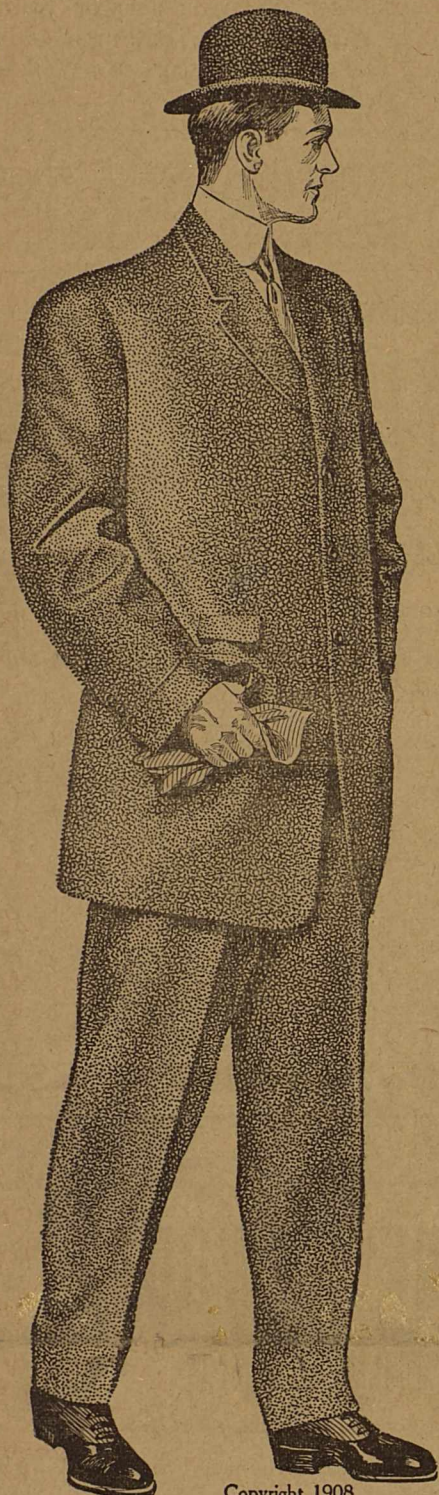


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The House of Kuppenheimer
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Honesty is the Best Policy

Any way you take it. This is one of the big reasons why this Store has forged to the front and become one of the best stores in West Texas within twelve months time. It is our one aim to please and at all times treat one and all alike, making one price to all; whether you are rich or poor you get the same courteous treatment here, being honest and fair in all our dealings with you. This, in a nutshell, tells the story of our wonderful success. We welcome you, whether you are ready to buy or not. Come any old time; the latch-string hangs on the outside, and we bid you welcome.

We are ready to meet your every want in Dry Goods and every thing to wear.

Higdon Melton Jackson & Co.
INCORPORATED
THE STORE AHEAD

Make this store your permanent shopping place. We bid you welcome.

Your Suit, Yes Sir, is Here

Will you lend us your presence for a few minutes—just for a try-on is all we ask. We want you to see what's to be worn for the Fall and Winter season 1908-09, both for men and young men. This season we have put forth every effort to make our Clothing department bigger and better than ever before. Prices are lower than you have ever paid for Clothing anywhere near as good.

Kuppenheimer Clothes, the pure wool kind. Many styles shown. Prices range \$25.00, 22.50, 20.00, and **18.50**

Sonneborne Clothing, prices range \$16.50, 15.00 12.50, 10.00 and **8.50**

Young men's Clothing, prices range from \$15.00 down to **4.98**

Ladies' Tailored Suits

25 beautiful models just arrived by today's express. In this lot are many Directoire styles, shades are bottle green, taupe, brown and black stripe, navy, black and tan stripe. To appreciate these styles they must be seen. We urge you to visit our ready-to-wear department every day you can. Nearly every express brings to us something new.

We are showing a beautiful line of Tailored suits at \$35.00, 32.50, 25.00, 22.50, 20.00, 18.50, 15.00 and **12.50**

MILLINERY

30 beautiful New York Hats arrived today. Prices range \$10.00, 7.50, 5.00, 4.00, 3.00 and down to **2.50**



New Arrivals in Men's High Grade Clothing, made by the House of Kuppenheimer. 40 New Arrivals in Ladies' Tailored Suits.

100 COTTON PICKERS COMING

Telegram From Traveling Passenger Agent Will Make Farmers Feel Good

The following telegram was received last night by Judge C. O. Harris.

C. O. Harris,
Ballinger

From information received through I & G, N, would indicate that one hundred Mexicans from Lorado will reach Ballinger Monday. Ascertain if farmers still desire negotiation movement of Mexicans from El Paso.

