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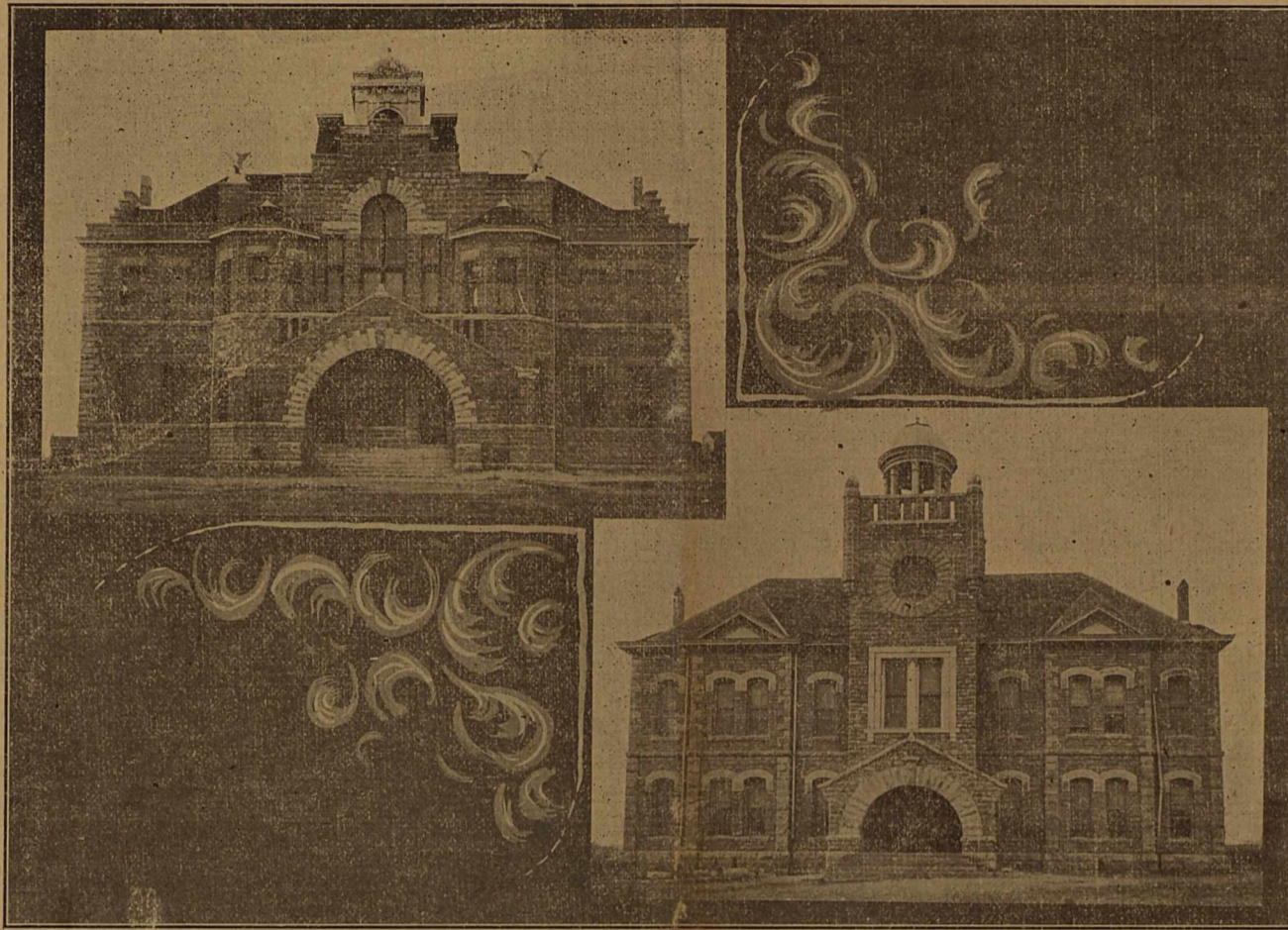
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### BALLINGER'S PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Where the Summer Normal for this section of the State will hold forth.

No better place in the State could have been selected for a Normal. The handsome, comfortable buildings with free ice water and janitor's service, the desirable location of the buildings, the pleasant boarding places for the attendants, the cool healthy climate, the able faculty in charge of the work—all these things will make work for the Normal students easy.

### BALLINGER GETS SUMMER NORMAL.

Faculty Selected and Dates Fixed. Large Attendance Expected.

The committee for making arrangements for holding a Summer Normal at Ballinger, met in the District Court Room last Saturday, and elected Prof. G. D. Scott of Lampasas, as conductor, and Prof. J. M. Skinner and Miss Margaret Cofer, of Ballinger, and Prof. Lockhart, of Robert Lee, as assistants.

The Normal is to begin not later than June 22 and last until July 26. It is expected that the attendance will be large, as there is to be no other Normal in this section of the state, and the faculty is a strong one and Ballinger is successful in securing the Normal with such strong faculty.

Profs. Scott and Skinner have both conducted Normals with success, and are familiar with Normal work, to say nothing of their ability as teachers. All the teachers selected hold permanent certificates and are capable of filling any place in the school.

Much credit is due Prof. E. L. Hagab, Supt. of public school, for his work towards securing the Normal for Ballinger.

Every good enterprise helps towards the upbuilding of Ballinger, and the Normal comes in as a big help, and that Ballinger will do herself proud in entertaining the many teachers to spend a month here is a foregone conclusion. The school board will give free use of the school buildings, and the Janitor's service, and the Artic Ice & Fuel Co., will furnish ice free and the Ballinger Commercial Club will entertain the visitors during the session, and other features will be added to the program as the plans are perfected.

C. F. Awalt, of Pumphrey, is serving on the grand jury, this week.

### ANOTHER CHANGE TO GO UP

Ballinger is Entitled to Free Mail Delivery and can get Same by Complying with Postal Requirements.

Since April 1906 Ballinger has been entitled to free mail delivery, according to the volume of business done by the Ballinger office. On April the first next Post Master Cady will make application for free delivery and it is a foregone conclusion that same will be granted by the postal department, provided Ballinger comes up to the requirements in reference to sidewalks street names and numbering of houses.

Our town is not gifted to laying down on any proposition that is for the upbuilding of same, and that the city council will get busy and comply with Uncle Sam's rules is also a foregone conclusion. Mr. Cady has received notice of an increase in box rent for the Ballinger office and if we get the free delivery the box rent problem will be solved, in that we will have none to pay. This is a small item but taken in a total amounts to no little sum in the course of a year.

Let's have the free delivery, and be up and doing on every good proposition that comes our way. We can't afford to let any thing pass and sustain our good reputation.

#### Increase in Box Rent.

Post Master Cady has issued a notice that box rent for the Ballinger post office will be increased beginning with April 1st. His instruction from the department is to charge 60 cents per quarter for the small boxes, 75 cents for the medium size and \$1.00 for the large lock draws. The rents are fixed according to the business done by the post office.

### CITY POLITICS VERY QUIET

Names to be Put on Ticket by Petition, Old Candidates in Race and New Ones Will Be.

In pursuant to a call of the chairman of the City Democratic party, Chas. S. Miller, quiet a number of citizens met in the City hall Tuesday for the purpose of nominating candidates for Aldermen. Mr. Miller read the law regulating same and it was learned that nominations could not be made by Convention, but by a petition of five per cent of the votes polled at the last general city election a candidate's name could be placed on the ticket. Petitions were at once put in circulation, and the Mayor has been petitioned to put the names of the three retiring aldermen, W. J. Miller, Herman Giesecke and T. S. Lankford on the ticket for Aldermen. Also two petitions for Marshal, Jack McKay and B. W. Pilcher, have been filed with the Mayor. It is reported that those opposed to the present Aldermen going back will have a chance to express their opposition by voting for three new men in the person of R. L. Shaffer, J. A. Ostertag and J. R. McVay. No petitions have been filed for these names to go on the ticket, but it is understood that the parties named have expressed a willingness to serve if elected and that names will be petitioned to go on the ticket.

With two sets of candidates on the ticket, the election promises to be an interesting one. The election will be held Tuesday, April 7th.

#### Hurt by Horse.

Louis Martin was considerably bruised up yesterday evening by becoming tangled up with a rope while riding a horse and leading another. We are glad to say that the hurt is in no ways serious.

### 100,000 DOLLAR CATTLE DEAL

Five Thousand Two and Three Year Old Steers, Some Horses and Mules Change Hands in Concho County.

A deal was closed this week in which Marion Sansom, of Fort Worth, gets the John Bryson cattle and a five year lease on Ms. Bryson's ranch located in Concho county. Five Thousand two and three year old steers go in on the deal, about two thousand dollars worth of cotton seed, and a bunch of horses and mules.

For the cattle, stock and feed Mr. Sansom pays right close to \$90,000, and leases the pasture of 27,000 acres for five years at p. t. Mr. Sansom is at the ranch now putting the three year old steers on feed, and will fatten them for the market.

#### City Council.

The City Council met in regular session Tuesday evening. The regular routine of business, hearing reports and passing on accounts was dispensed with.

The order for the regular election for three Alderman and a City Marshal was made, and the election will be held April 7.

An order was passed fixing a new rate for irrigation. For lawn, 50 cents for every 1000 square feet. For garden, \$1.50 for every 1000 square feet, and 1000 feet made the minimum.

The question of condemning the old awnings on main street discussed, and the council adjourned and visited the different houses for the purposes of inspecting the awnings in question.

