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We Want to See You Face to Face

HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE COMPANY

We sell Everything and Lumber

THE BEST

5c Cigars at the Owl Pharmacy
Exclusive Dealers in
FIGARO,
QUATILITY,
SAN FELICE

A Complete Line of Drugs and Sundries

We want your business. Very truly,

COCKRELL & GRACE

ADAMS THE MAN FOR SENATOR

Official Returns Give The Nomination
Various Reports and Rumors of a
Contest.

The man that got the idea that the fun of the recent primary was all over, and thought that Arch Grinan was elected to succeed himself in the Texas senate is badly mistaken.

The day after the election the report was sent out from Brownwood to the various state papers to the effect that Grinan had carried the district by a majority of 2,000 votes, and very little more was thought of the race until Monday when the reports from the executive committees began to come in from over the district, and it developed that the tables had turned and that Mr. Grinan was in the hole 14 votes. Mr. Grinan phoned to parties in Ballinger Monday stating that he had lost the race by 14 votes. Tuesday another report came that he was 7 votes to the good. Wednesday another report came that Mr. Adams was elected by 21 votes, and now the Grinnan supporters claim that the race is a tie while Adam's friends are claiming the victory by 21 votes.

It seems that the trouble is in the returns made from Mills county. The returns as canvassed by the Mill county executive committee last Saturday and certified to by the county chairman gives Adams a majority of 148 votes, while the returns in the possession of the county clerk it is claimed only give him 6 majority of a 127, a difference of 22 votes. The chairman contends that his report of the returns is correct and if so Mr. Adams is elected by a majority of 21 votes but if the 127 majority is correct the race stands a tie.

A letter from Mr. Grinnan's campaign manager to a local attorney this morning stated that the race would be contested and we presume such will be the case regardless of how the Mills county question is settled. However it seems that Mr. Grinnan should step down and out if the 148 majority in Mills county is proven correct, especially when it is considered that he only carried three counties out of the ten in the district. Adams carried

Runnels, concho, comanche, Mills San Saba, McCulloch counties. Grinnan carried Llano, Erath and Brown counties, and in Coleman county the vote stands a tie 948 for each candidate.

LATER—A phone message from Mr. Adams just before noon today stated that a contest was almost certain, and that the matter would be settled in the convention. He said, however that it was the other side that would make the contest, as he would abide by the vote, and would not have the office if he could not get it by the voice of the people. He stated that to concede the Mills county vote to be 127 for him instead of 148, he was still 11 ahead as shown by the returns of San Saba county. The returns of that county give him 126 instead of 115 as first reported.

Miss Minnie Rider came from Huntsville, first of the week, where she has been attending the State Normal.

A bloody fist fight was pulled off near Zappe's Saloon, Wednesday that is it proved bloody to one of the participants, who made fight on the officers when arrested. The officers had to land on him good and strong to convince him who was boss.

COLEMAN MAN SERIOUSLY HURT

Al Miskel falls from Second Story of
Mater Hotel.

Al Miskel, who had been to San Angelo, and had stopped off here last Saturday while enroute home was seriously hurt Saturday night. Mr. Miskel stopped at the Mater hotel and during the night he walked off the second story verandar of the hotel, breaking both arms and otherwise bruising himself.

Friends came up from Coleman Sunday and carried the unfortunate man to his home and at last accounts he was getting along as well as could be expected.

The building occupied by the Hub store owned by John Currie is being run up another story. This will make four two story buildings right together in that block.

REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL

Much Talk and Little Business. Street
work Take Up Time.

The City officials, including the Mayor, Aldermen Wilmeth, Maddox, Kirk and McKay; Marshal McKay, Secretary Lusk and Attorney Sayle, were present at the council meeting Tuesday. Alderman Jones was out of the city.

The usual routine of business in the way of improving the minutes, reports and passing on monthly accounts was dispensed with in short order.

The rate for inspecting dairies hotels, markets, etc., was fixed. S. J. Carpenter was appointed night watchman or special policeman, and the city awarded \$10 towards paying his salary. The secretary was ordered to order a watch clock.

Jack Harvick was present and asked the council to allow his salary for the time he was hurt and not able to work. The matter was referred to the Street Committee.

Dr. Blasdel, the city health officer, was present and made his report.

Jack McGregor came before the council at this point, and asked to be heard in behalf of Engineer Kelly, who had been discharged without cause and without being given an opportunity to defend himself against any false charge. It seems that the Mayor had become displeased with Mr. Kelly's work and had served notice on him that his services were no longer needed, and the Mayor's action in the matter had caused considerable talk. The council took no action on the matter, but we understand that Mr. Kelly is still superintending the street work under the direction of the Street Committee.

The Secretary was instructed to order five hundred feet of new fire hose.

The commercial club was given control of all streets and alleys during the Reunion.

Lomax to be Here.

Mr. John A. Lomax, of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, will be in Ballinger Friday, August 14th.

Young men of this City and County who contemplate taking a course in this College may consult him at the Central Hotel in regard to the entrance requirements and the various courses of study offered in the institution of learning which he represents. Mr. Lomax is also prepared to hold entrance examinations for those desiring them. It

Have your clothes cleaned and pressed in time for the big Reunion by Morehead the tailor; he will do it right.

SUMMER NORMAL PASS RESOLUTIONS

The Successful Normal, and Cordial Attention from Citizens Cause Expression of Thanks

Before the last good bye was said, and the normal attendants departed for their respective homes, the following resolutions were adopted:

Be it resolved by the teachers attending the Ballinger Summer Normal, that we hereby express sincere thanks to the following:

1 Prof. E. L. Hagan, for the kindly interest he has taken in the Normal, and the many courtesies he has shown to all the teachers.

2 The Commercial Club of Ballinger, for providing building and janitors service, securing boarding places for teachers and giving free entertainments, picnics etc.

3 The Henry E. McCullough Camp, Confederate Veterans for their aid in Fourth of July picnic.

4 The City and Walker Drug Companies, and Mothers Clubs for free ice cream and musical entertainments.

5 The Artic Ice and Fuel Co. for supplying Normal with ice.

6 The janitor for his courtesies to the teachers and untiring helpfulness.

WM. E. LOCKHART

ALMA PADGETT

LOUISE SHERRILL

GERTIE WALSH

L. C. FOWLER

Committee on Resolutions.

INHUMAN ACT CAUSES LOSS

Dog Poisoner at Brownwood Kills Many
Fine Dogs

The party or parties who started Friday night to poisoning dogs in this city continued their work Saturday night and many good dogs have fallen victim to the dastardly work. The Mollie Bailey show lost several fine animals and the owner of the show is highly indignant and would give a handsome reward for the arrest and conviction of the person who committed the deed.

G. N. Harrison, whose fine bird dorg was poisoned Saturday, but recovered, has offered a \$50 cash reward for the arrest of the guilty party. The performing clown dog owned by the Mollie Bailey Show was poisoned and the high jumping dog also was a victim. The officers have a clue that may lead to an arrest and the cash reward being offered may stimulate some one to make extra efforts to catch the dog killer.—Brownwood Bulletin

Join Morehead's pressing club only \$1.00 per month

OSTERTAG COMPANY TO REBUILD

Move to Rebuild The Big Furniture
House Meeting With Approval.

Shortly after the fire that destroyed the Ostertag Furniture Co. and it became generally known that the business would be a loss to Ballinger for all time to come on account of the heavy loss to stock-holders, a move was at once put on foot to assist the company in getting on its feet and replacing that business. From the time the move was started until the present it has met with favor and success by some of our most prominent and influential citizens, and it is now almost a certainty that the business will be replaced.

The idea is to organize a joint stock company, selling \$100.00 shares to as many men as are interested in seeing the business re-established; and no sooner than said, subscriptions were started, and considerable stock has been subscribed.

The Ostertag Furniture Co. carried a large stock of high grade furniture, and their insurance was far short of the loss, leaving the company almost helpless to rise again.

It has been a drawing card for Ballinger, and filled a place in our business firms that will be of great benefit to Ballinger if replaced and a great loss if not replaced. The many friends of the company will be glad to see the firm open for business again and to do this the stock will have to be subscribed, a new company organized with the same managers in charge.

C. A. Dooze is in possession of the stock list and those interested should see or phone him at once so the matter can be pushed before the fall season is over. It will not only be a good investment for the stock holders but will replace a house that Ballinger needs.