S. A. Kendig

The above telegram explains itself. It means that the railroads are interested in getting the immense cotton crop in this country picked. Judge Harris wired Mr. Kendig to get the Mexicans and get them quick and it is to be hoped that he will succeed.

It seems from Kendig's telegram that the I. & G. N. have succeeded in rounding up 100 Mexicans at Larado and will deliver them to Ballinger Monday.

STOLEN GOODS FOUND IN CISTERN

Pat Murphy Recovers Goods Stolen Three Weeks Ago

About three weeks ago while Pat Murphy, who lives on the hill south of town, was away from home some one entered his house and made way with quite a lot of his clothing, a six shooter and other articles of worth. He had no clue to work from and had given up all hopes of ever finding the goods or catching the guilty party until today when Mr. Chumley, the market man, found the goods in an old cistern at the slaughter pen across the river. The officers are still without clue as to guilty party but it is thought that the theft was committed by Mexicans, who were picking cotton near Mr. Murphy's house.

50 MEN WANTED

We want fifty men at once. Apply at Compress.
L. F. Crook, Manager.

A Shoe with a Reputation, Yes, Madam

The style shown is one of our Fall models. It's patent ideal kid, welted soles, high Cuban heels. This Shoe has helped us—as others have done—to build up a wonderful Shoe business in Ballinger.

All widths, 2 to 7, price **2.98**

Others at \$3.98, 3.48, 2.98, 2.48, 2.00 and down to **1.48**



For Men We wish to say: Come and try on, if you please, to your heart's content. Buy if you like; if not, we are just as good friends as ever.

A Home on 20 Years Time.

C. A. Doose & Co. are subdividing the Schawe tract of land consisting of over two thousand acres, located three miles north of Ballinger on the Crews road, up into small tracts, and will sell the land out to the farmers for homes on 20 years time. This body of land is pretty good dirt and six hundred acres of the tract is now in

cultivation. Being located convenient to the best town in Texas, and sold on such reasonable terms, it will no doubt all soon be taken up, and when occupied by good thrifty farmers will be worth more to the town than it is in its present condition. Look up the Doose ad in this paper and if you want a good home, take advantage of the unusual offer.

THREE HANDED SCRAP LAST NIGHT

A Lively Scene Was Enacted at Metropolitan Cafe.

Two boys from Coleman came up yesterday and attempted to put on a little show last night, and when called down at the Metropolitan Cafe by the manager a lively fight took place in which the two Coleman parties and the waiter mixed up. One of the Coleman parties came in contact with a tea cup and came out of the fracas with a bad head. It was necessary to call in a doctor to help the officers get matters straightened out. All parties appeared in Court this morning and paid the usual penalty.

For Sale

A good gentle buggy horse, safe for women and children, about 12 hands, fat and a good mover. Will sell cheap if taken at once. For price call on the Banner-Leader.

Log Rollers Perfect Organization

West Texas Woodmen Meet at Ballinger and Organize. Ballinger Selected as Next Place of Meeting.

Pursuant to call issued by the Ballinger Camp W. O. W. No. 157 for a meeting of Woodmen, to organize a Log Rolling Association of West Texas, met in the opera house in Ballinger on Friday evening, Oct. 2nd, 1908, and effected a temporary organization by electing Sovereign Ed. S. McCarver, temporary chairman, and R. S. Griggs, temporary Secretary.

The Chairman then introduced Hon W. E. Sayle, City Attorney of Ballinger, who made a splendid address welcoming the delegates and visitors to the city.

The Chairman next introduced Sovereign B. B. Stone, County Judge who welcomed the delegates and visiting Woodmen, on behalf of Ballinger Camp No. 157, W. O. W.

Next Sovereign H. S. Craw-

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Nothing sold below cost in order to attract your attention, but every item carries it's part of profit. Have you tried us? Ask your neighbor or better still give us a trial. Absolute Satisfaction guaranteed.

Cash Grocery Co.

J. T. DAWSON, Manager

PHONE NO. 19

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

EXCHANGE CLIPPINGS

Items of Interest to our Readers Culled from the Exchanges that Come to our Desk each Week. The Happenings in our Neighboring Towns

What Campaigns Cost

Fort Worth Record

When there is a demand all over the country for funds with which to carry on the presidential campaign on both the Democratic and Republican side of the conflict, it is interesting to note what campaigns in the past have cost and the method by which these sums have been gathered in.