#### Our Hats Are Here.

Our hats are here. Come let me show you our line of tailored hats in the popular blues and other colors. Just the hat you want. Be sure to see them. Misses Lola and Jennie Lewis.

### HOUSTON BUSINESS MEN COMING.

Special Train, Houston's Prominent Business Men to Be Here March 19th, at Noon.

Secretary Lee Maddox, of the Commercial Club is in receipt of a letter from Houston giving the schedule of the Trade Excursion, and asking that arrangements be made for the Ballinger business men to meet the visitors. Following is the letter:

Houston, Tex., March 2, 1908. Commercial Club, Ballinger, Texas.

Gentlemen:—I Herewith hand you clipping from the Houston Post containing schedule of the Houston Business Men's Trades Excursion, which will arrive in your city on Thursday, March 19th, at 12:30 p. m. and leave at 2:00 p. m.

The party will be composed of representatives of Houston's banking, jobbing, wholesale and manufacturing establishments, and they would highly appreciate an opportunity to meet your business men if such an arrangement can be agreeably made. We would be pleased to hear from you.

Yours very truly,  
Geo. P. Brown,  
Secretary.

The excursion will make a night run from Lampasas to San Angelo, and will leave San Angelo on the return trip early Thursday morning, March 19th. Following is the schedule for points between San Angelo and Brownwood:

	ARRIVE	DEPART.
San Angelo	5:15 a. m.	10:30 a. m.
Miles	11:10 a. m.	11:35 a. m.
Ballinger (dinner)	12:30 p. m.	2:00 p. m.
Talpa	2:35 p. m.	2:45 p. m.
Coleman	3:45 p. m.	4:15 p. m.
Santa Anna	4:43 p. m.	4:55 p. m.
Bangs	5:20 p. m.	5:30 p. m.
Brownwood (supper and spend night)	5:45 p. m.	

Arrangements are being made to entertain the visitors at Ballinger, and to show them our town and the many advantages and the progressive age we are living under.

### AWFUL CRIME COMMITTED THIS MORNING

Baby Born, Killed and Concealed in Suit Case at Boarding House Here this Morning. Woman Comes From San Angelo.

A woman came in from San Angelo yesterday on the noon train and engaged board at the Cole boarding house opposite the depot. Her actions were such this morning as to cause the lady of the house to call in a doctor.

The physician responded to the call, but after arriving he found that an officer was needed, so Sheriff Kirk was summoned. From what we can learn of the particulars, it seems that the woman gave birth to a child some time this morning, afterwards concealing it in a suit case. The ladies in the house claim they heard the baby cry, but the mother says the child was born dead, and not wanting her people to know anything of the disgrace that had been brought upon her she planned to throw the baby away and keep the crime a secret. The woman claims to be a widow. She is about twenty-five years old.

The case is the most pitiful ever brought to light in this city, and the unfortunate woman has the sympathy of all those who have heard of the particulars connected with the awful crime.

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Monday was a legal holiday and all the banks observed same by remaining closed. In the afternoon the school took half holiday. It was the Leader editor's birthday, and we were feeling considerably "stuck up" to think that our birthday was being observed in such noticeable way, until some one informed us that it was Texas Independence Day.

Mrs. A. L. Burk passed through Tuesday en route to her home at Paint Rock, after a business visit to Dallas.

Mrs. J. J. McCaughan and Mrs. Cliff were in from the Norton country, shopping, Tuesday.

Judge Jno. I. Guion went to Fort Worth, Tuesday, where he had business in District Court.

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

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

Santa Fe Agent Holt left Tuesday evening with his family for Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. Holt accompanied them part of the way, returning to Ballinger, yesterday. The family will spend several weeks visiting in Hot Springs.

The Character of a Dog.

In Chicago a few days since a bright, brown-eyed little chap 3 years old was left on the steps of St. Joseph's Orphan asylum. He was well dressed, had every appearance of good care, yet he was abandoned. But his dog didn't desert him. Sitting beside the little fellow, when he was first discovered, was a sharp eyed little fox terrier. With the idea that the child had not been actually deserted, but merely temporarily left on the steps of the orphanage, he was not taken in, but left where he had been found in the hope that those by whom he had been placed there would return for him. In all the long waiting the little dog did not move from his position of close and defensive watch except from time to time to make a hurried trip of reconnoiter down to the pavement, where he would stand but a moment with his sharp ears and eyes alert and his sensitive nose shifting this way and that for a possible promise of the return of the remainder of the family. Each time, a little disappointedly, he would return to his child master and affectionately lick his chubby hands and round, red cheeks. No body came for the child, and when after the little fellow, tired out and in terror of an indefinable something which he felt but did not understand, began to cry piteously, the policeman on the beat decided that his childless home would be happier for the advent of the little one, and he forthwith took him home with him. But it was something that the terrier did not understand—this having the child carried away by strangers, and he was inclined to protest. But since he could not prevent, he could at least accompany. And that he did. Nobody made any attempt to locate the child, and in the several days since his adoption into the family of the policeman the little dog has slept by the child's bed at night and refused to be separated from him by day. The dog will not even eat unless placed by the child.

And yet from time immemorial the appellation of dog has been used as the strongest term possible for expressing all that is contemptible and utterly despicable in humanity. There are to be sure, dogs that are cowardly, skulking, thieving creatures, but they are dogs which, like humanity, have come to degeneracy through hunger and illuse. The dog that has had a chance to be honest and faithful and devoted to the cause of his master has a character, if so it may be termed

which is distinctly itself and not to be compared with anything either human or animal. Hunger and cold and fatigue or comfort and plenty are as one matter to the dog so long as he is near his master and feels his master's carressing touch. And even ill-treatment is quickly forgiven. Because there is in the dog's love such unmeasured loyalty and trust, one kindness blots out all memory of abuse.

In the Chicago incident the rightful guardians of a helpless child deserted him to his fate, and equally helpless but faithful the little dog assumed the responsibility of the child's safety. There are cases in which the dog becomes rather flattering —Fort Worth Record.

**ENGLISH SPARROWS  
A NUISANCE**

They Destroy Gardens and Fruit. Citizen Says Kill Them.

The little English sparrow is here in countless numbers and if the people don't make a united effort to exterminate them they will destroy everything that is green in the gardens and orchards.

The best known method to poison them is with bread crumbs thoroughly soaked in stricnine, say 1-4 ounce to a quart of the bread crumbs soaked in water and then another good way is to keep a bason, preferably a candy bucket full of poisoned water in the garden where the chickens cant get it.

Let everybody take a hand and get rid of the little pests.

A Citizen.

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

Musings from Malzelland.

I have just time to get my breath but I must stop going all the gaits long enough to tell about how I am putting out several hundred little trees and how little it costs.

There is plenty time yet to order the little seedlings or the seed by mail, but if it is put off much longer, the time of year will be past. I sent to Nebraska for these little seedlings and cuttings and they came through by mail in a few days.

The cost is a trifle, I believe one dollar a thousand, prepaid. Last year I sent for some of these little shade trees and when they came they were not much larger than a broom straw. Now they are waist high and the ones that came from the seed are nearly as large. There is no excuse for not raising our own posts and having windbreaks and all kinds of shade trees.

I have growing hardy catalpa, osage orange, black locust, boxelder and other kinds. Osage orange will last in the ground a lifetime. I hope some one if not many will act on my suggestion and put out trees and shrubs and flowers.

Now a word about milo maize and I'm gone. We thought up till two years ago that we all had the genuine dwarf maize but we find now that there is a variety that grows very much lower. It comes from Oklahoma and is so much easier headed and makes such big fat heads I could not refrain from telling about it. I understand it can be bought for seed about Winters but there is none for sale around Mazeland.

I am in favor of exempting every man from taxation who will plant out one hundred shade tress and get them to live. I am in favor of the Government guaranteeing bank deposits. I am in favor of our papers giving us more of something else and less "Bailey" I am in favor of parcel post. I am in favor of an honest and reasonable rendition of taxes. What are you in favor of?

Your uncle JOHNIE.

Mrs. Matthews and daughter, Mrs. Jack Green returned from a visit to San Angelo, Monday.

W. M. Smiley and John Dale, two prominent merchants of Winters, were in town, first of the week.

Judges Jenkins, of Brownwood, Randolph, of Coleman, Summons, of San Angelo, were here at the opening of court Monday morning.

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

Ask Yourself the Question.

Why not use Chamberlain's Pain Balm when you have rheumatism? We feel sure that the result will be prompt and satisfactory. One application relieves the pain, and many have been permanently cured by its use. 25 and 50 cent sizes. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

W. M. Leader, returned from a trip to Mexico, Sunday.

Good Fire Proof Safe For Sale.

We have a good fire proof safe for sale cheap. Call at the MISSOURI MILLING CO. Ballinger, Texas.

E. P. Eason, editor of the Winters Enterprise, made the Leader office a pleasant call, Monday.

**THE HARVILLE BIG  
BOLL COTTON SEED**

To the farmer that want the best cotton seed for planting, we are pleased to advise you that we have arranged with the growers and improvers of the celebrated Harville Big Boll cotton, to distribute their entire crop of seed for the coming season.

As this cotton is so well known through out West Texas it is not necessary to set forth its special advantages over ordinary cotton, but to those desiring information about this celebrated cotton we will gladly furnish full information concerning it upon application to this office.

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Order now. The amount of seed is limited. You will never regret ordering. Its money well spent.

Remember its the Genuine Harville Seed, Direct from the grower, you get when you order from us.

