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The White Store.

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

GREAT REDUCTION IN MILLINERY

Special Sale of Ladies Stylish Up-to-date Hats and Bonnets

Pretty dainty creations carefully and correctly trimmed. All this season's productions, in Milans and Panamas, fancy shapes trimmed with silk ribbons, chiffons and small flowers.

All Will be Sold at a Reduction of Not Less Than Twenty Five Per Cent Some Even More.

It is our desire to sell all our Ladies Hats and have an entire new stock every season, hence this reduction. Come early so that you may have the best selection.

MISS LEAK MANAGER

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

A Change.

This week, C. C. Cockrell, who for the past 2 years has been the Editor of the Banner-Leader, sold his interest to Albert Lee of this place. It is the intention of the future management to run the paper on the same high plane as in the past. We appreciate the support and patronage accorded us under the former management and ask a continuance of the same.

Mr. Lee, is not altogether new in the newspaper business, he having worked on the Stephenville Empire quite a while, and was Editor and Manager of the Tolar Register for something over a year; he is a practical, printer, and is well acquainted with every phase of the newspaper work.

The following is a clipping from the Stephenville Empire, when he left that paper and assumed the management of the Tolar Register.

Albert Lee, who has been with the Empire for the past few weeks has accepted the management of the Tolar Register. Albert is a worthy and deserving young man with plenty of energy in his makeup for a good newspaper man, and we bespeak for him a successful career as editor and manager of the Register.

Referring to the above will say that in this connection that I fully appreciate the many courtesies extended me by our people in a local way and through them

the paper has attained to whatever prominence it has gained. From a financial stand point, I appreciate the business men who have stood by my administration and made the paper a financial success and placed me on "easy street," for which they have my lasting thanks. For no other reason than that I made some money by the change, do I let go, as my relations with the business management has always been of the pleasantest nature. I shall continue to make Ballinger my future home for I know I can never find a more liberal, honest and progressive citizenship and a county and city second to none in Texas. I ask my friends and the public generally to continue their support to the paper and it will be highly appreciated by me

Very Truly,
C. C. Cockrell

Through the kindness of our friend, W. A. Norman we had the pleasure of an automobile ride over Ballinger Wednesday afternoon, a courtesy which we appreciated very much.

A new line of up-to-date clothing W. H. Davis

Rev. Young, W. H. Mullins, O. J. Hinds and Charlie Grant, of Winters, passed through town Wednesday on a fishing trip down the Colorado river.

The Editor of the Bronte Enterprise was a pleasant caller at our sanctum Wednesday.

If its in the Grocery line we have it.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

We Want the Small Account

of the wage-earner and householder as well as the larger patronage of business firms and corporations. We are gratified to see the steady growth of the small deposits and are glad to help and encourage all who earnestly desire to better their financial condition.

We Pay 4 Per Cent on Time Deposits of 6 months, 5 Per on 12 months.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.
"THE ACCOMMODATING BANK."
Ballinger, Texas

\$1.00 Will Open a Savings Account. Interest 4 Per Cent Compounded Twice a Year.

Sunday, First Day.

Protracted services begin at the Methodist church Sunday May 13th. Rev. J. G. Miller of Brownwood has been secured to help in the meeting. He will probably arrive Monday. The pastor calls upon every member of the church to use this opportunity for the Glory of God.

Let each member be sure he is present at every service unless providentially prevented. This opportunity will surely not come to us again, and we shall be called into judgment for the way in which we use it. Will you not become specially concerned about

some particular friend and concentrate your effort upon him? We cordial invite the co-operation of pastors and members of other churches. We would urge the unsaved to come to these services, and come with the desire and expectation of being saved. None are saved until they want to be saved.

E. P. Williams, Pastor.

John E. Quarles Co., solicit a part of your lumber trade. All kinds of building material such as doors, sash, blinds, moulding and shingles. It will pay you to see them.

New Spring Goods Arriving Daily

Pretty line of Low Cuts are in now. We have fine values in Ladies Oxfords, all new styles.
Price pe pair, \$1.50 to \$3.00.

White Fancy Figured Waisting, excellent values, per yard at 20, 25 and 35c

Fine Line of Gingham, the good and reliable kind, per yard, at only 10 and 12 1/2

Finest Line of Embroideries in Ballinger, special bargains, per yd 5, 10 and 15c

36-in. Black Chiffon Taffeta, special value, regular \$1.25 yd quality only 1.00

All kinds of the very Best Standard Calicoes, in blue, grey, garnents, light colors yd 5c

6 New Pieces corset cover edgings, regular 35c quality, a bargain at that, only 25

New Line of Ladies Neckwear.
New Line of Hand Bags.
New Line of Back Combs.

New Line of Ladies Muslin Underwear at Extremely Low Prices.

A.H. Van Pelt. H. Winkler, Mgr.

Men and Boys' Shirts.



Beautiful New Selection in light and dark patterns also the White Silk Pongee. Every shirt warranted to fit. Size 14 to 18. Price 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00.

The Hub.

Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 3322 Clinton St, Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that liniment relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. If troubled with sciatica or rheumatism why not try a 25-cent bottle of Pain Balm and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

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

Sheriff Bob Kirk took Dave Bell back to San Angelo on the noon train Wednesday returning on the 4 o'clock train. Dave Bell is a prisoner at San Angelo and was detained here as a witness in the county court.

G. G. Odom and wife came in from their Coke county ranch Sunday. Mr. Odom is planning to erect a fine home on the site now occupied by his present residence.

Mrs. Conda Wylie of San Angelo is here this week the guest of Mrs. J. F. Currie.

Will Gay and a Mr. Hemphill of Coleman were here on business between trains Wednesday.

Mrs. V. R. Dockry, accompanied by her sister, left on Tuesday evenings' train for New Mexico, where she goes to join her husband who has been out there a short time.

Our friend and efficient deputy sheriff, John Maddox received his new roller-top office desk Wednesday. It is the prettiest thing in the way of a desk that we know of in Ballinger. John certainly exemplified good taste in the selection of this desk.

D. M. West, of San Angelo, spent Wednesday evening in Ballinger in the interest of his candidacy for State representative, returning on the night train.

Mrs. Hall, sister to Mrs. J. W. Godwin, came in on the noon train from the east Wednesday.

Mrs. Will Ellis and children accompanied by Miss Gertrude Ellis, left on the 4 o'clock train Wednesday for Austin where they will visit among relatives for a month.

Car of New Furniture.

Just received a car of new Furniture, of all kinds, iron beds, chairs, cribs etc. Spring house cleaning is here and you will want some new furniture. Give us a call.

Ostertag Fur. Co.

The tiling has all been laid in the new Citizens National Bank building and it will soon be ready to receive the furniture. When completed this will be an up-to-date bank building and another credit to Ballinger. These people are judicious business men and will always be found spending money on the home of their institution in sufficient quantities to keep it looking as well and equally as accommodating as any of their competitors.



Swell Line of Mens' Patent Kid, Patent Colt and Kid Oxfords on new Styles and Lasts. We warrant every pair to give satisfaction. Price - - \$3.50

The Hub.

White Mountain Refrigerator.

It is well to remember that these Refrigerators are the product of the largest refrigerator manufacturing plant in the world. For the reason that this factory is located near the great forests of pine and hardwood, raw material is purchased at the lowest possible cost. This is why the best Refrigerators in the world are sold at a moderate price. For sale by Ostertag Furniture Co.

Stomach Troubles

Mrs. Sue Martin, an old and highly respected resident of Faison, Miss., was sick with stomach trouble for more than six months. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured her. She says: "I can now eat anything I want and am the proudest woman in the world to find such a good medicine." For sale by J. Y. Pearce. Samples free.

Rev. W. S. Moore returned from Bonham Wednesday where he had gone to visit and recuperate, but he returned feeling worse than when he left home. He reports plenty of rain and mud in that section.



There
Is a
Chance
Of

Losing your property by Fire. Don't play Dice with the Hazard but take out insurance on your home and save worry and premature old age. See

LEE MADDUX,
(The Insurance Man.)

Put in Electric Lights

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

Ballinger Light & Ice Co.

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

Men
Don't
Talk

Of Groceries

As much as women do, perhaps, but all the same they know good groceries when they are cooked and put on the table. -:- -:- -:- -:-

LET US sell you your groceries one month and show you that our prices and goods are right. Fresh vegetables always on hand. We want your country produce and pay the top of the market.

Ellis
Grocery
Company.

H. P. Cook, ex-sheriff of Taylor County, now a ranchman in the Content community, was in Ballinger shaking hands with friends Wednesday.

We notice from the Daily Bulletin where an eastern "newcomer" had the pleasure of attending a badger fight, down at Brownwood. We do not know how it is down at Brownwood, but we do know that if any attention was paid to the anti-prohibitionists in Runnels county one would be led to believe that a badger fight would be about the only thing that a "new comer" could play any part in here.

There is still talk of a new Santa Fe depot for Brownwood. It is needed and we hope Brownwood will get it.

Mr. McAdams our efficient commissioner from the Content precinct was here Tuesday looking after business matters.

Setting of the furniture and fixtures was commenced in the C. A. Doose building Wednesday. The floor has been laid with beautiful lenolium and when the furniture and fixtures are installed, Mr. Doose will have the swellest land office in Texas. Fort Worth, Dallas or any other city in Texas excepted.

The improvement on the city water works is being pushed hurriedly and quite a lot of mains have been laid.

Ex-Tax Assessor Hemphill, of Coleman, was attending to business in Ballinger Wednesday.

Hall Hardware Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

IMPLEMENTS

Planters, Cultivators,
Disc Plows, Walking Plows,
John Deere and Standard
Stoves, Ranges, Heaters,
House Furnishings and
Builders Hardware.
Pipe Work and Cisterns.
We Will Appreciate Your Business.

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Hall Hardware Co

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.

WILL NORMAN.

The Boot and Shoe Repair-
er at M. W. McGinnis'
Transfer Office.

Neat, Nice work and
prompt delivery guaran-
teed. Give me a trial
and be convinced.

WILL NORMAN,

8th Street - - - Ballinger.

Not if as Rich as Rockefeller.

If you had all the wealth of
Rockefeller, the Standard Oil
magnate, you could not buy a
better medicine for bowel com-
plaint than Chamberlain's Colic,
Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.
The most eminent physician can
not prescribe a better preparation
for colic and diarrhoea, both for
children and adults. The uni-
form success of this remedy has
shown it to be superior to all
others. It never fails and when
reduced with water and sweet-
ened, is pleasant to take. Every
family should be supplied with
it. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Banner Leader \$1 year.

Banner-Leader, Job Printing.

Confederate Decoration Day.

