

# BANNER-LEADER.

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NO 20.

## A WHITE SALE AT THE WHITE STORE.

R. A. Risser & Co., Ballinger Texas.

You cannot fail to be interested in this sale of Snowy Undermuslins. The Garments are all well made, every article offered is a BARGAIN.

Childrens Muslin Drawers, all sizes, made of good material, hand worked Button Holes, nicely tucked, a great saving to Mothers	10c	<b>B A R G A I N S</b>	Misses Muslin Gowns good material	59c
Dainty Corset Covers of good quality domestic	10c		Ladies Muslin Gowns, Embroidered and Ruffled	98c
Misses Drawers of good Muslin, finished and tucked	17 1-2c		Ladies Fluffy Petticoats, Cambric, Deep Flounce, trimmed with Lace	\$1.25
Ladies Cambric Corset Covers, nicely finished and ruffled	19c		Handsome Wide Embroidery 35c value	15c
Ladies Drawers, good Muslin, the cloth is worth more	20c		Fine Inserting and Edging, Cambric 20c value	10c
Childrens' Flannelette Skirts with Muslin Waists	25c		All silk White Pongee 27 inches wide 50c value	29c
Childrens' Drawers made of good Muslin, Tucked and Ruffled	20c		White All Silk Mull, 35c quality	18c
Ladies Umbrella Pants made of good Muslin and tucked	25c		White India Linon 20c value	10c
Ladies Corset Covers daintily Trimmed	25c		White Panama Cloth 20c value	12 1-2
Childrens' Night Gowns, well trimmed with embroidery	30c		American White Waistings, Lace Stripes	20c
Ladies Muslin Gowns Tucked and Ruffled	55c		White French Lawn, 46 inches wide	20c
Ladies Corset Covers made of fine Cambric, Trimmed with Lace	50c		Sheer Linen Cambric, 36 inches wide	65c
Ladies Muslin Gowns, Embroidered and Ruffled	50c		Soft Finish Cambric	8 1-3
Misses Outing Gowns 75 cts Quality, now	59c		The Best Quality Soft Finish Domestic	8 1-3
			A. F. C. Gingham	8 1-3
			Zephyr Gingham	8 1-3
			Bleached Domestic, good quality, no starch	5c
			American Prints, Blue, Red and Gray	5c
			Oil color Prints, Red, Yellow, Blue and Green	5c

R. A. RISSER & CO., Ballinger, Texas.

### Jr. League Program.

Subject—A Christ like Life.  
Leader—Eunice Brown.  
1 Christ-likeness in service.  
Mark 10, 43-45—Agnes Jeanes.  
2 Christ's example of love,  
John 13, 34,—Annie Jean Sharp.  
3 Christ-likeness of mind,  
Phil, 2 5-8.—Emmett Davis.  
4 Christ-like forgiveness Col.  
3, 13—Lelia Collins.  
5 Christ-like forbearance 1  
Peter 2, 21-25—May Butler.  
6 Christ-like in suffering 1  
Peter 3, 17, 18—Foy Walker.  
7 Christ-like triumph Rev. 3.  
4—Pearl Farris.  
Song—  
Recitation—  
Recitation—Allene Routh.  
Song—  
Benediction—  
  
We have a lot of nice Bulk  
Honey also 1lb sections.  
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Vice-President.

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Cashier.

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Loan money on Real Estate,

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We bid you to open an account with us.

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Good Luck flour \$1.00 per sack.  
at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Miss Mertie Jones accompanied  
her friends, Misses Stephens up  
to Miles on the 12 o'clock train  
Thursday to visit with them for  
a few days.

Rev. C. W. Yates and T. S.  
Lankford, of our city and J. M.  
Young, of Winters, left on the  
afternoon train Thursday for  
Brownwood to attend the meet-  
ing of Presbytery of the C. P.  
church which convened in that  
city Friday.

E. D. Walker, the Ballinger  
State Banker, went East on the  
afternoon train Thursday.

John Martinec came in from  
Rowena and left from this point  
Thursday for Temple to be gone  
about a month on business.

### Suicides by Hanging.

News reached here Saturday  
of last week that Mrs. I. N.  
Verfuth had suicided by hanging  
herself, at her home in San  
Angelo last Thursday afternoon.  
Mr. Verfuth is a painter by trade  
and did some work in our city  
this winter. Mrs. Verfuth has  
been suffering from a mental  
derangement and was at one  
time confined in the asylum, but  
recently was considered much  
better.

C. J. Lynn, of Covington,  
Tenn., who had been visiting his  
brother in our city and prospect-  
ing, left for his home Thursday  
afternoon. He was delighted  
with our country.

Mrs. F. M. Boyd, of Wiley,  
Texas, is in our city this week  
the guest of her sister, Mrs. I.  
N. Lewis and family, and will  
visit here for some time.

## Extra Special

FEBRUARY TRADE STIMULATORS

We have just opened up a lot of New Spring Wash Goods, which we offer at  
SPECIAL PRICES.

One case containing Three Thousand yards of a well known Zephyr Gingham—50 or more  
patterns to select from, and all are very pretty and in fast colors. This lot comes in short lengths from 19 to 20 yards in the piece. It is one of the  
best 12 1-2c Gingham on the market. While it lasts, special price only 10c per yard.

72 Pieces of the famous Book Fold Red Seal Gingham. On sale now at only 12 1-2c yard.

White Lawn 40 inches wide, a regular 12 1-2c quality, on sale now at only 10c yard.

White Checked Dimities extra nice quality—is cheap at 12 1-2c. On special sale now at only 10c yard.

Fine Quality White Jap Wash silk, 20 inches wide. Special while it lasts at only 29c yard

Fine Quality White Jay Wash Silk, 36 inches wide. Special sale price only 49c yard.

See Our Embroideries on Special sale. These are bargains you can not afford to miss. Special at 5c, 10c and 15c yard.

A. H. Van Pelt,

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Farmer

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IS THE BEST

We Carry a Full  
Line of  
PLANTERS,  
CULTIVATORS,  
HARROWS,  
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Bain and Old  
Hickory  
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Moon Bros  
Buggies are the  
Best  
We Sell 'em.

Van Pelt & Kirk.

New Or Second Hand.

Yes you can buy at Lankford & Hathaway's new or second hand "Most Any Old Thing."

OUR AIM

Is to suit every pocket-book and codition in life.

We carry stoves of all kinds new and second hand.

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Yes, we can sell you a Buggy cheaper than our Competitor.

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Our House Furnishing Department is completed to suit every fancy. Call and let us show you.

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Norton News.

I have not seen anything in your paper from Norton, I can't give you much. We are moving along fine with our farm work. Good many got their land all plowed and the rest of the people will soon be done and then we all can go fishing. Sure we are dry, the grain crop will soon be gone by the board, if we don't get rain soon. We hear some talk of Norton building some more in the way of a hardware and furniture store. Mr. Ray and his son Jerome, I heard, had made a sale of their places. Well we see that the Mazeland writer is still howling about the agents, of course it is always the cripple dog that howls. He certainly has been hit pretty hard. Now I am no agent nor never was but this is a free country and if I get bit by an agent, that's the fool I am and I have no one to blame, can't even blame my wife. Now about the negro. The Maizeland writer tends towards an anarchical sentiment in his writing about the negro. Now he ought to be consistent but it does not seem that he is. I heard a responsible citizen say, that he had seen said writer sitting on a spring seat with a negro, and the rear of the wagon full of all sizes and colors. Now I am not defending the negro for I have never been with many of them in my life, lived in Delta county something near 20 years hardly ever saw a negro only when I went to town been here 16 years and of course you know I never see one of the creatures only when I go to town. They are free citizens of our United States and our constitution and laws is to protect every law abiding citizen and it is to punish every law breaker, and any one that would do as the blowing Maizeland writer claims that he and his neighbors would do, would be open law breakers.

T. T. Duncan.

Norton News. No. 2.

Our town and country are both fast improving several new houses have lately been built, others painted. Land is being put in cultivation rapidly, one crew of Mexicans numbering forty-nine, have just put in one for J. D. Hall and are now, with Mr. Ellis, other smaller bunches are at work through the country.

Phil Flood is building a nice house on the lots south of the school building.

Mrs. W. C. Rayburn is visiting her sister at Rose Bud, Texas.

We are informed that the Commissioners Court granted Norton a school district of which we are very proud. A voting box is needed bably, a petition was sent in for this also.

A Fraternal Union order has lately been organized at Norton, by Thos. J. Braly.

M. I. Rayburn returned last week from a business trip at Midland.

Misses Dee and Maggie Lilly are visiting in San Angelo.

A Valentine party was enjoyed at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Taylor by the young people, Wednesday night.

Miss Chuck Morison returned to her home at Gatesville, Texas after an extended visit to the Misses Rayburn and Morgan.

J. H. Ray sold his place last week to a Mr. White for \$22.50 per acre.

Young Mr. Smith of Coleman is visiting his friends Tom and Ross Setser.

The Wylie Ranch is fast filling with up-to-date farmers. All th territory is tributary to Norton, and see no reason why, our burg should not improve also to be in keeping with the country.

Bob McGowan of Brownwood is visiting his brother Newman this week.

"The Mayor"

A newsy letter, Mayor, keep it up each week if you can—Editor.

Letter to Ballinger Doctors.

Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sirs:—

For your house no matter what's the matter with it—it isn't a human you know—a prescription:

Devoe lead-and-zinc. Apply with a brush, from one to three coats—get a painter to do it.

Seven state chemist know all about Devoe; have analized it; report it pure; will analyze it occasionally. They buy it in the open market whenever they like.

You know what the color and dryer are for; do you know what the lead-and-zinc and oil are for? Not being a painter you may not choose to know; but we'll tell you.

Lead-and-zinc and oil combine to form a rubbery waterproof coat to keep out dampness. That's the wole business.

The oil would do it alone; lead-and-oil would do it, without the zinc; zinc and oil without the lead; but the three together are best, because they wear best.

We say to you' "get a painter," as we'd say to him "get a doctor"—every man to his trade. Can't all be painters and doctors don't want to.

You will be more successful in a prosperous looking house: and be in good health. Take good care of one another.

Yours truly  
F. W. Devoe & Co.

Ballinger Lumber Co. sell our paint.

E. V. Bateman has resigned his position with the Citizens National Bank and has bought an interest with the new lumber men, Messrs H. H. and F. M. Hardin, who recently bought out the Hill Lumber, Co., at this place. Mr. Bateman is a thorough business gentleman and popular with our people and the new firm are fortunate in having him as a member of their firm.

Get a bucket of that pure hog lard at the City Meat Market and you will never buy any other kind.

The City Meat Market has this week some of the nicest, juiciest meat ever handled in Ballinger.

HOLLISTER'S  
Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets

A Busy Medicine for Busy People.  
Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.  
A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Live and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis.  
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# Hall Hardware Co.

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**IMPLEMENTS**  
 Planters, Cultivators,  
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 Stoves, Ranges, Heaters,  
 House Furnishings and  
 Builders Hardware.  
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 We Will Appreciate Your Business.

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# Hall Hardware Co

## Cotton Area for 1906.

What shall the cotton area of the South be in 1906? This question can be asked by anyone. It can alone be definitely and correctly answered by that great army of cotton growers, who will solve the problem for themselves and the world within the next 90 days. The great Cotton Convention, which met at New Orleans La., Jan. 11-13, 1906, and the Executive Committee of the Southern Cotton Association, which convened at the same place on Jan. 15th, both, harmoniously and without a dissenting voice, passed and recommended the following resolution:

"Believing that the 25 per cent. reduction in cotton acreage, recommended and insisted upon by the Southern Cotton Association at its meeting at New Orleans, La., a year ago was eminently wise and salutary, this committee suggests with all the insistence at its command that for the year 1906 the Cotton Association endeavor to continue that work, to the end that the original 25 per cent. reduction from the acreage of 1904 may be accomplished in the year 1906."

It is generally admitted that

to the fact that for the past few years, with but one exception, the crops of cotton grown, have not materially exceeded the demands for consumption, and fairly good prices have prevailed.