Miss Mary Dalton Married.

Miss Mary Dalton and John Wooten were married in Brownwood Tuesday evening at four o'clock.

For five years Miss Mary has been chief operator in the telephone office at this place and on Monday evening of this week she handed in her resignation, and Tuesday the wedding occurred.

Miss Mary had many friends here who will regret to learn that she has severed her connection with the phone office, but will wish for her all the happiness married life contains. She was a splendid operator and her change leaves a place in the office that will be hard to fill by one so efficient.

Mr. Wooten is the employ of the Walker Smith Co. at this place, and is well thought of by employers and has many friends to join the Leader in congratulations.

TAKE 'EM AT THEIR WORD

Milam County Orders Pro Election Be-
cause Liquor Men Vote Local Op-
tion

Just as the Herald's forms were being closed last night we were informed that a petition was being prepared for immediate circulation requesting the Commissioners Court and County Judge to order an election to close the saloons in precinct 1 this beat. The Herald was informed that some of the most influential men heretofore anti-prohibitionists, will enthusiastically support local option now. They give as an explanation that being Democrats, the State having just made local option a Democratic measure by a large majority (and mostly by the vote of the liquormen themselves and former antis) they shall, as loyal party men, fall into line—that they are going to carry out the platform on which all good antis stood of not asking one part of the State to do what they wouldn't do. Also, it is asserted many antis will be with the pros now because of the amazing position of some liquormen and leading antis in the late primary as evidenced by some letter written by them to voters in this county in a bold attempt to capture the offices of this county solely in the interest of the antis. Hence, the action in making the result of the late primary on this question a basis of opposition is what our late friend Mons Blazac, would call "hoisting a man on his own petard." All the Herald has to say is that this is very, very cruel, even if they did bring it on themselves.—Cameron Herald.

W. T. PADGETT PAINFULLY HURT

Bad Man Causes Trouble When Put
Under Arrest.

One of the men that participated in the scrap on the corner near Zappie's saloon, Wednesday evening, made a fight on Constable Pilcher when Mr. Padgett went to arrest him. Mr. Padgett, who is an official deputy for Sheriff Kirk, assisting Mr. Pilcher in putting the man in the jail, in some way got his arm caught in the jail door and it was badly bruised and broken. Mr. Padgett was carried to the doctor's office and his arm dressed and at last reports he was getting along as well as could be expected.

The bad man was kept in jail until he repented for his wrongdoings, and after dividing his cash with the courts he was allowed to go on his way in sorrow.

Winkler Dry Goods Co.'s

MID-SUMMER MARK DOWN AND CLEARING SALE WILL CONTINUE FOR ANOTHER 15 DAYS

The last two weeks of our sale have been a great success, and many have availed themselves of the opportunity afforded, to buy good, clean merchandise at greatly reduced Prices. We find that we still have a large lot of summer goods left and have decided to continue the sale for another

FIFTEEN DAYS

Our buyer will be starting to market in the near future, and we are determined to make a clean sweep of all SUMMER GOODS Remaining. COME AND GET FITTED UP FOR THE REUNION.

Everything At A Great Saving To You

25 dozen ladies' vests regular 10c quality. Sale price.	Dress Goods Bargains	Men's Summer Clothing	Extra Special
5c each	\$1.50 dress goods, clearing sale only..... \$1.15	We are determined to make a clean sweep of all summer suits, hence the following radical price reductions:	Best 15c Collars all sizes, new lot just received, all go in this sale at only
Large size Huck Towels, size our regular 12½ grade. Sale price.	1.25 dress goods, clearing sale price, only..... .93	\$25.00 summer suits, clearing sale price..... 18.45	10c each
7c each	1.00 dress goods, clearing sale price, only..... .79	20.00 summer suits, clearing sale price..... 14.65	50c men's four-in-hand Ties, clearing sale price
Large lot of Valenciennes and Torchans Laces, all in one lot Clearing sale price	.85 cent dress goods, clearing sale price, only..... .62	18.00 summer suits, clearing sale price..... 12.75	35c each
3½c a yd	.75 cent dress goods, clearing sale price, only..... .54	15.00 summer suits, clearing sale price..... 10.35	25c men's four-in-hand and club Ties, clearing sale price only
Big Lot Embroideries 10c and 12½c kinds, Sale price	.65 cents dress goods, clearing sale price only..... .43	12.50 summer suits, clearing sale price..... \$7.95	15c each
7c a yd	50 cent dress goods, clearing sale price only..... .36	10.00 summer suits, clearing sale price..... \$6.35	50c quality men's Half Hose black and fancy hose, your choice for
Corset Cover Embroidery, 25c quality sale price	\$1.50 silks at the clearing sale price of only..... 1.15	One lot men's double-breasted summer suits, regular 15.00 suits, your choice of the lot for..... \$8.50	33c a pair
14c a yd	\$1.35 silks at the clearing sale price of only..... .95	Men's Odd Pants at Clearing Prices	25c men's Half Hose black, blue, tan and fancy hose, your choice for
9c each	\$1.15 silks at the clearing sale price of only..... .85	\$5.00 men's pants, at clearing sale price only..... \$3.75	18c a pair
19c a yd	75 cent silks at the clearing sale price of only..... .55	4.50 men's pants at clearing sale price only..... \$3.35	Men's 20c pure linen Handkerchiefs, clearing sale price only
38c each	50 cent silks at the clearing sale price of only..... .36	4.00 men's pants at clearing sale price only..... \$2.85	12½c each
58c a pair	65c and 50c silk novelties clearing sale price only..... .39	3.50 men's pants at clearing sale price only..... \$2.60	Men's white Handkerchiefs, 5c kind clearing sale price
	Wash Goods Bargains	3.00 men's pants at clearing sale price only..... \$2.20	2½c each
	Your choice of any 35c wash goods in the house clearing sale price..... .23	2.50 hats, all styles, clearing sale price..... \$1.85	President and genuine Guyot Suspenders, best 50c suspenders made, sale price
	Your choice of any 25c wash goods in the house clearing sale price..... .16	2.00 hats, all styles, clearing sale price..... \$1.45	38c each
	Your choice of any 15c wash goods in the house clearing sale price..... .9½	Men's Furnishing Goods Greatly Reduced	Ladies Skirts—A big reduction on all Skirts. Come and price them.
	Ladies' Shirt Waists at Less Than Cost of Material and Making.	\$2.50 Ide shirts, soft negligees, collars and cuffs attached, price..... \$1.65	Men's Overalls and wash pants, best \$1.00 grades, clearing sale price
	\$3.50 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$2.45	2.00 Ide shirts, soft negligees, collar and cuffs attached price..... \$1.45	79c per pair
	3.00 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$2.15	2.00 Ide dress shirts very fine shirts sale price..... \$1.45	
	2.50 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$1.85	1.50 Gold shirts, both dress and negligee styles, good line of patterns, your choice..... \$1.15	
	2.00 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$1.35	1.00 Silver shirts, positively the best regular dollar shirts sold any where clearing sale price..... .79	
	1.75 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$1.20	Yale shirts, made of fine soft mercerized Pongee, collar and cuffs attached the 1.50, 1.75 grades during this sale..... \$1.15	
	1.50 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... \$1.10	Yale Shirts, fine mercerized Pongee cream and white, collar and cuffs attached, regular 1.25 grade, sale price only..... .85	
	1.25 fine white waists, clearing sale price..... .89		
	1.00 white waists in this clearing sale at only..... .65		
	All men's shoes and slippers at a big reduction. All ladies', Misses' and children's shoes and slippers at greatly reduced prices. Boys' suits and knee pants at Clearing sale prices.		

Winkler Dry Goods Co.

BALLINGER, TEXAS

A. B. Burrell went to Hico, Wednesday, on land business.

John Hall was here from Winters, Monday, on business.

Red Bird laundry soap 16 bars for 25 cents at Kinzers.

Lewis Alexander was quite sick, first of the week.

A full and complete line of the best toilet soaps at Kinzer's.

Miss Jennie Bennett went to Winters first of the week, to visit friends.

Dr. E. C. Baskin, dentist office over Brewers jewelry store. tf

W. H. Nicholson went to Houston and Galveston first of the week.

John B. Stetson hats \$3.50. W. A. Gustavus & son

John Drew spent a few days with home folks and returned to his work at Cisco Monday.

