

A Treat For Ballinger--If You Miss Bob Taylor You Miss The Treat.

BANNER-LEADER.

VOL. XXIII

BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1905

NO 23



New Goods Received

During the Week

STERLING LINE OF SPRING CLOTHING.

2 piece Suits \$8.50 to \$15.00, 12 styles

3 piece suits \$10.00 to \$15.00, 12 styles

Fine Line Youths' and Boys' Clothing.

An up-to-date line of Ties.

Ten Nobby Styles in Stetson and Thoroughbred Hats.

Very Respectfully,

R. A. Risser & Co.

Successors to D. Reeder

EMBROIDERIES

Laces and Muslin Underwear OUR 4th ANNUAL SALE

Friday, March 31st - - Saturday, April 1st

This is an opportunity that you get only once a year, don't fail to come.

These are all match patterns and beautiful designs, heavy embroidered. Look for the date

The Hub gives the best values in Embroideries, Laces and Muslin Underwear

Laces and Embroideries

35cts	per	yd	cut	to	10cts
30cts	"	"	"	"	10cts
25cts	"	"	"	"	10cts
20cts	"	"	"	"	7cts
15cts	"	"	"	"	5cts
10cts	"	"	"	"	3cts
5cts	"	"	"	"	1ct

This is a rare opportunity, Ladies' Corset Covers, Skirts, Gowns and Drawers cheaper than you can buy the muslin

We will also put on sale a complete line of new skirts in all the new styles and values unexcelled

All widths from the narrowest to the widest

Remember the days and date, Friday March 31st and Saturday April 1st. Only 2 days for this rare opportunity. Be sure and come

THE HUB

John Guion Jr. came in from Fort Worth Sunday.

We still carry Fruit and vegetables. J. B. Alvis & Bro.

H. A. Montgomery, of Crews was in town Monday buying supplies.

Mr and Mrs G. G. Odom came in Sunday from their Fort Chadbourne Ranch.

The Sunny-Side lot sale and the baby found has been the all absorbing talk this week.

Ladies Pearl Cluster Rings, very beautiful and stylish. Jas E Brewer.

Ode Petty and wife of Brownwood were in the city first of the week visiting relatives and friends.

H. T. Williams, the Brownwood cotton man, came in Tuesday to look after cotton matters here for a day or two.

Miss Nell Butler went up to Brownwood on last Friday's train to visit relatives and friends for a few days.

Dr. S. L. Hicks returned on Tuesday's train from Talpa where he had been for a few days on professional business.

John F. Currie returned last Saturday from the Eastern markets where he had been to purchase spring and summer goods for his firm, Currie-Noyes Co.

E. W. Longone of the many Banner-Leader admirers of the Ballinger Precinct encouraged us Saturday with a dollar and with words worth equally as much.

Lane Whitaker, of the Crews Country, was in Ballinger Tuesday and had the doctors take a small scale of iron out of his eye which flew in his eye while breaking a piece of iron.

Miss Nell Butler of Ballinger came in last night for a short visit to her aunt, Mrs. Perkins. When asked how long she would be here she exhibited a small grip and said just a day or two as this little grip will indicate.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Jake Stubblefield came in from his Ranch near Norton Sunday and left on the afternoon train for Fort Worth to attend the stockmen's convention. He will visit his old home Itasca enroute to Fort Worth.

Seasonable Farming Implements

Just the kind you need for any condition of soil or season

The Celebrated **Standard** and **John Deere** lines of **Cropmakers** are fully represented, call and see them

You will need a Riding Planter * * * * * We can suit you exactly

Tanks, Cisterns and Pipe Work a specialty. Dandy and Texas Windmills



We Sell These.
You want the best. Are you ready for it this season?
We are prepared as never before to meet your wants in vehicles and harness. There's nothing superior to what we are showing, in taste, style and service. Absolute honesty in make and material. You will agree when we tell you
IT'S THE FAMOUS Studebaker Line WE CARRY.
No matter what you want—if it's a harness or something that runs on wheels, we've got it or will quickly get it.
Come in and figure with us. Everybody knows the place.
Hall Hardware Co.,
Ballinger, Texas.
P. S. The Studebaker nameplate on a vehicle is its guarantee. Don't forget this.

We solicit your business

HALL HARDWARE CO.

Little Miss Gladys Gidens returned last night from a visit to Mrs. G. W. Givens at Ballinger. Says Ballinger is the Muddiest town she ever saw but she enjoyed her visit just the same.—Brownwood Bulletin.

M. E. Harrell and J. L. Golden of Truit were here Sunday.

Letter to W. A. Pigford.

Dear Sir: Clothing is just like paint; It fits or it don't; it wears or it don't turns weather and water or not and goes out of fashion.

What do we wear clothes for? Did you ever think of it? different persons have different reasons no doubt, but one paints Devoe for beauty to be in the fashion, and keep out water.

Fashion says paint, we all paint. There is beauty in paint we paint a good deal for that. And buildings are costly and fashionable; put-on a water proof two or three coats of paint and your buildings last as long as you keep them dry. It costs nothing to paint; it costs your buildings not to.

Devoe is the paint that last; disappointing paints are the paints that cost.

Yours truly
F. W. Devoe & Co.
P. S. Ballinger Lumber Co. Sells our paint.

Base Ball.

Quite an interesting ball game was pulled off at the Ball Park last Saturday between two picked home teams this being the first game of the season. Mr. McCrary who recently came here and is a fine pitcher and the manager will make an effort to secure him for the Season.

Coal! Coal! Coal! that will heat not dirt and trash. Phone No. 2 Haydon Routh.

Postmaster H. A. Cady and daughter Mrs George Pearce came in on Tuesday's train from the East where they had been visiting the past week or ten days.

If it is Groceries you want the Ellis Groc. Co. is still on top with rock bottom prices.

* Some ladies beautifumbsl co at Jas. E. Brewer's.

Special Train.

Arrangements have been made for a big Base Ball game to be pulled off Saturday afternoon April 1st, and for that occasion and the Bob Taylor lecture that night a special train will come down from San Angelo and carry all passengers back who come down on the regular that afternoon train. This will make it doubly interesting for you to come to Ballinger on that date. Come and see the ball game and hear the greatest lecturer now before the foot lights.

Joe Conner came in last night from Ballinger. Joe says he has not yet signed to play ball with the Ballinger team and will not do so if the Brownwood team is organized. Conner was one of the best catches in the west Texas leagues last season and if Brownwood puts a team in the field he will surely officiate behind the bat. Joe says Hal Lawson is also anxious to play ball at home this season. However both can sign with Ballinger or Angelo any day they wish.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Doose and little son left on Saturday's train for Mineral wells where they will recuperate for about two week. Mr. Doose will incidentally look after prospective settlers for our country while gone, and it may be depended on that he will do some business while away.

Charlie Steffimire, who has been keeping books for Rasbury & Bruce left for his home at Elgin. Hope he will see fit to return soon and make this his permanent home.

The farmers all report busy times getting their land in shape and planting since the beautiful weather has begun. Corn is up in some places and looking fine.

Don't forget that we are always ready to test your eyes free and fit you with a pair of glasses. Jas E. Brewer.

The new residence being erected by Dr. W. W. Fowler on Broadway will be occupied by Mr. O. Voss when completed.

Genuine Red Top Sorghum Seed, Big German Millet Seed, and Dwarf millo maze Seed, at Millier Mercantile Co.

Miss Lucile Reeder visited relatives and friends at Miles last Saturday.

When the Spring Time Comes

The young mans fancy turns towards thoughts of fishing. We have fishing tackle, base balls, bats and all necessary paraphernalia for ball playing.

First Class Confectionery.

TISINGER & JONES

Dr. E. W. WALKER, Officing Physician

Registered CATTLE for Sale

SHORT HORNS
POLLED DURHAMS
RED POLLS

300 head in herd. Located below fever line. Healthy, hardy stock of best Scotch strains. Reasonable prices, easy terms to responsible buyers. Will take some good land at market price in part pay for round tots.

