from Kansas City, where he has been laying in a fall and winter stock of goods.

Col. Stocks of Ballinger is staying in Miles this week.

With success to the Banner-Leader, I am

Your Correspondent.

Norton News.

Still dry but everything is moving along very nicely.

J. D. Hall and J. M. Green started Monday morning down in Conco county on a prospecting tour and expect to bring back a bunch of hogs.

Mr. Earl Patterson who has been in Lampasas county for the last six weeks or two months, came in Sunday evening, accompanied by his father and mother, also Mr. Joe Smith and son. Mr. Joe, we understand wants to rent a place and try this country for his health. Earl says crops are pretty fair at the old home place around Adamsville.

Our popular County Attorney, B. B. Stone, accompanied by his father-in-law Judge Henderson

of Bryan, was at Norton the last of the week shaking hands with friends.

The Norton ball team still play. They had a good game among themselves Saturday evening.

Mr. Mat Rayburn is reported right sick.

Rev. Dunlap of Glen Cove visited Mr. Sam Petty and family the last of the week.

Mr. Powell has a sick child this week.

Mr. Wallace Trimmier has moved into his new home which he has just completed and it adds much to the looks of Norton.

Mr. John Lee made a flying trip to Abilene the last of the week.

A crowd of Nortonites composed of the following couples: Joe Spoons and Mrs. McDonal, Joe Brown and Miss Ida Flood, J. J. Ray and Miss Eva Flood, Phil Flood and Miss Lyda Ray, Marion Grimes and Miss Dora Ray, went to Bronte last Sunday and spent the day.

Mr. Newman McGown's brother and brother-in-law came in from Coryell county Tuesday on a visit.

Mr. Silas Caswell is back from Rosebud where he has been on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. T. J. McCaughan spent Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Reubin Gentry and family.

"S. J."

At Talpa, a town on the coast of Peru, there has been no rain for seven years. We were one in Hidalgo county, Texas, and the farmers were loudly complaining of a drouth of a little over eight months. Sometimes people don't know when they are well off.—Farm & Ranch.

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J. H. Rudder.

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Yellow fever has broken out in many Mexican towns. Monterey, San Luis, Potosi and other cities being afflicted.

Ex-Gov. J. S. Hogg rendered his law library to the assessor as being worth \$250. Stupendous Stephen's library seems to have swank up terribly.

Russia and Austria have sent home from their military schools all Servian officers. They do not wish for their officers to associate with Servians.

Gen. Miles has been retired from the command of the U. S. army. Some campaign material will be manufactured out of it for the benefit of the Democrats.

Injunctions are all the "rage" now. A young fellow tried to get an injunction out to prevent his best girl from marrying some other fellow. And strange to say the fellow that howls the loudest for "personal liberty" tries to file an injunction to prevent the other fellows from having their way.

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One small bottle of the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment. Dr. Ernest W. Hall, Sole Manufacturer, P. O. Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and E. D. Walker.

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Abilene, Tex. Oct 16, 1901.

Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir—I suffered two years with kidney and bladder troubles and one half bottle of your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery cured me entirely, and I cheerfully recommend it to all.

Yours truly
GEO. HAYDEF

Ex Gov Frank R. Lubbock was married last week to a lass of Abilene. The governor evidently thinks that marriage is not a failure as he is eighty-eight years old and has been married twice before.

The question that is puzzling the consumers of beef now is why does he have to pay fancy prices for steak when the price of live beef to-day is about \$8 per 100 pounds less than it was one year ago.

The grand jury of Amarillo recently returned 800 indictments. Now, if they will follow up the indictments with plenty of trials and convictions they will confer lasting benefits upon that town. Where there is so much smoke there is certainly fire so we conclude there is much rottenness in the Hub of the Panhandle.

Some towns are determined not to be out done in any line. Osage boasts of a man who has been married thirty years who kisses his wife every time he leaves home, and now here comes the Waverly Democrat with an account of a citizen of that town married forty years, who not only kisses his wife when he leaves home, but kisses the hired girl when his wife leaves home.—Marcus News.

There are few better sights than a young man with good principles and moral courage to carry them out in every relation in life. He may never win the plaudits due a hero but he is worthy of them and that is better. He is not too numerous and will always have room enough whatever his station. All honor and opportunity and appreciation belong to him. His worth and uplifting impulse cannot be measured in gold or silver or bonds or position. may his tribe increase.

James K. Vardamon was recently nominated for governor of Mississippi. He is the man who declared that when you educate a negro you spoil a good plow hand. He also wishes to separate the school fund of that state giving only to the negroes the amount of taxes raised on the negroes property. Such a proceeding would nearly close up the schools for the "coons" of that state. Some times we think that idea would be a good one for Texas people to follow. One of the chief obstacles in the way of raising taxes for school purposes in Texas towns is that each lazy coon's picaninny gets as much pro rata as a white child although the negroes pay almost nothing in the way of taxes.

Disrespectful sons who are in the habit of continuing to linger with Morpheus, after the old man has sounded the mourning tocsin may take warning from the action of a father in Des Moines, Iowa, several days ago who shot one son for failure to rise when called and chased another in a robe of night, a couple of blocks, for the same offense. Barrel staves and old slippers have worked miracle in the rising hour of the young men of the past generations, but if the Colts come into general use as argument for five o'clock rising it may become decidedly more popular to rise "at five and thrive".—Cisco Round-Up.

Paradise B'iled Down'

A tourist tells how he traveled with a young couple, evidently on their honeymoon, and the passengers in that particular carriage were on the grin most of the time over their antics.

The bride had got the man she loved and she didn't care who saw her put her head on his shoulders. The bridegroom had got a farm with his wife and if he wanted to feed her on sweets or squeeze her hand, whose business was it.

A little old man sat directly opposite the couple and he looked at them so often that the young husband finally explained.

We've just got married.

I knowed it all the time chuckled the other.

And we can't help it you know. No you can't; I'll be blowed if you can!

I presume it all seems silly to an old man like you continued the husband.

Does it? Does it? Cackled the old fellow. Well I can tell you it does not then. I've been there time over and now I am on my way to marry a fourth.

