

# The Banner-Leader.

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BALLINGER, RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY

NO 30

## The White Store

Ballinger, Texas.

The offerings for the week beginning May the sixth are well worthy of your investigation. The goods are desirable new Fresh and of a very good quality. Our prices are very low hence attractive.

We sell our goods at strictly one price and Misrepresent nothing that we sell if you are not Satisfied with your purchases when you get home bring the goods and we will refund your Money without a word.

Lily Lawns, White Ground, Small Figures, 26 inch wide.....	3 3-4c	Bleached honey Comb towels 17 x 36	10
Banner Batiste, Light Ground, Floral designs 28 inch wide.....	5c	A. C. A. Gingham, the best quality.	10c
Crescent Batiste, Pin Dots and figures	10c	Boy's Cant Rip pants, the best that can be made.....	50c
White Lawn, 20c grade, 31 inches wide.....	10c	Boys Blouses made of very fine madras.....	50c
Blue Calico, Assorted designs. Good for Quilts.....	4c	Boy's Fancy Sailor Hats.....	25c
Columbia Calico, Standard Count Blue, Red, or Grey, the best grade.....	5c	Boy's Wool Blue Serge Caps.....	25c
Soft Finish Chambrays, Pink Blue, Brown and Grey.....	7 1-2c	Children's and Misses Stylish caps.....	25c
Apron Checks as good as Amoskeag	7 1-2c	Torchon Laces 3 to 5 inches wide.....	5c
Infants white Lace Hose.....	10c	Embroidery Edging 15 and 20c kind	10c
Black Rabbit Brand, Ladies Black Hose 15ct grade.....	10c	36 inch Long Cloth in fine quality.....	15c
Ladies Black Lace Hose, 20c grade our price.....	12 1-2c	A Very Fine Grade of Cambric Finish Domestic.....	10c
Very Fine Quality Swiss, Pin Dots and Medium Dots 20c Grade.....	12 1-2c	36 in good quality Domestic.....	8 1-3c
		Two Thread Half Hose.....	8 1-3c
		Men's Grey or brown Half Hose, Medium weight.....	5c
		Risaer's Wear well SHoes All Solid Leather.....	\$1.50
		Black Silk Beaded Elastic Belts.....	25c
		Children's Ruffled Drawers.....	15c

## R. A. Risser & Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

most cautions need hesitate to apply. It will deprive no one of insurance or of an opportunity to insure. It will not interfere with policies in foreign companies already written. There are already safe and sound Texas companies prepared to write any policy that any one may desire in the future. I have no interest in any Texas company. I have no policy in any of them. But I have policies in two old-line extra-state companies. If this amendment is passed other Texas companies will be organized. These Texas companies are just as safe as foreign companies. The safety of a life insurance company consists not in its capital stock, but in the honesty of its management and in the fact that it receives from its policy holders more than enough to cover its risks and expenses. Pass this amendment and you will solve the riddle of the modern sphynx and like that fabled monster of ancient times, it will die and our people be relieved from its terrors and the Texas legislature will be the Aedipus of modern times."

### Resolutions of Respect.

To the Officers and Members of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Ballinger M. E. Church South:

We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of Mrs. Edna Lusk, beg to submit the following:

Whereas, in the providence of an all wise Father, Mrs. Edna Lusk, one of our best loved and most efficient workers has been taken from us; while each member feels a deep sense of personal loss in her seemingly untimely death, and while realizing that

### Cut Out Sunday Selling.

After the 15th of this month the meat markets of Ballinger will be closed all day Sundays. Positively no meats will be sold between Saturday night and Monday morning.

Ed. Globber.

### Sunday Services.

Rev. E. P. Williams will preach to the parents and children at the eleven o'clock service, and at night Rev. A. E. Baeten Baptist preacher from Brownwood will preach.

her place in our society can never be filled, we know that she is with our Lord, awaiting the coming of her loved ones there, be it

Resolved, that this society extend to her grief stricken husband, mother, brothers and sisters our deepest sympathy in their bereavement, and be it further.

Resolved, that these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of this society, and a copy be given her husband, Bro. Robt Lusk, to her mother, Mrs. Sharp, and a copy be given each of our local papers, and one sent the Texas Christian Advocate.

Committee Miss Zadie Royalty, Mrs. C. P. Shepherd Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

Mrs. B. Dornberger and children returned from their old home at Bdlville, first of the week.

Hail and wind at San Angelo did considerable damage Thursday morning. The rain was general out that way and the county lying west of San Angelo was blessed.

Ex-Sheriff J. B. Allen of San Angelo died at his home in Angelo last Sunday. Mr. Allen went in the saloon business after he retired from the Sheriff office and was compelled to sell out sometime ago and retire from the business on account of his health. He was one of the pioneer cow boys of Tom Green county.

YOUNG MEN WANTED—To prepare for Railway Telegraph Service. Great demand for operators. Situations sure. Will begin pupils at home by furnishing instruments and instructions free of charge. Dallas Telegraph College, 417 Main Street, Dallas, Texas.

## INSURANCE DRAINS STATE'S RESOURCES

Millions Are Annually Taken From Texas Which are Never Sent Back.

Austin, May 4.—(Special.)—Representative Jenkins of Brown offered an amendment to the gross income tax bill to tax the premiums on life insurance policies hereafter written 10 per cent. He explained that this would not affect Texas companies, inasmuch as they would have to pay only one-fourth of 1 per cent under another provision of the bill exempting such companies, as invested one-half of their capital stock in Texas. Judge Jenkins stated that his purpose in offering this amendment was to prevent life insurance companies other than Texas companies, doing business in Texas. In support of this he said in part:

"Every thoughtful writer on economics, every practical statesman from President Roosevelt and Mr. Bryan down, admits that this government is facing a crisis brought about by the concentration of immense wealth in the hands and under the control of a few men. Life insurance companies, more than any other institutions, have conducted to bring about this state of affairs. Standard Oil under the evil genius of Rockefeller and Rogers, has cut fantastic tricks in frenzied finance that smell more rank than the products of its factories the shadow of Harriman, the Napoleon of the railroad interest looms upon the horizon more ominous to the welfare of commerce than did that of his prototype to the peace of Europe, and yet these great combines, trusts

and monopolies are manufacturers and producers of wealth. The railroads, notwithstanding their billions of watered stock, give employment to a vast army of laborers, who annually create millions of wealth in ties and rails and cars. To say nothing of the many other millions added to the products of the ranch and field and factory by transporting them from the producers to the consumers. But life insurance adds not a dollar to the wealth of the world. The business of a life insurance company is simply to receive money already earned, keep it for a certain time and return it with interest. It creates nothing, produces nothing, adds nothing to the aggregate wealth of the world.

"I would not have it understood from this that I am opposed to life insurance; on the contrary, I believe it is a duty that practically every man owes to his family, his dependent loved ones to carry life insurance. Neither do I object to these institutions making money; I wish it were possible for every legitimate business to make money. Neither do I object to the investment of foreign capital in Texas; on the contrary, I am heartily in favor of the encouraging of such investment.

"This amendment does not drive out foreign capital, but, it keeps Texas capital at home. Do you know that last year life insurance companies collected from their policy holders in Texas \$8,487,017 and paid back to them \$2,506,798? This does not include the fraternal orders. Do you know that last year life insurance companies collected from their policy holders in the United States more than a billion dollars in excess of all their disburse-

ments, including all their expenses?

"The great bulk of this money goes into Wall street and is the source of all the schemes of all the frenzied financiers the backing of all the trusts and combines and market manipulation by which the people are robbed of their substance and legitimate business is shorn of all its profits, Ryan recently paid two and a half million dollars for fifty-one thousand dollars of the stock of the Equitables which under the laws of New York is not permitted to earn more than 7 per cent per annum. Why? Because it gave him control of the accumulated millions of that company with which to promote his railroad and stock jobbing schemes. If these institutions will use the money of Democratic policy holders in Texas to carry an election for a Republican President to what will they not resort in order to carry out their schemes of piracy against the business interests and the toiling classes of the country?

"If this accumulation continues, as it must continue if not stopped by law, in a short time the government of the United States will look like 30 cents as compared with these institutions. How is it to be legally arrested without injuring the legitimate and beneficent business of life insurance? I know of no way that is at all likely to be adopted except for each state to pass such laws as will make it impossible for any except home insurance companies to do business in any state and thus, by distributing the vast sums of money collected by these institutions among the different states, destroy the money trust, the mother of all trusts. Let Texas set the example and I believe that other states will soon follow.

The remedy proposed by my amendment is not one which the



### 12 YEARS FOR BURGLARY

Comanche, Texas, May 4.—Henry Mitchel indicted for burglarizing Higginbotham's store, March 15 last, was convicted by a jury in the district court here this afternoon and sentenced to twelve years in the state penitentiary. This is the minimum penalty that can be assessed under the law. After the case went to trial the district attorney endeavored to induce Mitchel to withdraw his plea of not guilty and accept a five-year sentence and a plea of guilty to a minor offense.

As the Sheriff and the handcuffed prisoner were leaving the court house after sentence had been passed, the party was met by Mitchel's mother and an affecting scene ensued. Throwing her arms about his neck, Mrs. Mitchel covered her son's face with kisses, at the same time sobbing piteously.

### Smallpox Epidemic at Midland

EL PASO, Texas, May 4.—No trains are stopping at Midland, Texas. The town is under quarantine and there are dozens of cases of smallpox there. Two hundred refugees are here.

Miss Zenobia Francis left her school this morning to go to town and buy a bottle of Hooper's Tetter Cure to relieve her sore aching feet. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

W. C. Penn, the Ballinger cotton buyer who transacts a vast amount of business in San Angelo, was here last week. He stated that a little more than 14,000 bales of cotton have been shipped from here the present

season and he predicts that next season the cotton shipment will amount to 20,000. With a rapid influx of population and more land in cultivation he thinks the receipts for 1908 may reach 30,000.

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election day.

Another charge is made which might give the men trouble if the testimony is forthcoming. The performances ended on "Battle Row" with a fight between the city Marshal and Harryman.—Brownwood Bulletin.

### Johnson Valley

It has been some time since we made an effort to represent our community.

But we were a little despondent over the dry weather since adding Uncle Johnnie Ballew's letter we feel better the world needs more men like Uncle Johnnie to cheer those who are so sily discouraged fact is had ere been plenty of rain followed by the recent cold, lots of seed and labor would have been st.

Mr. Pike says he had the finest prospects for corn he has ever id he had his corn worked out id the recent frost laid it flat the ground. He thinks he ill wait now untill the danger frost is over and plant again. There has been quite a rage of easles in this section of the untry however they are on the eline now.

Bro. Smith who is just up om measles didn't fill his apointment Sunday at this place til the afternoon on account the damp mist, he was afraid venture out.

Wylie Sowell and wife and arl Winters and wife spent last eek fishing on the Concho they port a fine time and lots of fish eat, he good housewives are grievously perplexed the continued y weather and are not garden-g except a few who irrigate d the rats are catching all the ough chickens.

A. J. Holshouser has just completed a commodious new residence

This dry weather is giving the busy farmers a chance to do some of the much needed and long hoped for things for the good ladies, W. J. Gardner has just completed a nice stormhouse and J. S. Neely is digging a cistern.

Henry Mitchel our bachelo neighbor has no lady to suggest ideas, so he is building hog pastures making tanks fencing land etc.

Fruit promises to be good in this year.

Eight of our citizens went together and formed a beef club and agree to kill a beef every Saturday until they have killed 8 beeves.

Not withstanding the dry weather the grass is fine, water is plentiful which gives us plenty of nice milk and butter and fat beef to eat.

Mrs. Dillard and family are visiting relatives at Anson this week.

F. D. Dorset has just dug and secured a well of good water on his place for Mr. Lidell.

Grandma Conlee of Corn Hill is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dorsett this week.

From the great piles of wood our farmers are getting hauled up they must expect something doing when it does rain.

Thelma.

Johnston Valley is north of Winters and is a very prosperous country settled up with good people and we are glad to get a news letter from that section. Come again Thelma editor.

A steamer last Saturday landed at Galveston with 7000 bunches of bananas. They were brought from Mexico.

More than 1400 immigrants landed in Galveston in one day of this week.