As the markets of the world are gradually broadened and the demand increases, then, and not till then, let the acreage planted in cotton be increased. Regulate the supply to meet the present existing demand for consumption, and thereby have a controlling voice in the prices of the raw product. No power on earth can control prices, when the legitimate laws of supply and demand are recklessly disregarded. The farmers are the arbiters of their future fortunes. We will point the way to success. Pause and reflect before it is too late.

Harvie Jordan,  
 Pres. S. C. A.

Ed T. Rucker, our popular and efficient civil engineer moved his office this week from over Doose and Wright's Confectionery store to Room No. 1 up stairs in the Hubbard old stand on the corner. His office is much more convenient and more comfortably situated than heretofore.

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We have them in all New, Nobby Styles, New Shape and Swing Last. All leather for dress or every day wear.

Come in, would deem it a pleasure to show you.  
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Do you want a good load of  
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**HOUSE PAINT**  
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Write Kinloch Paint Company, St. Louis, for free booklet on "What the Householder Ought to Know"

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Green cord wood for sale 4 miles west from town up the river at \$2.50 per cord on the ground.

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**JOE GUENTER,**  
 Ballinger, Texas.

The best alarm clock on earth at Jas. E. Brewers.

W. H. Mullen, of Winters, left from this point on Tuesday's train to look after business matters at Miles.

Mrs. F. W. Howard and children returned Tuesday from a visit to Mrs. Howard's parents at Goldthwaite, and you could see Frank's smile for a hundred yards.

J. T. Bullock sold this week his meat market on 8th Street to Dick Oliver. Mr. Oliver intends to enlarge the business and make it up-to-date in every respect. Mr. Bullock has not yet decided what he will do.

the reduction in cotton acreage for 1905 amounted to an average of 15 per cent. The demand for a full reduction of 25 per cent from the enormous area planted in 1904 would mean that we must still further reduce the area planted in 1906 from that of 1905 at least 10 per cent. Those farmers who reduced their cotton acreage 25 per cent last year will not be asked to reduce again this year, but they will be expected to hold their acreage down to that planted last year. Those farmers who did not reduce last year are expected to cut their acreage 25 per cent this year. The man who reduced 15 per cent last year is expected to cut his acreage another ten per cent this year. In other words, it is imperative that the cotton area planted on every farm in the South this year shall be at least 25 per cent less than that planted in the spring of 1904.

This is easily understood and should be strictly carried into practical operation if the advice of the best brains from leading Southern farmers, the Southern Cotton Association and the perils of overproduction are to be heeded. The farmers are generally getting into a position of thrift and independence. This is due

## City Council Meeting.

The city council met Tuesday afternoon Feb. 13th with Mayor Powell, aldermen R. L. Maddox, Ed Globber, Sam Baker and T. S. Lankford present.

Ordered that T. S. Johnson be given until Saturday to let the Council know what he has done with the city bonds.

Ordered that proposition of Judge Jno. I. Guion to sell land for dam site be closed, which was \$20.00 per acre for 55 acres of land above the Wm. Ronth crossing on the creek.

Ordered that Lee Maddox and Ed Globber be appointed as a committee to have ditch opened from the upper hole of water.

Rev. C. W. Dunn, of Decatur, Texas, brother of our fellow-citizen Jno. Dunn, of West End was here this week the guest of his brother and family. Rev. Dunn is one of the prominent divines of the C. P. Church of Texas and visited our city a little over a year ago and says the growth of Ballinger is marvelous since his first visit.

J. J. Erwin, the rustling grocery man, had business in Fort Worth several days this week.

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C. C. COCKRELL, SR., EDITOR.

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data.

### Advertising Patrons.

The Banner-Leader accepts advertising under the guaranty that its **Actual Bonafide paid Circulation** is as large as any paper published in Runnels County.

You may pulverize ice, but it is ice still, but let a sunbeam fall on it and it is soon dissolved. Abuse, however severe and humiliating, never softens men, but kindness will melt the most obdurate.

A. E. Marshall, recently, of Robert Lee, is now located in our city representing the Singer Sewing Machine Company and will have his office at M. W. McGinnis'. He will be assisted in this territory by L. P. Sample. Wm. Lockhart, head manager for this district, located at San Angelo, was here Thursday and Friday getting them started off right. Messrs Marshall and Sample are clever, nice gentlemen and we are glad to have them in our midst.

An exchange says that if the people would just remember that flour would extinguish blazing gasoline, the knowledge would be inestimable. Says the man of the house: "One day our gasoline stove was blazing and wet clothes were used without effect, when I remembered that I had read that flour would extinguish it competely." It would be a good idea to paste this up in the kitchen so that in an emergency it might save both life and property.

### Not "Just as Good"—Its the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifidly and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of SKIN DISEASE. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of ITCHING known.

ECZEMA, TETTER, RINGWORM and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

Gold is precious, and its possession brings blessings to those who are wise enough to use it. It blesses its possessor, and it blesses those about him when the faithful steward puts it to its proper use. But it brings its curses to him who puts a value upon it that is not its own. He who makes it the aim and end of life comes some day to where it is as valueless to him as the ashes upon the ruins of a splendid palace. He reaches the point where all that the earth holds is not as priceless as one moment of time. He comes to ask in his own heart "what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" And at that moment, he is ready to offer all his possessions to the power that can lead him to safety, and failing in that, he casts his gold down to be trodden under foot. His offering is in vain. —Bonham News.

### A New Location.

Editor Banner Leader:—

I will give you a few lines from this favored spot of the country, Messrs Wilmeth and Doose owns 480 acres of fine land just joining the pecan mott now owned by Mr. Bob Smith, and running out from the river in the center of this tract, they have a farm of about 70 acres in cultivation; put in several years before they bought it. By agreement between those gentlemen and myself, they have had one hundred acres, more or less grubbed out on the edge next to Mr. Smiths place, and I have built a good 5 room framed house on it, and will cultivate it this year.

Messrs Doose and Wilmeth had Mr. Rucker on this place two days of late surveying and engineering for the purpose of locating the spot of ground to put in an irrigation plant. Mr. Smith, just a cross the fence has a plant in, ready for use, and a fine farm to put the water on.

Our young folks all have what they call a "Literary" at the Springhill schoolhouse, which they seem to be enjoying very much. Mr. Editor, I notice a correspondent to the Ledger writing from in the neighborhood of the new schoolhouse on the Brady road at the crossing of Spur creek, calling that schoolhouse Tranquility. I kept thinking that some one would call their attention to the mistake, but as it has not been done, while I am writing I will call attention to the mistake myself, by giving a little history of the origin of the name. I lived in that neighborhood when it was planned to build a new schoolhouse, and I will just digress here long enough to say, that H. G. Hays, deserves all honor for success in the securing a new and larger school building. They had an old dilapidated building which they called "Wallthall", and besides it being too small, and so much in need of repairs, there seemed to be nearly always a misunderstanding as to whether it was really a church or schoolhouse. And besides this, it was fenced off so that in order for some people to get to it, it was very inconvenient, and the very looks of the place would make a fellow think of the old ghost stories you and I used to hear when we were little fellows.

But the fact that, that place was not haunted, helps me to know that all of those old ghost "yarns, were the product of superstition. So, I was told that if I would sell the old house to the highest bidder, that I should have the privilege of naming the new one. And in casting about for a name, it passed through my mind that now, as as we would be out in a more available spot, and clear loose from the old house, that maybe, we would be more in a state of tranquility. So I named the house "Tranquil," and not tranquity. Hoping that Runnels county will elect a good corps of officers this year and be good and prosperous.

I am yours as ever,

W. W. McKinley.

We are glad to note Mrs. L. S. Evans and daughter, Miss Stella convalescing from severe cases of la grippe this week.

Clay Roberts, who had been manager of the Hill Lumber Co. here will remain with the new lumber firm, which we are glad to know, as Mr. Roberts has made many friends during his stay in our city by his gentlemanly and honorable way of conducting business.

### San Angelo Daily Standard.

Attorney C. O. Harris of Ballinger, arrived in San Angelo Monday on a professional visit of a few days.

Messrs. H. A. Clem of Ballinger and R. H. Clem of Hugo I. T., members of the Clem Lumber Co. have arrived here and will make San Angelo their home. They will take active charge of the Clem Lumber Co's. business and will build homes in Fort Concho addition. Mr. John Clem, father of R. H. and H. A. Clem has also moved to the city. Mr. E. L. Sorrells who has been managing the Clem Lumber yard will remain with the firm as book-keeper and office man.

### A Fact.

We are an old stager, and know a good deal of the methods of certain interesting characters of the genus homo who make it a rule to start their campaign simultaneously with the opening of the political campaign and my friends they address themselves to pulling "CANDIDATES" legs. Oh! my friends they have in days of yore pulled my legs to a finish and let me say to you here and now, that the support and fealty of such individuals is not to be depended upon, they will pull your leg to-day and to-morrow interview your opponent(?) They are abroad in the land and it will gratify us much to know that you will pass them by.

Old Stager.

Ed Rasbery of Ballinger, was among the Wednesday visitors in the city.—Daily Standard.

C. A. Doose, a brother-in-law of Arkansaw Smith, was in the city Wednesday from Ballinger.—Daily San Angelo Standard.

W. B. Dunlap and family, of Comanche, came in last week and are now permanent citizens of our city. Mr. Dunlap will be with U. E. Hartman in the dry goods and grocery business.

There has been weighed up to Friday at noon in Ballinger 18,967 bales of cotton by Frank Stuart, the public weigher, and 1,936 bales at the Farmers Union Yard, making a total of 20,903 bales.

G. A. Phillips one of the new comers to our county from Evant, Texas, was in the city Friday and left us a shining wheel. Mr. Phillips is a progressive and prosperous farmer and we are glad to have the like of him in our county.

# DR. PRICES' CREAM Baking Powder

Made from pure, grape cream of tartar

FOREMOST BAKING POWDER IN THE WORLD

Makes home baking easy. Nothing can be substituted for it in making, quickly and perfectly, delicate hot biscuit, hot-breads, muffins, cake and pastry. Insures the food against alum.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO.

Misses Annie and Bertha Stephan left for Miles on the 12 o'clock train Thursday.

Our genial friend C. F. Dickinson is able to be out this week after a right severe tussle with the grip.

We are well stocked on flour (8 Different Brands) Quality and prices right.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

W. T. Padgett, the Assessor, had a week's tussle with la grippe, but was able to be out again first of the week.

John Cavitt, of Wheelock came in on the 12 o'clock train Thursday to visit Joe B. Johnson and family for a while.

Alf A. Hanscomb, the versatile writer and postmaster at Tokeen was shaking hands with his many Ballinger friends Thursday.

The new lumber firm of H. H. Hadin & Son and E. V. Bateman, successors to Hill Lumber Co. bought this week the O. K. Wagon yard property from R. T. Jones, the Rock Livery Stable man. Mr. Jones retained the two lots next to the Walton, Jones & Co., and will at an early date have two rock business houses built on same.

### Commissioners Court.

The regular Feb. term of the Commissioners Court convened Monday morning with Judge Stone in the chair and W. H. Weeks, J. E. McAdams, W. P. Hawkins and C. C. Culwell, commissioners, at their posts of duty. The February term is the busiest one of the year and this one was no exception.

The respective Commissioners made reports of the roads and bridges in each precinct, which show them all in good condition. A petition from Content school district No. 2. came up asking that the district be divided, and the Court agreed to some.

J. Shields, the popular deputy County Clerk was engaged to collect, by suit or otherwise, all delinquent taxes for the County.

Petitions for new roads, allowing and adjusting accounts, examining tax lists, etc was gone over, and much other important business transacted, a full report of which we will publish after their adjournment.

Rev. W. J. Moore returned Thursday from Winters where he had been to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Lee Bedford which occurred in that city Wednesday.

## We Will Pay You

### TO HELP US MAKE ROOM.

We have due here two cars of Furniture and have not sufficient room to store it. So we have decided to close out our flour and feed stuff. Our flour is from one of the best mills in the entire country and every sack guaranteed.