Silly, why children it's a paradise b'iled down.

A High Compliment.

Probably the highest compliment ever paid to a Texas commercial college by its home town is now being paid to Tyler College by the city of Tyler in erecting for that institution a splendid \$23,500 fire proof building.

This school began in Tyler about four years ago with fifteen students. It has enrolled the present year in all departments 756 students from all parts of Texas and most of the Southern states. Said to be the largest commercial and shorthand school in the South. Their graduates are filling the highest clerical and stenographic positions to be found throughout the country. Out of their large attendance they are not able to fill all the calls they have for competent bookkeepers and stenographers. This fact should encourage our young people to enter that school as soon as possible and fit themselves for the active duties of life so that they may earn a good income.

You can receive their large illustrated catalogue by addressing Tyler College, Department B., Tyler, Texas.

The warden of Georgia's penitentiary gets himself into a lot of trouble caused from flogging brutally a female prisoner a young woman by the name of De Cris who stole last year about \$1600 worth of diamonds. For this crime she was arrested and sent to the state penitentiary. Whie here the warden says the young woman was impertinent to his wife so he had her severely flogged. The story told by the young woman differs as she says the warden whipped her because she refused his amorous attention. As a result Georgia is very much stirred up over the outrage and there are breakers ahead of the warden.

Threats of running the negroes out of Amarillo for some time culminated last Saturday in some unknown parties going to a house occupied by negroes and shooting into it, killing one and wounding another.

Read this paper.

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Joe Hardin.

Rev. Hardin was in Miles Sunday and Monday.

I. O. Wooden was in Miles Monday on business.

Mrs. G. C. Wright went up to Miles Monday to visit friends.

Frank Allen and wife left Monday for Fort Worth, their home.

C. O. Harris and daughter Miss Mae went to San Antonio Monday.

T. A. Knight was in Miles Monday with fruit and water-melons.

John F. Currie left Sunday for the Eastern market to buy goods.

Mrs. J. F. Currie went up to Miles Tuesday visit her friend Mrs. A. H. Lewin.

Miss Fannie Simmons left last Saturday for Palestine to make her future home.

Chas. Grant and Joe Vancil of Winters were transacting business here Saturday.

Col. R. L. Bennett left Monday afternoon to attend the encampment at Austin.

Mrs. Arnold, who has been visiting Mrs. D. C. Underwood left Sunday for her home Brownwood.

R. G. Casey and G. M. Vaughn are in the Territory this week looking after their cattle interest.

In our local in last week's issue we stated the Brown county prohibition election would be Sept. 25th when it should have been the 5th.

Judge Henderson and wife returned to Bryan Sunday afternoon after a weeks visit with their daughter of this place. Mrs. B. B. Stone.

Judge C. E. Gustavus, son of our merchant W. A. Gustavus came in Sunday to visit the former. Judge Gustavus is now County Judge of Madison county.

J. Y. Pearce left last Saturday for St. Louis to buy drugs for his horse here and at San Angelo. He will be gone about 30 days and will visit relatives in Illinois while away.

R. G. Erwin writes the Banner-Leader this week from the City of Mexico that the thermometer there is 50° and he was almost frozen. He stated that he would witness a bull fight next Sunday.

W. P. Humphrey returned the latter part of last week from the mills of East Texas where he went to purchase the stock of lumber of the Humphrey Lumber Co. soon to be opened.

Clyde C. Thomas, formerly of Miles but now of Mexia was a passenger on the East-bound train Sunday. He with a gentleman from Austia will start a daily paper in Mexia soon, to be known as The Evening Ledger.

The school age under the new law is from 7 to 17 instead of 7 to 18 as was stated last week. All pupils who will be seven before the 1st day of Sept. 1903 and all who are not 17 before the same date are entitled to free tuition.

To the Public.

I will be in St. Louis until about Sept. 1st buying my fall and winter stock of millinery goods, at which time I will be ready to show the public one of the completest lines of millinery goods ever exhibited in Ballinger. Yours for business, Mrs. Stella Forbes.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Sunday August 23rd, 1903.

Leader—W. A. Gustavus, Jr. Song.

Prayer.

Lesson Topic: Lessons from Paul: How to Make our Lives Count Like His.—II Tim. 1:6-8; II Cor. 11:23-28.

Reference word—"Zeal."

Scriptured Readings:

1. Zeal in Service. Acts. 20:17-31—Miss Jewel Caperton.
2. Have faith in God. Heb. 11:23-34—Walter Cordell.
3. Confident and Hopeful.—Rom. 8:24-39—Miss Stella Routh.
4. Jesus only. I Cor. 1:22-31; 2:1-15—A. S. Love.

Quartette.

Select Reading—Miss Ruby Green.

Discussion of Lesson—Led by H. A. L. Greenwood.

Song.

Benediction.

Judge Jenkins Will Speak.

The Prohibition Campaign in Runnels county will be opened at the Court house next Monday night, August 24, at which time Judge C. H. Jenkins of Brownwood will speak in behalf of prohibition. Everybody, the antis particularly, are invited to be present and hear an able and truthful argument in behalf of public righteousness and higher citizenship.

Runnels County Prohibition Committee.

Picnic and Gun Shoot.

There will be a grand picnic and gun shoot for premium in Theodore Schaldt pasture, two miles north west of Winters, given by the Cochran Gun Club, on the 8th of Sept. 1903.

Committee.

Moonsshine.

I have known farmers to lose opportunities to plant to the detriment of the crop, waiting till the moon is right. To print a statement of all the silly ideas of those who pin their faith to the moon would require too much of your space, but I will mention a few. "Bacon killed when the moon is waning will shrink in the pot." "Clepbards nailed on at a certain stage of the moon will curl up." "If a rail fence be built in the light of the moon the lower rail will sink in the ground." "Worms will destroy timber cut in the light of the moon in spring, but will not molest that cut in the dark." "If the new moon stands on end the month will be rainy, because (sic) the water will run out." Take notice that notwithstanding the utter silliness of this many people believe in it: "When the new moon appears north or west cold weather will follow, and vice versa." I know farmers who will not perform certain surgical operations on animals without first consulting the disemboweled gentleman in the almanac to see if the "sign is right." Who ever heard of a physician deferring the setting of a bone or the amputation of a limb till the moon changed?

