

The Banner-Leader.

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NO 24

The White Store - Ballinger, Texas

A Magnificent Spring Stock Complete in all its Department.

All The Styles are here The Quality is of the Best and the Prices are the lowest. You are Cordially Invited to Call

Special offerings of the Premier Hosiery for Ladies	
Misses, children, Infants, Gents & Boys.	
Ladies Fast Black Maco Hose, Full Seamless.....	10c
" full Fashioned Lace Hose in black.....	15c
" " Seamless Lace Hose with lace boot 50c kind.....	25c
Ladies Fine imported Lisle Hose Pink Blue & Grey 75c kind.....	50c
Misses Hose Full Lace, White, Blue, Black & Tan 25c kind.....	15c
Infants Hose, Plain & Lace all colors.....	15c
Infants Half Hose, Plain and Lace all colors.....	15c
Gents Half Hose, Two Thread tan or black.....	8c
" " Embroidered, Tan Grey or black.....	25c
44 inch All Linen, Chiffon Finish, 50c kind.....	29c
40 " French Lawn, Very Sheer and fine, 25c kind.....	15c

20 inch Messaline Silk, in Checks and stripes.....	48c
30 " Silk, Gingham in Plaids and Stripes.....	25c
34 " Mercerized Shepherd Checks.....	18c
27 " All Silk Striped Taffeta.....	85c
24 " " Pongee.....	59c
24 " Rajah Pongee Silk.....	69c
20 different Styles Mercerized Batiste.....	29c
26 different Styles Ladies Oxrods \$4.00 to \$1.50	
Spring shirts for Men \$1.50 grade to close out at \$1.00	
New spring Ties in all the popular styles	
Ladies Kid Belts, Wash belts and Silk Belts as low as.....	10c
The New Stock Collars with tabs, washable.....	10c
Ladies Black or White Elbow length Silk Glove.....	1.00
We will save you money on anything that you buy	
We respectfully ask comparison and will furnish samples on Application.	

Mail Orders Solicited. All Promptly filled on Day of receipt.

R. A. RISSER & COMPANY

Ballinger, Texas.

TRAGEDY CLOSES YOUTHFUL ROMANCE

Runaway Marriage Leads to Bloodshed and A Prison Cell.

Comanche Texas, March 27.—A copy of the mandate of the court of criminal appeals together with copies of the judgment and sentence in the case of the State of Texas vs. Sam Cole are being forwarded to the superintendent of the penitentiaries of Texas. This ends so far as the courts are concerned, the Cole-Hudson tragedy that began in Coleman county when Sam Cole married Lydia Hudson in 1900. A runaway match between a 19-year-old boy and a 15-year-old girl was hard for Hudson and his wife to become reconciled to. Lydia was the baby, and at Coleman going to school. For her to disappoint them so was a great grief.

Sam Cole and his wife lived for a while at Coleman and kept a restaurant; they quit that and lived in the house with Cole's father-in-law C. C. Hudson. Then they went to Big Springs and sold confectioneries, then selling out, Cole started out as drummer and his wife went back to her father's house once more. While there a baby was born to Cole and his wife in the spring of 1902. Some unpleasantness had arisen between Cole and the Hudsons. Cole claimed that he was trying to get his wife away from the Hudsons, but that she was afraid to go. The Hudsons; but that he had no place to take her to.

The tense condition of affairs culminated in a tragedy. June 29 1902, Hudson and his wife went off to a pasture to attend to a colt that had been cut on the wire fence. While they were gone Cole and his wife got ready to go to Glen Cove, where Dr. James, a brother-in-law of Cole's lived. In their eagerness to start before Hudson and his wife got back, Sam and Lydia ran to the buggy. Hudson's approaching saw this and hurried their horses to see what was up. Driving close up behind Cole's buggy, Mrs. Hudson hailed them for the cause of their hurry. Cole had placed a loaded shotgun in his buggy and when Hudson approached near where Cole, his wife and Mrs. Hudson were struggling for possession of the gun, Cole wrenched the gun from the women and shot Hudson killing him almost instantly.

The case has been in the courts till now. Transferred from Coleman to Brown, from there to Comanche. Reversed twice from Brown, one mistrial at Comanche passing over one term then a conviction of manslaughter and four years in the penitentiary; then appealed and affirmed and in a few days Sam Cole shall have passed from the romantic dreams of boyish love at the age of 19 through tragedy and the diplomacy of the courts to a man of 27 and the iron jaws of prison.

Miss Mary Phillips, deputy clerk, is quite sick this week, Miss Laura Dunn is filling Miss Mary's place in the Clerk's office.

Albert Willcox, formerly a San Angelo Jeweler, but now trading for the DuPont Powder Co., was here Wednesday, and shot with the boys in a practice shoot.

Ben Smith reports that he has three acres of water melons up and looking pretty, and if nothing sets them back would be in the market early. Now, don't that make your mouth water?

Master William Cordell Celebrates Birthday.

On last Thursday, evening at the home of pater familias, Master William Cordell with the assistance of a few select friends and kinsmen celebrated his 3rd birthday. The evening was spent in merry games closing by serving his guests with delicious refreshments. Every one who attended seemed to have the time of his life.

Last Night's Rain.

From the reports we can get over the phone, the threats last night brought little rain. About the only place reporting a good rain is Angelo. The Crews, Winters, Bronte country report no rain, and none at Paint Rock. The phone line is down towards Coleman and we can get no report from that direction. The rain was very light in Ballinger, hardly enough to settle the dust.

Building for Sale.

The frame building known as the Rose livery stable on 7th between Hutchings Ave. and the railroad for sale. Bids received up to April 10th, rights reserved to reject any and all bids.

N. F. Bonsall tf

Easter Services.

Services appropriate to Easter will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday. A special sermon will be preached by the pastor and some special music will be rendered by the choir. All are cordially invited to come.

Maddox Cattle Bring Good Price.

The car of steers shipped by Price Maddox to the fat stock show in Fort Worth, a mention of which was made in this paper last week sold for the handsome price of 5 cents per pound, topping the market for beef cattle. Price exhibited the car of steers, but the prizes were a warded for corned cattle. There were fifteen steers in the bunch and they averaged about 1300 pounds, which under the present prices each would bring about \$65.

Birds Doing Much Damage.

Our attention has been called to the damage done by the little English sparrow, or grass bird. It is reported that they are eating the little green peaches as fast as the bloom drops off and everybody that has planted garden or flower seed has no doubt experienced the damage. They are also troublesome in building their nests in the gutters and filling the cisterns with trash. Some parties are putting out poisoned millet seed in an effort to exterminate, but unless everybody would combine this method is useless.

The little pests are doing great damage and some action should put forth to exterminate them.

Buy that Heldman Suit made with "a pile of style" The Globe.

For quick sale list your property with W. B. Page office in the Brewer building. tf

J. M. Wilson was in from Winters Wednesday to bring his daughter, Miss Eda to the train. Miss Eda went to Seelby Co, La., to visit her uncle for a few months.

W. B. Page can now be found in the Brewer building with a long list of bargains in real estate. If you want to sell your property quick list it with him.

Independent School for Winters.

Judge B. B. Stone went to Winters, Tuesday, where he was invited to meeting with the Citizens in a mass meeting and to address the meeting and discuss with them the advisability of incorporating the Winters district. We understand that the meeting was an enthusiastic one, and that the Winters people have decided to make valuable improvements in their school and an election will be held to decide on the proposition of incorporating. At present the school has 240 pupils and only four teachers and the the pupils are rapidly increasing. The new move is to build a \$10-000 school building and employ more teachers.

Tailor made suits at The Globe.

W. H. Davis, of Taylor was here last Saturday.

Buys \$500 Horse.

R. G. Erwin, assistant Cashier of the Citizens National Bank, received a fine horse from Cooper first of the week. Mr. Erwin purchased the horse at Cooper, paying the handsome price of \$500.

The horse is a handsome animal, a fine driver and Ralph is not sick of his trade. This is the highest price driving horse ever brought to Ballinger.

Death Near Winters.

Marcus Lafayette Willard, a farmer living 7 miles North of Winters died suddenly Tuesday night, with heart disease. Mr. Willard went to bed, complained of feeling badly, took a few breaths and died. Dr. Fuller was called, but the man was dead.

I sell Legal Blanks—A. W. Sledge at Banner-Leader Office.

Lost Glasses.

Mayor Powell lost a pair of gold rim spectacles some where around town Wednesday morning, and will appreciate the favor if finder will return same to him.

Heldman suits with a "Pile of style" at The Globe.

C. R. Crews was called to Rowena Thursday to embalm a body.

J. O. Tillery, of the Concho Lumber Co., had business in Valera last Saturday.

A death occurred last week near Taylor of a man who had a case of black smallpox.

We regret to report the death of Mrs. W. S. Mullin's father occurred at his home at Copera Cove last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Mullin were at his bedside when he died, and returned to Ballinger Friday night.

Spring clothing with a "Pile of style" at The Globe store.

J. E. McAdams returned from a visit to Fort Worth Saturday and went out to his home at Content.

B. Dornberger went to Bellville, this week to move his family and household goods to Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pearce left for a visit to Chicago, Boston and other places, and will be gone a month or more.

J. W. Battles returned from Alpine yesterday, where he decided to locate, and will move as soon as he can make arrangements.

W. G. Churchill, the Compress Manager, was here from Brownwood Tuesday. He had been to Miles and Angelo on business, and dropped off en route home.

Mr. Faubion, who has been with the electric light Co., has purchased the Jackson Electric Co., outfit and will do private wiring.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer, Mrs. John Kipp, and Mrs. Grant visited Charley Grant near San Angelo last Saturday and Sunday. They made the trip in Mr. Brewer's automobile.

W. A. Talley, the laundry man says the the report that he is not able to handle the laundry business of Ballinger is false. He is doing a nice business, but is equipped to turn out twice as much work as he is doing. There is no cause for a single bundle of laundry being sent to other towns, as he guarantees every piece of work he turns out, and appreciates all business given him. Some of the agents for out of town laundries have been picking up bundles intended for the Ballinger laundry, and the parties object to this, stating that they want to patronize home industry.

Winkler Dry Goods Company

We desire to announce to our friends and patrons that our Fine Spring and Summer stock is now arriving daily, and will in a few days have our stock complete with everything that is new in the Eastern markets. Our prices are practically the same as last year, although you will hear much said about the advance in prices.