Strickly high patent flour	-	\$2.40
Fancy high patent as fine as made at any mill	-	\$2.65 per cwt
Meal per sack	-	45c
Bran per sack	-	\$1.05
Chops	-	1.10
Corn	-	59c
Oats per bu.	-	40c

It will pay you to come at once and get your share of this Special Sale. Our line of Furniture, Hardware, Queensware, Paints, Varnishes and in fact any thing to furnish a house from start to finish, is complete. We are anxious for your business and will do all we can to merit it.

### BALLINGER INSTALLMENT CO.

E. A. JEANS, Mgr.

We save our customers 75 to 100 per cent. on Wall paper.

Low prices on Coffins and Caskets.

Under Opera House.

1000 Best Parlor Matches For 5cts.

## New Hardware Store.

New Stoughton Wagons,  
Rock Island Plows, Gasoline Engines,  
Repeater Planters, Star Wind Mills,  
Lone Star Cultivators  
K. C. Buggies and Hacks.

See Us For All Kinds Of  
Hardware and Implements.

Jones, Walton & Co.

### Luckiest Man in Arkansas.

"I'm the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley of Bruno, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs; and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure consumption if taken in time. My wife improved with first bottle and twelve bottles completed the cure." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At J. Y. Pearce druggist. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### For Sale.

Good 7 room house in West End for sale at a bargain. Good cistern, water works and all needed improvements. Apply at Banner-Leader or T. S. Lankford.

### "Nails"

"Nails are a mighty good thing—particularly finger nails—but I don't believe they were intended solely for scratching, though I use mine largely for that purpose for several years. I was sorely afflicted and had it to do. One application of Hunt's Cure, however, relieved my itch and less than one box cured me entirely."

J. M. WARD,  
Index, Texas

## Let Us Show You

That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.

### Years Of Experience

We have had years of experience in the grocery business and know how to buy so we can sell right. A month's trial will convince you.

## Miller Mercantile Company

## FIFTY LOTS FOR SALE.

\$75 Each—\$15 Cash and \$5 per month until paid out.

C. H. Willingham.

## Tom Crosson & Co.

### Land Agents.

We have listed with us some of the finest pieces of Farm and Ranch lands in this section.

We invite your inspection of Prices, Terms, Ect.

### Correspondence Promptly Attended To.

Write us or call on us at our office in this city.

Opera House Building.  
BALLINGER, TEXAS.

The 20th Century wants your Confectionery trade.

Corn Chops, Oats, Bran, Hay, Cotton Seed, Cotton Seed Meal, at Godwin Gro. Co.

Wilke & Co. sold this week 35 head of steer yearlings to W. D. Kirkpatrick of Paint Rock, at p. t.

Miss Mary Rather left on the afternoon train Saturday for Belton where she will visit for a while.

Mr. Gillis, of Lockhart, father of Bud Gillis, of our county, came in last Saturday to visit his son for a while.

C. A. Doose made a business trip to Temple, leaving on the evening train Saturday and returning Sunday night.

A small Payment down and a small payment each week will get a fine suit of furniture from Lankford & Hathaway.

Why punish your Horse by feeding him poor Hay, when you can get choice Forney Hay at Godwin Gro. Co. at the same price.

*Fresh Live Oak and mill flour on hand all the time, each kind guaranteed and made good if you should find a bad sack at Miller mer. Co.*

Mrs. G. W. Johnston left on the afternoon train last Saturday for a visit of several weeks to her former home at Proctor, Texas.

Mrs. Jo. Wilmeth and Miss Ethel Truly visited San Angelo friends last Saturday and returned home Sunday on the afternoon train.

Robt. F. Fresenus, agent of the Lone Star Beer Co., of San Antonio, was here several days the past week and was the guest of J. H. Wilke one day while in our city.

R. A. Risser left on the afternoon train Saturday for New York and other Eastern markets to buy his spring and summer stock of goods for his firm of R. A. Risser & Co., of our city. We may expect a large and well selected stock of goods when they begin to arrive.

Robt. Batts, who has a fine position with the Galveston Electric Co., and had been visiting relatives and friends here the past two weeks left for Galveston Sunday to resume his duties. He orders the Banner-Leader to follow to keep him posted on the home news.

S. M. Fulton, the representative agent of the Santa Fe Refrigerator Dispatch Cars, was here Saturday and attended the meeting of the Cantaloupe and Truck Growers Association at the Court House. He promises to be in shape to handle the crop in a satisfactory manner.

Prof. G. W. Nance left on the afternoon train Monday for Austin and returned Thursday with his bride Miss E. Ballard. They were married Wednesday and will make Ballinger their future home. The Banner-Leader joins in congratulations and best wishes for the happy young couple in their voyage over life's matrimonial sea.

Mrs. H. C. Wylie, and little daughter, Miss Modenia, left on the afternoon train Saturday for Stephenville, in answer to a message conveying the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. Wylie's mother, which occurred in that place early Saturday morning. Mrs. Wylie's many friends here join the Banner-Leader in condolence and sympathy in this sad affliction.

We are sorry to note Capt. R. A. Smith quite sick this week.

Editor W. A. Perry, of Miles had business in our city between trains last Saturday.

Dr. J. A. Marberry, of San Angelo, was here on a professional trip Monday to see Capt. R. A. Smith.

B. W. Pilcher came home on the 12 o'clock train Saturday from Fort Worth and other eastern points.

Oscar Pearson, our successful Oil Mill man, went up to Miles Monday to look after business matters between trains.

R. L. Woodward, one of our substantial friends of Eden, was here Saturday last and divided his "prosperity" with us.

Mrs. D. M. Baker returned home last Saturday from Brownwood where she had been visiting relatives the past two weeks.

Harry Scott who had been looking after business matters at Fort Worth and other eastern points returned home last Saturday.

Luther Long one of Crockett County's old timers, who now resides in Ballinger is visiting relatives here this week.—Ozona Kicker.

J. B. Riggs, one of the prosperous and prominent citizens of the Wingate country, was doing business in our city Friday and Saturday of last week.

Judge B. B. Stone returned home on the 12 o'clock train last Saturday from Dallas where he had been several days looking after legal business.

Mrs. E. L. Long and Miss Pearl Pringle, of San Angelo, came up last Saturday and was the guests of E. L. Long and family for a few days.

J. H. Wilke sold this week to Wm. Ledford, of Talpa, 5 lots in West End, also 2 lots to T. G. Mathews in West End at p. t. These gentlemen will begin to improve the lots at once, so we are informed.

H. D. Pearce says his selling his hotel property is not significant of his leaving Ballinger as he still owns several lots here and other interests in the county, and don't expect to leave this section as it is good enough for him.

R. B. Gragg, associate editor of the West Texas Monitor, has disposed of his interest in that publication. Mr. Gragg will continue for sometime to be connected with the Monitor. Later he expects to either engage in business elsewhere or quit the printing business altogether.—San Angelo Standard.

M. E. Kornish, the news editor of the San Angelo Standard, passed through our city Saturday on the evening train en route to Fort Worth to visit for a few days. He gave us a cordial hand shake and a few words while the train waited, and like everything else pertaining to the Standard showed the push and energy of a progressive, and wide-awake young business man.

We learn on good authority that the Orient Town Site Co. has made the town of Bronte a proposition that if the people there will give them 300 acres of land there for a town they will put the new town there instead of on the river two and a half miles below Bronte. A committee has been appointed by the citizens of Bronte to canvass the matter as to securing the land and report at an early date.—Robert Lee Observer.



**The Greatest Eye Glass in the World.**  
For sale by Walker Drug Co.

**Citation by Publication.**

STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon H. D. Blume, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, also, the unknown heirs of the said H. D. Blume by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the first Monday in March A. D. 1906, the same being the 5th day of March A. D. 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 4th day of Jan A. D. 1906 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 768, wherein J. J. Hubbard is Plaintiff, and H. D. Blume and unknown heirs of the said H. D. Blume are Defendants, and said petition alleging:—

The State of Texas }  
County of Runnels } In the District  
Court of Runnels County, Texas,  
March Term, 1906.

To the Hon. J. W. Goodwin, Judge of said Court:

Now comes J. J. Hubbard hereinafter styled plaintiff who resides in Runnels County, Texas, complaining of H. D. Blume whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, also, the unknown heirs of the said H. D. Blume, the name and place of residence of whom is to plaintiff unknown. And for cause of action herein plaintiff avers that heretofore to-wit: On or about January 1st 1906, plaintiff was and still is lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land to-wit: 169 acres of land situated in Runnels County, State of Texas, known as Survey No. 104, Abstract No. 26 Certificate No. 1049.

That plaintiff had and held and still has and holds under deed duly recorded in the deed records of Runnels County peaceable, continuous, adverse possession of the heretofore described land, cultivating, using and enjoying the same paying all taxes due thereon for a period of more than five years, next preceding the said 1st day of January 1906.

Plaintiff further alleges that by and through those under whom he holds, he has had and held actual exclusive, peaceable and adverse possession of the hereinbefore described land, for a period of more than ten years next

preceding the filing of this suit.

That defendants herein are asserting or holding some kind of pretended claim in or title to said land, which casts a cloud upon plaintiff's title thereto to plaintiff's damage.

Wherefore premises considered plaintiff prays that defendants be cited by publication as the law directs to answer herein and that upon final trial hereof he have judgment against defendants for the title to said land and that the cloud so cast on plaintiff's title be removed and that he be quieted in his title and possession to and of said land, and for all costs of suit and for general and special relief such as he may show himself entitled to either in law or equity.

Dickinson & Crosson,

Attys. for plaintiff.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this the 5th day of January A. D. 1906.

R. A. Terry Clerk,

District Court Runnels County.

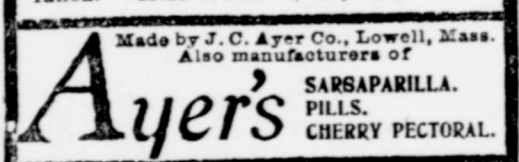
A true copy I certify, R. P. Kirk, Sheriff. By Jno. Maddox Deputy.

*We appreciate your good trade and will treat you right. Cotton and Grain buyers. Miller Mer Co.*

**Is It Your Own Hair?**

Do you pin your hat to your own hair? Can't do it? Haven't enough hair? It must be you do not know Ayer's Hair Vigor! Here's an introduction! May the acquaintance result in a heavy growth of rich, thick, glossy hair! And we know you'll never be gray.

"I think that Ayer's Hair Vigor is the most wonderful hair grower that was ever made. I have used it for some time and I can truthfully say that I am greatly pleased with it. I cheerfully recommend it as a splendid preparation."—MISS V. BROCK, Wayland, Mich.



**ERNEST PLUMMER SELLS Insurance.**

**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

**CICERO SMITH.**

**Don't Worry.**

Someone has truthfully said its worry and not work that kills.

**Insurance on your Home or Business**

will prevent a great deal of of worry. I write Insurance in the best companies and will treat you right.

**LEE MADDOX.**

**Wanted.**

Two boarders on Sunny Side at \$12.50 per month.

Mrs. A. F. Deaton.  
Golden Gate Coffee, Teas, Extracts, Spices; the best, at Godwin Gro. Co.

**Crushed to Death Beneath Wheels.**

A tragedy was enacted at the Santa Fe depot last night as the west bound passenger train was pulling out of the station, in which D. H. Mayfield lost his life. Mayfield was on board the train and as it pulled out attempted to get off. The train was moving slowly and Mayfield managed to step off all right but staggered and fell against the coach. Before he could recover himself he was struck by the steps and knocked down. A curbing along the track makes the gravel walk as high if not higher than the track there, and it is supposed that the axle or trucks to the coach in passing over his body and crushed his bones. One foot got under a wheel and was badly mangled.

Mayfield was picked up by a brother who was with him at the time and carried him into the waiting room where he died fifteen or twenty minutes later.—Friday's Daily Bulletin.