Landa Cattle Company,

Breeders of Registered Cattle only NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

We Deliver the Goods

Not just "any old kind of goods" but

Pure Fresh Groceries and Feed Stuff of all kinds

COTTON BUYERS

DAVIS-FANCHER & CO.

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Its a Pleasure

To get an easy shave and a neat hair cut, improves your looks too. Go to Ben Allen's and get an easy shave, neat hair cut, shampoo, etc.

Ben Allen

We wish to say to the farmers that we will LOAN THEM MONEY on Cotton

Capital \$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits 14,000.00

Citizens National Bank
BALLINGER, TEXAS

Don't Worry

For fear your property will be destroyed by fire but let some good old line

Fire Insurance Company

carry the risk for you. The North British and Mercantile of London and Edinburg; The National of Hartford; The New York Underwriters and Glen's Falls, all old and tried, are represented in Ballinger by

Guion Gregg

Put in Electric Lights

Your children can study better. No dirt, no fretting to fill lamps. The cost is moderate. Phone our man.

Ballinger Light & Ice Co.

Alarm Clocks at Jas E Brew er's.

Alimo Sæd peanuts for sale W. T. Swink.

Next door to the post office to get an up-to-date shave or haircut.

W. T. Gresham, one of the substantial farmers of the Winters country, contributed to the wants of the editor Monday.

No big words, no high sounding claims, no misrepresentations. You can still get 30lbs rice for \$1 at Godwin Grocery Co

Ayer's

If your blood is thin and impure, you are miserable all the time. It is pure, rich blood that invigorates, strengthens, refreshes. You certainly know

Sarsaparilla

the medicine that brings good health to the home, the only medicine tested and tried for 60 years. A doctor's medicine.

"I owe my life, without doubt, to Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the most wonderful medicine in the world for nervousness. My cure is permanent, and I cannot thank you enough."
MRS. DELIA McWELL, Newark, N. J.
\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.
J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Poor Health

Laxative doses of Ayer's Pills each night greatly aid the Sarsaparilla.

The following were among those attending the Fort Worth Stock Convention from this place this week: Horace Thomson, Wm McAulay, G. G. Odom, Joe B. Johnson, John Day, Tom Shaw, Clabe Armstrong, Stanley Cameron, Arthur Doose, and Col. R. D. Hall.

J. T. Bonds, of Brownwood, representing the Farm and Ranch was working our town this week in the interest of his paper. Mr. Bonds is a clever, sociable gentleman and a hustler and did some good work for the Farm and Ranch when here

F. M. Murphy, of Norton, encouraged the printers Monday in a substantial way. He says farming operations are beginning in earnest in his country since the recent fine rains.

You will have a hot time in cold weather if you will order your coal from Hayden Routh's Yard, the best quality and as cheap as good goods can be sold.

W. R. Griffin went up to Fort Worth Monday, with the excursionists to the Stock Convention and will visit his old home at Crowley before returning.

M. Cornelius, one of the prominent citizens of the Winters country, was among the visitors to the city first of the week.

Live Oak Flour, the best, guaranteed at miller mercantile co., opposite Postoffice.

Fewer gallons, wears longer; Devoe.

For sale—Alimo Seed peanuts. See W. T. Swink.

When you want a shave try the boys at the City shop

Prof Pickle, one of the Editors of the Miles Messenger visited Ballinger first of the week.

Wood! Wood! Wood! we have wood to burn! phone us your order. Hayden Routh.

Our friend I. S. Baldwin of the Content country, was supplying in Ballinger first of the week.

J. P. Huffaker and Wm Glin, representative citizens of Maverick were doing business in Ballinger Monday.

B. U. Smith, a prominent merchant of Talpa, spent part of the day Monday in our city looking after business matters.

Mrs. Joe Wilmeth and son Roscoe went up to Brownwood on Monday's train to visit friends for a few days.

Joe Burson, of the Crews country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday and enriched us a dollar's worth.

Mrs. W. A. Pringle, of San Angelo, sister of E. W. Long of our city came in Monday to visit here for a week or ten days

J. Y. Pearce came in on Monday's train from San Angelo where he had been attending to business matters for several days.

Ed Henley, wife and baby, and Miss Renfro, of Brownwood, were among the distinguished visitors to our city first of the week.

O. Hastings and Bill Gray representative citizens of the Crews country and staunch friends of the Banner-Leader were supplying in Ballinger first of the week.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

Died

Little Mable, the 18 months old girl baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cole, died last Sunday, March 19th at 9:30 o'clock, with a complication of whooping cough and Bronchitis. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. J. Moore of the First Baptist Church at the residence Monday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock and the remains laid to rest in the Ballinger Cemetery. The bereaved parents have the sympathy and condolence of the entire town in this sad hour. When all earthly help fails we can only turn to Him who doeth all things for the best and remember that He said "suffer little childer to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

W. S. Rodgers, one of our readers of the Wingate county was among the visitors to the city last Saturday. Mr. Rodgers bought a part of the Turner ranch near Wingate and is putting in some substantial improvements and will have a very profitable farm and comfortable home when completed.

T. S. Lankford, the popular saddle and harness man, of the firm of Lankford & Hathaway came in Sunday from Houston and other points East where he bought a large stock of goods for his business here

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Trainum went up to Brownwood last Saturday to visit friends a few days. Rev. Trainum preached at the Christian church in that city last Sunday while in the city.

M. J. Harris, of West End, a relative of T. S. Lankford, went back east Saturday to his old home to look after some business matters for a few days.

B. F. Corum, who attend the Woodmen Convention in Waco last week came home Saturday and reports a very pleasant and profitable trip.

Mrs. J. Y. Pearce came home from San Angelo on last Saturday's train after a visit of several days to friends in that city.

W. P. Humphrey, the lumber man, went East on Saturday's train after business matters.

Say boys, Knight & Gordon wants your barber trade.

Land to Rent.

A big snap for the right party. Come at once. C. H. Willingham.



HOW TO WIN A HUSBAND.

Woman's sphere in this 20th century is not limited any more than is man's. She can occupy almost any business position or profession, and yet the popular view of womanhood is that she best fits the position of wife and mother and head of the household. Every girl should know her heart and also know that her womanly system is equal to the strain of marriage. If a girl is nervous and irritable ten chances to one it is due to some trouble peculiar to womanhood.

Cupid has no place in a girl's heart if she is nervous and irritable, feels dragged down, worn out for no reason that she can think of. The weak back, dizzy spells and black circles about the eyes are only symptoms. Go to the source of the trouble and correct the irregularity. Stop the drains on the womanly system and the other symptoms will disappear. This can be done easily and intelligently. So sure of it is the World's Dispensary Medical Association, the proprietors of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that they offer \$500 reward for women who cannot be cured of leucorrhoea, female weakness, prolapsus, or falling of the womb. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

"After confinement I gained no strength," writes Mrs. A. Davis, of Sweetwater, Ala. "Even when my baby was a month old I could hardly do any work. I don't know what to call the disease. I had a weak feeling in the pit of my stomach, felt miserable all over. I was sick three months and a lady friend told me to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription as it had done her so much good. I did so, and after taking three bottles was cured. This was about five years ago and I have had no return of the disease. Am very thankful for the remedy. I cannot praise your 'Favorite Prescription' enough. It is a wonderful medicine for women."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets are gently laxative.

Don't Forget

To go to JNO. G. KEY'S Meat Market when you want a nice tender Steak, Barbecue or anything in the meat line.

Jno. G. Key,

BALLINGER, TEX.
New Wooden Building.

DON'T LOSE MONEY

Figure with Smith & Bateman before you buy your Lumber bill.

Brick, Lime, Cement in fact all kinds of Building Material at bed rock prices

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS are the Best. We have it in all colors

SMITH & BATEMAN

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FURNITURE DEALERS and UNDERTAKERS

Funeral Directors and Licensed Embalmers. Graduate of Chicago College of Embalming

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JOE HARDIN

Phone 33. TRANSFER LINE

For the Moving of Mercantile Freights, Household Goods, Pianos, Organs, etc.

HANDLE and DELIVERS COAL TO ALL PARTS CITY.

I give my personal and best attention to all business entrusted to me and guarantee satisfaction.

