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The White Store

Ballinger Texas,

Let these offerings illustrate our control of value giving. Each article at the price will prove a saving. You get every advantage that our experience can give. Our prices are now lower than factories.

Banner Batiste Lawns in Floral designs	5c	absolutely all Linen	10c
Figured Blue Prints, good for quilts	4c	Torchon Laces in fine quality 4 to 6 inches wide match sets	5c
Grey, Blue, Cardinal Best Dress Prints	5c	Swiss Embroidery 31-2 inches wide Infants Hose in Black or White	10c
Light Shirting Prints absolutely fast	5c	Men's and Boys 1-2 hose in Black or Tan	8c
Heavy round thread Cotton Plaids 25 inches wide	5 3-4	Mens half hose in grey only	5c
Very fine White Lawn 31 inches wide	10c	Ladies Fine White Embroidered Handkerchiefs	10c
40 inches Wide Sheer Mercerized Batiste	15c	18x36 Bleached Honey Comb Towels	10c
Solid Colored Organdies, Blue, Pink, Red, Tan	10c	Ladies White wash Belts	10c
Ladies Vests, Fine ribbed, Taped and full finished	10c	Ladies Elastic belts, trimmed in steel	25c
Ladies Black Hose, Fast colors and seamless	10c	Children and Misses Ruffled Drawers	20c
Ladies Black Lace Hose, nice quality	121-2c	Ladies Long Gloves black or white Fine dress swiss or mull, small or large Dots	12 1-2
Cluny Laces 2 1-2 to 4 inches wide		Unbleached dimity inches wide All Linen Suiting 36 inches wide and pure white	26c
		Solid Colored Gingham, soft finished, blue brown, Pink	7 1-2c

The few articles priced above will give you an idea of what we offer.

Please remember we never make any misrepresentations. Bring the advertisement with you and call for the articles. We have only one price and that is the lowest. Mail orders solicited and filled on day of receipt. We prepay all charges on orders over \$5, excepting staples.

R. A. Risser & Co.

Ballinger Texas,

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT APPOINTED

Prof. E. L. Hagan Appointed County Superintendent Without Any Opposition.

The Commissioners court convened at 1:30 today to consider application for the place of Superintendent or public instruction for Runnels county.

Prof. Hagan's application was read and on motion of Esq. Weeks he was unanimously elected to fill this office until the election of 1908.

There had only been one other candidate in the field for this office and so much pressure was brought to bear against his election that he withdrew, or did not press his claim, and Mr. Hagan was elected without a dissenting word.

Mr. Hagen is a man well fitted for the office, and is known well enough not to need any flattering send off by this paper. It suffices to say that no better man could have been selected for the position.

4th July Celebration at Crews.

"Come one, Come all," Bring your basket well filled, and spend the day with us.

Amusement for both young and old. Speaking by prominent men. Base ball game, Sack races, with plenty of refreshments.

Crews Program Com.

Children's Day Services.

The children's day services will be held at the Eighth Street Presbyterian Church Sunday and the morning hours will be used. Regular preaching services at the eleven o'clock hour.

HOT WEATHER is with you



Men's and young Men's stylish Blue Serge and fancy Worsted Suits a very attractive prices. You will not only save money by purchasing your summer suit here. But you will get what is without question the snappiest most artistically hand tailored and best fitting apparel you ever put on your back when it is admitted by thousands of men, farmer custom tailor enthusiasts that in

MICHAELS - STERN fine clothing they cannot discern any difference from the expensive made to measure clothes, coat a trousers Suits cut in the latest fashion single and double breast quarter lined or skeleton finished Trousers with Belt loops and with or without cuff bottoms generally sold elsewhere at \$12.50 to \$25.00. Here at \$10.00 to \$17.50.

Just received 36 doz. soft shirts \$3.00 to 65c, white and fancy vests \$2.50 to \$1.50, large stock of suit cases just in \$6.25 to \$1.50, panama hats \$9.00 to \$5.00. Come and see our new stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Notions and Ladies Furnishings.

W. H. DAVIS,

Ballinger Texas

MORE RAIN IN BROKEN DOSES

Good Rains at Some Places. Others Slighted. Cyclone at Leday and Glen Cove.

We learn through the telephone people that some of the country has been blessed this week with good rains. Good rain fell at Miles, Anzelo and extended on West. Very little rain fell at Norton or Maverick. The rain was good down the river and East of Ballinger, at Coleman, and Brownwood, five inches falling at Brownwood yesterday. Winters received a good rain as did the Crews country.

A little cyclone struck Leday and Glen Cove doing considerable damage and injuring several people.

Ballinger and the territory close to town has so far been slighted, and some of this section of country is getting pretty dry. As we go to press prospects are good for more rain.

Cyclone in Coleman County.

A special message over the wire from Coleman this afternoon says a cyclone struck Glen Cove in Coleman county and demolished the Christain and Holiness churches as well as several other houses. Three people were hurt. They are Mrs. J. B. Allen, who was injured by flying timbers, a Mr. Gafford, who was also injured by flying timbers, and Prof. Cox, who was blown against a post and painfully hurt.

Reports are meagre, but it is understood that no one was killed, although numerous escapes were miraculous.

Geese as Choppers.

Clarksville, Tex., June 19—Several farmers of the Gavinesville community, south of this city, have turned flocks of geese into the cotton fields and report that as far as young grass is concerned, no better cotton choppers can be found. One prominent farmer has twenty-eight head of geese on a field of thirty acres of cotton and declares that absolutely no grass can be found in the field. The present scarcity of labor has served to make the geese even more valuable.

Chataqua June 27th--July 3rd. At Skating Rink.

Make your arrangements to attend the Chataqua beginning June 27th and continuing seven days, Fourteen entertainments of high order.

Afternoon at 4:30, evening at 8:30. Season tickets for adults \$1.00 children .50. Daily admission tickets adults .25 children .15

Children under twelve admitted free if accompanied by parents.

Services Sunday.

You are invited to attend services at the Methodist church Sunday. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

E. P. Williams, Pastor

The little ten months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Greer died Wednesday night, and was buried yesterday, Rev. Fender conducting the funeral services.

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

YOUNG LADY KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Miss Fannie Foreman was Killed Twelve Miles Northeast of Ballinger Yesterday Evening.

Parties were in from the Clayton neighborhood this morning after a coffin for the burial of Miss Fannie Foreman, who was killed by lightning about sundown yesterday evening.

Miss Foreman lived on the G. W. Clayton place and was at a neighbors during the rain. After the rain she was standing in front of a mirror, putting on her hat getting ready to go home when the lightning struck the house, going through the mirror killing Miss Foreman instantly.

Deceased was twenty years old and was prominent in the community in which she, lived and the family have the sympathy of their neighbors in this unfortunate occurrence.

Another Convenience.

The Miller Mercantile Co., the grocery house that always keeps apace with the times, this week enstalled an electric coffee mill. The mill is equipped with two hoppers, and regulated to grind coffee to suit your taste. A little motor furnished the elbow grease, and a pound of coffee can be turned out in a few seconds. Drop in and see the mill work, and when you order your coffee, if you want it ground, just say so.

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

J. B. Alvis & Bro.

Winkler Dry Goods Company.



RESOLVED THAT SOME PEOPLE LIKE BRILLIANT PATTERNS WHILE SOME LIKE QUIET THINGS. BUT WHAT EVER YOU WEAR IT SHOULD BE GOOD MATERIAL, FASHIONABLY CUT AND WELL MADE. THAT IS THE HALL MARK BUSTER BROWN



Winkler Dry Goods Company.