Don't forget us when you want to be refreshed. Our cold drinks are the purest and best. 20th Century Confectionery.

**Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best.**

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfaillingly, unqualifidely and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of SKIN DISEASE. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of ITCHING known. ECZEMA, TETTER, RINGWORM and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

Pickens Butler came in Saturday night of last week to visit home folks for a few days.

Little Miss Stephans, who had been visiting in our city for several days left Monday for her new home at Miles.

A nice, gentle shower of rain visited our city Sunday night and Monday which did a great deal of good. The rain was reported pretty general all over the county and now since it has begun we look for plenty before the month is out.

Fresh Bread, Cakes, Pies, &c at Godwin Gro. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Clem, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Clem and Miss Della Clem, sister of the Messrs Clem, went over to San Angelo Sunday, the gentlemen to look after their lumber interests and the ladies to visit for a few days.

**Don't Fail To See**

The Beggar Prince Company Friday and Saturday nights. February 23rd and 24th.

Friday night they will present "The Ali-vette." Saturday night "Girofle-Girofla."

**Matinee**  
Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock they will reproduce "The Beggar Prince."  
Get Seats Early.

**Attention People.**

I have bought the lease on the Star Wagon Yard, and solicitate a portion of your business. I understand the business and promise you faithful and prompt service at all hours. South of the Ballinger Lumber Co. Prompt attention and careful keeping to boarding horses.

Hugh Donaghe.

**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.

**Its Dangerous.**

To neglect a cold the results are too often very serious. Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Pneumonia and Consumption are frequently the consequences. Upon the appearance of a cold, sore throat or chest, use Simmons Cough Syrup. It soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm and promptly cures you.

Methusala was all right, you bet For a good old soul was he, They say he would be living yet, Had he taken Rocky Mountain Tea. Ask your Druggist.

Bring us your Butter, Chickens and Eggs; we will pay the market price.  
Godwin Grocery Co.

**Wanted.**

Gentlemen Boarders \$16.00 per month. Nice comfortable rooms and table furnished with all the market affords. Located on 10th Street & Seely Ave. near Steam Laundry.  
Mrs. C. A. Newman.

Fresh fruits, Candies, nuts and Confections of all kinds at the 20th Century.

**A Healing Gospel.**

The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of Sharon Baptist Church, Belair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a Godsend to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 50 minutes and feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me." Greatest remedy for weakness and all Stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store. Price 50c.

**PATRONIZE 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.

**New Lumber Yard**  
Hill Lumber Co.  
Lumber, Shingles, Doors, Sash Etc.  
Yard in rear of Rock Stable.  
**CLAY ROBERTS, Manager.**  
Ballinger, : : : Texas.

# Combination Offer For 1906.

For 1906 were able to offer the following combination to the people of Runnels county and vicinity:  
 The Banner-Leader, regular price \$1.00 per year; the Twice-a-Week Dallas News, Houston Post, Fort Worth Record or Bryan's Commoner, the regular subscription price for each is \$1.00 per year.  
 The American Home Journal, published in Dallas, the best Southern Magazine published. Regular price \$1.00 per year.  
 To subscribe for each of these would cost you \$3.00, we will give for 1906 the Banner-Leader, the American Home Journal and either the Dallas News, Houston Post, Fort Worth Record or Bryan's Commoner for \$2.00.  
 If you would keep posted you need these three, the Semi-Weekly to keep you informed on all National and State Questions, the American Home Journal for good stories for the children and the Banner-Leader for all the local news. Old subscribers who pay up-to-date and one year in advance are entitled to this offer.

## Banner-Leader.

According to the very best information obtainable we pass this way but once, and when we step into the valley of the shadow all our earthly belongings will be left behind. Not a cow, nor a sheep, nor an acre of land, not a dollar of money, will go into the grave with us. Why then should men race through life in a mad flight for gold, brushing all the better things aside, when at last it must be unloaded at the tomb? Would it not be better to smile a little and do a few good deeds as we go along! Would it not be a better plan to put a flower in the hand of some sad hearted human being, struggling along the road of life than to clinch an almighty dollar until cold death forces us to relinquish it. Not many of us who reads this ever had the opportunity to clinch many almighty dollars, though some of us have, most of us have a most persistent desire to do so. With some people no thoughts of kind words and deeds ever finds room in their hearts to expand and they are they who missing the real riches of life. More joy come to one through his effort to please others than ever can come to him who strives to please only himself.—Ex.

Better be occasionally deceived because of our confidence in others, than to go about with green glasses, distrustful and suspicious.—Ex.

Boys, business men of your town know you better than your parents do. Their eyes are on you when you are least aware. You may slip away from your old mother, who sits busy with her knitting; you may dope and deceive your best friends; you may elude the watchful eye of your teacher; you may trifle with the confidence of your Sunday school superintendent, but you can't fool the business men of your town when they have a position to be filled.—Ex.

### Frightfully Burned.

Chas. W. Moore, a machinist, of Ford City, Pa., had his hand frightfully burned in an electrical furnace. He applied Bucklin's Arnica Salve with the usual result: "a quick and perfect cure." Greatest healer on earth for Burns, Wounds, Sores, Eczema and Piles. 25c at J. Y. Pearce Druggist.

### "We Have Many Similar."

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers of Stuttgart, Ark: "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Milligeville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there, in whom I am much concerned, and I understand the Oil is not kept there. I can recommend it as the best medicine I ever had in my house. It cured me of a bad case of the Bloody Flux in less than one-half hour, and it cured my grand-daughter of a bad case of Colera morbus in a very short time."

### Dallas Remains Headquarters.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 30.—The hundred or more prominent factors of the Interstate Cottonseed Crushers' Association held another session this morning and threshed over business matters. The movement put on foot some time ago to "split" the association in twain and have two sets of headquarters—one in Dallas, Texas, and another in Atlanta—fell through. The two Carolinas were foremost in the movement, but the delegates and those from Georgia were finally persuaded to let the association stand as one body. So Dallas will retain the permanent headquarters for the present at least. Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas demanded that there be no break in the association ranks and the Texas crowd was too strong for the more northern representatives.

The publicity feature was again discussed this morning, the delegates claiming that the work of the Southern Cotton Association during 1905 and the good prices to which cotton was forced spoke in the strongest terms possible. If the cotton growers could do so well the cottonseed crushers should follow the example set them by the planters and advertise the uses of cottonseed oil and its by-products. Cottonseed cake and meal are higher now than they were a year ago. The short crop in Texas has led the farmers, it is said, to use good judgment in disposing of their cotton and the seed crushers are not long on food for their mills. Chattanooga and Atlanta are clamoring for the next annual convention of the association.—Cotton Oil News.

### Remember.

There are two freedoms—the false, where a man is free to do what he likes—the true, where a man is free to do what he ought. Remember that when you are in the right you can afford to keep your temper, and when you are in the wrong you can't afford to lose it. When you find yourself, as I dare say you sometimes do, overpowered as it were by melancholy the best way is to go and do something kind to somebody or other.—Selected.



Road and Track Shoeing a Speciality.  
**S. A. WHITESIDES,**  
 Ballinger, Texas.

### Farmer and Spinner.

Beyond the shadow of a doubt the Cotton Growers' Association is progressing rapidly in the right direction has gained much valuable experience and profited thereby and most likely is destined to work out along practical lines, most if not all the great problems now confronting the farmer. The tendency to fight the spinner has given way to the desire for closer relations with him. "Reduction of acreage," one looked upon as the permanent salvation of the farmer, is now regarded as a mere expedient, to be followed up by a broader and more practical plan for the constant increase of the world's consumption of American grown cotton to amply supply spinners' needs the world over, thus supplying farm labor with ample labor every year, improving the general prosperity of the South and increasing the wealth and independence of the cotton producer with every new marketing season and without glutting the world with cotton. Through co-operation and intelligent and practical direction the association now believes the best interest of the farmer may be served without injury to the spinner, the weaver or the dealer in cotton goods. Of course, until these broad plans are worked out with clock-like precision, expedients such as the reduction of acreage, the pledging of cotton for a fixed price, etc., may be resorted to.

But the delegates to the New Orleans convention look upon such things only as powerful weapons to be made use of when occasion requires. Slow or rather intelligent marketing must, of course, be perpetuated.—Pine Buff Graphic.

Get you a nice dining table at the Crews Furniture Co.

(Crowded out last week.)

### Motor Car Line.

To build a motor car line from Ballinger to Winters and on to Abilene was up Monday night. The meeting of the railroad club was well attended. A large crowd of business men and citizens being present with quite a number from the surrounding country. It was decided to form a stock company and build the line with practically home capital, it was also decided that a motor line was more practicable, as it will be less expensive to build and operate than atrolly, or steam road. We are going to have this road, now. Messers F. L. Pierce, T. A. Fannin, P. L. Meeks, L. A. Bedford and Walter Murry were appointed to arrange the preliminaries of the matter, to solicit the subscription, see about the right-of-way, and having a survey of the route made. They have a subscription book opened and are taking subscriptions to the capital stock.—Winters Enterprise.

## .. SAY FRIEND ..

Let us sell you your groceries or a part of them.

### EVERYTHING

New and first-class. Prices are right.

We deliver "the goods" to any part of the city. Give us a trial order.

**G. R. McCamy,**

Next door to Walker-Smith Grocery Co.



## Your Pleasure Is Our Business

If you are figuring on a trip anywhere, just drop me a line. All information regarding rates, routes, etc., cheerfully given.

C. W. STRAIN, G. P. A.  
 Fort Worth, Texas.

## Your Sping Suit.

Let Borders take your measure for a Sping Suit, his sample books are here and the "swellest" lines ever shown in Ballinger.

### Yard Lengths

Of the goods are also on exhibit—Come early and avoid the rush.

## Ballinger Tailoring Co.

(Next door to City Meat Market.)

(Crowded out last week.)

### On the Wing.

Your correspondent went over to Winters last Wednesday for the purpose of organizing a club of the Home Circle Society of Texas, which we succeeded in doing with thirty members and the following were elected directors:

J. W. Miller, President; Joe Vancil, Vice President; T. W. Murry, Secretary; and J. W. Copeland, Lecturer and solicitor.

We found Winters on a boom, ten new houses going up and every one seems to be full of business.

Some of the men we found very much interested in the improvement of the road from Winters to Ballinger, which is very much needed and especially the crossing at Elm Creek. We think the commissioner will or ought to look after this road, as there is a large travel over it to Ballinger.

"J. S. M."

No sacrifice is too great to make in getting a home of our own. If necessary live in a box shanty, unpapered and unpainted, yea, live in a tent—anything to once get anchored in soil of your own. No form of insurance, no matter how honestly conducted, is half so good an investment as a home of your own, and every member of the family shares in its benefits, and that, too,

when they are yet alive. Start the new year with a determination to get a home at all hazards—a good one if you can, but any conceivable kind is better than none.—Home Advocate.

Spectacles at Jas. E. Brewers.

### "Smart" Talk.

In a good, old-fashioned household, where there were eight wide-awake boys and girls, full of life, and everone bright; as a brand new dollar, one of the rigid rules laid down by their wise mother war, "If you can not say anything good about a person, say nothing at all." One's manner of speaking about people is largely a habit. Sometimes unkind things are said in a funny way that half cloaks their maliciousness. The general laugh raised by the witty remark encourages the one who made it to try the same manner of speaking about somebody else at some other time and place, and soon the unenviable habit is formed of looking for the weak places, in people's armor and launching shafts of "smart" speech, regardless of the wounds they may inflict. It is just as easy, and makes for so much more happiness all round, to look for the good in everybody and "if you can not speak well of a person say nothing at all."—Myerson's American Family Magazine.