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C. C. COCKRELL, SR.,
ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

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SANTA FE TRAIN SERVICE.

PASSENGER TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 12:30 a. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 3:00 p. m.

LOCAL TRAINS.

West-bound due at Ballinger 3:15 p. m.
East-bound due at Ballinger 10:40 a. m.

Gov. Bob Taylor.

Gov. Bob Taylor will lecture at the Opera House in this city Saturday night April the 1st.

The subject of this lecture is, "Castles in the Air."

It has long been conceded that Gov. Bob Taylor has no peer as a versatile entertainer. Our country is prolific of great orators, word painters, humorists and story teller, who spring up almost with every new day, but seldom do the centuries unveil a man who combines the talents of all these. Such a man is Bob Taylor, and the new lecture which he presents for Saturday night gives the widest range to his varied talents. He has spent much time in its preparation, and it is new from the first castle which he builds with silvert tongue, through all its delicate humor and side-splitting anecdotes, to its peroration of matchless beauty.

There is something entertaining for you no matter what be your calling, vocation or profession. You hang on every sentence he utters and grasp for the next to follow. Don't fail to attend.

Notice.

Any one desiring to know the whereabouts of the following property can get the information by calling at this office:

Three hounds black and tan, two dogs and one bitch; one dog and the bitch is bobtailed and the bitch is branded on left side.

Land to Rent.

A big snap for the right party. Come at once.

C. H. Willingham.

A TEXAS WONDER.

Hall's Great Discovery.

One small bottle of the Texas Wonder Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, 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.

READ THIS

Dallas, Tex, April 24, 1902. Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo Dear Sir—I was cured of kidney and bladder trouble in 1896 and have never suffered since and I can cheerfully recommend it.

Yours truly, Gustav Belitzer,
300 Main St.

A Vertable Moses in the Bull-rushes.

While the Sunny Side lot sale was in full blast last Monday the officers were notified that a little baby, supposed to be about two months old had been found just below the bridge on the river.

An old man who was traveling through the country prospecting went down in the brush below the bridge for some purpose and saw the little white bundle and upon investigation found a baby to be the contents. Constable Pilcher was soon on the scene and the little Moses was carried to the residence of W. W. Allen, and after inspection by many visitor was carried to the home of B. W. Pilcher where he is boarding for the present.

Quit a number of people in Ballinger are willing to take the little fellow and give him a permanent home, nothing definite has been done with him as yet.

Our vigilant sheriff R. P. Kirk upon being advised by Constable Pilcher of the find at once went to work on the case and soon learned that a woman with a child answering the description of the lost child had arrived on the 12:30 train from Brownwood. It is supposed that the woman is still in Runnels county and that Mr. Kirk has located both mother and father of the child. All kind of rumors have been afloat in regard to the matter, but the above about is the facts in the case as learned from those in a position to know.

School Notes.

Harmonious churches and efficient schools are the best drawing cards for the better class of settlers. We have the former, and we simply must have the latter. Every child is justly entitled to such training as is necessary to make a citizen of the government in which he must spend his life.

Without careful training our children are likely to be victims of the depraved schemer. You lose nothing by eternal vigilance in your work of training your children.

Our school still moves smoothly. You can hardly imagine the pleasure that teachable children

afford those who have consecrated their lives on the altar of public education.

We have reached the 550 limit of our enrollment. Eight teachers for 550 children, nearly 69 children to each teacher. But the lower grades are the worst crowded. One grade, the primary, has enrolled 6 children. Do you think satisfactory work can be done under the circumstances? Men and women, wake up! Your own children's lives are in a measure at stake. Can you be content to let things stand as they are now? Move out and help to make your school what it should be. Everything to help and nothing to hinder.

Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Walker, who have been visiting county clerk R. A. Terry and family for the past few weeks, left on Thursday's train for their home at Groesbeck.

Col D. P. Moser left Thursday for San Angelo, and will go from their to his ranch on the Pecos to spend a while in recuperating.

We are glad to see F. A. Matter on the streets again this week after a right severe spell of sickness for the past ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Penn went up to San Angelo on Thursday's train.

Millinery Opening

TO THE LADIES:--You are kindly requested to inspect the BEAUTIFUL NEW HATS which will be on exhibition my Opening Days

Monday and Tuesday, April 3 and 4

Miss Emma Stephan,

At The Hub

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Col. and Mrs. R. K. Wylie went up to Ft Worth Thursday of this week.

All kinds of fresh garden seed both pack and Bulk.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Won't Turn Loose.

"I insist on saying that Hunt's Lightning Oil takes hold quicker and lets go slower of aches, pins and sore places than any other liniment I ever saw. It just won't turn loose till you're well." "I never have a little ache but what I slosh it on. And ere I get the bottle corked that little ache is gone." C. W. Jackson, Marble Hill, Mo.

No. 6757.

Report of the Condition

Of the Citizens National Bank, at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Mch. 14, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$237,510.84
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	47,201.03
U S Bonds to secure circulation	60,000.00
Premiums on U S bonds	2,700.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,359.03
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	13,141.00
Due from state bank and bankers	8,464.74
Due from approved reserve agents	105,022.28
Checks and other cash items	2,794.78
Notes of other national banks	500.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	216.40
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$ 8,088.35
Legal tender notes	4,500.00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer [5 per cent circulation]	2,250.00
Total	\$500,758.45

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	5,811.57
National bank notes outstanding	60,000.00
Due to other national banks	4,007.61
Due to State banks and bankers	2,413.82
Due to approved reserve agents	
Due to trust companies and savings banks	
Dividends unpaid	25.00
Individual deposits subject to check	215,257.92
Demand certificate of deposit	3,061.25
Time certificates of deposit	
Cashier's Checks outstanding	181.28
Bills payable in c'd certif of deposit for money borrowed	100,000.00
Total	\$500,758.45

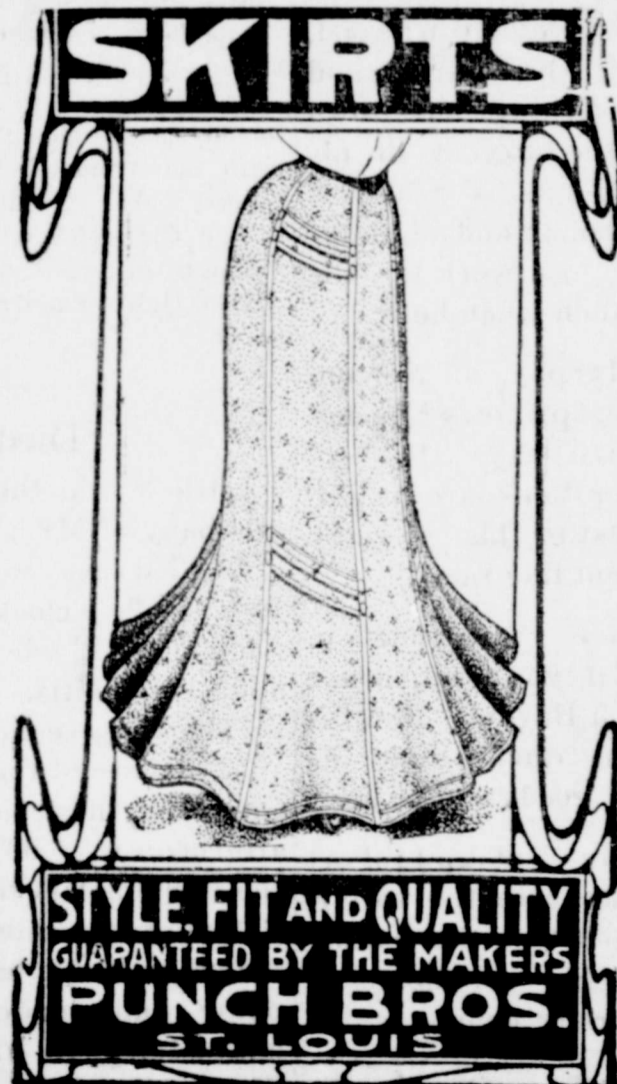
RECAPITULATION.