Lampases has taken steps to secure an Oil Mill. It is expected that the mill will be ready for next seasons crop. Lampasas seems to be awakening from her Rid Van Winkle nap and taking advantage of her opportunities.

Dr. John Watson (Ian McLaren) died on 6th inst. at Mount Pleasant Iowa. He was the author of many popular works some of them being "Bonnie Briar Bush" "The Days of Auld Lang Syne". He died rather unexpectedly and had been ailing but a short time.

Dr. A. L. Fuller, who recently come to this country from South Texas and located at Winters, left last Sunday for Sabine Pass, having received an appointment from the State Health officer, He will spend about ten days at Sabine Pass relieving another man and then he will be permanently located at Velasco, having charge of the quarantine station at that place. Mrs. Fuller will remain at Winters until the Dr. arranges for a house at his new station.

We transfer Household goods deliver hulls and meal in any quantity or Seed Meal 10c per sack Phone 120 C. J. Lynn & Bro. 3t.

W. T. Dorsett of the Norton country paid the Banner-Leader a much appreciated visit last Thursday.

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

H. Lew Allen was in from the Drasco country Monday. Mr. Lew Allen is a new comer this being his first year here, but he says he is holding up fine under the dry weather, and is not uneasy yet.

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

It is reported upon good authority that the sports of Texas are raising money to defend some negroes charged with gambling the main object being to find a loophole in the new gambling law whereby it may fail of being enforced. The case is being watched with great interest by the sports over the state.

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. tf

Joseph White aged 87 years and Sallie Gaseway 70 years were recently married in Milam county. These young people are well known and have lots of friends who wish them much happiness as they go hand in hand down life's path way.

Lightning struck the gas plant at Temple last Monday causing a terrific explosion in the reservoir which contained gasoline. The plant was badly wrecked.

### Runnels County Spuds.

Through the kindness of the up to date grocery firm of Dornberger & Hopkinson we had the pleasure of feasting on fresh Irish potatoes from the farm of Julius Henkhouse this week. Mr. Henkhouse brought in quite a lot of as nice spuds as we ever saw and of course found a ready market for them. The potatoes grew on Mr. Henkhouse's farm South West of Ballinger and demonstrates that this county will grow this crop as well as many others.

D. C. Alton, of Cleburne, Texas, jumped from his seat, caused by a thought that Herbtion cured his wife's feeble health, and he ran down to a drug store to buy a bottle for himself. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

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

### No Need of Scratching.

Other afflictions may be more painful, but none more annoying than many forms of itching trouble. The quickest and most reliable remedy for itching diseases of any character is Hunt's Cure. One application relieves—one box guaranteed to cure.

### City Council Proceedings.

Tuesday was regular meeting day for the City officials and they met at the usual hour in City hall. Considerable business come before the meeting and a night session was necessary, after holding several hours in the afternoon the council adjourned to meet at Eight o'clock Tuesday night.

The most important item before council was the dog ordinance which passed and the marshal instructed to build a pound.

F. D. Perkins and Associates were granted a franchise for a sewer system.

The tax rate was discussed and the levy made the same as last year

The engineer's salary was raised to \$65. per month and Free house rent, wood and water.

Water Superintendent's salary raised to \$75 and free water.

Secretary's salary raised to \$60 per month and free water.

Joe Spoons, Marshal elected resigned and Jack McKay appointed to serve as marshal temporary, and his salary fixed at \$40 per month and his fees.

Water and Light committee instructed to put the fire alarm at the pump station to call the pumps, in case of fire.

The usual monthly accounts were passed on and ordered paid.

Secretary ordered make necessary improvements in the city office.

Higginbotham Currie Co. were granted permission to put in lumber sheds on 7th street.

The five ordinances referring to iron clad building was repeated.

Alderman Wilmeth and Lankford appointed to buy blocks of land 77 and 79 to be added to the city park.

### Whitewashing Crew.

Road Master Whidden, of the Santa Fe between Brownwood and San Angelo, passed through the city Monday with a force of workmen enroute to San Angelo where they will begin work of whitewashing the cattle crossings, signs and other property of the road along the right-of-way between San Angelo and Brownwood.

J. W. Lawrence of Ballinger and Miss Lilly Teague of San Angelo, were married on the sidewalk at the entrance of the Virginia Cafe, on Thursday afternoon, Justice M. O. Davis officiating.

### Missed His Paper.

Adamsville, Texas, May 1, 1907 The Banner-Leader,

Dear Sir;—What is the trouble we failed to get the Banner for last week and feel disappointed. We are always glad to get your paper as we would a letter from home.

It has been awful dry here this spring. Corn did not come up a good stand in lots of places, and there has been very little cotton planted.

We had a fine rain here Apr., 29 but I think it came too late to save the grain, wheat especially. The land is in fine shape to plant cotton now and lots of seed will be planted as soon as it is dry enough. Please send us another copy of the Apr. 26th No.

Yours Truly  
J. A. Patterson.

## Does Your Heart Beat

Yes. 100,000 times each day. Does it send out good blood or bad blood? You know, for good blood is good health; bad blood, bad health. And you know precisely what to take for bad blood—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Doctors have endorsed it for 60 years.

One frequent cause of bad blood is a sluggish liver. This produces constipation. Poisonous substances are then absorbed into the blood, instead of being removed from the body daily as nature intended. Keep the bowels open with Ayer's Pills, liver pills. All vegetable.

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Coleman, Texas.

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

**BUY LUMBER HERE**

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Sam BAKER, Asst. Cashier.

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By its policy to pay a certain sum when the holder suffers loss.

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

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#### Transfer and Dray Line.

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

WILL APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS.

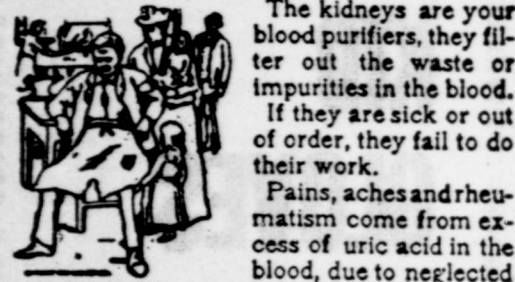
We are requested to announce that there will be preaching at the Millar school house by Rev. Hicks the third Sunday in May.

Miss Leta Dickinson who has been teaching school at Hylton the past season, returned home last Saturday, her school having closed Friday.

### Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

#### Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

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



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 the 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, 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.

Phone 67 for fresh vegetables and they will be delivered at your door.

#### What's the Use?

Aches, Pains, Burns, Cuts, Sprains, and all similar afflictions are always instantly relieved; often entirely cured by an application of that unequalled remedy, Hunt's Lightning Oil. Don't suffer. Don't delay. What's the use?

#### Do You Love

your baby? You wonder why he cries. Buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and he will never cry. Most babies have worms and the mothers don't know it. White's Cream Vermifuge rids the child of worms and cleans out its system in a pleasant way. Every mother should keep a bottle of this medicine in the house. With it, fear need never enter her mind. Price 25c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce

J. R. Harvey, was in from the Norton country Monday, and while here had the Leader sent to his brother at Victoria Texas. He said his brother was figuring on coming to this country and wanted to learn something of the country. Read the Leader is a good way to find out.

It's all right to be a hired man but you ought to be your own boss some day. The way to do it is to save some of your wages and put your savings in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger.

F. Ramsel, the Winters blacksmith was in town Monday, and made the Leader office a pleasant call.

Prentiss Gregg come in from Glasscock county last Saturday to visit relatives and spend a few days enjoying city life.

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

#### MEXICAN SHOT COMPANION

Two Mexican boys about 20 years old were out hunting Thursday evening and just before meeting each other one of the boys shot a polecat. Soon afterwards the other boy arrived and the two began talking of how they would fight, etc. if they were "bad Mexicans". Both boys had single barrel shotguns precisely alike and in some way the gun that had been unloaded at the polecat and the loaded gun of the other boy become mixed up and each boy picked up the others gun. The boy who had shot the cat pointed what he thought to be his gun at his companion and said "this is the way I would do you if you were a desperado." He pulled the trigger and the loaded gun discharged, the load of buck shot taking effect in the boys face, killing him instantly.

Sheriff Sampson and Coroner E. P. Lea of Brady were notified and they came out Friday and held an inquest over the body.

The verdict was that the killing was purely accidental. — McCulloch County Star.

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

#### Cattle Dying in Transit.

Denison, Texas.—A serious situation confronts the Missouri Kansas & Texas railway. Hundreds of cattle are dying in transit to the pastures of the Indian Territory. The scarcity of water and grass in Texas has weakened the cattle and in one train which arrived here, thirty-five head of dead cattle were removed from the train.

The railroad in order to protect itself from excessively large claims for the livestock which die in transit, has stationed agents at all loading and unloading places where transfers are made. The agents make a careful notation of the condition of cattle as they are received. By doing this the company expects to save much when the final day of adjustment arrives, whether in court or not.

The Misses Leak left for their old home up North Monday, where they will spend the summer.

#### The Life Insurance

muddle has started the public to thinking. The wonderful success that has met Ballard's Horehound Syrup, in its crusade on Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and all Pulmonary troubles—has started the public to thinking of this wonderful preparation. They are all using it. Join the procession and down with sickness. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

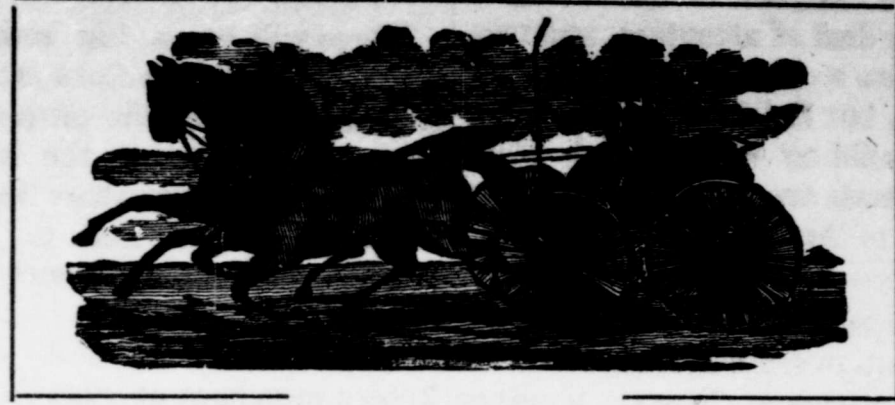
Scott H. Mack, manager of the Higginbotham-Currie Co went to Dublin Monday where he will be joined by managers of the Higginbotham houses from other places, and they will buy furniture for their various houses. A big stock will be purchased for the Ballinger house.

You get the best quality at lowest prices at Schawe's cash grocery Phone. 40.

Dr. W. W. Fowler went to San Antonio last Monday to be present at the graduation of his daughter, Miss Mabel. Dr. Fowler will send his daughter to Tennessee where she will spend the summer with her grandmother and other relatives.

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

John Crawford returned to his home at Smithville last Monday, after a years residence in Ballinger. He was at one time proprietor of the City Meat Market.



### 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.

C. F. Awalt, of the Pumphrey country was here Monday and left on the evening train for Austin on business.

Lawn mowers, the kind that saves your muscle, for sale by VanPelt & Kirk

There is perhaps more feed in this county at this season than ever before. The winter was mild and the stock consumed very little of the feed crop raised last year.

The wedding bells will tap soon and there will be at least two young couples in Ballinger tied together for better or for worse. May the good work keep on. Of course it will until time ceases to beat.

It makes no difference to us whether you believe there is such a place or not, if the Texas legislature is not raising it we would like to know the reason why.—Houston Post.

Now, what's the matter with the Post, that good old Democratic sheet? The good laws the Texas legislature have enacted will counteract all the effects of the place the Post accuses that body of raising.

The Taylor boys can't shake dice for the drinks but just get them a square lump of sugar each and the boy's lump of sugar that has a fly to alight on it first must set 'em up.—Cameron Herald.

A new game we publish for the benefit of the Ballinger sports. Too early for fly time but in a few days this game will no doubt be played by the Ballinger boys.