Special Values

Fine lot of Embroideries, wide and medium widths, good work. Special value at only.....10c yd
White India Linen, very sheer quality, only.....10c yd
Fine lot of Val Laces, pretty patterns, only.....5c yd

Yard wide Changeable Silks, six different shades to select from, fine soft quality. This is a big bargain worth 1.50 yard, special..... **\$1.00**

See our new line of Men's Clothing, New Neckwear, New Neglige Shirts.

Winkler Dry Goods Co.,

We Deliver The Goods

Not Just "Any Old Kind" of Goods,
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Pure fresh Groceries & Feed Stuff of all Kinds

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BALLINGER - - - TEXAS

Coleman Nursery

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

O. D. Battle.

Coleman, Texas.



PLANK DOWN

The kind of planks sold at this lumber yard and you'll get gray headed before they need renewing.

BUY LUMBER HERE

And you won't have to "plank down" a fancy price for a single foot you buy. We assist in figuring your requirements on any job and save money on price as well. Don't forget, but buy here.

BALLINGER LUMBER COMP'Y.

City Market

G. H. WALL, Proprietor.

FRESH MEATS OF ALL KINDS

Ham, Bacon, Fish, Oysters
and Poultry in Season.

Prompt Service
Trade Appreciated

Phone 185.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

It seems that the Cotton season will not close this spring. Wednesday morning we saw six bales of cotton going to the gin in one bunch, and the gin reports that they are still doing business at the same old stand.

FOUND—A nice bonnet. Owner can have same by calling and paying for this notice.

Louis Martin was in from the Oxien country Tuesday and made the Leader a call and enrolled as a regular reader.

CEDAR POST CEDAR POST we have them, a complete stock. Concho Lumber Co. successor to Humphrey Lumber Co. opposite Court House.

Wanted.

Some small land lien notes. Apply to C. P. Shepherd or J. M. Skinner.

Alice Roosevelt's Wedding.

was something to be recorded in the annals of history. Herbine has been acknowledged the greatest of liver regulators. A positive cure for Bilious headaches, Constipation, Chills and Fever, and all liver complaints. J. C. Smith, Little Rock, Ark. writes: "Herbine is the greatest liver medicine known. Have used it for years. It does the work." Sold by J. Y. Pearce

John F. Drew, the contractor, says it pays to advertise. He recently put in a complete Mill machine and planing outfit, and had the Leader shop to print some circulars and placed an adv in the paper advertising the fact, and Mr. Drew says in less than two days he got two returns from the advertising.

To insure regular and painless menstruation, Herbin should be taken a week prior to expected period. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

C. A. DOOSE, President. D. M. BAKER, Vice Pres. and Cashier,
Sam BAKER, Asst. Cashier.

The First National Bank.

(Established in 1886)

Capital Stock \$50,000.00
Undivided Profits \$15,000.00.

Safe, Reliable and Conservative. Your Patronage Solicited.

DIRECTORS

C. A. Doose D. M. Baker Sam Baker
R. K. Wylie Dr. W. W. Fowler.

BALLINGER,

TEXAS.

DR PRICE'S CREAM Baking Powder

With least labor and trouble it makes hot-breads, biscuit and cake of finest flavor, light, sweet, appetizing, digestible and wholesome.

Greatest Aid to Cookery

New Bank Organized.

A meeting of the promoters of the new bank was held here last Saturday and completed an organization by electing the following officers; President, W. A. Norman, of Ballinger; Vice Pres. J. B. McCutchen, Bronte; Cashier, P. H. Van Winkle, Ind. Ter; Asst. Cashier, T. R. Butler; Directors, J. B. McCutchen, J. B. Wilmeth, T. R. Butler, W. A. Norman, P. H. VanWinkle, Dr. W. L. Simmons, Jr., and Siency Turner.

The new bank will be known as The First National Bank and is capitalized at \$25,000,000. The west room of the Cossart building has been rented and we are informed that they will be ready to do business by May the 1. The First National Bank is the first National bank in Coke county. Its officers and directors are business men of no mean ability who appreciate the rapid growth that this town and country is making and have evidenced their faith by coming and helping us grow.—Bronte Enterprise.

Wanted.

A good able bodied young man wants a job as a farm hand. Call at Banner-Leader office or on A. L. Farris, for particulars. It

Death at Metropolitan Hotel.

S. Ragland, of Homer, La., a traveling man for a sewing machine company, died at his room in the Metropolitan hotel Friday night at ten o'clock. The man was able to look after his business Friday, and became ill in the day and was only confined to his bed a few hours before death. It is reported that he died from heart trouble.

The remains were prepared for burial by the Crews Furniture Co., and shipped Saturday evening to the home in Louisiana.

Make Change.

It will probably be an item of news to most of our readers that our genial postmaster is not compelled to make change for you when you make purchases at Uncle Sam's office. This is a queer rule that not one in a thousand persons know. Buyers of stamps or any purchases at a postoffice must furnish their own change; i. e., the postmaster could insist on the buyer furnishing his own change if he sees fit to do it; but usually the postmaster is glad to get rid of his "chicken feed," and he is always ready and willing to accommodate the public by making the change it asks for. If a man wishes to buy fifty cents worth of stamps and has but a silver dollar, he would have to buy a \$1 worth of stamps or go and get his silver dollar changed or do without his stamps, if the postmaster was stubborn and refused to make change for him. This is the law and a queer one, according to our way of thinking. And postmasters are not compelled to take more than twenty-five pennies at one time, if they do not want them.

Banner-Leader for fine commercial and job printing.

Drs. J. H. Grant and G. W. Johnston were called to Wingate Wednesday to see the family of Dr. Boone. Asa Cordill made the drive in his automobile and carried the doctors through in double quick time.

Two Months Without Food.

Copperas Cove, Texas, March 22.—Yesterday marked the close of one of the most wonderful cases ever recorded here. Miss Alta McNeil, aged 19, took her bed January 20 and from that time she refused food, her mind having become weak. She died yesterday morning at 12:10 a. m. having survived until the 61st day without taking anything except water. Until the last few days she suffered but little. The last three days her sufferings were intense. She died as hard death as was ever witnessed.

For Coughs and Colds

There is a remedy over sixty years old—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Of course you have heard of it, probably have used it. Once in the family, it stays; the one household remedy for coughs and hard colds on the chest. Ask your doctor about it.

"I have had pneumonia three times, and Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has brought me safely through each time. I have just recovered from my last attack, aged sixty-seven. No wonder I praise it."—E. V. Higgins, Stevens Point, Wis.

Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.
Also manufacturers of
SARSAPARILLA
PILLS.
HAIR VIGOR.

Ayer's Pills increase the activity of the liver, and thus aid recovery.

Phone No 12 for the best to be had in fresh groceries.

Hurt by Vicious "Outlaw".

Last Tuesday evening W. M. Harris arrived from the ranch riding an "outlaw" horse. He tried to lead the animal up to a water trough when the horse struck out viciously with his forefeet and wounded Mr. Harris badly in the head. The man was knocked down and partially stunned when the animal reared up again and came down on him, breaking one of the bones in his right arm.

Mr. Harris was rescued from further assault, and revived with some difficulty. He is about on the streets again, but it was a narrow escape.—Ozona Kicker.

We want your produce and will pay the best price. Alvis Bros.

Various places in Okla., report very hot weather in many places the mercury went up as high 102 in the shade which is extreme for the month of March.

Every customer of the Citizens National Bank has a strong, able and helpful friend. tf.



Paying a Visit to the Store

Will be both pleasant and profitable. Pleasant because of the fine quality of the drugs on view. Profitable because of the great values offered.

Good Judges of Drugs

Say they do not understand why we can offer such qualities at such prices. Well that's our secret. It needn't bother you so long as you can get first class drugs at second and even third class prices. Now ready for business.

Our Innovation Fountain

The most Complete in West Texas. The place to meet your friends.

Walker Drug Co.

Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum,
Itch, Ring Worm, Herpes,
Barbers' Itch.

All of these diseases are attended by intense itching, which is almost instantly relieved by applying Chamberlain's Salve, and by its continued use a permanent cure may be effected. It has, in fact, cured many cases that had resisted other treatment. Price 25c per box. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Sen. Bailey recently sold his Kentucky farm consisting of 120 acres for \$200 per acre.

A farmer near Austin recently brought into that town a quantity of live healthy rollicky boll weevils. Evidently they are making an early start on the next cotton crop.

Two good milch cows for sale in Fairview Addition.
H. J. McKinley. It

Afflicted With Rheumatism

"I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by J. Y. Pearce.

Saloon Men Get Good.

The saloon men of Fort Worth have suddenly manifested a deep desire to get good by signing an agreement to obey the laws relating to whiskey traffic and the Sunday closing law and also to assist in prosecuting any one of their number who violates such laws.

Jones, Walton & Co.

SELL

Stoughton Wagons
K. C. Buggies
Sanders Disc Plows
Lone Star Cultivators
Rock Island Planters
I.H.C. Gasoline Engines

You Lose If Don't See Us Before buying Hardware.

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Phone 212 TRANSFER LINE.

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

HANDLE and DELIVERS COAL TO ALL
PARTS CITY.

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



This Company Is Bound

By its policy to pay a certain sum when the holder suffers loss. This is done by companies represented by us with promptness and liberality. They are solvent and reliable, and have a high reputation for fair dealing.

When information is desired relative to Fire, Life, Accident, Tornado or Plate Glass Insurance write or call on

Lee Maddox

JESSE McADAMS

Transfer and Dray Line.

Good Teams' Good Wagons, Good Hands, Prompt Service.

WILL APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS.

Miller Mercantile Co., aer receiving new goods daily, goods put up under the Pure food Law. Try them guaranteed.

To the Public,

I will be in Ballinger Friday and Saturday Apr. 5th and 6th for the purpose of treating diseased stock.

Bring in your diseased stock—C. S. Jackson. The Horse Doctor

A. P. Luckett Buys Interest in a Store.

Alfred Luckett, an old Ballinger boy but who for the past four years has been working in the General office of the Atchinson Topeka & Santa Fe, Ry Co. at Los Vegas New Mexico, has purchased an interest in the Newton Hardware Co at Miles.

Ben. S. Long bought the business last week and sold Mr. Luckett an interest last Saturday Mr. Luckett went up Monday to take stock.

Fresh strawberries at Alvis Bros., phone no. 12.

Big Land Deal.