What is the change of the moon? Simply this: We see the moon by the light of the sun reflected from the moon's surface. At the precise time of change from "dark" to "light" of moon, its enlightened side is turned from the earth.

A moon changes its position with respect to the earth and sun the edge of the illuminated side becomes visible to us in the shape of a crescent.

As the moon turns more and more of its illuminated side towards us this crescent grows until the moon is said to be "full." There is no change whatever of the moon in size or substance.

The same moon shines all over a whole State—over many States—at the same time. Its first appearance as "new moon" is precisely the same over a wide territory. Yet the rainfall over that territory varies from drouth in some sections to floods in others.

Astronomers, who should surely know, say the moon has no effect on the weather, and Solomon says: "In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thy hand for thou knowest not whether will prosper this or that."

Since the change of the moon is instantaneous and may occur at noon, the farmer who is sowing in the morning might find himself compelled to choose between a disregard of his cherished moon lore and a disobedience of an injunction found in scripture.

A Few Punny Hard Questions.

- Can a saw buck?
- Can a chimney-sweep?
- Can a monkey-wrench?
- Can a horse-fly, or a horse-fiddle?
- Can a cow-slip, or a bed-spring?
- Can a chocolate drop or a buck-saw?
- Can a corn-stalk?
- Can butter fly?
- Can wood-box?
- Can clothes line-up?
- Can a horse-shoe tobacco?
- Can a cake-walk or a sheep tick?
- Can butter milk, or cats-paw?
- Can fire shovel, stove pipe, Jack-snipe, carpet-stretch-er or a fish-hook?
- Can a bed-rock, a spring "creak," a codfish-ball, a ginger-snap, a rail fence, a railroad tie or a banana "peal?"
- Can a crocus?
- Can a dragon fly, or house fly?
- Can a newspaper-press?
- Can a tree "leave?"
- Catydid!
- Do two pants make a pair?
- Well, anyhow a catkin!
- How would a crash-suit?
- But isn't the weather vane?
- Well, well, well, Farewell.

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The First Bale of Cotton.

Last Wednesday the 19th, Ballinger received the first bale of cotton. It was brought in by W. S. Blair who resides in the edge of Coke county.

The bale only weighed 313 pounds and there was some doubt as to whether he was entitled to any premium because the bale did not weigh enough to be considered a standard bale. Then again there was some suspicion that it was old cotton because of the appearance of the seed but Mr. Blair explained that old seed remaining in the gin from last year

had gotten mixed with the new, which explanation was accepted and he received \$35.00 the amount of the second premium and went on his way rejoicing.

Walter Davis bought the bale for \$92.00 making it net Mr. Blair \$67.00.

The Ball Game.

The Guion ball team came in this week and matched our boys for a three day's game, but Thursday's game broke up in a dispute over Umpire Harry Thomson's decision and the other games were not played.

When the game broke up the score stood 11 to 3 in favor of the visitors.

Coleman Has a \$11,000 fire.

Coleman had a \$11,000 fire this week, the heaviest losers are J. B. Warren and Lambertson Milling Co. The origin of the fire is unknown. The property was fairly well covered by insurance.

School Opens.

The opening of our public school is set for Sept. 14th. It was necessary to commence this late on account of the books not getting here any sooner.

A Correction.

Elsewhere in this issue there appears a notice of Judge Jenkins speaking at the Court house Monday night. He will speak Monday afternoon at 2:30 instead of night.

Tooth picks 2x5 at

Stubbs & Hartman's

An Address to the Voters of Runnels County.

A Prohibition Election for Runnels county has been ordered by the Commissioners Court to take place on September 10th.

It behoves every voter of this county to make a special effort to be at the polls on that day and record his vote. The one sole question that will be before you on that day is: will you, the qualified voter of Runnels county, legalize the existence of saloons. The state of Texas has said both in her laws and in the decisions of her courts that saloons have no right to exist save the right they purchase with the high price of the license, and that even this right will not be sold to them unless the voters of the territory in which it is sought to establish the saloons say to the state by their votes, sell them the right. Saloons have no natural right to exist and their legal right to existence is a mere temporary privilege granted to them by the people at a stipulated price and this privilege can be removed whenever the people see fit.

The question then before the voters of Runnels county in this campaign and the one you will decide at the ballot box the 10th day of September is: Do you wish saloons and are you willing and do you agree to sell them the legal right to exist? If not then you will vote for prohibition.

Saloons or no saloons—that is the question. In this contest you are not asked to choose between saloons and "blind tigers" for prohibitionists in general join with the officers of the county in saying that if prohibition carries in the coming election there will be no "blind tigers" in this county.

According to the Supreme Court of the United States the saloons produce more crime and misery than any other agency on earth. He who votes to perpetuate the saloons cannot escape the responsibility of being a partner with them in the production of this crime and misery.

In this county for the past two years and a half, to go back no further, the saloons have been the cause of more than one-third of the criminal cases that have been recorded on the criminal dockets of our courts. Surely the voters of this county will not vote to sell the right to exist to institutions that are doing so much to blacken the otherwise fair name of our county.