J. G. Adams, the noted temperance lecturer, was here this week and addressed a large crowd of men on the streets and lectured at the Methodist church Tuesday night. "Well you pros have started the ball to rolling again," remarked a prominent anti to the editor after the street speech. For the benefit of all such thinking Antis, we will say the local prohibitionists were in no wise responsible for Mr. Adams visit to our city. He is temperance worker on his own hook, and makes this town about once every year. He is in a great work, and has the support of the pros wherever he goes. To down the liquor traffic it is necessary to keep the ball rolling all the time and this is where the pros fall down. The whiskey interest don't keep silent and stand with hands off until the election is ordered, but stay in the field all the time and use every means possible to defeat prohibition and put up the cash to foot the bills.

#### INJUNCTION ISSUED

Judge Goodwin this morning issued his first injunction under the new law restraining clubs from storing liquors for illegal sale. There were two writs issued one enjoining G. W. Sexton and the other enjoining Casbeer & Co.

The Goldthwaite people are the first in this part of the state to take steps to do away with clubs under the new law. The law provides that the injunction can be made perpetual, and it is a violation to keep liquors of any kind there for sale.—Brownwood Bulletin.

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

#### 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. tf

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

I. O. Wooden and Ed Glober are taking in the Fire Fighters convention at McKinney this week. Ike went down Monday and Ed Tuesday.

### 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.

#### Do Not Suffer

No use suffering from Itching Piles when one box of Hunt's Cure is absolutely guaranteed to cure any case. One application will convince you of its merits.

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

#### MOTHERS READ THIS



DAUGHTER OF C. W. STUMP Mrs. C. W. Stump of Canton, Ohio writes: "I wish I could induce every mother who has a weak, sickly child to try that delicious cod liver preparation, Vinol. Our little daughter, was pale, thin and sickly. "We tried various medicines, but without any benefit whatever, and she could not take cod liver oil or emulsions, as they nauseated her and upset her stomach. "Learning that Vinol contains all the medicinal and strength-creating properties of cod liver oil, but without the disagreeable oil, we decided to try it, and the results were marvelous, so quickly was she restored to health and strength. "We have never sold a medicine equal to Vinol for delicate children."

The Walker Drug Co.

## 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 restlts.

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.

### 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.

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

Considerable complaint is made about begging on the streets. The matter was carried before the council last night and it was decided that prosecution would follow if the practice was not stopped. One woman in particular has been on the streets most every day for six months and she seems to be making no effort whatever to support herself. The city officials will take beggars in charge in future when they become a nuisance.--Brownwood Bulletin.

We thought all the beggars had been making Ballinger headquarters for the past month or two. They certainly have worked the town for all it is worth, and there is two on the streets here to-day.

Temple, Texas, May 6.—Five young men of Bell county have become entangled in the meshes of the law and will be placed on trial for commission of one of the most serious crimes that could be committed, that of criminal assault upon a girl under 15 years of age. Three of the number have waived examining trial and been released on heavy bonds. Two others are still in jail at Belton, the amount of their bonds not having been fixed. Arrests were made over a week ago, and the matter has been kept as quiet as possible, the name of the alleged victim being suppressed.

S. R. Munsey who lives down the river, a few miles below brought in a sample of his wheat crop Monday, which was very fine, considering the season. Mr. Munsey says he has 28 acres of wheat that has had no rain since October that will make 20 bushels per acre, and if the crop is like the sample he is correct in his statement.

The Old Soldiers have secured a very low rate over the Frisco and Santa Fe roads from Brownwood to the reunion to be held at Jamestown. Tickets will be on sale May 26 or 27th, and the rate will be \$30.05 for the round trip with sleeper rate of \$4.75 for double berth. Quite a number contemplate taking the trip.

The Higginbotham-Currie Co. building will cap the climax in the way of business houses in Ballinger. The old building next to the Crown Saloon formerly occupied by Morehead Bros., racket store has been torn down and the new building will cover three lots, and be three stories high.

The farmers of Runnels county are progressive and are not satisfied to let well enough alone. They made fine cotton crops last year, but are trying to do better this year. Most of them are planting improved cotton seed, and using up-to-date methods in farming.

The first Monday crowd was so large this week, that the occasion was protracted and run over into Tuesday and there was a big crowd in town all day Tuesday, and the horse traders finished up the unfinished business, so to speak.

San Angelo is attracting a great deal of attention, and may become a city of no mean importance, but Ballinger is furnishing the building material. A force of hands are busy now shipping rock to Angelo.

The editor is in receipt of an invitation from the Casino Club at LaGrange, Texas, together with a pass to the Fifth Annual Flower and Industrial Fair to be held in that city May 15 and 16th.

Runnels County farmers are all smiles since the rains, and prospects are very flattering for a successful planting season.

### Strayed

A gray mare, branded D on rt. thigh, A on rt. shoulder, V on jaw. Raised near Ballinger and when last heard from was near Rowena. Will pay \$5 for her return to B. E. Bursleson, Miles Texas. It

J. M. Young was in from Winters country Tuesday and while here received a phone message from home stating that a fine rain fell on his place and he went out of town with a smile playing all over his face. Mr. Young bought some fine cotton seed and the good rain will bring them up. He report that fruits was fine in his section and when he saw the black cloud hanging over that way he was uneasy thinking perhaps a hail storm would strike them but the hail was light and did no damage.

A. J. Hicks retired first of the week from a visit to Houston and other points.

Work is progressing nicely on the improvement of the First National Bank building and that institution will soon be in a new home.

Rev. J. D. Leslie and T. S. Lankford will leave Monday to attend the General Assemblies of their churches, the former going to Birmingham Alabama and the latter to Columbus Ohio Mrs Lankford and the baby will accompany Mr. Lankford.

George Holliday was here first of this week visiting and moving to his new house in Scurry County where he and Walter Gentry have engaged in the hardware business.

Jim Johnson was in from Johnson Valley Monday, mixing with the crowd in town and looking after business.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Midgley were here from Paint Rock yesterday, the former on business while Mrs. Midgley visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Doose are expected in today from a three weeks visit to Marlin and Moody.

L. G. Bills, Arthur Stowe and Dillon Dannelley have purchased the Crown Bottling Works, and are now busy turning out a good lot of first class drinks. This plant was recently put in by a Mr. Latham, who having other business decided to sell out. The present owners are good men, rustlers, and we believe will receive a liberal patronage. The plant is located on Seventh street in the little stone building of A. Schawe.

Mrs. Eddie Mier, Mrs. Malone Mrs. Lugkwitz and little child came down from San Angelo Tuesday on a visit to C. C. Schuward. Mrs. Malone and Mrs. Mier returned yesterday and Mrs. Lugkwitz will visit throughout the week.

Judge C. F. Dickinson went to Austin on business, first of the week. He expects to return via Mineral Wells and spend some time there for the benefit of his health.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Page returned to their home at Abbott.

### A Novel Plan for Railroad.

There will be a big railroad rally at Robert Lee Coke county the 18th inst., for the purpose of taking initial steps in the building of the proposed short line to run from Robt. Lee to Fort Chadbourne to connect with the K C., M. & O.

Austin Spencer, the well known merchant of San Angelo who has always been among the leaders to plan and execute big things for San Angelo, is at the head of the Robert Lee & Fort Chadbourne railroad company, and will make an address at Robert Lee Saturday, May 18th. The novel manner of building the proposed short line is that the subscribers to the bonus will donate time or money or both. The Farmers, give so much labor to wards affording Robert Lee railroad.

The prospects are highly flattering and those at the head of the enterprise say that the R. L. & F. C. R. R. is an absolute certainty and that it will be completed before the Orient goes to Fort Chadbourne. The K. C., M. & O. will have its trains in operation to San Angelo within eight hours from date.

The Robert Lee Observer says that the 18th is to be a memorable day in the history of the town.—San Angelo Standard

Tax Assessor Davis, of Waco was here first of the week on business. He was the guest of Sheriff Kirk while in the city.

Frank Stach, of Buckholtz, Texas, is now proprietor of the Metropolitan hotel, having purchased same from Mr. Harris, first of the week.

D. M. Baker and H. Zdaril went to San Angelo Tuesday where they were initiated into the mysteries of the Elk Lodge. They were accompanied by R. G. Erwin R. E. Risser and Ira L. Hobby, who are already members of the lodge at San Angelo. B. W. Pilcher went to Fort Worth to meet his mother who was enroute from Cisco to Kansas City.

Mrs. G. M. Vaughn returned Tuesday evening from a visit to her sister at San Angelo.

Fresh Berries and Vegetables at all times.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

H. Clay Pierce of oil fame was arrested in St. Louis this week and Texas officers will try to have him brought to Texas to stand trial for perjury in connection with the reinstatement of the Waters Pierce Oil company in Texas.

A runaway occurred near the home of T. J. Carpenter yesterday. Mr. Carpenter's daughter and J. N. McKay's daughter were out driving when the buggy shaft dropped down frightening the horse. The children were considerable bruised up but fortunately not seriously.

We have exclusive sale on White Crest Flour.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

A force of workmen are busy in stalling a new pump at the city pump station which will immune Ballinger from a water famine.

The big rain up at the head waters of Elm put a four foot rise in the creek both city lakes are full and Ballinger has enough water to run for months to come. In fact our supply is inexhaustible.

Mrs. T. E. Butler, and daughter, Miss Nell, are here from Mississippi on a visit to friends. Mrs. Butler says the Doctor has a fine practice and is getting along nicely.

Some of the fisherman brought in nice strings of fish this week, the little rise in the river making things live in the fish World.

Eat that good wholesome New England Bread at Schawe's Cash Grocery. Bread wagon leaves store every afternoon.

## Lying Down and Waking Up.

It is a pleasant thing, when you lie down at night to reflect that you have something laid up. It is refreshing, when you wake up in the morning to remember that you have a balance in bank.

Those who have nothing in the Bank and no money laid aside are apt to have unpleasant thoughts of the future both when they go to bed at night and when they wake up in the Morning.

A bank account is a good machine to insure good sleep and pleasant, refreshing awakenings. We invite you to open a bank account. It will cost you nothing to do so. We will keep your money safely and we will help you to make the most of your money.

Hundreds of people around Ballinger are sleeping better and getting up in the morning with greater hopes because they have become depositors in this bank

## The Citizens National Bank.

Capital and Surplus \$115,000

### Farmer's Union Organized.

M. G. Caperton, county organizer for the Farmers Union, was here Monday and went out to the Nichols School house where he organized a union Tuesday night with eighteen members, and started them off with an enthusiastic set of officers.

B. B. Andrews was elected president, T. J. Riddle, vice-president; R. K. Russell, secretary; T. A. Duke, chaplain; W. J. Davis, lecturer; W. V. Harris, door keeper; W. S. Candler.

The Farmers' Union is growing stronger in this county, and Mr. Caperton reports some good work.

Miss Lola Brown was appointed to fill the vacancy made in the school by the resignation of Miss Meadows. Miss Meadows had been out of school for some time on account of the measles, and had not fully recovered and did not feel able to finish out the term. She left for her home on Monday's train. Miss Brown taught a successful term at Be-

noit and closed her school there last Friday week, and will no doubt make a good teacher in the Ballinger school.

Mrs. J. O. Tillery returned from a visit to friends at San Angelo, Wednesday evening.

Miss Jennie Bennett was sick first of the week and not able to be in her room at school. Her place was filled by her sister, Miss Emma.

We still want all the country products you can bring us such as eggs chickens and butter.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

You can't catch fish without a good lunch, be sure and see Dornberger & Hopkinson window display before you start on your outing. It

Turner Moore made a business trip to Brownwood Wednesday.

Miss Zadie Royalty went to Stamford Wednesday to attend the meeting of the Womans Home Mission Society of the Methodist church.

Reboiled ribbon cane syrup at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

## LONG KID GLOVES at

Higginbotham - Currie Company.

Ed. Powell, brother of Felix Powell who was recently hanged at Edna, and a ten year convict for criminal assault, recently escaped from his guards and is still at large.

Country Berries, Vegetables and Fruit sold by J. B. Alvis & Bro.

If you want to get in on the ground floor of some of that Houghton & Robinson Ranch Land, which we have just finished 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.

**Citation by Publication**

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

You are hereby Commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Mathias Diecop, deceased by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the Thirty-fifth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said Thirty-fifth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the 5th Monday in September, A. D. 1907, the same being the 30th day of September A. D. 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of April A. D. 1907 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 858, wherein C. A. Dooze is Plaintiff, and the unknown heirs of Mathias Diecop, deceased are Defendants, and said petition alleging The State of Texas, } In the District County of Runnels } Court, October Term 1907.