Sunday, May 15, 1906 is the
annual Decoration day. The
Memorial Sermon will be deliv-
ered by Rev. C. W. Yates at the
Cumberland Presbyterian church
at 3:30 p. m. and the congrega-
tion will go from there to the
Cemetery where the young ladies
whose names appear below will
decorate the graves of the Veter-
ans, wives, mothers and daugh-
ters of the Confederacy. Every
young lady whose name appears
below is asked to make an espe-
cial effort to be on hand and to
bring a bouquet and wreath to
be used by her. Neighbors
please read over the list and if
there is a young lady who has
no conveyance ask her to go in
yours as that is ones serious
trouble in getting up the list to
perform this sacred duty, in once
a year laying this token of re-
membrance on the lowly homes
of our departed Heroes. Also a
special request is made that
every one who has a loved one
buried there to join in making
this also a general decoration
day. Carry more flowers than
you need and hunt out some
grave forgotten and lay upon it
a wreath of remembrance.
"As you are now they once
were, as they now are you soon
will be." So for once do as you
would have us do by you, and be
on hand. Following is the list
of graves to be decorated and
the names of the young ladies
to decorate them:

Capt. J. E. Smith—Misses
Lucil Powel and Olga Schawe.

S. N. Allison—Mamie Gregory
and Sammie Padgett.

Mrs. Allison—Verna Moser
and Fannie Hoffer.

Mrs. Kelsey—Pearl Johnston
and Aunie Massey.

W. N. Laxon—Billie Gustavus
and Zettie Lee Carpenter.

J. H. Dancer—Nell Ruther-
ford and Nettie Bacon.

W. T. Cordell—Moody Cordell
and Norma Harris.

H. A. Reed—Beatha Reed and
Alma Crews.

J. H. Douglass—Willie Allen
and Nell Miller.

S. M. Dunlap—Louise Schawe
and May Johnston.

Mrs. Dunlap—Nell Alexander
and Marie Hoffer.

W. A. Humphrey—Vivian
Humphrey and Mary Rutherford.

Mrs. Parks—Florence West-
brook and Bessie Wilke.

W. N. Gentry—Mammie Sue
Gressett and Mamie Godwin.

Spencer Wright—Stella Routh
and Zadie Royalty

Mrs. Wright—Nina Dorsey and
Lee Stocks.

J. D. Hardgrave—Jennie Ben-
nett and Kate Spencer.

Mrs. B. S. Taylor—Edna Routh
and Gladys Collins.

Mrs. J. H. Routh—Eva Routh
and Maggie Sharp.

J. A. McKandlass—Bonnie
Mathews and Ellie Ward.

W. S. Knox—Bettie Knight
and Bertha Van Pelt.

Mrs. L. S. Fowler—Alma Pad-
gett and Alva Van Pelt.

Mrs. H. S. Murphey—Kate
DeMoville and Kate Globber.

Mrs. Trimmier—Maude Lank-
ford and Mack Chastain.

Mrs. Shieder—May Harris and
Lola Brown.

Mrs. Sheets—Estelle Under-
wood and Ida Royalty.

John Pistole—Lizzie Alexander
and Edith Winkler.

Dr. J. A. Younger—Mildred
Erwin and Niel Guion.

Mrs. Younger—Eda Bell Walk-
er and Lois Crews.

Mrs. Dickinson—Angie Butler
and Buelah Jones.

Mrs. Eskridge—Ruby Harvey
and Willie Harmon.

Miss McAuly—Ada Clappitt
and Willie Westbrook.

Mrs. Kirk—Lee Plummer and
Ada Gregory.

G. W. McInturf—Hester Pad-
gett and May Lankford.

S. P. Brown—Maggie Under-
wood and Maud Erwin.

A. L. Bennett—Emma Bennett
and Hermia Smith.

Dr. H. B. Ransom—Armour
McGregor and Kathleen Francis.

B. F. Moorman—Annie Lee
Doose and Maud Shaffer.

S. L. Beard—Lena Shaffer and
Katie Belle Gregory. And to
decorate the grave of Pride

Pearce daughter of the Confed-
eracy—Priscilla Jones and Agnes
Jeans.

If any young lady on this list
cannot attend please have a sub-
stitute present with flowers. A
special request is made that if
the name of any veteran, wife or
mother of the Confederacy has
been missed and you know of it
please phone Mr. W. H. Weeks
chairman of the committee so
that arrangements can be made
to decorate their graves.

ECLIPSE \$3.50 SHOE



The Eclipse Shoes and Oxfords
are the best for many reasons.
They are made of the very best
material, they are made on lasts
that fit and hold shape, only the
very best shoe makers are used
in making Eclipse Shoes and Ox-
fords. Prices are reasonable for
the fit, wear and comfort one
gets. Price \$3.50, 4.00 and \$5.00

The Hub,

Banner-Leader Job Printing.

Letter to I. T. Avery.

Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Have you found this
out? You need less of Devoe
lead-and-zinc for a job than of
anything else; less gallons; less
money.

M. A. Thomas, painter, Lynch-
burg, Va. has found it out; he
writes: "The first job I did
with your paint I estimated 37
gallons; had 12 gallons left over
Since then I have not used any
other kind of paint but Devoe
lead-and-zinc; I recommend it to
all my customers. When I com-
mence a job, I tack up a card
reading as follows: M. A.
Thomas, contractor; Devoe
Paint."

Putting it on costs two or
three times as much as the paint.
Have you found this out? You
can paint Devoe in less time;
less money.

Have you found this out?
Devoe wears longer than any-
thing else.

You don't object to long time
between jobs. Your customers
like it. And you like what he
likes. It keeps your customers.

Yours truly

F. W. Devoe & Co.

Ballinger Lumber Co. sell our
paint.

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Entered at the postoffice at Ballinger, Texas as second-class matter.
 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.

THE SALOONS OR NO SALOONS
 To have or not to have the open saloons in Runnels County is the Issue all reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Upon this issue the leaders launched the present crusade against what they consider our greatest common enemy. Now, it presents itself squarely to every voter in Runnels County and all friends to the move are perfectly willing to present it upon its merits. Ask yourself the question, does the open saloon do anything toward building up the moral character of your boy or does it assist in making a good man of the present boy who will be your future son-in-law? Or does it add one iota to anything that tends toward the up-building of our fair county? If so vote against the present move. O! but some one says it nulitates against our business institutions—true it does put the saloon man him-self out of business and is very unhealthful to the gambling house and other questionable vocations, all of which are kindred institutions to the saloon and now pray tell us in what other manner does it hurt our institutions. These are questions to be decided by each, every voter of Runnels Co., and we are satisfied that they will vote right but, be ye not deceived by any influence that might try to lead you astray, if indeed any such influence is brought to bear.

A Political move? This has been suggested but by whom? Certainly by some one who is not informed and has no sympathy with the move. And why? We see no other reason than to mislead the unsuspecting. Therefore, be ye undeceived Mr. Voter, for we advocate a principal superior to any man and we have no man to elect and none to defeat. We are sure too, that we voice the sentiment of all local optionists in the country when we say that every one of us belong to some recognized political party, Democratic, Republican or otherwise and doubtless by a large majority to the Democratic party.
 Very Respectfully Submitted,
 Turner Moore Chairman,
 E. L. Hagan, Vice Chairman,
 A. S. Lee, Secty,
 T. S. Lankford, Treasurer.

J. H. Kelley has recently purchased about 40 head of fine two and four year old horses.

A swell line of Gents neckwear at the Ballinger Dry Goods Company's store. Call and see it.

Sam P. Herbert, the architect who drew the plan and specifications for several buildings under construction in our city is here from Waco this week making some inspections.

Call around at the John E. Quarles, Co., for estimates on your lumber bills.

G. R. McCamy now occupies all of his store building since Barbee Bros. moved out. He has purchased a large cabinet refrigerator for the better preservation of his produce.

New line of Men's pat Kid and Kid Oxfords at The Hub.

The West Texas Land & Loan Co. has moved its office into the Globler building next door to the Katy Hotel.

Assessor W. T. Padgitt went to Crews Thursday.

Lee Maddox can write you \$1000 tornado insurance on your residence or business house three years for \$5.00.

Picnic at Crews.
 There will be a big picnic at Crews July the 4th at H. A. Bradley's near Crews. Band Music, Political speaking and many other attractions will be there for the entertainment of the people.

Card of Thanks.
 I wish to thank each of my patrons for patronizing my eloclass and hope I have given satisfaction. I return home to Lampasas Saturday May 12th and if properly encouraged will be with you again in the early fall.
 Kindly and respectfully,
 Norma Harris.

Pale, Thin, Nervous?
 Then your blood must be in a very bad condition. You certainly know what to take, then take it—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. If you doubt, then consult your doctor. We know what he will say about this grand old family medicine. Sold for over 60 years.
This is the first question your doctor would ask: "Are your bowels regular?" He knows that daily action of the bowels is absolutely essential to recovery. Keep your liver active and your bowels regular by taking laxative doses of Ayer's Pills.
 Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.
Ayer's
 Also manufacturers of
 HAIR VIGOR,
 AGUE CURE,
 CHERRY PECTORAL.

Texas Bankers Meet.
 The twenty-second annual meeting of the Texas Bankers Association was held in San Antonio Wednesday and Thursday, May 9th and 10th with a good representation present. After the reports of officers and committees were made and new officers elected for the ensuing year, a number of interesting and able addresses were made by the members, including Judge W. B. Templeton of Waxahachie; Jno. H. Kirby of Houston and M. D. Slator of Llano. The members and their wives and families left Friday on a ten days trip to Mexico.

Job Printing.

Jr. League Program.
 Leader—Emmet Davis
 Subject—Service of Hands Acts 6, 1-6
 Song
 Key Text—Prov. 3, 27 Annie Jean Sharp.
 Deeds of service are the Christian's Means of doing good—Lelia Collins
 Religion requires deeds of loving service—Otto Whittaker
 Connecting links—Joe Nash.
 Point of contact: What can the hand do?—May Godwin.
 The Text—Pearl Farris.
 Application—George Moore
 Bible illustrations John 6-9 Matt. 12, 3-8; Heb. 13, 16,—Kate Collins
 Illustration—Aline Moore
 Song
 Benediction


The most complete stock of Fishing Tackle carried by any house.
 The Walker Drug Co.

Mystic Weavers.
 Mrs. B. C. Kirk was hostess to the Mystic Weavers, Wednesday afternoon of this week, from 4 to 6 o'clock. The cozy double parlors were artistically decorated in profusions of roses, lillies, and sweet peas, and the entire effect was that of a veritable flower garden. The Punch bowl was presided over by Mrs. J. R. Lusk, from a vine covered nook in the reception hall. The afternoon was especially charming because of the absence of all formality.
 Delicious ice cream with Marschirino cherries and cake were served, after which dainty souvenirs, consisting of bunches of sweet peas tied with shaded Lribbons were given each guest. After 6 o'clock the guests were loath to leave and upon bidding the hostess good bye every one thanked her for a most pleasant afternoon. The next meeting will be with Mrs. C. P. Shepherd, Wednesday May 16th.

