## STUFFED BALE OF **COTTON DISCOVERED**

Baie of Cotton. Bale Contained 291 Pounds False Packing.

day for the arrest of one G. O. linger State Bank & Trust Co., cotton and with swindling. Sheriff business the early part of Feby. Kirk located the man at Hylton and phoned to the deputy there to arrest him and bring him to Ballinger,

From what we can learn of the Godwin bought a bale of cotton from a man giving his name as C. C. Miller, paying 11.25 for

The man placed the money did considerable trading around town and checked on the account in the name C. C. Miller, and perhaps through mistake he figured wrong and traded more than the bank account amounted to, and a check given to U. E. Hartman, a local grocery man, was turned down an account of insufficient funds. Mr. Hartman went to work to locate "C. C. Miller" and have the check made good, but he failed to find a man by that name. Fortunately an acquaintance of Mr. Hartman was with "Miller" when he did the trading, and Mr. Hartman took the matter up with the acquaintance and he learned that the man's name was not lived at Hylton, in Nolan county

cut the bale was found to contain 291 paunds of "stuffing" their patrons.—Miles Messenger. consisting of motes and dirty scrappings from around the gin.

The matter came back to Mr. Godwin and as soon as the man

name has created suspicion, to ing loved ones, Therefore be it say the least of it.

about the matter, but was just loss. Be it further as free to claim his innocence. Resolved, That a copy of these He said. "I am not guilty of resolutions be sent Bro. W. T. ty arrested on a charge of cow Tenth street Christian church. the charge, and they have arrest- Fortson, and that the same be stealing, and stated that the The services have been continued the wrong man. I did not placed upon the minute book of theft was committed twenty ed throughout the week, with raise any cotton this year; had this lodge, and that a copy of years ago. The man does not able sermons by Rev. Sprague my place rented out. I did not the same be placed with the ressell any cotton, in Ballinger, or pective papers of our county phoned the message to the shersell any cotton, in Ballinger, or pective papers of our county phoned the message to the shersell any cotton, in Ballinger, or pective papers of our county phoned the message to the shershowed that up to the 16th on Medical Missions. Mrs. Skinany where else, for I had none to with a request for publication. sell. I was in Ballinger awhile before Christmas, and did some trading, but I never heard of C. C. Miller. Tell Mr. Kirk to please come up to the jail, I want to see him. The man stated further that he lived near Hylton York, one of the secretaries of the accused man are free to say ed any in advance of the preachand had been living there for about ten years, and that he had

McGinley waived examining trial he said he could make the bond, to this interesting lady talk.

#### The Rowena Bank.

The building for the First State Bank of Rowena has been delivered and is now ready for occupancy. The building occupof the square, and is a handsome structure. It is built of brick, packing a bale of tution, and he will be ready for in the morning.

#### Miles Banks Elect Officers.

Tuesday afternoon of last week the stockholders of the Runnels County National Bank and the case we get the following par-Miles National Bank held their Don McClain, of Concho County Shot The Time is Drawing Near When You Will annual meeting and elected officers for the ensuing year.

The Runnels County Bank elected the following directors: Davis, Jr., assistant cashier.

guson and H. T. Williams of if found. Brownwood.

make good reading and the stock- ico. holders are well pleased with The remains of young McClair the way in which the business were shipped to Ballinger, as

the Miles National Bank are the near Leady for burial. same as was elected at the com- The father of the young mar mencement of business Sept. 12, W. J. McClain was well known Miller, but McGinley and that he 1903. There has never been a here. He died last fall at his change.

cotton that Mr. Godwin purchas- banking institutions and can say and his death was a shock to his ed from McGinly, alias Miller, the officers are gentlemen of the relations living in Concho counwas shipped to Brownwood com- highest order and are ever ready ty. press, and when the ties were to extend every courtesy to The relation knew nothing of

#### Resolutions of Respect.

was located the warrent for his supreme Ruler of The Universe tion and a letter asking for the any election. Up to noon today nouncement to that effect. It in his business dealings, and will It is not known where the bale was ginned, or who the guilty party, or parties are. It may be to take from among us, Dr. J. The first among us, Dr. J. The f that McGinley can clear himself 2nd, 1908, and whereas his sudof the charge, but the fact that den death has cast a gloom over he sold the cotton under another the minds and hearts of surviv-

Resolved, That Wingate Lodge LATER---Deputy Sheriff Shep- No. U D Independent order of herd arrived from Hylton last Odd Fellows, do hereby express Sheriff Kirk Receives Message to Arrest night having in charge the man our most sincere and heartfelt McGinley. A Leader reporter sympathy to our worthy brother called at the jail this morning W. T. Fortson assuring him of and asked for an interview with our genuine sorrow, and helping McGinley. He was free to talk him to bear this irreparable message from the sheriff of Corarrived last week, and Sunday

W. P. HAWKINS, JAMES BARRON, N. F. SMITHSON.

#### Prominent Missionery Coming.

will be here Monday, and will where. lecture at the Eighth street Presand was allowed bail in the sum byterian Church Monday nightof \$500 to await the action of the grand jury, The deputy sheriff attend this meeting, and listen shop, spent a couple of days with shop, spent a couple of days with a tend this meeting, and listen shop, spent a couple of days with a tend this meeting, and listen shop, spent a couple of days with a tend this meeting.

We have nothing definate to give our readers in pose of passing some ordinances, Man Arrested for Selling Bogus ies a prominent lot on the corner reference to the proposed railroad. Mr. Lyons, of the and attending to other matters. Jo Wilmeth Goes Higher and Gives Place Reed Bros. Construction Co., arrived here today, and found in this issue of the Leader two-story with plate glass front. as we go to press he is in consultation with Engineer except one and it will be publish-A warrant was issued yester- A. C. Homan, now with the Bal- McDanial and other members of the local company, McGinley, charging him with, will be cashier of the new insti- and it is very probable they will give out something by

# **OUTLAW INDIAN**

Down While at His Post of Duty in New Mexico.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 21.—Don shot down by the Indian.

A. H. Lewis, cashier; I. H. Fer- they expect to have to kill him

The Indian took his squaw The report of these banks with him and is fleeing for Mex

has been conducted in the past. riving here Monday night, and The directors and officers of were taken to the family home

home near Leady. The young In the meantime the bale of The Messenger is proud of our man was about twenty years old

> when the remains arrived and the casket was opened at the Ostertag Furniture Co., a bullet Wingate, Tex, Jan. 18th., 1908. mark in the corner of the left city it also requires a City poll sumed to be a candidate for re- Cashier of the Malone Bank. Mr. Whereas, it has pleased the eye caused somewhat of a sensa- tax to qualify you as a voter in election, but has made no an- Traylor is a pleasant gentleman

# **COW STEALING**

Man for Cow Theft Committed Twenty Years ago.

Sheriff Kirk received a phone yell county, asking Mr. Kirk to and Sunday night he preached for have a man living in Coke counth the Christian congregation at the man will be taken in charge. rest will cause somewhat of a Miss Edith Hughes, of New sensation. Parties who know

Jessie Fox, of the Boyd barber

# ARE YOU

be Disfranchised, Unless You Dig up \$1.75 Before Jan., 31st.

Tax Collector Kirk and his rent. Call at once. W. S. Davis, Sr., J. J. Railey, G. McClain, a cowboy of Leday, in office deputies have been work-W. Reeder, S. W. Meineke and Concho county, Texas, working ing over time this week, and by in the Citizens National Bank in W. A. Davis of Ballinger, and for the Felix Cattle Company, of the rush they have pushed the the following officers were im- New Mexico, discovered "Blind poll tax list up close to 2000. mediately elected: G. W. Reed- Joe" a dangerous Apache outlaw Monday was perhaps the best er, president; W. S. Davis, vice- skinning a stolen beef near the day of the season for the Collectpresident and cashier; W. S. Mescalere reservation and was or and the day's receipts run up over \$13,000. Following is the The Miles National Bank elect- The sheriff and posse of In- list of poll tax receipts issued up ed the following officers and di- dians and cowboys are now trail- to yesterday, at noon, and the rectors: H. W. Robinson, presi- ing the fleeing Indian through collectors were too busy to go dent; E. Boykin, vice- president; the Sacramento mountains but to dinner and the list has been

l	run higher by now:	
	Ballinger	454
7	Runnels	60
	Norwood	38
	Crews	
ı	Content	39
	Antalope	55
Ì	Winters	183
4	Cochran	
	Pumphrey	
į	Wingate	
	Dry Hollow	
5	Old Norton	64
	Maverick	
۱	Pearce S. H.	
5	Rowena	
	Miles	
	Truitt	
	New Norton	
	Total	1725

CITY POLL TAX.

Attention. Interesting Services Each

Rev. Chester Sprague, of Ohio

next night.

#### Special Meeting of Alderman.

A special meeting of the city authorities was held at the city hall Monday night for the pur-

The ordinances passed are ed next week.

The Council also appointed a

nesday night and let the con- board. tract to the Sewerage Co., for It will be remembered that

#### Farms for Rent.

We have several Farms for GIESECKE-BENNETT CO,

Notice to My Former Customers.

be pleased to continue to do your man to fill the Cashier's chair. work in the Blacksmith line. S. A. WHITESIDES.

#### NOTICE.

After Jan 31st a penalty of ten per cent will be edded to all city taxes remaining unpaid after above date. If you live within the corporate limits you must have a city poll tax receipt dated on or before the 31st day of Jany. 1908 to have a vote in any election held this year.