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

You are HEREBY COMMANDED to summon J. M. Ross by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Thirty fifth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Thirty fifth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the First Monday in March A. D. 1906, the same being the Fifth day of March A. D. 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 20th day of January A. D. 1903 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 653, wherein Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company is Plaintiff, and J. M. Ross and W. S. Harmon are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

Your petitioner, the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of J. M. Ross and W. S. Harmon, hereinafter called defendants, respectfully alleges that it is and was at all times hereafter mentioned a corporation duly incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas, and has its principal office in the County of Galveston in said State; that the defendants J. M. Ross and W. S. Harmon reside in the County of Runnels in the State of Texas; That heretofore, to-wit: on or about the 29th day of June, 1886, the said plaintiff was the owner in fee simple of the lots or parcels of land hereinafter described. That on or about the said 29th day of June, 1886, the said plaintiff executed and delivered its deed by and through its proper officer to the defendant J. M. Ross, in consideration of a payment in cash and of two deferred payments, for which the defendant J. M. Ross, executed and delivered to the plaintiff his two promisory notes, due respectively in one and two years from said date, each being for the principal sum of Ninety-six & 50-100 (\$96.50) dollars and bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum until paid, and in each of which a vendor's lien was expressly reserved on the lands hereinafter described, conveying to the defendant J. M. Ross, the following described tracts or parcels of land: Lots number one (1) two (2) and three (3) in Block number forty five (45) and lots number thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in Block number forty-four (44) in the town of Ballinger, in the County of Runnels, State of Texas, in which deed a vendor's lien was expressly reserved to secure the payment of said deferred payments, and to secure the payment of said notes, executed by said J. M. Ross as and for such deferred payments. That said notes are long past due, and though often requested the said J. M. Ross has wholly failed and refused to pay the same, and plaintiff being the legal and equitable owner and holder thereof, has and does hereby elect to rescind the contract of sale so made. That the other defendant W. S. Harmon herein claims some interest in said lots of land or parts thereof. Plaintiff further alleges that heretofore, on or about the first day of January A. D. 1902, it was lawfully seized and possessed of the said tracts, lots or parcels of land, holding same in fee simple and that on the date and year last aforesaid the said defendants J. M. Ross and W. S. Harmon entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlawfully withheld from plaintiff the possession thereto to its damage in the sum of \$2000.00 dollars. The rents, profits, etc. of said premises are reasonably of the value of Two Hundred and No-100 dollars per

annum.

Premises considered the plaintiff prays for citation to the defendants and each of them, according to the law, and that on hearing hereof, unless the defendants shall, prior to that time, voluntarily pay the amount of the principal and interest of said notes, and the costs of this suit, that the plaintiff have judgment cancelling said deed of conveyance from it to the defendant J. M. Ross, and against all of the defendants herein, for the title to and restitution of and possession of the above described lots, tracts and parcels of land, and for said rents and damages and costs of suit, and for all other and further relief to which the plaintiff may be entitled in law or equity. This action is brought as well to try the title, as for damages. (Signed)

C. O. Harris, J. W. Terry,  
Attys. for Plaintiff.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this the 24th day of January A. D. 1906

R. A. Terry Clerk,  
SEAL District Court Runnels County.

### Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON the unknown heirs of Nathan Taylor, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the 1st Monday in March A. D. 1906, the same being the 5th day of March A. D. 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 28th day of August A. D. 1905 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 748, wherein R. T. Smith is Plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Nathan Taylor, deceased are Defendants, and said petition alleging:—

The State of Texas, }  
County of Runnels, } In The District  
Court of Runnels County, October Term, 1905.

To the Honorable District Court of said County:—

Now comes R. T. Smith, who resides in Runnels County, Texas, hereinafter called plaintiff, complaining of the unknown heirs of Nathan Taylor, deceased whose names and places of residence are to the plaintiff unknown, hereinafter called defendants, and for cause of action herein plaintiff represents to the court:

1. That on or about the 1st day of August, 1905, plaintiff was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises situated in said Runnels County, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit: Two Hundred acres of land, being all of the Nathan Taylor Survey No. 362, Certificate No. 299, patented to the Heirs of Nathan Taylor, deceased, on May 8, 1856, by Patent No. 1197, Vol. 12, and Forty acres off the south end of Nathan Taylor Survey No. 363, Certificate No. 299, patented to the Heirs of Nathan Taylor, deceased, on May 8, 1856, by Patent No. 1202, Vol. 12,—said 200 acres being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the lower corner of the Calvin Weaver Survey No. 361, on the north bank of the Colorado River, at a point from which an Elm bears S. 13 W. 3 varas, another bears N. 18 W. 3 varas; Thence N. 30 E. 3134 varas to a stake; Thence S. 60 E. 711, 7 varas to a stake; Thence S. 30 W. 954 varas to a stake on, on top of high bluff of River; Thence up the Colorado River with its meanderings to the place of beginning,—and that on the day and year last aforesaid defendants unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and unlawfully withheld from him the possession thereof, to his damage \$5000; and that the reasonable

annual rental value of said land and premises is \$500.

2. That plaintiff, claiming to be the true and lawful owner of the above described tract of land, has had and held under color of title from and under the State of Texas, peaceable, continuous and adverse possession thereof for a period of more than three years next preceding said date of Aug. 1, 1905, which he is ready to verify.

3. That he, plaintiff, and those whose estate he has, claiming the same under deeds duly registered, have had peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of the above described lands and tenements, cultivating, using and enjoying the same, and paying all taxes due thereon, for a period of more than five years next preceding said date of Aug. 1, 1905, and this he is ready to verify.

4. That he, plaintiff, and those under whom he claims and whose estate he has, claiming to have good and perfect right and title to the above described land and premises, have had and held peaceably the same, and have had adverse possession thereof, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for a period of more than ten years next preceding said date of Aug. 1, 1905, and this he is ready to verify.

Wherefore plaintiff prays judgment of the court that defendants be cited to appear and answer this petition, and that plaintiff have judgment for the title and possession of said above described land and premises, and that writ of restitution issue, and for his rents, damages and costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, general and special, in law and in equity, that he may be just entitled to.

B. B. Stone,

Attorney for plaintiff, R. T. Smith.  
HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this the 28th day of Dec. A. D. 1905

R. A. Terry, Clerk,  
SEAL District Court, Runnels County.

### Simon Pure Graft.

For the year ending July 30, 1905, the railroads operating in Texas paid out in damage suits \$1,358,583.37; for the preceding year \$1,873,793.28 There has been therefore a decrease in the returns to the credit of the damage suit industry of \$505,209.91. This is encouraging. If it indicates that the decrease is to continue in wholesome ratio until damages paid by the railroads shall not exceed amounts in just proportion to the damages they inflict on life and property, it is a subject for congratulation. However, we have no data at hand by which we can analyze the returns or justify so desirable a conclusion. Still, we hope that the reduction is largely due to the barretty statute enacted, we believe, by the Twenty-eight Legislature and ever afterwards vigorously supported by the Texas press. At any rate it is a wholesome sign. The public has come to believe and know that the plaintiff gets rarely more than half the sum named in the verdict, while the plaintiff's lawyers rarely get less than one-half and not infrequently more of the amount recovered. Besides, the public has come to know that the railroads must earn the immense sums annually disbursed to meet the rapacity of the damage suit industry out of their traffic, and that, therefore, the public is taxed to pay as much of it as that traffic can stand. The enlightenment of the public to the extent of these two pertinent facts, we conclude, has had something to do with cutting down the earnings of the damage suit business by a half million of dollars. If anybody thinks it is not a business, or that it lacks any of the constituent elements of Simon pure graft, they have but to refer to the grand jury report of Hunt County for May of this year.—The Current Issue.

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Let us sell you your Groceries a month and show you that our prices and the quality of our goods can not be excelled in the city.

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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. . . . .

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**BALLINGER TEXAS**

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### Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy, mild and the immediate effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention 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.

### Lot For Sale.

Lot 100 by 130 feet near public School Buildings, price \$200. One half cash, balance one year at 10 per cent. For further particulars call at the Banner-Leader office.

### The Yellow Fever Germ

has recently been discovered. It bears a close resemblance to the malaria germ. To free the system from disease germs, the most effective remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Guaranteed to cure all diseases due to malaria poison and constipation. 25c. at J. Y. Pearce's Drug Store.

Phone 67 for all kinds of feed for your self or stock.

"Go you one better" 15 bars soap 25 cents at M. D. Chastains. 52 tf.

### McGinnis Transfer.

Does a general transfer and baggage business. Carriage to answer all calls day or night. If the train is late he will call for you just in time to catch it. Leave your orders or Phone 110 and take a nap before the 12:05. M. W. McGinnis, Prop.

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 bargain and unimproved lands in any size tracts on small cash payment and long time. Call and see us.

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BALLINGER, TEXAS

### Meeting of The Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association.

As per announcement a meeting of the Cantaloupe and Truck Growers Association at the Court House in Ballinger Saturday evening of last week. The Cantaloupe seed question was discussed and it was decided to buy this seasons seed from S. T. Fish & Co. of Chicago and their representative, R. L. Bouldin who was at the meeting at once circulated a list and secured the sale of 200 bushels of seed for this year to be supplied by his firm at 75c per bushel. The number of acres agreed to be planted up to date is about 400 acres. S. M. Fulton, the Santa Fe refrigerator agent was here and attended the meeting and promised all necessary assistance when it comes to shipping the products.

The Association will continue to meet twice a month and discuss the different stages of the industry as it progresses.

The following is the Contract between this Association as agreed to by its officers and S. F. Fish & Co., of Chicago, who will handle this seasons crop:

1. The Ballinger Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association hereby agree to properly plant, grow and cultivate about ----- acres of Cantaloupes on land situated in the County of Runnels and State of Texas, and to deliver all good and merchantable Cantaloupes grown on said ----- acres to said S. T. Fish & Company, for sale and distribution under and pursuant to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

2. Said Ballinger Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association shall have the privilege of disposing of early cantaloupes grown on said ----- acres as said Association may see fit, until the season is sufficiently advanced to permit said S. T. Fish & Co. to load carloads, and at such time said S. T. Fish & Co. shall take full charge of all shipments of cantaloupes from the above said Association and send said shipments to responsible dealers in suitable markets, or otherwise dispose of same to the mutual advantage of the parties hereto. Any melons rejected as being over-ripe or not in proper condition to be loaded in cars, said Association shall have the right to dispose of them as they see fit.

3. Said S. T. Fish & Co. agree to have a competent melon man at Ballinger before melons ripen who is to instruct the growers in gathering and crating the melons; also to have a competent man at loading platform to inspect and receipt for the Cantaloupes, who shall have the privilege of rejecting any cantaloupes that in his opinion will not stand shipping, or for any reason are not desirable and his decision shall be final as to their marketable condition.

4. The Ballinger Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association are to permit S. T. Fish & Company to place the order for their account for the first car of crates, with the understanding that for unforeseen reasons, such as failure of the crop, said S. T. Fish & Co. shall agree to accept this car of crate material from The Ballinger Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association on their behalf, and to release said Association of any responsibility, provided they are notified of the said crop failure on or before ----- 1906.

5. Said S. T. Fish & Co. further agree to guarantee

freight and refrigerator charges on all cars, and to keep the Association fully advised as to market conditions.

6. The Ballinger Cantaloupe & Truck Growers Association agree to pay S. T. Fish & Co. for their services under the terms and conditions of this agreement, a commission of ten per cent on all gross sales of cantaloupes.

7. Said S. T. Fish & Co. agree to render complete account sales with check to balance for all Cantaloupes sold, as soon as paid for, without any unnecessary delay to said Association, indicating on said account sales transportation charges to destination, commission charges, and cartage charges.

8. Said S. T. Fish & Co. further agree to give said Association the very best of service in the hauling and disposing of their crop of cantaloupes, and to keep them thoroughly posted as to the condition of the Chicago and other markets, either by mail or wires as requested.

We will treat you right and glad to see you, drop in when you feel like it. 20th Century.

We still have some choice Georgia Ribbon Cane Syrup, in bulk and half barrels which we are selling at A Bargain. Godwin Gro. Co.