IF YOU ARE PAYING FOR IT THERE IS NO REASON WHY YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE WHAT PLEASES YOU? IF YOU LIKE BRIGHT DRESSES, BRIGHT NECKTIES, BRIGHT CLOAKS, AND BRIGHT HOSIERY, WHY NOT BUY THEM? OF COURSE YOU KNOW YOU MUST COME TO THE STORE THAT CARRIES BRIGHT PATTERNS IF YOU WISH TO GET BRIGHT PATTERNS. WE HAVE THE REPUTATION YOU KNOW, FOR CARRYING THE BRIGHTEST LINE OF WEARABLES FOR WOMEN THAT IS CARRIED IN THIS CITY. THERE IS NO REASON WHY BRIGHT PATTERNS SHOULD NOT BE MADE OF GOOD MATERIAL. YOU KNOW HOW IMPOSSIBLE IT IS TO DESCRIBE A COLOR OR A COMBINATION OF COLORS. BRING YOUR EYES TO OUR STORE AND LET THEM LOOK AT THE ATTRACTIVE THINGS WE HAVE TO SHOW YOU. WE CARRY, YOU KNOW, EVERYTHING THAT WOMEN AND LITTLE WOMEN WEAR.

BANNER-LEADER

Clipped From Our Exchanges

Santa Anna, Tex.—The Fort Worth Sand & Glass Company, through their representatives, Messrs. F. G. Carleson and Frank Watson, closed a deal here with Dr. Newt Long, owner of the East Santa Anna mountain, for glass sand for the entire output of their factories. All parties are to be congratulated on this sand is of the best quality in the United States and employment will be furnished a number of men. The deal was consummated through Fred W. Turner as Dr. Long's representative.

"I wish you would inform the reading public that 10 cents worth of ordinary stamps will not serve the purpose of a special delivery stamp until after July 1," remarked Postmaster Leonidas M. Markley yesterday. "The impression prevails with some people that this new ruling of the department has already become effective, and consequently a number of letters have been dropped into office bearing 10 cents worth of stamps and marked special delivery. This system can be used after July 1.—Fort Worth Record.

Friday afternoon a young man giving his name as J. M. Rendle and stating that he is from the Pelican state, went into the jewelry store of Mr. Prentice and made a number of purchases giving in payment a check for \$45 with the name of G. S. S. Thomas signed to it.

Mr. Prentice suspected the young man, but kept it hidden until he telephoned Mr. Thomas and learned that the check was a forgery.

Mr. Thomas hurried to the establishment of Mr. Prentice, upon receiving word that checks with his name signed to them were being lavishly spent, but in his hurry, he never forgot to bring his shot gun and the forger was persuaded to stay until he could be turned over to an officer.

The prisoner waived examination and his bond was fixed at \$1000 in default of which he was placed in jail.—Brownwood News.

One night this week Ballinger officers discovered a big, burly negro making a social call at the home of an individual whom the Banner-Leader designates as a "white man." The negro was arrested by the officers, and on their way down town they were overhauled by citizens whose mien and manner convinced the Senegambian that the wrinkled visage of danger was mighty close by and he made a break for fresh air, and the salvos of the officers' artillery only served to add wings to his haste. The negro bore an unsavory reputation in Ballinger and the good people of that fair city are rejoicing over his sudden departure. These people are to be commended for their forbearance in allowing any white man to stay in their midst who will equalize himself with a negro by allowing him to visit his family in a social way. This Western region is God's country, and the good Lord intended it to be strictly "white man's domain."—Angelo Standard.

Today at an early hour, in attempting to cross the Leon river at what is known as the Meridian crossing, but eight miles east of Hamilton, Mrs. Rachael Blansit, wife of Dee Blansit, of the Lanham country, was swept into the deep channel of the swollen stream and perished before assistance arrived. A little son of Charley Blansit was in the buggy with his aunt, but he escaped uninjured. The horse was also rescued after some difficulty. The body of the unfortunate victim had disappeared before anyone arrived and considerable difficulty was experienced in the locating it, which was done after a search lasting several hours. Deceased was a young woman and had only been married a short time.—Hamilton Rustler.

Mrs. N. T. Guest and little grand-daughter went to Ballinger Saturday morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bigby.—Angelo Standard.

The same committee that waited on the negro called to see the white man, but he could not be located, and we understand that he and the negro both are now residents of San Angelo.

It is reported that on the heels of the railroad talk several leading citizens have agreed that there will never be any negroes in Robert Lee. Should any come here they will be advised to leave, and if the advice is not heeded they will be made to go. Other towns are feeling the effect of worthless negroes and it is safe to say that this question will be handled in plenty of time here to avoid any trouble.—Robert Lee Observer.

The highest assessment of farm land in Texas for taxes was no doubt recorded this week when C. B. Wilson living four miles from Taylor, rendered to county assessor Armstrong \$30 acres at \$90 per acre. A good many farms have been given in at \$75 and \$80 just what they would sell for. Mr. Wilson's land is strictly corn and cotton land away from town and hence has no fictitious value.—Georgetown Commercial

The town on the Orient thirty miles south of here which was named James by the Orient people will hereafter be known as Blackwell, the postoffice department choosing that name in preference to James.

D. T. Hunt, who was formerly in the grocery business here, has been appointed postmaster and office will be opened within the next few days. This town is about six months old and has a population of some three hundred. The people have been receiving their mail at Decker, a couple of miles east of there.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Monday afternoon while playing with other children in the yard of Roy Ledbetter who lives on the Holt ranch eight miles east of Abilene, his three year old daughter fell from a box, her body striking a broken bottle which pierced her side so deeply that the little one bled to death internally before medical aid could reach her.

J. M. Morrisett who has charge of the ranch, came in Monday night after a casket, and said the remains would be laid to rest in the Clyde cemetery this afternoon.—Abilene Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McGinnis and children returned Wednesday from a ten days' visit to their old home at Ballinger Texas. In speaking of the rains in that section, Mr. McGinnis said good rains had fallen at Wingate and up this way as far as four miles north of Hylton. He said a regular root soaker fell on the brakes south of Merkel.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Cards have been sent out announcing the fourth coming marriage of Miss Mary Bland Mills-paugh and Mr. Dwight Hunter, which happy event will occur on Tuesday June 25th. Both are popular, the bride-elect a favorite in social circles and the groom to-be an esteemed and successful young business man. They are receiving many advance congratulations and the best wishes of every friend will be extended them on this auspicious event in their lives.—San Angelo Press.

Bronte and the surrounding country was blessed with a very fine rain on Tuesday evening, decidedly the best rain since last December. The farmers were needing the rain badly as they have had fair weather for several months, but a great many of

them have their land in fine condition and it is felt certain that the present season is adequate to bring up the cotton planted and that even this late much land will be turned. A great deal of land was cleared during the winter and spring and there will likely be a large amount of sod put in this season. With the coming of the railroad farmers realize that the demand for feed stuff will be great and many have announced their intention of preparing for the demand.—Bronte Enterprise.

Friday morning Mr. and Mrs. A. Spill left for a two months visit to their old home in Germany. It has been 35 years since they left that country to make this country their home. They have been very successful, and the Enterprise joins their many friends in wishing for them a pleasant voyage and visit with a safe return home.—Winters Enterprise.

The Ohio Penitentiary News has been forced to suspend publication because there are no printers in that institution to set type and get out the paper. Very naturally the circumstance is considerable credit to the craft.

There are more than twenty bankers in the Ohio penitentiary. With lawyers, doctors, brokers and other highly respectable citizens to spare but not a single printer is numbered among the convicts, and the Lord only knows when there will be.

Hurrah for the art preservative!—Ex.

And now the question is asked are the printers too good or are they too sharp to be caught.—Too good.

Following is the returns from the Prohibition Election held in Coke County last Saturday.