John Morbach and parties interested with him, of Corryell county, bought through the land firm of C. A. Doose & Co, this week, the H. Z. and S. D. Parrot land located on Valley creek, comprising about 2400 acres for \$45000. This is a fine tract of land well watered, 500 acres of the tract now being in cultivation Morbach & Co will cut the land up into small tracts and sell it to the small farmer. This will give homes for more people and naturally adds to the business interest of the town and county.

Hulls AND Meal

COTTON SEED HULLS have more nutritive value than common hay which costs 50 per cent more, is more convenient to handle, is perfectly free from dust or foreign matter and is healthful and appetizing.

COTTON SEED MEAL is the most concentrated and richest food known, has about six times the nutritive value of corn and more than four times that of wheat bran, while its cost is one and a half times that of either; and for Cattle, Horses or Hogs, will reduce your feed bills and give better results.

THE MIXED FEED forms a "Balanced Ration" giving better results, increased milk and butter production in Cows, and in Flesh, Fat and general condition in all animals than any other Feed in the World.

Ballinger

Cotton Oil Company.

Hooper's Tetter Cure cures all skin diseases and never failing remedy for dandruff. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

Haywood Miller and wife of Talpa spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bowdon.

When you wear a tailor made suit ordered at The Globe Dep't. Store, you look swell.

R. A. Rou, of Chicago, who is interested in the produce business, and wants to handle this years cantaloupe crop, was here a couple of days this week encouraging the farmers to plant a big crop, and to see what the outlook for a crop was. The crop will be planted and if the season is favorable there will be melons to ship.

No use buying sorry flour when you can get "Our Seal" next time you buy flour. try a sack. Alvis Bros exclusive agents Ballinger, 4t

A Mr. Smith, of Milam county, who is here visiting his brother, who lives in the Northwest part of the county, was brought in Monday and placed in jail, on account of being crazy. Rannels county does not propose to lose the reputation it has for being the banner county of the state when it comes to producing the crazy people.

Fresh vegetables at Alvis Bros. Lawn mowers, the kind that saves your muscle, for sale by VanPelt & Kirk

Henry Bennett, of Houston, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother, brother and sisters, Mrs. A. L. Bennett, R. L. Bennett, Misses Jennie and Emma Bennett. He had not visited Ballinger in a number of years and was surprised to see how the town had grown. He returned home Sunday evening.

All kinds of fresh things to eat at Alvis Bros.

The First National Bank have a force of workmen at work making the improvements in their banking quarters.

Miller Mercantile Co, Agt., Live Oak, and Mill Flour, Cotton Buyer, call and see our Mr. Miller the cotton buyer before you sell.

Notice to Prospective Candidates for School Trustee.

All parties who desire their names on the ticket for School Trustee of the Ballinger Ind. School District at the coming election on April 6th 1907, will please hand their names to either the President or Sec. of the old School Board not later than Friday 1 p. m. April 5th 1907, so that the ticket may be printed in time for the election Saturday. The names will be placed on the ticket in alphabetical order.

C. S. Miller, Pres of the Ballinger Ind. School Dist

Fellow Craft shoes \$3.50 at The Globe

Out of a total of 119 counties in Kentucky, only twenty-four are now "wet." One more "dry" county added to the list and the old Kentucky "booze," joke will have to "skidoo,"—Ex.

Poor old Kaintuck! Prohibition is a failure there too, we suppose.

Nine hundred veterans at the Soldiers Home located at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. were poisoned last Saturday by eating spoiled hash. One died and seventy-five are seriously ill but the remainder are out of danger.

Death of Mrs. Osler.

Mrs. Osler, mother of Dr. Osler who is accused of saying that people over 60 years old had passed the period of their usefulness and should be chloroformed, died at Toronto, Canada on the 15th at the age of 100 years. If the doctor is quoted correctly his mother should have been chloroformed over 40 years ago.



The Driving Season Is Here

And you do not have to be rich to drive in a handsome rig. The man of small means can buy a complete driving outfit—everything but the horse from us.

WHY?

Because our prices are as low as the class of goods will justify. We have a complete line of

BUGGIES, SURRIES, HACKS, HARNESS, WHIPS AND LAP ROBES.

Remember we also sell Furniture and House Furnishings and exchange new goods for old.

Lankford and Hathaway.

Mrs. Annie Welth killed her feeble health by the use of Herbolton. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

R. L. Shaffer sells the best raw hide buggy whips.

Another State Normal.

WILL PLANT BIG MELON CROP

Truck Growers Meet, Elect Officers and Order Seed for Big Cantaloupe Crop.

The Truck Growers met at the Court house last Saturday at 3 o'clock, and elected officers for the ensuing year.

President J. W. Clampitt Sec. W. W. Allen Treas. Jo Wilmeth Directors, Aug Vogelsang, R. M. Lowry, B. M. Smith, G. W. Cotler, McBarbee, S. R. Munsey, and C. E. Parker.

The meeting was opened for general discussion for the good of the order, and a list circulated to ascertain who would plant cantaloupes this year, and how many acres each grower would plant. Something like 200 acres were subscribed and it is estimated that others will plant. An order was at once sent in for seed to plant as many as 200 acres.

On account of too much rain last summer the crop was not successful, but the growers are going into the crop with renewed energy this year, and with a fair crop it is estimated they will be able to ship two cars a day for a month, or more, which will bring in a nice little sum of money.

The meeting adjourned to meet again today (Saturday) at 3 o'clock at the Court house.

Coach Axle oil is the best—for sale by R. L. Shaffer.

Barred Plymouth Rocks, Eggs 50 cents a setting. Jno. Ballou Mazeland Texas. 4t

If you want to buy a good pig, or hog see D. R. Oliver, Phone, No. 345. 4t

Weigh The Advantages

Of a loose cash system against a bank account and you will find everything in favor of the latter.

You can accomplish anything through the bank that you can with the cash and you have these advantages:

Your money is in absolute safety all the time and you cannot lose it by thieves or fire. A little check book, which you carry in your pocket, makes all of your money available at any time.

No one can make you pay a bill twice, because your cancelled check is the best receipt known in law.

You gain the respect of your fellow citizens and have the influence of the bank behind you. Give up that dangerous cash system and start a bank account today.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.

The Columbia Opera Company.

The mere announcement that the Columbia Opera Company is to play a return engagement in the City should be enough to assure them of a crowded house. The Company comes back to Ballinger with exactly the same company as played this city last December, including Miss Carlotta Gilman, prima donna; Mr. Chas. N. Holmes, leading tenor; Messrs Ben Lodge and Robt Albright, in the comedy notes which is a guarantee that the company is up to the high standard that only a company composed of such Comic Opera stars as the Columbia Comic Opera Company boasts is capable of being.

The Company played El Paso for five successive weeks to capacity business breaking all previous records of any Company playing that city.

A number of new and high-class specialties have been added which never fail to please the audience. The opening bill for this engagement will be "The Two Vagabonds" one of the most laughable Comic Operas in the entire Repertoire, giving ample scope for the two comedians to show their particular fitness for this class of work.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

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

What To Do. There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

The recent religious census of Temple failed to come up to expectations. It shows population of Temple to be about 5000. However like all towns they claim that a very large portion of the people were not enumerated. Temple raised recently \$6000 as part of an endowment for Georgetown University.

A country judge in Texas tells the following: A negro was being examined on an application for a teacher's certificate, and was told to write a sentence in which the words depart and detail should occur. He wrote, "De part of a fish I like best is de tail."—Yoakum Times.

We failed to get the name of the man who was doing business in Ballinger this week, and telling that he had ten acres of cotton up and would plant 50 acres more this week. However, a farmer made that statement.

THE BANNER LEADER.

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PROPRIETORS.

A. W. SLEDGE, Editor.
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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.

Notice to Advertisers.

In order to go to press early
Friday afternoon of each week
so that our paper will reach our
country subscribers on Saturday
The Banner Leader has decided
to adopt the following rule.

All display ads must reach the
office by Thursday noon of each
week and all pay locals not later
than ten o'clock Friday
morning. Our advertising solicitor
will call on you Thursday
morning of each week for copy
or change of copy for that week--
Sledge-Shepherd Pub. Co.,

War is being waged on the
little English sparrow, and well
it should be for that little bird is
doing serious damage to crops
and fruit.

See if you can trade that un-
paid coal and wood bill for an
ice book. If you don't need the
ice here you can use it to a good
advantage in the next world.

The last years feed crop will
hold over for next season, that
is a good portion of it will as the
past winter was mild and good
grass making very little feed
necessary.

Sunday is dress parade day,
and attendance at all the church-
es will be good. No doubt
preachers are glad when Easter
Sunday rolls around as they have
a full house—of hats and dresses
—to preach to.

The way of the transgressor is
hard, and from all indications
gambling in Texas in the future
will be a hard profession to fol-
low, and many of the green
goods boys will have to hike out
or go to work.

The Ledger is standing up for
the saloons and is opposed to the
Leader saying anything that will
reflect on that business. The
anti sheet objects to the Leader
publishing the proceedings of the
courts.

City Marshall McKay while
out scouting around run in a
couple of gamblers Wednesday.
He found them in the City park
nicely snuggled away in the Mes-
quite brush playing poker. Led-
ger, please note that we stated
what kind of gambling.

Shooting at Bowie.

City Marshall John Adams,
Constable John Wales were
shot at Bowie last Wednesday
by Walker & Bob Hargroves.
The supposed cause of the shoot-
ing is that Walker Hargroves
was shot about one month ago
and thought that the officers had
a hand in the work and conse-
quently the Hargroves wanted
to even up matters. Adams will
die but Wales is not seriously
hurt.

Ralston Fellow Craft and Walk
over shoes. The Globe.

ANTI SHEET RAISES KICK

Objects to Anything That Reflects on The
Saloons.

The Ledger is not disposed to
court disputation with its neigh-
bor, but the course of our esteem-
ed contemporary during the past
few weeks has been such that
we feel that a few remarks in
defense of Ballinger from this
paper has become an imperative
duty.

So far as the publication in
the Banner-Leader is concerned
it will make little difference, but
a number of other towns not
many miles away have taken
advantage of the Banner-Leaders
knocks to do Ballinger some in-
jury in fact it is difficult to esti-
mate just the amount of injury
these false reports have been to
this town.