J. R. Lusk, City tax Coll.

#### Hicks for the Legislature.

budding statesmen.

love, a former citizen of Ballin- Feb. ger, now living at Turkey, Texas Meeting in Progress This Week Attracts speaks words of cheer and encouragement for the Leader. Mr. Breedlove is still enterested in Preaching at 11 a. m. at the

## Ginner's Cotton Report.

The Ginner's Cotton Reiff of Coke county, and if there are delivered in a way that is day of Jan. 10,337,000 bales ner, leader. is a warrent for the arrest the calculated to cause the sinner to of cotton had been ginned. At the close of the lesson dain-The man wanted has been living stop and think of the better life. This report is issued by ty refreshments of Marguerites in Coke county for a long time and is one of the most prominent men in the county, and the arer er feel that it is good to be here.

The singing by the choir adds to the government, and is supposed to be accurate. The her accomplished daughter, Miss The meeting was not advertis- market dropped fifteen Bertha, who also favored the the Missionery work of the that they don't believe he is er's coming and considering this was made public, and con-Presbyterian Church U. S. A. guitly of the charge, and think there must be a mistake some-will be here Monday, and will where over Sunday and everybody is mates of the crop now run cordially invited to come and be from eleven to eleven and

# GITIZENS BANK.

to New Cashier. Too Much Work for one Man Makes Change Necessary.

A meeting of the directors of finance committee to audit the the Citizens National Bank was city books for the rear 1907, held in the directors office in the J. McGregor, W. A. Norman bank building Wednesday mornand R. W. Bruce was appointed. ing and matters of much impor-The Council met again Wed- tance were passed on by the

the grading of the main business this bank's capital stock has recently been doubled and to say nothing of this, the business has long since reached the point where it made more work than the present management could do and the addition of another working officer was made necessary. The board of directors realizing this saw fit to promote I wish to say to all my friends Jo. Wilmeth to the Vice Presiand customers that I am now dency and general manager of with Hicks & Moore, and would the instution and elect another

> There is only one bank West of Fort Worth that now ranks higher, or handles more business than the Citizens National and it would have been hard matter to find a man that could have done the work to the satisfaction of all concerned as well as Mr. Wilmeth, and with the double capital, which will give the bank more latitude to reach out for more business, and with the increase in business the bank expect to have, the board realized that Mr. Wilmeth could not do the work alone that would come before the management, hence the change.

San Antonio, Jan. 21.--Ballin- M. A. Traylor. of the First ger papers are mentioning the State Bank & Trust Co., of Fort probable candidacy of Dr. S. L. Worth was elected Cashier to Hicks of that town for the legis- succeed Mr. Wilmeth. Mr. lature from the One Hundred Traylor comes very highly reand Second district. represented commended as a banker, and in the Thirtieth legislature by citizen. He was formerly con-Hon. W. B. Silliman of El Dora- nected with the Citizens Nation-Remember if you live in the eo. The latter gentleman is pre- al Bank, of Hillsboro, and later candidates on the anti-pass law, several days, and left Wednesare having a deterrent effect on day for Fort Worth to wind up personal business affairs and to move his family to Ballinger. He will return to assume charge A letter from W. A. Breed- of his duties about the first of

#### Sunday Service.

Ballinger and says keep the Court House. Shall we see you present? We hope so. E. P. WILLIAMS, Pastor.

#### Woman's Home Mission Society.

The Study Circle of the W. H. M. Society met with Mrs. E. L. port was received yester-Rasbury Tuesday afternoon. The day at ten o'clock, and lesson was from the chapter on

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Sellers, on Feb. 18th, Mrs. Legate, leader.

Miss Bessie Burley came down grand jury, The deputy sheriff three quarter million shop, spent a couple of days with and to-morrow night and the took him back to Hylton, where took him back to Hylton him back to Hylton him back to Hylton him back ning to visit Ballinger friends.

Advertised Letter List.

Jan. 18, 08, Miss Willie M. Barnett Mrs. Alice Barnett Mrs, Susie Brooks. Mrs. W. B. Brooks. T. W. Crai G. L. Downus F. N. Farley. J. L. Hearn. Miss Vivian Miller. Harley Michaelis. Ed Parker. Smith and Lee. J. W. Towner Jeptha Thomlinson.

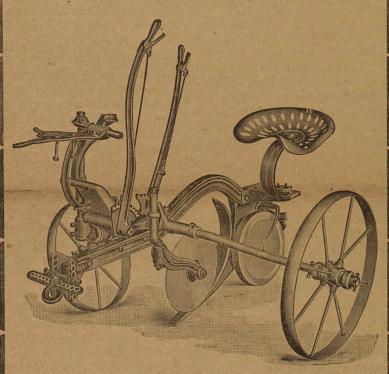
Miss Minnie Wood.

Geo. White.

superintendent, came in last Saturday from the Northern part finds the schools in fine shape wood Bulletin.

and doing good work. He wants to impress on the people the necessity of taking care of the To the Sheriff or any Constable of school property. In some localities he finds this is done to a fairly good extent, but in others the school buildings are not kept as clean and comfortable as they should be. Educate the children residence are unknown to plaintiffs, and to have some public pride is the Jno. E. Clark, and wife C. E. Clark, idea. Discourage them in the Ben F. Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their tear-up and destroy evil. Prof. unknown heirs, herein styled defen-Hagan left again Tuesday to vis- dants, whose names and residence are unknown to Plaintiffs, by making publi- a foot." They presently caught a over 16 years of age, 4,833,630 are

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#### Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS. Runnels County-Greeting:-

You are Hereby Commanded to summon Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown heirs of Elisha manuscript in the collection of the doubtedly the greatest factor in fur-Floyd, Rodney Wheeler and T. J. Lee, deceased, whose names and place of dants, whose names and residence are could catch a horse we would not ride 485,559 women in the United States it schools in other parts of the cation of this Citation once in each week horse and Teague mounted, but Pat, breadwinners, suggests the increasfor eight successive weeks previous to supposing he would not carry ing industrial competition with men, the return day hereof. in some news- double, agreed to drive. The horse A rich man is the man who al- paper published in your County, if there being rather unruly, and the driver deal" unless safeguarded by the balways has money. Put some of be a newspaper published therein, but rather severe, the horse kicked Pat lot. In England, where the "sufyour money in the Citizens National Bank of Ballinger and you if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35 Judicial District; but if a great stone and threw it violently. there be no newspaper published in a great stone and threw it violently and 28 failed Lieuten demands Prof. E. L. Hagan, our county will begin to be rich right away. said Judicial District, then in a news-Mr. J. D. Warren of Wilmeth, to said 35 Judicial District, to appear in the back. Teague, astonished at wages as against 20s. paid to men. at the next regular term of the Dis- the blow, turned and inquired the Opposed to the cry of the woman of the County, where he had Runnels county, was in the city trict Court of Runnels County, to be matter. "Ah, by my soul, honey, who toils is the antisuffragist. Usubeen spending the week visiting Saturday to enter his daughters, holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the First Monday in face." "Has he?" said Teague; county. Prof. Hagan says he Howard Payne college-Brown- March A. D. 1908, the same being the "sure then he's just kicked me in the 2nd day of March A. D. 1908, then and back, too." there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 13th, day of December A. D. 1907. in a suit, number on the docket of said Court No. 896, wherein A. J. & D. Reeder, are Plaintiffs, and Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown heirs of Elisha Floyd, Rodney Wheeler and J. T. Lee deceaswhose names and place of residence are unknown to plaintiffs, and Jno. E. Clark, and wife, C. E. Clark, Ben F.

> A. J. & D. Reeder In the District Court Thomas Pratt & In the District Court of Runnels County, his Unknown Heirs et al.

Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their unknown

neirs, are Defendants, and said petition

To The Hon. Judge Of Said Court: A. J. & D. Reeder who reside in Runnels County, Texas, herein styled plaintiffs, complaining of Thomas Pratt and his unknown heirs, and the unknown heirs of Elisha Floyd, Rodney Wheeler and J. T. Lee, deceased, whose names plaintiffs, and Jno. E. Clark, and wife, lot worse, ma'am." C. E. Clark, Ben F. Clark, Jas. E. Clark and their unknown heirs, herein styled defendants, whose names and residences are unknown to plainstract number 397, Certificate 16-22, patent number 276, Volume 9:

had peaceable and adverse possession been unearthed. thereof under fence, cultivating, using and enjoying same for more than five years next preceding the filling of this suit, and that plaintiff's title thereto has long since been perfected by the five years statute of limitation, herein asserted and pleaded.

Plaintiffs further allege that they have had actual, peaceable, and adverse possession of said land, having same fenced, cultivating, using and enjoying same for more than ten years next preceeding the filing of this suit and plaintiff' title thereto has long since been perfected by the ten years statute of limitation, herein pleaded and asserted.

That on the date last aforesaid, when plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land holding same under titles herein pleaded and asserted, defendants asserted, and are now asserting some pretended title to said land, the nature of which is unknown to plaintiffs which is a cloud upon their title thereto, and disturbing their peaceable possession thereof, to their dam-

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray, that defendants be cited by publication in the manner as required by law, to answer all costs of suit and general releif.

Harris & Shepherd, Attorney for Plaintifis.

Court, at its aforesaid next regular tain kinds from the United States. mind you."—N. Y. Press. term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the

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

Given Under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, Texas this the 13th day of December A

R. A. Terry Clerk, District Court Runnels County, By J. Shields Deputy. A true copy of the original I hereby

R. P. Kirk, Sheriff Runnels County.

-The Leader sells old papers.

#### SOMETHING OF AN ACROBAT

Irishman Credited Horse He Was Riding with a Truly Remarkable Feat.