Bronte, Pro.	104	Anti	34
Ft. Chadbourne	75		21
Robert Lee	120		52
Silver	36		6
Sanco	19		2
Valley View	14		5
Devide	62		2
Total	420		122

Monday morning while Mrs. A. C. Crossmon of this city was preparing dinner she found a real live cabbage snake in the middle of the cabbage head. Mr. Crossman put in a bottle of water and brought it down town to give everybody an opportunity of seeing one of these specimens. It was about two and one half inches in length and resembled an earth worm very much. It possessed a great deal of life and moved about continually. A good look at one of these snakes is enough to cause almost anybody to decide they don't care for any more cabbage.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Many of Brown county's farmers have recently had dealings with a crafty lightning rod agent, to their sorrow and financial loss. A smooth talking salesman first appears on the scene and portrays in glowing colors the need of lightning rods on the dwelling and the danger incurred without them. He gets the victim interested, who inquires the cost.

The salesman makes a few figures and names a ridiculously low price. On that understanding the farmer signs an order for rodding his house at so much per foot but the contract price is omitted—unintentionally of course. Later on an adjuster comes driving up, puts his men on the house and in a few hours has the rod in position. Then he figures and so far as heard from his figures average about four times more than the price named by the salesman. These figures he submits to the farmer showing that he used so many feet of rod at the stipulated price. The trouble begins at once, the farmer declaring that he contracted for a certain fixed price, the agent showing a clause in contract which states that no verbal agreements would be con-

sidered. The farmer refuses to pay, the agent threatens suit, and after a while a compromise is effected, at a price three times more than the farmer thought he would have to pay when contract was made. This is not an overdrawn picture but occurred at every place in the county where lightning rods were installed.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Sheriff Emison returned yesterday from Belton where he went for the young man, Joe Baklik, who is charged with passing worthless checks on Brownwood merchants. Baklik worked for a few weeks here as a painter and before leaving gave checks to the amount of about \$34 on the bank at Paint Rock, payment of which was refused. The matter was reported to Sheriff Emison as soon as the checks were turned down and he began to inquire about the youth only to find that he had left for parts unknown the day before. He was later indicted by the grand jury and located at Belton where he was arrested Friday and held for Sheriff Emison.

Baklik lives near Caldwell and is of foreign birth. He claims now that before leaving Ballinger he telephoned to the Paint Rock Bank and that the banker told him that he had a balance of \$42 out of a deposit of \$100. When Sheriff Emison telephoned the banker he was informed that the youth only had \$2 to his credit and that he had been so informed. The criminality of the act hinges on what Baklik told the merchants when he cashed the checks. If he told them that he had funds sufficient in the Paint Rock bank to pay the checks then he has violated the law, otherwise it would be difficult to convict. The young man signed his own name and acknowledges that he gave the checks, but claims that it was done believing he had the funds. Brownwood Bulletin.

The little 18-month old child of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. King living a few miles southeast of town, died last Thursday evening. Its death is supposed to have been caused from the bite or sting of some poisonous insect.

It was playing in the yard with some of the larger children, when it began to cry. The children thinking it hurt itself some way carried it to its mother. It continued to cry and rub its ear. The mother commenced doctoring its ear with such remedies as she had, which had no effect and Dr. Davis was sent for, but the little fellow died in about 30 minutes from the time it was bitten. The ear turned dark and there was a dark mark down its neck from the ear, showing that it must have been poison of some kind, Roby Banner.

Doctor Lost.

His patient who had tetter in her hands, eczema in her face and head. She used a bottle of Hoops's Tetter Cure and is now well. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

For that Dandruff

There is one thing that will cure it—Ayer's Hair Vigor. It is a regular scalp-medicine. It quickly destroys the germs which cause this disease. The unhealthy scalp becomes healthy. The dandruff disappears, had to disappear. A healthy scalp means a great deal to you—healthy hair, no dandruff, no pimples, no eruptions.

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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 out
get data.

Wednesday was negroes day,
and most of the colored popula-
tion was out of town. Some
went to Angelo and some to
Brownwood, where big picnics
were held.

There is considerable complaint
about fast auto driving on the
roads. We believe a hint is
sufficient and that the parties
will be more careful after they
realize the danger.

1908 election is a long way off,
but candidates can be spotted
making themselves conspicuous
and doing missionary work.
There promises to be something
doing in politics next year.

The idea has been suggested
that the reason it does not rain
any more in this section is be-
cause there are too many prop-
hets. Everybody is watching the
weather and making foolish and
unreasonable comments.

How about those street lights
we were to have? The council
has passed some orders that must
have died with the passing, as
there are no lights in sight yet.
Ballinger is to have a reunion in
August and the town should not
be in darkness.

It requires considerable time
to accomplish anything, but
there is no cause for being so
slow. There is not a move of
any kind on foot in Ballinger for
the upbuilding of the town. Of
course the town continues to
grow, but public enterprise
seems to be very dead.

We see in the press that Will
H. Mayes of the Brownwood
Bulletin has been honored by
being elected 1st Vice President
of the National Editorial Associa-
tion. The Banner-Leader is
proud to hear Mayes's good
fortune and proud to note that he
belongs to West Texas.

The Leader job shop put the
finishing touch on the Chautau-
qua programs this week, and
they are being distributed over
the city. The program is a good
one, and has the name of mak-
ing good every where the attrac-
tion has appeared. Season tick-
ets, good for the entire fourteen
attraction can be secured for \$1.
The daily admission is 25c. The
Chautauqua opens next Thurs-
day and lasts seven days. The
skating rink will be seated and
arranged for the occasion.

The attempts to cure the
shortage of laborers in the South
has largely been abandoned on
account of the hostility of labor
unions and Farmers unions. The
farmers say that it would result
in increased production of cotton
and injure prices and labor
unions are hostile saying that it
lowers the wage scale. They
seem to lose sight of the fact
that increased cotton production
means more mills and more mills
need more laborers. If their ar-
gument is good why not discour-
age all immigration and put up
the bars so high that we would
have the good Spanish times in
Texas repeated when settlers
were not allowed to come to Tex-
as and mills and factories few
and scarce.

The Kind of Prohibition that Prohibits.

The state of Indiana is making
a remarkable record in the man-
ner in which public officers are
taking a firm stand against
the saloon. We recently report-
ed the decision of Judge Artman,
which was, in substance, that a
saloon had no right to a license,
under the law. Basing their
action upon this decision, the
Commissioners of two counties
have refused to renew licenses
applied for. Each county in In-
diana has a board of three
County Commissioners which re-
ceives applications for licenses.
It has always been the custom to
grant the licenses asked for, un-
less a remonstrance was filed con-
taining the names of a majority
or in a ward or township in
which the saloon was to be lo-
cated. In the cases just referred
to there were no remonstrances,
but the Commissioners took the
high ground that it had no right
to issue licenses. Upon applying
to the county attorney for an
opinion, the Commissioners of
Morgan county, who have the
honor of being first to refuse
licenses, received an answer
which fully sustained them. The
attorney, Mr. Silas C. Kivett, is
reported to have said:

If the saloon, as an institution,
is within itself a public nuisance
and inherently dangerous to pub-
lic peace, public safety and pub-
lic morals (as, in my opinion, it
is,) then this board has not only
the right to refuse a license to
conduct such an evil, but is
wholly without authority to
grant such a license. The Su-
preme Court of this state, the
United States Supreme Court
and the courts of last resort of
many of the states of the Union
have adjudicated cases with re-
ference to the saloon business
on the basis that a saloon is a
dangerous institution and if such
is its status, then no right of
license can exist. It is a natural
right of every citizen to be free
from such agencies as are inher-
ently dangerous to his peace,
safety and morals. No court or
legislature has the power to
adopt a rule or pass a law which
annuls this natural right. Nat-
ural laws are supreme, irrevoc-
able and unchangeable—wholly
beyond the power of legislatures
to repeal, modify, or amend—
but from the basis upon which
society rests natural laws must
be held supreme.