Resources.	
Bills Receivable	\$ 205,030.84
Demand loans and over-d'ts	79,681.03
Banking house and furniture	8,359.03
U. S. Bonds	62,700.00
Cash on hand and in banks	144,987.55
Total	\$ 500,753.45
Liabilities.	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	15,811.57
Circulation	60,000.00
Bills Payable	75,000.00
Certificates of deposit	28,061.25
Dividends unpaid	25.00
Deposits	221,860.63
Total	\$ 500,758.45

State of Texas,
County of Runnels ss:
I, Jo Wilmeth, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JO WILMETH, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
Tom Ward }
C. A. Doose } Directors
W. J. Miller }
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of Mch. 1905.
J. McGregor, Notary Public.

NEW SPRING GOODS

We have just opened up a new line of ladies' Walking Skirts, colors black, blue and brown; we are going to sell them at special prices. Eight different Styles to choose from.



Two Prices
\$5.00
and \$7.50

SPECIAL BARGAINS
IN SPRING GOODS.

45 inch Silk Embroidered Swiss eight different shades to select from, worth regularly 50 cetts per yard, but a lucky purchase enables us to offer them while they last at per yd. only..... **25c**

SILK ORGANDIES—We are offering a very fine quality figured Silk Organdie, they are beauties, worth 65c and 75c, our special price per yd. only..... **50c**

NEW HOSIERY—Just received a complete line of the famous Y. K. M. Hosiery black and tan the best values in the world at per pair **23c** and..... **15c**

A. H. VAN PELT H. WINKLER MANAGER.

Crews Items.

H. A. MONTGOMERY, EDITOR.

Devoted to the upbuilding and advancement of Crews

CREWS DIRECTORY.
Services at the M E church Saturday night before each 2nd Sunday; also Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m., Rev. L. A. Clark pastor.
Baptist—3rd Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m., also Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. W. C. White pastor.

W. R. Boone has returned from San Angelo where he has been having his eye operated on. His eye is better and the prospects are good of it getting along without giving him any more trouble.

Several of the Crews people are expecting to attend the Gov. Taylor lecture at Ballinger on April 1st.

Several of the Crews farmers turned their cotton loose this week.

Joe Valentine has been on the streets of Crews this week.

B. U. Smith, of Talpa, was in Crews this week.

L. L. Tennon moved to his new dwelling this week.

W. P. Vaughn made a flying trip to Ballinger Wednesday.

Weather has been fine this week and planting corn is the order of the day.

Mrs. Susie Montgomery, of San Angelo, is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. L. Boone, this week.

We learn that the McShan and Brister boys went to Coleman this week and purchased new buggies.

Bro. Morris, of Eastland county, delivered a fine missionary sermon at Crews on last Sunday at 12 o'clock a. m.

A. D. Talley came in this week and had his name put on the rolls with the many other subscribers to the popular Banner Leader.

M. B. Freeman informs us that he will move to Talpa soon where he will clerk for Billie Street who recently purchased B. U. Smith's stock of goods. We regret very much Mr. Freeman having to leave us.

L. C. Daniels was in town this week and informs us that he has a writing school in progress at Atoka and that there is being a W O W Camp organized at Atoka. The literary society met on last Saturday night with a good attendance and every body seemed to enjoy themselves.

J. T. Miller is laying in a considerable stock of Hardware and leather goods.

The health of the community is better than it has been for some time.

Boys see Montgomery & Henderson for the latest styles in shoes.

W. P. Vaughn is having him a cistern dug this week.

Mr. M. L. Montgomery, of Norwood, was visiting in Crews last Wednesday.

Ed Rainwater and Hiram Miller made a flying trip to Coleman last Tuesday.

R. L. Bates passed through Crews with 15 bales of cotton en route to Ballinger Wednesday.

W. H. Trout and E. W. Bagget went to Bronte this week on business and will return last of the week.

The young people of Crews enjoyed a nice time last Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Miller.

The remarkable good season that we have at present, promises the best grain crop that the farmers have ever gathered.

Montgomery & Henderson
Have the finest and most complete line of
Shoes
ever shown in Crews, also a large stock of Dry Goods on hand and arriving daily
Crews, - - Texas

Gus' Barber Shop.
When in need of anything in my line don't fail to give me a trial. Kind, courteous treatment to all. Laundry basket in connection, leaves Monday of each week returning Friday.
Gus. Hardigree, Proprietor.
CREWS, TEXAS.



I TOLD YOU
To deposit your money at
The Citizens National Bank

where it would be safe
Your deposits are solicited
The Citizens National Bank,
Ballinger, Texas.

Bob Taylor Certain to be Here.

Quite a number have asked the management if Bob Taylor was coming this time or would he fool the people like he did last year. The following letter from his management was received by the manager of the opera house this week:

Nashville, Tenn., March 18, 1905.
G. F. Schroeter,
Ballinger Texas.

Dear Sir:-
The date for Gov Bob Taylor in your city is April 1st. 1905. This attraction is now enroute to your city and will be with you at the appointed time.

Very truly,
Philip Ray, Gen'l Manager.

We published the quarterly financial statement last week, but in it we had the names of some of the county officials wrong, we publish it again this week in a corrected form and apologize for the error.

Vocal Music
Miss Jennie E. McClung
Studio at Cumberland Presbyterian church
.....RATES REASONABLE.....

Analysis Colorado River Water.
Galveston, Texas.
March 21, 1905

Hon. J. W. Powell,
Mayor Ballinger, Texas.
Dear Sir:

Kindly refer to our recent correspondence, in regard to Colorado River water that you were thinking of pumping through the mains at Ballinger. I quote below analysis made by our chemist, and his remarks in regard thereto, from which you will note that the water is very bad for boiler use, and I sincerely trust that you will see that none of it is pumped into the mains.

Grains per U. S. gallon.	
Sulphate of lime	20.3
Sulphate of Magnesia	10.5
Carbonate of lime and Magnesia	7.1
Total Incrustants	37.9
Total Solids	59.9
Suspended Matter	0.1

The water is rated very bad for boiler use. It will form an exceedingly hard scale and would be expensive to treat as most of the incrusting matter is sulphates all of which would require soda ash treatment.

Yours truly,
P. G. Pettibone,
Gen'l Supt.

Gov. Bob Taylor will never see the day when his wit and humor will fail to reach the heart of men and woman. Some cry while others laugh. He will be at the Ballinger Opera house Saturday night, April 1st. To get a choice seat you should call at Pearce's drug store now.

E. C. Moor, enrolls on the Banner-Leader's Ballinger subscription list this week and takes two other papers along with it.

T. T. Duncan, one of our friends of the Maverick country had business in Ballinger Thursday.

Miss Virgie Claxton, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. S. Griggs, of our city, for some few weeks, left for home at Gatesville Wednesday. She will visit a sister in Houston before returning home. Miss Virgie made many warm friends in Ballinger during her stay here who will be glad to see her return at any time.

The seats for Gov. Bob Taylor are going; about forty seats were checked off the first evening they were on sale at Pearce's drug store.

Dr. Hally came up from Miles on Wednesday's train where he had been on official business.

The Brown Hotel.
Is now newly fitted up and modern in every respect. We solicit local and transient custom, by the day, week and month. Nice new comfortable rooms and table furnished with all the market affords. Remember The Brown Hotel.
Mrs. F. A. Mater,
Ballinger, Texas.

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.