Among some old anecdotes in New Jersey Historical society this ther enfranchisement is the working one was unearthed: Two Irishmen woman, says an article in Appleton's traveling through the country, rath- Magazine. To her the ballot is er fatigued, the one said to the bread. The astonishing statement other: "By me soul, Pat, if we of the last census that out of 23,paper published in the nearest District and gave his fellow traveler a blow

#### HIS SINGULAR INFIRMITY.

"What is your name, little boy?" asked the teacher.

quite good. Your name, please?" "I'd rather not tell you."

"Are you ashamed of your name?" "No, ma'am, but-"

contorted as he began:

and place of residence are unknown to I'm nagged like this I'm a whole 'to accomplish.'

#### ANCIENT CELTIC RELICS.

A resurrection of old Celts has tiffs, represent that on the 1st. taken place in the isle of Thanet. day of July 1907, they were and are At Dumpton, what appears to have now lawfully seized and possessed, hold-been a Celtic camp has been parng same by fee simple title, the fol- tially excavated in the making of a

CUPID ARMOR PLATE.



Wus you ever in love, Jimmie?" "Naw. I guess I'm one of dese

#### IMPORTS MANY APPLES.

Official figures show that Great herein; that on final hearing they have United States. The total from all ly, "I just wish we could have somejudgment against said defendants for the British possessions is under thing like that in our Methodist the title to said land; that the cloud on 4,000,000 bushels. Canada's share church in Whitestown." their title be removed; that they be is about 3,000,000 bushels and Ausquieted in their possession thereof, and tralasia's nearly 500,000 bushels. the husband, who was carrying her

#### HIS TROUBLE.

Joakley-He would never have become so addicted to drink if it money on a race?" hadn't been for the trouble he had. Coakley-Why, what trouble did

he have? Joakley-He had trouble keeping away from it.

#### AT THE CHURCH BAZAAR.

"Would you like to take a chance?" she asked sweetly. "No, thank you," he replied; "I've la by sheer accident." already been married three times."

#### HOW MANY WOMEN WORK?

Reason Why Breadwinners Among the Sex Are Generally in Favor of Enfranchisement.

Among women themselves unwhich can never savor of the "square actually average only 7s. 6d. in ally she belongs to the idle rich and your wagon and that we has more "rights" than the Lord E charge you for. Before ever intended. William T. Stead, the English journalist, recently related a story about his visit to the king of Denmark which illustrates the egotistical viewpoint of the "anti." The king expressed himself "I'll have to write it for you, as favoring woman's suffrage, wherema'am," said the new boy, hesitat- upon the queen demurred. "But, my dear, you have everything the "I think not. My hearing is suffragists are fighting for," replied the king, reprovingly.

#### "IVORY GATE OF DREAMS."

Brewer in his "Handbook" fur-"Then we will not waste any more nishes an answer to the question: time, if you please. I am waiting." "What is meant by 'the ivory gate of The boy's eyes rolled wildly in dreams'?" It is: "Dreams which their sockets and his face became delude pass through the ivory gate, but those which come true through "Kuk-kuk-kuk-kuk Clarence! the horn gate. This whim depends of That's my first name. The other is upon two puns—ivory in Greek is Pup-pup-pup-pup-pup-pup Per- elephas, and the verb eliphario kins! I never stutter 'cept when means 'to cheat;' horn in Greek is I'm speaking my name, and when keras, and the verb keranoo means

> From the gates of horn or ivory dreams are sent;

These to deceive and those for warning meant.

#### THE BIRTHPLACE OF BEAUTY.

It was no wonder, of course, that there should be handsome women in lowing described tract of land in Runnels County, Texas, to wit: 620 acres feet long have been discovered and have whatever they want, and ceroriginally granted to Thomas Pratt a number of skeletons, a quern stone tainly they would want to be noknown as survey number 365 1-2, Abanda a cordoned vase. At Broadstairs where else than here with the pointage and a cordoned vase. the surveyor's staff, while sinking a settias and the mocking birds, under shaft, opened out an ancient pit the blue skies, and in the perfect That plaintiffs and those under whom with a burnt clay floor from which weather, where they can display essed of said land under deeds duly re- a quantity of rare Celtic pottery themselves every hour of the sunlit corded, paying all taxes due thereon up to the filing of this suit, and have tions, an iron spearhead, etc., have day. A fair land for fair women tions, an iron spearhead, etc., have women still the handsomest of all. And why not? This is the birthplace of beauty as well as its rendezvous.—Los Angeles Times.

#### PASSING OF THE SQUARE.

The old public square of the horse racks and mud is rapidly passing. The removal of the old courthouse sounded the death knell and now the mayor is burying it under a macadam pavement. Don't call our market place square any more, but place your thumbs in the arm pits of your vest, throw out your chest and call it "Plaza," with a long drawl on the "z." It is all right for places like Greenwood and Ninetysix to call the public mart "The Square," but places like Abbeville and Anderson call it "The Plaza." —Abbeville Press and Banner.

#### ALL SHE HAD TO DO.

Britain's annual import of apples around the church and singing," is now nearly 9,000,000 bushels. said a woman visitor to a large she is not going to One-half the import is from the Protestant Episcopal church recent-

"Well, Betsy," said her meek lit-The import from all foreign coun- handbag and fur coat, "if you want tries other than the United States them to march around the church is therefore small. The favorite and sing, all you've got to do is to real nice glass of Herein fail not, but have before said apples in the British market are cer- tell them to, they wouldn't dare not

#### LOYALTY.

"So your husband lost all his "Yes," answered young Mrs. Tor-

"Well, it was his own fault." "It wasn't anything of the sort. and things put up in It was the horse's fault."—Washing- glasses and bottles ton Star.

#### YET ALL HEAD WORK.

hair restorer stumbled on the formu-

"That's what I call bald luck."-Baltimore American.



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#### Dr. C. S. Jackson,

the Brownwood Veterinery Surgeon, visits Ballinger once a month and will treat your sick or diseased stock.

#### Notice--Keep Out.

All my lands on Valley creek are posted, and here-by warn parties to keep out. No hunting pecan gathering or trespassing in any manner will be allowed. J. W. Raby.

We want your accounts large or small. Citizens National Bank.

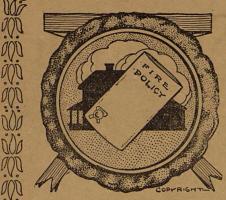


Dear friend: We were away from "I like that way of marching home in jelly-making time, but Mama says worry over a hot stove any more to make jelly and jam. She says she can buy it cheaper than she can make it and just as good. Do you know you can get a jelly, any kind you want for 10c.

> your friend, Jacob.

P. S. It would surprise you to see how many different kinds of jams and jellies you can get at

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# A Happy New Year.

We extend to all our customers and friends our sincere thanks for patronage and favors through 1907, and wish for one and all a Happy New Year and prosperous 1908.

Jas. E. Brewer

N. B. Remember we can supply you with dependable jewelry and give you first-class repair work.



Sold in Ballinger by the Walker Drug Co.

County Attorney R. S. Griggs, returned from Gatesville, first of the week. Mrs. Griggs is

Sis Hopkin's says: "Some weddings are little else than a dress- Worth Record. suit case.'

A. J. Voelkel returned from a visit to his son at Brownwood, first of the week.

true critic.

W. H. Davis, of Taylor, was here, first of the week, looking hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's must be remembered that the

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## SCOTT SELLS LAST OIL MILL

Oil Mill Capitalist Disposes of His Interest in Texas Oil Mills.

One of the largest and most significant deals since the recent supposed depressions was consummated yesterday when Win- Editor Banner-Leader, field Scott sold his entire interest in the Comanche oil mill and Fred H. Oberthier and J. W. Reeves of Comanche and D. R.

Scott disposes of the last of his take. Texas oil mill holdings, and he has only five gins left. He is the management of his office contrary, the commissioner's buildings and real estate inter- court, individually and collectiveests in Fort Worth, and is constantly acquiring more Ft. Worth property. He has also disposed of all his oil mill interests outside of Texas except the big mill at East St. Louis.

Within the past half year Mr. Scott has made cotton mill and gin sales aggregating nearly \$1,000,000.

Several months ago he sold to Chicago parties and former Mayor C. H. Bencini of Brownwood the oil mills at Brownwood, Hico, Stephenville, Dublin, Coleman, parts of the state. Later on he sold his interest in the Planters'

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY of Runnels. By virtue of an order of sale, doesen't like, then you have a sanuary, 1806, by the case of Kingman Texas Implement fair. Co., versus W. F. Borders No. 3380, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the that we are trying to avoid. It said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described Property tion until it meets as a board of situated in Runnels Co., Texas, to-wit: equalization after the property is Texas, and known as all save and except 160 acres out said Survey conveyed to W. H. Trout, of S. P. R. R. Co. in his desire to properly perform in his desire to properly perfor No. 19 abstract No. 446, Certificate 1213, the duties of his office, asked the on his way to Dallas to attend of patent to W. J. Hutchings, on April members of the commissioners the state meeting of the hard-8th, 1873 letter Patent No. 429, Vol. 6, court to advise him in advance what they would probably do, ence is made to book 43 page 215 deed what they would probably do, when they meet as a board of ceed to demonstrate in a practirecords of Runnels county Texas, and when they meet as a board of ceed to demonstrate in a practi- and try to have faith in your fellow for field notes of that part conveyed to equalization, with reference to cal way to prove his statement. — men." Trout, reference is made to Book 44. values, so that he would know Brownwood Bulletin. page 611, deed records of Runnels what to tell property owners County, said above mentioned deeds made part of this description levied on as the property of W. F. Borders, to We discussed the matter with is or should be worried when strangers and have for beaten three times inside the matter with its or should be worried when they render their property.

Every Mother beaten three times inside the matter with its or should be worried when they render their property. satisfy a judgment amounting to him informally at our meeting the little ones have a cough or \$2319.70 in favor of Kingman Texas Im- on the 16th, and suggested to cold. It may lead to croup or pliment Co., and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 9th day of January, 1908.