It would shock all sense of
modesty if a law should be passed
authorizing and directing this
board to grant to certain men,
on the presentation of certain
credentials and the payment of
a fee, a license to commit acts of
public indecency on the streets.
Even the most hearty supporters
of the saloon would not hesitate
to condemn such a law and pro-
claim its invalidity as being
against common right, and, to
my mind, the evils inseparable
with the sale of intoxicating li-
quors, perhaps by long custom
more easily endured, are by far
more dangerous to society than
the case suggested, and hence
deserve like condemnation, and I
cannot advise this board that
there is any law empowering it
to barter away the right of citi-
zens to be free from things in
their very nature dangerous to
their peace and safety and the
well-being and good morals of
the community.

Granting that the saloon is a
public nuisance and dangerous
to the peace and safety of a com-
munity and who in his senses
will not grant this premise?—
then the logic of the position as-
sumed by this attorney is irresis-
tible. The saloon has no right
to exist and, having no right to
exist but to exist under the pro-
tection of the law. Whatever
concessions are made in behalf
of the saloon are made not be-
cause it is right to make them,
but as a compromise with right.
This is certainly true in morals,
whether true in law or not; and
the time is rapidly drawing near
when all people will insist that
what is morally wrong must not
be made legally right.

NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM By William Pitt



Feed clover hay to the hogs soon to
be marketed.

Find fault on your own side of the
fence and then go and do better.

Cranberries are said to be among
the most healthful fruits we have.

The sunny corner in the stable and
the best of feed will make profitable
cows out of the heifers.

Corn roasted like coffee and fed
twice a week more than pays for the
trouble in improved poultry.

Now is the time to destroy all co-
coons and all egg clusters found on
tree trunks, branches, etc.

The fall calf is six months ahead of
the flies and is in good condition then
to put up a good fight against them.

During the past nine months there
has been shipped abroad 22,000,000
pounds of butter, at an average price
of 18 cents per pound.

The scales and the Babcock tester
will help you to weed out the cow that
don't pay. Why keep an animal that
is losing you money?

The best mannered cow is not al-
ways the most profitable cow. Sen-
timent should not control in deter-
mining what cows to keep.

Secretary Wilson, of the agricul-
tural department, suggests the agricul-
tural high school as a preliminary in-
stitution to the agricultural college.
Good thing. It's coming.

Turn your spare moments into cash
by picking up the loose end of things,
by mending the broken and partly
worn-out things, and by stopping the
little leaks here and there.

A good saddle horse should be on
every farm. He may not be kept ex-
clusively for this purpose, but try to
get an animal that is gaited for the
saddle as well as for buggy.

Separate the roopy fowls and give
nothing but soft foods and water, mix-
ing with the former one teaspoonful of
spongia, and a teaspoonful of the
spongia in a pint of the drinking
water.

Not two per cent of the edible
plants of the world are known or
grown by American farmers. Good
reason why the government should
send its agents into all the world to
find new plant life better adapted to
our soils than some we are now grow-
ing.

A simple method of striking levels
in land may be found by setting stakes
at the points where the levels are to
be determined. Then midway be-
tween and in line with these stakes
fasten straight edge board to post or
tree and level with spirit level. Sight
over this leveled straight-edge and
have some one mark on stakes the
point your line of vision cuts. Then
measure height of these points from
ground and the difference between the
two will determine the difference in
levels.

The Farmers' Cooperative Business
congress, an organization in the south
and southwest formed for the purpose
of obtaining better prices for the
farmers' products, recently held its
first session at Topeka, Kan. Just
how effectually this organization will
be able to realize its hopes is a ques-
tion, but it shows the tendency of the
times and that the farmer is more
and more coming to be a factor in the
commercial world. He raises the goods,
why should he not have some voice
and control in the disposition of the
same?

The use of cement is invading the
green houses and benches for plant
culture are being more and more con-
structed of this material, being more
durable than the wood or tile benches.
One floriculturist who has used ce-
ment benches tells of the method of
construction: "I put up temporary
wooden benches, using wire in two
inches of concrete, putting up also
wooden forms for posts or uprights,
and running the cement in these
forms to support the bench. We left
cracks or openings in the concrete for
drainage. We used iron pipe bearers
every four feet, these resting on the
cement uprights or posts. The benches
are very substantial and dura-
ble, lasting for years without needing
any repairs." And he adds that the
only trouble with these cement
benches is that if great care and judg-
ment is not used, the plants standing
on the benches are easily over-wa-
tered or get soggy, and they are not
considered as good for planting out
stock as are the wooden benches or
the terra cotta or tile tables.

clover and other legumes in rotation
and as catch crops. The feeding of
all crops excepting some of the most
valuable grains on the farm and the
returning of all manure to the land.

The gypsum in land plaster applied
to the soil releases the potash held in
insoluble form. Wood ashes should
not therefore be used with the plas-
ter.

It is not the cow which gives the
most milk when fresh, but the cow
which maintains her flow through the
year which proves the most profit-
able.

A convenient way of removing dead
bees from hives is to shove a tray of
stout paper onto the bottom boards.
Remove at intervals and shake off the
dead bees and then return.

Salt the cattle on the thistle patch.
The salt which the cattle do not
pick up, together with the constant
trampling of the animals, will kill the
thistles, it is said.

"Why don't you have your pig pen
further from the house?" "What
for?" "It would be more healthful."
"Gwan with your notions. Those hogs
have never had a sick day in their
lives."

Why not hitch up the washing ma-
chine to the gasoline engine. Wife
would appreciate it and it would re-
lieve you from the work of turning
the machine, which you should do, if
you don't.

It is said that feeding large quanti-
ties of beet in the barn has had ef-
fect on the atmosphere, which will
taint the milk, unless the place is
well cleaned up and aired after feed-
ing.

If you are planning to mix your
own fertilizer observe the following
rules: Place the bulkiest material
in a even layer on a tight floor, and
the others on this in the order of
their bulk. Begin at one end and
shovel the pile back and repeat once
or twice, or until the materials are
well mixed.

Ignorant use of fertilizers has
wrought financial hardship and even
ruin to many farmers. Expensive
commercial fertilizers unless wisely
used will not pay for themselves.
Don't let some smooth agent persuade
you in buying for your land what you
do not need and what will not return
a profit.

A special seed corn train was run
through the state of Indiana during
the first two weeks of March. The ex-
hibition was under the direction of
Prof. G. I. Christie, of the agricultural
department of Purdue university, and
his lectures at the 165 places where
stops were made will do much to stim-
ulate better corn production in the
state.

About 60 per cent. of what the cow
eats goes to keep up her body and
the profit in milk and butter comes
from the feed she consumes outside
of this amount needed for support.
If you suspect that your cow is not
getting enough feed, increase it grad-
ually, and if she responds in increased
yields of milk you may continue it.
If she fails to respond then withdraw
the extra feed.

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

First Bale of Cotton.

On Friday June 21st the first
bale of cotton raised this season
in Texas was sold at Houston.
The fleecy staple was raised in
Hidalgo county.

Services at Christian Church.

Elder J. W. Brice of Liberty
Hill Texas will preach at Chris-
tian Church next Sunday June
23. Everybody cordially invited
to come and hear him.

A Happy Mother

will see that her baby is pro-
perly cared for—to do this a good
purgative is necessary. Many
babies suffer from worms and
their mothers don't know it—if
your baby is feverish and doesn't
sleep at nights, it is troubled
with worms. White's Cream
Vermifuge will clean out these
worms in a mild pleasant way.
Once tried always used. Give it
a trial. Price 25 cents.
Sold by J. Y. Pearce

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

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

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 pat-
ented in Sydney, N. S. W. It is
known as the oxygen treatment. Car-
casses 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.