Go to THE CHAS. S. MILLER ABSTRACT CO., Ballinger, Texas, for certified Abstracts of Title. We guarantee all our work to be accurate, neat and up-to-date. We also have many improved places for sale at bargains and unimproved lands in any size tract on small cash payment and long time. Call and see us.
CHAS. S. MILLER ABSTRACT CO.,
BALLINGER, TEXAS

Seed Oats, Wheat and Arley
For Winter Sewing.
Lowest Prices on Corn, Oats, Chops, Bran, Prairie and Alfalfa Hay and SEEDS. Your patronage solicited by the
The BALLINGER GRAIN and COM. CO.,
GEORGE F. SCHROEDER, MANAGER

W. L. TOWER,
Conveyancer and Notary Public,
BALLINGER, TEXAS
Office at Court House Solicits your business

The First National Bank
Solicits your business for 1905. Accommodations as liberal as good banking permits. Safe, Reliable and as Solid as the Rock of Gibraltar.
J. A. YOUNGER, Pres. D. M. Baker, Cashier.
C. S. MILLER, Vice Pres. SAM BAKER, Asst. Cashier

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

MAKE A RESOLUTION
At the beginning of the New Year that you will have your property insured. But be careful as to the Companies. I represent the biggest and best on earth, such as the L. L. & G. and Hartford. : : : :
Lee Maddox
BALLINGER, TEXAS

SUNNY SIDE LOT SALE

87 Lots Out of 104 Sold to Highest Bidder, 17 at Private Sale.

The auction sale of town lots which has been so extensively advertised and which was postponed once on account of the hard rains, finally came off on time last Monday in the presence of a large and enthusiastic crowd. The bidding started off lively and it was a busy scene from start to finish. The good-natured crowd followed the auctioneer all over the Sunny Side addition. There were between three and four hundred people present and a myriad number of buggies, carriages and other vehicles. The parade of carriages displaying the signs "Free Ride to the Lot Sale" was an innovation and a credit to Mr. Lane, who headed the procession accompanied by L. C. Trone, of Brownwood, who was the auctioneer.

Quite a number of out of town visitors were among the bidders and Mr. Marion Morford, of Indiana, accompanied by his brother, bid in some of the lots. He

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, 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.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sized bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.

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.

Big Spring Opening

We have just received our Spring and Summer Goods and are showing some wonderful bargains in everything carried in a first-class Dry Goods store. Our stock of Millinery is fresh from the Eastern Markets, everything new, nobby and up-to-date

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| Ladies' shirt waists. | Handsome tailor made Skirts. |
| Linen shirt waist suit. | All the latest novelties in dress goods |
| Lawns, dimities, mulls, Swiss, voiles, batistes, mohair lustre, foulards, soisettes, suitings, and organdies. | |
| Shirt waist linens | |
| Brodee, moline and bourette | |
| Silk dress patterns in taffeta and fancy weaves | |
| The prettiest line of dress gingham ever brought on, worth 8½c, 10c and 12c | |
| Calico 4c, 5c and 6c per yard | |
| White Lawn 3c to 40c per yard | |
| Figured Lawn 5c to 25c per yard | |
| Lace curtains from 50cts per yard up. | |
| Curtain net and Swiss, all styles | |
| Counterpains, door panels, lace bed sets, pillow shams, and window shades | |
| A beautiful line of ribbons, laces and embroideries. | |
| All of the latest fancies in ladies collars and belts | |
| Childrens windsor ties and patent leather belts | |
| Dresser and table scarfs | Summer lap robes |
| Parasols from 25c up to \$3.00 | |
| Complete line of gent's furnishing goods, newest and latest in suits \$5.00 up | |
| Boys suits from 75c up to \$4.00 | |

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes

A fit for every foot a price for every purse
Our hat and glove line is complete

Your patronage always appreciated

E. M. Jones Mercantile Company

TALPA, TEXAS

is on a prospecting tour and says Ballinger looks good to him, and most especially Sunny Side Addition. He showed his faith by planting some of his dollars here. Mr. J. B. Harris, formerly of Delta county, purchased the Allen home and five lots and later bought the five lots directly behind the house, including the windmill. W. H. Rodgers bought twelve lots, which includes the half-blocks on each side of Maple street and south of Baker avenue. The sales were as follows:

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| LOTS | LOTS |
| B. S. Taylor...3 | W. T. Tilley...2 |

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| VanPelt & Gay2 | J. B. Harris.10 |
| Dan VanPelt...2 | Mrs. Allen.....2 |
| M. Barbee.....3 | J. Y. Webb.....5 |
| H. Westbrook.1 | B. Westbrook.3 |
| Mrs. L. Moore.2 | Ben Allen.....6 |
| W.R. Kennedy 2 | E. B. Henley..2 |
| Boon Royalty 5 | Walker Allen..3 |
| J. E. Witcher, 2 | J. Keidel.....2 |
| E. C. Moor....1 | R. F. Smith....2 |
| M. Morford...4 | R. S. Griggs...2 |
| W.S. Harmon.2 | H. D. Pearce...1 |
| E. J. Voelkel..2 | J. T. Cabe.....1 |
| J. B. Alvis....1 | W. B. Hawley..2 |
| | W. H. Rodgers, 12 |

There were 104 lots; 87 sold and the 17 now being taken. This is the grandest success in the way of a real estate deal that has ever struck Ballinger and we must say we wish more men of energy like Mr. Lane and his ever active associate would come into our midst and become citizens. As advertisers they have set a pace that it would be well for others to follow; the advertising wagon and electric piano was a great idea and pleased the people; they went out into the bushes and hunted the people and ground out sweet strains of LaPaloma, etc., while the residents read the signs on the wagon and the circulars which the boys distributed. With the coming of the street fair and the lot sale Ballinger began putting on city airs and now we want a building association and there is wanted an annual county fair, and—as a visitor suggested the past week—it would pay the Ballinger merchants to buy a block of land and give away free every other lot to out of town people who will come here and build a home on same. That's the way to start the old town toward the 15,000 mark set by Mr. Lane. The Santa Fe will aid the Commercial Club. Advertise your town if you want to catch the people who are drifting toward Texas. Let them hear

about Ballinger and then watch Ballinger grow; when a park will adorn the river front and we can brag of our pure drinking water. A great lesson has been taught us by Mr. G. P. Lane and his Sunny Side addition; how much a little grading helps—how much beauty there is in a little whitewash. Wherever you go, Mr. Lane, you and your associate have our best wishes, as we know you will find and show to the people the "Sunny Side" of their resources and the good qualities of their locality.

Bulk garden seed at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

HAPPY WOMEN.

Plenty of Them in Texas and Good Reason For it.

Wouldn't any woman be happy.

After years of backache suffering.

Days of misery, nights of unrest,

The distress of urinary troubles,

She finds relief and cure?

No Reason why any Texas reader

Should suffer in the face of evidence like this:

Mrs. J. A. Beck, of Austin Texas employed at 1605 Sabine St. says. "In April, 1902, when living at 1709 East Avenue, I gave a testimonial concerning Doan's Kidney Pills, after I had procured a supply. The cure they performed has been permanent in every particular and I have told a great many sufferers from backache and kidney ailments to give them a trial if they wished to get positive relief. You are at liberty to continue the use of my name as one who endorse all the claims made for Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's and take no other.

Strikes Hidden Rocks.

When your ship of health strikes the hidden rocks of consumption, Pneumonia, etc., you are lost if you don't get help from Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption. J. W. McKinnon, of Talladega Springs, Ala., writes: "I had been very ill with Pneumonia, under the care of two doctors, but was getting no better when I began to take Dr. King's New Discovery. The first dose gave relief, and one bottle cured me." Sure cure for sore throat, bronchitis, coughs and colds. Guaranteed at J. Y. Pearce drug store, price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Next time, if there is a next time, Kuropatkin will be tempted to begin retreating early to avoid the rush.

Fresh vegetables received daily at Ellis Grocery Co.

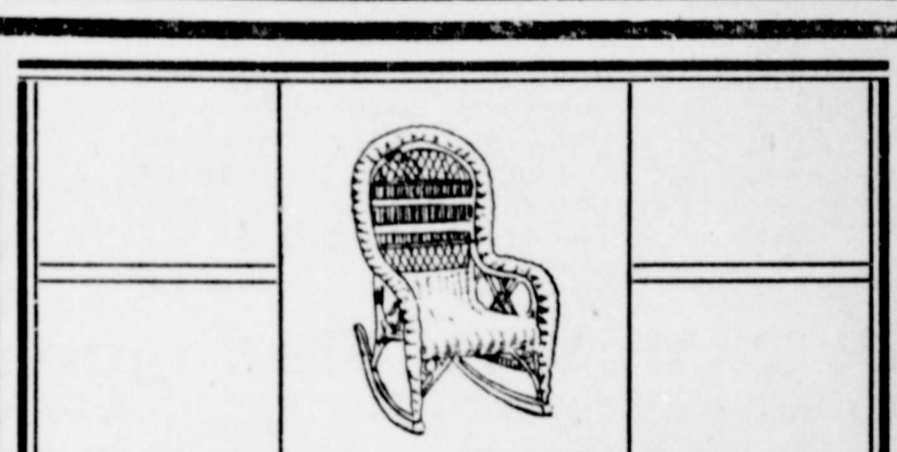
Where Shal I buy my GROCERIES

We answer this question. 1st. Where the prices are right. 2nd. Where the goods are fresh and first class. 3rd Where you will receive Courteous and Honest Treatment.