To the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, Texas:

C. A. Dooze, who resides in the County and State aforesaid, hereinafter styled Plaintiff, complaining of the unknown heirs of Mathias Diecop, deceased, whose names and place of residence are unknown to plaintiff, represents; That heretofore, to wit, on or about the first day of April, 1907, Plaintiff was then and is now lawfully seized and possessed, holding the same by fee simple title, as hereinafter shown, the following described tract of land, to-wit:—Four Hundred and Ninety Nine acres originally granted to Mathias Diecop, and known as Survey No. 626, Certificate No. 205, Abstract No. 122, patented to heirs of the said Mathias Diecop, deceased, by Patent No. 500, situated in Runnels and Coke counties, State of Texas:

That plaintiff has been so seized and possessed of said land under General Warranty Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Records of said Runnels and Coke Counties, Texas, and paying all taxes due upon said land up to the date of the filing of this suit, and that he, and those under whom he claims, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said tract of land, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for the period of more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that plaintiff's said title to said land has long since been perfected by the five years statutes of limitation herein pleaded and asserted.

Plaintiff further alleges that he has been in the actual, peaceable, and adverse possession of said tract of land, having the same inclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for the period of more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that plaintiff's said title to said land has long since been perfected by the ten years statutes of limitation herein pleaded and asserted.

That on or about the date last aforesaid while plaintiff was so lawfully seized and possessed of said land, holding the same under the titles hereinbefore pleaded and asserted, the said defendants the Unknown Heirs of the said Mathias Diecop, deceased, asserted and are now asserting some pretended claim of title in and to said land, the exact nature of which is unknown to plaintiff, which has cast a cloud upon plaintiff's title to said land and disturbed his peaceable possession thereto, to his great damage:

Therefore, promises considered, plaintiff prays that defendants be cited by publication, in manner and form as required by law in such case made and provided, to answer herein and that on final hearing hereof he have judgment against said defendants for the recovery of the title to said land and that said cloud so cast thereon be removed, and that he be quieted in his possession thereto, and for all costs in this behalf expended and for general relief.

John I. Guion & M. C. Smith  
Attorneys for plaintiff.

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

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

Given Under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this 10th day of April A. D. 1907.  
R. A. Terry, Clerk.  
(Seal)  
Dist. Court, Runnels County.

**Citation by Publication.**

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

You are hereby Commanded to summons T. Fairweather by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the thirty fifth Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said thirty fifth Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the 5th Monday in September, A. D. 1907, the same being the 29th day of September, A. D. 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court No. 870, wherein Hall Hardware Company, a private corporation is Plaintiff and T. Fairweather is Defendant and said petition alleging: The State of Texas } In Hon. District County of Runnels } Court, October Term A. D. 1907  
To Hon. John W. Goodwin, Judge of said Court:

Your petitioner, The Hall Hardware Company, hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of T. Fairweather, hereinafter styled defendant, respectfully represents: That Plaintiff is a Private Corporation, chartered by the State of Texas, having its principal office and place of business in the town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas, and that Tom Ward, is the President of said Company, and that the place of residence of the defendant T. Fairweather, is unknown.

For cause of action Plaintiff says: That heretofore, to-wit: On the 29th day of June 1886, The Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company, a Private Corporation chartered by the State of Texas, was the owner in fee simple of the lots of land hereinafter described; That on said 29th of June 1886, the said Rail Road Company by and through its proper officers executed and delivered its deed of conveyance to the defendant T. Fairweather, in consideration of a payment in cash by said T. Fairweather, and the execution and delivery to plaintiff by said defendant of his two certain promissory notes dated June 29th 1886, each for the sum of One Hundred and Seventy Dollars, and due respectively one and two years after date with interest from date at the rate of eight per cent per annum, and in each of which and in said deed of conveyance, a vendors lien was retained by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company upon the lands hereinafter described to secure the payment thereof, conveying to the defendant T. Fairweather, lots numbers thirteen, fourteen and fifteen in block number eighteen in the Town of Ballinger, Runnels County, Texas.

That on the 8th day of February 1905 the said Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company, by a deed duly executed by the proper officers of said company, sold, conveyed, assigned and transferred to the Hall Hardware Company, plaintiff herein, the said Vendors Lien in said deed and notes retained on said lots, together with all and singular all the other rights, title and interest in and to the above described lots numbers 13, 14 and 15 in block number 18 in Ballinger, Texas, that the said rail road Company had in and to same under and by virtue of the promises aforesaid and its prior ownership of same. That said notes are long past due, and though often requested the said T. Fairweather, has wholly failed and refused to pay the same or any part thereof, and plaintiff being the legal and equitable owner and holder thereof and of said lots, has and does hereby elect to rescind the contract of sale so made to said T. Fairweather by said Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company. Promises considered, Plaintiff prays that the defendant, T. Fairweather, be duly cited in manner and form as required by law in such case made and provided, and that on final hearing plaintiff have judgement canceling said deed of conveyance so executed by said Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company to the defendant T. Fairweather, and for a decree divesting the title out of said T. Fairweather, and vesting the same in Plaintiff, for damages and costs of suit and for such other relief both in law and equity as he may be entitled to.

Defendant is hereby notified to produce on the trial of this cause, said deed as executed by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road Company to him the said T. Fairweather, otherwise secondary evidence will be introduced on the trial of this cause, of the contents thereof.

JNO. I. GUION,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

The State of Texas } This day personal-  
County of Runnels } ly appeared before  
the undersigned  
authority John I. Guion, who first being  
by me duly sworn, under oath says:—  
That he is the Attorney of record for  
the Hall Hardware Company, the plaintiff  
in the foregoing petition, and that  
the place of residence of the defendant  
T. Fairweather, is unknown to affiant.  
JNO. I. GUION.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me  
this 16th day of April A. D. 1907.  
R. A. TERRY,  
Clerk, District Court, Runnels County,  
Texas.

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

Witness, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Runnels County.  
Given Under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, this 17th day of April A. D. 1907.  
R. A. TERRY, Clerk.  
District Court, Runnels County.

**NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM**  
By William Pitt



Improve the favorable opportunities now for work.

Every farmer can and should breed draft horses in a small way.

Dirt more than anything else is the cause of poor butter.

Clean up at least one more old field this year.

Taxes on unused land don't pay. Make your land work for you.

Hatching mites and lice and laying eggs do not go together.

Of all men, the farmer can least afford to put off until to-morrow what should be done to-day.

A new insect—the apple leaf miner—is reported to be getting in its evil work in some parts of the country.

The growing of fence posts is a promising industry being developed in Iowa.

The young, immature sire at the head of the dairy herd will never build up a profitable herd.

The farmers who don't believe in book learning are growing less each year, and will begin to feel kind of lonesome after awhile.

Give the old horses ground feed. A horse with worn out teeth cannot keep in good condition on hard, whole grain.

Well-developed, healthy turkey hens of two or three years of age make the best breeders.

Handle the young horse with the utmost care when breaking. All loud talking and abuse should be avoided.

Will the predigested food fad extend to the farmer at last so that he will eventually be feeding predigested hay and grain to his stock?

It doesn't pay to raise the scrub horse which nobody wants, but coaches and draft animals of good stock are always in demand at good prices.

At the last meeting of the Wisconsin buttermakers' convention a resolution was adopted declaring that the minimum of fat in butter should be placed at 82 1/2 per cent.

It takes very little more feed to obtain the large yield from the good cow than the small yield from the poor cow.

The agricultural department is about to undertake the task of ascertaining the cost of growing farm products throughout the country.

The keynote to the situation of the wornout farm is live stock, more live stock, most live stock, which can be maintained upon the place.

That cellar needs attention. Under the accumulation of dirt which has fallen from the stored vegetables there is generally decaying matter that should be at once cleared out.

The average size of the American farm is about 147 acres. Too large, some say. Others declare it is too small. It means a farm for about every 14 people in the United States.

You may sow dodder and plantain with your clover and alfalfa seed, if you do not clean it carefully. The bureau of plant industry at Washington stands ready to examine samples of seed to prove its purity and germinating qualities.

Feeding corn in excess should be avoided in fattening sheep for market, as too large a proportion of fat lessens the market value. The butcher does not want tallow, but meat. A much better fattening diet will consist of oats, bran, oil-cake, etc.

Oats, wheat, rye, barley, or other grain intended for seeding should be run through the fanning mill. Secure the cleanest, heaviest seeds possible for planting, as the increased stand and yield will more than repay you for your trouble.

Here are the different principles which tend to permanent soil improvement as outlined by Prof. Cyril G. Hopkins, of the University of Illinois agricultural department: Thorough underdrainage wherever needed. Applications of ground natural limestone wherever necessary to correct and prevent soil acidity. Continued use of large quantities of fine rock phosphate, or some other form of phosphorus in connection with decaying organic matter. The liberal use of

**If You Don't**  
succeed the first time use Herbine and you will get instant relief. The greatest liver regulator. A positive cure for Constipation. Dyspepsia, Malaria, Chills and all liver complaints. Mr. C. of Emory Texas, writes "My wife has been using Herbine for herself and children for five years. It is a sure cure for constipation and malaria fever, which is substantiated by what it has done for my family."  
Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

A liberal reward will be paid for the return to the Leader office of a gold cuff button with chain link. The button is made from an English coin or sovereign with the profile of King Edward on one side. Finder please return.  
Cash one price only at The Globe Dept. Store.

Mrs. Asa Cordill, Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer and Mrs. John Kipp are expected in to-day from a visit to their sister, Mrs. Scoggins, at Denton.

**Stop Grumbling**  
if you suffer from Rheumatism or pains, for Ballard's Snow Liniment will bring quick relief. It is a sure cure for Sprains, Rheumatism, Contracted Muscles and all pains—and within the reach of all. Price 25c, 50c, \$1.00. C. R. Smith, Tenaha, Tex. writes: I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment in my family for years and have found it a fine remedy for all pains and aches. I recommend it for pains in the chest."  
Sold by J. Y. Pearce

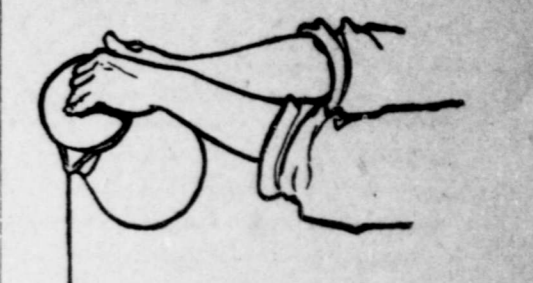
Go and get yourself one of those bargain suits before they are picked over at The Globe.

For your special cake orders phone Schawe's Cash Grocery prices reasonable. Phone 40.

One Million Eggs wanted by M. D. Chastain.

**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.

**"IT'S ARBUCKLES YOU BET"**



Yes, and "you bet it's good."  
Most boys from the country who make their mark in the world are brought up on Arbuckles' ARIOSA Coffee. Don't let anybody switch you to drinking something else, which may ruin your stomach and nerves!  
Complies with all requirements of the National Pure Food Law, Guarantee No. 2041, filed at Washington.

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California this year is just as alluring as ever with her Resort Hotels, Ocean Beaches, Old Missions, Orange Groves and air redolent with the perfume of roses and lilies. The stopovers en route and Harvey meals make your journey hence a vacation in itself.

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**IF YOU TOUCH your tongue to ALUM**

and look in the glass—you will see the effect—You can't help puckering—it makes you pucker to think of tasting it.

By the use of so called cheap Baking Powders you take this puckering, injurious Alum right into your system—you injure digestion and ruin your stomach.

**AVOID ALUM**  
Say plainly—  
**ROYAL BAKING POWDER**

Royal is made from pure, refined Grape Cream of Tartar—Costs more than Alum but you have the profit of quality, the profit of good health.

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Levy of a Road Tax.