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**Ayer's**

We publish our formulas We banish alcohol from our medicines. We urge you to consult your doctor.

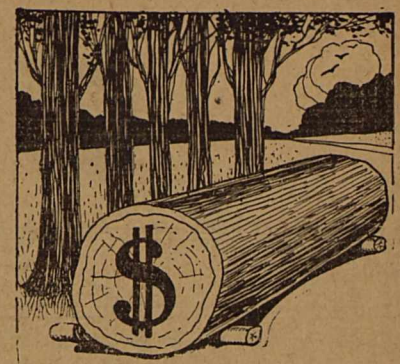
Always keep a box of Ayer's Pills in the house. Just one pill at bedtime, now and then, will ward off many an attack of biliousness, indigestion, sick headache. How many years has your doctor known these pills? Ask him all about them.

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I have good Jersey cow with young calf and four full blood Poland China gilts for sale cheap.

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**Women Inclined  
to Constipation**

Women, owing to their peculiar functions, are prone to constipation, and many of their other ills are due to this congestion in the bowels which fills the blood with impure matter that permeates the entire system. In most cases foul breath, bad complexion, sick headache and such like ills are primarily caused by constipation or indigestion.

Women should be happy to learn of a remedy that cures constipation and indigestion, and that has such other ingredients as purify the blood and tone up all the digestive organs. This remedy is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which can be bought at any drug store for 50 cents or \$1 a bottle. Women have been curing themselves with this remedy for sixteen years, and the offer of years ago still stands to-day. That you buy Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin with the understanding that it will do as claimed or your money will be refunded.

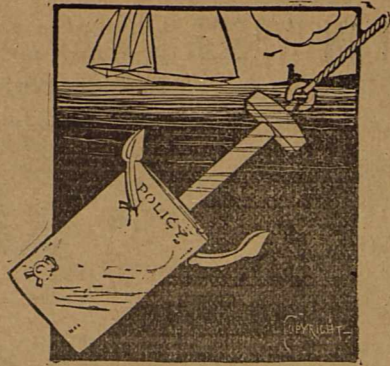
This great herb laxative compound is especially suited to the delicate system of women because of its gentle but prompt action, its pleasant taste and its freedom from griping. It does not weaken like purgatives and cathartics, but builds up and strengthens. It is a guaranteed permanent cure and should be as steadily in your home as in that of thousands of others. Women use it themselves and give it to children in preference to any other laxative because it is guaranteed to do what a good laxative should do, and does it gently. Mrs. Tracy, of 838 McClen Ave., St. Louis, Mo., is glad to say that it cured her constipation and stomach trouble and recommends it to American womanhood. She is but one of thousands who are loud in praise of it. You who have never used it should begin to-day. You will date your freedom from sickness to the day that you start the use of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Your druggist will sell you a bottle under our absolute guarantee.

**FREE TEST** Those wishing to try Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin before buying can have a free sample bottle sent to their home by addressing the company. This offer is to prove that the remedy will do as we claim, and is only open to those who have never taken it. Send for it if you have any symptoms of stomach, liver or bowel disease. Gettest yet most effective laxative for children, women and old folk. A guaranteed, permanent home cure. **THE PUBLIC VERDICT:** "No Laxative So Good and Sure as DR. CALDWELL'S SYRUP PEP SIN." This product bears purity guarantee No. 17, Washington, D. C.

**PEPSIN SYRUP CO.**  
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Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Love left Tuesday evening for Williamson county to attend the funeral of Dr. Love's father.

Mrs. J. G. Douglass received a telegram from Cleburne last Sunday announcing the death of Dr. Douglass' father at that place. Dr. Douglass was with him when death came.



### When you Anchor on a Policy

be sure the anchor is a safe one. Many an anchor has loosed from its moorings and the vessel has been lost. INSURANCE safely anchored is the key note of every policy we write. Our companies are as safe and solid as old Gibraltar itself. Come in and see us before it's time for renewals. Our premiums are as low as others.

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—State Bank Building.—

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and strictly prohibits the sale of alum baking powder—

So does France  
So does Germany

The sale of alum foods has been made illegal in Washington and the District of Columbia, and alum baking powders are everywhere recognized as injurious.

To protect yourself against alum, when ordering baking powder,

Say plainly—

## ROYAL BAKING POWDER

and be very sure you get Royal.

Royal is the only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar. It adds to the digestibility and wholesomeness of the food.

### Candidate for County Treasurer.

T. J. Stocks is the first to come before the people in the present campaign asking for the office of County Treasurer.

It was reported that the February term of the Commissioners court would abolish this office, but after discussing the matter it was decided to reduce the salary and retain the office, and Mr. Stocks wants the office.

Mrs. W. F. Sharp, the present treasurer, does not want the office longer than the present term, and this, being the case the race for the office will be with the new candidates.

Mr. Stocks is not a new man in Runnels County, or will he be a new Treasurer if elected. He served this county as treasurer several years ago, and those who were living hear at that time are free to admit that Mr. Stocks made a fine officer. He is competent to handle this part of the counties work, and we see no reason why he should not be permitted to serve the people again.

He will see you in person to make his claim, but if he should not see you, remember him when you go to the polls on July 25.

### IT'S ALWAYS BAD.

The Best of Backs are Bad When They Ache, and Ballinger People know It.

A bad back is always bad. Bad at night when bedtime comes,

Ever try Doan's Kidney Pills for it?

Know they cure backache—cure every kidney ill?

Mrs. R. H. Hawke, of W. Adams Rt., Brownwood, Tex., says: "My husband has been troubled with his back and kidneys for several years. He blames his trouble to the constant jarring and jolting at his work as engineer on the Frisco R. R. The pains in his back have been severe at times and completely prostrated him. The kidney secretions were also irregular, too frequent and of a dark red color. Being advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills he procured a box. He says Doan's Kidney Pills is the only medicine that ever did him any good."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents Foster-Milburn Co. Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name Doans and take no other.

### Seed Potatoes and Melon Seed.

I have a limited amount of seed sweet potatoes and water melon seed for sale. They are the best on earth. See me or phone to my residence.

22-4t N. J. Wardlow.

### Moving to Dallas.

H. H. Pearce and family passed through Ballinger, Monday, enroute to Dallas, their future home. Mr. Pearce has been living at Robert Lee for a number of years, and was up to a few weeks ago, Cashier of the Robert Lee Bank. He has disposed of his interest at Robert Lee and goes to Dallas to accept the management of the Baptist Herald Publishing Co. He has friends throughout this section of the State who wish for him much success in his new home and field of work. He stopped in Ballinger long enough to make the Leader a pleasant call, leave some of his cash and instructions to keep the Leader coming to his home.

### New Grain House.

Early & Clement Grain Co., of Waco have rented the Cady ware house on Seventh street fronting Court house square, and as soon as the grain can be shipped will open a wholesale and retail grain and feed house. J. M. Clement, a member of the firm is here and will be in charge of the business.

### Resolutions of Respects.

Ballinger, Tex., Feb., 23th, 1908.

Whereas The Sovereign Commander of the Universal Forest has seen fit to take from the walks of men, Mrs. Ira Milliken, the daughter of our beloved fellow Sovereign, C. S. Bowdon, therefore be it

Resolved; by Ballinger Camp W. O. W. No. 157, that we extend to Sovereign Bowdon and Family our heartfelt, and deepest sympathy in this sad hour. Be it further

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent the family of the bereaved Sovereign, that a copy be spread upon the minutes of this camp, that copies of same be handed the local papers with a request for publication.

B. F. Corum, }  
J. C. Parker, } Com.  
R. S. Griggs, }

Attest, J. F. Lusk,  
Clerk Ballinger Camp No. 157, W. O. W.

Ballinger, Tex., Feb., 28, 1908.

Whereas; The Sovereign of the Universal Forest has taken from its parents and loved ones on earth little Amelia Theresa Globber, baby daughter of our beloved Sovereign, Ed Globber and wife, and whereas; the home of our fellow sovereign is made sad and lonely by this great bereavement,

Therefore be it Resolved; That Ballinger Camp No. 157, W. O. W., in the Forest assembled extend to Sovereign Globber and family our heartfelt and deepest sympathy in this dark hour of grief and sorrow. Be it further

Resolved; that a copy of these resolutions be sent the parents of the deceased, a copy of same be spread on the minutes of this Camp, and that the local papers be furnished with a copy of same with a request for publication.

B. F. Corum, }  
J. C. Parker, } Com.  
R. S. Griggs, }

Attest, J. F. Lusk,  
Clerk Ballinger Camp No. 157, W. O. W.

### Letter to Prof. Hagan.

Ballinger, Texas.  
Dear Sir: Here's another problem for those arithmetic and algebra scholars:

If Devoe is worth \$1.75 a gallon, and spreads a half further than average paint, and wears twice as long, what is average paint worth a gallon put-on, painters' wages being \$3.50 a day and a day's work a gallon of paint.

The answer is minus \$1.75 a gallon. That is: you could afford to paint with average paint if somebody gives it to you and pays half the painters' wages.

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

### Lame Shoulder.

Whether resulting from a sprain or from rheumatic pains, there is nothing so good for a lame shoulder as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Apply it freely and rub the parts vigorously at each application and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

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Get the best seeds. We have the most complete and fresh stock of the Old Reliable Lamb-reth's Garden seed in papers and bulk.

tf Dornberger & Hopkinson.