Social Meeting of Our Ballinger Union of Ladies.
 The Program given out by our W. C. T. U. was faithfully rendered on Friday evening last at the M. E. church, to a large and appreciative audience.
 Rev. E. P. Williams acted as Master of Ceremonies, and the meeting was opened with "Welcome and Temperance songs, followed in a prayer by Rev. H. A. Moore.
 Miss Annie Brown then introduced a pretty company of "Little Folks" who marched into the church keeping step and their hearts pulsing for the great cause of Temperance Reform. The papers by Mrs. Williams and Miss Moore and the oratorical efforts of Miss Brown's contest girls all led up to this grand theme of human culture and spiritual refinement.
 Rev. Yates in a very neat address presented the Contest medal to the winner, Gladys Collins. The girls all did exceedingly well. The music, varied in variety and style pleasing all.
 The Classic Composition "Come Thou Fount" Solo, by Miss Hermia Smith accompanied by Misses Mae Harris, on violin, and Maggie Underwood, organ, was quite a treat.
 "Tell Mother I'll be There," with its undercurrent of love, by Mrs. Cobb, and the choir, accompanied by Miss Maurice Truly on Violin was very sweet and found many a Mothers' heart nestled there."

ACTUAL FACTS ABOUT PROHIBITION EXISTING IN BELL COUNTY.
 There is a prohibition campaign on in Runnels County. We notice from a Ballinger paper that the antis are publishing those marvelous certificates of Mayor Hamil. Well, there are a good many Bell county people in Runnels, and they will doubtless see to making it known that more than one-third of the 2100 criminal indictments were against Hamil himself and another third against two of his doctor friends.—Belton Journal.

Development Of The SOUTHWEST.
 The problem is solved when the idle capital of the Northeast and the cheap lands of the Southwest are brought together. Intelligent organic co-operation is the key-note to this consummation. This again, is reached through the NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE REALTY CO., of Chicago, Ill., CAPITALIZED with \$350,000.00, of which, the WEST TEXAS LAND & LOAN CO. are members.
 List your land, city or business property with us for results.
West Texas Land & Loan Co,
 Ballinger, Texas.

BEEN EAST? IF YOU HAVE YOU WILL GO TO LOS ANGELES WITH THE SHRINERS IN MAY
 Via

 HARVEY Serves the Meals.
 THE head of the steam god is turned toward the Reddening Light of the Fading Orb of Day and you are bade mount in order that you may mingle with the faithful from every clime gathered for wise council and merry concourse. Drop me a card and I will tell you the "HOW" of going to California and the WHY of going SANTA FE.
 W. S. KEENAÑ, G. P. A., G. C. & S. F., Galveston.


THE THROUGH CAR SERVICE
 FROM FORT WORTH, DALLAS, WACO AND INTERMEDIATES TO ST. LOUIS, MEMPHIS AND OTHER POINTS
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Convenient Schedules, Courteous Treatment, Up-to-date Equipment.
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 R. C. FYFE, Asst. Gen. Frt. and Pass Agt. Tyler, Texas.

Secretary Shaw's boom was started in Missouri, and it wonders if it could wander over into Iowa, without getting "pinched."

The Czar might get points from Speaker Cannon, on the absolute control of parliamentary assemblies.

Evidently, Iowa has not fixed its eyes so firmly on Secretary Shaw that there is danger it will grow cross-eyed.

Col John Temple Graves now has a paper of his own, in Atlanta and will show what a patriot can do when he is free from the bondage of the blue pencil.

That Chicago Grand Jury indicted John A. Cooke thirty-one times and then stopped. Perhaps it got tired.

This is a memorable week for the Suez canal. Our famous dry dock Dewey is passing through it.

Ohio's state food commissioner has wrought consternation among certain manufacturers of soda water syrups, by announcing that henceforth "fruit flavors" must be flavored with fruits.

Some one makes the wholly superfluous announcement that Carnegie will provide San Francisco's new libraries. The logic of the situation made any other assumption impossible.

Japan's earthquake experts, now enroute to San Francisco, should be able to give useful advice. In Japan, an earthquake comes along so frequently that the inhabitants are lonesome without one.

This speculation as to what Congress will do when the rate bill debate ends, is most encouraging. It is one of the few intimations we have had, that the rate bill debate is going to have an end.

All things earthly must come to an end even the Senate debate on the Railroad Rate bill.

DO YOU KNOW

That Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the only medicine sold through druggists for woman's weaknesses and peculiar ailments that does not contain large quantities of alcohol? It is also the only medicine, especially prepared for the cure of the delicate diseases peculiar to women, the maker of which is not afraid to take his patients into his full confidence, by printing upon each bottle wrapper all the ingredients entering into the medicine. Ask your druggist if this is not true.

"Favorite Prescription," too, is the only medicine for women, all the ingredients of which have the unqualified endorsement of the leading medical writers of the several schools of practice, recommending them for the cure of the diseases for which the "Prescription" is advised. Write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for a free booklet, and read the numerous extracts from standard medical authorities praising the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are made, and don't forget that no other medicines put up for sale through druggists for domestic use can show any such professional endorsement. This, of itself, is of far more weight and importance than any amount of so-called "testimonials" so conspicuously flaunted before the public, in favor of the alcoholic compounds.

The "Favorite Prescription" cures all woman's peculiar weaknesses and derangements, thus banishing the periodical headaches, backaches, bearing-down distress, tenderness and dragging-down sensations in lower abdomen, accompanied by weakening and disagreeable catarrhal, pelvic drains and kindred symptoms.

Dr. Pierce and his staff of skilled specialists may be consulted free by addressing as above. All correspondence is treated as sacredly confidential. By consulting in this way the disagreeable questionings and personal "examinations" are avoided.

The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser contains some very interesting and valuable chapters on the diseases peculiar to women. It contains over one thousand pages. It is sent post paid, on receipt of sufficient in one-cent stamps to pay cost of mailing only, or 21 cents for a copy in flexible paper covers, or 31 cents for a cloth-bound copy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce as above.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. One is a laxative, two or three cathartic.

According to Vice president Thayer, the minds of the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio officials, happen to run in the same channels.

Republican senators seem to dread to vote on the Smoot case, and many of them intend to repudiate the bargain made with the Mormon church by Perry Heath in 1900 which gave the Republicans the electoral vote of Utah.

When President Castro pays his promised visit to the United States, he may be sure of warm reception at the office of the Asphalt Trust.

Geo. Powell, who lives twelve miles below town on the river, was in town Monday and requested us to add his name to our subscription list.

The Republicans in Congress are divided on every proposition that looks towards reform, but they are all united on the "pork bill" and "for the old flag and an appropriation."

Kind Words.

Kind words do not cost much. They are quickly spoken. They do not blister the tongue that utters them. They never have to be repented of. They do not keep us awake till midnight. It is easy to scatter them. And oh how much good to the person from whose lips they fall. Soft words will soften the soul. They will smooth down the rough places in our natures. Care to say kindly things will drill our nature in kindness. It will help pull up all the roots of passion. It will make us a spirit of self-control. A woman cannot make a habit of speaking kind words without augmenting her own gracious temper. But better will be their influence upon others. If cold words freeze people, and hot words scorch them; and bitter words madden them so will kind words produce themselves and soothe and quiet and comfort the hearer. They make all the better elements of one's nature come trooping to the surface. They melt our stubbornness. They arouse an appreciation of better things. Let us say the kindly word. No one can tell how many burdened hearts may be relieved, how many discouraged souls may be inspired. Say it every day; to the one who disturbs you while you are busy, asking for work; to the one who has almost lost hope; to all. Remember, kind words can never die.—Sacred Heart Review.

A United Democracy.

The chairman of the Democratic convention of Kansas in his address to the delegates sounded a key note that will have interest in Massachusetts and shows that a united Democracy from the East to the West and North and South is again to be an accomplished fact. "The people of Kansas," said he, "send this slogan across the Mississippi valley and over the Appalachian mountains to New England. We are for free raw material, and we are willing to give to the laborer of the east free hides in competition with our hides, because the beef trust robs us even of the hair, and then sells the balance to the eastern manufacturer at a higher and fixed price, so that the poor are shoeless. Our Republican congressmen have misrepresented us long enough. We are in favor of the old-fashioned doctrine as enunciated by Samuel J. Tilden and renounced by Grover Cleveland of a tariff for revenue only. The time is past when we should protect trusts and capitalistic combinations. Protection, as declared by the republican party, is now used as an aid to the rich to become richer and for the poor to become poorer." Hurrah! for the unterrified Democracy of Kansas.

Real Estate Transfers.

The deal was closed Monday whereby H. A. Thompson sold his spacious residence to T. S. Lankford for a consideration of \$5000.00. This is one among the largest and best residences in our city. Mr. Lankford will move into his new home in the near future.

Mrs. J. A. Rankin, of Winters, made the Banner-Leader office a pleasant call Monday, and in order to be certain that she would get the news, she handed us a dollar on subscription.

The Banner Leader for neat, up-to-date Job Printing.

Notice of Special Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Abilene & Northern Railway Company has been called by the Board of Directors of said company to convene at the general office of said company of the Farmers and Merchants' National Bank in the city of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, at 9 o'clock a. m. on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1906, which meeting is called for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of the first mortgage bonds of said company in an amount not exceeding \$20,000 per mile for each mile of main line constructed or thereafter to be constructed by said company, said bonds to be payable in gold coin at a time not exceeding thirty years from their date, and to bear interest not exceeding 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and to be issued for the purpose of paying for completing, improving, equipping and operating the said line of railroad for the purpose of considering and authorizing the making, execution and delivery of a first mortgage on the property of said company, (for the purpose of securing said bonds,) to-wit:

The line of railroad now under construction belonging to the Abilene & Northern Railway Company and beginning at a point on the line of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad at or near the town of Hamlin in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a south-westerly direction to and through the town of Anson in Jones county, thence continuing in a southeasterly direction through the counties of Jones and Taylor to the town of Abilene in Taylor county, Texas; thence continuing in a general southerly direction through the counties of Taylor, Runnels, Coleman, Concho and McCulloch to the town of Brady in McCulloch county, Texas, with a branch beginning at or near the town of Anson in Jones county, Texas, and running thence in a northerly direction to the town of Stamford in Jones county, including all the franchises of said Railway Company together with all the right of way, depot grounds, terminal facilities, sidings, structures, depots, improvements and real estate, together with all equipment, rolling stock, machinery, engines, round houses, shops, buildings, tools and any and all property owned by said Abilene & Northern Railway Company in the Counties of Jones, Taylor, Coleman, Concho, Runnels and McCulloch in the State of Texas, and such other property of said Railway Company that may hereafter be acquired or so much thereof as the stockholders of said company may authorize. Abilene, Texas, April 9th, 1906.

D. T. Bomar
Secretary, Abilene & Northern Railway company.

Tom Patterson, manager of the Wylie Hardware Co., of San Angelo, came down Monday on the noon train.