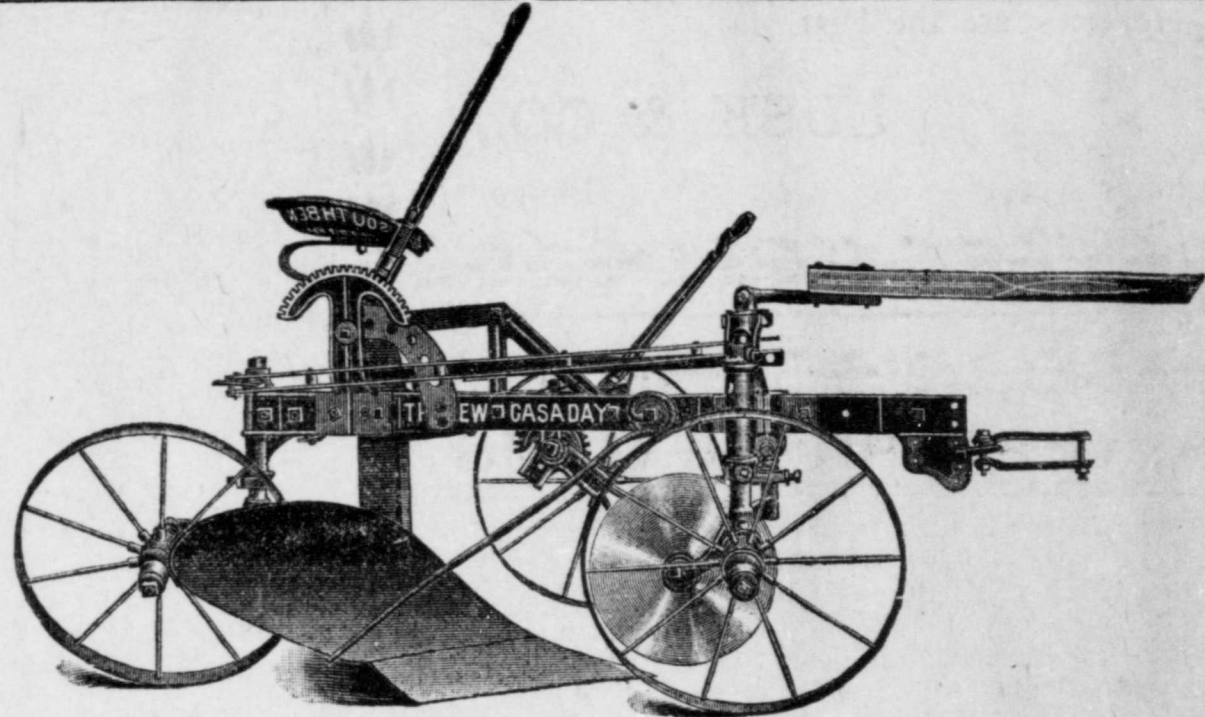
The question is before you to decide. The responsibility for the results of the decision will also be on you.

Friends of prohibition are urged to be earnest and active. Avoid strife and bitterness, yet as citizens responsible for the public policies of your county be zealous. Appeal with persuasion and entreaty to your neighbor, yet do not become offended at him if he does not agree with you. Let brotherly love continue. Be firm even if you are assailed with abuse, and do not be terrified by the cry that you are causing strife. As one conscientious citizen you are armed with the right to go boldly on. Allow yourself to become offensive to no one. Abuse and boycott may be used by others but prohibitionists rest their case only on the merits of facts and the inevitable logic of the situation and thus expect to win.

Runnels County Prohibition Campaign Committee.

THERE IS NO BETTER

Just received a car of JOS. W. MOON Buggies that have been bought right and will be sold right.



Now is the time to buy your sulky plows. See the CASADAY
VAN PELT & KIRK

Extracts 4 oz. for 10 cents at
Stubbs & Hartman's

Louie Litt and wife of Coleman, are the guests of H. Winkler and wife.

Mr. Bud Hartman left last Friday to visit friends and relatives at Comanche.

Chas. P. Humphrey arrived this week from Sibony, O. K. and will make his home here. He will run the O. K. wagon yard.

Miss Lonnie Warren of Pido-coke arrived last Sunday to visit her sister Mrs. Alice Wilson and attend the Ballinger school the coming session.

N. W. Dean was in from the Wingate country Friday and enrolled with us as a subscriber. He was here to consult Dr. T. E. Butler for asthma troubles.

Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh opened the Brown county prohibition campaign last Monday night at the Court house in Brownwood. Judge Anthony of Cameron replied to him on Tuesday night following.

Dental Notice.

This is to notify my friends and patrons that I have moved my dental office up stairs in the K. of P. building next door to Dr. Younger's office where I am better prepared than ever to give you first-class dental work at the right price.

S. B. Raby, D. D. S.

To th Public.

I have moved my stock of millinery in the rear end of the new store recently occupied by H. Winkler and will be glad to meet all my friends and patrons at my new location. At the proper time I will have my early fall stock of hats ready for your inspection and will be pleased to have a share of your trade.

Miss Loia Lewis.

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Plates per set 25 cents at
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Good soda guaranteed 5c lb.
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Two Jersey cows for sale.

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Everything you need at
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When in Need

Of something to eat you naturally go to the grocery. The question is to which one of there are many. It is good common sense as well as economy to go to the man who is anxious for your trade.

We are It

And when we get even a little of that trade we am going to do our levellest best to prove it to you by our dealings that it will pay you to patronize us again.

J. B. ALVIS & BRO.
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A Few Reasons why You should Patronize The Home Steam Laundry

- 1st. Because it does as good work as any laundry in Texas.
- 2nd. Because it gives prompt service.
- 3rd. Because you get your laundry work every day.
- 4th. Because by patronizing you keep the money at home.
- 5th. From \$50 to \$55 per week is paid employes, which money is spent in your town.
- 6th. Because its a home industry and needs and deserves your patronage.

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Ballinger, Texas

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Teachers wishing to prepare for examinations should write at once, to PROF. J. L. GRAHAM LL. D., 152-154 Randolph Building, Memphis, Tenn., for particulars concerning his special Teachers' Examination Course.

This course is taught by mail and prepares teachers for examination in every state in the Union. Leading educators pronounce it the best course ever offered to the teaching profession, and all teachers wishing to advance in their profession should immediately avail themselves of it. Enclose stamp for reply. 43-3m

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The Banner-Leader,
Ballinger, Texas

To Whom it May Concern.

We have sold the Greenwald & Osteen photo gallery to L. W. St. Clair. We thank our friends and customers for past favors and hope in the future they will give him their work as he will be better prepared to do work than we have been in the past.

Respt. T. M. Osteen

A nice line of fobs at Brewer's

The Terrell Election Law

ELECTIONS—MANNER of HOLDING AND MAKING RETURNS

An act to regulate elections and to prescribe penalties for its violation.