In the campaign of 1860 the Republicans spent \$100,000 and the Democrats half that sum, while in the campaign of four years later the Republicans raised their expenditures to \$125,000 and the Democrats spending only \$50,000 again. In 1868 the election cost the Democrats \$75,000 and the Republicans just twice that sum, and in 1872 the Democrats dropped back to \$50,000 and the Republicans spent \$250,000. In 1876 \$950,000 was the sum expended by the Republican forces and the Democrats were only \$50,000 behind them, and in 1880, when Garfield was elected, the Republicans spent an even million dollars and the Democrats only \$335,000. When Cleveland was elected in 1884 the Democrats ran ahead of the Republicans by \$100,000, spending \$1,400,000, but at the next election, when Harrison went in, the Democrats spent only \$885,000, while the election

cost the republicans \$1,135,000. Cleveland's second election cost \$2,359,000, the Republicans spending \$3,000,000. McKinley's first campaign cost \$9,000,000, a statement for which the late Mark Hanna was responsible, and in that campaign the Democrats spent only \$650,000. McKinley's second election cost somewhat less, being however nearly ten times what the Democrats spent the exact figures being \$6,500,000, to \$600,000 and in the last election the Republicans spent even \$5,000,000 and the Democrats only \$1,250,000.—Fort Worth Record.

Our Cotton Seed Market

Gatesville Messenger.

We read in the press of neighboring towns where the farmers have been complaining of the price they are receiving for seed. It is well in this connection to note that we have had no complaint here at Gatesville, and this fact goes to prove the statement we have often made that our Oil Mill is worth a great deal to us. Besides giving the top of the market it saves to the seller of cotton seed the cotton seed buyer's profit. It also enables him to avail himself of the opportunity of exchanging his seed or selling them. An issue or two back we noted the fact that seed had advanced to \$12 a ton at this place which if figured out amounts to 20 cents a bushel. When it is considered that the lent off the seed has hardly no market now and further that all institutions must have some profit this gives to the producer a fair price for his seed.

The Messenger may think \$12 a good price for cotton seed, and it may be in Gatesville, but Runnels county farmers, and farmers from any other county who are selling their seed in Ballinger get \$13 per ton. Yes, and the cotton market is equally as good, competition being so strong among the local buyers that highest limit is paid, with few exceptions.

Decrease in Mail Order Business

San Angelo Standard

Recent reports from a number of leading mail order firms show a decided falling off in business for the fiscal year just closed. Of course, hard times and the financial depression has had much to do with this, but not at all. For, over the country from Maine to Mexico, and ocean to ocean the local newspapers have been crying aloud the doctrine of "spend your money at home," until people are coming to see that if numberless mail order houses grow, enlarge and prosper, an incalculable number of towns, villages

and small cities must accordingly suffer a diminution in trade. The doctrine of "patronizing home industry" is the one that is bound to obtain in all progressive cities, where real achievements are to be made.

Winters News Items

Winters Enterprise

I. Vancil, of Ballinger, visited his brother, Joe Vancil in the city Tuesday.

E. J. O'Kelley was up from Ballinger this week looking after his farm south of town.

Mrs. R. A. Terry and children of Ballinger visited Mrs. Terry's mother, Mrs. J. E. Oliver this week.

A. E. Wood returned Tuesday from Ballinger where he spent the past two weeks under treatment of physicians in that city.

R. A. Terry, County Clerk and J. A. Weeks, manager of the Walker Drug Co., of Ballinger, spent Tuesday prospecting in our city.

H. Giesecke of the Giesecke-Bennett Abstract Co., of Ballinger, was in Winters on business Monday. He was accompanied by J. M. Nance, of Kyle who was seeing some of the best of Runnels county.

Cotton Pickers Jump Contract at Brady

Brownwood Bulletin:

It is reported here that a number of the Mexican and negro cotton pickers brought into Brady by the special employment agencies have jumped their contract and left some body in the hole

Stomach Muscles in Old Age

People should be more and more careful, as age advances, to see that their bowels move regularly. In this way they can keep themselves in good health and prolong life. The bowels are not as active in middle-life and old age as they are in youth, and with the majority there is a tendency to constipation of a chronic and obstinate nature.

To ward off the possibility of serious diseases use Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the great herb laxative compound. It is especially suited to the use of elderly people because it is prompt but gentle in action and does its work without griping or weakening, as is the case with salts, purgative waters and cathartic tablets. These should not be used by children, women, old folks or weak people because they are too violent in action and generally grip. Furthermore, the results are temporary as reaction sets in and the bowels are bound up more than ever.

A remedy like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is very gentle in action and yet thoroughly effective, and as it contains tonic properties, it strengthens the system instead of weakening it. The results are permanent because gradual, and many can in a short time do away with the use of all laxatives. It will cure the most chronic constipation, dyspepsia, liver trouble, biliousness, flatulency, sour stomach, weak stomach, bloating, drowsiness after eating and such other stomach, liver and bowel troubles.

To prove how effective it is in serious cases the experience of Mr. Armstrong, of Decatur, Ill., can be cited. He suffered from a gunshot wound during the Civil War which caused a partial paralysis of the bowels and he has had ever since to use a laxative. He says he never found anything so effective, or which worked so near to nature, as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Try it and you will say the same. The price is 50 cents or \$1 a bottle at any druggist.