More temperance is needed in this world—not only temperance in drinking whiskey, but temperance in all things. Temperance in talk and temperance in fashion are two very important steps to take along this line. Don't get it into your head that drinking is the only thing in which people are in temperate. "Be ye temperate in all things."—Bartlett Tribune.

More and more the Sunday newspaper is coming to be a staple, and more it is diversified so as to furnish something for every body. The Fort Worth Record's Sunday addition is fully abreast of the times and is big enough and varied enough to suit everybody.

The Fort Worth Sunday Record has instituted a new and valuable feature for people who think. It is a department of economics edited by E. G. Senter, well known throughout Texas. It contains non-partisan discussions of current political, social and industrial questions and is a digest of the world's best thought. The Sunday Record is already a first-class newspaper and this supplies a feature that will especially commend it to the best class of readers.

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.

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Improve your horse stock by breeding to "Mac," imported from England by Pearson Bros., Austin. : :

"Mac" is a Mohogony Bay 15 1-2 hands, with star in forehead, weighs 1250 ponnds, clean limbed, heavy boned, fine style and action, and is the horse to use on ordinary mares for general purpose horses. : : : : : :

Will make season commencing April 15th. at J. Ford Ivey's. : : :

\$10.00 for season. Insured.

Postponed.

The picnic that was to have been given by the First Baptist Sunday School on Saturday May 12th has been postponed until next Saturday, May 19th. The place it is to be held at will be announced later.

Do You Itch?

If so, you know the sensation is not an agreeable one, and hard to cure unless the proper remedy is used. Hunt's Cure is the King of all Skin remedies. It cures promptly any itching trouble known. No matter the name or place. One application relieves—one box is absolutely guaranteed to cure.

Your Lumber Bill.

Let the Quarles Lumber Co. figure on your bill of lumber before making your purchase. They will save you money.

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Successors of Clem Lumer Co.

Ballinger Jersey Dairy.

The Ballinger Jersey Dairy and the Long Horn Dairy have consolidated and all Long Horn stuff will be cut out and nothing but the best and richest Jersey milk furnished our customers.

We solicit a continuance of your patronage and promise to give the best service.

Yours for business,
The Ballinger Jersey Dairy.

A campaign is on in Dallas to better the side walks of that city. The city attorney is making arrangements to classify the property according to value, and to compel property owners to build good side walks along their property fronting every street in Dallas. There is nothing that adds more to the appearance and convenience of a business house or a home than to have a nice side walk in front of it. Let's learn a lesson from our sister city and build the side walks without having to be forced to do it by legislation.

Rates To California Will Remain in Effect on the Santa Fe.

Owing to the recent disaster in San Francisco there will be no meeting of the National Educational Association in 1906.

In order that those who have anticipated the pleasure of making a trip to California, may not be disappointed, the Santa Fe has decided to permit their rates and arrangements for the above named meetings, as heretofore announced, to remain in effect.

For those that may not be familiar with these arrangements we give them below:

For National Educational Association Convention at San Francisco, to have been held in July, a rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip will be in effect, selling June 25th to July 7th, final limit September 15th.

As stopover privileges are allowed on these tickets, you may visit the Grand Canyon of Arizona, Petrified Forest and Moki Indian Pueblos.

Drop me a card for descriptive booklets and any other information you may desire regarding trip to California.

W. S. Keenan,
Galveston, Texas.
G. P. A., G. C. & S. F. R. R.

Spectacles at Jas. E. Brewster.
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SHIPMAN & IZARD, Props.

Tombs, Tablets, Marble and Granite of all kinds, also handle Iron Fencing. We buy our material in car-load lots which enables us to sell at very low prices. : : : :

WRITE FOR PRICES.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

Prof. Martin, a band teacher, is in town and will attend the summer normal here. After the close of the normal he will organize and teach a brass band provided enough interest is manifested to secure the required material. Ballinger ought to be ashamed to let Rowena and Winters keep ahead of her on the bond proposition. Boys lets have a "big brass band" in Ballinger.

Why pay 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 for shade trees when you can get them from O. D. Battle, of the Coleman Nursery, for less than half the above amounts.

Lee Maddox has had a nice side walk built in front of his property located on seventh street. We hope that many others will be reminded by this that they should do likewise and maybe we can get the good work started. Miles of side walk could be built in Ballinger to an advantage.

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

The Pain Plucker.

If a burn or a bruise afflicts you, rub it on, rub it on. Then before you scarcely know it all the trouble will be gone.

For an aching joint or muscle do the same.

It extracts all pains and poisons, plucks the sting and heals the lame. Hunt's Lightning Oil does it.

Pure old Ribbon cane syrup at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

A Surprise.

A cool norther blew up Saturday night, accompanied by a nice shower of rain. Owing to the fact that Saturday had been extremely warm, this change of temperature was an immensity and kept many people from attending church services during the entire day.

The First Cotton.

Editor Banner-Leader:

As there is some little controversy about the first cotton raised in Runnels county, I suggest that Mr. Nat Dean raised the first bale of cotton on the old Nat Guest farm at Walthall in 1878, and marketed same at Brownwood.

"Old Timer."

Neck Wear.

We have the swellest line of neck wear in the city, don't make your spring purchases until you have seen our line.

Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

Mr. D. Turney will leave for Galveston Saturday, where he will spend a few days on the coast. He intends stopping off at other points on his return. Mr. Turney has just finished a large barn for Mr. G. G. Odom on his lots adjoining Mr. W. A. Normans residence. It is generally understood that Mr. Odom will soon begin the erection of a costly dwelling on the above lots. The old house will be moved to some other part of town.

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

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The best place to buy Candies, Cigars and Cold Drinks, where nothing but the best is handled at

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Are you going to Build

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

J. R. McVAY, Manager
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We can supply you with all kinds of lumber. Let us figure on your next bill. White pine, yellow pine, sash doors, blinds, mouldings, shingles, lime, brick and cement.

Humphrey Lumber Company.

Opposite Court House. Ballinger, Texas.

General Assembly Presbyterian church in U. S. A. Des Moines Ia. 15-29 1906. For above occasion we will sell excursion tickets to Des Moines Ia., and return at rate of one first class limited fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Dates of sale, sell May 14-15-16-17-21 and 23. Final limit to return June 2nd.

B. D. Pelton, Agt.

Biennial meeting general federation of Womens Clubs St Paul Minn. May 30-June 7th. For the above occasion we will sell excursion tickets to St. Paul or Minneapolis Minn., and return at rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Dates sales May 26th-28-29 and 30th 1906. Final return Limit June 12th.

B. D. Pelton, Agt.

Miss Kattie Ray Ward went up to San Angelo Tuesday to visit for a few days.

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

Mrs. Cordill, accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Moody and Callie, went up to Miles Tuesday to visit for several days.

Ice, Ice, Ice.

I want your ice trade, weights and prices the same the season through. Phone 194.

John G. Key.

Go to Bob Shaffer's saddle and harness store for the best shoe repair work, good work and prompt service.

Judge C. E. Dubois, a prominent attorney of San Angelo, was in town this week attending county court.

We learn that J. S. Graves, brother of Mose Graves, the famous saddle maker at Brownwood, and R. Rutherford, of our city, intend to open up another saddle and harness shop in Ballinger in the near future.

Mr. Graves left for Austin and St. Louis Monday to lay in supplies.

Bob Shaffer's is the place to have your shoes or harness repaired. Quick and efficient service guaranteed.

Prohibition Clubs Organized.

Mr. J. T. Cabe, accompanied by Letcher Moore, went out to Mazeland Saturday, May 5th and organized a prohibition club at 2 o'clock p. m., with the following officers: W. C. Spence, chairman; Jno Ballew, Secretary; J. D. Warren, Treasurer. The attendance was fairly good and considerable enthusiasm was manifested.

At 8:30 Saturday night an organization was effected at the Dry Hollow School house with the following officers:

W. F. McKown, chairman; J. H. Clarke, Secretary; W. H. McKown, Treasurer. The following finance committee was appointed: Misses Iva McKown and Eva Allen. A good many, including a number of ladies, attended this meeting. Mr. Cabe delivered an address at each place where he organized.

The first Monday past off very quietly though there was a large crowd in town all day. Many "broom tails" and a few good horses changed hands.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.



The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail.



Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

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.

Concert at Opera House.

On last Saturday night May 5th under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist church, Mrs. Florence Lewellen Beakley and company gave one of the best concerts ever given by any company in Ballinger. We doubt very much that there has ever been a better vocalist in our city than Mrs. Beakley. Her voice is melodious and her pronunciation very distinct. Miss Prima Baker proved herself an expert on the piano. Miss Ruby T. Halbert is a first class actress and played the part assigned to her in a manner very creditable to herself.

Late Saturday evening Miss Mae Harris was secured for a violin solo. She did not have a moments time for preparation but as is well known by most of our town people, she needed no time for preparation. Miss Mae is a finished pupil of the violin and this solo was listened to by her friends and the entire audience with unusual appreciation. The attendance was not as large as it should have been owing to the fact that there had been several other entertainments during the week and most of the people had lost so much sleep that they had to "turn in." And besides there was a big tent show in town that night.

Following is the programme that was rendered:

Soprano—Mrs. Florence Lewellen Beakley
Piano—Miss Prima Baker
Reader—Miss Ruby T. Halbert

Reading—"Tragedy of a Slipper" Bertha Wilson
Piano—"Malognena" Moskowsi

Voice—a. "Ah! Love Awake" Korthener—b. "I am Thine Forever" Schlesinger

Reading—"Swan and Gazelle" Howell L. Piner
Piano—"Bells of Aberdovy" Willie Pape

Voice—a. "Murmuring Zephyr" Jensen—b. "Spinning" Cowen
Reading—a. "Confound the Old Luck Anyhow"—b. "Caleb Johnson's Second Suicide."

Piano—"Sonata No 13. (1st Movement) J. H. Hummel
Violin Solo—Miss Mae Harris
Reading—"Hagar" Eliza Nicholson

Voice—a. "The Flower Girl" Bevigiani—b. "The Kingdom of Heaven" Rice.

W. C. T. U. Had Public Meeting.

A large crowd attended the public meeting of the W. C. T. U. on last Friday evening at the Methodist church.

The little folks, under the efficient management of Miss Annie Brown, were highly complimented by all upon their appearance and deportment. They all marched upon the rostrum and sang the song, "A Band of Useful Soldiers," very creditable to themselves and to Miss Brown for being their director.

Following the welcome songs by the W. C. T. U. ladies and the invocation by Rev. H. A. Moore, an interesting paper was read by Miss Viola Moore on the origin of the W. C. T. U.

After this came the elocutionary contest, which was participated in by a number of young ladies and which was very interesting throughout. Rev. Yates, in presenting the medal said that he regretted very much that he did not have a medal to present to each of them, as he thought they all did exceedingly well, but as directed by the judges would have to present the medal to Miss Gladys Collins.