Two weeks ago our esteemed
contemporary came out with an
effusion about the very bad con-
ditions existing here in reference
to gambling, placing all the
blame as usual on the saloons,
then a week later the same
paper contained the remarkable
statement that twenty odd pleas
of guilty for gambling had been
entered in one day, naming the
day, without giving the real
facts, and in a way that left the
impression that this town has
been a regular hot bed of gam-
blers. Truth is, and our home
people generally understand it,
our vigilant officers caught a
number of parties in the act of
matching dollars on Sunday and
immediately proceeded to make
arrests with the result that all
the parties entered pleas of guilty,
when this disreputable past
time has been going on in week
days in every town in West Tex-
as for several months and the
officers have been powerless to
stop it as it is understood there
is no law against it. But in-
stead of printing the complete
facts the Banner-Leader only
states that they pleaded guilty
to gambling, thus leaving the
impression that there had been a
great amount of gambling going
on in our town. Only one of the
entire lot who pleaded guilty
to the charge was a citizen of
Ballinger of any length of resi-
dence more than a few days, and
this one was among the most
active leaders in the recent pro-
hibition campaign in this country
—a man who rode all over the
country talking for prohibition.

Of course everybody here un-
derstands the Banner-Leader's
motive. The paper has no inten-
tion of injuring Ballinger, but
the effect is just as bad neverthe-
less. The Banner-Leader is try-
ing to boost prohibition, and as
far as the Ledger is concerned,
we have no objection to that,
but when the Banner-Leader in-
jures Ballinger as in this in-
stance to boost his fad we beg
to enter a mild protest.

The Ledger is of the opinion
that Ballinger is as law abiding,
moral and desirable place in
which to live as Texas affords
that her people are as progress-
ive and free from inclination to
disregard the laws as any people
on earth, a great deal more mor-
al than many prohibition towns
we know and read about every
day of the week, though we do
not claim, nor does any one so
far as we know, claim that the
saloons make it so. When we
get so that we can not believe
these things about Ballinger we
will quietly fold our tent and
steal away—The Ledger does
not propose to be classed with
the foul bird that fouls its own
nest.—Ledger.

We plead "guilty" to the Led-
ger's charge. We published the
fact, as given us by the officer
who made the arrest, that twenty-
one pleas of guilty were enter-
ed in court in one day, and all
for gambling. Now, the anti
organ does not deny this, but
says it is a disgrace to a town to
publish such news items, and
that we are "knocking the town"

We have from time to time
made mention of arrests that the
untiring peace officers have made
for gambling, but the court re-
cords show that we have not re-
ported one-fifth of the cases, and
if the Ledger wants to keep
gambling covered up in Ballin-
ger in order to defend the saloon
and foster the anti cause we sug-
gest that they quit sympathizing
with the gamblers and lend a
helping hand towards keeping
down such crime.

Ballinger is not a hot bed of

gamblers and we deny that any
such impression has been made
by this paper, but we do not at-
tribute the cleanliness of the
town to the fact that we have
seven saloons. The conditions
existing here in the way of law
and order is to be credited to our
vigilant peace officers, and in
spite of their untiring efforts to
run down every species of lawless-
ness there has been filed in the
justice court at Ballinger during
the last four months 36 cases of
card playing and crap shooting,
and the records show further
that the parties indicted are reg-
ular hangers-on at the saloons.
Besides the justice court record,
we understand that several cases
of gambling have been filed in
the city court, the city marshal
arresting two gamblers yester-
day.

The Ledger poses as a great
town builder and would not say
anything that would reflect on
the town for love or money,
while it charges the Leader with
having it's little hammer out
and knocking the town in a way
that is telling. Reply to this is
unnecessary for the good people
of Runnels county, antis and pros
know that we use the paper's
best energy for the boosting of
every enterprise and cause that
is for the good and upbuilding of
the town and the county, and
when we are fighting the open
saloon we do not consider that
we are fighting anything that is
for the good of the town. either
financially, morally or otherwise.
This paper was born with Run-
nels county, has passed its 26th
mile post, was an old paper when
the Ledger was established, and
to say that it stands for Ballin-
ger and Runnels county in every-
thing that is good and right is
sufficient.

We will ask the Ledger to
please explain why it failed to
carry out a plan outlined several
weeks ago. A notice was pub-
lished in that paper in which the
editor stated that the court dock-
et would be published just as it
appeared, giving names of parties
indicted and for what charge,
and stated that the reason for
doing this would decrease crime.
That was the beginning and end
of the Ledger's work along that
line. They not only refuse to
publish court proceedings but
jump on the Leader because we
make some mention of same, and
say we are "knocking the town."
The Ledger is catering to the
anti cause for the dough there
is in it, and is not through cele-
brating over the extra \$500 that
that paper is accused of having
picked up for the fight in the
last pro campaign.

A Baby

should be sunshine in the home,
and will be if you give it White's
Cream Vermifuge, the greatest
worm medicine ever offered to
suffering humanity. This reme-
dy is becoming the permanent
fixture of well regulated house-
holds—A mother, with children
can't get along without a bottle
of White's Cream Vermifuge in
the house. It is the purest and
best medicine that money can
buy.

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Land to Break.

Wanted—Men with teams to
break 600 acres land. \$2.50 per
acre, pay every Saturday. Don't
write but come or phone to me
at once.

R. O. Cozait, Gouldsbush.

Cash one price only at The
Globe Dept. Store.

Buy a spring suit made by
Heldman with a "Pile of style"
The Globe.

Catarrh and Headache

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 1119 Holly Street,
Kansas City writes: "After using a
sample bottle and two 25c bottles of
Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well
of Catarrh. It stops my headaches. It
is the best medicine I ever saw and I
just can't keep house without it." She
is right.

Sowing The Seed

You sow seed expecting to reap a profitable harvest.
Just so you should be about your financial affairs.
You should be sure that you are going to get good re-
turns from your investment before you part with your
hard earned savings.

To do this you should keep your money in a good,
safe bank like this one, where you can add to it and
accumulate the amount wanted for investment, where
you can get the advice of experienced business men
and help if you need it.

We take an interest in the welfare of all our cus-
tomers, though your accounts may be large or small,
and are always glad to lend a helping hand.

Citizens National Bank.

Capital and Surplus \$125,000.00.

Six square meals for 25c at
Dannelly's stand.

Loaded shells 5c, 2 boxes 22
cal cartridges 25c.

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

Food for man and beast at
Alvis Bros, the people who ap-
preciates your trade.

—Four different varieties of
Northern seed corn at M. D.
Chastains.

No special days, but bargains
for you six in the week.
The Globe

Lawn Mowers that run easy
and cut clean for sale by
tf VanPelt & Kirk

H. L. Bull, a prominent citizen
of the Crews country was here
on business Wednesday,

G. L. Bates, one of the Crews
country's best citizens was look-
ing after business in Ballinger
Wednesday, and called to see
the Leader.

Water Coolers that keeps pure
drinking water and saves your
ice bill. For sale by
tf VanPelt & Kirk

If that tailor made suit order-
ed at The Globe don't fit, it's not
yours.

There is nothing better than a
Heldman suit" with a Pile of
Style" at The Globe.

Don't drink hot water when
VanPelt & Kirk are selling cool-
ers so cheap. tf

Right now is the time to get
your tailor made suit. The Globe
store is the place to buy it if you
want a perfect fit and they'll
save you money.

J. B. Cooper, Hillsboro R. R.
No. 6, writes that Hooper's Tet-
ter Cure is the grandest thing
for sore, rough, bleeding hands
and eczema he ever saw. Guar-
anteed by Walker Drug Co.

Quite a number will take in
the big rabbit hunt down the
river tomorrow, and from the
arrangements that are being
made there will be something
doing for Bro. Rabbit.

S. M. Fulton, of Cleburne, is
here on business this week.
Mr. Fulton is connected with the
refrigerator Car service of the
Santa Fe and is interested in the
Cantaloupe and fruit industry of
this section.

The Padgett Real Estate Co.

The Padgett Real Estate Co.,
is a new land firm just ready for
business in our city, composed
the following business men of
known ability and strong finan-
cial standing W. T. Padgett, S.
P. Stone, E. F. Krebs. They
propose to do a general land bus-
iness in Runnels and all adjoining
counties; Lands listed with
them and rental property will at
all times receive prompt and
efficient attention.

Office situated over the Citi-
zens Bank. tf

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made

will wear as long as Devoe's. No
others are as heavy bodied, because
Devoe's weigh 3 to 8 ounces more to
the pint. Sold by Ballinger Lumber Co.
tf

Fincks and Carharts overalls
at The Globe.

Board of Pharmacy Meeting.

The Board of Pharmacy for
the 102nd District will meet in
Ballinger April 18th, for the pur-
pose of examining applications for
pharmacy certificates. 4t.

If you want to get in on the
ground floor of some of that
Houghton & Robinson Ranch
Land, which we have just fin-
ished sub-dividing into small
parcels, now is the time for
you to get choice of Blocks.
So come early and avoid the
rush.

C. A. Doose & Co.
Ballinger, Texas.

LEHANE
and Passenger Agent.
Worth, Texas.
MORGAN,
Passenger Agent,
Worth, Texas.

On Account Jas. E. Brewer,

OF THE DELAY IN THE COMPLETION OF MY NEW BUILDING, I WILL BE DELAYED A FEW DAYS IN MOVING.

The Jeweler

EASTER

Easter Eggs

Easter Rabbits

Easter Novelties

Easter Candies

All kinds of egg colors etc.

Don't fail to see our display. The biggest attraction in Ballinger.

Dornberger & Hopkinson

Up-to-date Grocers. Next door Ballinger State Bank

Attempt Suicide.

Will Cameron, residing at foot of Table Mountain, near Truitt, cut his throat in three places Saturday night. He is a young man, unmarried, and the supposition is that love affairs were not running smooth, and he made an effort to end his trouble with a razor. Dr. Fuller, of Winters, was sent for, and the man is reported out of danger, unless he makes another effort to end his life.

Don't Complain

If your chest pains and you are unable to sleep because of a cough. Buy a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and you won't have any cough. Get a bottle now and that cough will not last long. A cure for all pulmonary diseases. Mrs. J. Galveston, Texas, writes: "I can't say enough for Ballard's Horehound Syrup. The relief it has given me is all that is necessary for me to say."
Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Dan VanPelt Builds Nice Home.

Dan VanPelt let the contract Wednesday to Jno. F. Drew for the erection of a \$3000 home to be built on the lots South of A. H. VanPelt's. Work is to commence at once.

Try It Once

There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for these cases. It relieves instantly and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

Ice Cream freezers, the quick and substantial kind, for sale by Van Pelt & Kirk

Carhartt & Finck overall at The Globe Store.