Joint Resolution amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 9a, increasing the amount of tax that may be voted for the purpose of improving public roads, and to allow counties or political subdivisions of counties by a majority vote of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county, or subdivision thereof, voting at all elections, to be held for that purpose, to adopt same.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Section 9a, which shall read as follows:

Section 9a. A majority of the property tax paying voters in any county or one or more political subdivisions thereof, in this State, voting at an election held for that purpose may vote a tax for road and bridge purposes not to exceed 30 cents on the \$100 valuation of property subject to taxation in such county or political subdivision of such county, or may issue bonds not to exceed 20 per cent of the assessed value of the real property in such district, for such road and bridge purposes, provided that such tax, or proceeds of such bonds, shall be expended in the territory in which it is voted, and no other, and this provision of the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election held in this State, or in case any previous election shall be had in the State for other purposes, then this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified tax paying voters. And the sum of \$2000, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the treasury of the State of Texas for the purpose of submitting this proposition to a vote of the people of the State of Texas.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.  
(A true copy)

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing for the Establishment of a Home for Confederate Widows.

Joint Resolution to amend Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended in 1903, so as to authorize the grant of aid in the establishment and maintenance of a home for the disabled and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and such women as aided the Confederacy, and make an appropriation.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas as amended in 1903, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Article 3. Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over sixty years of age or whose disability is the proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances who have never remarried and who have been bona fide residents of the State of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers anterior to March 1, 1880; provided said aid shall not exceed eight dollars per month, and provided further, that no appropriations shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of five hundred thousand dollars for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy, under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law; provided the grant to aid said home shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for any one year, and no inmate of said home shall be entitled to any other aid from the State; the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together in the home; and provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas on the first Tuesday in August, 1907.

The sum of \$5000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.  
(A true copy)

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Establishment of a State Printing Plant

Joint Resolution authorizing the submission to a vote of the people of the State of Texas of a proposed amendment of Section 21, Article XVI, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to printing, publishing, stationery, paper and fuel, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 21. All printing and publishing, and all stationery, paper and fuel for the various departments, and for all offices, whether created by this Constitution or by law, shall be done and supplied as may be provided by law, and for the accomplishment of these objects and purposes the Legislature may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies, invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of two thousand (\$2000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.  
(A true copy)

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Creating the Office of Commissioner of Agriculture

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article four (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 27, providing for a Department of Agriculture, with a bureau of labor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article four (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding thereto Section 27, when a majority of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of Texas at an election for that purpose shall vote in favor of the amendment, shall read as follows:

Section 27. The Legislature shall provide for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, who shall be either elected by the qualified voters of the State, or appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the Senate, as the Legislature may provide; whose term of office, duties and salary shall be prescribed by law; in which department there shall be established by the Legislature, a bureau of labor, when required by the public interest.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue and have published the necessary proclamation for the submission of this resolution to the qualified voters for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas, as an amendment to the Constitution of Texas, to be voted upon on the first Tuesday in August, 1907. All persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: "For the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: Against the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And the sum of (\$2000) two thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay expenses of such publications, proclamation and election.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.  
(A true copy)

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Fixing the Salary of Members of the Legislature.

An Act to amend Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the compensation of members of the Legislature.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter

read as follows:

Section 24. The members of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time be provided by law, not to exceed one thousand dollars for each year in which a biennial session of the Legislature is held under the provisions of this Constitution, and five dollars for each day of any Special Session held during the subsequent year, and in addition thereto, they shall receive mileage in going to and returning from the State Capitol, not to exceed three cents per mile; the distance to be computed by the nearest railroad route, and the Comptroller shall prepare and preserve a table of distances for each county seat now or hereafter to be established, and by such table the mileage of each member shall be paid; no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of a Regular or Called Session.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words: "For the amendment to Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution relating to the salary of the members of the Legislature," and all those opposed, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words, "Against the amendment to Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution, relating to the salary of the members of the Legislature."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of the State, and the sum of \$1000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.  
(A true copy)

### Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing for the Creation of Improvement Districts in Certain Cities.

Joint Resolution amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the creation of improvement districts in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants, and charging the cost of certain improvements made therein against the abutting property.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceeding fifteen cents for roads and bridges, and not exceeding fifteen cents to pay jurors, on the hundred dollars valuation, except for payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment September 25 A. D. 1883, and for the creation of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, in any one year, and except as is in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of the public roads; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of the public roads and highways, without the local notice required for special or local laws.

In addition to the foregoing, cities of more than five thousand inhabitants may lay out within their corporate limits, improvement districts in which they, by and with the consent of a majority of the taxpayers owning real estate therein, may build sidewalks and charge the cost thereof against the abutting property, and may build sewers and pave streets and charge one-third of the cost thereof against the abutting property on either side of the streets upon which such improvements are made in such district, and the amount charged against all such abutting property, shall be deemed and held to be a tax against and a lien upon such abutting property, and the Legislature is required, to enact laws prescribing the means for ascertaining the amount properly chargeable against each parcel of abutting property, and providing for the enforcement of its collection.

Sec. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified voters

of the State of Texas on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots: "For the amendment to Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution, permitting property owners in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to create improvement districts, one-third the cost of which to be charged against abutting property on either side of the street." And the voters opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: "Against the amendment to Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution permitting property owners in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to create improvement districts, one-third the cost of which to be charged against abutting property on either side of the street."

Sec. 3. The lateness in the session, the crowded condition of the calendars of both houses, and the importance of this proposed amendment, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding that the constitutional rule, and Senate Rule No. 37, requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the same are hereby suspended.

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State  
(A true copy)

# Combination Offer For 1907

For 1906 were able to offer the following combination to the people of Runnels county and vicinity: The Banner-Leader, regular price \$1.00 per year; the Twice-a-Week Dallas News, Houston Post, Fort Worth Record or Bryan's Commoner, the regular subscription price for each is \$1.00 per year.

The American Home Journal, published in Dallas, the best Southern Magazine published. Regular price \$1.00 per year. To subscribe for each of these would cost you \$3.00, we will give for 1906 the Banner-Leader, the American Home Journal and either the Dallas News, Houston Post, Fort Worth Record or Bryan's Commoner for \$2.00.

If you would keep posted you need these three, the Semi-Weekly to keep you informed on all National and State Questions, the American Home Journal for good stories for the children and the Banner-Leader for all the local news. Old subscribers who pay up-to-date and one year in advance are entitled to this offer.

## Banner Leader.

which will fill up the pores of the wood and prevent the escape of odors into the cream.

Are you careless about the way in which the manure is handled upon your farm? These facts ascertained by experiment by the Cornell University ought to arrest your attention and make you consider your wasteful methods. Four thousand pounds of ordinary manure from the horse stables, worth \$2.74 per ton for the plant food it contained, were exposed in a pile out of doors from April 25 to September 22 (less than five months), but at the end of that time the total weight had decreased to 1,730 pounds, and that was worth only \$2.34 per ton. In other words, the value of this pile of manure was reduced from \$5.48 to \$2.03 during five months' exposure. In another experiment, manure exposed for six months lost 56 per cent. of its dry matter and 43 per cent. of its plant food value. In this case the fresh manure was worth \$2.27 a ton, while the rotted manure was worth \$3.01 a ton, but the loss in total weight and in plant food was such that for each ton originally worth \$2.27 there remaining only \$1.30 worth after six months' exposure.

The new 200-acre dairy farm of the Iowa State Agricultural college at Ames, is to be under the management of Mr. Frank White, a successful dairy farmer of Fonda, Iowa.

The manure pile is the farmer's bank. The funds properly applied return handsome rates of interest. More than three per cent. you may be sure.

Are you about to build a dairy house? The dairy division of the bureau of animal industry will suggest specifications for dairy houses and ice houses to any one who makes application.

Fresh poultry manure containing 48 per cent. of water is worth perhaps \$4.25 per ton, while the dried manure, containing less than seven per cent. of water, is worth nearly double.

You know how it was last year. You missed that favorable day for the work you had in hand, and it delayed and bothered you for weeks. Don't put it off.

While beet pulp has no great value as a nutrient, it has given general satisfaction as a ration for the milk cow because of its palatability. Unless in excessive quantities it will not taint

The only way pumpkins can be fed to hogs with profit is as a relish and corrective when animals are feeding heavily on corn. Pumpkins in large proportions are a washy ration and enough cannot be eaten to give the nutriment necessary for support, let alone gain upon young hogs.

The boy with gumption will get the benefit of some agricultural course, be it by correspondence, or by the purchase and study of the best books on agriculture. To remain ignorant in this day of progressive, scientific farming is worse than folly, it is a sin.

The Indiana legislature has before it an agricultural school bill whose purpose is to establish courses of study which shall "direct the attention of the boys and the girls of the state to the importance of farming and farm home-making, and for the best preparation for this very important industry." Why not such a course in every state?

### CONSTIPATION

is no respecter of age, and it is just as common a condition among children as it is with their parents.

The condition is far more likely to reach an acute stage, develop seriously with the little folks, because of the difficulty in detecting it.

Many a child has died from constipation, or illness arising from it, when it might have been saved by the timely use of

### Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

This is the greatest remedy known for correcting constipated conditions.

Don't wait until your child is affected, but administer a dose of the medicine occasionally.

You will notice a perceptible change for the better, a healthy color and a livelier disposition.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a good thing to have in the house, because it is good for the whole family.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can be obtained in both dollar and half-dollar sizes from all druggists.

Your money will be refunded if it does not benefit you.

Your postal card request will bring by return mail our new booklet, "DR. CALDWELL'S BOOK OF WONDERS" and free sample to those who have never tried this wonderful remedy. Mothers write today.

PEPSIN SYRUP CO.  
Menticello, Illinois

## DR. PRICE'S 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

"Wall, now, what I can't teach that boy about farming," remarked the old farmer, "ain't worth his while bothering about. Why, ha'n't I been farming fo' the last fo'ty years, and I have made it pay, too. I got along without all this experimentin' and figurin' and the'rizin', and I guess he kin do th' same. The old farm is the best skule fer him. He's been to the destrict skule and that's enuf." Thank goodness, this class of farmer is growing beautifully less.

If the churn is used daily it should be cleaned at least once a week with sal soda or the clear liquid from slacked lime, to remove the grease which always soaks into the wood, even though very hot water is used on the churn. After cleansing use two hot water washings, and do not rinse with cold water. Before using the churn rinse with cold water.

### Two Home Rabbits.

The farmers were blessed with a fine rain Tuesday. Guess they will be contented now as several were preparing to leave. There was a hail storm at the school house and north of there.

Misses Rosa and Lola Watson spent Tuesday night with Misses Mary and Josie Ingle.

Mrs. Randolph spent Monday evening with Mrs. Alexander.

I. F. Watson and family spent Sunday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Croosly Reese.

Some of the young people of this place went fishing Saturday having good luck.

Guy Henson is spending this week with Floyd Turpin.

Misses Mary and Josie Ingle and Messrs Ed Jones, Charlie Odell and Price Greenville spent Sunday evening with Miss Lizzie Cassie at Ballinger.

Some of the young people enjoyed a storm party last Saturday night, failed to learn whose house it was at.

Sidney Webb spent Saturday and Sunday with Floyd Turpin.

Miss Lillie Talbert spent Sunday eve with Mrs. Alexander.

Mrs. Mathews spent Sunday with Miss Kirkpatrick.

Miss Vesta Loose spent Sunday with Miss Iola Dodd.

Am glad to report little Herbert Nowell and Clarence Dodd able to sit up.

Rose Bud.

A big strike of the street car men is on in San Francisco. A pitched battle between the strikers and police took place last Tuesday in which eight men got shot. Verily, Frisco has plenty of trouble coming to her from strikes, boddlers and earthquakes.

Alex Chisholm, the defaulting Teller of a Birmingham bank was recently sentenced to serve six years in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga. Chisholm lost the bank's money speculating in cotton.

At Palestine, on last Monday Johnnie Nolsmithe aged 5 years accidentally shot his brother aged 3 years. The children were playing with a target gun.

Several severe storms took place this week in North Texas. Two towns Berthwright and Antioch were wiped out of existence. Four lives were lost and much property lost.

We want 100 Bushels of Red Cane seed.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Mrs. Griffin, of Itasca, is the guest of Mrs. Dr. J. G. Douglass.

The Jack Douglas old house, which has stood for many years on the hill was moved to West End this week. Mrs. Emma Nash bought the lots and will build a nice residence on them.

Mrs. M. C. Cobb, returned home, last Sunday after a visit to relatives at San Angelo.