Picture postals for everybody at Kinzer's

Misses Alva Van Pelt and Vurda Scott visited San Angelo friends last Sunday.

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

Dr. W. W. Fowler went to Temple, Wednesday on professional business.

Baby pictures a sure thing at Bartlett's photo studio. tf

Judge B. B. Stone went to San Antonio, Wednesday, to attend the County Judge's convention.

The Banner-Leader has lot of old papers at 20c per 100.

A. Schawe came up from Belton first of the week and visited home folks a few days.

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

Groves Key has closed his meat market and will devote all his time to the transfer business.

Rasbury & Bruce are buying wheat and oats now 36-4t

Dave Maddox, Sheriff of Concho county, had business in Ballinger this week.

Any price for photos at Bartlett's studio from \$1.50 per dozen up. tf

Lawrence Harris was visiting his sister in San Angelo first of the week.

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

C. C. Cullwell was here from Miles Monday, mixing with the horse traders.

Call and see Bartlett's fine photos: on Eighth Street north of Higginbotham Currie Co. tf

Send your friend or sweetheart a postal. Many kinds to suit many people at Kinzers.

Pink Parks and family were here from Concho county, first of the week.

Ladies tan and black oxfords \$3.00 quality, \$2.20. W. A. Gustavus & son.

A. J. Stocklas, the tailor, returned from Chicago, first of the week.

High grade photographs a specialty at Bartlett's photo studio. tf

Mrs. A. L. Farris returned last Sunday from a visit to Brownwood.

If your want to rent dishes for any purpose go to Kinzer's. All kinds of dishes for sale or rent cheap.

Miss Bettie Matthews, of San Angelo, was the guest of Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, first of the week.

The small depositor is just as welcome as the large and the same courteous treatment will be extended him at the Citizens National Bank

Misses Pearl and Verda Farris returned from a visit to McGregor, last Sunday.

WANTED—Position in Millinery or dry goods department of store. Have had experience and can speak Spanish language. Address, Miss A. E. England, Guion Texas. It

The Leader turned out ten thousands circulars this week, advertising the Reunion.

20th Century Tailoring Co, (Next door to Alvis Bro's old grocery store)

Miss Coleman of Waco is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Jackson.

Bartlett's studio for Kodak finishing. tf

Mrs. G. H. Coleman has returned to Temple after a pleasant stay with relatives.

FOUND—A bundle of fishing tackle containing a minnow seine. Call at Leader office for particulars.

Jno. A. Weeks and Buck Shields took in the Coleman Carnival yesterday.

W. C. Spence and G. W. Clayton were delegates to the state meeting of the Farmers Union.

Free, a look at 2000 pair of shoes on display to be sold cheap at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

Geo. M. Vaughn is living the life of a bachelor while Mrs. Vaughn is visiting in Missouri.

You ought to like these. There are 2000 pair of shoes on tables to select from, at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co., Ballinger.

Miss Dovie Pipkin returned yesterday from a visit to Fort Worth.

How are your feet? Comfortable? No? Well buy a pair of those bargain shoes at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co., Ballinger.

Dillard Stalworth, of Killeen, came in yesterday on a visit to his father, Nick Stalworth.

Now is the time to pick those shoes they are selling like hot cakes at Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Baldwin returned from a visit to their son at Knickerbocker the last of last week.

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.

Miss Annie Van Doren returned first of the week from a two weeks visit to her home at Belton.

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.

C. C. Schuchard and son, Edwin, are in Menardville this week building a home for Hugo Schuchard.

LOST—two quilts and one pillow—a camp outfit between old Runnels and town on the road that crosses the creek at the new dam. Finder please return to G. B. Nixon. It

Eugene Risser came in last Saturday from a trip to Colorado and other places in the Rocky Mountains.

Don't pass our store during the Reunion without taking a look at those shoes in Higdon-Melton-Jackson's, Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Midgley came over from Paint Rock Monday, to see the Paint Rock boys get beat playing ball.

2000 pairs of shoes, childrens, ladies, and mens to be sold during the Reunion at the Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

Mrs. W. J. Miller and two daughters returned the last of last week from a visit to Kansas.

G. W. Mathis, the Farmers Union cotton yard man, went to Fort Worth Monday to attend the state meeting.

Jobe Harrell came in from Bronte, Monday and went to Fort Worth to attend the Farmers Union Convention.

Rev. G. W. Green went to Fort Worth Monday to attend the state meeting of the Farmers Union.

J. Y. Pearce went to Temple, Wednesday, to see Frank who is there under the treatment of a Specialist.

Mrs. Gregg returned to her home at Midland, Wednesday, after an extended visit at the home of Judge Jno. I. Guion.

Judge Ed S. McCarver, county attorney elect, returned from a visit to Burleson, first of the week.

Miss Lucille Powell entertained quite a number of her friends at her elegant home on Tenth Street. The usual good time is reported.

Mrs. J. G. Douglass and Miss Mabel Fowler spent several days at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Vancil on Coyote Creek, this week.

Dore Reed, W. J. Tourlin, Johnnie Currie and two or three dozen others came over to root for the Paint Rock ball team Monday.

Judge C. F. Dickinson went to Junction City, Sunday, to put in a bid for the next meeting of the Mountain Remnant Brigade to be held at Ballinger.

Miss Vivian Humphrey returned to her home at San Angelo first of the week, after a two weeks visit at the home of T. C. Miller.

Tom Adams and wife were here first of the week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Griggs. They were moving from Houston to Lubbock.

Mrs. B. B. Barron and children returned to their home at Thornton, Monday. They were guests of Mrs. W. F. Sharp and family while in Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. John Q. McAdams of Winters were here yesterday, the guests of Mrs. McAdams parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington.

Dr. J. G. Douglass and family returned from a two months visit to relatives and friends in Johnson and Hill counties, last Saturday.

Steve Francis and family came in from Midland this week, and will remain until after the Reunion. They are the guests of their son, W. A. Francis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Holingsworth and son, Hayden, returned to their home in Temple after a weeks visit to Mrs. W. A. Jackson.

Mrs. Rodgers came in from Fort Worth, yesterday, to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. Rodgers was formerly Miss Florence Harrison.

Quite a number took advantage of the 85 cent rate to Coleman today and went down to see the Ballinger boys play ball with Coleman.

J. H. Routh and D. C. Howard went to Junction City first of the week, to attend the Reunion of the Mountain Remnant Brigade.

Sheriff Bob Kirk is in Fort Worth this week attending the Sheriff's convention. Mr. Kirk went well supplied with advertising matter for the Reunion.

Dr. George Sparks died at San Angelo last Saturday. He was a brother to State Treasurer Sam Sparks, who passed through Sunday enroute to Belton with the remains.

Another nice residence to go up on Eighth Street. G. B. Nixon, a prominent farmer of the Coyote creek country will build. He has a nice barn completed and is filling it with feed stuff.

Prentice Gregg resigned his position with the C. A. Doose real estate firm and will go to Midland where he will be associated with his brother in the real estate and abstract business.

Miss Margaret Cofer, one of the teachers in the Ballinger schools, and who taught in the Normal, went to her home Monday, at Gainesville, to stay until time to take up her school work

Lee Maddox is about the busiest man in town these days getting things in shape for the Reunion.

Roy Sharp resigned his position with the Ballinger Dry Goods Co. and accepted a place with the Sunflower Shoe Store.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Major and children returned to their home in Mississippi last Monday, after a visit to Mrs. Major's sister Mrs. W. B. Ray. It was Mr. Major's first visit to our country and he was well pleased with same.

Miss Gertrude Ellis has resigned her position in the phone office. She made a splendid hello girl, and the many patrons of the phone company will miss her voice in responding to their rings.

Tax assessor Day's new home shows up to a good advantage on the crest of the hill on Broadway. Work is progressing nicely on the building, and when completed Mr. Day will have one of the nicest homes in that part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Traylor returned from a month stay at Mineral Wells, last Saturday. It will be remembered that Mr. Traylor was down with fever for several weeks the early part of the summer. We are glad to report that he has fully recovered and is able to be at his place in the Citizens National Bank.

Work is progressing nicely on the home of J. B. Alvis on Broadway. One by one new houses go up, and within the last two years that part of the town has been changed from a thicket of cat claw and mesquite to one of the prettiest streets in Ballinger.