We know it is good. We
want to prove it. Let us show
you. We guarantee it. Your
money back if not satisfied.
It will do you good. It will
make many happy. Walker
Drug Company is always glad
to show it. Ask for it and
they will guarantee it. Ethel-
bert's Sarsaparilla Compound



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man.

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Yes I am in the business
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will appreciate your ice
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as much ice as possible
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I am prepared to
do minor surgery.

Maverick Texas.

Dr. A. L. Fuller

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Concho Lumber Co. successors to
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Court House.

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In fact Real Estate of all kinds if you
desire to effect a sale or an exchange
thereof.

C. A. Doose & Co.

Ballinger, Texas.

FORTUNE KNOCKS SELDOM

And when she does come your way don't be asleep. Many are too slow to take advantage of fortune's knock when the old lady does appear. Fortune may not visit you soon but you can make yourself fortunate by visiting this up-to-date store and saving money on your drug purchases.

Remember our Innovation Fountain; Our Cold Carbonated Beverages.

THE WALKER DRUG CO.

Purely Personal

E. L. Rasbury had business at Bronte this week.

R. L. Boulden, the cantaloupe man, is here on business this week.

Dunc McGregor is here from Coleman today visiting his mother.

J. A. Wray was here from Angelo Monday moving his family to Angelo.

Mrs. Chew, of Weatherford, is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. D. Leslie.

R. L. Woodard, an old time Ballinger citizen, is here from Eden this week.

E. V. Bateman went to Bronte this morning to look after his lumber interests.

Miss Mary Stokes, of Mississippi, is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. G. W. Fender.

Mrs. Lewin, of Miles is here this week on a visit to the family of S. C. Royalty.

Mrs. Wylie and two daughters are here from Abilene on a visit to Mrs. H. C. Wylie.

Judge Jno. I. Guion, who has been in Fort Worth on business, returned home today.

Mrs. R. A. Terry and little daughter are visiting relatives in Limestone county.

Frank Pearce, who has been attending school in Illinois, returned home first of the week.

Mrs. W. S. Robertson and little daughter, Ellen Adelle, are visiting relatives in Ballinger.

Uncle Joe Routh is chaperoning a party of campers on the Colorado below town this week.

Mrs. H. N. Beckwith returned to Marlin first of the week, after a weeks stay with her husband.

Miss Minnie Maud Stone is visiting friends at Miles this week. She went up on Monday's train.

Bryan Swain, after a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. F. Lusk, went to Moody first of the week to visit relatives.

Prof. Byrd, the School Superintendent is here this week, making arrangements for his family to move.

Mrs. Paul Trimmier went to Brownwood, Temple and other places yesterday for a month or six weeks visit.

Mrs. W. E. Carroll and children have returned to Ballinger, after a visit to Mrs. G. S. Hall.—San Angelo Press.

Mrs. C. S. Bowdon left last Monday for Oklahoma City for an extended visit to her daughter Mrs. Louis Miliken.

Robert Turner, the retired show man returned from a prospecting trip to Amarillo and other places, Wednesday.

Prof. Habercorn and family came in yesterday on a visit to Mrs. Habercorn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Miller.

We regret to report that Clerk R. A. Terry was not able to be at his office several days this week on account of sickness.

Mrs. Emma Nash and children left Monday for a visit to Flatonia and other places in South Texas. They will be gone a month.

H. Vandervanter delivered to W. H. Rodgers of Winters, Monday, 26 yearling mule colts which he sold Mr. Rodgers for \$1200.

Cotton buyer Thomas went to Brownwood yesterday and will be absent from Ballinger until the next cotton crop is put on the market.

D. Turney, one of Ballinger's efficient Carpenters and builders left Tuesday afternoon for Smithville, to spend a month or two with his son.

A new coat of paint is being applied to the Eight Street Presbyterian church, and it will loom up like a new building when the work is complete.

Judge C. H. Willingham and family left on Wednesday's train for Temple, Houston, Galveston, and other places on a vacation.

Miss Maude Starkey, one of the popular sales-ladies at the Risser store, is spending a few days on vacation out West of San Angelo.

Abe Mulkey is to hold a meeting in Brady commencing on July 5th. Abe is abundantly qualified to make a successful war on Satan's realm.

Miss Nelle Miller accompanied Mrs. Wilmeth on the trip to Colorado. They were also joined by Miss Ethel Truly who was visiting in Cleburne.

J. H. Glasier was in from his place near Runnels Monday to meet his daughter who had been visiting at San Angelo and returned on the noon train.

Prof. E. L. Hagan was laid up for repairs several days last week, but we are glad to report that he is able to be out again, and is still in the race for county superintendent.

Mrs. Jo Wilmeth and son, Roscoe left on Monday's train for Colorado, where they will spend the summer months in the Rocky Mountains. Mr. Wilmeth accompanied them as far as Temple, where he went on business.

J. G. Mayhew and daughter were in from the Audra country Wednesday, trading and looking after business. They made the Leader office a pleasant call. Mr. Mayhew says the farmers in his section have up a very good stand of cotton.

Lawrence Harris is doing stenographic work in Harris & Shepherd's office, since his return from Dallas. Lawrence took a thorough course at the Metropolitan Business College, and is thoroughly equipped for his work.

J. R. Shepherd, one of the popular barbers at Mike's shop, returned from San Angelo Monday, with his bride. He was married at San Angelo Sunday night to Miss Pearl Payne, a prominent and popular young lady of that town.

Prof. Ed S. McCarver, who taught the Crews school the term just closed, has moved to town and is now doing duty and studying law in Judge Jno. I. Guion's law office. He wishes his title changed from professor to judge, as he says he is through teaching school, and will devote the remainder of his days to the legal profession.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Young were in from Winters, first of the week. Mr. Young subscribed for the Leader while in town, stating that he wanted to keep up with the Ballinger and Runnels county news. Mr. Young lives in the section that was blessed with good rains at the right time to bring up cotton, and his country is in fine shape.

J. R. Kirkpatrick, who lives a couple of miles North east of town, is in receipt of a letter from an old friend in Tennessee, who formerly lived at Coleman. The Tennessee party regrets ever leaving this country, as many others have done can look back and see the mistakes they have made by not investing in lands here when land was cheap.

E. V. Bateman, the lumber dealer; W. C. Penn, the cotton buyer and R. B. Creasy, superintendent of the oil mills, are all in the city from Ballinger. The three visitors are delighted with San Angelo and think there is only one town better in the state and that is their home town. The News admires the three visitors for their loyalty.—San Angelo News.

LOST—A blue serge double breasted coat. Lost between West End and the city on Eighth street. Suitable reward for return to this office.

A \$30,000 school building is going up at Cisco, a town that the antis have just compared with Ballinger in showing the difference between a dry and wet town. Eastland county went dry by over 1000 votes.

FOR TRADE—2 three roomed houses on 1½ acres of ground in the town of Wilmer 15 miles south of Dallas either real estate or merchandise. Price \$9.50 acre

D. C. Dannelley.

Howard's wood-work shop turned out an ice box for J. O. Mixon, the grocery man, that is a novelty in its line, as well as a fine piece of work and good refrigerator. The case is frame with glass boxing and doors, and the ice and all the contents of the box can be seen. Mr. Mixon says he believes in patronizing home industry and this case of practicing his belief proved very satisfactory to him.

3047—Acres of choice Hogwallow land situated in Kemig Co. Within three miles of Rail Road station. Has plenty water, for all purposes. One of the best bargains in the County, will subdivide this tract. For further particulars see W. B. Page, Ballinger Texas.

We saw a postal card from J. F. Mansker, who is spending this year in Tennessee, that leads us to believe that Mr. Mansker is getting home sick, and we would not be surprised to see him come rolling in any day. A man that has been living in South Ballinger for several years, and feasting on the many good things that is easily raised on the productive soil, it is foolishness for him to try to stay away. Water melon time will soon be here and then you can look Mr. Mansker.