Heldman, Heldman & Co., make suits with a "Pile of style" for sale at The Globe.

Dr. E. R. Walker and Mike Boyd spent Wednesday night pulling the fish out of the water. Mike says it is too dry for the fish to bite.

Judge H. J. Crozier, H. A. Shurman and J. W. Norman, prominent citizens, of Paint Rock, were here on business, Wednesday.

The legislature has passed a bill to suppress gambling which is perhaps the most drastic perhaps that was ever passed in any state.

District Attorney Jerome and his assistants in New York while searching for a boodle found a little sum of \$82000 laid up to influence legislation at Albany.

J. O. Landrum was in from Truitt Wednesday and raised a kick with the editor because his paper went astray and failed to reach him for the last few weeks.

Perhaps the only Shetland pony ranch in the Southwest is owned by a ranchman of Coleman county who devotes much money to breeding and raising these queer little animals.

D. W. Allen of Midland Ark., paid this office an appreciated call Wednesday and subscribed for the Banner-Leader for his brother who lives at Mansfield Ark., Mr. Allen comes well recommended as a business man and we hope he may locate here.

"When a person calls for the best cough medicine I always recommend Harts' Honey and Horehound, it gives universal satisfaction for the cure of Coughs, Colds and Croup. It is my best seller," writes Chas. E. Edwards, Linden, Wis. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Walker Drug Co.

No. 161.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

The State of Texas, County of Runnels:—

To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of R. H. Cooper, deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of R H Cooper, deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of R. H. Cooper, deceased, late of Runnels County, Texas, by B. B. Stone, Judge of the county Court of Runnels County, Texas on the 7th day of Feb. 1907, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to it at its place of business in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas where it receives its mail, this the 22nd day of March 1907.

The Ballinger State Bank and Trust Co. 4t

Notice To

THE PUBLIC.

I am now better prepared than ever before to do Contract work, having installed a Complete line of Mill Machinery, and am prepared to figure all kinds of Brick, Stone and Carpenter work. Will be glad to figure on all Mill work that any one needs in this County or adjoining Towns. Plans and specifications furnished on short notice. Any information required as to all lines of work will gladly be furnished at any time, prompt and accurate service guaranteed. Phone 219, or address,

JOHN F. DREW, Contractor Ballinger, Texas.

New Home Rambles.

Some of the farmers are wearing long faces for we are needing rain bad.

Misses Lena Wilkinson, Helen Tindall and Lola Watson spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Elkling.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Davinson and children from Arizona are visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Watson this week.

Mr. Price Greenwill and Miss Mary Ingle visited Misses Maud and Lizzie Talbert.

Quite a large crowd attended services Sunday.

The District Union met last Saturday with good attendance and a nice dinner was spread by the ladies.

Monroe Henson left for Truitt where he will spend a few

Mr. Pink Brown and family who were called to Truitt, returned Sunday and we are glad to report Mrs. Brown much better.

Miss Lena Wilkinson visited Miss Willie Henson at Crews.

Will McElroy and Price Greenwill visited at the home of Mr. B. Ingles Sunday.

Milvin Tindall spent Sunday with home folks.

Miss Willie Henson of Crews visited her cousin Pearl Henson. Mr. and Mrs. J. Culp spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ingle.

Services will be held at the Eagle school house next Sunday evening at 3 o'clock. Sunday school at this place, at 10 a. m.

Elen Kemp, Lola Watson Mrs. Davinson and Helen Tindall and Lena Wilkinson were shopping in the city last Sat. and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Land Hammer and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Moore from Miles visited Mr. and Mrs. Ingle and Mr. and Mrs. Mathews

Listen

and remember the next time you suffer from pain—caused by damp weather—when your head nearly bursts from neuralgia—try Ballard's Snow Liniment. It will cure you. A prominent business man of Hempstead, Texas, writes: "I have used your liniment. Previous to using it I was a great sufferer from Rheumatism and Neuralgia. I am pleased to say that now I am free from these complaints. I am sure I owe this to your liniment."
Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Notice.

No bathing or any trespassing allowed in the pasture below the new dam. Any one caught in this pasture will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
3t. Chas S. Miller.

Paint Your Buggy for 75

to \$1.00 with Devoe's Gloss Carriage Paint. It weigh 3 to 8 ozs. more to the pint than others, wears longer and gives a gloss equal to new work. Sold by Ballinger Lumber Co. 4t

Alvis & Bro. sells nothing but pure food at the lowest possible price.

The Best in Quality and the Lowest Price

Are features that we make most prominent at our store. When you need anything in the

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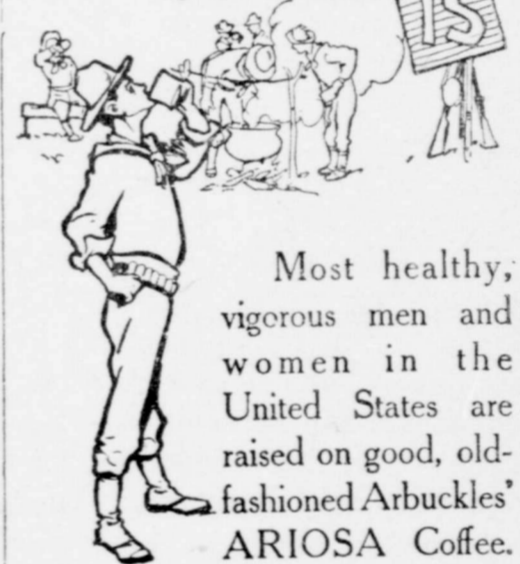
We will make it to your interest to buy here. Call and see us or phone your orders.

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HOME! IS WHERE THE ARBUCKLES' COFFEE



Most healthy, vigorous men and women in the United States are raised on good, old-fashioned Arbuckles' ARIOSIA Coffee. Never mind what the others drink, you want to be well. Say things to the man who tries to switch you from Arbuckles' to coffee that pays him big profits at the expense of your stomach.

Complies with all requirements of the National Pure Food Law. Guarantee No. 2041, filed at Washington.

New Dairy.

I have opened a dairy and prepared to furnish good sweet milk at the lowest possible rate. Delivery morning and evening. Leave orders at the Dr. Dickinson place across Elm creek or see me in town.

R. F. Green. 4t

The latest thing in horse colars at Shaffer's.

Election Notice.

By virtue of an order passed by the Board of trustees of the Ballinger Independent School District, at their regular meeting, March 13th 1907 I. C. S. Miller, President of said Board of Trustees, order an election to be held at the Court House in Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas on Saturday, between the hours as prescribed by law, the 6th day of April 1907, to elect seven Trustees for said Ballinger Independent School District, as provided by the amended special act of the 29th Legislature of Texas, creating and regulating the said Ballinger Independent School District. H. A. Massey is appointed manager of said election.

Chas. S. Miller,
Pres. Board of Trustees,
C. P. Shepherd
Sec. Board of Trustees.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey, and son, Tom stopped off to visit Scott H. Mack and family first of the week, while en route to their home at Eldorado from the Cattlemen's convention at Fort Worth. Mrs. Mack is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Bailey will visit here for a week or two. Mr. Bailey went on home Wednesday on the noon train.

CEDAR POST CEDAR POST we have them, a complete stock. Concho Lumber Co. successor to Humphrey Lumber Co. opposite Court House. 4t.

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THE LINE THAT'S DIFFERENT

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Courteous Employees Make Every Trip a Pleasure trip. Try the "Cotton Belt" next trip to Chicago, St. Louis, New York, Boston Southeast or any Place. Information Gratis. :: ::

Handsomely Illustrated Literature Free Upon Request. Send for "Industrial Opportunities," "Homes in the Southwest," "Fruit & Truck Growing," Wall Maps. 30c in stamps or coin will bring you a deck of Cotton Belt Playing Cards by mail and they are worth it. We will send you a Cotton Belt Daily Reminder and Memorandum book if you will send a postal giving your name and address.

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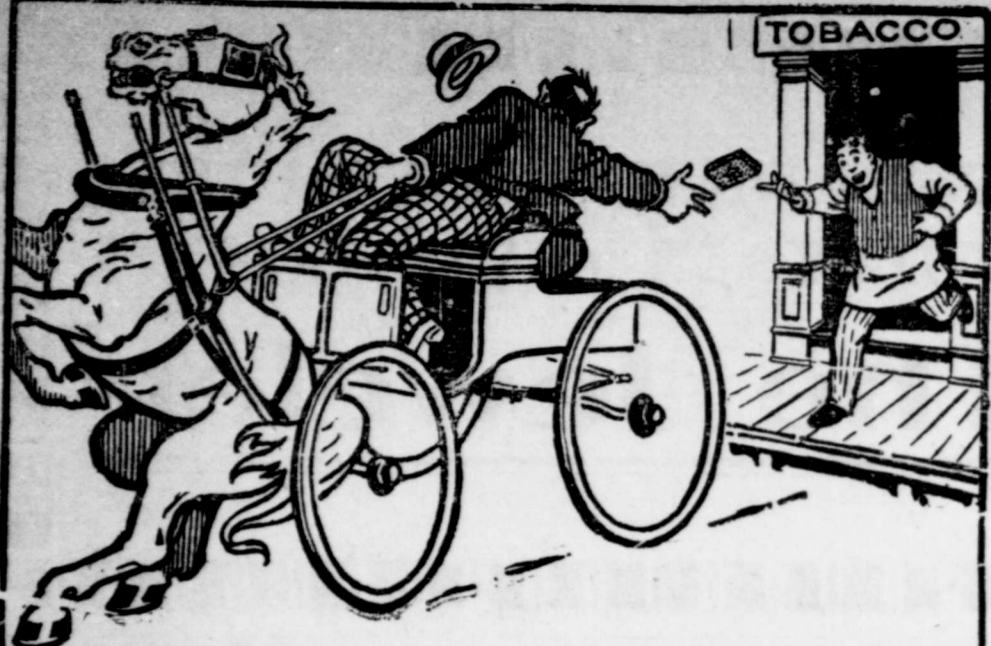
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TRADE FOLLOWS THE FLAG

The sales of Wapco Brand canned goods are ever on the increase—"Trade follows the flag". The Wapco Flag is a positive guarantee of purity. Wapco means pure foods. Wapco means extra standard grade at popular prices. This is a Texas guarantee too—and we are the only house in all of Texas, packing, owning and guaranteeing our own Brands of Pure Food Products. If your dealer does not keep Wapco Brand, send us his name.