The music was good. A solo, "Tell Mother I'll be There," sang by Mrs. Cobb and joined in the Chorus by the choir, was listened to by all with pleasure. Mrs. Jno. Currie was organist and Misses Mae Harris and Maurice Truly played the violin. Mrs. Blanchard made an appropriate talk at the close of the meeting inviting every lady who would join the W. C. T. U. in its great work.

You may search the world over with a magnifying glass and you will not find another medicine equal to Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup for the cure of Constipation, Billiousness, Indigestion, and Stomach Troubles. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Walker Drug Co.

Fresh Vegetables at M. D. Chastain's, the grocery and grain dealer.

Dr. Lignoski was in our city Monday. He is the hero who secured the liberation of Mac Stewart, a confederate soldier, from bonage in Mexico, and who would have died a felon's death had it not been for Dr. Lignoski.

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

W. H. Omohundro, who has held a position in the City Drug Store for several weeks, left Sunday afternoon for Wagnor, I. T., to accept a position awaiting his arrival.

Remember.

It's not how you live, but how's your liver. If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simmon's Liver Purifier, — tin boxes only. Its the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put up.

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

A New Bank for Brownwood.

The Citizens National Bank is the name of a new financial institution recently organized in Brownwood. A. L. Self and Dr. J. A. Abney are the promoters. They have purchased the two Camp buildings on the corner of Baker street and Center avenue, one of which will be the home of the bank. The permit to do business has been secured and all arrangements will soon be perfected.

The capital stock of this new bank will be \$100,000.00. Dr. Abney will be president, Mr. Self general Manager and Fred L. Abney assistant cashier. The cashier has not yet been selected.

Fresh garden seed, onion sets, seed oats and grain at Miller mer. Co, opposite Post Office.

Prof. J. D. Cogan, Superintendent of the Midlothian schools came in on the west bound train Tuesday at noon. He will take the stage for Bronte, where he is going after his mother.

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

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 We can sell you your Groceries at prices that talk—prices that are right—prices that enable you to share our profits. Visit us and we can furnish the proof.



Grain and Hay.

 We handle all kinds of Feed Stuff, at prices that are right.



M. D. Chastain

J. H. Routh is in the city this week visiting his children.

Rev. D. M. West, editor of the West Texas Monitor, of San Angelo, was in the city between trains Monday. Mr. West is a candidate for State representative.

An Opening Dinner.

Sunday was the day for the opening dinner at the new Wilhoff Hotel and despite the fact that it was an uncomfortable day to venture from home, a goodly number availed themselves of the opportunity and participated in the festivities. Mrs. Hoffer knows what it takes to constitute a good meal, hence the dinner was excellent.

If it Fails the Money's Yours.

Thousands of boxes of Hunt's Cure are being sold by the Southern druggists daily, for the simple reason that people are rapidly finding out that it is the best cure for any itching disease ever discovered. The first application relieves, and one box positively guaranteed to cure any one case.

Have you pains in the back, inflammation of any kind, rheumatism, fainting spells, indigestion or constipation, Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes you well, keeps you well. 35 cents. Ask your Druggist.

Ice Notice.

This is to notify the public that I have the contract for this season's out put of Ice at the Chrystal Ice Plant, of Ballinger, and will in a few days be ready to deliver ice to citizens of Ballinger in any quantity from a nickles worth up. I guarantee weights and courteous treatment at all times. I will appreciate your patronage, and promise prompt and efficient service.

Very Respectfully,
John Seibert.

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.

New line of Men's neckwear at Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

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.)

Santa Fe Specials.

State Retail Grocers Association, Denison, Texas June 12th-13th, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Denison and return at rates 1 1-3. Dates of Sale: Sell June 11th and for trains Arriving in Denison morning of June 12th. Limit all tickets to cotinuous passage in each direction and to June 14th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

State Convention Knights of Columbus, San Antonio, Tex., May 6-10, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to San Antonio and return at rates 1 1-3 fare. Dates of sale, Sell May 5th and 6th. Limit tickets to May 11th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

General Assembly Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Decatur, Ill., May 17th-24, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Decatur, Ill., and return at rate of One Standard First Class Limited Fare Plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Sell May 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th, 1906. Limit May 30th,

Kentucky Home-Coming, Louisville, Ky., June 13-17, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Louisville' Ky., and return at rate of One Standard First Class Limited Fare Plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Sell June 11th, 12th and 13th. Limit (30) days from date of sale.

Meeting Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Texas, Yorktown, Tex., May 3d-8th, 1906. For the above occasion you may sell excursion tickets to Yorktown and return at rates 1 1-3 fare. Sell May 2d and for trains arriving in Yorktown morning of May 3d. Limit to May 9th, 1906, for final return. Rates for children 5 and under 12 years of age will be one half of the adult rate, adding 2 1-2 when necessary to make child's rate end in 0 or 5.

Saw Sharpening a Specialty.

Have been at the carpenters trade for 50 years, but only work at the bench now, and I can sharpen your saws and put them in as good shape as new, and guarantee good work. Work from all over the county solicited and from carpenters in town who are two busy to sharpen.

J. C. Carter,
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"An ounce of prevention is a pound of cure." Persons who have weak lungs or suffering from a bad Cold, have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should always keep a bottle of Hart's Honey and Horehound at hand. It is a certain preventive of Croup and Pneumonia, and never fails to cure a bad Cold quickly. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Walker Drug Co.

Map of Ballinger.

Don't you need a map of the City of Ballinger? J. E. Powell has just completed some showing all the additions and will sell them at a reasonable figure. Call at the Court House and see them.

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Godwin Grocery. Co.,

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Your Laundry Work Is Important.

The Home Steam Laundry does first class work, is a home institution and gives you satisfaction.

Call up 167 and let us come and get your laundry and deliver it.

W. A. TALLY, Prop.

Say Boys when you want your face to have a real treat call at the

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And let us fix you up. You will feel better.

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Office over City Drug Store.

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Residence - - - 193

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Have had 35 years' experience in surveying, conveyancing and abstracting land titles in central Texas. Special attention will be given laying out irrigation, water works and similar plants and quadrating and leveling for contractors and builders.

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Is what you want. We do it. Experienced Workmen, Clean Towels, Keen Razors and Courteous Treatment. Shop in Crown Saloon Building.

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Examines Land Titles, Furnishes Abstracts, Solicits your Probate Business and writes Fire Insurance.

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Will practice in all Courts. Special attention given collections. -:- :-

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Let Bob Shaffer do your shoe repairing. Prices right, work the best and on short notice.

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Plans, Specifications and Estimates made on any kind of work and work superintended.....

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Calls answered promptly
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 District Officers \$10.00
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 Subject to Democratic Primary.

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For Representative 102nd Dist:
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For County Judge:
 P. B. STONE.

For County Attorney:
 C. S. GRIGGS.

Sheriff:
 HENRY A. MITCHELL.
 A. S. JUSTICE.
 C. C. CULWELL.
 R. P. KIRK.

For Assessor:
 EDWIN DAY.
 W. T. PADGETT.

For County Clerk:
 R. A. TERRY.

For County Treasurer:
 W. F. SHARP.

For J. P. and Com. Prec. No. 1:
 W. H. WEEKS.
 W. W. MCKINLEY.

For Constable Prec. No. 1:
 B. W. PILCHER.

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Superior quality is our hobby. For drugs and drug sundries, see the Walker Drug Co.

A fine line of Cut Glass for wedding gifts.
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The Seligmann and Scherty Pasture; we have exclusive agency to sell this land. These pastures contain about 4000 acres and are located 1 mile north east of Wingate. This is all very fine farming land, and fronts on Valley Creek. We have these pastures subdivided into tracts from 160 to 240 acres. Terms \$3.00 per acre cash, balance ten in 5 notes at 8 per cent rest.

Apply direct to
 Chas. S. Miller Abst. Co.
 Ballidger Tex.

B. Y. P. U.

Meets Ninth Street Baptist church.
 Sunday May 13th 7:30 p. m.
 Leader—W. W. Moore
 Song.
 Prayer.
 Topic—Christ's life. Lessons from his miracles of his healing, Matth. 9:27-34; 25: 31-40.
 A miracle in the body, Math. 12: 22-30—T. J. Parrish.
 Power over nature, Math. 21: 18-22—Mrs. J. H. Patterson.
 A miracle saves honor, II Kings 6: 1-7—Mr. Gardner,
 A miracle upholds the dignity of Christ, Luke 22: 47-53—B. C. Kirk.
 Song.
 Paper—Mrs. Paramore.
 Male quartette.
 Short Talks or reading.
 Song.
 Benediction.

S. O. Padgett and T. M. Brown father and step brother of our W. T. Padgett were here Wednesday of this week the guest of the latter. The former named gentlemen reside in Tom Green county.

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Our Flour Stands The Test

IT IS YOUR DUTY to buy home manufactured goods, provided they are as good as can be gotten from a distance.

WE CAN MEET COMPETITION

And sell as good a grade of flour at less money than a foreign product.

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If it's a Cracker-Jack job of Carriage and Buggy Painting you are looking for, call on me. Satisfaction guaranteed. Sign Writing and Bath Tub Enameling a specialty

S. D. DeGUIRE,
 With Whiteside's Shop,
 South Side Public Square.

New Home Locals.

New home was visited Saturday night with a thunder storm and light rain followed next morning with a coal norther which will probably help the cotton which has been dying the last two days from hot winds.

According to previous announcement the new home neighborhood met last Saturday morning in Mr. Cox's pasture for the purchase of two thirty gallon barrels pose of an all day picnic. Jim Brice and Jake Nowell appointed to go to Ballinger after ice, lemons and sugar. There

The City Meat Market

M. C. COBB, Proprietor.

Service perfect in every respect. The very choicest meats the market affords. Prompt delivery and courteous treatment at all times. Call or phone us your orders.

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Meals 25 Cents.

Served at the usual hours. Short Orders all hours day or night.

Good Service Courteous Treatment

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Fresh line of good groceries on hand all the time at Miller Mer. Co. Call and see us.

Warner's Rust Proof Corsets at the Ballinger Dry Goods Co's every one guaranteed.

Fresh vegetables received daily. Give us your order.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Chamberlain's Salve is good for any disease of the skin. It allays the itching and burning sensation instantly. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.



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.

of Lemonade made and fifteen gallons of Ice Cream which was free for every body. At 12 o'clock the ladies announced that dinner was ready—then the rush to the table. After dinner was over the old folks spent the evening in conversation while the young people enjoyed themselves drinking lemonade and eating ice cream at about 5 p. m. some one proposed eating supper and the grub boxes were once more brought out and done justice to. After supper all started for home feeling glad that it was their lot to be there.

Mrs. McCarver and daughter of Red River county are visiting her brother, Mr. Dodley Cox.

Mr. Burgett of San Saba county is visiting Joe Oliver.

John Wyley and family spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wyley.

Lovie Welker attended the firemans meeting at Winters Saturday.