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Huht's Lightning Oil is up and doing all the time. It cures your aches, pains, cuts, burns and bruises while you sleep. Rub a little on your misery and feel it disappear.

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That we sell Groceries, Ranch and Farm supplies cheaper than any house in Ballinger.

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

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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

- FOR COUNTY JUDGE: R. S. GRIGGS.
- FOR SHERIFF AND TAX COL.: R. P. (BOB) KIRK.  
E. F. EDWARDS.
- FOR COUNTY AND DIST. CLERK: R. A. TERRY.
- FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY: EDWARD S. MCCARVER.  
W. E. SAYLE.
- FOR COUNTY TREASURER: T. J. STOCKS
- FOR TAX ASSESSOR: EDWIN DAY.
- FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER: JOE SPOONTS.  
FRANK STUART.
- FOR Supt. PUBLIC SCHOOLS: E. L. HAGAN.
- FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR: J. E. POWELL.
- FOR J. P. AND COMMISSIOER: B. S. TAYLOR.  
W. H. WEEKS.  
J. A. DEMOVILLE.

On the 17th day of March Ballinger is going to stick another feather in her cap, and lay the foundation for the paving of her streets. It is a foregone conclusion that the bond issue will carry by at least a two to one vote.

Frank Putnam, the carpet-bag staff-editor of the Houston Chronicle, denounces Bryan as a "razor-backed statesman." A republican tadpole criticising a democratic lion. A bowery bat passing upon the profile of the eagle. The Chronicle should give this interloper his time and a return ticket to the North.—Comanche Chief.

The "republican tadpole" is doing just what the Chronicle is paying him for, and just what his employers demand, and the "bowery bat" will remain in Texas until the Democratic Eagle send him up salt creek.

The Leader is on the market for one dollar per year, and we send you any other paper published in connection with the Leader at 25 per cent less than the subscription price of the other paper. Yes, we club with the Dallas News; are authorized to do so.

If Texas should go dry some newspapers, whose principle advertising is saloons, will feel the effect of the drouth worse than a West Texas farmer during a dry year. We know of one weekly not over a thousand miles from Ballinger that carries a healthy line of saloon ads, and of course the paper is a strong opposer of prohibition in any form.

Will there be no one in Austin next January to answer roll call when the 102nd representative district is called at the assembling of the Thirty-first legislature. —San Angelo Press.

It has been suggested here by some that it would be better not to send a man to the Thirty-first, provided we could be exempt from the new laws they will in all probability pass. One thing certain; it seems that there is not a man in the district that is very anxious to break into the race.

The Brownwood Bulletin reports that the organization of a Davidson Club at Zephyr, a little town in Brown county, with one hundred members, and that some of the members are supporters of Senator Bailey. Yet, the Bulletin says it does not know a Davidson man that is not an Anti Bailey man, and challenged the Leader to name one. We named several, but the Bulletin editor saw fit to cull out one, and disclaim him and left the impression that we failed to meet the challenge. Be fair Bro. Mayes.

A lady who landed in Brownwood Sunday and was without funds with which to go to her destination at Ballinger where she claimed to have children who needed her assistance, was taken care of by the Salvation Army and provided with means for accomplishing her intentions. —Brownwood News.

Another case where the Salvation army made good. Many thanks for taking care of Ballinger's needy, if such there be. We have been unable to learn of such lady, but will take it for granted that the lady reached Ballinger all right, and that due credit has been made for the good work of the Salvation Army.

Things begin to look good for the State prohibitionist. The prohibition sentiment is growing all the time, and the state prohibition idea seems to be taking well with some people who have always supported the anti ticket. Prohibition States are satisfied with the low and statistics show that drunkenness is greatly on the decrease throughout the nation and that such is the case is due to work of the prohibition people and the growing sentiment against drunkness and the business that makes drunkness. Even the saloon men, or at least many of them, realize that their business is doomed. When the state goes dry it will destroy thousands of dollars worth of property but it will save the wreck of Thousands of lives, which are not to be compared with dollars.

West Texas towns are not talking about prices or standing still in fear of drouths. Ballinger and Abilene are going to connect by rail, Colorado intends to build \$150,000 cotton mill, Midland is building fine churches and talking railway construction Stamford is erecting fine school buildings and filling up with fine homes, Anson is building magnificent business houses, Big Springs is erecting a court house in keeping with its fine school building and in every town there is evidence of thrift and enterprise with no cessation in the work of rebuilding the country. —Brownwood Bulletin.

The Bulletin failed to mention our \$20,000 street improvement \$15,000 Cornege Library, and the new residences being built; to say nothing of the many minor improvements going on. And another thing; Ballinger is entitled to free mail delivery and application will be made for same on the first of April, and the town will be ready to meet Uncle Sam's requirements in reference to sidewalks, street and house numbers, etc.

Junior B. Y. P. U.  
Ninth St. Baptist Church. 3:30 p. m. March 8, 1908.  
Leader—Loma Scott.  
Subject—God's Love, John 3: 1-7, 10-12.  
Song  
Prayer  
Roll Call—Answered by some favorite verse of scripture containing the word "Love."  
Talk by the president.  
Song.  
Recitations—Ethel Bair.  
Business Meeting.  
Song.  
Closing Prayer.

**BIG RANCHES  
THING OF PAST.**

G. G. Odom of Runnels County Tells of Changes That Have Taken Place There in 35 Years.

G. G. Odom of Punnels county one of the few remaining ranchmen of that section, who still has his ranch holdings intact, is in the city today on business matters. Mr. Odom says his country is needing rain at this time, just like it has needed rain at this season of the year during the 35 years he has lived in Runnels county.

"The ranchmen are being rapidly crowded into a small area in our section," said Mr. Odom. "The farmers are driving us out of business and I suppose it is just as well this is the case. When I first moved to what is now Runnels county no one thought you could raise anything except a row or the limit in that country. Now it is a wise man who can enumerate off hand all the things that can be grown in Runnels county."

"In the early seventies the buffalo was still grazing around Fort Chadbourne. The Indians were still swooping down now and then upon the settlers. The man with a handy gun was always in evidence and a person hunting trouble didn't have to go any further than the nearest settlement to find it—and he usually got all he wanted. The country at that time abounded in all sorts of wild game and I believe there were more antelope in Runnels county 35 years ago than can be found in the whole State of Texas now. The wooded streams were the haunts of the panther and wildcat, and now and then it was not an unfamiliar sight to see a Mexican lion. Land was selling for any where from 20 cents to 75 cents an acre, and it was accounted as being high at that price. Range was free and the cattle were rustlers."

"Then came the railroads and land began to take on values. Large tracts were purchased and the purchasers fenced it in. This was followed by a period of trouble between the land owners and the fence cutters and those who went this era remember it as being a time when life was intensely real and very much in earnest. After this trouble subsided the big ranch owners had things their way for a time, when the farmers began settling and experimenting. When land formerly worth hardly the asking began jumping in values the beginning of the end of big ranches hove in sight. Now with the railroads giving quick transportation service the day is not far distant when a 10,000 acre ranch will be a great big one. Incidentally, I may add that if I had known as much in 1875 as I know now I believe I would have gotten me a little more land."

At one time Mr. Odom was the principal director of a company that owned and had under lease 95,900 acres of land, all under one fence.—Fort Worth Star.

Notice.  
To all of the good people of Ballinger and surrounding country. Hearken unto me; Be it known unto you this day, that I am still in the market for fine enlarged photograph work. See me.  
25-2t W. W. McKinley.

Women's Home Mission.  
The members of the Home Mission Society will meet at the parsonage on Monday the 9th at 3 o'clock. All members are invited.  
Judge J. W. Powell reports the sale of lot 9 in block 56 to J. A. Jacks. Mr. Jacks will build a house on the lot at once.

**BALLINGER BOY  
HURT IN WRECK**

John Cunningham Hurt and His Companion Willie Williams Killed.

J. W. Cunningham returned yesterday from Alvord, a little town on the Fort Worth and Denver north of Fort Worth, where he went to bring his son, John, home and to see after the burial of Willie Williams.

About a week previous to the wreck John Cunningham, and a boy giving his name as Williams, and claiming his home in Michigan, left Ballinger on a little run-away trip. Williams has been making his home with Mr. Cunningham here for some time. The two boys and several others were riding in a freight car when the train went in the ditch near Alvord. Williams and a man by the name of Bailey Stevens were killed instantly, and John Cunningham and two other parties were hurt, while one boy escaped uninjured.

The Williams boy was a stranger, as far as his family history goes, and Mr. Cunningham had his remains buried at Alvord, and brought his boy back to Ballinger, arriving here yesterday. His injuries were not as serious as at first thought, and he was able to make the trip home.

Seven cars of the train were wrecked considerably caused from spreading rails, and the one that the boys were riding in was a total wreck, and why they were not all killed is a mystery.

District Court.  
The Spring term of the District court convened Monday of this week with Judge Goodwin on the bench and District Attorney W. U. Early on bond to look after the prosecution of criminal matters.

At 1:30 p. m. the court gave the usual instructions to the grand jury, and then began to grind.

JURY DOCKET  
Following is the disposition of the cases on the Jury Docket.  
No. 726 J. T. Billups vs. O. L. Cockran passed to second week.  
No. 777 F. L. Harper vs. C. A. Dooze et al continued by agreement.