Sec. 56. In ballot box No. 4 shall be deposited, in addition to ballots defectively printed, all defaced and mutilated ballots, and all ballots given to voters, and by them returned to the judges unused, and, when the polls are closed, all ballots that have not been voted. The box shall be locked, and so returned, sealed, to the county clerk, with a statement which shall be placed therein, signed by the presiding judge, of the number of the ballots received by him, the number of mutilated or defaced ballots that the box contains, and also the number of ballots not given to voters and those given to voters and returned unused, and of those defectively printed, so that after adding such numbers, all ballots delivered to the election officers may be accounted for. Such box, shall, when the returns of votes cast are canvassed by the commissioners court, be opened by them and counted, and a record shall be made by them of what they have found to be its contents.

Sec. 57. Before the balloting begins the presiding judge shall unlock ballot box No. 1, and, after all the managers of the election have inspected the same to see that it is empty, relock it, and place it where it shall remain until removed to make way for Ballot Box No. 2. A like examination shall be made of Ballot Box No. 2. All boxes shall be securely made of wood or metal, provided with a top hinges, lock and key, and an opening shall be made in the top just large enough to receive a ballot when polled.

Sec. 58. The official ballot to be used in elections must be of uniform style, to be furnished by the county clerk, unless

from any cause those furnished should be exhausted or not delivered, when the voters may prepare their own ballots, after the style of the sample ballots herein provided for. Before the election begins four instruction cards shall be posted up one hundred feet from the polling place in addition to those required for voting booths. The form of instruction cards shall be prescribed by the Secretary of State and furnished twenty days before each general election to all county clerks. At the top of each official ballot the words "Official Ballot" shall be printed in large letters. All the official ballots shall contain the names of all the candidates whose nominations for any office specified on the ballot have been duly made and not withdrawn, as provided by this act, and the title of the office shall be properly stated.

Sec. 59. At elections for school district officers, or school officers of a city town or village, at which no other officer is to be elected, and election of officers of fire departments, any ballot may be used, prescribed by local authorities.

Sec. 60. The package of official ballots, which shall be sealed up by the county clerk, and delivered to the election judge, shall contain two and one half times as many of each ballot as there were votes for Governor in the precinct at the last general election. The number so delivered shall be entered of record, and marked on the package. Instruction cards shall also be enclosed, sealed up and delivered with the official ballots, together with poll lists, tally sheets and returning blanks. There shall also be delivered at the same time proper rubber or other stamps, black lead pencils, mucilage and sealing wax, with a certified poll tax roll of those citizens of the precinct who, before the first day of February last preceding, paid their poll tax, and of those who received their certificate of exemption from its payment, all of which shall be securely sealed, and an endorsement made on the package, showing its contents. Poll tax and exemption books or rolls need not be sent to the election judge of any precinct who is already in possession of same, properly certified. If from any cause ballot boxes, or voting booths and guard rails have not been furnished to the presiding judge he shall procure them and receive pay therefor.

Sec. 61. One of the election judges shall receive from the voter the poll tax receipt or certificate of exemption when he presents himself to vote; the voter shall announce his name, and the judge, after comparing the appearance of the party with that given in the poll tax rolls or certificate of exemption rolls and being satisfied that the certificate or receipt is the duplicate in number and in other respects accords with the other

or certificate number on the poll tax or exemption rolls, shall pronounce in an audible voice the name of the voter and his number as given on the poll tax receipts or exemption rolls. If the voter has lost his receipt or certificate, and shall present his written affidavit to that fact, and if his appearance tallies with that given for the same number and name on the poll tax receipt or certificate rolls, and the judges of election shall be satisfied that he paid his poll tax or received his certificate of exemption before the first day of the preceding February, the judge shall in like manner pronounce in an audible voice the name and number of the elector on the poll tax or exemption rolls, with the word "correct."

Sec. 62. If from any cause the judges of election shall be satisfied that the poll tax receipt or certificate of exemption was not issued by the county collector, or was not issued for the elector who has presented the same, or that the affidavit presented by the elector is not true, or that since his certificate or receipt was issued he has removed from the precinct or voting ward to another in the same county, and not obtained a correct receipt or certificate, no ballot shall be delivered to him, and he shall not vote.

Sec. 63. When the judges are satisfied as to the right of the citizen to vote, and one has pronounced in an audible voice his name and the number of his poll tax receipt or certificate of exemption, and the word "correct," the judge shall stamp in legible characters, with a stamp of wood or rubber, said poll tax receipt or certificate with the words "voted...day...A. D...." or write the same words in ink (showing date of voting), and then return said receipt or certificate to the voter, and shall at the same time deliver to him one of each of the official ballots upon the blank side of each of which the presiding judge shall have previously written his signature. The voter shall then immediately repair to one of the voting booths, or place prepared by the election officers, and select the ballot he desires to vote and prepare same by striking out the name of any candidate thereon whom he does not desire to vote for, and inserting the name of his choice underneath.

Sec. 64. When he shall have prepared his ballot he shall fold the same so as to conceal the printing thereon and so as to expose the signature of the presiding judge on the blank side, and he shall also fold each of the ballots he does not desire to vote in the same manner, and shall, after leaving the booth, hand to the numbering judge the ballot he desires to vote, who shall number the same. He shall at the same time hand to another judge the ballot or ballots he does not desire to vote; so folded as to conceal the names which shall be by such judge deposited in ballot box No. 4. If both the said judges are satisfied that all official ballots given the voter have been by him returned and accounted for, and if those returned are identified as the same just delivered to him, the numbering judge shall number the ballot given him by the voter, writing on the blank side the number opposite the voter's name on the voting list, and shall stamp or write the same with the word "voted," and deposit the ballot in the ballot box. The other judge shall thereupon deposit the ballots, if any, returned unused by the voter in ballot box No. 4. The letter "V" shall at the same time be marked by one of the clerks on the poll tax receipt or exemption roll opposite, the name of the elector thereon, and the voter shall immediately leave the polling place.