DENISON, FORT WORTH, DALLAS
WAPLES-PLATTER GROCER CO.



"Whoa! I Want My Star"

No man can afford to miss "Star"—for in no other way can he so generously and economically satisfy his tobacco hunger. In no other chewing tobacco can he get such wholesome, rich, waxy tobacco—for "Star" is made of the best leaf grown.

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

Tailor made suits guaranteed in every respect 10 to 20 per cent saved at The Globe.

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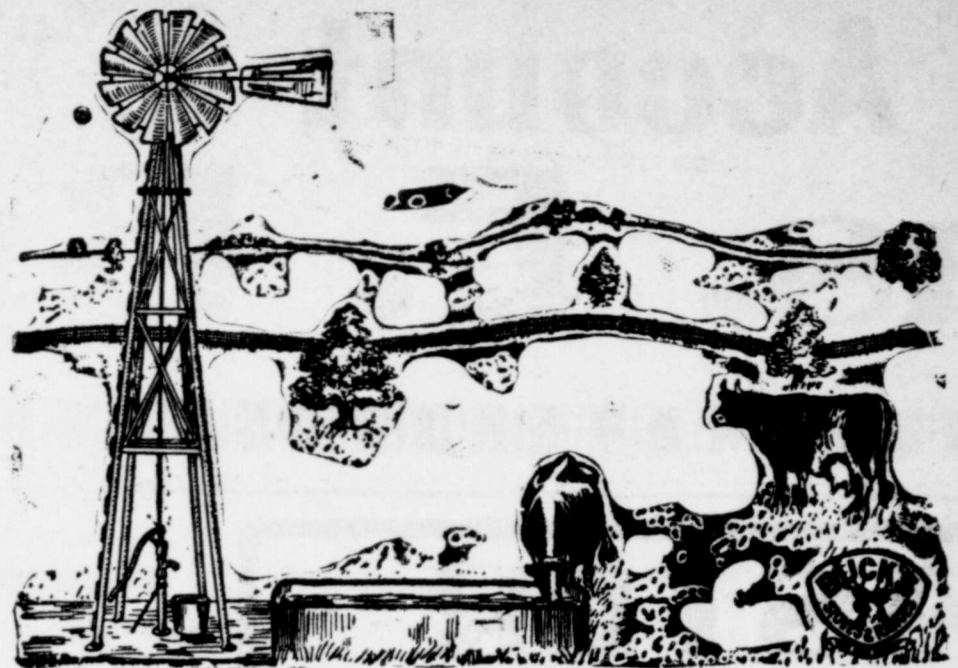
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Mr. Bailey sends regrets to his druggist with a bottle of medicine saying, "I regret I cannot take the medicine; I wish a bottle of Herpton to restore my health. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co."

Arkansaw Smith in City.

R. P. Smith, better known as Colonel Arkansaw Smith, is in the city today from Ballinger. Mr. Smith up to a few months ago merchandised in San Angelo for about twelve years, and is now engaged in business at Ballinger. He has been kept pretty busy shaking hands today with the old-timers.

Said Mr. Smith: "San Angelo looks as beautiful and prosperous as it always has and always will, and the only thing I regret about living in Ballinger is that it is thirty-five miles from the Queen City."—San Angelo Standard.



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Good buggy for sale \$35.00 apply at The Globe Store.

Hair face collars is the kind you want for sale by R. L. Shaffer.

A handsome woman accompanied by her little son, was a visitor at the capitol in Washington the other afternoon, says the Dallas News. While walking through a corridor a feeble old man came shuffling toward them. When he had passed the mother said: "Look Harry; that's Senator Platt of New York." The sturdy little chap looked after the frail statesman for a moment or two and then said: I guess I don't want to be a Senator. I'd rather be a fireman."

Horses examined free by Dr. Jackson. Visits Ballinger once a month.

Ice Cream freezers at Van Pelt & Kirk

As Others See Us.

There are many men who expect an editor to slave in defense of their pet notions and hobbies, advocate their views against the strongest opposition and then coolly withhold the business support by which alone a small newspaper can live.—Ganado Graphic.

Some people evidently labor under the impression that a country newspaper can live on wind and furnish the wind. But that is not true. The country press deserves much more than it receives at the hands of its people.—Houston Chronicle.

Ballinger Enterprise.

The Business Men's Commercial Club of Ballinger has set a good example for other towns. The Club has ordered a car load of the famous big boll cotton seed from Alabama, and will distribute the same among the farmers of that country.

Coleman should by all means organize a business men's club and make a noise like she was out after a portion of the prosperity that our sister cities enjoy through organization. Wake up! Don't let moss grow on your backs and grass in our streets!—Coleman Voice.

CEGAR POST CEDAR POST we have them, a complete stock. Concho Lumber Co. successors to Humphrey Lumber Co. opposite Court House.

Santa Anna Uneasy.

The Coleman Democrat says: "There was a mass meeting of the citizens of Santa Anna last Saturday evening. The cause was a rumor to the effect that the Santa Fe road was about to change its line and leave Santa Anna off the main line. It seems that it is contemplated to lay a new track, beginning at some point between Santa Anna and Brownwood and run north of the Santa Anna mountain, thus straightening the road and securing a much better grade. But the people of Santa Anna are roused over the matter, or were at last account, and are vehemently protesting against the proposed change."

Swan, Rollofat Stetson hats at The Globe.

Death of Mrs. Caldwell.

All San Angelo was shocked yesterday by the sudden death of Mrs. Nellie Caldwell, beloved wife of Jodie W. Caldwell. Death was most sudden and was caused by heart failure at 10 o'clock in the morning at the family home in East San Angelo. Deceased was 29 years of age. The wife and mother is survived by a loving husband and a baby girl five years of age.

The funeral services will be this afternoon from the late residence at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. W. P. Pledger will conduct the services assisted by the Odd Fellows and Rebeccas. Interment will be at Fairmount.

The death of this noble woman has caused a gloom to be over the entire city. Sympathy is extended to the husband and child in their hour of darkness.—San Angelo News.

Mrs. Caldwell is the daughter of Mrs. N. T. Guest, who lives near Ballinger. She was raised in this country and has many friends among the old settlers, who will learn of her death with regret.

If you think of attending a business college, it would be well to write the METROPOLITAN BUSINESS COLLEGE, Dallas, Texas for full information. The METROPOLITAN is known everywhere as one of the foremost business colleges of the South—its leadership in Texas is unquestioned.

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Wages and Cost of Living.

Organized labor in France receives one-third of the amount paid in America. The following comparison in the cost of living and the price received for labor in this and other countries is enough to make every wage earner feel proud that he is a citizen of this country. It is also the cause of so much foreign immigration to this country. You will notice in the report that the cost of living is great, or greater in France than in the United States, and that wages are lower. Read the report:

A reliable comparison of wages and cost of living in European countries with those of America, is always of interest to trade unionists, and a recent consular and trade report from the department of commerce and labor throws some light on this much discussed question.

Consul Louis Goldschmidt transmits a report covering the wages and food prices in Nantes, which, the consul says, may be considered a city of average prosperity, as compared with other cities in France and in Europe generally.

Consul Goldschmidt notes that much has been published in America recently concerning the increased cost of living and that in many instances the writers leave the impression that the contention that while European laborers work cheaper, the cost of living is so much less than the European workman lives almost if not quite as well as the workmen in America. The consul's figures plainly prove this to be a mistaken idea. Not only is the cost of food products quoted, but also the prices of rent, fuel, and all articles entering into the daily living expenses of the workingman's family. The wages quoted are those paid the organized crafts, and are furnished by the secretary of the Nantes labor exchange.

The wages are all based on a ten hour day, thus showing that that is the recognized number of hours worked in France. The wages of adjusters of machinery, which is evidently synonymous with the machinists of America, is \$1 to \$1.20 per day; blacksmiths, \$1.10 to \$1.40; bookbinders, \$1 to \$1.20; carpenters, timber workers, \$1.10 to \$1.30; carpenters, housework, 95c to \$1; electricians, \$1 to \$1.40; factory laborers, 75c to 90c; lithographic printers, \$1.40 to \$1.60; paper hangers (idle about four months in the year,) \$1.60; house painters, 90c to \$1; stonecutters, \$1; typesetters, \$1.30 to \$1.80; railway engineers, \$36 to \$60 per month; firemen, \$24 to \$34; clerks, \$15. In nearly all these trades an apprenticeship of two years without salary is expected.

Prices of foodstuffs in Nantes per one-half kilogram (1 1-10 pounds) run as follows in American cents:

Beef for soup, 12 to 18; sirloin, 30, and tenderloin 45; veal, 20 to 24; pork, fresh, 18 to 22; salted, 18 to 21; sausage, 24; ham, 25, or cooked, 35, horse meat for for soup, 6 steak, 16, and tenderloin, 28; 28; lard, 16; butter, according to season, 25 to 44; cheese, common, 24; Swiss, 28, and French, 20; fish salted, 8; herrings, salted, 8; herrings, salted, 16, and smoked, per dozen, 22; coffee, common quality, 35; coffee, better quality, 40 to 50; sugar, common 5 1-2 to 6; sugar, lump 6 1-2 to 9; tea 60 to 80; prunes, dried, 25; potatoes 1 1-2; macaroni and similar pastes, 7 to 20; rice, 7 to 10; tapioca, 24; flour common, 4; wines, common red and white, per quart 4 to 8.

In household necessities, kerosene common costs 6 and better quality 8 cents per quart; soap, common laundry, 7 cents, and candles 9 to 10 cents per pound. Coal costs 10 to \$12 per ton; wood, \$12 per ton; wood, \$7.50 to \$9 per cord.

Inquiring carefully into the average price paid for rent of rooms and houses by working

People here, it is learned that the average price paid per room in apartments or lodgings occupied by the laboring classes is from \$18 to \$20 per year. These rooms do not contain the usual conveniences found in American houses.

Running water is not always found in the houses, and when found must be paid for by each tenant. Where the houses are of more modern construction and are healthful and well ventilated, the cost of rooms is greater.

The average cost of clothing in general here is not far, if any, below the cost of clothing in the United States. The cost of all articles of cotton is more expensive here than in the United States, while articles of linen are generally cheaper. Clothing made of woolen goods may be considered somewhat cheaper here, particularly considering the lower price of the finer grades of wool goods. However, a workingman can purchase a better ready-made suit of clothes in the United States for from \$10 to \$15 than he can purchase for the same amount in this country. An ordinary business suit of tweed costs, when made by a local tailor, from \$20 to \$25.