Norton county selling cotton, thought property in this county first of the week, and called to was actually worth more than

or small. Citizens National Bank. know that most personal prop- Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

# OPEN LETTER

Leader's Notice of Court Carried Wrong Idea. Explains Court's Action in Reference to Tax Renditions.

Ballinger, Tex., Jan. 20, '08. Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir: Under the caption six gins situated in that county of "Tax Renditions Remain the I am, for the aggregate consideration Same," in your last issue you unof \$180,000. Charles Bryson. dertake to report the proceedings of a special session of the commissiner's court of Runnels ASSIGNMENT AT Blair of Brownwood are the pur- county held on the 16th, inst. chasers. Mr. Oberthier resigns The matter was so erroneously from the management and will reported that I have taken the be succeeded by Mr. Blair, who trouble to investigate the source pleased to learn that you are not By yesterday's transaction Mr. at all to be blamed for the mis-

It was not "unanimously decided to pay no attention to the now confining himself solely to full rendation idea." Just to the ly, most heartily favors the full possible plan by which the burden of taxation can be equally and equitably distributed. But we were and are unanimous on one proposition, -that the citizens of Runnels county, owing to the serious drouth of last year and the preset financial situation, are not in position to, and should not pay more taxes in dollars and cents in 1908 than they are now paying for 1907. (Individually, I question whether they should and thirty-eight gins in various have to pay more, according to what they have, under any cir- FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER: cumstances.) And we are afraid oil mill at Weatherford, also his of the other fellow-the other interest in the Fort Worth Oil counties. We fear that the peocompany and the Mutual Cotton ple of east and north Texas will en were here from Winters, Oil company at Fort Worth. talk loud about full renditions, as first of the week, paying taxes These sales amounted to over they did last year, and then put and attending to other business. \$800,000. and all have been contheir black lands in for taxation Front street across from the Tex- Tax Board, the Board waits until ket. as & Pacific station, and a three- the total valuations from all the story structure at the corner of counties are in, then sizes up the Second and Main. The financial pile and fixes the State rate at daughter, Miss Modenia, have troubles have not stopped his the proper figure to raise suffinot detracted from his great government. If all counties have gelo News. and the others do not, then the Duncan McAuley. consequent high rate which the

It is this last stated possibility ties acted in good faith in the J. Y. Pearce. A. D. Taylor was in from the matter, and if at that time we

erty, horses and mules for instance, can not possibly stand FROM JUDGE STONE any raise, and that we have no power to lower the rate which school districts have put upon themselves by their own votes at special elections held in the past. These are minor matters, however, and would be thoroughly understood by the people.

Trusting that you will publish Yours very truly,

B. B. STONE.

# MILES, TEXAS

bilities Amounting to \$5842.51. Assets About Equal.

as, filled for record on Jan. 17th, apology." a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors. W.S. Davis, of Miles was named as asignee. The liabilities are given in at \$5842.51, and assets of rendition idea as being the only about equal amount, including all accounts and notes, and stock and fixtures invoicing \$2888.02.

The Runnels County National Bank and the Walker-Smith Co., are the heaviest creditors.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the Democratic Primary:

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY: EDWARD S. McCarver. JOE SPOONTS.

J. M. Johnson and W. J. Gord-

summated since April, 1907. Mr. at from ten to fifteen dollars per the Norton country, first of the pose and energy into our lives that Scott is now erecting two large acre, just as they did last year. week, all smiles on account of will help us to realize them. buildings, a four-story hotel on Under the new automatic State the advance in the cotton mar-

Mr. and Mrs, H. C. Wylie and

faith in Fort Worth.---Fort full value renditions, then the Mrs. Maud Robinson returned state rate will be very low, and to her home at Cameron, first of nobody hurt. But if one or a the week. She was here to atfew counties value property high tend the funeral of her brother,

Mrs. Lewine of Miles and Miss Whenever you find a man who issued out of the Honorable District State Board will have to fix will Stocks of Ballinger, are visiting Whenever you find a man who can appreciate something he descent like then you have a like the like then you have a like the like then you have a like the San Angelo News.

specialty to draw and probate poem presented, and then at the still at the bedside of her mother after his interest in the Davis Sales, on the first Tuesday in February commissioners court has no audian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, "you have missed your call-him, but the day of said dian of minors, trustee in bank-him, but the day of said dian of minors, but the day of said month, before the Court House door of month, before the Court House door of the court house door of month, before the Court House door of the court ho

> B. H. Jeanes, one of Ballin- ed the poet, haughtily. Situated and lying in Runnels County all rendered to and assessed by ger's all wool and a yard wide

him that he advise the people to pleurisy or pneumonia -then to put in their property about as something more serious. Bal-R. P. Kirk, Sheriff last year, and that when we lard's Horehound Syrup will manlike instincts. T. J. Gardner, Deputy | meet in July to pass on the mat- cure the trouble at once and preter officially, if the other coun- vent any complication. Sold by of legal qualifications, "is one that

#### Caught in the Rain

settle up for some reading mat- what it had been put in at, then a cold and a cough-let it where her hair is getting gray? ter and get his figures moved up we would as a board of equalizar run on—get pneumonia or con- Flossie—Worse than that. She's on the Leader and Dallas News tion make the necessary raises, sumption that's all. No matter reached the age where it's getting list. Mr. Taylor sold a bale of and would lower our rates in how you get your cough don't golden again.—Kansas City Times. cotton for \$80.61 cents, and was proportion, so that the county neglect it—take Ballard's Horefeeling good. The bale weighed would collect no more money for hound Syrvp and you'll be over The small depositor is just as 696 pounds, and was purchased taxes than last year. We would it in no time. The sure cure for welcome as the large and the then collect more from some coughs, colds bronchitis and all same courteous treatment will be We want your accounts large classes of property, because we pulmonary diseases in young old. extended him at the

#### MAN OF SCIENCE RIGHT

Professor Simon's Advocacy of the Use of the Left Hand Is Indorsed.

"When Professor Walter Simon of Konigsberg took up the cause of the left hand," says Dr. Friedlander in a Berlin paper, "we laughed at him. He called it the 'stief hand' ('step hand') because it was considered of less consequence than its this explanation, which I believe right brother. There may be stepis the first signed artice I have children,' he said, 'but no step hand. ever burdened a newspaper with, Nature intended the members to share alike in work.' This was the motive which moved him to start the classes for the cultivation of left hand work, and we who laughed at him now congratulate him and have become converts to his views. It is only a short time since one of the men who ridiculed Dr. Zamenhof and his 'Esperanto craze' will have active control of the of your information, and am Jennings Bros. Go to The Wall With Lia- said in this paper: 'I ask the doctor's pardon.' The people who have seen the results of Professor Simon's work in the interest of the neglect-Jennings Bros. of Miles, Tax- ed step hand owe him a similar

#### SEIZED HER OPPORTUNITY.

He was not a very rapid wooer, and she was getting a bit anxious. Again he called, and they sat together in the parlor, "just those

A loud rap came at the front door.

"Oh, bother!" she said; "who can be calling?" "Say you're out," said the de-

"Oh, no; that would be untrue,"

murmured the ingenuous one. "Then say you're engaged," he

"Oh, may I, Charlie?" she cried, as she threw herself in her arms. And the man kept on knocking at the front door .- Illustrated Bits.

A MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

There is nothing sadder than to be forced to confess to oneself, "I am enrolled among the Might-have-

We can outlive our possibilities, and will, unless we get a grip on .J T. Snellgrove was here from ourselves soon enough to put pur-

Take "Will-Be" for your motto and "Might-have-been" will have lost its power to wound.

PROUD OF HIS COLORS.

The stalwart youth had gotten "hammers and nails," and have cient funds to run the State visit to relatives here.—San An- the worst of it in the senior-freshman scrap.

"You don't seem to be the least worried about your discolored eye? remarked the visitor.

"Not at all," laughed the stalwart youth.

"But one eye is black and the other green."

"Ah, I am proud of them. Black and green are the college colors."

HIS PROPER SPHERE.

"Young man," said the editor, Judge J. W. Powell makes it a solemnly, as he glanced over the get a job as a gasman.'

"Why do you say this?" demand-

"Because," replied the editor with

A SHOCKING EXPERIENCE.

"I do try," answered Col. Stillwell, "but when you play cards with strangers and have four of a kind beaten three times inside of 15 min-

A FIRM POSITION.

"What is your position on this question?" asked the man of states-

"My position," answered the man pays forty thousand a year."

ITS SECOND CHILDHOOD.

Nellie—Has she reached the age

Citizens National Bank.



### Have a Slice.

Land that is well located, good soil, smooth and well worth all we ask for it, will sell itself to the man who knows. It doesn't take extra inducements in terms to sell it.

We represent land of this class in any size tracts, with a \$300 per cash payment and balance easy terms.

We have always striven to fill the country with the very best class of people and to sell a man only so much land as he could pay for. We always insist on the purchaser taking an abstract, which we furnish free. In fact we treat our clients like we should like to be treated. Call on us for land, loans, Abstracts and conveyanceing,

## Giesecke-Bennett Co.

"The Square-deal firm."

Lame Shoulder Cured

with the result that I got prompt

relief." For sale by Walker

The small depositor is just as

welcome as the large and the

same courteous treatment will be

Citizens National Bank.

LES RUDY'S Suppository

Sold in Ballinger by the Walker Drug Co.

CALL FOR FREE SAMPLE,

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

extended him at the

Drug Co.