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Boys suspenders.....5 and 10cts per pair
Men's suspenders.....10, 15 and 20cts per pair
Boys Hats20cts up to \$1.25
Mens Hats from.....90cts up to \$3.50
Ladies good calf shoes.....90cts up to \$3.50
Mens good calf shoes.....\$1.00 up to \$5.00
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Which the working man has fought for and succeeded in obtaining is something the wife has no share in. Her day begins before his and ends long after it, as a rule, and many a night her rest is broken by the baby's fretfulness. The healthiest woman must wear out under such a strain.



What can be expected then of those women who are weakened by womenly diseases? Women who are weak, worn-out and run-down will find new life and new strength in the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

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Refuse all substitutes. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be used with "Favorite Prescription" whenever a laxative is required.

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SCOTT'S EMULSION serves as a bridge to carry the weakened and starved system along until it can find firm support in ordinary food.

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The man who is always finding fault with his home town ought to move elsewhere. If you cannot "put up" and do your part towards building up its interests "shut up." Of course no place is above criticism but criticism unless mixed with plenty of push and effort on your part does much harm and no good. So old "sore back" take about five minutes off for a modicum of meditation and locate yourself.

Associate Chief Justice Brewer says that lynching is on the increase both north and south. Most of these lynchings are the result of rape committed by the black brutes. He rightly says also that many good men assist in these lynchings because they know that the law abounds in technicalities thus affording the defense attorney a chance to appeal the case to a higher court or else defeat or delay justice. His remedy is to abolish all power of appeal in crimes of rape as they do in England. He says this matter of appealing criminal cases is a late innovation of the courts and was for nearly a hundred years of our history not indulged. It looks a little as if the justice had a good thick layer of gray matter his brain if something practical and sensible is not done soon lynching will soon be meted out for all sorts of crimes. Speedy justice is what people want and much eventually have to stop lynching.

Ranch for Sale.

The G. W. Given 615 acre Valley creek farm, 200 acres in cultivation, two good houses, all up-to-date improvements and plenty of water. Situated six miles from Ballinger. Bargain and must be sold. Apply to J. W. Powell. 15-4t

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How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.
There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. Sample bottle of this

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N. Y.

The following conversation was overheard a few mornings since: "George," she said "I want \$100." "But, my dear" he protested "that's nearly all the cash I have on hand at the present moment, and I had planned to take up a note." "Oh, well," she returned carelessly "if you think the man who holds the note can make it any hotter for you than I can, why go ahead." Thus it happened that she got the money.—Ex.

Jett & White were convicted and sentenced to prison for life as a result of their recent trial for the killing of Marcum. A stay of execution of sentence for sixty days in order to enable the defense attorneys to appeal for a new trial. Preparations are now being made to try Jett for assassinating Thos. Cockrill of Jackson which occurred long before the killing of James B. Marcum. It begins to look like trouble is in store for some of the bloodthirsty feudists.

A young man in a distance state had been conducting a heart-to-heart correspondence with a girl in Minneapolis for three years and at last proposed seriously. In reply he received a letter and photo. The letter announced that she had been married two years and the photo was of her baby. "My husband and I enjoy your letters very much," she wrote, "but I guess you'd better stop writing now, as I have to spend all my time minding the baby." Now the unhappy young man has a life feud against the sex divine.

The train was crowded, there were half a dozen seats occupied by the grips of traveling men who insist that their valises are entitled to seats as well as themselves. The train started but stopped suddenly. The brakeman stuck his head in at the door and shouted "you fellows that have more room will have to take your grips down and make room for ten young ladies." Each traveling man snatched the grip off the seat and rubbered around to see if a pretty damsel was going to drop into the seat with him. Just think of the disappointment of the gang when a crowd of ball players jumped into the cars. There wasn't a girl in sight and the brakeman didn't dare enter the car.

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New line of good summer molasses at Miller Mercantile Co., opposite postoffice.

If you want a diamond let me figure with you.

Jas. E. Brewer

Some Don'ts for Girls.

Don't eat on the street.
Don't allow yourself to get in a flippant habit of speech.
Don't be profuse with terms of endearment and kisses in public.
Don't talk of your ailments in company or discuss your diseases.
Don't interrupt others when they are talking, but cultivate the art of listening.
Don't wear a fine gown and shabby boots; to do so stamps a woman at once.
Don't fail to converse at a luncheon or dinner, but don't discuss the good things provided.
Don't speak of persons by their christian names as soon as you get to know them.
Don't have dirty nails, soiled handkerchiefs or soiled linen.
Don't use quality of perfume.
Don't keep touching your face or your hair when the latter is once arranged in your bedroom—try to forget it.
Don't behave in the street in a way to attract attention by rolling about, attitudinizing or shrieking with laughter.
Don't wear a large number of rings; it looks vulgar and does not show the beauty of the rings or the hands. To wear a few rings shows the beauty of both.
Don't take as a matter of course a seat when offered you, but politely thank the person who offers it. If you are not tired yourself, do not take the seat of a tired man.

Don't mention names when talking in public about persons; you never know but what a near friend or relative of those you may be chattering about may be overhearing the conversation.—Ex.

A Symposium.

"What is the secret of success?" asked the Sphinx.
"Push" said the button.
"Take pains" said the window.
"Never be led," said the pencil.
"Be up to date," said the calendar.
"All ways keep cool," said the ice.
"Do business on tick," said the clock.
"Never lose your head," said the barrel.
"Do a driving business," said the hammer.
"Aspire to greater things" said the nut meg.
"Make much of small things" said the microscope.
"Make light of everything" said the fire.
"Never do any thing off hand" said the glove.
"Spend much time in reflection," said the mirror.
"Do the work you are suited for," said the flue.
"Get a good pull with the ring" said the doorknob.
"Be sharp in your dealings," said the knife.
"Find a good thing and stick to it," said the glue.
"Trust to your stars for success," said the night.
"Strive to make a good impression," said the seal.—Ex.

To the Public.

We are now better prepared to do blacksmith and repair work than ever before. M. S. Middlebrook will do the painting on our work. He will also paint buggies, wagons or any other "old thing." Give us your work. Wilson & Wilson. Ballinger, Texas.