No. 840 W. L. Saxton vs. Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill, compromised by paying plaintiff \$1100. and cost of suit.  
No. 813 Josh Brewer vs C. A. Dooze et al passed to 2nd week.  
No. 866 W. W. Thompson vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry Co. continued by agreement.  
No. 867. Jo Wilson vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. continued by agreement.  
No. 902. M. J. Ford vs Dr. C. A. McBeth continued on motion of plaintiff.

NON JURY DOCKET.  
Quite a large number of non-jury cases were disposed of during the week.  
The Criminal Docket is set for the 2nd week and will be thrashed out next week.

VISITING ATTOTNEYS  
Among the visiting attorneys during the week were John Randolph, of Coleman, Baker of Waco, C. H. Jenkins, and C. L. McCartney of Brownwood, J. Curtis Simmons of San Angelo W. U. Early Brownwood, J. B. Wade, Miles.

Everything being disposed of for the first week on Tuesday morning, Junge Goodwin returned to his home at Brownwood that afternoon.

Administrator for Pierce Estate Appointed.  
County Judge B. B. Stone, appointed W. A. Norman temporarily administrator of the F. L. Pierce estate. Judge J. W. Powell represents the administrator. At next term of court Mr. Norman will be made permanent admistrator for the estate.

Harville Big Boll Cotton Seed.  
I have 4000 pounds of the Harvill Big Boll Cotton Seed for sale. Fine seed for planting. Call at Farmers Wagon Yard for price and particulars.  
M. M. Hamilton.

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#### Election Notice.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of the city of Ballinger, Texas, by the laws of the State of Texas, and in compliance with a resolution of the city council of said city an election is hereby ordered to be held on the 7th day of April A. D. 1908, same being the first Tuesday in said month, at the Opera House in said city, for the election of three aldermen at large, and a city marshal for the unexpired term.

H. A. Massey is appointed presiding officer to hold said election.

Dated this 4th day of March 1908.

John Hoffer, Mayor.  
City of Ballinger, Texas.

The names of candidates for alderman or marshal can only be placed on the official ballot by petition to the mayor signed by five per cent of the entire vote cast at the last general city election.

John Hoffer, Mayor.

Prof. H. A. Howell, of Havana Cuba, Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"As long ago as I can remember my mother was a faithful user and friend of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, but never in my life have I realized its true value until now," writes Prof. H. A. Howell, of Howell's American School, Havana, Cuba. "On the night of February 3rd our baby was taken sick with a very severe cold, the next day was worse and the following night his condition was desperate. He could not lie down and it was necessary to have him in the arms every moment. Even then his breathing was difficult. I did not think he would live until morning. At last I thought of my mother's remedy, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which we gave, and it afforded prompt relief, and now, three days later, he has fully recovered. Under the circumstances I would not hesitate a moment in saying that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and than only, saved the life of our dear little boy." For sale by Walker Drug Co.

#### Cause of Stomach Troubles.

When a man has trouble with his stomach you may know that he is eating more than he should or of some article of food or drink not suited to his age or occupation, or that his age or occupation, or that his bowels are habitually constipated. Take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets to regulate the bowels and improve the digestion and see if the trouble does not disappear. Ask for a free sample. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

#### HERE'S YOUR CHANCE.

This is campaign year and here will be much doing in politics, and the year promises to be an unusual one in many respects. Are you keeping up with the times, or are you living in ignorance? If you are not on our subscription list we want to put you there. We will send you the Banner-Leader, the best dollar paper published in this neck of the woods, and any of the following papers in connection at the price named:

Leader and Dallas News, 1 year \$1.75.

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Leader and Farm & Ranch 1 year \$1.75.

Leader and any paper published in the United States, at unusually low clubbing rates. If you just want the Leader send us one dollar and get it for the year.

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Fresh Live Oak and mill flour on hand all the time each kind guaranteed and made good if you should find a bad sack at Miller mer. Co

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Everywhere Acknowledge the Superiority of Vinol.

If one person more than another should know the value of a medicine it is the retail pharmacist.

For this reason such testimony as the following should be convincing.

C. A. Patterson, the leading druggist of Charleston, W. V., writes: "I have used Vinol for every member of my family, and have never been disappointed in the results. It is a pleasure to sell a remedy that gives such universal satisfaction."

Mr. Chas. E. Rogers, Druggist, of Elkton, Ky., writes: "I consider Vinol one of the best remedies in my store, and sell more of it than any one medicine. I have also used Vinol in my family with excellent results."

Mr. J. F. Bradley of New Brunswick, N. J. writes: "It is a pleasure to recommend the cod liver preparation, Vinol, as it gives such splendid satisfaction. As I have used it in my family, I can recommend it from experience."

The reason Vinol is so far superior to old-fashioned cod liver oil and emulsions is because it contains all the medicinal, body building elements of cod liver oil actually taken from fresh cods' livers with all the useless eliminated and peptonate-of-iron added.

As a body builder and strength creator for old people, weak women, delicate children, after sickness and for all pulmonary troubles, Vinol is recommended by over 5000 of the leading druggists of the United States. Your money back if it fails. Walker Drug Co.

#### Race Suicide.

as President Roosevelt calls it is not nearly the menace to increase in population that deaths among infants are. And eight out of ten of these deaths are directly or indirectly caused by bowel troubles. McGee's Baby Elixir cures diarrhoea, dysentery, sour stomach and all infant ailments of this nature. Just the thing for teething babies. Price 25 and 50c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

#### Unequaled as a Cure for Croup.

"Besides being an excellent remedy for colds and throat troubles, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is unequaled as a cure for croup," says Harry Wilson of Waynetown, Ind. When given as soon as the croupy cough appears, this remedy will prevent the attack. It is used successfully in many thousands of homes. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

#### "The Armless Man."

Said, "It wasn't money he wanted, but somebody to scratch his back." There are many with strong arms and willing hands that have that same yearning. Hunt's Cure will make back scratching, or any other old scratching totally unnecessary. It knocks out any itching sensation that ever happened, and it does it right now. One application relieves.

#### Under New Management.

I. O. Wooden has purchased the Globber tin and plumbing shop, and placed Jim Dodd in charge. The shop has been moved to the old light plant building on 7th street. They will appreciate your business, and guarantee to give you good first class work. Their specialty is to deliver work on time and when promised. If they can't fix it when you want it they tell you so. 23-4t.

Dr. Kooker, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, of San Angelo, will be at Drs. Blasdel & Thomas, office in Ballinger from Monday at noon to Tuesday noon each week. tf

#### THIS IS SAID TO HELP MANY.

Victims here Should Mix This Simple, Helpful Recipe at Home and Try It, Anyway.

Get from any prescription pharmacist the following:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

Shake well in a bottle and take a teaspoonful dose after each meal and at bedtime.

The above is considered by an eminent authority, who writes in a New York daily paper, as the finest prescription ever written to relieve Backache, Kidney Trouble, Weak Bladder and all forms of Urinary difficulties. This mixture acts promptly on the eliminative tissues of the kidneys, enabling them to filter and strain the uric acid and other waste matter from the blood which causes Rheumatism.

Some persons who suffer with the afflictions may not feel inclined to place much confidence in this simple mixture, yet those who have tried it say the results are simply surprising, the relief being effected without the slightest injury to the stomach or other organs.

Mix some and give it a trial. It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation, it is said, was established by it.

A druggist here at home when asked stated that he could either supply the ingredients or mix the prescription for our readers also recommends it as harmless.

#### A Neighbor of Yours.

as well as yourself is liable at any time to have rheumatism.

We're all liable to have cuts or burns, bruises or scalds, crick in the back, neck or side—some kind of an ache or pain. Then heed this advice and tell your neighbors—Ballard's Snow Liniment relieves all aches and pains, and heals all wounds.

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

#### Tetter, Salt Rheum and Eczema.

These are diseases for which Chamberlain's Salve is especially valuable. It quickly allays the itching and smarting and soon effects a cure. Price, 25 cents. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

#### This is So.

We wish to state in as plain and vigorous way as words can express it, that Hunt's Cure will positively, quickly and permanently cure any form of itching skin disease known. One box is guaranteed to cure. One application affords relief.

#### A Swollen Jaw.

is not pretty nor pleasant. Whether it's caused by neuralgia, toothache or accident. Ballard's Snow Liniment will reduce the swelling and relieve the pain. The great and sure cure for rheumatism, cuts, burns, bruises, scalds—any and all aches and pains.

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

#### Test its Value.

Simmons Liver Purifier is the most valuable remedy I ever tried for Constipation and Disordered Liver. It does its work thoroughly, but does not gripe like most remedies of its character. I certainly recommend it whenever the opportunity occurs.

W. M. Tomlinson, Oswego, Kan.

#### Lovers.

of good health should prevent sickness instead of letting themselves get sick and then try to cure it. So long as you keep your liver, bowels and stomach in a healthy and active condition you won't get sick. Ballard's Herbine relieves constipation, inactive liver and all stomach and bowel troubles.

Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

# Election Year



1908 promises to be the warmest campaign year the country has experienced since the Hogg-Clark campaign. Many people—voters—will go to the polls to vote ignorant of the important issues before the people, and will have to vote as the other fellow says, or vote on the question ignorantly. And why? Because you do not read your county paper. There is no one dollar spent to a better advantage than the dollar spent for your home paper. Many times one issue of the paper is worth the price of subscription to you. The Leader is one dollar per year, and we can give you

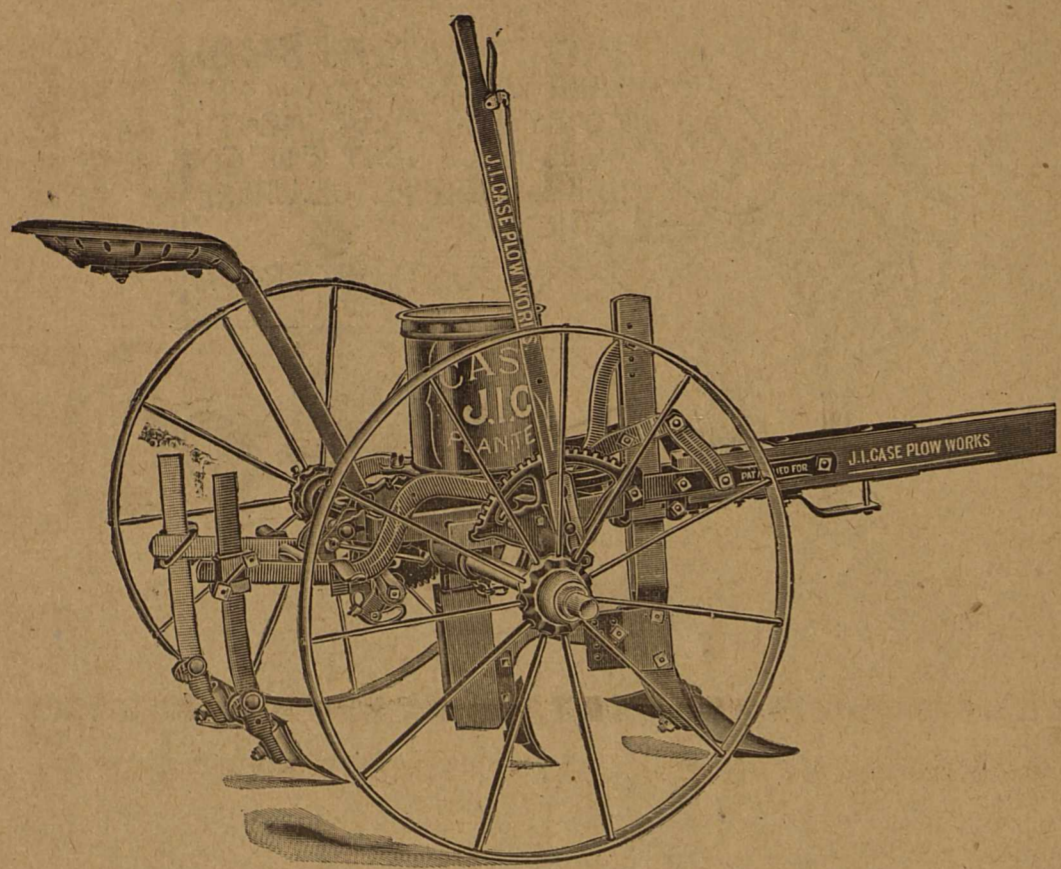
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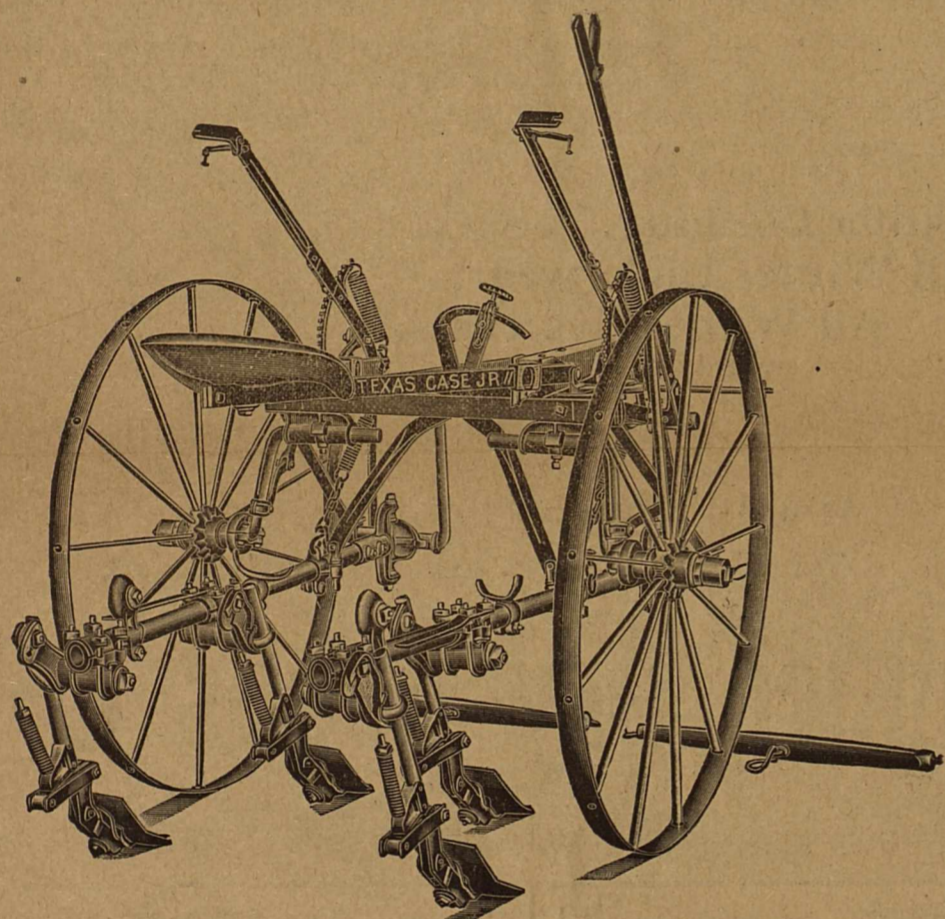
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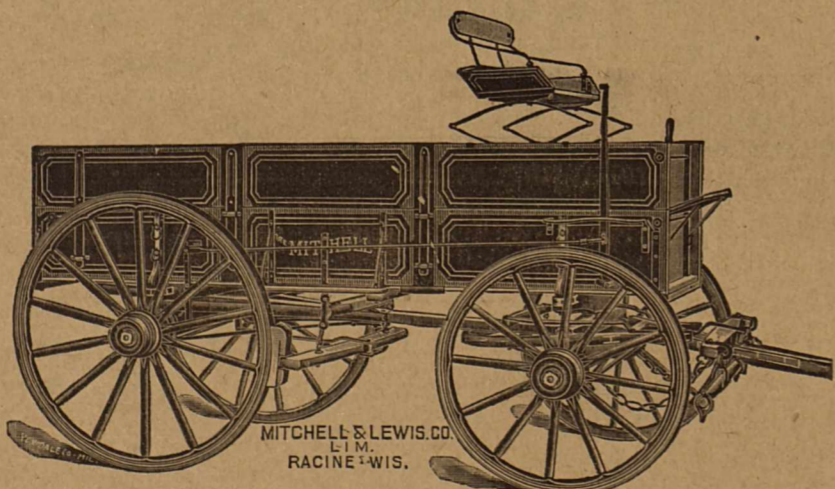
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## EXPERIENCE OF SANTA FE CONDUCTOR

During Twenty-Six Years Service, Ed. Garlick Has Some Close Calls.

Colonel Ed Garlick is the oldest conductor on the Santa Fe, from point of service seniority.

He is a native of Alabama, came to Texas in 1875 and in 1882 began railroading on the I. & G. N. at Houston, and in 1886 entered the service of the Santa Fe at Galveston.

When questioned how long he had run passenger trains, he stated he had never run anything but passenger trains, or a mixed train that carried passengers.

"Yes, I have had quite a varied experience in my railroad career," said Colonel Garlick in reply to a Tribune representative, "but I hardly know what would be of any interest to you.

"I never had but one wreck," continued Colonel Garlick, "and fortunately, it was not a very bad one.

"That was when I was on the Chicken Limited," as the boys used to call the short run west of Temple.

"It occurred about a mile west of Copperas Cove, and might have been a more serious affair than it was, for the track spread under the engine tender and the whole train was derailed.

"The two rear coaches were turned over on their sides, just at the approach of a dump, and the passengers were pretty well shook up and more or less bruised, but none seriously injured."

"I was in a collision once in which the engine did a rather unusual stunt," said Colonel Garlick.

"It was down in the coast country, south of Rosenberg, where the fog gets so thick sometimes that the engineer can scarcely see the smokestack of his engine.

"On this occasion Engineer George Spalding was pulling me on No. 6 out of Galveston in the morning. As we approached Dukes siding, we were fairly burning the wind—just splitting the fog wide open. I was in the rear coach with some of the company officials when all at once there was a crash and we came to an abrupt stop. I pulled out my watch and said to one of the officials, 'we have struck somebody, and you see they are just four minutes on my time.'

"We got out and went ahead and found we had gone into the rear of a freight train which was trying to make the siding, but the caboose and two cars were not in the clear. Well, we didn't do a thing but make kindling wood of the caboose and two cars, and the tank of our engine was snugly loaded into the baggage car, which was next to it, and the engine was turned completely around, headed back the opposite way from which it was running, and was sitting upright on her drivers, but completely stripped.

"Strange to say, no one was seriously injured, which looked almost miraculous, considering how many were directly exposed at the point of collision."

"The weakest I ever was from fright," continued the big conductor, "was one time at Mullen, on the San Angelo branch. I was on No. 75 and had meeting orders for No. 78 and a freight train at that point. The side track was not long enough to contain both of the other trains so we had to 'saw by.'