Dr. Penneck & Co. Osteopathic Physicians will visit Ballinger every Wednesday from 4 p. m. to noon Thursday, and every Saturday from 4 p. m. to Sunday at noon. Office at the Metropolitan hotel.

The Church of Christ, with Bro. C. D. Record to do the preaching, will begin a series of meetings on the 29th June to continue two weeks. This meeting will be held in a large tent on Hutchings Avenue near Court House. Everybody earnestly requested to attend.

D. Reeder sold the new house recently built east of the new school building for Major Brazelton to Dr. Lightner, and Major Brazelton is building another on Seventh Street, West of the school buildings.

WANTED—Two experienced teachers: brother and sister, want positions. Address J. W. Wiggins, Happy Texas. 2t

A woman fighting for health will have no trouble defending herself if she will use Herpton a week prior to the expected period. Guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

We are requested to advertise a picnic to be held at New Home next Wednesday, June 26th. Everybody invited to come and bring a well filled basket.

All the holders of passes are now receiving cute little billet doux to the effect that they send them in by July 12th to have them cancelled by the various railroads. The request is couched in such persuasive language that the present holders will be irresistibly impelled to "deliver the goods" at once.

About five inches of rain fell over the Brownwood country last Thursday thoroughly drenching the country as far west as Coleman.

An exchange says that an inquirer, writing to a real estate dealer in a certain town, said: "I can tell more about the kind of a town you have by seeing your paper than by any other means of information. If your merchants are dead and don't use your paper, I don't want to locate in or near your town. I have had experience with one town like that and I'll not be caught again if I can help it."—Merkel Telegram.

That Cisco Citizen.

That citizen of Cisco that visited Ballinger shortly before the late prohibition election in Eastland and who reported such marvelous tales about Ballinger's prosperity and progress all owing to the fact that seven saloons exist here and charged up Cisco's lack of growth and prosperity to prohibition, is stated on reliable authority to be W. H. Kittrel who figured in the prohibition election here last summer. He seems to be one of those preachers who is especially called to defend saloons and we doubt not makes it pay.

His late visit here doesn't seem to have occurred in day time as no one seems to know much about it or to have invited him to fill one of pulpits while here.

Union School.

The Union School ten miles south of Ballinger under the direction of Miss Sammie Fadgett held its closing exercises last Friday night June 14th. An informal sociable was held at the school building. A large crowd was present to enjoy the occasion.

Ice cream and cake were served to the guests.

Miss Sammie has taught a very successful school during the past session, and the Board of Trustees unanimously tendered her the school for another session.

The Banner-Leader congratulates her on her success and trusts that she will be even more successful in the future than in the past.

Union Revival Meeting.

The pastors of the various churches of the town, have decided to hold a Union revival, beginning the second Sunday in July, 14. The skating rink has been secured, and will be comfortably seated and arranged for the occasion. The preaching will be done by the local preachers, all the churches joining in together in furnishing the music. Watch for further arrangements.

A Birthday Party.

Master Clarence Smith was the bright and clever little host Friday afternoon from five to seven for about sixty of his little friends to celebrate his fifth anniversary. The little guests were received and entertained on the lawn.

They laughed, played and coqueted in their own childish ways for two hours, when they were invited to another part of the immense yard and in the shade of an old ash tree, the birthday table was spread in white damask and in the center stood the punch bowl, filled with rich fruit nectar and at the four corners stood bowls of red roses and on each side of the punch bowl were vases of yellow roses. The large birthday cake was in a tray of red roses and iced on it in red letters "Clarence June 21st 1907" and on it burned five tiny red candles signifying his age. A variety of cake was served with punch including birds made of cake and iced all colors of the rainbow. The guests departed wishing for their little host, M. C. Jr, many happy returns of his birthday.

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

You'll Feel At HOME

If there is anybody in or around Ballinger who hesitates to open a bank account because he thinks he would not be welcomed unless he had a large amount of money to deposit, we want him to come to this bank and find out how much he is mistaken.

We will make him feel at home here, and he will find that we will give him a warm welcome and as much attention as he can receive in any business place in Ballinger or elsewhere.

It is our duty and our pleasure as well as good business to encourage everyone who can have any use of banks to become a depositor with us.

Let us welcome and help you by every service that a bank can render.

The Citizens National Bank.
Capital and Surplus \$135,000

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**Old Line
Life Insurance
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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 12 years old.
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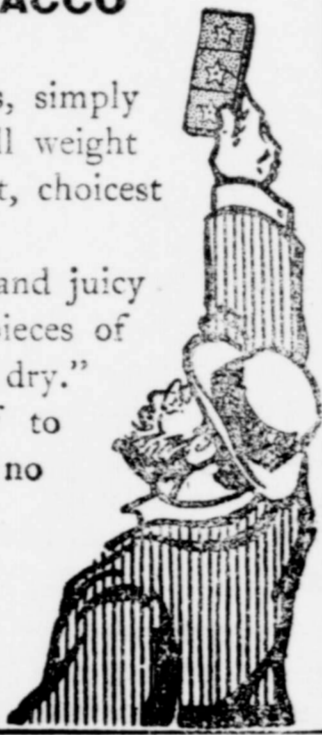
sells as much as any five other kinds, simply because "Star" is honest value—full weight 16 oz. plugs made of the ripest, richest, choicest leaf grown.

"Star" is wholesome, sweet, clean and juicy—and lasts twice as long as bigger pieces of cheaper kinds. Every bite is "chewed dry."

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

Bids Wanted.

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Ballinger at their next regular meeting, July 2nd, 1907 from any banking co-operation association or individual banker doing business in the City for the privilege of being made the depository of the funds of the city for the year next following the date of this meeting. Said bids to be based upon daily balances. The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

J. R. Lusk,
City Sec'y.

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

Mrs. Dan Moser went to Dallas last Monday to visit her relatives a few weeks.

Dr. A. S. Love returned from Florence, Monday, where he went last week to be with his father, who was in a serious condition and was operated on. Dr. Love says his father is 82 years old, but stood the operation, and is getting along very well.

Sheriff R. P. Kirk loaded his camping outfit on a wagon and started it for the Concho Wednesday, and followed with his family. They have an ideal camping place on the Concho river and will spend several weeks down there enjoying out door life.

STOMACH ACHE



You have more or less trouble with your stomach, your bowels and your liver—everybody does. And when these delicate and easily-disordered organs do get out of order, they are the worst things

in the world to you. If you took the right kind of care of them, you wouldn't suffer, but you don't.

The only way you can correct the trouble you do have and prevent these parts from getting out of order is to use

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

Everybody knows that PEPSIN is good for the stomach, but in combination with certain plant drugs by DR. CALDWELL'S formula, its natural value is highly increased.

DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN is the best thing in the world for correcting and curing all forms of stomach trouble—you'll say so when you try it. DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEPSIN can be obtained in both dollar and half-dollar sizes at all druggists, and your money will be refunded if it fails to 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. Mail your postal today.

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Fresh Vegetables and berries daily.

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Fever Not Epidemic.

It has been reported and enlarged upon in the various towns and surrounding country of Bronte that quite a number of people have recently sickened and died at this place, and this report unfortunately, has gained considerable credence among the unthinking, as well as those who have not time or inclination to investigate, and also coupled with the report is an inference that some peculiar disease or fever is raging here. We desire to state that since the town has been established, about a year ago, that only four persons have died within its limits of fever, which is not a bad showing, considering the number of inhabitants, and the mixed character of the people coming here from everywhere. Bronte is as healthy as any town of its size in this section, and while its healthfulness might be improved upon by more cleanliness in back yards, alleys and by-ways, yet compare it with other and older towns in this particular, we can show a cleaner surface than they. However, as "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," so might everlasting cleanliness be necessary to health. We publish an affidavit from local physicians showing the number of deaths with fever, giving names, and we hope that the papers published elsewhere will assist in correcting any erroneous impressions that may be spreading abroad, and we assure the public that there is no epidemic of any kind prevalent in this city at present: nor has there been any in the past, and that precautions will be taken to prevent them in the future. In such matters as this we believe in the fullest publicity and that it should be based upon truth and facts and not upon unreliable imagination and thoughtless hearsay.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIANS.