### What is Creation?

At the World's Fair, St. Louis, the greatest and best concession on the pike, Creation had the biggest patronage. It's the beautiful story taken from the Bible; an electrical production accurately showing the earth's formation, let there be light, the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve, the forbidden fruit, the flaming sword, the tree of life, destruction of the earth, great flood scene, the ark of Noah, flight of the dove, Noah's sacrifice, creation of the rainbow. All is life-size, life-like; historically correct in every detail and the only production of its kind in America. Secure seats at J. Y. Pearce's, Drug Store now on sale. Admission 25c, reserved seats 35c same price as charged at World's Fair. At the Opera House, Feb. 19 and 20.

### Notice to Delinquent Tax Payers.

You, who know yourselves delinquent on the Tax Rolls of Runnels County, for State and County taxes, or upon investigation find your property to delinquent by reason of the failure of some former owner to pay taxes for any year or years, should come in at once and pay said taxes and here by save considerable addition cost which will accrue if suit brought thereon.

I am at present preparing the data to file the these suits. If you desire to save this extra cost come in and have Mr Kirk, Tax Collector issue you a receipt in full for the amt you are due. I would be glad all the delinquent would do this.

R. S. Griggs,  
County Atty.

Try those nice, large fresh oysters at the City Meat Market Always on hand and always fresh.

Good looks bring happiness. Friends care more for us when we meet them with a clean, smiling face, bright eyes sparkling with health, which comes by taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents.

Ask your Druggist.

### Advertised Letter List.

Letters and wholly written Postal Cards remaining in the Ballinger, Texas Post Office unclaimed for two weeks at close of business on Saturday Feb. 10, 1906, in calling for letters please say advertised, giving date of this list.

Beecham Mr. Walter  
Brown Mr. T. W.  
Bochanan Mrs. Pearl  
Bynum Mr. Charlie  
Buckhanam Mrs. Pearl  
Daniel Mr. E. L.  
Dean Mr. Lon  
Evans H. D.  
Howell Mr. Thos. A.  
Sr. Florino "?", Rellis?  
James Mr. Edger  
Jolley Mr. J. R.  
Lester Master Cayce  
Moore Master George  
Nichols Mrs. M. F.  
Page Mr. Howard  
Rustre Lester  
Roberts Mrs. M. E.  
Tirery Mr. Am  
Watkins Mr. Mack  
Yandell Lula

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables at Godwin Gro Co.

All the latest cold drinks at the 20th Century Confectionery.

Judge C. O. Harris had official business in San Angelo first of the week.

Not at cost but for grain and groceries at a living margin at— M. D. Chastain.

D. A. Cameron the real estate man went East on the noon train Tuesday.

We are sorry to note Lee Barnhill on the sick list this week threatened with pneumonia.

W. P. Humphrey, the hustling lumber man, had business West between trains Monday.

Randolf Robinson, an attorney of Belton, stopped off in our city Monday enroute home from the West.

Dr. G. W. Johnston made a professional trip East Sunday and returned on the 12 o'clock train Monday.

Tom Patterson, of the Wylie Hardware Co., of San Angelo, visited Ballinger relatives and friends first of the week.

Miss Alma Padgett has been employed to teach the Franklin School near Winters and will open school Monday.

J. R. James, of our city representing the North Texas Commission Co., of Fort Worth came, in last Saturday from Concho county where he contracted for a nice bunch of steer yearlings.

Have you been betrayed by promises of quacks, swallowed pills and bottled medicine without results except a damaged stomach. To those we offer Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Ask your Druggist.

John Mann, for a number of years County Clerk of Coleman county and now in the imple meet business at Coleman, was looking after business matters in our city Monday and visiting his old friend Harry Scott. He says he was wonderfully surprised at the substantial growth of Ballinger since he was here 4 or 5 years ago.

J. A. Hill, of Granbury, who was here this week closing up the deal in which he sold his business to Judge H. H. Hadin & Son and Mr. E. V. Bateman and in conversation with the editor says he is more than pleased with our city and the fine business his firm had done here, and says he may possibly get in business here again some day in the future.

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**W. H. Weeks For Justice and Commissioner of Prec. No 1.**

In this issue appears the announcement of W. H. Weeks as a candidate for Justice of the Peace and Commissioner of Prec. No. 1.

The people know Esq. Weeks too well for an introduction to be necessary, but for the benefit of strangers we can voice the sentiment of all the older settlers by saying that he is an honest, honorable and conscientious citizen and official, and you will make no mistake in giving him your vote and support in the coming election.

He does his duty regardless of friend or foe, however he is charitably disposed and is lenient where it is deserving. He asks that you investigate his claims for this office and if you see fit to support him he will duly appreciate the same.

Mrs. Cohn and little daughter who had been visiting her parents Capt. and Mrs. N. F. Bonsal and sister Mrs. E. A. Trail and family the past month left for their home at Houston last Saturday.

Ralph Erwin left on the afternoon train Sunday for Fort Worth to look after the furnishing of his room at the handsome residence of his father J. J. Erwin on 7th Street. To be certain that the effects in matching up each article should be in accord with female taste he was accompanied by his sister Miss Maud, who will assist in selecting the furnishings. Ralph has not been much of a ladies man as far as we have noticed, but this move looks rather suspicious in as much as rumor has it that there will be something doing in the matrimonial line in Ballinger that had not reached this editors ears up, to this date. How about it Ralph?

**Jurors for March Term.**

The following is a list of the grand jury and petit jury for the 1st and 2nd week of District Court to be holden in our county the first Monday in March, being the 5th day of the month:

GRAND JURY.

Baldwin I S Curry I A.  
Edwards, M S Ballou J N  
Brown, J T Dale, J W  
Erwin, J J Awalt, C F  
Blanchard, C C F Billups, J T  
Morehead, W S Smiley, W M  
McFadden, T D Street, J A  
Duncan, T T McNay, S L

PETIT JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

Bruice, J A Day, J E  
Buttery, W P Curry, T M  
Bradley, H A Carlton, R L  
Chastain, M D Brewer, J E  
Coats C C Baker, D M  
Cameron, D A Brown, W H  
Johnson, J M Ganaway, C C  
Fancher, J E Sowell, W L  
Hasting, O Bishop, R A  
Creasy R B Bateman, E V  
Davis, W A Bates, R L  
Stocks, Sr. T J Nichols, A J  
Ballou, E Ganaway, J W  
Bair, L E Curry, C N  
Halman, Emil Keidel, J  
Barwick, A J Bullock, C E

SECOND WEEK.

Allcorn, S S Connor Henry  
Battles, J K Crice, W O  
Forbus, W M Cockrell, C C  
Alvis, J B Bowdon, C S  
Roaten, J S Loudamy, W G  
Davis, W S Parrott, H Z  
Fryerson, T E Glenn, W A  
Goats, A A Fannin, T A  
Biggs, J F Bennett, R L  
Donaghe, H D Drew, J F  
Fulcher, W E Ernst, Fritz  
Davis, R M Batts, T J  
Gentry, Walter Bigby, J W  
Bedford, J J Golden, W N  
Gilliam, R W Murray, J W  
Freeman, C F Caley, J N  
Dickinson, H E Carter, J A  
Cordill, Asa Dean, N W

**THE LIGHT OF OTHER DAYS.**

Not very many years ago alcohol was used for lighting in combination with other fluids under the name of "Camphene," but it suffered banishment because it was too dangerous. Alcohol is generally harmful when taken in the form of medicine, especially to a delicate system.

*Dr. Pierce's tissue-rebuilding and function-strengthening plan of treatment is following after Nature's plan.*

He uses natural remedies, that is native medicinal roots, prepared by processes wrought out by the expenditure of much time and money, without the use of alcohol, and by skillful combination in the most exact proportions.

Used as one of the active ingredients of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, BLACK CHERRYBARK specially exerts its influence in cases of lung and bronchial troubles, and this "discovery" is, therefore, a sovereign remedy for bronchitis, laryngitis, chronic coughs, catarrh and kindred ailments.

*The names of the medicinal ingredients of this world-famous remedy are: Golden Seal root, Queen's root, Stone root, Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot and Mandrake root.*

"I have had such a wonderful experience with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery that I do not hesitate to recommend it, believing it to be a wonderful medicine to build up the tissues of the system," writes Miss Bessie Brown, Secretary Emerson Literary Association, 425 Kerman Avenue, Appleton, Wis. "Worry and nervous troubles had completely run-down my health and strength; had no appetite, slept badly, and was in a state of nervous collapse. I took twelve bottles in all, and each week, knew that I was getting better and stronger, until finally I was as well and strong as I had ever been. I have the utmost faith and confidence in your medicine, and wish to thank you for my good health, which is a blessing to anyone."

For 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing, you can get a free copy of the "Common Sense Medical Adviser," paper-covers; or cloth-bound for 31 stamps. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be used with "Golden Medical Discovery" whenever a laxative is required.

It is stated that Superintendent of Public Instruction, Prof. Cousins, will make uniform teaching in public schools a practical fact. He ought to have a gold medal when the plan is perfected. As matters now stand, no two schools are taught alike, and this causes unnecessary confusion, especially when students move from one district to another. Uniform text books and uniform courses of study will be a great advantage to students and teachers alike.—Harpoon.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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 Subject to Democratic Primary.

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For County Attorney:  
 R. S. GRIGGS.

For Sheriff:  
 HENRY A. MITCHELL.

A. S. JUSTICE.

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For Assessor:  
 EDWIN DAY.

For County Clerk:  
 R. A. TERRY.

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### At The Hub.

#### Winters Enterprise.

Mrs. H. Sheely moved to Ballinger this week.

Jim Mitchell of Truitt has sold his house and lot of that place to J. T. Billups.

W. W. Scott is in Midland on business this week. Mrs. Scott is visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger, during his absence.

**MARRIED**—Last Sunday evening at seven o'clock, Rev. W. I. Dunn pronounced in his impressive manner the solemn words which united two loving hearts and made them beat as one. Mr. Comer Hester led to Hymens altar Miss Eula Hood.

The ceremony took place at the home of the bride in our city. Mr. John Hall and Miss Etna Springfield being best man and bridesmaid.

These young people are numbered among our most popular townspeople and their hosts of friends wish for them a long and useful life of wedded happiness, and the Enterprise heartily joins them.

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### Valentine Social at Mrs. Brewer's.

The hospitable home of Mr and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer was a scene of beauty and fragrance on last Tuesday when the Home Mission society of the Methodist church entertained the friends with a valentine social.

The reception suite was attractively decorated in hearts, arrows and pot plants. Crimson and white was the color scheme. The curtains were almost covered with hearts, and the double doors were draped with streamers of ribbon decorated with crimson and white hearts, pierced with gold arrows. The dining room was also a scene of hearts. In the center of the table cupid stood resting on a beautiful cut glass bowl filled with carnations and ferns. This was surrounded by more hearts, silver candelabra holding white candles completed the table decorations. On the wall, on the curtains and every where, hearts were disposed artistically around. Beautifully gowned maids and matrons with true hearts, dear hearts, tender hearts, assisted cupid in piercing the brave hearts of the gentlemen present.

A delicious salad course was served with olives, tea and coffee. Heart shaped mints were the souvenirs of the occasion.

About 130 guests called during the afternoon and evening, and all agreed that Mrs. Brewer is a most successful hostess.

The ladies were glad to realize a neat sum on the church improvement fund.

Mrs. Joe Wilmet', assisted by Misses Clara Malone and Blanche Baker, entertained a few couples of the Ballinger young people Tuesday evening with a Valentine Party. The following were present and report a very pleasant occasion: Misses Maud and Mildred Erwin, Katie Ray Ward, Irene Guion, Myra Penn, Estelle Underwood, Ruby Rucker, Blanche Baker, Maggie Underwood and Frank Baker; Messrs. Rugely, Hobdy, Willis, Guion Gregg, Webster, Ryan, Wall and Green.

#### Mystic Weavers.

The Mystic Weavers held their regular meeting with Mrs. T. E. Butler, Wednesday afternoon. This being St. Valentine day both decorations and refreshments were suggestive of the occasion.