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. Gentlest yet most effective laxative for children, women and old folks. A guaranteed, permanent home cure. **THE PUBLIC WEIGH IN.** He 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.** 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill.

for tickets to that place. But this does not seem to prevent the wholesale shipment of cotton pickers into that county. This morning a party of twenty three passed through Brownwood en route for that place. They whites and blacks and were in charge of a man by the name of Evans and Dave Walter, colored. The bunch was picked up at Waco.

The Smart Young Man

Brownwood Bulletin

At the banquet the other night Bob Prater made about the best talk in defense of the "smart" young man the Bulletin has ever heard offered. He said, "What use is it for the old man to work himself to death to make enough money to send the boy to school, if he doesn't expect the boy to grow up smarter than his dad? Then, if the boy does happen to learn more than his dad ever knew, and begins to show it, why does the old man call him down for being "too smart" and thinking he knows more than Dad?" Bob thinks the boy ought to be encouraged, even if he does begin to show signs of having some sense.

Aged Couple Marry in Gatesville

Gatesville Messenger

In this city one day the past week at the Tipton hotel, Mr. John I. Lam, aged 78 years, and Mrs. Blanchard, aged 75 years, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. Both of the contracting parties have lived in this county for a number of years and are well known and highly respected and there will be many readers of this paper who will join with us in wishing this aged couple a happy voyage throughout the balance of the journey of life.

Negro Killed Doves Pays Stiff Penalty

Brownwood Bulletin

A negro who rents a farm at the outskirts of the city, took his shotgun a few days ago and killed two doves near his home. Game warden Geo. Davis heard of the incident and had the negro brought into court. The negro paid \$31.50 for the two doves and after paying that fine and the rent out of his first bale of cotton he had only a little pocket change left. Needless to state that the negro has lost all taste for dove meat.

Abilene Delays Road

Winters Enterprise

Enterprise readers will please pardon our shortage of railroad news this week. The proposition is up to Abilene now and although we have every assurance from the Abilene committee that they will meet Mr. Jones' figures, no contract has been signed so far as we have been able to learn. Naturally we are a little anxious for Abilene to do her part and thus insure no further delay.

Vicious Mule Bites Doctor

Brownwood Bulletin:

Dr. C. S. Jackson while doctoring a mule this morning, was quite painfully hurt by the animal biting his hand. The flesh on the hand was torn away to the bone, and the doctor has been suffering considerable pain from the wound.

More Than Enough is Too Much

To maintain health, a mature man or woman needs just enough food to repair the waste and supply energy and body heat. The habitual consumption of more food than is necessary for these purposes is the prime cause for stomach troubles, rheumatism and disorder of the kidneys. If troubled with indigestion, revise your diet, let reason and not appetite control and take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will soon be alright again. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Cold Weather Advice

to all is to beware of coughs and colds on the chest; as neglected they readily leap to pneumonia, consumption or other pulmonary troubles. Just as soon as the cough appears treat it with Ballard's Horehound Syrup the standard cure of America. Use as directed—perfectly harmless. A cure and preventive for all diseases of the lungs. Prices 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Best in Existence

"I sincerely believe, all things considered, Hunt's Lightning Oil is the most useful and valuable household remedy in existence. For cuts, Burns, Sprains and Insect Bites it has no equal so far as my experience goes." G. E. Huntington Eufala, Ala.

To Hunters and Marksmen.

What is the use to pay 12 or 14 dollars for a fine Rifle and then ruin it in a few days for want of a good cleaning rod. I manufacture a rod here at home that cleans thoroughly and quickly, satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. On sale at Shooting Gallery.

Geo. B. Eskridge.

We clean press and repair your clothes while you sleep or wait.—A. J. Stocklas, Ballinger only tailor. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

ALLEN'S MUSIC HOUSE
Most complete in the Southwest. All the latest songs, marches, waltzes, etc., **HALF PRICE.** All publications, Piano, Organ, Violin, Guitars, etc. Write for catalogue and prices. Book of "Old Time Songs" FREE. GEO. ALLEN, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

Your Hauling

Who Does It?

S. N. Allison would be pleased to do your work. Prompt service and courteous treatment.

S. N. Allison

Phone 339 (Successors to Stubbs & Dorsey)

PURE FOOD

MAKES LONG LIVES

There is nothing so damaging to good health as impure food. You can avoid many spells of sickness by selecting the highest grades and best brands of food. They are the cheapest and we sell them. Give us a trial order.

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MIXON & BAIR

YOUR MONEYS WORTH

OR YOUR MONEY BACK

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

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

Grain, Hay, Feed.

Our Store is headquarters for Grain, Hay and Feed.