#### Catarrh and Headache

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 2119 Holly Street Kansas City, writes: "After using a sample bottle and two 25c bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrh. It stops my headsaw and I just can't keep house with Boistown, New Brunswick, not be too highly recommended." strength and renewed vitality to out it. She is right.

an excellent time to plan a vacation.

Write for following booklets:

Titan of Chasms. Side Trips.
Petrified Forest. Reasons Why.
Summer Outing in California.
A Colorado Summer.
Santa Fe Trail. They are Free. FRED HARVEY MEAL SER-VICE via SANTA FE



S. KEENAN, Gen. Pass. Agt. G. C. & S. F. RAILWAY Galveston, Texas.

-Old Papers 20c hundred at the Banner-Leader Office.

#### It Will Stay There

"In my family medicine chest no! it proves beyond a doubt the best to make him feel so miserable, he be obtained for its particular purpose. can't help being disagreeable. For treating all manner of skin troubles | Are you in danger of getting insuch as Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm, to that cendition? Then start at etc., Hunt's Cure has held its place once taking Ballard's Herbine for many years. I have failed to find a surer remedy. It cures itching instant-

R. M. Swnnn, Franklin, La.

#### Nature Gives Timely Warnings That No Ballinger Citizen Can Afford to Ignore.

HIDDEN DANGERS

irregular of passage.

from the back. Back pains, dull tors known to medicine. heavy or sharp and acute, tell

While not having to quit work orange. there were times when I should Vinol does not upset the stomed by the too frequent action of its action. the kidneys. Altogether I was Lame shoulder is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and quickly yields to a few applications of Chamberlain's Pain aches. It is the best medicine 1 ever Balm. Mrs. F. H. McElwee, of mation Doan's Kidney Pills can- cure stomach troubles, give

writes: "Having been troubled Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial, the United States.

> Remember the name Doans and take no other.

Chicken-hearted girls don't always wear chic gowns.

# The Price of P eace.

Walker Drug Co.

When a man brags about his dough, you can put it down that le's not well-bred.

#### Don't Take the Risk

When you have a bad cough The Meanest Man in Town is the one who always wears a frown, is cross and disagreeable, and is short and sharp in his answers. Nine cases out of ten it's not the poor fellow's fault, it's his liver and digestion that beginning the sale and use of this preparation has extended to all parts of the United States and to many foreign countries. Its many remarkable cures of for your liver-the safe, sure coughs and colds have won for it this wide reputation and exten- Bad Stomach Trouble Cured. and reliable vegetable regulator. sive use. Sold by Walker Drug

> Some marriages are nothing ut blind bridles,

#### The Pure Food Law

inform the consumer of the ablets are for sale by Walkert presence of certain harmful Drug Co. drugs in medicines." The law requires that the amount of and other habit forming drugs but idle men tempt the Devil.' Chamberlain's Cough Remedy get. have always claimed that their remedy did not contain any of these drugs, and the truth of this claim is now fully proven, as no mention of them is made face too many when you have on the label. This remedy is Neuralgia Don't you? Save the not only one of the safest, but face, you may need it; but get one of the best in use for coughs rid of the Neuralgia by applying and colds. Its value has been Ballard's Snow Liniment. Fin-

#### THE OLD AND

#### NEW WAY Some Important Facts Which May Prove Helpful.

Thirty years ago old-fashioned DANGER SIGNAL No. 1. comes cod liver oil had to be forced from the kidney secretions. They down a patients throat. Invawill warn you when the kidneys lids couldn't take it, and children are sick. Well kidneys excrete wouldn't. But the doctors prea clear, amber fluid. Sick kid- scribed it, and it had to be taken neys send out a thin, pale and by force. Yet it cured people foamy, or a thick, red, ill-smell- where enough could be taken ing urine, full of sediment and into the system, for it has ever been the greatest of all tissue DANGER SIGNAL No. 2 comes builders and general reconstruc-

We are now anxious to have you of sick kidneys and warn every one know that Vinol is a you of the approach of dropsy, new form of this very old and diabetes and Bright's disease. valuable remedy, containing in a Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick concentrated form all the medikidneys and cure them perma- cinal elements of cod liver oil, actually taken from fresh cods' F. W. Wyatt, living in the east livers, but by an extractive and part of San Angelo, Texas, says: concentrating process it is made 'For over a year I suffered from without oil or grease, and it is backache and kidney trouble. as delicious to the taste as a fresh

have been in bed but could not ach like old-fashioned cod liver afford it and this kept the trou- oil and emulsions; its strengthenhle aggravated. There was a ing and healing properties are constant dead ache in my back remarkable, and both doctors and my rest at night was disturb- and patients are delighted with

Many wonderful cures right in a bad way. Doan's Kidney here in Ballinger have been ef-Pills were brought to my atten- fected by its use, and we ask all tion and since using two boxes of our customers to try Vinol on of them I feel like a new man. our guarantee to return money, The above symptoms have en- every time it fails to make rich, For sale by all dealers. Price the aged, run-down, tired and for some time with a pain in my 50 cents Foster-Milburn Co. Buf- debilitated, or cure chronic colds, left shoulder, I decided to give falo, New York, sole agents for hacking coughs or bronchitis. The Walker Drug Co.

> A souvenir spoon-a lad kissing his sweetheart.

#### Every Mother

is or should be worried when the little ones have a cough or The terrible itching and smart- cold. It may lead to croup or ing, incident to certain skin dis- pleurisy or pneumonia - then to eases, is almost instantly allayed something more serious. Balby applying Chamberlain's Salve. | lard's Horehound Syrup will Price, 25 cents. For sale by cure the trouble at once and prevent any complication. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

live we waste our breath.

#### Caught in the Rain

then a cold and a cough-let it or cold do not let it drag along run on-get pneumonia or conuntil it beccomes chronic bron-sumption that's all. No matter chitis or develops into an attack how you get your cough don't of pneumonia, but give it the neglect it-take Ballard's Horeattention it deserves and get hound Syrvp and you'll be over rid of it. Take Chamberlain's it in no time. The sure cure for Cough Remedy and you are sure coughs, colds bronchitis and all of prompt relief. From a small pulmonary diseases in young old. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

> The preacher who fishes for compliments never catches men.

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well Secretary Wilson says, "One of a bad stomach trouble.-Mrs. of the objects of the law is to John Lowe, Cooper Maine. These

An old Turkish proverb says: chloroform, opium, morphine, "The Devil tempts all other men, be stated on the label of each The Devil don't need them, he bottle. The manufacturers of want's workers with get-up-and-

#### Too Much Face

You feel as if you had one proven beyond question during est thing in the world for rheuthe many years it has been in matism, neuralgia, burns, cuts, general use. For sale by Walk- scalds, lame back and all pains. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

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That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballin-

## Experience

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

## a Simple Home Prescriptinn Which Any One Can Prepare.

Now is the time when the docen to dress warmly and keep the ing or trespassing allowed feet dry. This is the advice of an old eminent authority who = says that Rheumatism and Kidney trouble weather is here and also tells what to do in case of an attack.

Get from any good prescription Get from any good prescription pharmacy one-half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelien, one ounce

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

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they fil-Compound Kargon, three ounces Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla. Mix by shaking in a bottle and take a teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime.

When we talk louder than we Just try this simple homemade mixture at the first sign of Rheumatism, or if your back heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is aches or you feel that the kidneys are not acting just right. This is said to be a splendid kidney regulator, and almost certain remedy for all forms of all constitutional disease home and at small cost.

Druggists in this town and vicinity, when shown the prescripes. You may have a tion, stated that they can either sample bottle by mail Home of Swamp-Root. free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. supply these ingredients, or if our readers prefer, they will & Co compound the mixture for them.

Let the Leader do it for you.

#### Try it Once

There is more actual misery and less real danger in a case of itching, skin disease than any other ailment. Hunt's Cure is manufactured especially for for these casee. It relieves instantly tirely disappeared. In my esti- red blood, increase the appetite, Advice of Noted Authority. Also Gives and cures promptly. Absolutely guaranteed.

#### Notice--Keep Out.

tor gets busy, and the patent Valley Creek are posted and I All my lands which boarder medicine manufacturers reap the hereby warn all parties to keep out. No hunting, pecan gather-

#### Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

ter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.
Pains, aches and rheucess of uric acid in the

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 begin-Rheumatism, which is caused by uric acid in the blood, which the kidneys fail to filter out. Any one can easily prepare this at one can easily prepare this and is sold on its merits

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's N. Y., on every bottle

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.

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M.D.Chastain

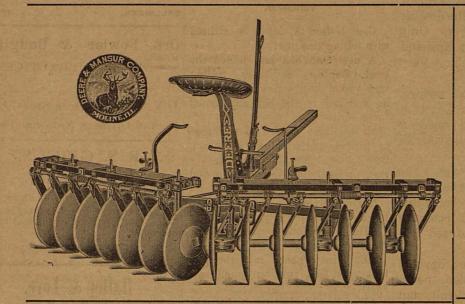
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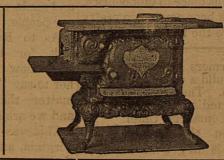
Garments

Millinery



# Higginbotham-Currie Com'ny

Ballinger, Texas.



Citizens National Bank Of Ballinger

sincerely trust that the year 1908 holds in store for each and every one three hundred and sixty-five days of Happiness and Pros-

And also desires to thank every customer and friend for the nice business given us during the past year and we offer to all the best service possible in our line.

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Conveyancer and Notary Public.

Examines Land Titles, Furnishes Abstracts and as Attorney-at-law Solicits your Probate Business.

Office over First Nat Bank.

Ballinger, - - Texas.

Dont it Jar You?

To have a cough that you can't leave and peaceful sleep.