The Miller Mercantile Co

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



Crews Furniture Co., Furniture Dealers Undertakers and Embalmers.

Complete stock of up-to-date goods. A car just unloaded of Metal and Folding Beds, Iron and Wooden Beds, Suits and everything in the Furniture Line. Our prices are way down. Let us figure with you on your purchases and we will save you money. Day phone 66, night phone 99. The oldest established business in Ballinger.

Crews Furniture Co.

Opening Announcement!

The Ballinger Dry Goods Co., takes pleasure in announcing their Spring Millinery Opening On

TUESDAY, APRIL 4th, 1905

Mrs Lynch, the head of the department has returned from the East with all the new Parisian Styles in **HATS AND ACCESSORIES.**

**Novelties
In Street, Tailored and
Pattern Hats**

Trimmed and untrimmed, ladies, Misses and children's caps. And Don't forget the date, Tuesday, April 4. You are cordially invited to attend. Very Respectfully,

The Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

Fresh vegetables received daily at Ellis Grocery Co.

We buy all kinds of country Products. J. B. Alvis & Bro.

J. L. Kerby, one of our Crews friends, was doing business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Tennessee Triumph seed Potatoes at Miller Mercantile Co. Call quick if you want them.

Is it a watch? we have lots of new ones; also chains and charm. Jas E Brewer.

Dr. Halley bought this week a fine horse at a cost of \$125.00 his old horse not being able to keep up with the rush of work he has to do.

W. W. McKinley was in from McVilleville first of the week and reports farming operations under full headway in his neighborhood.

Miss Corrie Simpson, accompanied by her little niece, came over from Sonora Wednesday on a visit to her sister Miss Alma Simpson.

The rock work on the J. A. Osterdag building next to Jeans Bros second hand store was begun this week and will be rush to completion.

Don't let your wife split the stove wood but phone no. 2 and have a nice dry split load brought up from Hayden Routh's wood yard.

Jim Hancock, the artist painter, did some retouching this week on the Citizens National Bank and the Ballinger Dry Goods Co.'s buildings.

L. S. Evans, one of the prominent and prosperous farmers of the Hatchel neighborhood was looking after business matters in Ballinger Thursday.

"Student" is informed that there are not ninety members of the United States Senate as he contends. There eighty six two vacancies, and two waiting for the verdict of the juries.

C. H. Eoff who has been a citizen of the Winters community for several years has purchased land in Scurry county near Snyder, and will move there soon. He was in Ballinger Friday and had us mark up his figures into 1906.

D. Reeder closed the deal lost Saturday whereby he acquires from the railroad company 64 lots between the Colorado river, for a consideration of \$2000.00 cash. This is very desirable property and Mr. Reeder was fortunate in securing it at such reasonable figures.

Bob Cabe, who recently leased from T. S. Lankford the lots opposite the Ballinger Livery Stable, is busy at work this week putting up the camp houses, fencing etc and when completed will be the most modern, up to date Wagon Yard in the city. Bob is a rustler and we predict success for him in his new business.

At the Opera House.

The Lyceum Stock Co. have been at the Opera House since Monday night, playing to a large house each night. They will remain the entire week, giving a matinee Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Home Steam Laundry.

Changed hands but will do business in the same reliable way. Good work and prompt delivery.

Walter Tally, prop.

Dr. Daly will be in Winters April 14 & 15.



DRS.

**Daly & Francis
Eye Specialist**

Treat the Eye diseases and deformities that are curable only. The Eye has been our special study for the past 15 years and we positively tell you plain facts about your case. Those unable to pay cash will be given time, and the worthy poor treated free. References from Runnels county people that were treated for years by others without benefit, led to our office and now see to read. Investigate if you are interested.

Dr. Daly will be in Ballinger April 12, and 13. Office at Royalty Hotel.

F. A. Nott of Ballinger, has purchased the interest of Messrs Watson and Bishop in the Ideal Steam Laundry, and is now sole proprietor of that establishment. Mr. Nott is an old and experienced laundry man, and this together with the addition of new machinery and other improvements will add to the efficiency of the laundry unsurpassed by any in this section of the state.—Dublin Telephone.

A charter has been granted the Ballinger Light & Ice Co., with a capital stock of \$20,000, and following offices named: Tom Ward, president; J. Lee Norman, vice-president; R. G. Hardgrave secretary and treasurer; W. A. Norman, general manager.

C. L. Alexander received a message on Friday last announcing the death of his brother in law, J. M. Coley, of Fort Worth. Mr. Coley was an officer on the police force of service of the city and in point of service was next to the oldest member in the department.

Mrs. E. C. Saunders, of Sonora, is here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. A. McGregor, who has been quite ill for several days. She is much better and is gaining strength rapidly.

R. A. Risser, the dry goods man, returned Thursday from a visit to his family at Calvert. Mr. Risser will move his family here as soon as he can secure a residence.

J. H. Miller went East on Thursday train to look after business matter for a few days.

DO YOU EAT BREAD?

I guess you do. I am prepared to serve the public with good bread at prices that are right.

Will Glober.

We want eggs.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

LIQUIZONE, the great medicine, for sale by J. Y. Pearce, Druggist.

Freight of all descriptions delivered on short notice.

Hayden Routh.

Phone No 12 when you want groceries or any kind of feed.

191 Acres for Sale.

A. L. Cox home place for sale, 5 miles Northeast of Winters on Moro Flat, 191 acres in tract, 135 acres in farm, level hog wallow land; good house, pailed yard full of trees and shrubbery well pure water that can't be pumped out with wind mill; complete water works and hydrant at garden; the house well and water works and yard are worth \$2 000.00; good young orchard.

This place can be bought for \$2.00 per acre down, 1/4 in 1906 and ten years time on the balance at 8% apply to White & Meeks Winter Texas, Tom Crosson & Co. Ballinger Tex., Woodward & Lusk Ballinger Tex.

Births.

Born, Wednesday, to Mr and Mrs E. W. Long a boy.

Born, Tuesday, to Mr and Mrs L. Y. Williams of South Ballinger, a boy.

Lost.

Some where on the streets of Ballinger Wednesday a brown winter lap robe. Finder please notify me. Mrs. J. F. Stuart.

Have some fire Insurance taken out on your property and let Ernest Plummer write it they represent time tried and fire tested companies.

Another charge against Gov. Adams of Colorado, seems to be that he was elected largely by republican votes.

LOOK and LIVE.

Here is the way we sell goods

Can Goods.

3lb Cans Tomatoes.....	10c
3lb " Hominy.....	10c
A No. 1 Corn.....	10c
Raspberries.....	15c, 2 for 25c
Blackberries.....	2 for 25c

Breakfast Goods.

Cream of Wheat.....	15c
Force.....	15c
Grape Nuts.....	15c
2lb Friends Oatmeal.....	10c
5lb Union " with Premium....	25c

Bulk Goods.

Good Bulk Coffee.....	7lb for 1.00
Good Lard 7c per pound by the can	
Good Rice.....	30lb for 1.00

These are only a few of our prices. Call and see us before buying.

Yours for business,

Ellis Grocery Co.



THE above picture of the man and fish is the trademark of Scott's Emulsion, and is the synonym for strength and purity. It is sold in almost all the civilized countries of the globe.

If the cod fish became extinct it would be a world-wide calamity, because the oil that comes from its liver surpasses all other fats in nourishing and life-giving properties. Thirty years ago the proprietors of Scott's Emulsion found a way of preparing cod liver oil so that everyone can take it and get the full value of the oil without the objectionable taste. Scott's Emulsion is the best thing in the world for weak, backward children, thin, delicate people, and all conditions of wasting and lost strength.