### County Court.

County Court convened on time Monday morning and the criminal docket dispensed with. The first case was the State of Texas vs Virgie Goss, charged with selling beer without license. The jury acquitted in this case.

A young man was tried for stealing a kodak from the Walker Drug Co. The jury assessed the penalty at \$1. fine and one hour in jail.

The civil docket was taken up Wednesday and several cases disposed of.

Phone 27 for estimates on job work.

### Eighth Street Presbyterian Church.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Pastor Fender. In connection with the morning service he will preach a five minute sermon to the children on "The First Baby." This will be the first of a series of eight sermons on "Bible Children." The others will be as follows and on the days indicated.

May 19 The Adopted Child. May 26. The Prophet Child. June, 2 The Brave Boy. June, 9 The Missionary Maiden. June, 16 The Temperance Boy. June, 23 The Bible Student Child. June, 30 The Saviour Child.

At night the subject will be Mary, The Mother of Christ. This will be the last of the series on Bible Women and 20th Century Women. All are invited to attend these services.

J. M. Mills was in from the Winters country on business yesterday.

If it come from the Leader job plant it is a good piece of printing. We appreciate your patronage and guarantee to treat you right.

Did you ever try any canned goods under the Casino Brand, they are fine, sold by J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Fincks and Carhartts overalls at The Globe.

### Mystic Weavers.

The Mystic Weavers were entertained last Friday afternoon at the pleasant home of Mrs. J. O. Grundy and it was indeed a delightful gathering of this popular social organization.

So much pleasure had been anticipated that the entire membership was present and several invited friends, and the occasion was one replete with joy and delight to those participating.

After the usual two hours spent in pleasant conversation and needle work, the hostess regaled her guests with a delicious and appetizing luncheon. Misses Ida Royalty and Myra Penn assisted in the serving.

No meeting of the Mystic Weavers has been more thoroughly enjoyed than this one, and each guest on bidding Mrs. Grundy good afternoon were lavish in their praise of her hospitality.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. H. Zdaril.

Golden Gate Coffee at J. B. Alvis & Bro.

We are handling T. A. Knight Berry Crop. Put in your orders for what you want to put up.

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

### Official Statement of the Financial Condition No. 14.

Of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Company at Ballinger State of Texas, at the close of business on the 2nd day of May 1907.

#### RESOURCES.

Loans undoubtedly good on collateral security.....	\$76,463.28
Loans undoubtedly good on real estate security.....	81,817.99
Other negotiable and non-negotiable paper and investment securities at present cash market value.....	000.00
Overdrafts by solvent customers.....	9,299.0
Bonds and stock at present cash market value.....	000.00
Real estate (Company's office building) at present cash market value.....	17,113.60
Other real estate at its present cash market value.....	000.00
Furniture and fixtures.....	4,589.35
Safety deposit vaults.....	200.00
Due from other Trust Companies and banks, good on sight draft.....	71,020.91
Checks and other cash items.....	645.43
Cash on hand (currency, gold, silver and other coin).....	25,381.16
All other resources.....	000.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$286,530.73</b>

#### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$60,000.00
Surplus.....	2,500.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid.....	2,034.09
Deposits subject to draft at sight by trust companies, banks and bankers.....	1,471.68
Deposits subject to draft at sight by individuals and others, including demand certificates of deposit.....	201,334.21
Time certificates of deposit.....	19,190.75
Savings deposits.....	000.00
Debentures and real estate mortgage bonds.....	000.00
All other liabilities.....	000.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$286,530.73</b>

State of Texas }  
County of Runnels } ss.

We Chas. S. Miller, President and E. D. Walker, Cashier of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Chas. S. Miller, President  
E. D. Walker, Cashier.

We G. M. Vaughn, C. O. Harris and C. S. Bowdon directors (stockholders) of the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co, do solemnly swear that we have made thorough personal examination of the books, papers, property and affairs of said corporation and that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

G. M. Vaughn } Directors  
C. O. Harris } (Stockholders)  
C. S. Bowdon }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of May nineteen hundred and seven. Witness my hand and notarial seal, the date last aforesaid.  
(seal) C. P. Shepherd Notary Public, Runnels Co. Texas.

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

Eggs wanted—will buy all you and bring M. D. Chastain.

Mrs. A. S. Love left yesterday for Temple where she will be joined by Dr. Love and they will visit Dr. Love's people in Williamson county. Dr. Love has been attending the State Medical Association at Mineral Wells.

Dr. T. A. Rape is attending the State Medical Association at Mineral Wells this week. We received a card from him yesterday and he stated that that country had been pretty dry, but received a big rain the day he mailed his card. He also reported a very successful meeting of the M. D's. and a pleasant time.

J. M. Ward and little boy left yesterday for their home at Gonzales. It will be remembered that Mr. Ward came here with his wife for the benefit of her health, but the trip failed to benefit her and she died a few days after reaching here.

### John Guion and Miss Ida Royalty Wed.

Last Saturday night at nine o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Royalty in West End, in the presence of a few relatives and friends, Miss Ida Royalty and Mr. John I. Guion, Jr. were happily united in marriage, pastor of the Methodist church officiating.

The contracting parties grew from childhood in Ballinger, and have many friends who wish for them all the happiness that married life can give. They will continue to make their home in Ballinger, Mr. Guion being in the employ of Higginbotham-Currie Co.

### To Austin For Treatment.

Houston, Tex. April 29.—Six boys, the children of a resident of Westmoreland, have gone to Austin for treatment at pasteur Institute. The youngsters were bitten by a mad dog last week, but it was not until a few days ago that serious development caused their removal to the hospital for treatment.

### Returns to England.

Mrs. Jim Wilson and little daughter who have been here on an extended visit to Mrs. Wilson's mother, Mrs. McGregor, and other relatives, will leave Monday for Galveston where they will start on their journey returning to their home in England. Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGregor will accompany them as far as Galveston and spend a few days in that city. Mrs. Wilson's many friends as well as the relatives will regret to see her leave, the more so because the distance prevents her from visiting here very often.

Since writing the above we learn that Mrs. Wilson has changed her plans and will go via St. Louis and New York on account of the bad connections to be encountered in sailing from Galveston. We also learn that Miss Mary Lee Thompson will spend some time across the waters visiting. Miss Thompson is in Austin and will join Mrs. Wilson at Dallas Tuesday morning.

### Children Show

The Majestic will put on a show for the school children Saturday at four o'clock. A special program will be put on and the admission has been reduced to 5c. Dont miss it.

### Buggy Seat Lost

A black leather buggy seat lost between Ballinger and Benoit about three weeks ago. Finder will confer favor by returning it to Leader office or J. M. Whitaker.

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

### Wood Sisters Coming

The Wood Sisters Big Co. which comes to Ballinger Opera House Monday for three nights is one of the best that has visited our city this season and patron of the house will be well pleased with this the closing attraction. The well known and universe popular Jack C. Taylor is with the company which is sufficient recommendation to those who have seen his work. The management of the opera house announces that they guarantee the attraction to be satisfactory in every respect.

J. W. Bone was here from Bronte last Sunday visiting friends.

J. W. Murray was in from his place near Winters this week and made the Leader a pleasant call. Mr. Murry was among the fortunate and got a fine rain on his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hardin went to Minerals Wells last Sunday where they will spend 6 months for the benefit of Joe's health.

R. A. Terry has completed a residence on the hill near the stand pipe and will move in a few day. Mr Terry sold the place to J. L. Patterson and has rented it until he can build another.

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**True Conditions in Brownwood.**

Our anti-prohibition friends are making fun of the moral condition of our sister city Brownwood, because there is more or less crime there and violation of the local option law, and say it would not be so if the town had saloons instead of the club. They don't seem to realize who it is that is violating the law. It is the men who were formerly in the saloon business, and the whiskey traffic that is doing every thing possible and going as far as the ropes will let them to make prohibition look obnoxious to the people. It is not the good people of the town, either pros or antis that are responsible for the rotten condition of the town, but it is that class with whom you throw yourself and influence when you vote the anti ticket. Be it said to the credit of the courts of Brownwood six or eight of the local option violators were convicted recently in that town and a fine of \$100 and cost with a sixty day jail sentence pinned on given the violators and another check rein that has put the club men to thinking is the Club tax law which will go into effect soon.—Ballinger Banner Leader.

Our neighbors need not be unduly exercised about Brownwood. At the rate which our courts are now grinding out fines and jail imprisonments it will not be long before the few tough characters who have been endeavoring to make this town a stench in the nostrils of decent people will be willing to leave for greener pastures. There are perhaps fifteen or twenty objectionable citizens here who have been guilty of nine-tenths of all the offenses against laws of very character. They are the kind who believe prohibition will not prohibit them from doing whatever they like to do, whether it is selling liquor illegally, gambling, or disturbing the peace, or relieving a man of his money occasionally if he falls in their way. They are absolutely without any sympathy of decent people

and have made good pros of nearly all the antis who were here. No respectable man wants to be caught running with such a crowd, and the people who believe in law enforcement do not patronize them and thus enable them to continue in their objectionable practices. Only a lawless element will induce others to violate laws, and this makes it somewhat difficult to catch up with such offenders, for the man who will get another to violate a law for him is usually willing to swear any way to protect him, but enough men with some regard for their oaths are found, who do not feel that they owe them any protection, to impose penalties that will soon bring the business to a termination. It may take a few more months yet to accomplish it, but it will certainly be done. There is no town with more good, law-abiding, law observing citizens than Brownwood—Brownwood Bulletin.

About two dozen Paint Rockers attended the picnic at the mouth of Horse creek last Saturday and report a delightfully cool time. They had a nice dinner, and after dinner a game of baseball was played by the Paint Rock Frogs and the Millersview "Blue Jackeais," resulting in a score of 7 to 1 in favor of the Frogs. At night the young people danced on a platform constructed for the purpose. The platform was rather rough and we understand that one fellow from down about Salt Gap lost a toe-nail. However, the old settlers contemplate having the picnic over at a later date, or in other words when all danger of winter is over.—Concho Herald.

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**How Mr. Byrd's Letter is Read in Other Sections.**

The Brownwood Bulletin the paper that stands for truth and the good of its town replies to Mr. Byrd's letter and says some truthful things about Runnels county, which perhaps will again show Mr. Byrd that people do not starve to death in this country. Following is the clipping from the Bulletin:

The newspapers, or rather some of the newspapers of Central and East Texas are working overtime to publish slanderous thin s about the part of Texas known as West Texas. The reason for this is that many of the citizens of those parts of the state, seeing the favorable opportunities presented by this country, are locating out here, and whenever one of them leaves the papers know that it is good bye for aye, and they at once get into mourning, and set their wits to work to see if they can't keep others from coming. That is the way some of the papers do there are others more magnanimous, who recognize that all of Texas is good, and that there are parts of the state other than that in which they happen to be located. You seldom see a West Texas newspaper attempting to run down another part of the state. There is something about the atmosphere out here that makes them liberal and broad gauged. The following letter from a man who lodged out at Ballinger from Milam county is reproduced from the Rockdale Reporter. The Reporter says it is published in order that it may open the eyes of some one who is contemplating disposing of sure enough farm land and investing in that country. The Reporter says the writer has lived in West Texas several years and that paper knows his statements are the true conditions of all West Texas, and that the people are all boomers and the only way for a stranger to learn the truth is for him to buy and find out for himself. In other words in the opinion of the Rockdale Reporter all men in West Texas are liars, except Mr. Byrd, formerly of Milam county, and they lie just to boom the country and unload their worthless property on unsuspecting folks from Milam and other counties. Here is the letter:

Ballinger, Tex., April 4, '07  
Mr. R. A. Gilliland,  
Tracy, Texas.