Prof. J. M. Dickey returned to San Angelo Monday, where he will visit his brother a couple of weeks before opening his conservatory of music in Ballinger. Prof. Dickey is a graduate in music of the West Minster Conservatory, and the music loving people will be glad to learn that he will locate in our town.

W. H. Johnson, who moved here a couple of years ago, stayed awhile and moved away, is here this week, making arrangements to move back. Mr. Johnson knows a good thing when he sees it, and he perhaps realizes the mistake made in moving away from Ballinger. He has been living at Corpus Christi for the last year.

A WOMAN'S BACK

The Aches and Pains Will Disappear if the Advice of This Brilliant Citizen is Followed

A woman's back has many aches and pains.

Most times 'tis the kidneys fault.

Backache is really kidney ache. That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Many Ballinger women know this.

Read what one has to say about it:

Mrs. R. F. Smith, Ballinger, Tex., says: "Last year I had two attacks of fever which left my kidney in a weakened condition. At times I would have such intense backaches that I could hardly get about. The kidney secretions were highly colored, scanty and at other times profuse. When Doan's Kidney Pills were advertised a few months ago, I procured a box from the Walker Drug Co, I found this remedy adapted to my case and a few days use entirely removed the backache and made it possible for me to rest better at night. I have no hesitancy in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills."

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

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

W. B. PAGE **A. B. BURRELL**
W. B. Page Real Estate Company
General Land Agents
BALLINGER, TEXAS

We Sell the Best Land in Texas as Cheap as Dirt

Runnels County is one of the best watered counties in the State of Texas. The Colorado runs through it and its many tributaries furnish us with an abundant amount of stock water, and are well stocked with fish. The lay of our land is mostly a rolling prairie and is very fertile. We have all kinds of land, from a sandy soil in the valleys of the Colorado to the heaviest hog-wallow land. Our land will produce Wheat, Oats, Corn, Cotton, Millet, Milo Maize and Alfalfa. All kinds of fruit do well, such as Peaches, Plums, Apricots, Berries, Pears, etc., and we are now shipping in car loads, Watermelons, Cantaloupes, Grapes and Peaches.

Ballinger (the county site) is the largest cotton market in the world. Wagon receipts for 1908-09 will exceed 50,000 bales of cotton. It has three banks, combined deposits \$1,500,000; \$100,000 Oil Mill; \$50,000 Flour Mill; \$50,000 Compress; \$40,000 Public School Buildings; 125 Stone Business Houses.

We have a live, progressive, honest people who are well pleased with the country, and we feel no hesitancy in saying that you will be pleased in this, the banner part of grand old Texas, where you can have good health and can make a living easier farming than in any country in the world. The prices of our lands are comparatively very low, and can be had on easy terms.

Note the following bargains:

160 acres, 65 in cultivation, 130 tillable. Four-room house, sheds, lots, etc., nice young orchard, an abundance of mesquite timber for wood and posts, well of lasting water. Located within a mile of school, gin and church. Bargain at \$17.50 per acre. Good terms.	640 acres of unimproved land, all fenced and good tank, well located. 450 acres good farm land. Look at this tract at \$10 per acre, with small cash payment, balance on long time at 8 per cent.
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190 acres unimproved, fenced, located on public road near Ballinger. Bargain at \$13.50 per acre on long time at 8 per cent.	Fifteen sections, fenced, cross-fenced into four pastures, three sets of houses, six wells of water, good windmills and water works, good corrals, etc. Thirty-five per cent good land, balance as fine grass land as there is in West Texas. Situated 20 miles from San Angelo, Texas. Bargain at \$5.00 per acre, on easy terms (no trade proposition).
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160 acres, 85 in cultivation. Four-room house, well of lasting water. Located within a mile of gin, school, church, etc. An ideal home at \$22.50 per acre. Terms.	10 1-2 sections land situated in Coke County, one-third good valley farm land, all fenced and cross-fenced, two sets of houses, well watered by surface tanks well distributed over ranch. A choice ranch proposition. Bargain. Will pay you to investigate.
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96 1-2 acres, 55 in cultivation. Well finished two-room house, good barn, lots, etc., lasting well of water, windmill and water works, nice orchard. Situated within a mile of school on public road. Investigate this bargain.	
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244 acres situated two and a half miles south of Glen Cove in the famous Glen Cove Valley in Coleman County. 195 acres in cultivation, practically all first class farm land. Three sets of houses, good orchard and out-buildings. An ideal home. See owner, W. T. Vincent, for particulars.	plenty wood and water. A nice little home, well located, at a low price on easy terms. For further particulars write J. B. Wims, Glen Cove, Texas.
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Bargains in Glen Cove Valley, Coleman County

160 acres, 130 acres in cultivation, seven-room house and servant house, plenty wood and water, fine orchard, etc. Well located, close to gin and school. Can be had on easy terms. See W. M. Whittington, Glen Cove, Texas, for lowest price.	340 acres, 190 in cultivation, four sets of houses, barns, lots, etc., plenty wood and water, two orchards. Investigate this property for bargains. R. D. and Travis Lowe, Glen Cove, Texas.
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96 acres, 57 in cultivation. four-room house, barn, lots, etc.,	97 acres, 55 in cultivation, five-room house, barn, lots, etc., plenty wood and water, nice orchard. Well located on public road. Nice little home on easy terms. For further particulars see M. L. Jenkins, Glen Cove, Texas.
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We have bargains in fine farms in Runnels and adjoining counties to offer on reasonable cash payments and long time on balance at a low rate of interest. Also have city property from a \$50 vacant lot to a business block. Come out. Pay us a visit and let us show you—can show you more in one day than we can tell you in a week. Trusting you will call on us when in Ballinger, we are

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H. W. CAMPBELL
TO SPEAK HERE

The Expert on Dry Land Farming to be Here on Ang. 13

The Commercial Club has arranged for H. W. Campbell to address the farmers in Ballinger on Aug. 13. It will be remembered that Mr. Campbell spoke here last year, and a number of farmers in the county are following the Campbell method this year in cultivating their land, and are meeting with great success. Mr. Campbell understands his business, and his method of farming in dry land districts is no longer experiments, but a method that has been thoroughly demonstrated and proven a great success. The Commercial Club pays all cost for Mr. Campbell's visit to Ballinger and it is the desire of the club that every farmer in Runnels county hear the address. It is free to you, and what the Commercial Club is doing in the matter is for the benefit of the agricultural interest of this section.

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

Will you be in town next
week?

How does it make you feel to
walk on \$20,000 pavements?

Wednesday was a good day
for scraps, and the constable did
a land office business.

A wonderful pick up in busi-
ness within the last few days
keeps the local merchants on
the move.

Brownwood is a remarkable
town. Many of the homes in
that town have oil wells, gas
wells and gold mines in the back
yard.

Judging from the way the Lead-
er is turning out gin tickets, the
ginners in Runnels county expect
to gin some cotton this fall.

Wouldn't it be a great conven-
ience to those men attend church
if women would leave their hats
at home. They could do this at
night.

Coleman has been entertain-
ing this week, and of course drew
on Ballinger for a crowd. Cole-
man will return the visit next
week, no doubt.

San Angelo Press says lumber
is selling in that town for five
dollars per thousand less than
wholesale price. To encourage
building perhaps.

The saloons raised the price of
booze this week and we have
seen more drunk men on the
streets than in any one week for
some time.

The saloon men in Ballinger,
and the majority of the antis
voted for local option in the re-
cent primary election. If a pro-
hibition is pulled off in the coun-
ty will they vote that way
again? No. A foolish question.

San Angelo is to be congrat-
ulated on securing the Mayors
convention for 1909. It will
give Angelo a chance to get
some effective advertising.

Ballinger saloons have raised
the price of booze from ten
cents to fifteen cents or two
for two bits. A good way to
raise funds to fight prohibition.

Will the Runnels county dele-
gation to the State convention
vote for the submission plank in
making the platform? Runnels
county voted for submission.
How should the delegates vote?

You are supposed to wear your
Sunday clothes when visitors
come. Ballinger will have visit-
ors next week, lots of them, and
the old town should dress up.

The Western Compress Co. are
getting things in shape to handle
the entire cotton crop of this
territory through the Ballinger
press. They expect to press at
least 100,000 bales.