M. D. Chastain

Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

Let Us Show You

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

Years Of Experience

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

Miller Mercantile Company

YOUR LUMBER BILL

Will always be satisfactory if the Ballinger Lumber Company 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, Cedar Posts, etc., etc.

BALLINGER LUMBER COMPANY

The Best Bargain

In reading matter your money can buy is your home paper. It tells you the things you want to know in an entertaining way.

You should, however, have a paper for the world-wide general news. No paper will suit your entire family so well as

The Fort Worth Semi-Weekly Record

A reliable, trustworthy, Democratic newspaper, and always the plain people's reliance.

By subscribing for The Leader and THE FORT WORTH SEMI-WEEKLY RECORD together, you get both papers one year for \$1.75.

THE FORT WORTH SEMI-WEEKLY RECORD alone one year, \$1.00; six month, 50 cents; three months, 25 cents.

Place all orders through this office.

CITIZENS PROTEST NEGROES LEAVING

Brady Man After Cotton Pickers Has Close Call.

D. A. Hurd, a prominent farmer of McCullough, passed through Brownwood this morning, enroute home from a trip through east and south Texas in search of cotton pickers to help gather the immense crops in that county. Mr. Hurd was one of the Brady parties who came near receiving severe treatment at the hands of citizens of Taylor and farmers near that town.

Mr. Hurd had gathered together 87 negroes to come to this section to pick cotton, offering them 75 cents per hundred for their work. The negroes were receiving only 65 cents around Taylor and the cotton was mostly gathered and badly scattered in the fields. When the citizens of Taylor and the farmers around there discovered that the Brady party was gathering the negroes to take them away from there, a mob was hastily formed and the negroes scattered. Some of the white men kicked the negroes from the train and made them stay at Taylor.

Mr. Hurd says he was surrounded by an angry mob and thought for a while that he would suffer violence at the hands of the crowd. He says that the officers made no effort to control the people but rather seemed to encourage them. He will not again visit that section in search of labor.

In speaking of the crop conditions in his county Mr. Hurd stated that they would raise unprecedented cotton crops. He has one hundred acres planted in cotton and will make about 75 bales. He has thus far picked only about eight or ten bales because he has been unable to secure help to gather it.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Samuel Harrison

Samuel Harrison died at his home on Fourteenth Street, last Saturday and was buried in the Ballinger cemetery Sunday morning. Rev. M. E. Hudson, conducted the services. Mr. Harrison came to Ballinger some time ago, and had been in bad health having heart trouble. He leaves several children, all of whom are grown. He was an old man, and having lived a life of usefulness was ready to die and accept his reward in a brighter world.

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.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

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

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

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

A Texas Ranger

The theatre goers of Ballinger will be treated a seasons treat on Thursday, Oct. 15, when "A Texas Ranger" comes to the Opera House. Of all the western military dramas this far tended the public none of a similar nature has met with a heartier approval than this ideal atmospheric story of the plains. Life on the frontier has always been brought with danger and the world admires the heroic men and women who imperil their lives in order there descendants might inherit a peaceful life in the region that they have helped to civilize. "A Texas Ranger" is made up principally of this class of people and it is a pleasure to breath the atmosphere that surrounds them.

Fire at Day Gin

It is almost an every day occurrence for a gin to have a fire when in operation, but very seldom any damage on account of the modern and improved method of preventing fires. Last Saturday night a fire occurred at the Day Gin, and came near getting the start of the boys, and caused some excitement. The alarm was turned in, and the fire company responded promptly, and reached the scene in time to save the gin. Very little danger was done, and the gin was out of commission only a few hours.

Edwin Day, manager of the gin, gave the boys a \$10 William a token of appreciation of thier worth.

To My Old Customers and Friends.

I wish to announce that I have purchased the J. H. Miller two story building opposite the court house square, and that by the first of Oct. 1st will be ready to again feed you on the best the market affords. I am renovating the building and making it like new throughout, and will put in the best restaurant that Ballinger has ever had. Everything will be new and up to date and the service will be in keeping with the progress of the times. I wish to thank you for past patronage and invite you to call and see me in my new quarters.

Loui Afflerbach.

Conda Wylie Launches Into Ranch Business

Conda Wylie, of the firm of Wylie Hardware Company, has launched into the ranch business. However, he still retains his interest in the hardware firm. He and Mrs. Wylie have moved to the old Garland Odom ranch near Fort Chadbourne. The ranch comprises about thirty thousand acres. Mr. Wylie's many friends in San Angelo wish for him much success in his new enterprise.—San Angelo Standard.

Milt Dupree Drew Ticket for Twenty and Fifty

In county court yesterday afternoon Milt Dupree was found guilty of violating the local option law and was sentenced to twenty days in jail and fined \$50.

Today the court is busy with a similar case against Gaines Scott.—Brownwood Bulletin.