"I was on the ground beside my train and 78 had just pulled out and the freight was following. Among other passengers who got off of No. 78 was a man who started down the track behind the train as it pulled out, not conscious of the freight train which was close behind him—in fact so close that the headlight shone above his head and the engineer couldn't see the man, in the darkness.

"I rushed up to the man, who was evidently half intoxicated, and grabbing him by the arm, yelled at him to get off the track, at the same time exerting my best efforts to remove him. He jerked back, pulling me on to the track with him. With another desperate surge I cleared the track, still holding to him, when the engine knocked him out of my hands, and carrying him a short distance, left him beside the track with both lower limbs cut off.

"The poor fellow called to me to lift him up, and I tried to do so, but I was so weak I could not have pulled a setting hen off the nest, and it was all I could do to pull myself aside, where I sat down to recover from the blow.

The unfortunate man was put on a train and started for the Temple hospital, but he died before he reached there."

Continued Colonel Garlick, "I was in a rather squally place once in high water. I think it was in '98 or '99, when the Brazos river overflowed and swept everything before it.

"I was going south on No. 5, and when we reached Rosenberg we received orders to go on as far as we could, proceeding cautiously.

"The Santa Fe runs down the Brazos valley from that point for about five miles, before it reaches the bridge where it crosses the river. Well, to make a long story short, I stood on the rear platform of my train and saw the track float over the fence behind me as fast as we got off of it. Our running over it loosened it up, and the water was so deep that it lifted it up and floated it off.

"Of course we could not tell what was ahead of us in the water or at the bridge across the river, but one thing we did know, we could not go back. Fortunately we found the bridge intact and we made it to Galveston safely."

"No," said Colonel Garlick, in answer to a question, "that was not the year of the Galveston storm, but I was mixed up in that just a little.

"I was on the last train that left the island for the main land before the bridges were swept away and I had to pull down all the window to keep the water out of the coaches from the high waves that were lashing the bridge when the water was so high in the bay. Shortly after the bridge was swept away, and it chanced to fall to my lot to take the first passenger train into Galveston over the new bridge that took the place of the old one."—Temple Tribune.

### A Woman's Back

Has many aches and pains caused by weaknesses and falling, or other displacement, of the pelvic organs. Other symptoms of female weakness are frequent headache, dizziness, imaginary specks or dark spots floating before the eyes, gnawing sensation in stomach, dragging or sinking down in lower abdominal or pelvic region, disagreeable drains from pelvic organs, faint spells with general weakness.

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Every ingredient entering into "Favorite Prescription" has the written endorsement of the most eminent medical writers of all the several schools of practice—more valuable than any amount of non-professional testimonials—though the latter are not lacking, having been contributed voluntarily by grateful patients in numbers to exceed the endorsements given to any other medicine extant for the cure of woman's ills.

You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy of known composition, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfish interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away call by call.

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### BALLINGER REPRESENTED IN R. R. MAGAZINE.

The Earth, a Magazine Published in Chicago by the Santa Fe, to Write up Ballinger.

F. L. Vandergrift traveling correspondent for the Santa Fe, was here this week getting data for a write-up of the town and county to appear in the April issue of the Earth.

The Earth is published in the interest of the immigration interest and has a wide circulation among the people of the north and the write up is calculated to be of great benefit to Ballinger and Rannels county and will no doubt result in bringing new people here. Mr. Vandergrift secure quite a number of good pictures, farm scene etc. and the write up will be illustrated.

A fine boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Walton, Monday.

Jo. Wilmeth visited Temple, first of the week. Mr. Wilmeth is a member of the Executive board of the State Bankers Association, and attending a meeting of the board in Temple.

Dr. Kooker, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, of San Angelo, will be at Drs. Blasdel & Thomas, office in Ballinger every Sunday.

Miss Daxie Noel returned to her home at Brownwood, Tuesday, after a visit to W. C. Penn and family.

The remains of a Mrs. Jones was received here Monday and carried to Blackwell for burial. The lady died in the asylum at San Antonio.

**FARMERS UNION  
FIGHT SETTLED.**

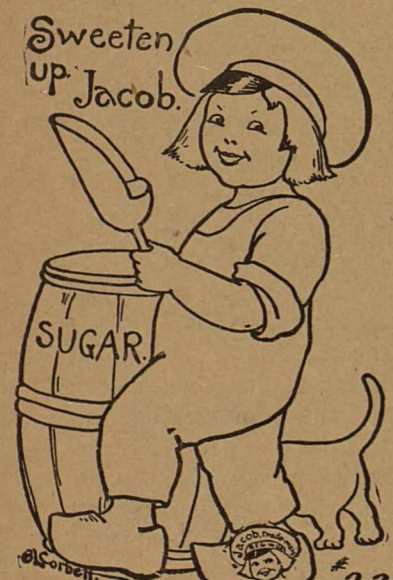
**Editor Pyle Pleads Guilty to Charge of Assault on President Neil. Latham Beats Case.**

Attorney C. H. Jenkins returned this morning from Fort Worth where he assisted the state in the prosecution of the cases for assault against Latham and Pyle. O. P. Pyle, editor of the National Co-Operator, the official organ of the Farmers' Union in Texas, pleaded guilty to the charge of aggravated assault upon J. D. Neil, president of the union and was fined \$25. George B. Latham, manager of the same paper, was brought to trial on a similar charge, and after a full afternoon's session was finally acquitted about 7 o'clock in the evening.

The feature of the trial was the re-appearance of Mr. Pyle on the witness stand in behalf of Latham, and his statement that he had pleaded guilty owing to the fact that he desired to tell the Latham jury that the accused man was innocent, which privilege would have been denied him had he fought his case.

A brilliant array of counsel was present for the legal battle at the afternoon session. For the state, Judge C. H. Jenkins of Brownwood, assisted Charles T. Rawland, assistant county attorney, while for the defence State Senator E. G. Senter of Dallas acted in the capacity of advisory counsel to W. P. McLean Jr. Judge Sam R. Scott of Waco, the man who resigned the district judgeship after many years' service at that point, was an interested spectator, though not actively connected with the case.

President Neil himself took the stand just before the noon hour and told the story of the events leading up to the trouble between himself and defendants in the rooms of the Farmers' Union several weeks ago, during which he received blows on the forehead and side of his head from the office seal in the hands of Pyle.—Brownwood Bulletin.



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March 13 1908,  
Dear friend:

I use to think that sugar was just sugar but it isn't. I'd rather put a nice lump into my coffee than just an old spoonful. Then they make so many things out of sugar.

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Jacob.

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**Dornberger & Hopkinson.**

Miss Katie Ray Ward returned from a visit to San Angelo, yesterday.

Tom Rape came in from Dallas first of the week, on a visit to relatives.

T. S. Lankford returned from a business trip to Fort Worth, first of the week.

Judge C. L. McCartney, of Brownwood, had business in Court here this week.

Thad Thompson came in from Brownwood, first of the week, to spend a few days at home.

John Spain, who has been here on business for some time will return to Midland, next week.

B. Wardlow, of Sonora, is here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Wardlow, of South Ballinger.

Bryce Bowdon, who has been attending the Galveston Medical College, came home, first of the week.

M. M. Hamlin came in Thursday, and now has charge of the mechanical department of the Leader.

Mrs. G. A. Lehnhoff, of Macon Missouri, is here on a visit to her brothers, Prof. J. M. Skinner and Judge C. P. Shepherd.

C. S. Woodward, of Cheatham, Texas, who had been here several days on business, left yesterday for Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hobby, formerly of Ballinger, now of Hamlin, are in New Orleans, taking in the Mardi Gras.

E. F. Edwards, candidate for sheriff, was here from Winters, Monday mingling with the first Monday and District court crowd.

The City Finance Committee is in session today auditing the City books, and their report will be published in this paper next week.

Mrs. W. J. Coulson returned to her home at Coleman, first of the week, after a visit to her father Col. C. L. Morgan and sister, Mrs. Jno. A. Weeks.

Two Merry Tramps drew a large crowd to the Opera house Tuesday night. The show was one of fun, strictly and seemed to please the people.

John Drew, who is doing some building at Lometa, was at home to see his family, first of the week, and to look after business at this end of the line.

M. E. Harrell was in from Truitt, yesterday, and made the Leader office a pleasant call. Mr. Harrell expects to start to Midland on a business trip, Monday.

Dr. J. G. Douglass returned from Cleburne, Tuesday, where he was called about two weeks ago on account of the illness of his father. We regret to report that his father died last Sunday.

Mrs. Mike Boyd left, yesterday, for Brownwood to be with her father who is very low and is not expected to live very long. He is afflicted with a cancer on the face, and it is gradually eating his face away.

Geo. L. Dickerson, representing the Mergenthaler Linotype Co. was here first of the week to sell the Ledger a type setting machine. He made the Leader office a pleasant call, and showed us the many advantages to be had by machine work.

The Citizens National Bank not only goes to the limit in advertising their own business, but never let an opportunity slip to advertise Ballinger. The Bank mailed out quite a lot of Leaders containing a write up of the Bankers Convention.

J. M. Stevenson, of the Content country was here, first of the week, and sold some cotton for 11 cents. He made the Leader office a pleasant call, and took advantage of our clubbing offer on the Dallas Simi-Weekly News. We are authorized agents for the Dallas News.

**Mrs. John Weeks Entertains.**

The "At Home" of Mrs. John Weeks on Friday afternoon from three to six was one of the most beautifully appointed and elegant functions of the week.