What do you think of that old
story you often hear, "very lit-
tle drunkenness in a saloon town."
If you don't see drunk men on
the streets in Ballinger it is be-
cause you are blind.

Brownwood is just about the
center of the finest crop pros-
pects in Texas this year and the
people of the State all know this.
—Brownwood Bulletin. Ballinger
is claiming that distinction.

Reports came in this week
from some sections of the effect
that worms are working on cot-
ton pretty bad, but there is no
use to get excited over a few
worms. We have a good cotton
crop raised.

Last Monday was perhaps the
best First Monday the town has
had, if there be such a thing as a
good First Monday, this year.
Business is picking up on the
strength of the splendid crop
condition.

It is finished—at least part to
a certain point. Ballinger has
as fine streets as there is in the
State of Texas. They will be
here for all time to come. The
best is the cheapest and none is
to good for Ballinger.

The Record correspondent at
San Angelo writes of the famous
Concho grown peaches. Some
wise San Angeloite should put
the correspondent next and tell
him where the peaches were
raised. At Ballinger, of course.

The crop report from different
sections of the state as reported
in last Sunday's Record was a
dandy. Crops were never bet-
ter and the Record deserves
special credit for the splendid
way in which it reported the
conditions in its territory.

Col. Lyons says that his party
will put out a man for gov-
ernor, and that they expect to
make things interesting for
Governor Campbell. Governor
Campbell has had his race
and will lose no sleep over what
the Republicans do.

This is a day of unions run for
the best interest of the various
professions and callings in life.
Why don't the merchants get
together and organize. A good
local retail dealers association
could accomplish some good
things.

County conventions held over
the State last Saturday were
very harmonious. Only in few
counties was there any friction
on account of the prohibition
and recent Bailey trouble. May
be the old Democratic party
realizes that in Union there is
Strength.

It was not only a heavy blow
to the company but a heavy blow
to Ballinger when the Ostertag
Furniture Co. went up in flames.
An exclusive furniture house of
such as this one was a drawing
card to the town, and the loss
amounts to more than dollars
and cents directly lost in the
fire.

Some misfit slashed a few
screen doors and windows in
Ballinger last Saturday night
with a sharp knife. This is the
first mischief of this kind done in
Ballinger in a long time, and if
the guilty party is caught the
punishment should be so severe
that it will put a stop for all
time to come to such work.

Those papers that take a great
delight in talking about David-
son's election, crediting it as a
great anti-Bailey victory, forget
to mention that the districts that
gave Davidson the largest major-
ity elected Bailey men to the
legislature. Davidson's elec-
tion was a great anti-prohibition
victory, to say the least of it.
San Antonio, Galveston, Hous-
ton and other anti-prohibition
strongholds went for Davidson.

The Re-union next week will
furnish sport for all classes.
There will be camp fire gather-
ings and war stories for the old
Vets. The middle age can listen
to the speaking and put in
their time watching the darts of
dame cupid among the young
men and ladies. The hobby
horse, ferris wheel, the side
shows, etc will draw on all class-
es and ages. The base ball games
and the gun shoot, will come in
for their share of attention.

Did you ever see a knocker? A
farmer from the northwest part
of the county, was in town this
week, and when interviewed
about conditions, said, "The
worms are destroying the cotton
and there will be practically
nothing made in my section of
the county." "Yes, I come to
town to see if I could sell my
crop and quit the country. I
have forty acres in cotton and
I will take \$2 per acre for it.
Sure, yes sir, will turn it over
to any man for \$2 per acre." The
said farmer put up a very
pitiful tale, and won the sym-
pathy of a good citizen of the
town, who told him he would
take his crop, and invited the
farmer to come go to the bank,
and get his money, but Mr. Far-
mer didn't go; he had business
further down the street. The
worms are working on the cotton
a little, but they could eat it
half up then a good crop or as
good as could be picked raised.

Uncle Bill Adams will con-
tinue to run his wagon yard
while Senator Griannon holds the
snug seat in Texas senate—Led-
ger.

Who said so? Our contem-
porary poses as a great friend to
the common people, but seem to
think it a disgrace for a man in
public life to own a wagon yard,
judging from the insinuation
and slurs thrown out by that pa-
per during the senatorial con-
test. Mr. Adams has been a
citizen of Brown county since
1872. He has served that coun-
ty for nineteen years in public
life. He was tax assessor for
three years, sheriff and tax col-
lector for six years and treas-
urer for ten years, and for a
number of years served Brown-
wood as alderman. He stands
too well in his town and has man-
y friends an acquaintances of
long standing in Ballinger and
at other places over the district
for such insinuations to reflect
on his work as an upright, hon-
orable citizen fully competent
for the office to which he has
been elected.

Base Ball Gossip.

Paint Rock came over Monday
and dropped a game to Ballinger
by a score of 7 to 3. Paint
Rock has a strong team, per-
haps the strongest of any inland
town in the state, but hardly
strong enough to down Ballinger.
This was the first game they
have lost this season, and
of course, it hurt a little. If it
had not been for three errors
made right at a critical time,
Ballinger would have handed
the visitors a goose egg for their
share of the game, but an over-
throw to third base let in a run,
and two more errors by the
third baseman, gave the visitors
two more runs.

This all occurred in the seventh
inning, the visitors having failed
up to this time in reaching third
base.

The Sensibles scored four runs
in the first inning and three in
the second.

Batteries—Sensibles, Griffin
and Newman; Paint Rock, Mor-
ris and Finley. Struck out by
Griffin, 5; by Morris, 4. Hits
off of Griffin, 3; off of Morris,
11. Base on balls—off Morris,
4, Errors—Sensibles, 7; Paint
Rock, 2.

NOTES.

Paint Rock went out first time
up for batting out of order.

The attendance was unusually
good, and the gate receipts went
to the winning team, placing
about \$4 in the treasury of the
Sensibles.

A good strong bunch of rooters
came over with the visiting team
and gave the boys splendid en-
couragement.

The rain Tuesday prevented
the Paint Rocks from receiving
another defeat.

The Sensibles will have their
hands full the three days of the
Reunion with Angelo and Paint
Rock both on the string. Which
will win?

San Angolos pulled all three
games from the Fisk team, just
as the Sensibles did.

Llano is billed for a trip out
this way, and of course, will
stop off at Ballinger and be the
guests of the Sensibles for a
game or two.

The Sensibles are at Coleman
this week and lost the first game
by a score of 6 to 4, but then
they are playing a picked team
from Santa Anna and Coleman.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

The Sunday School will meet
at 9:45 a.m., as usual.

There will be no service at 11
a.m., as the pastor is absent,
being in a meeting in Hamilton
County. There will be a joint
service of the members of the
Methodist and this Church at
8:30 p.m., at which time Rev. E.
P. Williams will preach. The
members and regular attendants
at this Church are urged to at-
tend this service, and all are
cordially invited.

Card of Thanks.

I take this method of thanking
my friends all over the County
for their recent loyal support
which nominates me to the office
of County and District Clerk at
the primary just held; and in
this connection will again re-as-
sure my friends and the public
generally that at the next elec-
tion I will not be a candidate for
County or District Clerk.

I would also, at this time, ask
all who owe me for recording
fees to come forward at as early
day as convenient and settle with
me. While the amount due by
each individual is small, the
aggregate amounts to consider-
able, and my profits are in the
outstanding accounts. And in
the future I will ask that all
instruments brought for record
be accompanied by the cash after
about September 1st, 1908, when
I want to put my business on a
cash basis, if possible.

With the best of wishes and
feelings I submit this notice, and
duly appreciate your placing me
in the position I hold; but as a
matter of protection to those
dependent upon me I ask that
these small amounts be settled
up, for when I go out of office
my successor is not supposed to
collect for me.

Again thanking you for past
favors and hoping you will look
at this matter in the light it is
intended, I remain

Yours very truly,
R. A. TERRY,
County and District Clerk.

To The Public

I am very grateful to my friends
who stood by me in the recent
primary and assisted in my
election to the office of Justice
of the Peace and commissioner
and I wish to extend my hearty
thanks for your help.

It shall be my aim to serve my
constituancy to the best of my
ability, and thus try to merit
your esteem and friendship.

W. H. Weeks.

County Trustees Meeting.