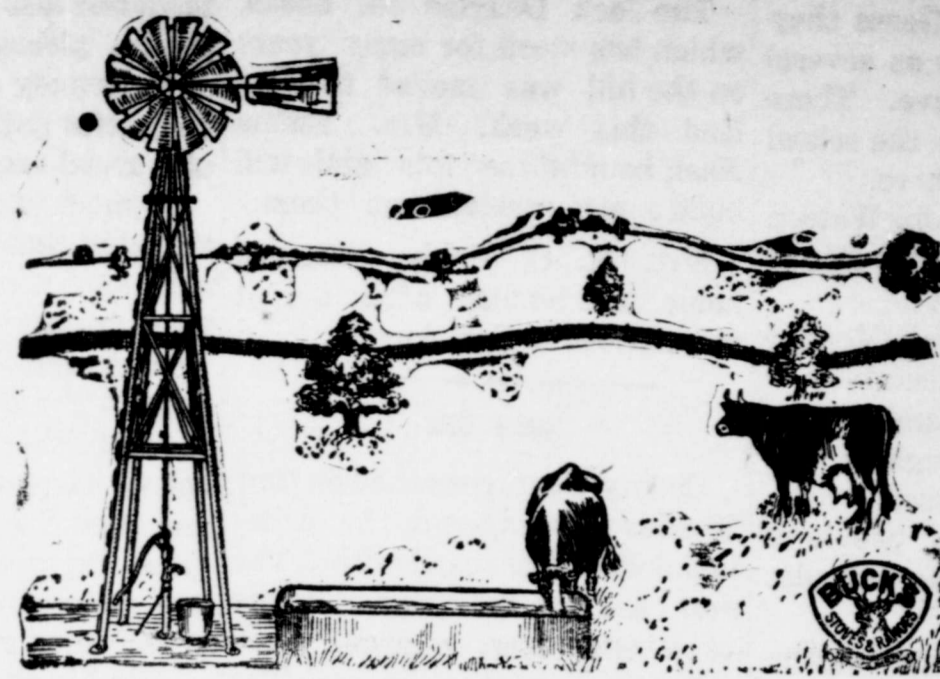
Dear old Friend:  
Yours to hand. We are a little dry in this part of the world; it has not rained since I have been here. We are looking for rain next summer. I have not planted anything yet. It will not do any good until it rains, but I want to get through so I won't have anything to do but fish.

You asked me if I thought it would pay you to sell out and come to this country? I do not for several reasons. First, a man cannot get laborers to farm with. Next a man cannot make anything but a little cotton cane, and maize. You make that in the summer and gather it in the winter and spring. The gins are still running here. This never will be a corn country; it matters not how much it rains. This soil is not adapted to corn. It is better adapted to speculation than anything I know of. For a permanent home I would not give what you own in Milam county for a deed in this county or any other county in West Texas.

Would like for you to come and take a look at this country. It would be worth your time and money. If a man wants to speculate on land I never saw any place that would beat this. I think I can truthfully say that there is not one man in ten that pays his way by farming alone in this country. Where people don't know any better that is all right.

These people will tell you that maize is all right to make a crop with in this country, but if you were you see every one of them carrying out chops if their teams are worth enough to put up for security, in order to enable them to buy the chops on credit. That is the way most of it is run. My team is not tied up for anything yet. The day before I have to mortgage them is the day I will drive out of here. I will close. Yours,

J. A. Byrd.  
Now Ballinger is some seventy mile west of here, but an attack of this kind upon one section of West Texas is an attack on the whole and the Reporter says it applies to all West Texas. The Bulletin has nothing to say



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in depreciation of Milam county, which is a good county for those who like it and wish to stay there, but some comparisons have to be made to refute Mr. Byrd's statements. He says that nothing can be made out Ballinger way except a "little" cotton, corn and maize. He neglects to state that Ballinger, a town that five years ago marketed no cotton worth mentioning the past season shipped more cotton than all Milam county, one of the oldest cotton counties in the state. Yet he calls this "little" and in the next breath says that the gins are still running, a thing almost incredible to Milam county farmer. If there was only a little cotton grown here, why keep the farmers picking all winter and spring and the gins running in April? The truth is that so much cotton is grown that it can't be gathered in a few weeks as is often done in Milam county. Mr. Byrd may be truthful about some things, but he missed the truth a long ways about that little cotton grown in Runnels county.

He says again that the country is not adapted to corn and will not be a corn country it matters not how much it rains. It is true that the past winter has been unusually dry and no stand of corn was secured, but a thousand men can be found to tell Mr. Byrd that the soil produces as fine corn with favorable seasons as any soil in Texas. There are farmers here who grow corn year after year and never make a failure. If a stand of the early corn is not secured June corn grows splendidly, and there is on the writer's desk now a sample of this corn grown last year after a wheat crop was made on the land that would require an expert to tell it from the early varieties of corn. Perhaps one year with another Milam county may beat this country growing corn, but there is no other one crop that can be named on which it can do it. Usually the man does not grow corn here, and

who is always buying chops, as Mr. Byrd states, is the man who like Mr. Byrd, is hurrying to get through so he "won't have anything to do but fish." Mr. Byrd calls attention to the truthfulness of his statement that not one man in ten pays his way by farming alone in that country. Now, Mr. Byrd can be shown men in every country in West Texas, many of them, too, who not only pay their farming but who make enough off their farms in a single season to pay for the entire farm. Can Milam county or any other part of Texas beat this? Men not only pay their way by farming and the things incidental to farming, but they often start without a cent and in a remarkably short time have saved enough to pay for their farms. There is hardly another business known where men can start without capital and win a competency so easily as in farming in West Texas. In addition to the crops named by Mr. Byrd as the only things that can be grown in West Texas, cotton, cane and maize he can't name a crop grown in Milam county will this county will not produce and most of them year in and year out will beat the Milam county crops. Wheat, oats, barley, rye, millet and all small grains can be grown here as well as in any part of the state and much better than in Milam county. The cane and maize to which references is made do better than in that country cotton beats that county in fact a showing can be made with Milam on everything unless it be corn and the Bulletin is not prepared to concede that Milam has much the lead on the corn crop. Has Mr. Byrd ever seen the carloads of watermelons and cantaloupes shipped out of Ballinger, has he ever enjoyed the vegetables of all kinds grown there, has he ever put the luscious Ballinger peach or plum in his mouth, has he ever tasted the Ballinger grape, has he ever looked about him to see what really can be grown out there; or

has he merely been satisfied to get his land turned as quickly as possible that he might go fishing. The Bulletin has not written this in disparagement of Milam county, for that county has many good things to commend it, but it does not like to see West Texas jumped on and tramped over by the press of that county just because a man like this Mr. Byrd happens occasionally to get out of his proper range. He ought to quit writing letters or go back to Milam, where his truthfulness can be vouched for. It does not tally with facts in this part of the state.

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J. I. Guion.

A. G. Norton, a Maverick merchant was doing business in Ballinger Monday and left a nice order for stationery for his firm at the Leader office.

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J. L. Lee was in from the Maverick country Monday, and was telling his first years experience in Runnels county. Mr. Lee made over \$8000 worth of cotton last year.

A rich man is the man who always has money. Put some of your money in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger and you will begin to be rich right away.

Mrs. R. S. Griggs and the baby left last Monday for a visit to relatives at Houston and other places. County Attorney Griggs is out of humor which will make the road more rocky for the violators of the law.



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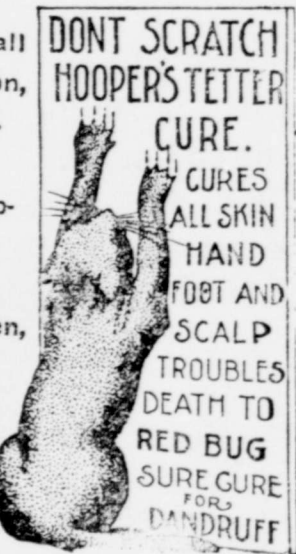
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**First Monday.**

Dry weather, the farmers being up with their work, made things lively for First Monday, and the boys were here from the forks of the creek, and every where else. The May first Monday brought perhaps the largest crowd to town that ever gathered here before on First Monday. There was plenty doing for the horse traders, the saloons, and a little pick up in most every line. This day grows more popular every month, but it adds very little to the town in a business way, and usually gives the officers plenty to do.

As the spraying apparatus is ordered: The work goes easier when you keep ahead of your tasks.

Again let us repeat: Crowd your work. Don't let it crowd you.

Remember cheap seed is the poorest kind of economy.

Stomach trouble is apt to be caused by feeding the froth on the skim milk from the separator to the calves.

Where some kerosene is used there is a big saving in buying it by the barrel.

The plants in the hot bed need fresh air every day. Give it to them or they will not be healthy.

Groom the dairy cows regularly. Use moist cloth on udder previous to milking.

In pruning branches and twigs should be cut as to give the bark a chance to grow over the wounds.

Stick to your job. There is a delightful relish in finishing it and finishing it well.

With all your plans for the crops don't forget that the grounds around the house need attention and beautifying.

Are you sure your hens are provided with the necessary grits, oyster shells, dry bone and charcoal? All are requisite for a healthy flock.

Animal food in some form should be provided for the ducks used in breeding. Without it the eggs are not apt to be fertile.

Jacob was a rattling good stock-raiser, even if he did not have the benefit of the training of the modern experiment station.

There is a delight in watching things grow which is a compensation to the farmer which cannot be estimated in dollars and cents.

Co-operation of the right kind is always to be commended. The farmer is only beginning to appreciate the possibilities of such methods.

The Oregon law in reference to the San Jose scale is very stringent. It compels the destruction of market fruit infected with the scale.

As to the horse, it is hard muscle and not fat which counts. Fat looks well, but it won't pull the load up hill, or drag the plow around that 40-acre lot.

Bad as well as good traits are passed on by both sire and dam, and for this reason all points of the parents must be carefully considered.

The culls from the potato or apples make good feeding for the hens, and bring better returns than when fed to the cow. Boil and mix with the mash or throw a few raw ones into each pen in the middle of the day.

"Oh, no, there are no lice on my chickens." Well, now, just look and see. Don't take too much for granted. Begin to clean the fowls and hen houses up for the warm weather coming.

Under the present system of handling grain the farmer is too much the victim of the speculator. This is the declaration of President J. J. Hill of the Great Northern railroad. The day of the cooperative grain elevator is coming sure.

The care of the eggs intended for hatching has much to do with their fertility and with the vitality of the chicks which are hatched from them. They should be protected from the extremes of heat or cold. Dirty eggs should be carefully cleaned. Wrap in flannel or cotton and turn daily until placed under hen.

Trout in the well is the suggested remedy for earthworms and bugs. If the well is open to the sunlight, as it should be, it is said that the fish will thrive amazingly. True, but would the water from such well be relished? Better construct the well so that bugs and earthworms cannot gain access to the water.

Our stock raisers will be interested in the report of a new process for treating meat which has been patented in Sydney, N. S. W. It is known as the oxygen treatment. Carcasses are placed in a sealed chamber and charged with oxygen for six to eight hours. It will keep fresh and sweet for 70 days in the open air.

Mrs. Mahoney regrets she did not learn sooner of the pleasing results obtained by the use of Herbtan. Since using the first bottle she has not suffer the least pain during that period common to her sex. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

Have you profited by any of the farmers' institutes or special short courses at the agricultural colleges this winter? You are the loser if you have not. Let the resolve be made now that next winter will find you in the ranks of the progressive farmers who are studying to know more and more about farm science.

If you visit the city, as of course you do, did it ever occur to you to visit the markets and note the products that are bringing the best prices, their appearance, how they are packed and handled? A day or several days thus spent would suggest many reforms and improvement in your methods of shipping to market.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) Metropolis prints the following hen story: "M. G. Glass, a well-known colored citizen, has a hen that three times a week lays an egg of enormous size, the first and second eggs each week contains two yolks, while the third one contains three yolks. The hen is about six or seven pounds in weight and is a cross between a black Spanish and Plymouth Rock." Evidently some parts of the egg machinery have become mixed, or the man's veracity screw is loose.

On very badly frozen young fruit trees the twigs and small branches should be trimmed off and larger branches cut back to a diameter on one and one-half or two inches. This pruning should be given as soon as possible after the freezing. If only slightly frozen trim the small branches moderately. Old trees should be only moderately pruned. If cut back severely the chances are they will not recover. Old trees that have been weakened by insects or fungous attacks, unfavorable weather or neglect, seldom recover under any treatment after a severe freeze. The best way is to dig them up and burn them.

Goose liver at one dollar a pound sounds remunerative. A leading industry of Watertown, Wis., is the stuffing of geese, which is yearly growing larger, and now amounts to about 5,000 geese and an outlay of about \$30,000. Three dealers handle the birds, which are shipped only on order, but go to all parts of the country. The stuffed goose is not a market fowl, but is valued for its liver, which is used in making pate de foie gras, and reduced to lard is used as butter by those who can afford it; the skin is utilized by frying, and is known as "Jewish cracker." The liver may weigh from three to five pounds, and is worth a dollar a pound. Price of the geese is averaged by their weight, say 26 to 32 pounds, the pound price following the weight.