We, the undersigned physicians of Bronte, Texas, do hereby certify that the following named persons only have died in this city since its establishment, July 1906, of typhoid fever.

Mary Perciful, died of typhoid
Laura Perciful, of typhoid
W. P. Smith, of typhoid
Clyde Smith, of typhoid.

add that we can perceive no reason why the town of Bronte, and its vicinity, by proper official and personal sanitary attention, is as healthy and conducive to the health of the people as any other place within a radius of 200 miles.

J. D. Leonard, M. D.
W. F. Key, M. D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of June A. D. 1907. E. G. Walton,
Notary Public.
Coke County, Texas.

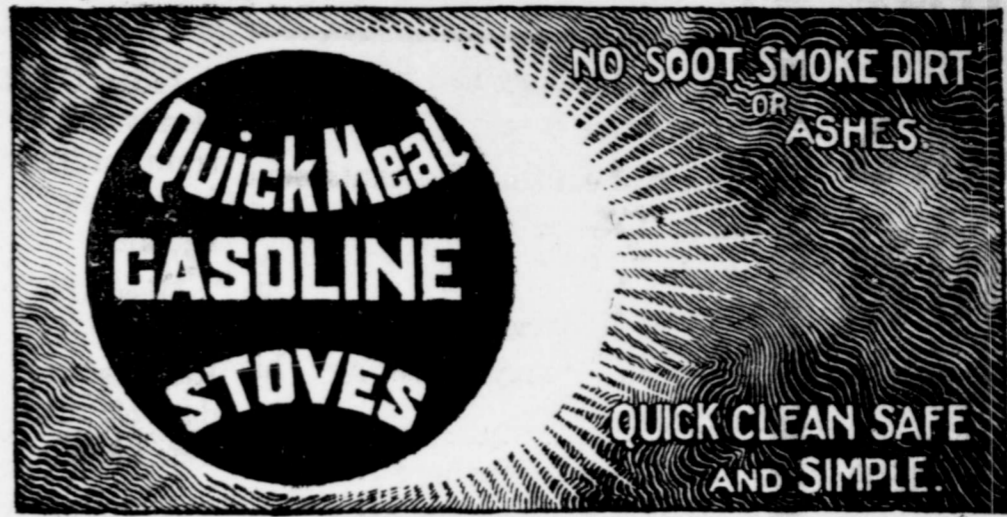
You can not read this three times and understand it. Are you sick? Take it. Your money back if you want it. Try it. Ask your druggist for it. Take no substitute. Ethelbert's Sarsaparilla Compound guaranteed by Walker Drug Co.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership

Ballinger Texas, June 14 1907. D. Turney, being a member of the firm known as Speidell & Co. from and after this date with draws his name from the said firm, by mutual consent. All contracts and debts created by the said Speidell & Co. are to be settled by Speidell & Sturm and the said D. Turney is in no way responsible for any contracts or debts created by the said Speidell & Co.

Speidell & Co.
D. Turney 4tf.

The Commissioners court is in session this week as a board of equalization. There will be some thing doing for the man that rendered his property too low for taxes.



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Now for the good old summer time—and for the good new things in summer necessities for the house, yard and garden, everything that you would naturally look to a hardware store for, we can supply to better advantage than you can get it elsewhere.

You can't get the famous Gurney refrigerators except from us. It not only is a saver of Ice, but it has many advantages not found in the ordinary kind.

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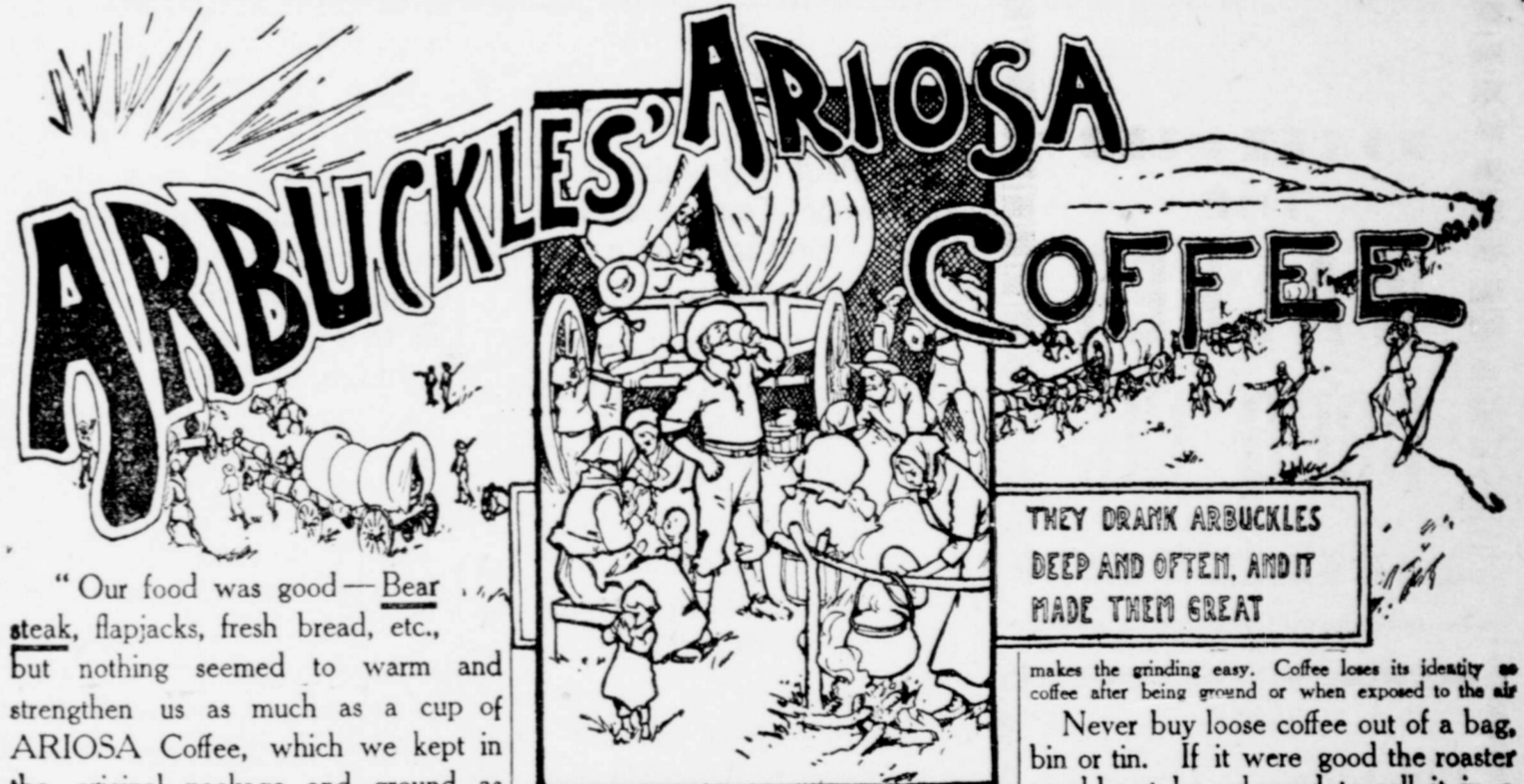
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A new insect—the apple leaf miner—is reported to be getting in its evil work in some parts of the country.