A meeting of all the school
trustees in Runnels County will
be held at the court house in Bal-
lenger, Saturday Aug. 22nd, at 2
o'clock. Every trustee is re-
quested to attend this meeting as
there is matters pertaining to
the betterment of our school that
must be attended to.

E. L. Hagan,
County Supt.

For Sale

Folding bed, wash stand, and
matting, almost new, can be
seen at H. W. Lyn. It

A NUMBER OF BABIES

Have money on deposit in
their own name in this
bank. In a few years they
will be old enough to know
the value of money and ap-
preciate a bank account.

The parents realize this
and are giving the child an
early start on the road to
wealth.

Does your child have a
bank account? Would it
not be a step in the right
direction to encourage the
boy or girl to save?

You can start them out
with One Dollar at this
bank.

Think it over.

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Will always be satisfactory
if the Ballinger Lumber Com-
pany sells you. If you want
to build a house, let us figure
on your lumber and building
material. We carry Lumber,
Paint, Cement, Lime, Common
and Fire Brick, Gedar Posts,
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Mr. Farmer: That plow your
neighbor talked to you about is
the Sanders and Jones, Walton
& Co. sell it. If it does not plow
your land satisfactorily you need
not keep it. They also sell Stough-
ton and Weber wagons, Steel Star
Windmills, Rex and Yale Buggies,
with a guarantee, Deering Corn
Harvesters, all kinds of farming
machinery and every thing in
Hardware

Yours looking for business,

Jones, Walton & Co.

SECRETARY WILSON IGNORANT MAN

Misrepresents This Country in a Manner most Ridiculous.

Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture says some pretty good things for the South and Southwest in general. He says that the values of our cotton lands have increased 48 per cent in five years and the farmer's bank account has increased 18 per cent in one year. He produces six billion dollars worth of stuff in a year.

He has severed adverse conditions with his little hoe and made two big fat watermelons grow where a wild pomgranate grew before.

But our National Secretary with all of his official influence has hit our section along the one hundredth meridian a heavy blow. He says in his year book that this belt at one time had a few reasonable years and farmers come to put in farms.

This is all right but he goes on to say that a series of dry years followed and the farmers had to leave and that good sized towns were deserted and here he stops, only he intimates that the same state of affair will exist again. Here we take issue with Mister Wilson. We believe he is honest but ignorant. A man may be ever so wise and yet as green as a gourd head on some points, this is where Mr. Wilson is short.

He goes on in his report to say that nothing will grow along this strip but durum wheat. Isn't

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Walker Drug Co.

our department a bureau of information! This wise old Scotchman should invest two cents of the Government appropriation in writing some practical farmer down here and get an honest statement of what is growing in this bully good country. How would it do to invite him to come to the Reunion?

I would like to take the old Secretary out in to my sorgham patch and slip off from him and let him find his way out. I would like to get one of Wardlow's biggest watermelons, rip it up the back and see him fill his ignorant old hide with the luscious juice of the wholesome fruit. I would like to see him reveling in a basket of Elbertas with the juice dripping from his elbows.

If we could get him down here we could convert him to the Runnels county religion of telling the truth about this country. I'll pay my part of the express on the biggest melon raised in the county if some enterprising trucker will send it to him requesting him to eat the red meat, plant the black seeds and use the rind for a both tub.

We must do something to that old man.

Uncle Johnnie

County Convention

The County Convention for Runnels county met Saturday at 1:00 p. m. as per call of the County Chairman at the Court House, there were only four precincts represented viz:—Ballinger, Antelope, Miles and Norton. Judge John I. Guion; county chairman opened the convention by making a few remarks relative to Democracy and then explaining the law relative to the convention, after which Sid Justice was elected chairman, and C. P. Shepherd sec.

On motion the chairman appointed Alec Adams, C. F. Dickinson and R. P. Taylor as a committee on credential and representation. they immediately made their report and all delegates were seated with out contest.

The chair then appointed a committee to select or suggest a chairman for each of the 18 precincts in the county, said committee was composed of C. C. Cockrell, D. P. Moser, and T. T. Crosson, this committee selected and presented to the convention the following names: Ballinger, C. F. Dickinson, 2, Runnels, Otto Vogelsang; 3, Norwood, Aug. Herring; 4, Crews, W. J. Young; 5, Content, Ben Parker; 6, Antelope, A. F. Adams; 7, Winters, Wm. Smiley; 8, Cochran, W. W. Poe; 9, Pumphrey, Tom Puckett; 10, Wingase, Chas. Pruett; 11, Dry Hollow, J. M. Watson; 12, Norton, W. C. Taylor; 13, Maverick, W. L. McCauley; 14, Pearce, Nath Allen; 15, Rowena, P. J. Barron; 16, Miles Worth Moore; 17, Truitt, Gus Scott; 18, South Norton, R. P. Taylor. All were duly elected.

The chair then appointed a committee of three: P. E. Truly, L. S. Lvans and Will Dunlap to select delegates to the various conventions and this committee reported the following names as delegates to the following conventions: State Convention; Herman Geisecke, Chas. Ferguson, Geo. S. Graves, A. S. Justice, T. T. Crosson, P. E. Truly, and C. A. Doose. Congressional Convention: John I. Guion, C. A. Doose, C. P. Shepherd, W. E. Sayle, C. H. Willingham and K. V. Northington. Senatorial Convention: L. S. Evans, C. C. Cockrell, C. P. Shepherd, C. F. Dickinson, Tom Stocks, and W. P. Hancock. Representative Convention: Will Dunlap, J. J. Sayres, T. T. Crosson, P. J. Barron, N. J. Wardlaw, and J. F. Lusk. Judicial Convention, all members of the Ballinger Bar. The report of this committee was adopted and the unit rule invoked.

Misses Sammie and Alma Padgett and Ethel Moore are in Corpus christi this week, attending the Epworth League convention.

Johnson Valley Locals

Crops prospects were never better but the boll worms are here in countless numbers. Farmers are still busying themselves with the plow and hoe and the stubble breaking at present is the most popular feature.

Our protracted meetings are a thing of the past. The churches have been spiritually revived and much good in every way religiously accomplished.

Since our last writing cupid has been getting in his work and by his untiring efforts has taken out two of Johnson Valley's best young ladies but made two young men extremely happy. On July 22 James Orr and Miss Gertrude Partuin were married and on July 28 Ed. H. Cloer and Miss Lucy Holshouser were married. Mr. and Mrs. Orr, will reside in this community, but Mr. and Mrs. Cloer will make their home in the Pumphrey country.

Miss Edith Maley of San Angelo who has been visiting her uncle Irvin Brown and family returned home monday.

Walter Williams of Corn Hill paid his brother Oscar and Jessy of this place a visit and bought himself 100 acres of good land from Wylie Sowell.

T. D. Dorsett is off on a visit to relatives in Hamilton and Williamson Co's.

Mrs. Dillard has been away at the bed side of her mother who is very sick in Fannin county for some time.

Mrs. Oscar Williams returned Monday from a visit to her parents in Haskell co.

Mrs. Jerry Williams is off on a visit to her parents in Williamson Co.

George Davis is building himself a new residence.

L. C. Chapman is making more barn room.

Syd Neely has just completed a splendid cellar.

John Chapman of Bell county is visiting his father L. C. Chapman.

Raymond the 4 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Neely had quite a painful accident recently by jumping from a box of about 18 inches high, fractured the small bone in his left leg between knee and ankle but at present the little fellow is improving.

J. P. Brull left for Williamson Co. Tuesday morning.

Carl Winters and family are off on a visit to relatives in some of the western counties.

There's much a doing and much to be done but time and space forbid more at present.
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Union Speaking

Mr. John Taylor will speak on Unionism at places and dates as follows:

Miles August 17, 8:30 p. m.
Cross Roads August 18, 10:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.
Maverick August 19, 10:00 a. m.
Old Norton August 19, 8:30 p. m.

Mazeland August 20, 10:00 a. m.
Oak Creek August 20, 8:30 p. m.
Wingate August 21, 10:00 a. m.
Puckett August 21, 8:30 p. m.
Fairview August 22, 10:00 a. m.
Cochran August 22, 8:30 p. m.
Pumphrey August 24, 10:00 a. m.
County line August 24, 8:30 p. m.