We Have Moved.

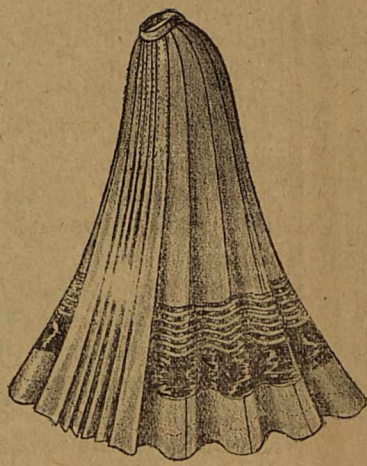
We have our cleaning and pressing Establishment to the rear of the Sunflower shoe store in the old Metropolitan building on 8th Street and are better prepared to take care of our customers than ever before.

20th Century Presing Club.

Never Worry

about a cough—there's no need of worry if you will treat it at its first appearance with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It will stop the cough at once and put your lungs and throat back into perfectly healthy condition. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Money Savers



\$2.50 TO \$12.50

Money Savers are people who are trading at our store, because we are offering some money-saving bargains. We can't begin to name the many good things in this space, but we give below a few of the many good wearables we are offering. We are anxious that you visit our store, whether you buy or not, and see the new line of Dress Goods, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings, etc. Every department is brimming with bargains. Come and see.



Ladies' Skirts

We are showing a splendid line of tailor-made Skirts in the latest patterns, made from goods that are guaranteed to give good service. These goods are in stock and you can see what you are buying, and get something that will fit you much better than buying from a sample and ordering. We guarantee every garment to fit you and be just what we represent them to be. We make the price from \$15.00 down to **\$2.50**

Ladies Tailor Made Suits

In Ready to wear Suits for ladies we are showing some beautiful tailor made garments that equal anything ever shown in Ballinger in this line. They are made from the best material, in the latest shades and colors, brown gray, blue etc., and will wear well, fit perfectly and give you satisfaction in every particular. No better line is shown outside of the large cities **\$7.50** They range from \$30 down to

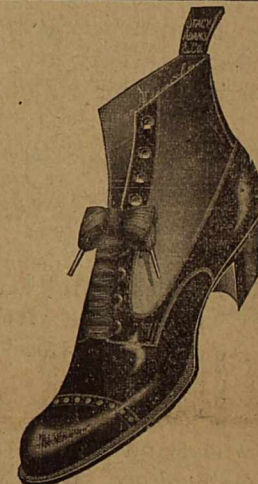


Our Hosiery Department

Iron Clad Hosiery. See the line. For little, big, old and young. The name tells the whole story. Made to wear. The best made for school children, the best made for mother. The kind that will stand the most wear and cost the least money. You can't afford to overlook this department when in our store and in need of such goods. The name of "Iron Clad" stamped on a Hose is evidence of its superior quality. They are all the name implies, "Iron Clad."

Gentlemen Shoes

In this department we are showing the dependable kind—the Shelby and Eclipse, and other standard brands, made on the latest lasts, in vici, kid, kangaroo, and gunmetal. The prices are from **\$2.00** to \$6.00



Ladies' and Children's Shoes

The famous Selby and other leading brands. It makes no difference how hard you are to please, or how hard you are to fit, we can fit you and please you in a few minutes in our Shoe department.



Knit Underwear

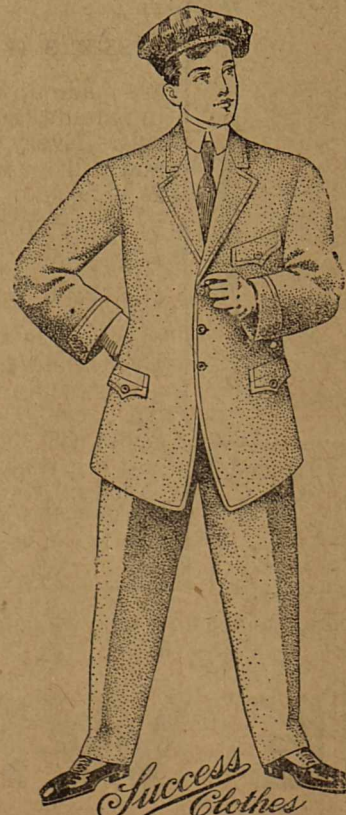
The time to put on heavier Underwear is just about here, and of course you want the best. Our stock of Ladies' Knit Underwear is complete. We are showing a nice line of goods in this department for both ladies and children. Don't buy your winter Underwear until you have inspected our line. There's money to be saved here.

CLOTHING

"Success" for Men

Our Clothing department was never more complete. We have a full line of the modern made by the best tailors in the United States.