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 coachers 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 82½ 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.

Phone 27 for estimates on job work.

The Mohammedan Oath.

One of the most picturesque forms of administering the oath is that followed by the Mohammedans. The witness places his right hand flat upon the Koran, puts the other on his forehead and then brings his forehead down until it is in contact with the book. Then he stands erect and looks steadfastly up for some seconds. The officer of the court asks the witness, "Are you bound by the ceremony you have performed to speak the truth?" The answer is "I am."

To the Buddhist witness the officer of the court says: "You declare as in the presence of Buddha that you are unprejudiced, and if what you speak shall prove false or if by your coloring truth others shall be led astray, then may the three holy existences—viz. Buddha, Dhamma and Phro Sangha—in whose light you now stand, together with the glorious devotees of the twenty-two firmaments, punish you and also your migrating soul." The witness places his hand on the zendavesta and says, "I swear that the evidence I shall give shall be the truth, by God, by God omnipresent, by God omnipotent, the God Almighty."

A Juvenile Superstition.

There is a stone in the high wall that surrounds Girard college that has for years been the object of a juvenile tradition, says the Philadelphia Record. It is situated on the Ridge avenue front and is halfway between Ninth and Twentieth streets and five feet from the pavement. The stone is one of the regular stones of the wall, but it has the peculiarity of being perfectly round in shape and a peculiar reddish brown in color. There is not a boy who lives in that section who does not regard it as the lucky stone and call it such. According to the boyish superstition, every lad who passes it should spit on it and make a wish, which will come true, and should he ignore the stone in passing bad luck is sure to come. Curious persons, hearing of the superstition, have paused in the vicinity and watched boy after boy spit on the stone as he passed.

True Snobbishness.

Untold depths of snobbishness among freeborn Americans seem to be revealed by a recent incident that is worthy of a place in literature. A wealthy and cultured family of good ancestry, but who did not happen to figure as social leaders in a certain city, received invitations for a wedding among people whom they knew very well, but whose social aspirations were rather more pronounced than their own. The gift selected for the bride was a beautiful clock. It was bought at one of the best shops, and the cards of the givers were left to be sent with the clock at a certain date. Time passed, the wedding came off, but no acknowledgment reached the people who sent the clock. The clerk remembered shipping it with the cards, but nothing further was known until a mutual friend of the two families was moved to make inquiries of the bride's mother. This lady seemed to be a little vague about it, but it eventually transpired that the ambitious young bride had removed the cards of the donors and had substituted that of a conspicuous society leader with whom she happened to have the merest calling acquaintance.—Harper's Bazar.

Miss Meadowsweet—Excuse my ignorance, but ought I to call you Mr. Squills or Dr. Squills? The Doctor—Oh, call me anything you like. Some of my friends call me an old fool. Miss Meadowsweet—Ah, but that's only people who know you intimately!

Eating in Mexico.

Mexico is a land where people like to eat, and eat a good deal. The dinner table is well spread, and there is an abundance. Food is served in courses and often many of them. A common bill of fare in thousands of houses at noon will be: Soup, called caldo, or broth; rice or macaroni known as sopa; baked and stuffed tomatoes and artichokes, a most delicious vegetable; two kinds of meat, often chicken and a roast or chops and steaks; fried potatoes, salad, beans which always appear; fruit and several kinds of sweets and then coffee. Everything comes on separately, served by a boy or maid. This is a very usual repast and is frequently varied with fish from the fresh water lakes.

Expansion and Contraction of Air.

If a hole could be sunk into the bowels of the earth to a depth of forty-six miles, the density of the air which would collect at the bottom would be greater than that of quicksilver on the surface. The same law of reasoning teaches that if a cubic inch of surface air could be taken to a height of 4,000 miles it would expand sufficiently to fill a space of 2,000,000,000 miles in diameter.—New York Telegram.

When Reptiles Die.

Reptiles rarely die in the daylight—usually between nightfall and midnight. Many of them have an instinctive prescience of death and seek particular places to await the end, while those whose lives are spent underground come to the surface before death. Snakes, chameleons, crocodiles and turtles plainly show in their faces the approach of death.—Fall Mall Gazette.

Lion Taming.

Men who have had long experience with lions give them a very bad character. There is said to be no art in lion taming but the art of terrorism, and no rule but keeping the lions' stomachs full and their minds cowed. There never has been, and there never will be, say some, an appeal made to the lion's intelligence, because the limited amount of that quality which he possesses is dominated by his ferocity.

Screwdrivers.

Some of the best screwdrivers are made from wornout cotton spindles. In days gone by these wornout spindles were thrown on to an old iron heap and left to rust until they were sold for old metal. Then somebody thought of grinding one end into a wedge and flattening the other. Result, a screwdriver of the best quality and a large percentage of extra profit for the cotton spinners.

Gunner—But why are you fellows so anxious to have that writer of fiction join your club? He doesn't smoke, drink or play poker? Guyer—No, but we need a writer of fiction to frame up stories for those who do. He can create a clever yarn that any wife will swallow.—Chicago News.

The largest prayer meeting in the world is said to be held outside the great mosque of Delhi every Friday morning. There are from 3,000 to 4,000 persons at each service, and the audience is composed entirely of men, women not being allowed inside the sacred inclosure.

Feminine Friendships.

Few women take the trouble to dissect their friendships. They take them for granted and accept every one as a friend who pecks them on the cheek and calls them "dearest." That women can be, and frequently are, very fond of each other is, of course, obvious, but in the generality of cases the affection is not very remarkable for its depth or the length of its duration.—London Ladies' Field.

Human Ant Eaters.

There is a Chinaman in New York who has a sign over his door that reads "Strange Food Exotics." What to Eat says that he sells a hundred of the funny little gray biscuits that he keeps with his other odd stock every month at \$2.50 each. The biscuits are made from the dried and compressed bodies of African white ants, and there are people who can eat them without saying "ugh!"

Was Richard III. a Jekyll-Hyde?

Was Richard III. the unmitigated ruffian of Shakespeare's play? Sir Clements Markham in his "Life of Richard III." dies in the face of Shakespeare and of all our schoolbooks and makes Richard a fine fellow. He publishes, however, a contemporary portrait of this prince, and if physiognomy goes for anything he was the last man you would like to meet in a dark lane.—Andrew Lang.

Made Him Pause.

"Oh, yes, we are engaged to be married, but I fear she has not that confidence in me that comes with perfect love."

"Why not?"
"Well, when a fellow looks back—as a fellow in love naturally will, you know—and sees her testing the diamond in her engagement ring on the window pane don't you think he has good cause to feel a bit dubious?"

The Mystery of the Universe.

I compare the mind of man to a musical instrument with a certain range of notes, beyond which in both directions exists infinite silence. The phenomena of matter and force come within our intellectual range, but behind and above and around us the real mystery of the universe lies unsolved and, as far as we are concerned, is incapable of solution.—John Tyndall.

Some people are under the impression that the English robin and his mate differ in plumage and expect to see if not a wren at least a small brown bird of retiring disposition and unattractive color, but the hen robin is quite as fearless as her mate and quite as brightly clad.

There are, says an exchange, more ants to the square mile in Florida than in any other country in the world. There are ants that measure more than half an inch in length, and then there are ants so minute that they can scarcely be seen to move with the unaided eye.

So long as there are writers of books there will be many who will never resort to the painstaking labor of Wordsworth, as indicated in the journal of Dorothy Wordsworth: "William has come back tired. He has spent all the day in thinking of an adjective for the cuckoo."

Girl Friend—They are telling the story that when you and Harry dine you kiss each other after every course. You don't, do you? Young Bride—No, we omit it after the first course. Harry says he knows better than to take anything sweet on oysters.—Chicago Tribune.

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