Mrs. Wenchter has gone to Travis county on a visit.

Grand pa Upchuch has been on the sick list the past week.

Little grace is reported on the sick list.

R. W. Tindall and family visited at uncle Jim Legg's Saturday night.

D. P. Jones is Selling out to move to Washington.

Bro. Hicks will preach at the School house Sunday at 11 a m and 3 p. m.

You No.

Recital by Miss Norma Harris's Elocution Class.

The success of the recital given last night by Miss Norma Harris's elocution class at Judge Powell's lovely new home is certainly a matter of congratulation to teacher and pupils, as it was an occasion of great pleasure to all those who were fortunate enough to be present.

Miss Norma has proved herself to be not only a teacher of rare ability, but one possessed also of untiring energy, tact and executive ability. The people of Ballinger are hoping to be fortunate enough to have her with them again next year. Time and space forbid special mention of each one who deserves it, for that would require a review of the entire program. We can only give the program as rendered which was, as follows:

Reading Swan and Gazelle Pinner Mrs. W. J. Harvey.

How Girls Study—Anon Zelma Miller and Laura Wylie.

Cruel, Heartless, Lying Popsy Mme. DeLouie—Leone Parks and Kyle Dickinson.

Reading—In Trouble Josephine Pollard—Moment Clem.

Needles and Pins—Helen Schuster—Modenia Wylie and Laura Wylie.

Monologue Pro and Con—Leland Powers—Kyle Dickinson

Impersonation Elixir of Youth—Louise Stanage—Mrs. W. J. Harvey.

Pantomime My Faith Looks Up to Thee—Moment Clem.

Sketch The Innocent Drummer—Adams Lucile Powell—Kyle Dickinson.

Scene I.—The Parting.

Scene II.—The Drummer in Chicago.

Scene 111—His Return.

Preaching Sunday morning and evening at Christian church. We shall be pleased to see you at both of these services.

H. A. Moore,
 Pastor.

Nursery for Ballinger.

H. B. McGee Pres. of the West Texas Land & Loan returned from Paris and other north east Texas points Wednesday where he had been seeking immigration for Runnels County he succeeded in bringing two men back with him one being Judge Calhoun, a prominent lawyer of Bonham, and a Mr. Vankirk also of Bonham.

Mr. Vankirk is an experienced nursery man, owning a large nursery at Bonham, and if he can interest some of the citizens of Ballinger in the proposition, he will move his nursery which consists of \$10,000. or 15,000. worth of stock, here to Ballinger. He has been around over the country some and from what he has seen he is highly pleased with the country and is confident that it would be an ideal place and location for a nursery: We hope that our citizens will give this matter their thoughtful attention.

Civil Docket County Court

Hall Hdw, Co v s W. H. Bradberry, judgement for plaintiff M. D. L. Barnett v s J W Battles continued. Jo. Wilmeth v s R H Corumetal continued, Woodward & Lusk v s M T Hensley, Judgement. S. O. Padgett v s G. C. & S. F. Ry Co. Judgement for \$75.00.

Strayed—From my place just south of 9th Street Baptist church 7th or 8th inst. an iron gray horse 5 years old branded J on right jaw. Notify G. E. Bair at The Globe Department Store.

Births.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Jap Adams, a girl May 7th. Mr. and Mrs. G. Z. Avery a girl May 9th. Mr. and Mrs. James A. Foreman, a girl May 8th. Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Preston, a boy May 4th. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dose, a girl May 8th. Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Johnson, of Rowena, a girl May 5th.

Mrs. U. Z. Morris came in from Brownwood Friday at noon to visit her sister, Mrs. M. C. Smith.

Attorney W. E. Sayle and wife came in on the noon train Friday from Commerce. Mr. Sayle has rented a house near the Christian church and will begin housekeeping as soon as his household goods arrives. We welcome this family to our city, and trust that Mr. Sayles will get his share of the legal work in Ballinger and Runnels county. He has been all over West and Northwest Texas, and from what he saw of Ballinger while out here several weeks ago, he decided that it was the best town that he had seen on his trip.

A Boyish Looking Mayor.

Otis U. Walker, who though only 28 years old, was recently re-elected mayor of Alliance, O., is smooth shaven and looks not much unlike a school boy. Before entering politics he was city editor of the Alliance Leader, and served in the Eighth Ohio in Cuba during the late war.

Tuskegee Idea Not a New One.

Rev. Thomas Dixon has been looking over some piles of Southern newspapers dating back to 1865 and was astonished to find that Booker T. Washington's platform of negro education was advocated in speeches delivered by Confederate generals after their return from the civil war.

REMEMBER

Both the H. C. and R. K. Wylie Ranches owned by our company will be sold by us on the extraordinary low terms of one-fifth cash, balance "on or before," 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10 years, 8 per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, which contain some of the best land in the county.

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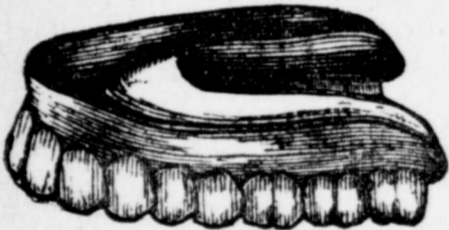
Miss Nora A. Fletcher,

Trained Nurse.

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Will be ready to nurse patients for all the physicians of the city, or any others needing her services.

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Office over First National Bank.
Modern Painless Methods used.
All work guaranteed.

BALLINGER, - - - TEXAS.

Have you weakness of any kind—stomach, back, or any organ of the body? Don't dope yourself with ordinary medicine. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is the supreme curative power. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

It is very disquieting to the nerves of Republican Senators when Senator Tillman each day reads to his colleagues a letter, memorial or affidavit, setting forth some particular instance of unreasonable railroad rates or the abuse of power by the coal trust against the little coal shippers. This is the way Senator Tillman gently stirs up the Republicans and reminds them his pitchfork is still in good order.

Pure Georgia cane Syrup at Godwin Grocery. Co.

The Coal trust magnates coolly inform the public that if the miners are allowed to have their way the price of coal will be raised \$1.20 a ton. This, however, is only a threat to try and turn public opinion against the demands of the miners, and Brother Baer will discover that the coal consumers are not suffering now as winter is over, but it will be well for the trust not to be too oppressive and domineering, or the world may turn.

Mr. Dan Lewis, the sewing machinist, is stopping for a limited time in Ballinger. Repairs and makes perfect, all manner of sewing machines. Phone No. 215, at Mater Hotel. 1t.

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.

The Fort Worth Record, which is now well along in its third year, has demonstrated its right to live and has become a fixture in Texas journalism. The Sunday issue especially is more and more commanding attention. Its sports, stories, comic section and department of economics are distinguishing features.

The "White Mountain" is the coldest refrigerator made—colder than was even thought possible a few years ago.

When kept closed it is so cold as to be very near the freezing point—so cold that the ice melts with amazing slowness—and every degree of coldness is utilized in the preservation of the food. For sale by The Ostertag Furniture Co.

It is Dangerous to Neglect a Cold.

How often do we hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and has gained its great popularity and extensive sale by its prompt cures of this most common ailment. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

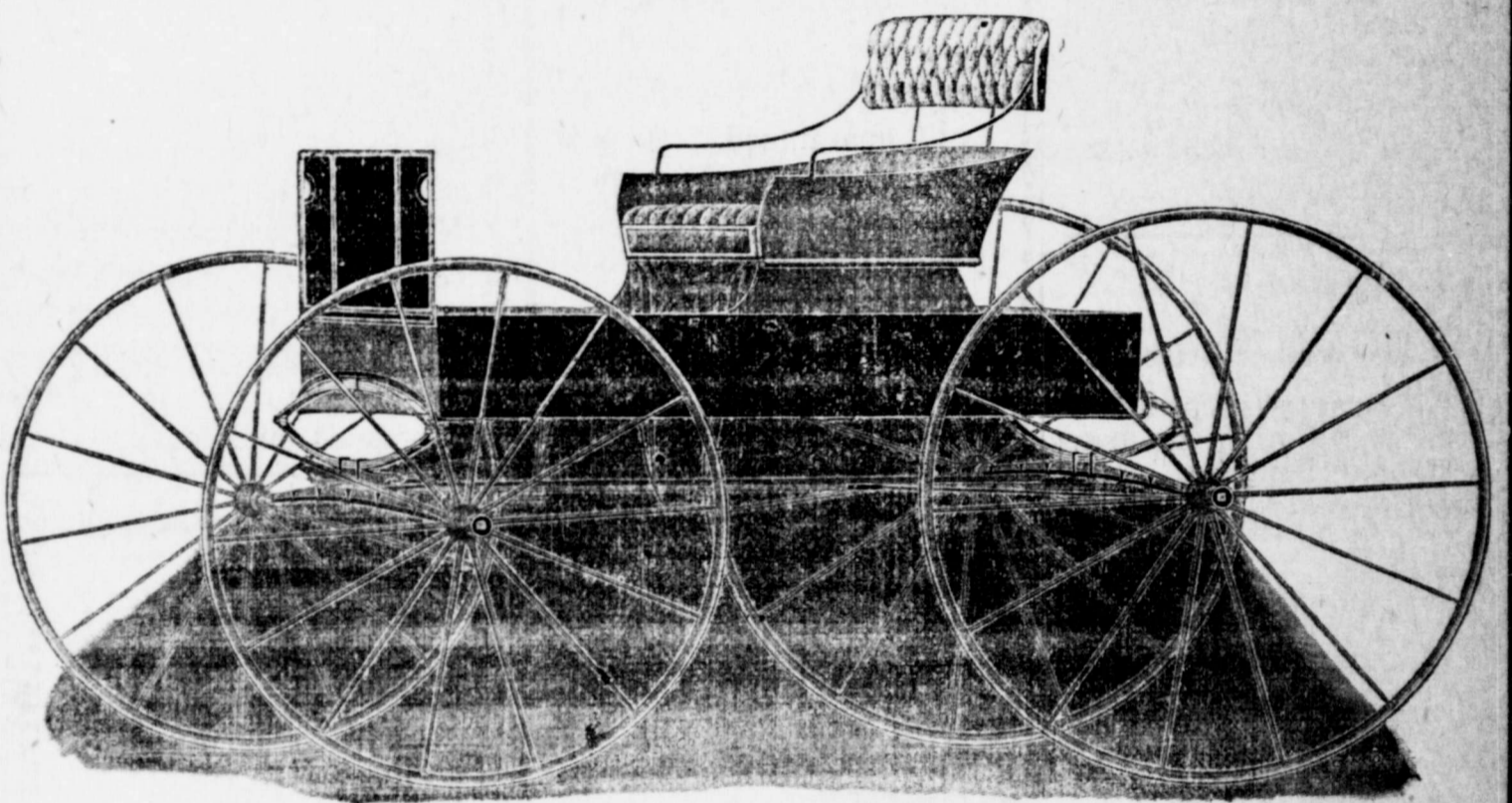
It pours the oil of life into your system. It warms you up and starts the life blood circulating. That's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain does. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Ask your Druggist.