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By order of the City Council I hereby order an election to be held at the Court house in the City of Ballinger, April 2nd 1907 to elect a Mayor, three Aldermen City Clerk, City Attorney, City Treasurer and City Marshal. H. H. Massey is appointed presiding officer of said election.
J. W. Powell,
5t Mayor City of Ballinger.

Uncle Joe Routh and Uncel Jack Stocks left Wednesday evening for Glasscock county, where Uncle Joe goes to look after his land interest and Uncle Jack goes prospecting and to see the country.

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made
will wear as long as Devoe's. No others are as heavy bodied, because Devoe's weigh 3 to 8 ounces more to the pint. Sold by Ballinger Lumber Co. tf.

Judge and Mrs. Jno. I. Guion returned from a visit to Fort Worth last Saturday. They were accompanied home by their daughter and grandson, Mrs. D. McCaleb and baby.

Get your seed corn at M. D. Chastain's, he has four varieties of Northern seed corn.

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Whist.

One of the prettiest as well as the most pleasant parties of the week was given by Mrs. Geo. Holman at the handsome Erwin home Thursday afternoon. Miss Minnie Guion Francis who is to be an April bride was honored of the occasion. Miss Francis has been the recipient of numerous luncheons parties etc., which only serves to prove her extreme popularity.

This home, handsome in its appointments needed only vases of cut flowers to make it complete. Fragrant Enchantress carnations and smilax furnished appropriate decorations for the entire reception suite.

Five tables were arranged and whist was played during the

afternoon. Tiny silver bells thoroughly suggestive of a wedding were given as counters. At the close of six games Mrs. D. Reeder and Miss Underwood were declared the most successful players, having won every game.

Delightfully refreshing fruit punch was frequently served during the games. At the close of which strawberry ice cream and angel food furnished, indeed a veritable feast.

Miss Frances was then the possessor of a happy surprise when an immense Jack Horner pie was placed before her and when opened revealed numerous dainty gifts from her many friends present. The whole affair was charming and quite up to the standard beau monde has learned to expect at the hands of this particular hostess.

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I bought a tract of Land, the man was honest and I took his word that the title was good. I never once thought of demanding an ABSTRACT nor having it examined by a Lawyer.

Last week I sold the land, but the man I sold to, was one of these fellows that have to be shown, said he wouldn't take MY word for HIS title. So I came to town and had an abstract made by one of those fellows that will tackle anything. I thought all abstracts were the same, I know better now. He made it from the Records, but there was an instrument, that was missed in indexing, and he missed it too, in the Abstract. His Abstract showed had a regular chain of title, but there was nothing showing the judgement of the court in regard to those minor heirs. I stayed in town a whole week trying to get that thing straight.

The Lawyer said he would have to bring suit to Clear my land, wanted a lot of money to do it, too, and told me he would have to have a good abstract to know how to proceed. He sent me around to GIESECKE-BENNETT CO. I told them I wanted an abstract and one that had everything that affected my title. Told them to go to the Court House and make it at once.

And say, those fellows just showed me that they didn't have to depend on the Court House Records. They actually had copies of the Records right there in their fire-proof vault. I was learning more about that abstract business all the time.

Next day I went around there and they handed me a neat and correct abstract. Did not charge any more than that other fellow, either. I took it to the lawyer, he examined it and says, "There won't be any suit," here is everything, the instrument that was not indexed and the judgement of the court.

Well, I was glad and I'll know where to go first next time I want an abstract, and that's the GIESECKE-BENNETT CO. They always put in everything, and if your title is perfect, they show it, but if its imperfect, they show it, and that is what you want to know.

Yours truly,

The Man With a Sore Abstract.

That Fort Worth Tragedy.

It would be too dark for a civilized country to paint a true picture of the killing that took place in front of the Stag saloon in Fort Worth on the 22nd, inst, when a gambler deliberately shot down and instantly killed County attorney McLean and mortally wounded ex-deputy Sheriff Scott, and all because the officers were doing the duty they had sworn to do when they accepted the office.

The officers had just arrested the gambler and allowed him to go free on bond, and shortly after the arrest the gambler did the killing.

Fort Worth is one of the best cities in Texas in a commercial way, and the good citizens are considerably stirred over the tragedy, and in a mass meeting resolved to put the gamblers and tough characters on the move regardless of cost.

The prohibitionists are backed up by the citizens and an effort will be made to put the saloons out of business, as this trouble as well as most of the violations of the law and decency in that town is traceable to the saloon.

The tragedy presents a dark picture and is enough to turn any man against the element that predominates where the saloon and gambling house are run hand in hand as was the case in this instance.

The Fort Worth Star, a paper

that is published right where the killing occurred, has the following to say in connection with its mention of the awful tragedy, and expresses the feeling of the people in no uncertain terms:

The murder of Jeff McLean was worse than a tragedy; it was an infamy.

The murderous assault on Hamill Scott, claim agent of the Fort Worth & Denver City railroad, ex-chief deputy sheriff, who rushed after McLean's slaver in the cause of his friend, as much as from the natural instinct of a brave ex-officer, was atrocious.

To shoot down a citizen, when one has his quarrel just, is bad enough; to slay an officer in the discharge of an obligation to society is a crime against civilization.

For such a crime there is neither mitigation nor adequate punishment. No circumstance justifies it and no fact excuses it. It springs from homicidal mania, for no sufficient provocation can prompt it, and it is as deplorable as the act of a cur made mad with hydrophobia.

If we sought to find a motive for Jeff McLean's murder, at a time when the streets were congested with traffic and the light of a spring day shone upon a multitude of visitors like a benediction from the great Master, we would not look for it in a mere controversy between the dead man and his slayer, but would look for it and find it in the slayer's quarrel with society and the law. And that slayer represents and impersonates a type or class of men that must be exiled or exterminated. Beyond these there is no alternative. Either the violator of the law who is eternally at war with authority must go or the community must admit itself a helpless prey to vice.

There is but one class of criminal in Texas that violates the law with unblushing effrontery all the time is the tin-horn gambler. This tin-horn gambler has no place in the civilization of this hour. He is as alien to it as a blasphemer to holy church. And this tin-horn gambler has an abettor in his standing menace against society no less contemptible than he. That abettor is the saloon that harbors him and provides him with a lair in which to ply his nefarious vocation. Both must go.

Let it be understood that we write in no Puritanical spirit; nor are we moved to illiberal or extreme view by the tragedy of yesterday which flung the shadow of unutterable sorrow across the doorway of homes that a moment before were bright with the sunshine of hope and the sweet abodes of contentment.

Prohibition is not a preventive remedy for the consumption of intoxicants, but there is a way to put an end to the saloon in which vice seeks a roost and the gambler finds his lodging place. That way is to destroy it as the abode of pestilence is destroyed.

In this suggestion there is no pity for the victim who is fleeced in such resorts, but in it there is immeasurable contempt for the profligate human wolf who feeds upon the weak and unwary.

No community is entitled to a good name in our civilization which tolerates the professional gambler, and the saloon that gives him a home is a plague spot.

Throughout the state the law has endeavored to regulate the saloon and to banish the gambler. The law has failed because the authorities have winked at both and because public indignation has slept like a sentinel at the post of duty.

The time is coming, however, when the law will shake off impotency and when indignation will awake like a storm at sea.

There can be no compensation to society for the atrocious and cowardly murder of Jeff McLean

or of the brave officer who sought to arrest the slayer; but retribution will not halt in the pathway of vengeance until the conditions that made the tragedy possible in this city shall have been effaced and the gambler booted out of the community.

This is no issue between sentiment and reflective reason it is the contrary, it is an issue between courage and cowardice, decency and indecency, order and disorder, honor and dishonor.

A few weeks ago a bill was proposed at Austin which, if it had been passed as originally written would have put a club into the hands of the law that would have made it impossible for the saloon with the winerom annex and the gambler's den to exist in Texas. That bill was amended almost to the point of impotency, and assailed by an advocate of uniform license, a system that encourages vice and disregard of the constituted authorities, in the house, and now sleeps quietly upon the unruffled bosom of an august senate.

Let the senate take up that bill, pass it as it was submitted by Representative Baskin of Tarrant county and send it back to the house for concurrence.

When this is done, pass a law making it a felony punishable by imprisonment for a term of years in the penitentiary for any person to pursue the abominable vocation of a gambler.

Enact and enforce such laws and there will be no repetition in Texas of the tragedy consummated in Fort Worth yesterday, which sent a shudder to the hearts of the community, terrified women and children on a crowded thoroughfare, shocked visitors from all parts of the state and which set ablaze in the souls and consciences of good citizens that hot wrath from which springs the furious and pitiless mob.

If these laws be not enacted or after enactment, they should fail in their mission, then let public sentiment, speaking through the press, serve notice on the saloon that it must obey the law or be destroyed by it, and on the tin-horn gambler that he is a social outcast who, if he does not clear out of his own accord, will be driven out as an ungrateful and evil-tempered hound is driven hence.

Society and government can make no compromises with habitual violators of the law by which they do not suffer. Least of all can society afford to tolerate dives which harbor gamblers, who when their quarters are raided by the authorities, run amuck with magazine guns in hand slaying all who oppose them.