Red and white hearts were every where, many of them being pierced with tiny golden arrows. In the dining room strands of hearts suspended from the chandelier to the four corners of the table. A miniature cupid attached to this chandelier and hovering above a cut glass basket of red carnations, formed a novel centerpiece.

Refreshments consisted of a salad course, cake and tea. The cake was in the form of a valentine and contained an appropriate quotation for each guest.

There were about 20 present and all thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Edwin Day, February the 28th.

#### Excursion Rates to New Orleans.

From Feb. 21st to 26th the Santa Fe will sell tickets from Ballinger to New Orleans at one first class fare plus 25 per cent, tickets good not later than March 11th.

## What Did You Say?

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Sorry to note H. Winkler among the ones on the sick list this week.

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Mrs. Dan Moser will leave Sunday afternoon for Dallas to visit relatives for a few weeks.

On account of the pastor at Presbytery there will be no preaching service at the C. P. church next Sunday.

There will be regular preaching services at the 9th Street Baptist church, by the pastor, Rev. L. W. Russell, Sunday morning and night. Everybody cordially invited to be present.

If its in the Grocery line we have it.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

C. H. Willingham sold this week to J. W. Powell, blocks 66, 67, 68, 72, 73 and 74, 10 lots in each block, making total of 60 lots in the city of Ballinger, at \$25.00 per lot. Also sold to Miss Sammie Padgett 10 lots in South half of blocks 53 and 54 at \$25.00 per lot.

J. E. Cantwell, of West End is dangerously sick with pneumonia this week.

Our genial and popular Doctor, W. B. Halley, we are sorry to note on the sick list this week.

Fresh vegetables received daily. Give us your order.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Miss Delia Day came home Wednesday from an extended visit to relatives at Fort Worth.

Mrs. D. K. Wylie left Wednesday for her home at San Angelo after a visit of several days in our city.

Miss Gusta Wike left on the train Wednesday for San Angelo where she will visit friends for a few days.

Mrs. H. Sheely, of Winters has bought property in our city and has become one of our permanent citizens.

R. A. Williamson, a cattle buyer of Crockett county, was in our section this week buying some fine cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Barnhill are rejoicing over the arrival of a sweet little daughter born to them Tuesday night.

Skeigh Cobb and T. H. Fowler have opened up a dairy business and will be in the flat next to the river near Geo. Speidel's old place.

J. W. Bone, of Indianiola, Mississippi came in Wednesday to visit friends a few days, while here he was the guest of Mrs. T. E. Butler.

Joe Spoons, the gin man, made a business trip to Fort Chadbourn this week and says he could hear the blasting on the Orient road.

H. A. Clem, the lumber man, came in from San Angelo Wednesday where he had been looking after their lumber business in that city.

Mrs. H. C. Wylie returned home Wednesday from Stephenville and was accompanied home by her father, Mr. Thornton of the above city.

We are glad to note the improved condition of Capt. R. A. Smith as we go to press, his serious illness being mentioned first of the week.

C. C. F. Blanchard came in Thursday from Dallas, where he has been on important land business. He reports a heavy rain in that section the early part of this week.

Our valued young friend Raby Padgett began work this week as assistant with his father, our agreeable Tax Assessor, W. T. Padgett, on the assessment rolls for the year 1906.

Rev. G. W. Newman, Clerk of the Woodmen lodge here requests us to say to the members that he will be on the streets the 1th day of each month and after that day you can find him at the office of Justice & Cameron.

Mrs. W. G. Ryan left on the afternoon train Wednesday for Indianapolis where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Leon Markowitz for several months. She was accompanied on the trip as far as Fort Worth by her son Foster Ryan.

Miss Elva Parker, who was arranging to open up her millinery business at the Hub left for her home at Lexington Thursday in answer to an urgent telegram to come home at once. Hope nothing serious is the matter with any member of her home folks.

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### Citation by Publication.

STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Runnels County—Greeting:

You are HEREBY COMMANDED to summon H. Rudnick by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Thirty Fifth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Thirty fifth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the 1st Monday in March A. D. 1906, the same being the 5th day of March A. D. 1906, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 30th day of Jan. A. D. 1906 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 772, wherein D. Reeder is Plaintiff, and H. Rudnick is Defendant, and said petition alleging:—

D. Reeder }  
vs } In the District  
H. Rudnick }  
Court of Runnels County,  
Texas. March Term A. D.  
1906.

To the Hon. Judge of said Court:—

Your Petitioner, D. Reeder, hereinafter called plaintiff complaining of H. Rudnick, herein after called defendant, respectfully represents and shows to the Court; that plaintiff is a resident citizen of said Runnels County, Texas, and that defendant's place of residence is unknown.

That heretofore, to-wit; on the 29th day of June 1886 The Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Co., a private corporation, was the owner in fee simple of the lots or parcels of land herein after described; that on the 29th day of June 1886, the said Railway Co., executed and delivered its deed, by and through its proper officer to the defendant H. Rudnick, in consideration of a payment in cash and of two notes for which the defendant executed and delivered to said Railway Co., two promissory notes, due respectively one and two years after date of same, being for the principal sum of \$88.33 and \$88.34 respectively and bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum until paid and in each of which a vendor's lien was retained on the lands hereinafter described conveying to the defendant, H. Rudnick, the following described tracts or parcels of land, Lot one (1) in block fifty five (55) and Lot No. Eleven (11) in block No. thirty-three (33) in the town of Ballinger, in the County of

Runnels, and State of Texas, in which deed a vendor's lien was expressly retained, to secure the payment of said deferred payments and to secure the payment of said notes executed by said H. Rudnick, as and for such deferred payments.

That on the 27th day of March 1905, the Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Co., by deed duly executed by the proper officers of said Company, sold, conveyed, assigned and transferred to D. Reeder, the plaintiff herein the said vendor's lien in said notes retained on said aforesaid lots, together with all and singular all the other rights, titles and interests in and to the above described lots that the said Railway Co., had in and to said lots under and by virtue of the premises aforesaid and its prior ownership of same. That said notes are long past due, and though often requested, the said H. Rudnick has wholly failed and refused to pay the same, and plaintiff being the legal and equitable owner and holder thereof, has and does hereby elect to rescind the contract of sale so made. Plaintiff further alleges that heretofore on or about the 1st day of April 1905 he was lawfully seized and possessed of the said tracts, lots or parcels of land, holding same in fee simple, and that on the date and year last aforesaid, the said defendant H. Rudnick entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom and unlawfully with holds plaintiff the possession thereof to his damage \$1000. That the rents, profits, etc. of said premises are reasonably worth two hundred dollars per annum.

Premises considered, plaintiff prays for citation to the defendant according to law, and unless the defendant shall prior to that time voluntarily pay the amount of principal and interest of said notes and the costs of suit, that the plaintiff have judgment, cancelling said deed of conveyance from the said Railway Co., to defendant H. Rudnick and against the defendant herein for the title and possession of the above described lots, tracts, and parcels of land and for the rents and damages and costs of suit and for all further relief to which plaintiff may be entitled to in law and equity. The defendant, H. Rudnick, is notified to produce on the trial of this cause the above described deed from said Railway Co., to him to said above described lots, otherwise secondary evidence will be introduced on trial of the contents of same.

(Signed) Harris and Shepherd,  
Attys for Plaintiff,  
HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have before said Court at its aforesaid next term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and

the Seal of Said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas, this the 31st day of Jan. A. D. 1906.

R. A. Terry Clerk,  
(SEAL) District Court Runnels County.

A true copy I certify R. P. Kirk, Sheriff Runnels County Texas.

### Hatchel Items.

The long continued drought has been broken by a mild little rain.

While more would be acceptable yet we appreciate this much. It will be of some help to the wheat, which was needing rain badly.

Sunday School was well attended Sunday. It is being whispered around that this school is doing a great work, and much good for the neighborhood is being accomplished; it is to be hoped that it will continue in this condition.

Mr. Hamilton Gillis and wife of Lockhart are visiting Mrs. Gillis's sister, Mrs. J. A. Davis. They intend staying here until spring, and then going to the Plains, from there they will go to the Territory on a visit.

Miss Jimmie Gilliam and cousin Miss Adams visited Sunday School last Sunday. Miss Adams is spending a few weeks with Miss Jimmie. We were glad to have you girls, come again.

Miss Maggie Holliday was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Friday night.

Miss Agnes Davis returned home Saturday from Ballinger where she has been visiting relatives the past week.

Little Edna Walker has not been able to attend school this week on account of lameness. She was thrown from a trap one day last week while coming from school and considerably bruised.

Miss Tommye Starkey spent

Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Williams.

Mrs. Vancil gave a quilting a few days ago. All present report a jolly good time. After a sumptuous dinner the ladies began to ply their needles and thread and spent the afternoon in quilting and merry conversation.

We learn that Mr. Willie Stovall came near shedding a few tears the other Sunday when he had to face that "awful sand-stom" home. Willie, you had better always carry your overcoat to Sunday School for fear a norther overtakes you.

A few couples, of young people from Ballinger, visited at Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hoiliday Sunday.

Mr. Foy Davis, Mr. E. B. Walker and family spend Sunday afternoon getting one of Mr. Walkers fine cows out of a bog in Bluff Creek. They thought she had possibly been bogged a day or two. They couldn't get a pair of horses within forty yards of the cow, so were compelled to get two 140 ft. ropes and tie to the cows horns then to the horses and persuade them to pull them out. After succeeding in rescuing her, they started home and to their surprise met a preacher who looked at them as if he thought they had been at work and were coming from the field. Though this was a time when the "Cow was in the bog" instead of "The Ox in the ditch."

Monday Mr. Walker rode into the creek to see if it was boggy in another place, well he soon discovered it was, as he felt his horse sinking down. He jumped off and waded out leaving the horse to get out the best way he could, however both were fortunate in getting out all right.

"Penelope."

### International Celebration.

#### "Down by the Rio Grande"

Many years ago the citizens of Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, conceived the idea of fittingly celebrating George Washington's Birthday (February 22) by suitable "Mexican-American" fiestas, and from a small source this has grown to a magnificent Annual Event unsurpassed in its splendid surroundings and interesting particulars by anything of a similar nature ever held in Texas.

International in its character, located on the border line between the Great Republics, occurring at a season of the year when business cares press lightly, and at a time when weather conditions in that locality are ideal, this event offers unsurpassed inducements to the pleasure seeker.

This year the celebration will consist of five days' continuous festivities, February 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, and the program will comprise many new and interesting features, among which may be mentioned Famous Spanish Bull Fights, Cattle Roping Contest, Naval Fire Works on Rio Grande River, Gen. Washington crossing the Delaware, Military Drills, Historical Pageants and Trades Display, Flower carnival, U. S. and Mexican bands

For this occasion low excursion rates will be in effect to Laredo, also for the benefit of those who desire to see more of Mexican life and customs arrangements have been made for the sale of excursion tickets to Monterey, Mexico, with ten (10) days limit, permitting stop-over at Laredo to witness the International celebration

For further particulars, call on ticket agents, or write.

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Mr. and Mrs. Pink Parks, of Lipan Flatt, were visiting Ballinger relatives and friends Saturday and Sunday last.

### For Sale.

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### Sr. Epworth League Program.

Sunday Feb. 18th 1906.

Subject—A life refined and perfected by its trial.

Leader—Miss Ethel Moore.

Song.

Prayer.

1. That we may be holy, Heb. XII. 7-11.

2. That we may be fruitful branches, John XV. 2.—Miss Julia Thompson.

Song.

3. That we may be proved, 1 Peter 1: 6-9.

4. Future glory through present pain, Rom- VIII. 17-19.—Mr. G. B. Whitmore.

Song.

5. Persecutions and Rest with the Lord 2 Thess. I. 4-7.

6. That we may manifest the life of Jesus. 2 Cor. IV. 7-11.—Miss Alma Padgett.

Song.

7. The renewing of the immortal, 2 Cor. IV. 16-18—Miss Minnie Gressett.

Song.

League Benediction.

We are sorry to note A. H. Van Pelt still confined to his room from the effects of a case of pneumonia.

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THE HUB.