Baldwin August 25, 10:00 a. m.
Antelope August 25, 8:30 p. m.
Winters August 26, 10:00 a. m.
Armenia August 26, 8:30 p. m.
Truitt August 27, 10:00 a. m.
Tokeen August 27, 8:30 p. m.
Crews August 28, 10:00 a. m.
Mud creek August 28, 8:30 p. m.
Dietz August 29, 10:00 a. m.
Norwood August 29, 8:30 a. m.
Newhome August 31, 10:00 a. m.
Barnett School August 31 8:30 p. m.

Ballinger September 1, 10:00 a. m.
Nichols September 1, 8:30 p. m.

For Sale.

A first class Jersey cow, gives seven quarts of milk daily. Very good reason for selling. Apply to J. M. Skinner.

Spooner to Play Again

"Dad" Spooner was in the city Monday from his farm south of the city, and stated that he expected to go on the stage this fall. The old Spooner Dramatic Company will be re-organized under the name of Spooner & Wallock Stock Company, and will open its engagement for the season in San Angelo on Monday Oct 12, and remain here one week after which the company will travel over the State. Mrs. Wallock, known as Allie Spooner, and her husband will arrive the latter part of this month, and Mike Spooner, who is with the Payton Sisters, will also arrive the last of August or the first of September, and all of them will be at home with "Dad."—San Angelo Standard.

Fine Fresh Farm For Sale

On 14 year time, half cash Apply to Leader office. 4tf

New gingham, just arrived. W. A. Gustavus & son. Clyde Fowler has accepted a position with J. Y. Pearce in the drug store.

G. F. Wacker, of Elinger, Texas has accepted a position with the Ballinger Dry Goods Co.

Miss Dovie Pepkin returned from the State Normal at Huntsville yesterday.

Rev. Schumm, of Galveston is here on a visit to his brother, E. Schumm.

For the next thirty days I will clean and polish your jewelry free. See me for fine watch and jewelry repairing.—B. F. Wiley at Owl Pharmacy.

A Union revival is in progress on Valley creek. Revs. E. P. Williams, Chas. S. Pierce and J. S. Moore have been doing the preaching and the meeting is proving a very successful one.

Lumber Cheap

D. Reeder has associated J. K. Hutton in the lumber business and has bought 40 cars at lowest cash price, you will save money by calling on them. Clean new stock. Call on them for bill large or small. tf

To My Vocal Pupils.

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

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Theissen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the first Monday in October, A.D. 1908, the same being the 5th day of October, A.D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of July, A.D. 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 937, wherein W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the name of Farmer & Farmer, are Plaintiffs, and Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Theissen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

THE STATE OF TEXAS | In the
 COUNTY OF RUNNELS | District Court, October Term, 1908.
 To THE HON. DISTRICT COURT OF
 RUNNELS COUNTY, TEXAS:
 W. W. Farmer and Lewis F. Farmer, a partnership under the firm name of Farmer & Farmer, who reside in the County and State aforesaid, hereinafter styled Plaintiffs, complaining of Friederich Behrens, and the unknown heirs of Friederich Behrens, deceased, and Gustav Theissen, and the unknown heirs of Gustav Theissen, deceased, and J. R. Sweet, and the unknown heirs of J. R. Sweet, deceased, whose places of residence, respectfully, are unknown to Plaintiffs, hereinafter styled Defendants, represent:—

That heretofore, to wit, on or about the 1st day of June, 1908, Plaintiffs were then and are now lawfully seized and possessed, holding the same by fee simple title, as hereinafter shown, the following described tract of land, to-wit:

All of Survey No. 100 in the name of F. Behrens, Certificate No. 64, Abstract No. 41, said to contain 320 acres, situated in Runnels County, Texas.

That Plaintiffs, and those under whom they claim, have been so seized and possessed of said tract of land, in actual, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under Title by Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, having paid all taxes due upon said land up to the date of the filing of this suit, and in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the five years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

Plaintiffs further allege, that they, and those under whom they claim, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said tract of land, having the same inclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiffs' said Title to said land has long since been perfected by the ten years Statute of Limitation herein pleaded and asserted:

That on or about the said 1st day of June, 1908, while Plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land, holding the same under the Title herein before pleaded, the aforesaid Defendants unlawfully asserted and are now unlawfully asserting some pretended claim of Title in and to said land, the exact nature of which is unknown to Plaintiffs, which has cast a cloud upon Plaintiff's said Title to said land and disturbed their said peaceable possession thereto to their great damage:

Wherefore premises considered, Plaintiffs pray that Defendants be cited by publication, in manner and form, as required by law in such case made and provided, to answer herein and that on final hearing hereof they have judgment against the Defendants for the recovery of Title to said land and that said cloud so cast thereon be removed, and that they be quieted in their possession thereto, and for all costs in this behalf expended and for general relief.

M. C. SMITH,
 Attorney of Plaintiffs

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

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the

District Court of Runnels County.
 GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this the 6th day of July, A.D. 1908.
 [SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk,
 District Court, Runnels County
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STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Rannels County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED
to summon William Bryan, and the un-
known heirs of William Bryan, de-
ceased, and J. W. Burns, and the un-
known heirs of J. W. Burns, deceased,
and B. G. Guest, a non-resident, by
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once in each week for eight successive
weeks previous to the return day here-
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County, if there be a newspaper pub-
lished therein, but if not, then in any
newspaper published in the 35th Judicial
District; but if there be no newspaper
published in said Judicial District, then
in a newspaper published in the nearest
District to said 35th Judicial District,
to appear at the next regular term of the
District Court of Rannels County, to be
held at the Court House thereof in
Ballinger, on the 1st Monday in October,
A. D. 1908, the same being the 5th day
of October, A. D. 1908, then and there
to answer a petition filed in said Court
on the 6th day of August, A. D. 1908,
in a suit, numbered on the docket of
said Court No. 942, wherein W. W.
Farmer is Plaintiff, and William Bryan,
and the unknown heirs of William Bryan,
deceased, and J. W. Burns, and the un-
known heirs of J. W. Burns, de-
ceased, and B. G. Guest are Defend-
ants, and said petition alleging:

STATE OF TEXAS, In the District
County of RANNELS }
Court, October Term, 1908.

**TO THE HONORABLE DISTRICT
COURT OF RANNELS COUNTY,
TEXAS:**

W. W. Farmer, who resides in the
County and State aforesaid, hereinaf-
ter styled Plaintiff, complaining of Wil-
liam Bryan, deceased, and the unknown heirs
of William Bryan, deceased, and of J. W.
Burns, deceased, and of B. G. Guest,
hereinafter styled Defendants, repre-
sents:

That the residence of the said Wil-
liam Bryan and the said J. W. Burns
are unknown to Plaintiff; that the names
and place or places of residence
of the said unknown heirs of William
Bryan, and of J. W. Burns, are un-
known to Plaintiff; that the said B. G.
Guest is a non-resident of the State
of Texas, residing in the State of Okla-
homa;

That heretofore, to-wit, on or about
the eighth day of June, 1908, Plaintiff
was then and there lawfully seized and
possessed, holding the same by fee
simple title, as hereinafter shown, the
following described tracts of land, situ-
ated in Rannels County, Texas, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT.— Survey No.—, originally granted to N. T. Guest as an actual occupant, containing ninety-three acres, on the north bank of the Colorado River, patented to N. T. Guest on the 29th day of October, 1878, by Patent No. 31, Vol. 8, to which Patent reference is here made for more particular description of said Survey:

SECOND TRACT.— 160 acres of land known as Survey No. 24, on the north bank of the Colorado River, patented to the heirs of John W. Guest, deceased, by Patent No. 158, Vol. 31, dated November 9th, 1900, to which Patent reference is here made for a more particular description of said Survey:

THIRD TRACT.— 157 acres of land out of Survey No. 23, on the north bank of the Colorado River, about five miles southeast of Ballinger, originally granted to William Guest as an actual occupant, and patented to William Guest, on the 11th day of October, 1900, by Patent No. 80, Vol. 31, said 157 acres described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at the S.W. corner of the James Strode Survey No. 34, on the north bank of the Colorado River, the same being 100 varas south of an old stone mound—THENCE north 982 varas to a point in the west line of said Strode Survey for the S.E. corner of a three-acre grave-yard tract—THENCE west 75 varas to S.W. corner of said grave-yard tract—THENCE north 225 varas to the N.W. corner of said grave-yard tract—THENCE east 75 varas to the N. E. corner of said grave-yard tract, in the west line of the said Strode Survey—THENCE north 693 varas to N.E. corner of the said William Guest Survey—THENCE west 475 varas, a stone mound—THENCE south 1900 varas to the Colorado River—THENCE down the river, with its meanderings, it being all of said 160-acre Survey, except the said three acres known and utilized as a grave-yard:

FOURTH TRACT— 160 acres of land on the north bank of the Colorado River, commonly known as the W. T. Hightower preemption Survey, described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at a stone mound on the north bank of the Colorado River, the N.W. corner of the said John W. Guest preemption Survey, from which a hackberry 6 inches diameter bears north 33 degrees west 11 varas and a hackberry 11 inches diameter bears north 80 degrees west 13 varas—THENCE east with north line of said John W. Guest preemption Survey, 475 varas to the N. E. corner of said John W. Guest Survey, a stone mound—THENCE South 289 varas to a stone mound at N. W. corner of the said

William Guest preemption Survey—THENCE east with north line of said William Guest preemption Survey, 475 varas, a stone mound for the N.E. corner of the said William Guest Survey, it being in west line of the said James Strode Survey No. 234—THENCE north 1095 varas to stone mound for the N.E. corner of the said William Guest Survey, it being in west line of the said James Strode Survey—THENCE down the river with its meanderings, 806 varas to place of BEGINNING, the same being the land described in the Deed from W. T. Hightower and wife, Julia A. Hightower, to Nat P. Guest, dated April 9th, 1904, and recorded in Vol. 40, Page 68, of the Deed Records of Rannels County, Texas.

Plaintiff alleges that he, and those under whom he claims, have been so seized and possessed of said tracts of land, under Title, and color of Title, in actual, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under and in virtue of a regular chain of transfers from and under the sovereignty of the soil of the State of Texas, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than three years next preceding the filing of this suit and that Plaintiff's said Title to said lands has long since been perfected by the Three Years Statute of Limitations herein pleaded and asserted:

Plaintiff further alleges that he, and those under whom he claims, have been so seized and possessed of said tracts of land, in actual, peaceable and adverse possession thereof under Title by Deeds duly recorded in the Deed Records of Rannels County, Texas, having paid all taxes due upon said lands up to the date of the filing of this suit, and in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of same, having the same inclosed by good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiff's said Title to said lands has long since been perfected by the Five Years Statute of Limitations herein pleaded and asserted.

Plaintiff further alleges that he, and those under whom he claims, have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said tracts of land, having the same inclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using, claiming and enjoying the same for the period of more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that Plaintiff's said Title to said lands has long since been perfected by the Ten Years Statute of Limitations herein pleaded and asserted.

Plaintiff further alleges that if the defendant, B. G. Guest, ever had, held, owned or possessed any interest in said tracts of land, or either of them, which is not admitted but denied, that he conveyed such interest by his certain Deed in writing, dated June 24th, 1905, to Nat T. Guest, whose Title Plaintiff holds by Deed of Writing, dated June 8th, 1908.

That thereafter, to-wit, on or about the 8th day of June, 1908, while Plaintiff was so lawfully seized and possessed of said lands, holding the same under Title hereinbefore pleaded, the Defendants unlawfully entered upon and ejected Plaintiff therefrom and unlawfully withhold possession thereof to Plaintiff's great damage \$5,000.00; That said Defendants have asserted and are now unlawfully asserting some pretended claim of Title in and to said lands, the exact nature of which is unknown to Plaintiff, which has cast a cloud upon Plaintiff's said Title to said lands and disturbed his said peaceable possession to his great damage as aforesaid.

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

DICKINSON & CROSSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Rannels County.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, this the 6th day of Aug., A. D. 1908.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of
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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED
to summon Thomas T. Williamson and the unknown heirs of Thomas T. Williamson by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Rannels County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Ballinger, on the first Monday in October, A. D. 1908, the same being the fifth day of October, A. D. 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1908, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 938, wherein W. L. McMasters and O. R. Sellers are Plaintiffs, and Thomas T. Williamson and the unknown heirs of Thomas T. Williamson are Defendants, and said petition alleging:

W. L. McMASTERS, ET AL., In the Dis-
trict Court }
vs. } of Rannels
THOMAS T. WILLIAMSON }
and the unknown heirs of }
Thomas T. Williamson }

County, Texas, October Term, 1908.
TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:
W. L. McMasters and O. R. Sellers who reside in Tom Green County, Texas, hereinafter styled plaintiffs, complaining of Thomas T. Williamson and the unknown heirs of Thomas T. Williamson whose residences are unknown to plaintiffs, hereinafter styled defendants, the plaintiffs respectfully represent and show to the Court that on the 1st day of January, 1908, they were and are now lawfully seized and possessed, holding the same by fee simple title the following described tracts of land in Rannels County, Texas, to-wit:

896 acres more or less out of Surveys Nos. 12 and 13, both in the name of Thomas T. Williamson, being Abstract Nos. 680 and 681, Certificate Nos. 74 and 75, Patent Nos. 279 and 280, Volume 33, and described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at a stake in the east line of said Survey No. 13, set ten varas south of the original northeast corner of said Survey No. 13, same being made for the southeast corner of the Dangerfield 100-acre tract; THENCE south 702 varas to the original southeast corner of said Survey No. 13; THENCE west 1257 varas to a corner; THENCE north 105 varas to the northeast corner of the Sumner Bacon Survey No. 435; THENCE west to the north line of the said Sumner Bacon Survey No. 872 varas to the southeast of the Robt. Owens Survey No. 496; THENCE north with east line of the said Owens Survey at 607 varas past the original northwest corner of said Survey No. 13 at 922 varas to stake, same being the southwest corner of the Valley Creek Missionary Church two-acre tract; THENCE east at 56 2-5 varas past southeast corner of said two-acre tract at 112 4-5 varas to stake, same being the southeast corner of another two-acre tract heretofore conveyed to said Church; THENCE north 200 varas to a stake in the south line of the M. D. L. Barnett tract of land, same being the northeast corner of said last named two-acre tract; THENCE east with south line of said Barnett tract 1053 6-10 varas to stake, same being the northwest corner of the said Dangerfield 100 acre tract; THENCE south 525 varas to stake for interior corner of said tract, same being the southwest corner of the said Dangerfield tract; THENCE east with south line of said Dangerfield tract 1075 4-10 varas to place of BEGINNING.

Plaintiffs allege that they and those under whom they claim have been seized and possessed of said land under deeds duly recorded, paying all taxes due thereon up to the filing of this suit, and have had peaceable and adverse possession under fence, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit and that plaintiffs' title 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 and enjoying same for more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and plaintiffs' title thereto has long since been perfected by the Ten Years Statute of Limitation herein asserted and pleaded.

That on the day last aforesaid while plaintiffs were so lawfully seized and possessed of said land, holding same under titles herein pleaded and asserted, defendants asserted and do now assert title to said land, under the patents aforesaid, which casts a cloud upon their title thereto and disturbing their peaceable possession thereof, to their damage.

Wherefore, premises considered, plaintiffs pray that defendants be cited by publication in the manner as required by law to answer herein; that on final hearing they have judgment against said defendants for the title to said land, that the cloud cast upon their title as aforesaid be removed, and that they be quieted in their possession thereof, and for all costs of suit and for general relief.

HARRIS & SHEPHERD,
Attorneys for the Plaintiffs
HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, R. A. Terry, Clerk of the District Court of Rannels County.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger this the 13th day of July, A. D. 1908.

[SEAL] R. A. TERRY, Clerk,
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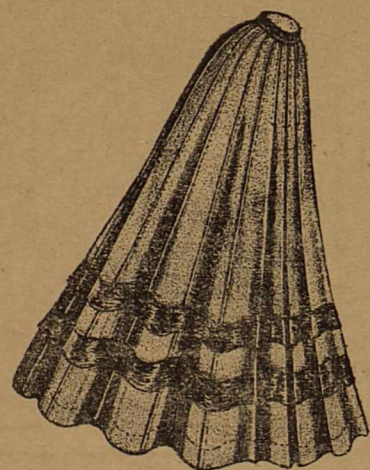
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