John Weeks, of the Walker Drug Co., went to San Antonio, last Sunday, to attend a meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy, of which board he is a -Old Papers 20c hundred. member. Mrs. Weeks and little

business college, it would be well it would be a bad thing to make there is not going to be girls off-even when you go to bed? Put to write the METROPOLITAN a change, and he may be right. enough to go around, and then hand all the time at Miller Mer. it away for good by using Simmons' BUSINESS COLLEGE, Dallas, Cough Syrup. It heals inflamation of Texas for full information. The unquestioned.

man during Mr. Week's absence. on hand all the time each kind Warren Williams was down you should find a bad sack at Miller mer. Co

W. H. Weeks for Re-Election.

W. H. Weeks is before the people as a candidate for the office of Justice of Peace of the Ballinger precinct. Mr. Weeks has a record that will show his way of dealing out justice to the unlawful element, and he is not shamed of his record. A man that violates the law can do so with the expectation of paying the bill when he goes before Mr. Weeks' court for settlement. Mr. Weeks has handled the duties of this office without fear or favor, and those having business in the Justice court speak in the highest terms of the court's rulings on civil cases. Mr. Weeks wants the office again and promises the same service with improvements gained by the experience he has had,

FOR COMMISSIONER.

If you think of attending a case where Mr. Weeks thinks a hen-house; but they are afraid

everywhere as one of the fore- returned to their home at Mcmost business colleges of the Gregor, Tuesday, after a visit to South-its leadership in Texas is their son, B. B. Hamilton, South tf of Ballinger. It will be remembered that B. B. Hamilton had the misfortune to get his leg broke by being kicked by a horse FreshLive Oak and mill flour two or three weeks ago. He is guaranteed and made good if getting along very well, and will be able to use the limb in the course of a few months.

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If you want goods down close to cost come to the **GRESGENT STORE** 

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human calves being allowed to for life, and before they own a run at large in the society pas- cook-stove or a bedstead they tures without any yokes on them. have to get up in the night and They marry and have children go after the doctor, so frightenbefore they do mustaches; they ed that they run themselves out are fathers of twins before they of breath and abuse the doctor are proprietors of two pair of because he doesn't run, too, and pants, and the little girls they when the doctor gets there, there We are also authorized to an- marry are old women before is not enough linen in the house nounce W. H. Weeks for the of- they are twenty years old. Oc- to wrap up a doll-baby. -Ex. fice of Commissioner of Precinct casionally one of these gosling No. 1. Mr. Weeks has proven marriages turns out all right. his efficiency to fill this office, but it is a clear case of luck. If wheel pulling for the things that think of finding a pullet when fice in Ballinger. are for the best interest of the they have raised money enough county and people. This is one to buy a bundle of laths to build

real spry; and before they are Nine-tenths of the unhappy aware of the sanctity of the marmarriages are the result of green riage relation they are hitched

Lost.

A pocket-book Wednesday the and has been in the office long there was a law against young 15th, 1908 somewhere on the Balenough to have the experience galoots sparking and marrying linger, Wingate road, about 3 necessary in attending to the im- before they have all cut their Miles from Ballinger. Pocketportant matters that come be- eye teeth, we suppose the little book contained \$100 in greenfore that body. He is an enter- cusses would evade it in some backs, 18 five dollar bills, and prising citizen as well as an en- way, but there ought to be one ten dollar bill. I will pay a terprising officer, and is always something against it. It is time liberal reward to finder who will found with his shoulder to the enough for these bantams to leave same at Banner-Leader of-

Wingate, Tex.

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any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us and if necessary we will send our reporter ot get data.

fy for a voter. Pay your poll greener fields. The Brownwood tax if you are a man; if not a people are having a hard fight to man don't pay but be a drone.

The Garden City Gazette retown.—San Angelo News.

The name of the town is appropriate, and is a Garden of Eden in the true sense of the word. With 45 additions to the church sinners must be scarce now, and little work for the preacher to do.

Frank Stuarts' friends have family. been prodding him up a little and want to know why he don't of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hender-dont attempt to kiss him till the He is too busy looking after the Misses Wayland last summer, duties of his office to talk politics. and made warm friends of all of Cotton has been coming in pretty our people. lively since the rise in market.

Ft. Worth. The proposition will month.—Comanche Chief.

The first thing the Union should do is to get the scrapers Virginia, and while he is positive most dangerous man in town, a out of the union. That fight be- that he brought the best part of tween the leaders at Ft. Worth it back with him, he is in love is a disgrace to the organization with what he left there and is and is calculated to give the or- particularly loud in his prise of der a black eye. Something is the royal treatment received at home. rotten at headquarters, and it the hands of his wife's family. will come to the surface sooner Of course we wish them a long or later. Watch what we say, useful and a happy life.

The Record train was about three hours late Wednesday morning, the delay being caused ted. -Plainview News. -Comanche Chief.

Well, we must admit our ignorhad exclusive privilege to run wearing knee pants. broke down engines in Texas, and that they were all in use on this branch of the line. Some time it requires three engines to bring a train from Temple, or at least that many go dead on one run.

Now is the time the farmers should declare for 15 cent cotton and prepare to demand it by planting more hogs and hominy. Bread and meat we must have. Cotton should be our surplus crop. - Exchange.

A farmer can't expect to hold his cotton for 15 cents, or any other price, when he raises a crop on a credit. He must sell as the crop is picked to pay his debts. If you expect to hold your cotton next fall making your arrangements now accordingly.

The Citizens on Eighth Street West of the Eighth Street Church are enterprising and are interested in a work that will cause others to stand up and take notice. The property owners on both sides of the street have agreed to plant out trees along the side walks, and an order for over one hundred trees has been placed with a good nursery to supply for this purpose. Nothing adds more to the appearance of a home than nice shade trees and shrubery, and these people deserve credit for the example they are setting for others. Get in line and get your neighbor interested in this work. The benefit is greater than the cost, many times so.

Judge Goodwin, in the Ross Alderson contempt case which came to trial yesterday, assessed the maximum penalty, a fine of \$100, and 3 days in the county List of Ballinger's Eligible Bachelors, jail. Alderson was injoined from running a club and was found in contempt of court.—Brownwood

We can't see but one thing wrong with the penalty assessed. It should have been \$3 fine and one hundred days in jail. This is the the third victem within the last few months at Brown-If you have visitors or if you know wood, and as the higher courts has sustained Judge Goodwin in his verdict may be the low down violate the prohibition law will One week and you can't quali- get a plenty and move out to rid the town of such characters. It seems that the whiskey element have selected Brownwood ports 45 additions to the church- to carry this point and change es during a recent revival in that the sentiment as was done in Bell county.

#### Ralph Sbuffler Married.

News firm returned last Sunday dear charmer away." night from Virginia, with his

get in the race for cotton weigh- son of Greenwood, Virginia, and ring is on his finger. er. Mr. Stuart says watch the is a sweet and lovable young announcement column and in lady. She and her sister, Miss due time you will find his name. Virginia, visited here with the him kiss twenty girls in one get him for the asking.

talk for himself. We don't make him, and also diamond Try him. The Farmers Union have de- know how he managed to get rings, theater tickets and roses, cided to build a cotton factory at her to say "yes," but that don't be submitted to the locals this matter—they both seem happy and we are satisfied.

This was Ralph's first visit to

Their friends remembered ents, which are highly apprecia- has a daring wit. - Don't hesi-

by the engine giving out between Ralph will be remembered in him. stations and had to wait for help. Ballinger as the son of Rev. and John he left Ballinger seemingly as from the parent-stem for years. way he should go. He will go ance. We thought the Santa Fe though a short time ago he was If you are not serious do not ap- all the gaits.

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

Chas. S. Miller, left Tuesday ey for an enterprising person. evening for a visit to Bellville on business.

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for the Worst.

widowers who are ripe for mat-only 9 lodges. rimony. We would advise you, Roy Sharp, merchant, the rest, presently sidled up to him and toughs who continue to openly in the art of love-making-He happy home. Has the letters to ing himself up proudly. learn from him how it feels to times. be refused.

girl under 22 need apply,) will him. make a docile husband.

The junior member of the happy with either were "tother" tion.

Mrs. Shuffler is the daughter girls, until the second call, and will land him.

flirt—We ourselves have seen you are young enough you can evening and if this number in but he will wiggle out of every ronic hero, with winning ways, engagement in a week-Beware says little.-Dont go near the of him.

Ralph Erwin, bank cashier, confirmed misogynist, has fed on twenty five years.—It is a brave ed to a fresh girl ever week. woman who would offer him a

Lawrence Shields, book keeper, has long desired to enter the matrimonial state.—Nothing but them with many handsome pres- kept him out. Dresses well, and of desirable partis.

Mrs. C. M. Schuffler, and when Peach, has been longing to fall him now and train him up in the or all of you.-Dead easy!

flung for him, raised a pet, can beat the other girls time. would make a darling lovey-dov- All's fair in love and war.

Leon Ward, merchant, a very Anak of beauty and strength, with a heart as hard as one of his Buck Ranges, worth trying for, has the making of an obedient and henpecked husband, if

· Oliver Adams, tailor, hand-After watching results for sixteen some as a Greek god, considers years, during which time many millions of bottles were sold and thousands of the fair sex a pleasant diversion

For sixteen years this remedy has been rece in the words of the poet "a bold mmended for stomach, liver and bowel com-

J. P. Martindale, hustling young confectioner, good looking, anxious to be settled for bashful to propose---Would make life, but hard to please. - Very a lovable husband. Critical.

Earnest Flummer, insurance ceived a deadly jilt.--Good

chance. Watkins, merchant, a Curled Darling whose Hyacin- - The Leader sells old papers.

thine locks entangles the heart of every girl he meets. - Worth the while to run down.