Send for free sample.
SCOTT & BOWNE, CHEMISTS
 409-415 PEARL STREET, NEW YORK
 50c. and \$1.00. All druggists.

The Barwick Real Estate Co.

List your land with us, we have buyers

MILES, TEXAS

R. S. GRIGGS, COUNTY ATTORNEY
 Office at Court House

Will do a civil practice in all the courts.
 Special attention given to probate matters, deed writing, examination of titles, etc.

Trimmier & Grimes

Real Estate and Collections

Office with Banner-Leader

T. J. Middlebrook & Son, Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights.

All kinds of Wood and Iron Work Done. Carriage painting, repairing tops, cushions etc. Shoeing interfering horses a specialty. Give us a trial.

Next to New Rock Stable.
T. J. MIDDLEBROOK & SON,
 BALLINGER, TEXAS.

The Dallas News in speaking of the editorial column of the country weekly, says: Spicy locals or just plain locals without any spice are undoubtedly the best filling for a local paper. The local paper cannot compete with the general newspaper in disseminating large news matter but the local can serve its local patrons in a field which the big paper can not touch. The local newspaper, instead of being on the wane, is stronger now than ever before and it will grow in strength in proportion to the amount of editorial and mechanical and financial intelligence given to it. But there should be room in every local paper for at least one column of editorials. The editorial column or page is the balance wheel without which the engine is erratic, uncertain, incomplete. The editorial gives tone and character to the publication and no publication is complete without some tone and some character.

Gives Health, Vigor and Tone

Herbine is a boon for sufferers from anemia. By its use the blood is quickly regenerated and the color become normal. The drooping strength is revived. The languor is diminished. Health, vigor and tone predominate. New life and happy activity results. Mrs. Bello H. Shirrel, Middlesborough, Ills., writes "I have been troubled with liver complaint and poor blood, and have found nothing to benefit me like Herbine. I hope never to be without it. I have wished that I had known of it in my husband's lifetime." For Sale by J. Y. Pearce 50c.

A sweet girl graduate from a Boston school, thus describe the manner in which a goat butted a boy out of the front yard in the neighborhood, says an exchange: "He hurled the previous end of his anatomy against the boy's afterward with an eagerness and velocity which, backed by the goat's avordupois, imparted a momentum that was not relaxed until the instigator of the vehement exasperation was landed on terra firma beyond the place of the goat's jurisdiction."

Do You Want a Home on Easy Terms?

We have a new 4-room box and weatherboarded cottage with two galleries, two lots, good well, cellar, in good and convenient part of town. \$1,050 buys this place; \$250 cash and balance monthly payments without interest, at \$10 per month. Apply to C. P. SHEPHERD, Ballinger, Texas.

Miles Messenger.

Stanley Cameron of Ballinger came down Monday bringing in Miles parties from court.

The election to decide whether the citizens of Miles will or will not incorporate for school purposes only, will be held April 8th.

J. B. Royalty of Ballinger this week purchased seven acres of land north of the school building from H. E. Jackson.

Startling Mortality.

Statistics and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases, there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. M. Flannery, of 14 Custom House Place, Chicago says: "They have no equal for Constipation and Biliousness." 25c at J. Y. Pearce druggist.

Manchuri has never been considered a mining country but the Russians are discovering some fine lead deposits there.

President Roosevelt will go to Texas to hunt Bears, after which he will return to Washington thence to New York to practice on "bulls"

Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup is a pleasant and effectual medicine for cleansing the system, regulating the liver and bowels, cures Costiveness, Biliousness, Headaches, Loss of Appetite, Bad Breath, Belching, Disorders of the Stomach, Indigestion and Dyspepsia. 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 bottles. Sold by E. D. Walker Druggist.

Tresspass Notice--Keep Out.

All parties found hunting, cutting wood, gathering stock or trespassing in anyway on the G. R. Casey Mud Creek ranch will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Keep out.
 C. A. DOOSE.

A Safe Cough Medicine for children.

In buying a cough medicine for children never be afraid to buy Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There is no danger from it and relief is always sure to follow. It is especially valuable for colds, croup and whooping cough. For sale by J. Y. Pearce Druggist.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs B. W. Evans, Charwater Kan., writes: My Husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and it cured him. That was six years ago and since then we have always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds it has no equal." Sold by J. Y. Pearce 25c, 50c. and \$1.00.

Bill Arp once said, "If a man does me one really unselfish act of kindness I don't care how badly he may treat me afterwards I can never scratch that good one off my slate." If a man does me one mean trick, I don't care how many deeds of kindness he may show in the future, I can never scratch that mean trick off my slate." The The last is human, the first divine.—Ex.

Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Dembeeger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "cut a fearful gash over his eye so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye. Good for burns and ulcers too. Only 25c at J. Y. Pearce drug store."

The Colonel's Waterloo.

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Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF W. F. SHARP
 Treasurer of Runnels County, Texas } COMMISSIONERS COURT
 Runnels County Texas,
 In Regular Quarterly Session
 February Term, 1905.

We the undersigned as County Commissioners within and for said Runnels county, and the Hon. B. B. Stone, county judge of said Runnels county, constituting the entire Commissioners court of said county, and each one of us do hereby certify that on this the 13th day of February A D 1905, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of W. F. Sharp, Treasurer of Runnels county, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 15th day of Nov. A D 1904 and ending on the 13th day of February A D 1905, and finding same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners Court of Runnels county, stating the approval of said Treasurers Report by our said Court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said county treasurer since his last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 13th day of February A D 1905, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of said County Treasurer in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of said Treasurer belonging to Runnels county at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on the 15th day of November A. D. 1904, and find the same to be as follows, to-wit:

JURY FUND, 1st Class.	
Balance Last Quarter	\$ 1868.14
To amount received during quarter	679.43
By Amount paid out during quarter, Ex. A	17.00
" 2 1-2 per cent commission on amount received	16.98
" 2 1-2 " " " " " " paid out	.42
Amount to Balance	2513.17
Total	\$ 2547.57
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 13th day of Feb. A. D. 1905, and including the balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 12th day of Feb. A. D. 1905, and the balance of receipts and disbursements since that day, a total balance of	\$ 2513.17
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2nd Class.	
Balance Last Quarter	\$ 1080.02
To amount received during quarter	6729.59
By Amount paid out during quarter, Ex. B	1605.88
" 2 1-2 per cent commission on amount received	168.23
" 2 1-2 " " " " " " paid out	40.14
Amount to Balance	5995.36
Total	\$ 7809.61
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February A D 1905, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 12th day of February A D 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that date making a total balance of	5995.36
GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3rd Class	
Balance last Quarter	\$1923.01
To amount received during quarter	7469.74
By " " " " " " paid out during quarter Ex C	\$1090.51
" 2 1/2 per cent commission on amount received	186.74
" " " " " " " " paid out	49.76
Amount to balance	7165.74
Total	\$9392.75
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February A D 1905 and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 12th day of Feb A D 1904, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of	7165.74
SPECIAL FUND, 4th Class.	
Balance last Quarter	\$2955.91
To amount received during quarter	5123.31
By " " " " " " paid out during quarter Ex D	\$ 217.35
" 2 1/2 per cent commission on amount received	128.08
" " " " " " " " paid out	5.43
Amount to balance	7728.39
Total	\$8079.22
Balance to credit of said Special Fund as actually counted by us on the 14th day of February A D 1905 and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of Filing of his report on the 12th day of Feb 1905, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day making a total balance of	7728.39
ADVERTISING FUND, 5th Class	
Balance last quarter	\$4.28
To amt recd during quarter	3.08
By 2 1-2 per cent commission on amount received	\$.07
Amount to balance	7.29
Total	7.36
Balance to credit of said Advertising Fund as actually counted by us on the 15th day of Nov 1904 and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 14th day of Nov 1904 and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of	7.29

Respectfully submitted,
 W. F. SHARP, County Treasurer, Runnels County, Texas.
 Sworn and subscribed before me, this 12th day of Feb. 1905.
 R. A. Terry, County Clerk.

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Phrenology.