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When you go to buy Witch Hazel Salve look for the name DeWITT on every box. The pure, unadulterated Witch Hazel is used in making DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which is the best salve in the world for cuts, burns, bruises, boils, eczema and piles. The popularity of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, due to its many cures, has caused numerous worthless counterfeits to be placed on the market. The genuine bears the name of E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Special Claim Agent Alexander of the Santa Fe was here Saturday and Sunday trying to adjust some claims in this county.

Eat all You Want.
Persons troubled with indigestion or Dyspepsia can eat all they want if they will take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy prepares the stomach for the ception, retention, digestion and assimilation of all of the wholesome food that may be eaten, and enables the digestive organs to transform the same into the kind of blood that gives health and strength. Sold by E. D. Walker.

L. Markowitz left last Saturday for St. Louis to buy the fall and winter stock of goods for L. Markowitz & Co.

Potent Pill Pleasure.
The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant in effect are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot of Albany, Ga., says "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was it did me more good than calomel blue mass or any other pills I ever took and at the same time it effected me pleasantly. Little Early Risers are certainly an ideal pill. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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Renders the bile more fluid and thus helps the blood to flow; it affords prompt relief from biliousness, indigestion, sick and nervous headaches, and the over-indulgence in food and drink. Herbine acts quickly, a dose after meals will bring the patient into a good condition in a few days.

G. L. Caldwell, Agt. M. K. & T. R. R., Checotah, Ind. Ter, writes, April 18, 1903: "I was sick for over two years with enlargement of the liver and spleen. The doctors did me no good, and I had given up all hope of being cured, when my druggist advised me to use Herbine. It has made me sound and well." 50c Sold by E. D. Walker.

Mrs. Stella Forbes left Saturday for St. Louis to buy her fall and winter stock of millinery goods.

Rheumatism.
When pains or irritation exist on any part of the body, the application of Ballard's Snow Liniment gives prompt relief. E. W. Sullivan, Prop. Sullivan House El Reno, O. T., writes, June 6, 1902: "I take pleasure in recommending Ballard's Snow Liniment to all who are afflicted with rheumatism. It is the only remedy I have found that gives immediate relief." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Cy Hodges, wagon drummer of Hagelstain of San Angelo was in Ballinger Tuesday.

Cures Sciatic.
Rev. W. L. Riley, L. L. D., Cuba, New York, writes: "After fifteen days of excruciating pain from sciatic rheumatism, under various treatments, I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment; the first application giving my first relief and the second entire relief. I can give it unqualified recommendation." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Mrs. Geo. M. Vaughn was the guest of her sister Mrs. Arch Holman of San Angelo this week.

Stop that Cough.
When a cough, a tickling or an irritation in the throat makes you feel uncomfortable, take Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Don't wait until the disease has gone beyond control. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson, 354 West St., Salt Lake City, Utah, writes: "We think Ballard's Horehound Syrup the best medicine for coughs and colds. We have used it for several years; it always gives immediate relief, is very pleasant and gives perfect satisfaction." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by E. D. Walker.

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.

Notice to Trespassers.
I forbid hunting, fishing or cutting or hauling wood in my three pastures on Eagle, Mud and Elm creeks. Parties guilty of same will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
G. R. CASEY.

We're the printers.

Save the Childrn.

Ninety-nine of every one hundred diseases that children have are due to disorder of the stomach, and these disorders are all caused by indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is just as good for children as it is for adults. Children thrive on it. It keeps their little stomachs sweet and encourages the growth and development. Mrs. Henry Carter, 705 Central St., Nashville, Tenn. says: "My little boy is now three years old and has been suffering from indigestion ever since he was born. I have had the best doctors in Nashville, but failed to do him any good. After using one bottle of Kodol he is a well baby. I recommend it to all sufferers." Kodol digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by E. D. Walker.

Alum Anecdote For Snake Bite.

In 1873 thirty years ago I was told by a reliable gentleman in Louisiana that he was the summer before visiting his uncle, Judge Franks, in Georgia, and while sitting on the veranda in company with uncle and cousin a young man from west, in the rocky mountain region, a rattle snake crawled out from under the house.

His uncle wanted to kill it at once, but his cousin said: "Wait, I will teach you some thing." So he stepped out, pulled off his boot and sock and kicked the snake in the mouth with his naked foot until the snake grew angry and bit him on the foot. He went behind the house, swallowed something, returned pulled off the other boot and sock and made the snake bit the other foot. He went again behind the house, took something, came back, killed the snake, put on his socks and boots came into the house and took his seat by us again.

When his uncle told him he would give \$1000 to know what he took when he went around behind the house, my cousin said, "No I will not do that, uncle but I will show you for nothing." and he took a piece of alum from his pocket the size of a hen egg, saying to all of us when out in the Rockies where there are a great many very large rattle snakes, we carry a piece of Alum in our pockets and as soon as bitten we bite off and swallow quickly a piece of alum the size of the end of the finger or a hazle nut and it will antidote the poison of the biggest Rocky mountain rattler or any other snake.

Since that day I have told this to thousands of people all over the south. Many have reported a successful trial in snake bites. I have never heard of a failure. A piece of alum the size of the end of the finger chewed and swallowed seems to be a perfect cure for the most poisonous snake bite and every person who reads this paper should know it—C. R. King, M. D., in Atlanta News.

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has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Thad Thomson went up to San Angelo Friday on a pleasure trip.

Dr. W. B. Halley made a professional trip to San Angelo Friday.

Miss Charlie Cusenbary visited Miss Susie Sharp this week several days.

Frank Pearce of Winters was here Wednesday looking after business interests.

Mrs. G. G. Gdom and daughter Miss Edna came in from the ranch Wednesday.

Charlie Hood and mother came in from San Saba Friday and will visit in Winters.

Miss Ray Thomson, of Schleicher county visited relatives here this week.

J. H. Roark of the Winters country was a pleasant caller at our sanctum this week.

Judge Jno. I. Guion went up to San Angelo Friday on business returning Saturday.