**Jap Farmers.**

Wharton county is making a practical test of the question of the desirability or undesirability of the Japanese as citizens. The colony of some fifty people engaged in rice growing seems to be doing well, to the increase of production in that county and without developing any friction with its people. The new comers are industrious and orderly folks and understand the business thoroughly. They have the best teams and tools to be had, and are cultivating some 5,000 acres a good part of which was broken up with steam plows, and will be handled in the most up-to-date way in all respects. A rice warehouse will be erected at Mackay station, four miles from the colony, in time for storing this year's crop. Thus with many thousands of dollars added to the material wealth of the county by well behaved and law-abiding people, the "yellow peril," so far as the Japs figure, seems to be a thing that Wharton county and Texas can stand a good deal of without complaint.

Pride wins—keep your hands smooth and soft by the Use of Hooper's Tetter Cure. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

**Good for the Blues.**

Is your appetite on a vacation, your energy absent, and everything else out of "Whack?" If so, you had better take something and take it now. Simmons' Sarsaparilla is the King of Tonics. It will make you eat all you want to pay for. Try it and hear it and hear yourself laugh again.

**Mail Route Bids Wanted**

Bids will be received by postmaster Cady for the mail contract between Ballinger and Millersview, via Concho. The route covers 29 miles and will be daily except Sunday. This gives direct daily mail from Ballinger to these two inland towns which are located in a fine farming country and are fast settling up with good people.

**NEGROES JOINING CHURCHES**

Since the new gambling law went into effect more than 500 negroes have been baptized and are now active members of the colored Baptist churches in Houston. How many negroes have allied themselves with the other denominations can not be ascertained. The fact that so many have joined the Baptist churches is apparent from the great number that have been publicly baptized during the past few weeks. "My boy done jined de church" stated a negro to a Post representative yesterday. "He was de wildes coon I eva seed. He had

hissself washed in de bayou today. Last night dat nigger come home an' went fru his trunk an' took out all de cards anp dice, an' say he gwine to do it no mo'. I axed him ef he was bluffing and he say he sure in earnest. Ise powerful glad, kase dat nigger do like to shoot dem little bones. I dun made up my mind dat he would be de first nigger sent to de pen for shooting craps. All of dem nigger is getting good and jining de church.—Houston Post.

**Letter to G. S. Miller,**  
Ballinger, Tex.

Dear Sir: Not one man in ten knows whether he's wasting money or not, when he paints. It depends on the paint. With one paint, your job will take 10 gallons and cost \$50 for paint and labor;

with another 12 and cost \$60; with another 14 and cost 70; with another 16 and cost 80; with another 18 and cost 90; with another 20 and cost 100; with another 22 and cost 110.

Here's an example. Professor Irvine of the Academy, Mercersburg, Pa. painted the floors of his dormitories every year, one year with one paint, next year with the paint of the other dealer there—to divide the business between them—till Devoe came to town

The job took 90 gallons; takes 60 Devoe. The difference, 30 gallons, \$150. He didn't know he was losing \$150 a year till he got Devoe.

Another example. When Geo. W. Brown, Union S. C. painted B. F. Arthur's house first time it took 30 gallons "cheap" paint; repainted Devoe; 14 gallons.

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

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

You can get

**FIRST CLASS JOB PRINTING**

at the new exclusive Job Printing Plant located in the rear of the Dooce Abstract Building. A trial order will be appreciated.

**Reeves Printing Co.**

PHONE 248

**YOUR MONEYS WORTH OR YOUR MONEY BACK**

That is our motto. We give value received and are always ready to demonstrate the same to any and all customers.

Good Groceries, Clean Groceries and Groceries that please is the kind we sell.

**Grain, Hay, Feed.**

Our Store is headquarters for Grain, Hay and Feed.

**M. D. Chastain**

Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

**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 tryal will convince you.

**Miller Mercantile Company**



### It's a Ticklish Thing

To have people attend to your business that are not prepared for it.

Your Abstract work is an important item and the best is none too good for you. We are prepared to execute your wishes in this line in

away that will please you. We have the books and for e to do prompt and efficient work.

We have turned every page of the records of this county and our books are a monument to years of careful and painstaking labor.

Send us for work in this line and receive your money worth.

We charge no more than others but give you service that is worth while.

## Giesecke - Bennett Company

"The Pioneer Abstract Firm"

### Negro West Makes a Raise.

Gets \$50 From Drunk Man. Arrest Made at Abilene.

Sheriff Kirk will leave in the morning from Abilene to get West Miligan, and bring him back to Ballinger to answer to a charge of robbing a man of \$50 or something near that amount.

West is a negro hat has from time to time been before the court and fined for minor offence such as gambling, fighting etc.

This week he fell in with a white man who was out for a good time and had the long green to foot the bill. Some how, or some how else, West soon had over \$50 of the white man's money.

The white man missed his money and filed complaint against the negro. Sheriff Kirk went out to locate the negro and found that he left on the Abilene stage for El Paso Thursday morning. Of course this made easy picking for the Sheriff and when the negro reached Abilene the officers give him a warm reception, having made arrangements for him at the county hotel. The negroes of Ballinger seem to have very little use for West and they are glad that he has got into something he can't get out of by paying a fine.

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

#### The Dog Law Passed.

Thanks to our honorable board of aldermen and Mayor for their promptness in taking up the dog law ordinance and making it a law. The ordinance passed last Tuesday, and will become a law on June the first. A supply of tags have been ordered, and if your dog is found on the streets,

#### Opera House

## THREE NIGHTS

COMMENCING

MONDAY MAY THE 13th

The Ever Popular

## WOODS SISTERS

Big Company

A company that is well and favorably known and never fails to please.

Monday—"The Golden West"  
Tuesday—"The Hand of Man"  
Wednesday—"The Power of the Cross."

Prices: 25, 50 and 75 cents  
Seats on sale at Walker Drug Co.

without his certificate of right of existence, he will be locked up in dog jail where you will have to redeem him, or he will be dispatched to dog heaven in short order. Marshal McKay has made the stock law a success by running down all out-law cows, and we believe he will be just as successful in enforcing the dog law. It will just cost you one dollar to have your dog tagged, and this dollar must be paid in advance each year. A dog that isn't worth paying a dollar tax on per year is not entitled to live, and the quicker he is put out of commission the better for the community.

#### Mrs. Douglass Entertains.

The reception given the various clubs of the city Thursday afternoon by Mrs. J. G. Douglass, complimentary to her friend Mrs. Griffin, of Itaska, and Miss Morgan, of Ballinger was one of the prettiest and most thoroughly enjoyable affairs of the season.

The handsome new house with its lovely furnishings made an ideal setting for the hospitality dispensed, by the charming little hostess. The dainty furniture needed no decoration to enhance it, but everywhere had been given that "golden touch" which only lovely flowers can give. The color scheme of pink and white being carried out in reception halls and parlor by pink and white roses and white Cape Jessamines while the electric lights and candelabra wore pink and white shades. In the dining room masses of nasturtiums contributed color, fragrance and beauty. Punch was served by little Maurine Weeks in the daintiest manner imaginable. Mrs. Stephens, Misses Nell Alexander, Emma Bennett and Minnie Maud Stone assisted the hostess in entertaining her guests. A contest in quotations from time honored "Mother Goose Rhymes" similar to the old fashioned "spellin' match" was one of the amusements of the afternoon. The quotation of one contestant proved to be from Shakespeare while another who had forgotten her nursery rhymes, but not some other childhood verses quoted "The lark is up to meet the sun." In the drawing contest it was shown that Ballinger has some artists of rare ability. Throughout the afternoon beautiful music was furnished by Mrs. Halley Misses Hermia Smith, Mae Harris and Mrs. Grundy.

Before the departure of the guests delicious sherbet cream and angel cake were served; the cake having been made, not by a professional caterer, but by the accomplished little hostess herself, which shows that the faculty of knowing how to make people have a good time is not her only talent.

To have improved on any thing connected with the reception would simply have been an attempt to "gild refined gold" or "topaint the lily."

Sour milk helps fill the egg basket.

Dampness is a sure loser in the chicken business.

Try the dairy thermometer. Don't cost much and it is a labor saver.

Ugly tempers in colts are developed by careless and harsh currying.

The automatic chicken farm is only a dream. You must work if you would get eggs and healthy chickens.

Fall apples are good for the cows. Put up and mixed with the grain ration increases the value of both.

Secretary Wilson says give the boys better training in agriculture and they won't be so apt to leave the farm.

Dry corn cobs make a good starter for fires. Try them. Don't forget, too, that charred corn cobs are a good condition feed for the hogs.

The title of P. F. (Practical Farmer) is one which can be earned only by thought, time, study, hard work and expenditure of some money.

Montana sheep growers have organized the Montana Wool Growers' association, which includes a wool-selling company with a capital of \$500,000.

The abandoned farm is bad enough, but how about the abandoned orchards and the abandoned gardens on the farms that are not abandoned.

A windmill and a system of underground pipes will lessen the work of distributing water for the stock. Don't do by manual labor what you can do

Take your chickens to Schawe's cash grocery at the Godwin Grocery stand.

#### I BUY

### Old Line Life Insurance Policies.

Owners of policies having borrowed the amount allowed by Company intending to discontinue same. See me I will be able to give you a larger value on policies over 18 years old.

J. S. McGOWNS

### T. L. Todd

Physician and Obstetrician,

I am prepared to do minor surgery.

Maverick Texas.



### LAUGHING

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.

Remember we are still in the transfer business Phone 110.

### C. B. Armstrong

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

# We Are Bidding For Your Business

Your Interests Are Our Interests. Compare Our Goods. Compare Our Prices On

Dry Goods  
Notions  
Boots & Shoes  
Lumber  
Clothing  
Hats  
Ladies Underwear  
Skirts  
Trunks  
Grips  
Window Shades  
Groceries  
Implements  
Gents Furnishings

We guarantee the prices. we will not be undersold. Visit our store and make it your headquarters while in the city.

Below we give you a few prices that you may get an idea as to the way we offer you new dependable merchandise

#### Staple Dry Goods

Good Calico at.....	5c
Best standard brands Calico at.....	6c
Best Oil Cloth at.....	6c
36 inch wide Brown Domestic.....	8 1-3, 7
.....	7 1-2 and 6
36 inch Bleached Domestic. 10 cent val at.....	8 1-3c
Bleached Domestic.....	10, 8 1-3, 7 and 6
Good 36 inch wide Canvass at.....	4 1-2
Good Feather ticking.....	18 and 16 2-3
Good matras ticking at.....	10 and 8 1-3
Bleached table linen from \$2 per yard down as low as.....	25c

always show the best things in neck wear, belts, combs and ladies bags.

Ladies Neckwear at.....	75, 50 and 25
Ladies Belts at \$1.50 down to.....	25
Ladies Combs at \$2.50 down to.....	25
3-piece Comb sets 1.00, 75, 50 and.....	25
White envelopes, per pkg.....	5
Two rolls wire hair pins.....	5
Hair brushes 75, 50 and.....	25
Combs 75, 50 down to.....	10
Cloth brushes 50c and.....	25

#### Men's and Boys' Clothing

\$10,000 worth of Old Men's, Young Men's and Boys' Clothing to select from  
Men's Suits from \$18 to..... \$3.0  
Boys' Suits from \$12 to..... \$1.0

#### Novelties and Notions

In our Novelty and Notion Department we are always awake to the newest. We

It's a fact in placing before you our line of Men and Young men's suit's for the spring season we feel justified in saying this line is far superior to the made to order garments in quality, fit and style.

Kantbeate garments are the most modern, look for the Kantbeate label on your garments. If you find it, rest assured that the style is of the best. We are showing the latest spring Kantbeate clothing that will be worn by men of good taste and refinement.

The Kantbeate experience is most impressive and costs least. We show and sell the new creation in this line from \$10 to \$18 and stand behind every garment going out at guaranteed prices. In our shoe department where quality and price meet none but reliable brands are shown. We are sole agents for Hamilton Brown Shoe.

# Higginbotham-Currie Company