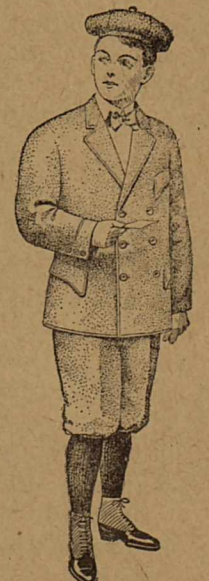
They are right up with the season in style and up with the mills in quality of goods, and the prices lead the market, marked in plain figures from \$25 down to **\$10.**



CLOTHING

"Progress" for Boys

The boy that is hard on clothes can save money by wearing a Progress Suit. Made to wear well and look well as long as they last, and they last a long time. Bring your boy to us before you buy him a suit. Let him try on our suits and notice the excellent fit, the genuine quality of the goods, and we feel sure you will be pleased. We can fit him with the best made - **\$1.50** from \$19 down to



Dress Goods

We are showing a very pretty line of dress goods in all the latest patterns. Our stock in this department is away ahead of anything ever displayed in our store before, and we are in a position to save you money in this line.

The Hub

BALLINGER, : : TEXAS.

Progress
Clothes

THE BANNER-LEADER

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest to our readers, please phone us, and if necessary we will send our reporter to get data. It is our endeavor to make the best paper possible, though we cannot learn the news unless you tell us.

A LITTLE CHANGE

A deal was consummated last week whereby M. M. Hamlin becomes a member of the Sledge-Shepherd Publishing Company, Mr. Hamlin having purchased an interest in the Banner-Leader plant and business.

Mr. Hamlin will have the management of the mechanical department, and besides this will have authority to make advertising contracts or contract for any kind of work in our line of business.

We feel, in making mention of the change, that it is hardly necessary for us to say anything in behalf of Mr. Hamlin, as he has been connected with the office and had charge of the mechanical work long enough for the people to become acquainted with his efficiency. He is thoroughly competent to handle the department entrusted to his care, which is a very important department in the making of a paper, and we feel that we are fortunate in securing him as a member of the firm. Any favors shown Mr. Hamlin will be highly appreciated by us.

What's the matter with the City Council? Can't they hear those little children crying for pure water to drink?

Use home made flower and sleep on home made beds. The money you pay stays at home, and comes back to you.

Brownwood is keeping up with the procession, and voted for a bond issue Monday, \$10,000 for improving the streets, and \$15,000 for school building.

Just look at the cotton rolling in. Some say fifty, some sixty and some seventy-five thousand bales. That sounds big, but Ballinger does big things.

The City Council says the old wooden awnings on Hutchings Ave. must go. We hope the council mean what they say and that the old rotten awnings will go.

The Dallas State Fair opens on the 17 of this month, Runnels county will be there with a good exhibit, not to contest for any prize, but just to advertise this county.

Don't get too busy with your cotton, Mr. Farmer, to neglect your wheat and oat planting. Oats are worth 50 cents now, right after a big crop. What will they be worth by 1909 harvest time.

If your neighbor is not a reader of the Leader, give him your copy, and if he is too poor to take his county paper, which only cost \$1.00 a year, send us his name and we will send him the paper free.

Business is picking up in every line, and people are beginning to look out for new homes and some or buying, making the real estate business a little better. Did you know that there is not a vacant house in Ballinger, either residence or business house.

Monday was another one of those great days Ballinger has once a month—First Monday. The town was full of people, many of whom tried to make the town dry by drinking up all the booze. This Editor saw one scrap which resulted in one man getting a bruised head and a bloody shirt.

A good way to let your kin folks hear from you is to send them the Leader. It only costs you 2 cents a week, and is better than a letter every week. You don't have time to write to them and tell them all the news. That's our business. Let us do your writing. Subscribe for the Leader for your kin folks or friend.

Last Saturday was a busy day for the merchants. We heard one man, who spends money for advertising, say it was the best day for his house since they opened for business in Ballinger. This is going to be the best fall Ballinger ever went through with and the merchant that advertises will receive his share of the business. Runnels county farmers are going to trade with wide awake merchants.

It seems that the anarchists are getting a pretty good hold on the United when they get strong enough to prevent the honest farmers from picking the cotton they have worked all the year to raise, in an effort to decrease the supply and push the price up. Texas should offer a reward of \$1000 for the arrest and conviction of every man that takes part, or in any way encourage "night riding" and the guilty should be punished to the limit.

A fifty thousand bale cotton crop and no cotton mill. It strikes us that it is a mighty good time to talk cotton mill. West Texas is as certain to have a cotton mill as time rolls around, and Ballinger should be the town to get it. With the advent of another railroad, and the continued increase in our population, development of the country and the big increase in cotton acreage, Ballinger should be up and doing. More work for the Commercial Club. Give us a cotton mill boom.