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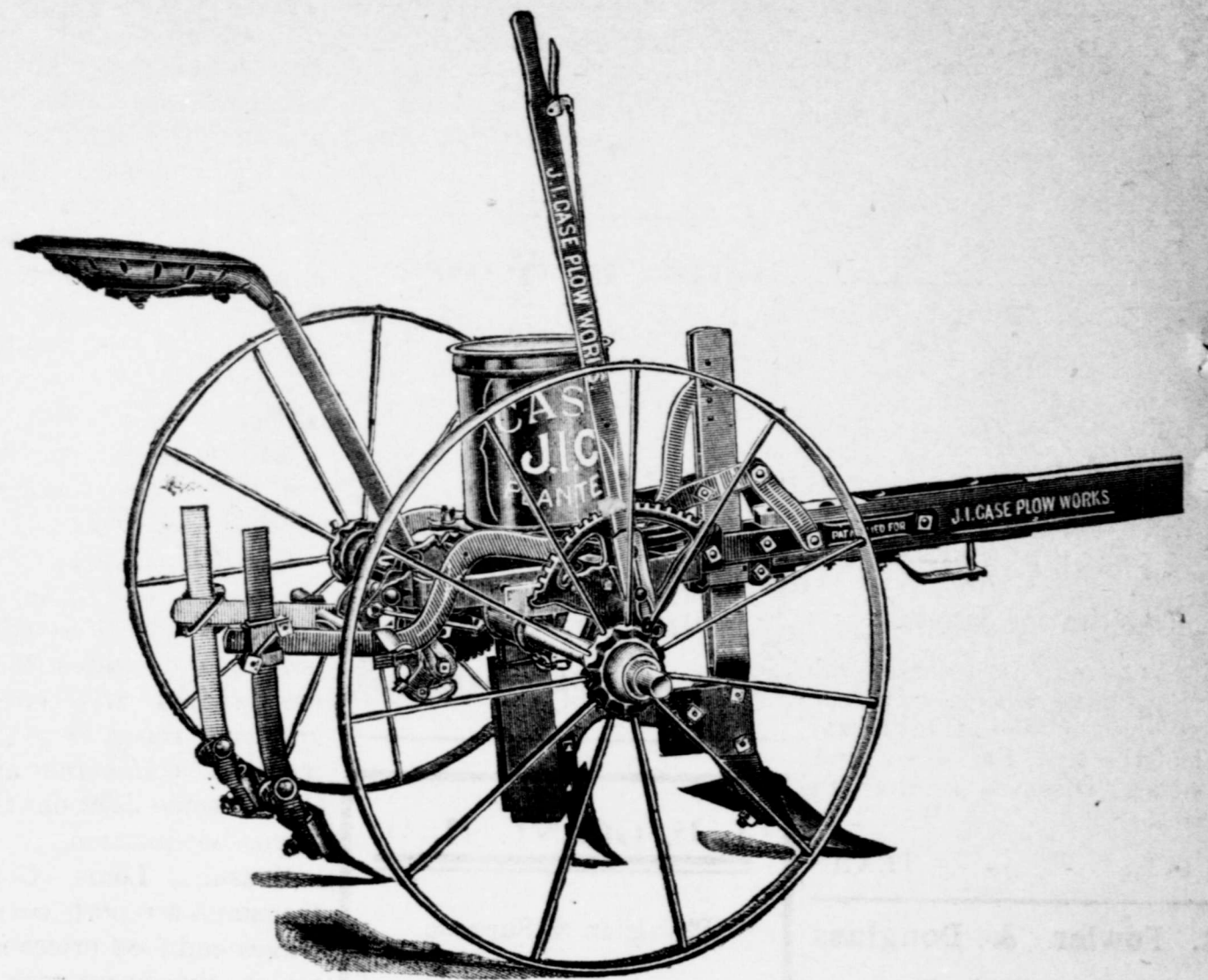
Because he can buy ice from the old reliable ice man,

C. B. Armstrong

Again this summer. Yes I am in the business and better prepared than ever to keep you cool. I will appreciate your ice trade and give you the best service possible and as much ice as possible for the least money.

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"J. I. C." Cotton and Corn Planter.

Some Reasons why it is the Best Planter on the Market.

Covering Shovels. The covering shovels are carried on a spring so arranged that they can be locked down and carried rigidly, or they can be unlocked and allowed to carry free by simple foot mechanism and at all times the operator can by a slight pressure on the shovel beams depress the covering shovels to cultivate in a low place and this, too, without disturbing the opening shovel or using the foot mechanism. Thus you will see the covering shovels are free and independent of the opening shovel. If the opening shovel is passing through a high place in the ground, and covering shovel at the same time are passing over a low place, the operator can by pressure of the foot, depress the covering shovels to the low place without its effecting the opening shovel. This special feature is found in no other planter.

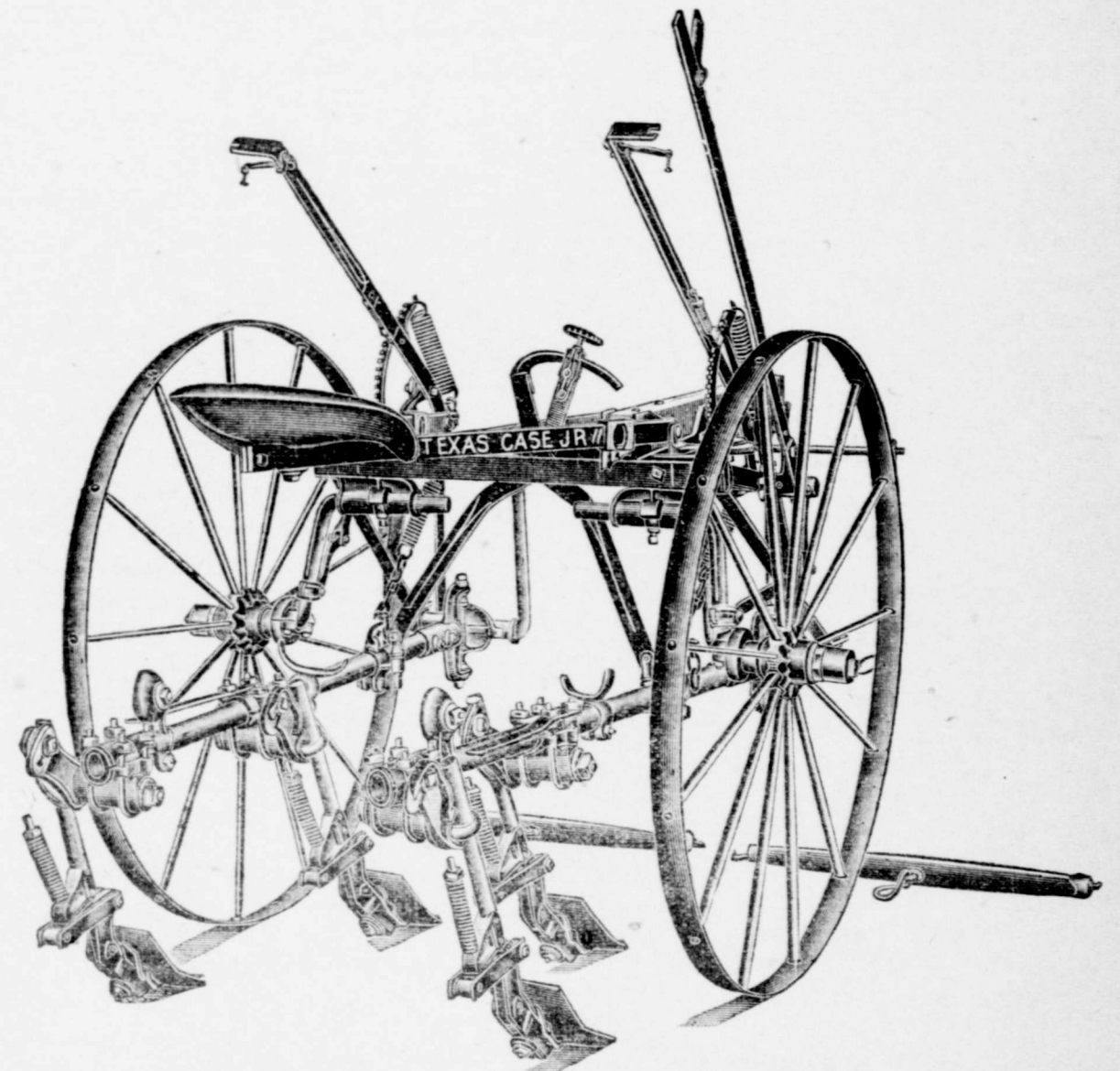
Agitator Plate. This plate and its fingers are MALLEABLE IRON. Strong, solid, always in place. Compare this plate with wire nails finger type of plate.

General Structure. Is so strong, yet so simple. That one word COMPACT describes it. It's just what the word COMPACT means—closely and firmly united. No other planter has so compact a structure as the "J. I. C."

Seeding Device. Superior to all others. Why? Because without change of gear or driving mechanism, we can drive the corn plates at the slow speed necessary to properly plant corn, and the cotton plates at the slow speed necessary to properly plant Cotton.

Cultivating Parts. Here again "J. I. C." excels. Why? Because the sweep standard and opening shovel can be operated when in working position as to be raised or lowered without affecting the seeding mechanism or cultivating shovels.

Bedding or Level Planting. "J. I. C." plants on high beds or on the level. Foot piece on standard is adjustable for different styles of sweeps. It is not necessary to take the "J. I. C." to the blacksmith shop to have the sweeps fitted. The "J. I. C." is strong enough to stand the strain of four horses. Yet with all these advantages the price is very little more than other planters that do not have them. The Price is just the same CASH OR CREDIT.



J. I. Case Texas Jr. Combined Cultivator.

GANGS are made of extra heavy steel pipe, specially manufactured for this purpose and by test are much stronger than the extra heavy gas pipe usually used.

LEVER AND LIFTING SPRINGS. The lever racks are attached to frame in such manner that they can be adjusted so that the lever may follow the gangs when adjusted to different widths, thus bringing the point of suspension and lifting spring at all time directly over the gang. This gives the gang remarkably free and easy swing under all conditions of adjustment.

POLE ADJUSTMENT. The rear end of pole is equipped with clevis casting so that it can be raised or lowered, thus adjusting the front ends of the gangs, which often saves separate adjustment of each shovel, as the raising or lowering of the of the frame affects the penetration of the shovels.

AXLE ARMS ARE REVERSIBLE. When after long use the wheel has worn the axle arm, it can be reversed thus giving double the wear to the able than is true of ordinary solid axle cultivators.

THE LATERAL ADJUSTMENT of shovels is a very popular feature. Each Shank can be adjusted and set independently, thus giving styles of gangs. Each shovel can be set to cut and cover as desired.

A BALANCE LEVER. It can be handled by the operator from the seat to balance the cultivator for different weights of operators thus removing all neck weight from team.

THE COUPLINGS are one of the important points in any cultivator. Here is where the wear in edging comes. In our construction they are interchangeable and made with CONE BEARING ADJUSTABLE CHILLS. Thus the wear is reduced to a minimum and what does occur can be quickly and easily taken up, thus keeping the couplings always tight and gangs free from wobble.

NEW JOCKEY OR HOBBLE. It is simple and strong, with quick adjustment. To set the gangs operator holds gangs in position desired by feet, and by turning a screw wheel can lock the gangs in position. Not necessary to leave the seat to do this. We have both four or six plow cultivators, and the price is the same CASH OR CREDIT.

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