The Texas Wonder.

Cures all Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatic troubles; sold by all druggists, or two months' treatment by mail for \$1. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis. Send for Texas testimonials.

Special prices on clothing at The Hub.

Not Coming But Here



A full line of High Grade Buggies and Surreys. New and Second Hand Furniture. For Bargains every day in the week see

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HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets

A Busy Medicine for Busy People. Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor. A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Itchy Skin, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tea let form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, MADISON, WIS. GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

ALLEN'S MUSIC HOUSE

Most complete in the Southwest. All the latest songs, marches, waltzes, etc. HALF PRICE. All publications, Pianos, Organs, Violins, Guitars, etc. We handle Everything Musical. Write for catalogue and prices. Book of Old Time Songs FREE. GEO. ALLEN, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

For Rent or Sale.

A desirable 4 room residence, well furnished, 2 blocks from Court House, newly finished and complete. Apply at Banner-Leader.

Traders Fire Ins. Co.

The Traders Fire Ins., Co., of Chicago went to the wall by reason of the San Francisco Fire, this week. Lee Maddox of this city was the representative of this Co., and he immediately placed all risks which he had insured in this Co., in another Co., without cost to the policy holder.

Will Accept Cashiership.

A wire from Ben Davidson at Kemp, Texas, announces that he will accept the cashiership of the new bank organized here by Messrs. Abney, Self and others. Mr. Davidson is an experienced banker and a man prominent in business circles of North Texas. —Brownwood Daily Bulletin.

D. A. Cameron

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Successors to

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Ballinger, Texas.

Fire Insurance.

WE represent the largest and best Companies in the United States. A share of your patronage solicited.

Offices:

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Over First Nat'l Bank.

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Fruit and Ornamental Trees. Rose and Ornamental Trees a specialty. : : :

O. D. Battle.

Coleman, Texas.

A Second New Bank for Brownwood.

B. E. Hurlbut and associates have recently leased the postoffice building at the corner of Baker and Fisk streets for a period of five years, and if the postoffice can find another location the new bank will soon be opened in this building, other-

wise it will open its doors for business by the 1st of July in D. H. Trent building, and continue business here until the postoffice lease expires on the other building which will be January 1st next.

Jas. E. Brewer is after your Jewelry business see us in First Nat'l Bank Bldg.

Gents Repair and Cleaning a Specialty, also Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing Ladies Skirts.

The New Tailor Shop.

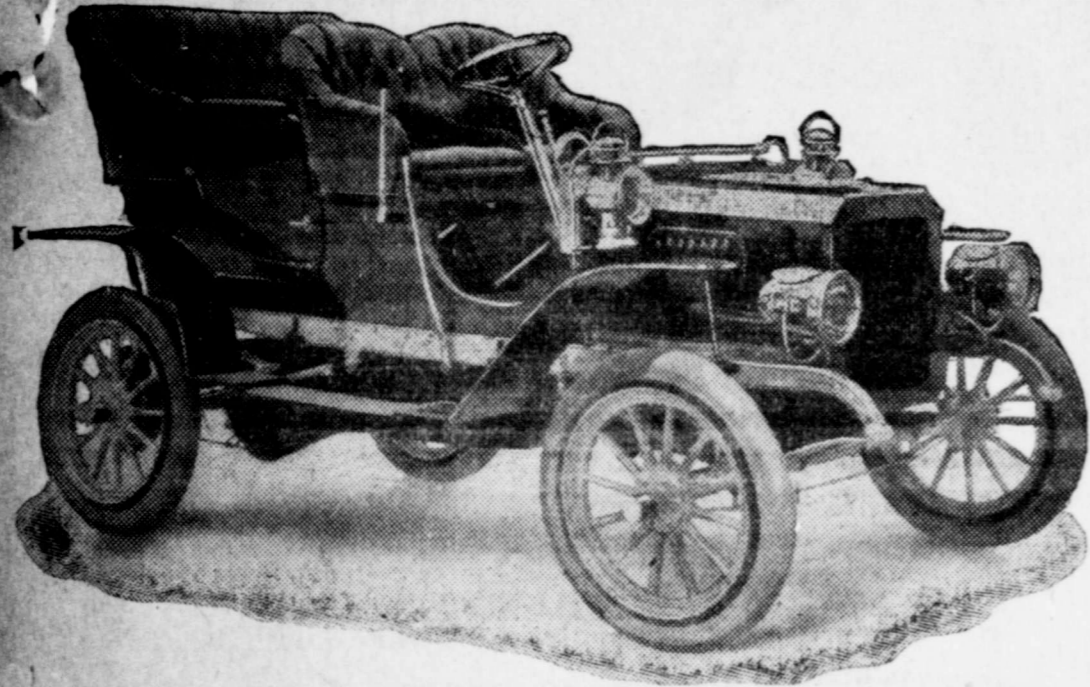
On 8th Street next to Globers, Tin Shop, is now open for Business.

We will appreciate your patronage.

Morehead Tailoring Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

Your measure taken and suits delivered. Style and Fit are guaranteed. :- :- :-



REO Touring Car.

16 horse-power, 1600 pounds. 5 passengers. Side doors. 35 miles per hour.

\$1250.

Show us and we'll show you—Show us how many people you want to carry, the road you want to take, the speed you want to make, the price you want to pay. We'll show you the car that meets your every requirement fuller and fairer than any other car you can name—and for less money. :- :- :- :- :- :-

FOUR-SEAT RUNABOUT, 8 horse-power, 1000 pounds, 25 miles per hour \$650. With folding seat to carry two extra passengers. \$675.

Come here to-day and try it out.

REO MOTOR CAR Co. Factory and Sales Department, Lansing Mich.
R. E. Olds, President. R. M. Owen, Sales Manager.

H. ZDARIL, Agt.

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

The Plow and the Bank

The plow to make the money and the bank to take care of it after it has been made.

This Bank is a safe place to keep the money that you have gathered together by hard, honest work.

One dollar will open an account for you, and you will be entitled to all of the Banking Accommodations that are consistent with good, sound banking.

COME IN TO SEE US, WE WANT TO TALK WITH YOU.

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK,

Ballinger,

Texas

The Republican excuses for not revising the tariff at the present time really postpones the matter indefinitely, unless they revise it 25 per cent higher, which is the only change the Protective Tariff League approves. Some Republicans want to put off revision until the next session of Congress; others say the next session will be too short to take up the matter. Then the excuse will be that business conditions must not be disturbed on the eve of a national election. After that the Democrats will be in power, but the Republicans will still fight revision to repay their friends, the trusts and combines, that have furnished campaign funds, so what relief from trust high prices can you expect from the Democrats.

White Mountain Refrigerators give germ proof atmosphere. Dry, clean, cleanable and cold as an iceberg. At Ostertag Furniture Co.

Try some of our New England Bread sold by Godwin Grocery Co.

A New Skating Rink for Ballinger.

C. A. Hemphill, ex-tax assessor, of Coleman county, and W. C. Gay Jr., both of Coleman City were in Ballinger Wednesday. While here they leased from Jno. F. Currie the two vacant lots located north of the depot and adjacent the property of A. Schawe. These gentlemen will put in one of the best and most up-to-date skating rinks in West Texas. They will not spare means nor time in putting in the best floor to be had and they propose to conduct it in an orderly manner so that ladies will feel at perfect ease to attend and take part at any time.

Sore Nipples.

A cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Judge C. O. Harris went up to Miles Monday and tried an important Railroad case.

Good clothing at very lowest prices at The Hub.

Walter Murray, one of Winter's hustling merchants, was here this week on business.

The White Mountain Refrigerators are cold, dry and roomy. Made of best material throughout. Planned and built on scientific principles. Heavy air-tight walls—See them at Ostertag Furniture Co's.

W. L. Bell, of Winters, one of our substantial friends held our finances a dollar's worth this week. Let others come.

The biggest and best stock of watches, Jewelry and etc at Jas. E. Brewers.

C. W. Johnson, a member of the Ledger force went up to San Angelo Saturday and returned Wednesday. He reports a good time on his fishing and hunting trip while up there.

Money to loan on Farms and Ranceses by The W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co., Fort Worth, Texas.

Winters News.

Dear Sir:

I did not expect to come again so soon knocking for admittance to your columns, but as few errors crept into my other missive, I desire to correct them. "we said, among other things, etc." should have been "He said, etc." "The breaches of the law" should have been breakers of the law." These and one or two other minor errors crept in some how, and as the "Devil" is the author of all wrong, I suppose he did it. An other splendid rain visited this locality last Saturday night. All were delighted with it (after it had passed over). But the blizzard following was not nearly so "nice".

Prof. and Mrs. Bailey began a private school here last Monday. The bulk of the people here regret that the Professor has concluded to remain with us no longer than the early fall.

The memorial services that were to have been last Sunday were postponed until next Sunday on the account of the inclement weather. Rev. Mr. Maddox is expected to deliver an address on said occasion. The services will be at the same place and at the same hour of the day as were advertised for last Sunday.

Do you hear the umblings of that train from Winters? She's coming, Clear the track!

Another wedding soon, if signs spell any thing.

Jim Holliday of Bowman attended the Masonic lodge here last Saturday night. Also, W. S. Mullin of Ballinger.

Rev. W. I. Dunn happened to a very serious accident one day last week. Some how he fell and sustained a broken rib. He is doing as well as could be expected, we are glad to note.

If you will look closely, Mr. Editor, you will find a check for \$1.00 to keep the best paper in the nation coming to the "Chatter Box."

To the Citizens of Ballinger and Surrounding County.

I am agent for the Mountain creek nurseries, J. James Proprietor.

Maddition to all kind of budded and grafted fruit, He has some of the choicest old time seeding peaches which he has carefully improved for the past 17 years. This fine old fruit has proven a success where ever it has been planted. See me before you place your orders. Head quarters at Woodward & Lusk office. J. K. Paulk.

Dr. C. S. Jackson.

I will be in Ballinger May the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th. Bring in all diseased stock and have them treated.

Dr. C. S. Jackson,
The Veterinary Surgeon.

Fort Worth City Supt.

The School Board of Fort Worth elected W. D. Williams Supt of the City Schools this week to succeed Alexander Hogg. Mr. Williams was high school principal the past year of the Fort Worth Schools Prof. Hogg has been Supt. of the schools, there, two different times, the last time for several years.

Notice to Farmers.

I am writing hail Insurance this year. If you want your wheat or oat crop insured against hail, write to or call on

Ernest Plumer,
Ins. Agent, Ballinger, Texas.

S. A. Whitesides

Blacksmithing-Woodwork

My shop is equipped with up-to-date machinery for hot and cold tire shrinking, rubber tiring, buggy and carriage painting. Scientific horseshoeing my specialty. Prompt service, satisfaction guaranteed. A part of your trade solicited. South side of court house square.