We are sorry to note T. J. Cole, the efficient saddler man, with Lankford & Hathaway sick with pneumonia this week.

Ask your merchant for Missouri Milling Co's flour and if they don't handle it phone us and we will tell you where you can get it.

Frank Carpenter, the expert barber who had been with the Ben Allen barber shop, is now with the popular four chair shop of Mike Boyd.

Mrs. Kaate, of Taylor, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. E. J. Volkel and family for some time, left on the afternoon train Tuesday for her home.

W. H. Bryan, of Austin an experienced and up-to-date barber is in our city and holds first chair in Ben Allen's barber shop. He is a fine workman, a pleasant and agreeable gentlemen and we are glad to welcome him to our city.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelso Wylie came up from San Angelo last Saturday and Mrs. Wylie stopped off in our city and Kelso accompanied his mother to Stephenville, who left from this place to attend the funeral of her mother which occurred in that city early Saturday morning.

### For Sale.

Green cord wood for sale 4 miles west from town up the river at \$2.50 per cord on the ground.

Wilmeth & Doose.

B. W. Pilcher was off again Tuesday on the East bound train for Gatesville where he goes after one of the offenders of the law. Chop has taken in 4 or 5 of the culprits the past week which we call going after 'em "some."

Sam Bolling, the expert brick mason, went over to San Angelo on Tuesday's train to do some work for a few days. Mr. Bolling thoroughly understands his business and is prompt and reliable in all his work.

W. R. Meader, of Miles, was shaking hands with Ballinger friends last Saturday.

Tom Shaw, the stockman, left on the evening train Friday of last week for Austin in response to a message telling of the death of his mother.

Our friend I. S. Baldwin, of Content, gave us a cordial handshake while in Ballinger last Saturday and left a gentle reminder for the Banner-Leader to continue the next 12 months.

### Miles Messenger.

Prof. B. F. Phelps attended a teacher's meeting at Ballinger Friday evening, whose object was to arrange for a Summer Normal at that place this summer. He reports an enthusiastic meeting. He feels confident that the largest normal ever held in the west will be held there this summer. An effort is being made to secure the co-operation of twelve neighboring counties in this work. Much good will result if this move is successful. One good Normal is better than a dozen poorly attended. The faculty would be better, the interest increased and inspiration would be felt all over the district.

H. G. Wendland, John B. Parks, Drs. G. W. Nibling and C. A. McBeth went over to Ballinger Wednesday to take some higher degrees in the Masonic order. They returned on the

night train and each reported a most excellent time. After the lodge work they were invited to partake of a sumptuous feast which was very much enjoyed by all. They were loud in their praise of the treatment accorded them by our sister city's citizens.

Joe Stocks has resigned his position with Kornegay & Co. to accept a position with a Ballinger lumber firm.

Miss Lula West returned home Wednesday after visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Talbott at Ballinger for a few days.

### The Proverbal Irish Reparte.

An Englishman who visited New York City a short time ago had occasion to ask an Irishman the direction of a certain business house. This son of Erin happened to be going that way and offered to guide his inquirer to the place. As they walked

along, Pat, to be friendly asked: "And who might you be?" The Britisher drew himself up with dignity and replied: "I am the Honorable John Kenneth Edgerton of London, Knight of the Bath, Knight of the Garter, Knight of St. John, Knight of the Golden Fleece, Knight of the Royal Legion and of the Iron Cross; And whom have I the honor of addressing?" Pat, for a single instant was bewildered with this long list, but quick as a wink he drew forward his chest and responded pompously: "Oi am Patrick Timothy Flannigan of Hoboken, to-night, lasht noight, noight before lasht, noight before that, to-morrow noight, the noight following and ivery other bloody noight of the wake, including Sunday noight, be gorra!"—Ex

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Mrs. Stella Forbes, of the R. A. Risser & Co., millinery department, will leave Sunday for St. Louis to purchase her spring stock of goods. S. Roach, of Paint Rock, will also leave from this point and they will be joined by Miss Thomson, of Santa Anna, bound for the same destination.



"Clothes are like women," said Brother Bill the other day—"some fit while others won't, so I want the "maid"-to-measure and NOT the READY-MADE that DON'T."

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**Bair & Brown.**

### New Home Locals.

The drouth is getting to be very serious out this way, there are water holes dry that was never known to go dry before, still people are breaking land and preparing for another crop.

Bob Bates has a bunch of Mexicans clearing up his land and will put it all in cultivation.

Jim Henson, of Crews, visited home folks Sunday.

Jim Brice and family and Mr. Vooghen and two little boys spent Sunday with Jake Nowell and family.

Milton Dodd visited down the creek Sunday, but would not tell where.

Mrs. O'Neal is quite sick at Mr. Atheanathy's with pneumonia.

Born on Feb. 1st to Henry Athernathy and wife, a boy.

Albert Grace was selling fruit trees to our farmers last week.

There is some talk of organizing a Sunday School class at New Home.

We are informed that Miss Pearl Henson is making up money to buy an organ.

Mr. Tindall, of the North End of the pasture, spent Sunday evening with Robt. Tindall and family.

Pink Brown measured the new road Saturday and found that we lived about two hundred yards nearer Ballinger than we did last year. You No.

### Elks Minstrels.

Mr. B. D. Pelton, our accommodating depot agent received the following message Thursday which is self-explanatory:

Mr. B. D. P.

The Elks Minstrels are coming to Ballinger in special train Friday, leaving here about 4 p. m. Rate will be one fare round trip and we expect to bring a hundred people. Please notify Patterson at the Bank, both Hotels and the newspaper, obliging,

Yours truly,  
C. E. Hyde,

Agent.  
On 2-15-'06.

The Elks Minstrels will play at the Opera House to-night (Friday). This is a San Angelo home talent array and we understand they furnish a good entertainment, and Ballinger should show her sister City the appreciation and courtesy to furnish a large house. Prices 35, 50 and 75 cents. Seats on sale at Pearce Drug Store.

No. 6757.

### Report of the Condition

Of the Citizens National Bank, at Ballinger, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan 29th, 1906.

#### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$324,061.20
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	67,153.34
U S Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Premiums on U S bonds	2,875.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	13,255.89
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	15,185.58
Other real estate owned	1,549.25
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	9,374.11
Due from state bank and bankers	29,531.70
Due from approved reserve agents	93,891.13
Checks and other cash items	5,157.77
Notes of other national banks	500.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	143.95
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	15,367.30
Legal tender notes	5,500.00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer [5 per cent circulation]	1,400.00
Total	\$684,946.22

#### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	11,424.78
National bank notes outstanding	100,000.00
Due to other national banks	6,022.45
Due to State banks and bankers	4,364.04
Due to approved reserve agents	971.20
Due to trust companies and savings banks	
Dividends unpaid	
Individual deposits subject to check	372,375.41
Demand certificate of deposit	55.00
Time certificates of deposit	3,331.60
Cashier's Checks outstanding	1,401.74
Bills payable in 'd cert of deposit for money borrowed	70,000.00
Liabilities other than above	
Total	\$684,946.22

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 } Directors  
C. A. Doose }  
B. B. Stone }  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Feb., 1906.  
R. G. Erwin, Notary Public.

**L. S. Evans,**  
Real Estate--Rental Agt.  
Ballinger, Texas.

List your lands with me for quick sales, city property and farms for sale. Prompt attention to all business intrusted to me.

Judge H. H. Hardin and son, F. M. Hardin, of Stephenville, closed the deal this week whereby they come in possession of the Hill Lumber Co. at this place. Judge Hardin and son come highly recommended to our city as progressive and prosperous business men and while we regret to see the Hill Lumber Co. leave us, we wish for the new firm the same fine business built up by the old firm. And right here we wish to say that the nice business enjoyed, and so soon built up, by this firm is attributable, to a large extent, to the untiring efforts of our old fellow citizen Col. D. P. Moser, whose friends are legion in this section, and who worked from early morn to dewy eve for the upbuilding of the firm of Hill & Co.

### Home Circle Club.

Rev. J. S. Moore, County organizer of the Home circle of this county was here this week and spoke to a good sized audience at the K. of P. Hall Thursday night, upon the object and benefit of the Home Circle. After which a local club of 14 members was organized, with I. C. Peterson Pres., Henry Schroeeder Vice Pres., E. L. Baker Secretary and local solicitor.—Miles Messenger.

# THE GLOBE

The only One Price Cash Store in Ballinger.

Buying for CASH and selling for cash ONLY and being satisfied with less profit are the main reasons why we undersell all others in our town. We believe in dividing the profits with our customers. Glance at the following convincing prices, which are only a few of the many bargains which we are offering you daily:

Dietz Lanterns	\$ .50
Diston Hand Saws	1.75
Hopkins & Allen Single-barrel shot gun	4.25
Nice Door Bell	.58
Tea Bell	.05
Call Bell	.15
Mrs. Pott's Sad Irons, per set	.95
Bird Cages	.65
Coat and Hat Hooks, per doz	.15
Large Bicycle Pump	.50
7 in White-wash Brush	.13
Key Hole Saw	.13
Solid Steel Hammer	.23
Solid Steel Hatchet	.30
Alligator Wrenches	.27 and .35
Tire Bolts, per Box	.25
1-2 inch Hose Bibs	.50
Mens' Gloves	25c and up
Glass Lamp complete	.25
Shot Gun Cleaner Rods	.35
Gilt Edge Shoe Polish	.20
Elite	.20
Good heavy Tumblers, per doz	
Nice lot Jap. China just in, to late for Xmas, but have opened it and will give you some good bargains.	
Canvas Tacks, per lb	.13

We still have some fine bargains in Shoes, Shirts and Hats. Full line Stationery—low prices. Another big lot Hose, Men Woman and Childrens' Underwear just arrived.

Watch This Space Every Week.

# J. A. BROWN.

March 3rd & 4th.  
In Ballinger.



Drs. DAILY & FRANCIS  
Eye Specialists,

Abilene, Texas.

We limit our practice to eye diseases and deformities and are prepared to cure any eye trouble that is known to be curable, such as Granulated Lids, Ingrowing Lashes, Cataracts, Pterygiums, Over flow of Tears, Lid Tumors, White Spots over Pupils, Opacities, etc. Glasses accurately fitted for Far Sight, Near Sight, Old Sight and Astigmatism. Many nervous troubles and headaches can be cured by wearing glasses properly fitted. We give you references from Runnels county people that were led for years, who now see to read, and they had often been told that no one could restore their sight. Call and investigate their cures. No charge for examination.



At Royalty Hotel.

Saturday and Sunday,  
March 3rd & 4th.

Albatross and New Century Flour are the best on the market sold only by J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Jo Wilmeth, the popular Cashier of the Citizens National Bank, went up to Brownwood on the afternoon train to attend a meeting of the Banker's Association of this district.

### Suicide at Lampasas.

The still warm, yet lifeless body of Miss Bessie Frazier, night operator in the Lampasas telephone office, was discovered at about 7:25 o'clock this morning by two of the day operators upon coming to the office to go work. The body was laying on a cot beside the switch board and resting partly on the left arm was the tell-tale pistol, a 38-calibre Colts, from which one shot had been fired. The body was laying on the right side and when turned over revealed an ugly wound in the right temple, the bullet having pierced the brain. From all appearances it is thought the deed was committed at about 6:45 this morning. Miss Frazier had answered her morning calls from 5:30 to 6:30.

Miss Bessie Frazier was a young lady, not more than 20 years of age, who has held the position of night operator for quite awhile. She remained in the office from 9 o'clock in the evening until morning alone. Some months ago some one attempted to enter the room at night and since Miss Frazier has kept a 38 Colts' pistol with her when alone.—Daily Bulletin Friday Feby. 9th.

### Notice to Farmers.

On March the 5th and 6th the Santa Fe will sell tickets from Ballinger to Dallas to the State meeting of the Farmers' Union, good to return not later than March 10th. Rate for round trip \$9.65.

Rev. Fr. Mass, of the Frank Holscher neighborhood, came in on the 12 o'clock train Thursday night from San Antonio and reports a very pleasant trip.