Foster Ryan, book keeper, dainty and debonaer, the despair of all girls in Ballinger. Only List of Ballingers Eligible those much skilled in husband Bachelors, Who Are Preparing hunting need attact him. - Very guileful.

To aid the young ladies of Bal- Whit Patterson, book keeper, linger in their leap year efforts blithsome, gay with a heart in for settlement in life, we give the right place, would make a below a list of bachelors and husband to worship.—Belongs to

girls, to begin with Dr. Fowler, "glass of fashion and the mould asked him his name. for he will give you fine practice of form," desires to leave his will not marry you but you will show he has been refused five

Ed McCarver, lawyer, devoted Lawrence Harris, stenograph- to his books and his pipe, never er, has been trying to marry looks at a woman, difficult, but agely since he put on long trousers, (no hard and earnest work will land

Bob McGregor, merchant Scott Mangum, merchant, prince, capricious as an east trated Sunday Magazine. fond of the ladies, seeks their wind, has made love to every society constantly, an exponent girl in West Texas, extremely of the lines "Oh he could be hard to please. - Tough proposi-

bride, who was Miss Carrie timid to a degree, must be ap- most fastidious taste, seriously Duke Henderson, and they are proached with care, softly shad-inclined. Slow to make up his now at home with the News ed lamp or moon light suggested. mind to enter the matrimonial

Maurice Winkler, merchant, whatever else other boys may be Eugene Risser, merchant and in Ballinger Maurice is IT. If

Will Doose, real estate man, public, how many might he not man of affairs, too busy to be kiss in private?—He will joyous-|bothered with love making, will As to Ralph, we'll let him ly accept all proposals you may have to be caught on the fly.

Carlis Dunn, merchant, a Byfire if you dont expect to get

Elmer Shepherd, merchant, an Adonis with soulful eyes, makes fresh young female hearts all his you turn to look at him. Engag-

Jim Morgan, druggist, young but so untender. - 'Ware of Jimmie girls He's hard to get.

W. J. Gardner, deputy sheriff waste no time looking further the matter of finances has so far girls, for he is the ne plus ultra his companions asked. "You will al-

Malcom McGregor, book keeptate to ask him, for you can get er, intends to be grown up in five or six years Listen to a years I have been playing in musiword of advice girls, and take

proach him. He will accept any Buck Shields, deputy County Clerk, so nearly a Benedict, that Jim Grant, merchant, a wary you need not waste your smiles bird, has so far escaped the nets on him, unless you think you

Aruthur Doose, merchant, energetic and resourceful, the kind that will be master in his own house, but a kindly one. It is easy to make him think he is master girls.

Frank Maddox, insurance agent clever, and witty tells a story well, Alas! too well at times. Every girl believes everything he says. It's a little way he has-Be warned in time.

Everett Hardgrave, telephone mnn, a real Hyperion with long eye lashes, reported engaged to an outsider .--- An apportunity to show your skill girls.

Prentis Gregg, real estate man, current gossip has had Prentis engaged for years, but we are opposed to long engagement, and this being leap year we shall expect an early mar-

Harry Sharp, book keeper, a facinator for true, the despair of the feminine sex.—But here's hoping he will yet get caught.

Bob Whitmore, merchant, dearly loves the girls, but too

Claud Stone, merchant, now here we have no words. Words agent, blase, but bonny, has es- are poor things when it comes chewed feminine society for the to this Enchanter. He has all past few months because he re- the virtues of the above and is the Felchingest man in town.

Thirty-five in all.

#### NO MYSTERY AT ALL

But Explanation Was Something of Blow to the Pride of the Volunteer.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles is credited with telling this one: A new man had just joined the

local volunteers, and was feeling very proud in his new uniform as TOFFICEShe marched to the bar and called

He was also pleased to find that he gained considerable attention. One fellow, more attentive than the

"James Bullock," he said, draw-

"Ha!" said the inquisitive one, "that explains it."

"Explains what?" said the gallant volunteer, turning round sav-

"Why," said the inquisitive one, "I was awondering where yer calves had got to; but now I know 'cause bullocks don't have calves!"—Illus-

#### TAKING NO CHANCES.

A big sign of furnished rooms hung out, and the house was not bad Walton Leader, contractor, an looking. It had fine wide balconies. Pete McGregor, merchant, exquisite "Beau Brummall" has The woman thought she would like a nice little furnished room in that and work superintended..... house. She rang the bell. An old white haired woman answered it. Dont attempt to take his hand bonds—But persistent efforts A wisp of her hair stood out. The price of the vacant room was \$4 a week, she said.

"I believe I should like it," said the woman, "if it's on the balcony." "Are you married?" asked the old woman.

"I am a widow," the woman an-

"No husband to support you?" asked the old woman.

"Not a husband," said the woman with a shake of her head.

"Then," said the old woman, "I don't think my room will suit you," and she slammed the door.

#### SURE PROOF.

The actor, rounded up in Russia with a bunch of others, retained his composure while his companions in misfortune were giving way to de-

"I can prove my innocence of complicity in any conspiracy to the complete satisfaction of the authorities," he said.

"How can you do that?" one of ways be suspected of being connected with a plot."

He smiled confidently.

"Not when I tell them that for

# IN THE JAIL.

The Visitor-Picking pockets must be a very difficult business. The Convict-It is easy enough, pal, after you get your hand in.

#### LOOKED LIKE IT.

A little boy from the far south, visiting in Chicago, on seeing the first snowstorm exclaimed: "O, mama, it's raining breakfast food."-Chicago Tribune.

#### AT THE CATTLE SHOW.

Gentleman (with solemnity)-Miss Florence, do you love beasts? Lady (with vivacity)—Am I to consider that a proposal, sir?—The Tatler.

A HIGHER COURT.

"Ever try an automobile, judge?" said a friend.

"No," replied the judge, "but I've tried a lot of people who have."-Jewish Ledger.

#### FACT VERSUS POETRY.

"Did you ever read that famous poem, 'The Cry of the Children'?" "Don't have to. We've got twins." -Baltimore American.

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## DIVERSIFY, SAYS **UNCLE JOHNNIE**

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Next thing you know the blue- things. pirds are going to begin to whisthere who will have to buy feed other crops. this year? Is is not a shame?

Milo Maze makes 50 bushels per same. Will we? acre and can't be bought for 60 cents the bushel-\$3.00 per acre. It is one of the easiest crops on earth to raise and is admirably adapted to our soil and climate. It grows almost spontaneously without cultivation, and is the surest crop known to the Western farmer. Will we plant more

Twelve hundred picked men decided at Memphis the other day that the wisest thing for the Southern and Western farmer to do is to reduce the cotton acreage, use better seed, and increase the small grain and feed and forage crops. Will we do it? Or will we plant the earth in cotton and keep our boys and girls out of school the whole year?

February is the month to plant oats. It is unquestionably the best month in the year. Early oats will help out in laying by the crop this summer.

And then there is millet. There is no better material out tion of the same. of which to make a country for millet than Runnels county is, Council of the City of Ballinger: linger since the beginning, and and there is no better feed on earth when it is cut in the right any person to drive any buggy, ty of Justice of the Peace, and

farmer that the world can't beat across or upon any fire water ple this year asking to be elected us on sorghum. This wonder- hose streached across or upon to fill this place again. He is ful old Southern forage plant any street, alley or lot in said well competent to look after the grows luxuriantly wherever a City without the consent of the duties of the office, is impartial seed falls without cultivation and chief of the fire department, and in dealing with the violators and makes a sweet, luscious, juicy any person violating any provis- if elected will make the people a feed that can't be duplicated un- ions of this ordinance shall be good justice of the Peace.

at any price. Say, Brother! why don't we quit acting the gump and plant these good things instead of going "cotton crazy" every spring. adopt the new system of market- lation of the same. time. A pair of mule colts, a the sum of \$25.00. couple of red muley heifers-lots | Approved Jan. 20th, 1908. of potatoes, melons and garden truck. And lets not forget to put out trees, shrubs and flowers. Send to the nurseries for tree seeds and little seedings of any girls. It is easy and pleasant.

old Tennessee where the old red check now. hills are selling for \$100.00 per acre. One acre of level prarie land in Runnels county is worth

if similarly situated. \$20.00 worth or fertilizer to the lars. acre on their land and then it is 19 2t no richer than Runnels county land. But they raise something on their land besides cotton and corn. I expect some of us are eating Irish potatoes now at fanold states. These yanks pay one alogue explains fully, write hundred dollars per acre for this them. hundred dollars per acre for this them.

land, spend \$20.00 per acre for FEW DEATHS IN seed potatoes to plant. They raise their potatoes and ship them a thousand miles and sell them to us at a profit. We raise Vital Statistics for 1907 Make Favoracotton for money with which to pay for these potatoes and other

If we would plant half as much tle and the grass will begin to land in cotton and let that be of on deaths, births and marriages grow. Will we be as foolish this a long staple kind it would bring straight, and we find that during year as we were last year and as much money as twice as much the year closing Jan. 1st, that the year before? How many land in the short staples. This there was much doing for Dan farmers in Runnels county are would leave half the farm for Cupid, and by his mysterious

How long will we continue in ble the proceeds of the farm and ense, and so many hearts were this way? Echo says: "How by doubling the proceeds thereby joined together for better or for double the intrinsic value of the worse.

UNCLE JOHNIE.

### CITY ORDINANCES.

An ordinance prohibiting the turning in and giving false fire

of same.

It shall be unlawful for any favor of the boys. person to turn in, give or make an alarm of fire, except in cases of actual fire, and any person this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall ceed \$100.00.