C. C. Gannaway and wife of Wingate was circulating among old friends here Monday.

C. O. Harris came in Wednesday from Austin, San Antonio and other south Texas points.

The Christian church and others are enjoying a picnic today 4 miles up the river at the pecan mot.

In this issue there appears a notice of a grand picnic and barbecue to be held near Winters the 8th of September.

Marriage license were issued this week to C. S. McKinney and Miss Myrtle Curtis and J. A. Greer and Miss Alice Webb.

Jenkins opens the campaign at the court house next Monday evening at 2:30 don't fail to attend and bring your wife and family.

Eric Hunter and wife of Brown county were visiting their uncle George Hull here this week. They are seeking a location in this county.

J. W. Raby and W. T. Padgett will leave next Monday for Seattle, Washington, to look at the the country. They will visit British Columbia while there.

J. M. Williams of Miles is now with the blacksmith shop of Frank Gressett. Mr. Williams comes well recommended and we offer him a cordial welcome to our city.

M. C. Smith is just recovering from an attack of slow fever while he has only been in bed a few days yet he has been unable to perform office duties for more than three weeks.

Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh went to Winters Friday evening to conduct the funeral services of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodrow. They have the sympathy of many friends in this hour of their trial.

Mr. D. E. Cobb, manager of the W. C. Bleacher Land Mortgage Co. of Ft. Worth was here last Tuesday and placed his loan business with J. W. Powell and made loan on the S. N. Allison place of \$2,500.

I will be away from my business for a few weeks buying my new goods and posting myself on the latest fashions in a St. Louis wholesale house. Will return and open up a big new stock with H. Winkler in the new building. Call and see me.

Miss Lola Lewis.

Read this paper.

Fred Denton, deputy county clerk of Waco, was in the city this week the guest of Mr. D. Reeder. Mr. Denton paid this office a very agreeable visit and we found him to be a most estimable gentleman. He is prospecting with a view to locating.

The following went up to San Angelo Thursday, some to play ball and others on business: Eugene Bates, Pickens Butler, Bob Lusk, Litt and Will Chastain, Dan Van Pelt, John Guion, Harry Scott, Will and Farrar Gressett, B. B. Stone, Oscar Lykes and R. D. Hall.

A. T. Turpe of the Oak creek country has rented a residence near the German Methodist church and will move his family in soon in order to send his children to school.

J. W. Powell reports this week the sale of O. K. wagon yard. W. T. Ward's 1/2 interest in lots 2-3-5-6-7-7 and 9 in block 17 to Chas. P. Humphrey cash \$1600.

Milford Hamlin of San Angelo, came in Thursday and is working with the Ledger in the absence of the foreman Boyce Smith.

Bill Thomson, of Sutton county, and his brother F. A. Thomson of Gatesville were here this week visiting relatives.

Grandpa Day is in the city this week visiting his son Edwin Day and family. They are all spending the week fishing.

Mrs. W. W. Snyder, of San Angelo, returned home Saturday after a few days visit to Mrs. Moser.

Some summer weight pants in fine materials. Special sale at D. Reeder's.

Thursday's game was 9 to 4 in favor of San Angelo. We could not get any particulars.

Dry Goods at prices that suit these hard times at Stubbs & Hartman's.

W. R. Spencer and N. H. Hollingsworth went to Fisher county Friday on business.

All sizes pants. Prices right at D. Reeder's.

Ladies Hose at 5cts. at Stubbs & Hartman's

Rec Thomson returned to the Eldorado ranch Wednesday.

U. Mullin is in Big Springs this week visiting his son.

Sardines 5cts a box at Stubbs & Hartman's

Mrs. E. L. Hagen was a Miles visitor Tuesday.

S. D. Williams went up to Miles Wednesday.

See our new suits. Early fall styles at D. Reeder's.

Buy trunks, suit cases, etc. at New Store D. Reeder's.

Jim Lewis and wife left Wednesday for Ft. Worth.

J. J. Erwin Jr. is in Austin the guest of relatives this week.

H. F. Pape remembered us this week in a substantial way.

N. B. Robertson, proprietor of the Hylton hotel, was here Friday.

Malcom McGregor is in San Angelo this week visiting relatives.

For a bargain in a bath tub see Lankford & Hathaway or phone 82.

Miss Susie Sharp went to Ft. Worth Thursday to be gone for some time.

James E. Brewer was in Brownwood a few days this week on business.

Carl Steffens of Brownwood, came in Tuesday and is visiting Edwin Day.

John Grimes, Ex-Commissioner of the Maverick precinct, was here Friday.

H. A. L. Greenwood went down to Brownwood Monday returning Tuesday.

Little Alberta Hays of Bronte is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Bennett this week.

Tomatoes, 3 pound cans for 10cts at

Stubbs & Hartman's

Just arrived, walking skirts—some nice ones. Better see them at D. Reeder's.

C. R. Crews went down to Coleman Tuesday to do some embalming work returning Wednesday.

Mrs. Plummer and daughter and Misses Katy Bell and Nellie Gregory returned Monday from an extended visit to relatives at Abilene.

Miss Sallie White of Tennessee who has been the guest of her cousin Mrs. C. F. Dickinson the past week returned to her home Thursday.

Miss Emma Halley, of Dallas, sister of Dr. W. B. Halley of this city came in this week and is spending several days this week the guest of the latter.

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.. Prohibition Speaking ..

The Rev. W. H. Berry will speak for prohibition at the following places and dates and will divide time with any gentleman endorsed by the anti-prohibition committee.

Ballinger,	Thursday, August 27, 8:30 p. m.
Crews,	Friday, " 28, " "
Content,	Saturday, " 29, " "
Antelope,	Monday, " 31, " "
Winters,	Tuesday, Sept. 1, " "
Pumphrey,	Wednesday " 2, " "
Wingate,	Thursday " 3, " "
Norton,	Friday " 4, " "
Maverick,	Saturday " 5, " "
Runnels,	Monday " 7, " "
Norwood	Tuesday " 8, " "
Miles	Wednesday " 9, " "