Invitations on Japanese lanterns in water colors, requesting the guests to wear a kimona, were issued in advance to about one hundred of Ballinger's society ladies.

This reception was indeed in touch with the "Madam Butterfly" vogue which is raging this season.

Mrs. Weeks assisted by her sister Mrs. W. J. Coulson of Coleman and Miss Alice Morgan, and Mrs. Jim Patterson, received the guests in dainty kimonas with hair coiffured and decorated in the Japanese fashion.

Sweet little Misses Maurine Weeks, Mary Coulson, Maurine Patterson and Master Clarence Smith dressed as little Japs, stood at the foot of the winding stairway and as the guests returned from the dressing room, presented them with the favors, dainty Butterfly fans and tiny parasols.

The entire reception suit was decorated and dressed a-la-Japanese it was sweet and fragrant with burning incense, narcissus and jonquils, transforming this elegant home into a veritable Geisha Garden. Japanese lanterns, fans, chrysanthemums, bows and butterflies were every where in evidence, while in one corner of the parlor was suspended an immense Cho-cho-shan parasol, from which dangled tiny butterflies and under which sat Mrs. Lewis Alexander with a crimson kimona and her raven hair decorated with red chrysanthemums and fans, serving hot tea with a Japanese tea service from a tiny chrysanthemum table. The guests were all seated Japanese style with cushions on the floor.

A Mexican string band was stationed behind groups of palms at the second landing of the stairway, and the sweetest strains of music, whose lingering cadences with their vibrating influence filled the guests with an ecstasy of melody.

The ladies attired in dainty kimonas of every hue of the solar spectrum, blending with the beautiful and rich harmonies of the decorations, and the soft, mellow lights, presented a most beautiful and picturesque scene, reminding one of the Mikado's court.

Master Clarence Smith sang a solo to his little lady love (Miss Maurine Weeks) entitled "My little Java lady," pleading with her for her heart and hand.

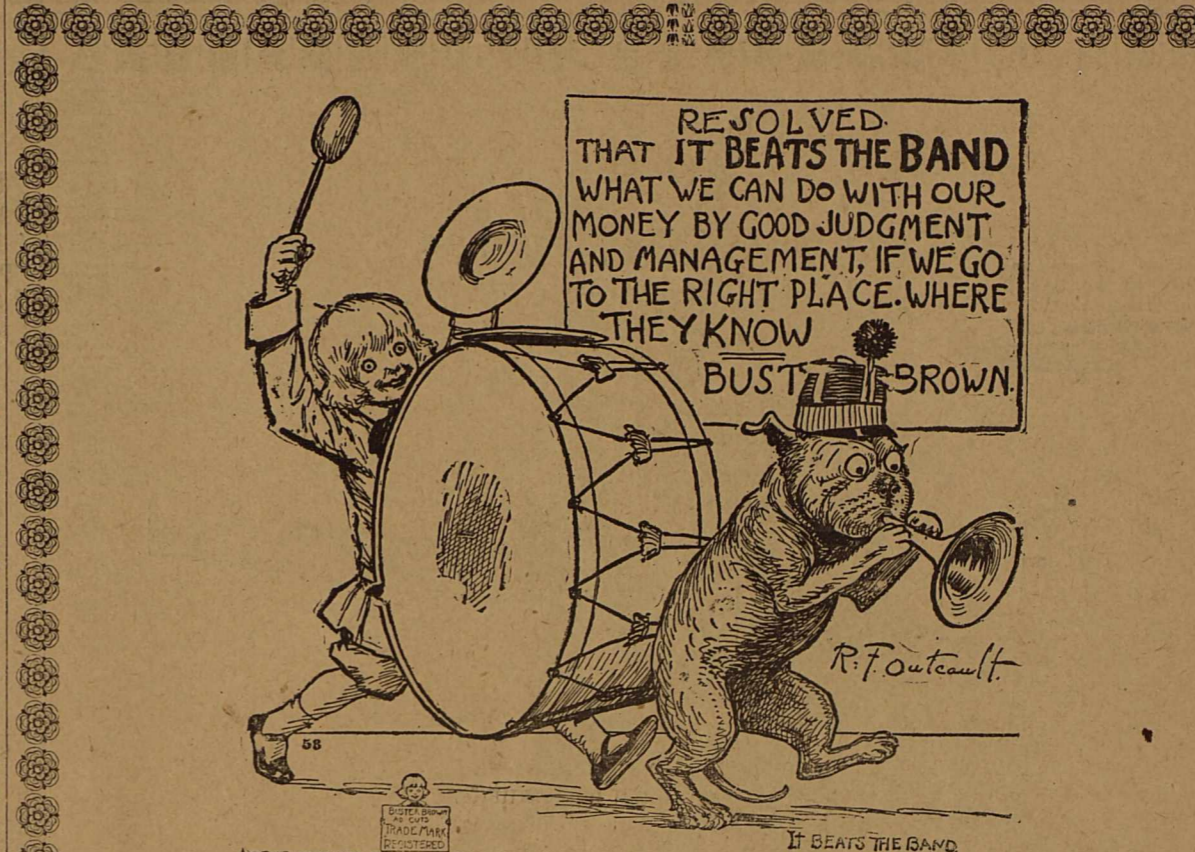
Little Miss Maurine responded with a solo "My little Jap" assuring him of her love and devotion. This meeting with such a decided success, by special request, later in the afternoon, Master Clarence and Miss Maurine were compelled to repeat their part of the afternoon's entertainment.

Miss Coral Clark sang "Sing me to sleep" with violin obligato by Miss Leona Miller.

Miss Hernia Smith sang "Bobolink" by Bischoff with Miss Maggie Underwood as accompanist.

Refreshments consisting of cherry cream on green chrysanthemums and angel food was served. The adieux were said and all departed with happy recollections of a most delightful affair, and pronouncing Mrs. Weeks as an ideal hostess.

**C. C. Schuchard Sells Out.**  
C. C. Schuchard disposed of his interest in the Ostertag Furniture Co. A deal was closed this morning in which the other members of the firm, J. A. Ostertag, Will Dunlap and Will Schleyer, buys Mr. Schuchard's interest. Mr. Schuchard is busy improving his yard and his home, and is on the look out for some other business that he might get into.



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**Election Managers.**  
The Commissioners Court, in session this week, appointed the following election officers for the general election 1908:  
Precinct 1. H. A. Massey, Paul Trimier, J. R. McVey, A. W. Sledge.  
Precinct 2. E. B. Walker, G. R. Cunningham.  
Precinct 3. T. W. Martin, W. W. McKissick.  
Precinct 4. A. E. Wilkerson, L. G. Strawn, W. S. Moorehaed, A. L. Kearby,  
Precinct 5. M. C. Bright, F. M. Curry.  
Precinct 6. W. J. Gardner, R. A. Yeats.  
Precinct 7. J. Hood, G. A. Buchanan, J. H. Hall, Ben Spill.  
Precinct 8. Jno. McNeill Carl Vogler.  
Precinct 9. R. L. Mosely, S. H. Puckett.  
Precinct 10. S. L. Earson, B. F. Whitfield, J. D. Dunn, C. W. Gregory.  
Precinct 11. W. F. McKown, Henry Clark.  
Precinct 12. Will Rayburn, W. R. Turner.  
Precinct 13. J. B. Carlton, H. E. Pettey.  
Precinct 14. S. A. Gaston, F. Mountz.  
Precinct 15. J. H. Ness, G. Schumman, Wm. Glass, F. F. Ernst.  
Precinct 16. J. B. Wade, F. B. Rogers, W. S. Crabb, J. W. Hinkle.  
Precinct 17. Jno. Mackey, E. M. Setser.  
Precinct 18. M. E. Harrell, W. H. Seals.

**Lumber.**  
Lumber from mill to consumer. We fill house bills complete including doors, windows, blinds, mouldings, columns, lime, cement, plaster and shingles in mixed cars at panic prices. Reliable agent wanted. Address Independent Lumber Co., Dallas, Texas, 25-4t.

**New Tailor Shop**  
A. J. Stocklas, of Rosebud, has rented the frame building next door to the Walker Drug Co. formerly occupied by the Osteen restaurant, and is having same repaired and made ready for a tailor shop.

The ladies of the Methodist church served dinner to the hungry crowd that thronged the streets Monday. They realized about \$100 after all expenses were paid.

Thomas & Boulard are receiving their new goods and getting in shape for business in the Harris new building on Eighth street.

"There seems to be such unpromising hostility in this Congo affair. Can't the disputants stretch a point?"  
"They ought to, it's all over rubber."

**THE LIMIT.**  
Clarice—I think Mr. Gunson is dreadfully stingy.  
Clarence—Stingy? Why, that man wouldn't even tell a story at his own expense!—Harper's Weekly.

**District Home Mission Meeting.**  
Revs. C. W. Yates and A. L. Barr, of San Angelo, and Rev. Sterling Park, of Brownwood, came in yesterday to meet with Rev. Geo. W. Fender, of Ballinger, in a conference for Home Mission. These gentlemen constitute the Home Mission Board for the Brownwood Presbytery of the Presbyterian church, U. S. A. Mrs. Park accompanied Rev. Park and is the guest of Mrs. Fender.

**The Last Sunday.**  
The last service at the Court house will probably be held Sunday.  
Sunday school 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching 11:00 a. m.  
Let all the members come. A cordial invitation is also extended to friends and strangers.  
E. P. Williams, Pastor.

**HELP WANTED.**  
Woman to do house work for small family. Apply at Leader office for particulars.

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