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An ordinance to prohibit the driving of any vehicle over or across any fire water hose, and providing penalties for the viola- nouncement column this week

cart, wagon, carriage or vehicle made the people a splendid offi-And it is known by every of any kind whatsoever over, cer. He comes before the peoder the sun. Farmers are going deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, through the country begging and upon conviction thereof shall ceed the sum of \$100.00.

Approved Jan. 20th, 1908.

ing our cotton throughout the Be it ordained by the City people in this capacity than B, S. year instead of being forced to Council of the City of Ballinger: Taylor. He is a man that looks turn loose in the fall to pay for It shall be unlawful for any well to the best interest of all stuff bought on time. Let's plant person to beg alms, or anything people concerned, and is familiar less and better cotton. Plant of value from another on the with the needs of the people, long staple and get two-bits a streets, alleys and sidewalks of and if elected, we believe will pound for it, It does fine here the City of Ballinger, and any make a good commissioner. He in Runnels county-I've tried it. person violating the provisions is a candidate subject to the Let's plant some Poland China of this ordinance shall be deem- action of the Democratic primary pigs 'long about now, and plant guilty of a misdemeaner, and and ask that you consider his something to feed them on and upon conviction thereof shall be claim before pledging your suphave both coming at the same fined in any sum not to exceed port.

JOHN HOFFER, Mayor.

#### Good Show To-Night.

tree you want, the seed and seed- can play filled with dramatic the corner near J. B. Turner's lings can both be sent through climaxes throughout; fun from residence into Austin Avenue the mail and the cost is so trif- start to finish, wholesome and when the buggy overturned spillling that it does not "signify." clean will be presented at the ing him into the road and plac-Let's make our homes more at- Ballinger opera house to-night ing the buggy squarely on top of tractive and keep the boys and by a good strong company. On- him, He held securely to the ly a few good seats left, and if reins, however, extricated him-I am just back from a visit to you want to see a good play, self and righted the vehicle. His

#### Good Farm For Rent.

The people of Tennessee put house. Call on me for particu-cidents.—Brownwood Bulletin. W. B. PAGE,

Ballinger, Texas.

The Moler Barber College, Ft. We wish to thank those who splendid chance for men to learn house which was recently dethat trade quickly. There is stroyed by fire. We feel that we cy prices that were raised on little expense and positions are living among the best people these high-priced lands in the numerous. Their illustrated cat- on earth.

# RUNNELS COUNTY

ble Showing. Runnels County a Healthy Place.

Clerk Terry keeps the records workings the clerk was called By this system we coold dou- upon to issue 216 marriage lic-

The Stork has also found plenty to do, and the records show that he visited 291 homes in Runnels county during the year of 1907. We did'nt figure the difference in number between boys alarms, and providing penalties and girls, but by running over the list we find that nature has Be it ordained by the City not been partial and the differ-Council of the City of Ballinger: enve is little, and if any, it is in

While so many homes have been made glad on account of the arrival of a sweet little babe, violating any of the provisions of and the jingle of the wedding bells, there are other homes shrouded in darkness on account of the visit of the death angle, be fined in any sum not to ex- and 62 deaths have been recorded. This is a very light rate when we stop to consider that JOHN HOFFER, Mayor. the population of the county will figure over 15000.

#### Another New Candidate.

We have placed in our anthe name of B. S. Taylor. Mr. Be it ordained by the City Taylor has been a citizen of Bal-That it shall be unlawful for at one time served in the capaci-

#### FOR COMMISSIONER.

The office of Justice of the somebody to sell them sorghum be fined in any sum not to ex- Peace and Commissioner belong to one and the same man, and it takes them both to make the office worth a man's time in doing the duties of same. We are An ordinance to prohibit beg-authorized to announce B. S. If we will have some such stuff ging in the City of Ballinger, and Taylor for Commissioner of to sell all the year round we can providing penalties for the vio- Precinct No. 1. No better man could be selected to serve the

#### Sam Parks Injured.

Sam Parks was rather painfully injured Saturday evening about 8 o'clock while driving home in Hans Hanson, a good Ameri- his buggy. Mr. Parks turned face and one of his ears were badly bruised, but no serious injury was sustained.

The recent grading done on the Close to Miles, near good street at the place where the acfour acres of this poor red land school, 180 acres in cultivation. cident occurred, left the road in Water in yard; good three-room a condition such as to cause ac-

#### Card of Thanks,

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SALOON ON THE CORNER.

If we could have had sixteen saloons instead of eight, possibly business would have been even more flourishing than it has been cost sales. Of course everybody PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER. the price named:

a great revenue-producer and year \$1.75. tax-reducer. The saloon pays so Leader and Houston Post, 1 much money to the state, to the year \$1.75. county and to the city that it Leader and Farm & Ranch 1 seemed scarcely necessary to levy year \$1.75. any tax at all. The tax in Bal- Leader and any paper publishlinger is only \$22.50 a thousand. ed in the United States, at un- before the little fellow received The poor man who has a little usually low clubbing rates. If a severe burn by falling in the home assessed at \$2000 has to you just want the Leader send pay only \$45 tax—a mere baga- us one dollar and get it for the ly, and it was believed was on telle. PUT THE SALOON ON THE year.

Some of our modern philosophars tell us that prohibition is wrong in principle. Then don't try to prohibit the putting of the pig, but you can't curb his desire at that place. Our heart goes saloon on the corner. If you do to wallow in the bog. you might violate this glorious principle. PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER.

If we owned a house on the corner and wanted to put a saloon in it, we should do so without consulting anybody. We should not allow any of these Antis to dictate to us. We would say: "Gentlemen, you voted for the saloon and I shall put the saloon on the corner." PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER.

If we were an editor and voted for the saloon we should say, put the saloon on the corner.

If we were a lawyer and an Anti we should say, put the saloon on the corner.

If we were a candidate for office and expected to be elected by whiskey votes we should say,

put the saloon on the corner.

say, put the saloon on the corner, PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER.

If you are an Anti say, put the saloon on the corner. If you are a Pro say, put the saloon on the corner until the Antis get enough.

We say, put the saloon on the corner so that some of our business men may get a drink just By all means put the saloon on before leaving town and just as the corner. Put one on each they return. Put the saloon on side of the post-office, one ad- the corner so that our wives and jacent to each bank, and one on daughters must pass by it if they each corner. The saloon is a come to town at all. Let the good thing, you know, and should women stay at home. What business have they in town anypossible. Some of our business way if it interferes with the men are compelled to walk at drinking of the men? Put the least a half of a block to get a saloon on the corner so that visitdrink now. Oh, the shame of it. ors and prospectors may see this to be so far from the saloon! sign of wonderful prosperity im-PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER. | mediately on their arrival. PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER.

Put the saloon on the corner because the licensed saloon in Texas will be dead in two years. Put the saloon on the corner because that will hasten its demise. Women are vraying, men are voting, and children are crying and God is getting ready through his children to cast this unspeakable and young men who have not abomination into the pits of oblivion. PUT THE SALOON ON THE

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EDITOR'S NOTE-We will say It is true that the saloon busi- for the benefit of those not faness is flourishing notwithstand- miliar with the situation, that ing the panic. These 400 drink- the objection raised by the leaders probably average 50cts ing Antis to a saloon going in apiece a day for drink which is in the I. O. Wooden building on equal to \$200 a day. Now, if we the corner of Eighth Street and can double the number of saloons the Santa Fe boulevard prompted and the number of drinkers, we the writing of the above article. shall have \$400 a day, \$12,000 a About two weeks ago parties month, \$144,000 a year contribut- rented the building for a saloon, ed for the maintainance of the and as soon as the fact become saloon in Ballinger. PUT THE known such pressure was brought to bear by threats and Every business man who votes otherwise that the saloon did for the saloon should have one not move in. And, it is particuput next door to his place of bus- lar amusing to know that the iness. It is true, that not all objection was strictly an Anti the Antis drink but, then, you move. Every pro we heard know the saloon helps business, mention the matter was strong-PUT THE SALOON ON THE CORNER. ly in favor of the saloon going in.

This is campaign year, and in Ballinger. The merchants there will be much doing in polihave not only filled the papers tics, and the year promises to be but even the streets advertising an unusual one in many respects Are you keeping up with the times, or are you living in ignorknows that merchants prefer to ance? If you are not on our sell at cost rather than make a subscription list we want to put legitimate profit! If we had had you there. We will send you the sixteen saloons instead of eight Banner-Leader, the best dollar we might have been able to avert paper published in this neck of the panic, and to have bought the woods, and any of the folgoods at 10 per cent below cost. lowing papers in connection at

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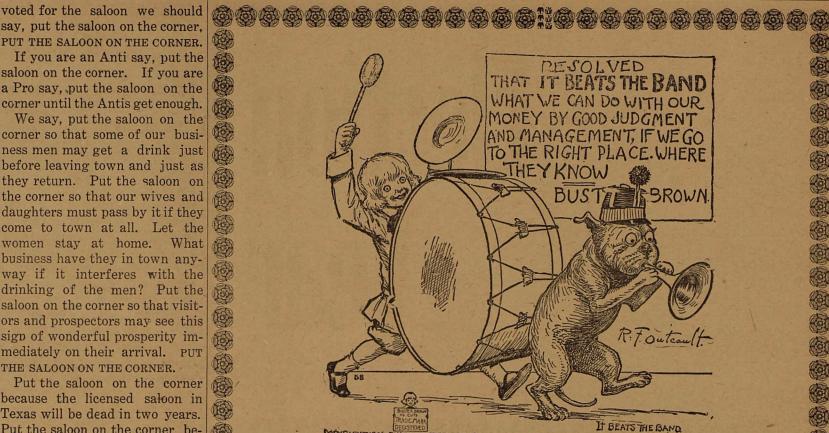
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