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Nothing can be good for everything. Doing one thing well brings success. Doan's Kidney Pills do one thing only. They cure sick kidneys. They cure backache, every kidney ill. Here is evidence to prove it.

J. M. Field, blacksmith, living on the northwest part of San Angelo, Texas, says: "After using several prescriptions without finding relief from a lame back which prevented me from working, I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and got a box. They were the right thing for my case and were the first remedy to give me relief. The pain in the small of my back and hips was very intense, but a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me and I noticed a great change in the kidney secretions. All the impurities seemed to pass away, the pain and lameness disappeared, and I was able to go back to work."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name-Doan's- and take no other.

The White Mountain Refrigerator has the "chest with the chill in it." For sale by The Ostertag Furniture Co.

Fifty Years the Standard

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

**A Cream of Tartar Powder
Made From Grapes
No Alum**

Editor Stone of the Winters Enterprise was in town Monday in the interest of his paper.

We want to buy your eggs & butter and sell you your Groceries.

Godwin Grocery. Co.

Charlie Madden, who is with the new lumber firm of Reeder & Jones, made a business trip up to Miles Thursday at noon, returning on the 4 o'clock train.

Superiority in everything—construction, cleanliness, economy, conveniencer—in the many special features contained in no other household Refrigerators made; superiority, in short, in all the points that go to make up the best Refrigerators on earth—the "White Mountain." Also made with snow white enamel lining of porcelain hardness. For sale by Ostertag Furniture Co.

Mrs. C. W. Dunn, and children came in first of the week from Decatur to join Rev. Dunn to make Ballinger their future home. We cordily welcome this estimable family to our section.

Spencer Parish had business in Talpa between trains last Saturday.

Miss Maggie Underwood left on the afternoon train last Saturday for Brownwood where she will visit realtives and friends for several weeks.

Mrs. Dr. Butler left on the afternoon train last Saturday for Brownwood where she will visit for a few weeks before going to Mississippi to join her husband T. E. Butler.

Dairy Sold.

S. W. Cobb sold the Ballinger Jersey Dairy Thursday to a Mr. E. R. Crouch, who came here from east Texas.

Erwin Place Sold.

J. H. Adams, an insurance man from Dallas, has bought the J. J. Erwin place at a consideration of \$2000.00. He will make his future home in Ballinger.

Organized at Pierce School House.

The prohibitionists met Saturday at the Pierce School House and organized a club. J. K. Battles was elected permanent chairman and J. N. Mason secretary. The pros are well organized all over the county and all fortifying themselves daily for the struggle that is coming on soon.

Miss Susie Sharp, daughter of County Treasurer Sharp, who has been confined to her bed with rheumatism since the first of January left on Tuesdays, train for Mineral Wells, where she goes with the hope of getting relief. She has certainly suffered untold pain during these four long months, and we hope that the Wells will do for her what it has done for many others. She was unable to walk when she left home.

State Sunday School convention San Antonio Texas. June 19th-21st For the above occasion we will sell excursion tickets to San Antonio and return at rate of \$12.35 sell June 18th final limit for return June 2nd.

We are glad to report Mrs. D. Reeder, up again after a severe illness of some ten days.

Give us your trade for one month we will do our best to please you.

Godwin Grocery. Co.

John E. Quarles Co. Lumber dealers are new in Ballinger but long in the lumber business. Give us a trial at your lumber orders.

Mrs. C. C. F. Blanchard, we are sorry to report, has been quite sick this week.

N. S. Edons came in from Lometa Thursday, where he had been visiting for a few weeks.

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

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Rev. W. D. Black went up to Talpa Thursday evening where he is holding an enthusiastic meeting.

Ray Clem and wife came down from San Angelo Thursday.

John E. Quarles Company, Lumber, successors to Clem Lumber Co.

Senator B. H. Johnson, of San Angelo, got off the west bound train at noon Thursday while it rested to shake the hand of his old Navarro county friend, Ben S. Long. Senator Johnson was returning from Dallas where he had been on business.

Let me fit you with a pair of perescopic crystal lenses then you can see.

Jas. Brewer,

Little Willie Whitesides fell from a bureau Wednesday evening and severely sprained his arm.

All the latest shoes and lasts in Men's and Ladies oxfords at The Hub.

Senior League.

- Leader—Miss Krebs
1. Service as related to the whole Christian life—Miss Angie Butler.
2. What kind of service can I render—Miss Collins
3. It is in service that we shall find the highest significance and the broadest outlook upon life—Turner Moore.
4. Illustrative suggestions—Monroe Brewer.
5. Discussion of questions pertaining to the lesson—By members.

Taking Up and Relaying Six Inch and Four Inch Pipe.

For the purpose of explaining some misunderstanding in regard to the contract between the City of Ballinger and J. W. Moore concerning the taking up and relaying of pipes in Ballinger, we beg to publish the following paragraphs from said contract which will explain that the water consumers will not be required to pay for having the junctions made with the new mains:

The six (6) inch pipe now lying between standpipe and pump house, and from standpipe to corner of Murrell and 7th Streets; and the four (4) inch pipe on Murrell, 7th to 11th Streets, shall be taken up and relaid as follows:

6 inch relaid on Murrell, 7th to 11th St.

6 inch relaid on Field St., 6th 8th St.

6 inch relaid on 8th or Arizona St., Field to Sargent St.

4 inch relaid on Blanchard (11) St. from Murrell to Sargent St.

The trenches in which the 6-inch and 4-inch pipe now lies will be used for the new pipe, after the old has been taken up. Price bid on taking up and relaying 6-inch and 4-inch pipe shall include carting said pipe to new location and reconnecting all connections to the new mains, which were connected to the old, including services, 2-inch laterals, and all hydrants, and properly plugging holes in the relay pipes.

Mrs. A. V. Baker Dead.

The following from the Miles Messenger announces the death of Mrs. Baker, daughter of Mrs. M. E. Cordill, of our city, and sister of Miss Moody, Asa and Walter Cordill. Mrs. W. A. Perry, of Miles and Walter Cordill, of our city had just returned from Mrs. Baker's bedside and strong hopes were entertained for her recovery. A host of Ballinger and Runnels county friends join the Banner-Leader in sympathy for the loved ones left to mourn Mrs. Baker's demise:

"A telegram was received Sunday announcing the death of Mrs. A. V. Baker which occurred 6 p. m. the day before at Cement Oklahoma. Deceased is a daughter of Mrs. M. E. Cordill of Ballinger and a sister of Mrs. W. A. Perry of this place. Mrs. Perry returned from attending her bedside only a few days before her death. At which time was hoped that she would recover. She leaves a devoted husband and seven children besides a large number of relatives and friends to mourn her departure. She was a devoted Christian and bore her long suffering with remarkable patience. While we are made sad because of her death, yet we realize that she has gone on to join her saintly father in that Land where pain and parting are unknown."

W. H. Davis sells the Eagle coat shirt.

Globe Department Store.

We have just received a new line of Men's, Boy's and Children's clothing. Come in and see them and get our extremely low prices. They will make you open your eyes.

Men's Suits \$2.85 to \$11.75.

Boy's and Children's as cheap accordingly.

Our White and Colored Lawns, Mercerized Goods, Batiste, etc. can not be duplicated at the price we ask.

New line of Ladies Muslin Underwear.

Ladies fine Bleached Knit Vests 3 for	- - -	25c
" Hose, seamless, 3 pair	- - -	50c
" Lace, pr. 15c to	- - -	50c
1 set 5 Palm Table Mats	- - -	33c

Beautiful line of Jap. Chinaware.

Wool Blankets? No, not wool blankets, but you ought to see those beautiful SUMMER Lap Robes and there are more to follow.

All sorts of Fishing Tackle.

2 fine Jap. Cane Poles	- - -	25c
10 feet Minnow Seine	- - -	78c

Men's Work Shirts, black Negelige, with or without Collars.

Washboards and Washing Powders.

Ice Cream Freezers \$1.45 and up.

45 bars Death-on-dirt Soap	- - -	\$1.00
Common Egg Beaters 3 for	- - -	5c
Dover	- - -	10c
Window Screen Wire 26 inch, per yd	- - -	18c

Other widths as cheap accordingly.

Walk-over Shoes and Oxfords a specialty.

Yours anxious to please,

Bair & Conn.

Our foreman, Jack Green is just recovering from a genuine case of mumps, which begun to show Sunday evening. He will soon be back at his post of duty again.

John E. Quarles Company, Lumber, want to figure with you for any kind of building material. Call around and let's get acquainted.

M. D. Chastain has installed a large cabinet refrigerator in his store this week.

Burglars at Miles.

Burglars entered W. S. Land's saloon at Miles Monday night, securing \$1.50 in cash and several bottles of whiskey. As yet no arrests have been made.

\$5 00 Reward.

For return of one bay mare mule that strayed off from my pasture 4 miles, south of Miles. She is 13 1-2 or 14 hands high and has gear marks on right thigh, is unbranded.

E. Boykin, Miles Tex.

The pros are organizing clubs, over the country, while the anties are waiting for—something, who knows what?—Daily Ledger.

This is easy. They are waiting to see whether it is a real chill or just a scare that has made them feel so uneasy for the past week or so. Whenever you have any doubt as to where you stand, make it known.

Arm Broken.

Miss Nellie Story, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Story, who reside on Ninth street, fell while skating at the rink Monday evening and broke both bones in one of her arms just above the wrist. She was carried to the Walker Drug store where Dr. Grant set the bones and dressed the wound. She was then removed to her home.

Mrs. E. B. Bacon came in on the west bound train at noon Wednesday and was met by her sister, Mrs. J. W. Clampitt.

Fresh Straw Berries, Snap Beans, New Potatoes and other fresh vegetables daily at miler merot co.

The Best Shoes in Ballinger is the "Crossett" at W. H. Davis.

Joda McKenzie was in town Thursday to meet his uncle, Jas. McKenzie, of Miles.

*Lost—Three year old sorrel horse, fore top cut out any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received R. A. Terry, County Clerk

James McKenzie, was down from Miles Thursday. He has recently sold his telephone business at that place.

Fine wash silk 25c at W. H. Davis.

The John E. Quarles Co., lumber dealers are adding additional shed room on their lots on 8th Street this week, which will give them ample storage room for a large stock of building material.

Jno. Tabor, section foreman at Hortense came down to Ballinger Thursday.

We have a lot of nice Bulk Honey also 1lb sections.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

C. H. Whitaker and wife came down from Miles Thursday morning. Mr. Whitaker is in the mercantile business at Miles and Bronte.

Let us figure with you on your Bread for Picnics we will treat you right and give you the best Godwin Grocer. Co.,

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Fritz Comanche past through Ballinger Tuesday enroute to see the son-in-law, Mr. Taylor, who lives out in the country. Mr. Fritz owns a 700 acre farm in Comanche county.

Will Dougherty was down from San Angelo, first of the week.