[By N. S. Edens]

Allmentiveness.—Nourishment
All life has its origine in the germ. A small seed contains the germ of the lofty monarch of the forest, but this germ must have nourishment in order to manifest its life and form.

Nourishment has a threefold office. It unfolds, develops and sustains life.

Since the germ contains only the life of the plant or creature its nourishment must be supplied from some outside source. Having endowed an object or being with life, and given it means of protection and defence the Creator then makes provision for its nourishment.

The earth is the first source from which nourishment is obtained. All plants that consume mostly earth substances are larger in structure and have a greater period of existence. "The big trees of Colifornia," and the baobab tree illustrate this fact. The rose is nourished more delicate and shorter lived. The air is full of microscopic plants which develop and die in a short time.

Water is the vehicle of life and the more water a plant contains the quicker does it develop and die. The mushroom, tomato, cabbage etc prove this fact.

Plant life takes its food from the earth. This is first hand. Most living creatures, unless it be earth worms and such like receive their food second and third hand Herbivorous and granivorous animals receive their nourishment second hand, and all cardivorous, thirdhand. Canables, both human and animal exists on forth hand food, and and possess a gross life and passions. Nature has provided that such creatures be not numerous or long lived.

Insects and birds that derive their nourishment from flowers, are clothed in gay attide and die when the flowers do. The humming bird feeds upon the nectar of flowers and will live in captivity only a few hours.

After food has been take third hand is no longer fit for use who would eat a carnivorous beast or bird! The richest and most nourishing foods and drinks are obtained from the vegetable kingdom. Our best medicines also come from plant life.

To the extent that man becomes carnivorous or flesh eating he encourages and develops the animal nature. No real carnivorous animal can ever be thoroughly domesticated. Allmentiveness large gives width to that portion of the head. This faculty was given man to look after the body becomes exhausted from activity or labor of any kind it needs a resupply of material to continue its activities. Allmentiveness is in constant rapport with the body and knows when it needs food, and with the strong voice of hunger for such things as will supply its wants. Appetite is the voice of hunger.

Some men and some animals have morbid appetites, and eat great quantities of food, while others eat but little. Many sins and diseases are the results of of an abnormal appetite. Many a man's appetite has brought ruin and death to him. This faculty of the brain needs training. Most children are not only allowed to have anything they want to eat anytime they want it, but are stuffed until some of the poor things die from over feeding. In early life individuals very often by wrong eating form habit that

finally lead to their run. I might right here give you a lesson in temperance as it naturally falls under the head of appetite Allmentiveness but I have no space or time.

Agriculture, horticulture, apiculture, the slaughter house, the canning factory, the brewery, many drug, and most all commerce grow out of this Organ.

To Increase Your Business

Every man in business should try to get the largest possible return from its business and most of them in a way do make some kind of an effort to do this. The great trouble is that the mental efforts is usually not persistent enough. The day has passed when a man can merely open a shop, wait on the trade that naturally comes his way and do any great amount of business. The business man who cannot or will not study can hardly hope to succeed, the mental part of the work really being the most difficult. Every man now believes that advertising pays, in fact unless he is incapable of profiting by the experience of others and by his own observation he knows it will pay. Most men do a little advertising but a large number do not give it any systematic thought. They make it a secondary consideration to all other things in the business, when in fact it should have the very first place. A great many men expect too much from the money spent in advertising. They think that an occasional investment of a dollar or two ought to bring the people to them in throngs. Take any other investment than that of the purchase of newspaper space and a business man will hardly expect every dollar to at once bring him back two.—Brownwood Bulletin.

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I suffered for four years with eczema on the ends of eight of my fingers. Had it so long my fingers drew up and could do nothing at all at times, and I tried almost everything that I ever heard of, including several largely advertised ointments, spending many dollars for them. Never a thing did it any good at all. At last I saw in a home paper Hunt's Cure was being advertised and tried only a part of one box, which cost me only 50 cents, and it cured them. Now I can wash or do anything which before I could not without my fingers bleeding, burning and painng me very much. If this ever comes back I surely will know just what to get. I wish every friend and stranger that had anything of the kind could have seen my fingers before I used this and see them now. It is the best Ointment on earth. That 50 cent box was worth a hundred dollars to me. You deserve all thanks that can be given you for that wonderful salve, Hunt's Cure.

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C. S Miller went up to Fort Worth on Wednesday's train.

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Jas E. Brewer is displaying some beautiful Jewelry in his show window.

Try a gallon of that new East Texas Ribbon cane syrup at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Mrs. J. E. Day was among the number who took passage for Fort Worth Monday.

Insurance in old line Companies.

Ernest Plummer

We don't give the most, but give the best.

Godwin Grocery Co.

H. Zdaril, L. Markowitz and Jack McGregor are auditing the city books and accounts this week.

Judge T. T. Crosson is having a new home built on his lots on Broadway north of Dr. Fowler's residence.

Miss Lola Brown was in Sunday from her school near Norton visiting relatives and friends She returned Sunday afternoon.

Will Paint Town.

M. W. Leader of Austin, who has just completed the painting and paperhanging on the R. A. Smith residence will remain in Ballinger for awhile. Anyone wanting first class work in his line will do well to figure with him. Graining a specialty. Phone 25.

The Ballinger school bill before the legislature has passed both braches of that body, and the bill and the metes and bounds of the new district will be presented to our citizens next week. For want of space we are unable to give it in full this week.

Sanford Simpson and Ed Wiley are the boss plasterers you see on passing the new rock buildings just being completed. They fix up a house and get out of it before you know they have been there.

A literary and social meeting of the Epworth League will be held at the residence of Dr. T. A. Rape Friday evening. All members of the League and their friends are invited.

Lee Odom, representing Padgett Bros of Waco, has been doing business in Ballinger this week and shaking hands with his many friends here.

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Mrs. George Vaughn is spending the week in Paint Rock visiting friends and old acquaintances.

The state of Texas won the land suit against the state of Oklahoma over Greer county lands.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd went to Ft. Worth Tuesday evening to visit friends during the Stock Convention.

Mrs. L. G. Doby and baby left Tuesday morning for Abilene where they will visit friends for a few weeks.

A. F. Adams, of the Winters Country, was attending to business matters in Ballinger Thursday of this week.

Mrs. J. B. Wilmeth, of Ballinger, is in the city a guest at the home of Rev. O. M. Fitzhugh and wife.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Mrs. W. A. Fezell sent us the wherewithall from Passadina, California, this week to keep the Banner-Leader going. Mrs. Fezell was a former resident of this place.

Our old friend A. D. Tally, the efficient Justice of Peace of the Crews precinct enrolled with us this week, taking advantage of our combination offer heretofore advertised by us.

Look out for the adv of the "White Sale," to be given about April 11th. Ladies will do well to wait as there will be all kinds of ready made muslin underwear for ladies and especially children.

While dallying the garden of Paradise, and speaking of universal love there, he sang for the monkey: "My love is a Precious Baboon." He carries the hearer through the diapason of human emotions—Nashville Banner. Bob Taylor will appear at the Ballinger Opera house Saturday night, April 1st. Get good seat now at Pearce's drug store.

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S. D. Williams had business in Miles between trains Wednesday of this week.

Miss Rosa Stringfellow, from Amarillo, is in the city on a visit to her aunt Mrs. C. C. F. Blanchard.

John Thomson one of our standbys of the Winters country, was supplying in Ballinger Thursday and had his paper change to Truitt.

Rev. E. P. Williams preached to a large audience Sunday night at Methodist church, his subject was "Tactics of the Devil" which was handled in an able and interesting manner.

His fun was sandwiched in when least expected, and it sent his audience into roars of laughter—Dallas News Here him at the Ballinger opera house Saturday night' April 1st.

Notice to cotton Holders.

The spring rains have begun and cotton that is on the ground will damage considerable. I am prepared to furnish storage at the compress, and will be glad to take care of your cotton at very reasonable charges. It will be a saving to you by giving you a better grade when you want to sell. W. C. PENN.

Dr. Jackson, the Veterinary Surgeon of Rose Bud, Texas, was here this week administering to the afflicted horses of our town and section. The doctor seems to understand his business and is doing some good work here.

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