The Nebraska State Journal and the Evening News of Lincoln, Nebraska, have recently issued a statement to the effect that no new contracts will be made for liquor advertisements, and that upon the expiration of the existing contracts, the columns of these two papers will be free from all matter of any kind advertising intoxicating liquors. The announcement which has appeared in these papers is as follows: "From this time forward, no new contracts will be made for advertising intoxicating liquors in the columns of the Nebraska State Journal and the Lincoln Evening News. Upon the expiration of existing contracts, no advertising of this class will be admitted to these publications."

Log Rollers Perfect Organization

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 ford Con. Com. of Winters Camp was introduced to make the re-

Prussion Stock AND Poultry Tonic

Now is the time to get your stock in good condition to stand the winter and make your hens lay eggs for winter use. Try the Prussion, which has no equal, at the

OWL PHARMACY
COCKRELL & GRACE
 Hutchings Ave. - Ballinger, Tex.

sponse to the addresses of welcome, which he did in a stongable and pleasing address.

M. M. Hamlin then rendered a beautiful solo with piano accompaniment, by Miss Maggie Underwood.

The Chairman then appointed H. S. Crawford, Winters, M. K. Keith of Santa Anna, and C. E. Griffith of Glen Cove as a committee on Constitution and By Laws, and said committee retired and soon after returned and made their report, by reading a constitution and by laws which were adopted as the constitution and by laws of the association.

By motion the Association then proceeded to the selection of a place of meeting of the Association for the summer of 1909. Chas. S. Miller, President of the Ballinger Business League, extended an invitation to the Association to meet in Ballinger, in a short but forceful address and closed by calling upon Judge Jno. I. Keith to more ably and fully present Ballinger's claims for this honor. Judge Guion responded in his characteristic way, happy, pleasing and elo-

quent, extending to the Association an earnest and cordial invitation to meet in our midst on its first annual celebration and meeting. Upon motion presented by Dr. McMorries of Miles Camp, Ballinger was nominated and unanimously made the place of meeting.

The Association then proceeded to the election of permanent officers. The following were nominated: For president, Sov. Ed. S. McCarver, Sov. C. E. Griffith, Sov. Dr. McMorries, and Sov. H. S. Crawford. Sov. H. S. Crawford elected.

For Vice President, Sov. Keith and Sov. Pierot with result that Sov. Pierot was elected. The Chairman appointed a committee to escort the President elect to the chair, who accepted the office in a short but happy speech.

For Secretary, Sov. Ed S. McCarver and Sov. J. F. Lusk with the result that Sov. Lusk was elected. Sovs. Dr. McMorries, C. E. Griffith and M. K. Keith were elected as managers.

By motion the president was instructed to appoint a program committee to arrange a program

for the next meeting of the Association. The meeting then adjourned.

Visiting lodges were well represented and the members of the Ballinger Camp were present almost in full numbers, and the meeting was a successful one in every respect.

Sheriff's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS. By virtue of an execution, issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Precinct No. 6, Runnels County, on the 12th day of June, A. D. 1908, by Geo. S. Graves, Justice of the Peace thereof, in the case of H. Schroeder versus T. D. McFadden, No. 113 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in November, A. D. 1908, it being the third day of said month, before the Court House door of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit:

Lots Nos. 10 and 11 in Block No. 8, in the town of Rowena, Runnels County, Texas, as shown by the plat of the original town of Rowena, which said plat is recorded in book 17, page 626, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, levied on by me on the 22nd day of June, 1908, as the property of T. D. McFadden, to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$55.15 with interest thereon from June 1st 1908, at ten per cent per annum in favor of H. Schroeder and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 9th day of October A. D. 1908.
 R. P. KIRK, Sheriff.

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Best plow Shoe, sewed and screwed, everywhere sold for \$1.75, some get \$2.00. Our Price \$1.50

Risser's Wear-Well Ladies' Shoe

will out-look and out-wear any Shoe sold in this country at double the price. Our \$1.50 Shoe will out-wear any \$2.25 Shoe sold.

Patent leathers, gunmetals, vici kid, tans, etc. in all the new toes. Prices \$1.50 to \$2.50

Risser's Wear-Well for Children

are made especially for us and designed to stand the rough wear given them. On account of this being such a rocky country, it takes a strong Shoe to last. We have one for you.

Patent leathers, vici kid with white tops, button or lace, for dress Shoes

Prices 65c to \$2.50

Gunmetal, marine calf and navy calf for school Shoes, will wear like iron

Prices \$1.00 to \$1.65

Risser's Wear-Well Boys' Shoes

are made up in all the new snappy lasts, in patents, gunmetals, vici kid and box calf. Every one is a bargain in price and will out-wear any other brand. Sizes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2

Prices \$1.75 to 2.50

Risser's Wear-Well Men's Shoes

in patent leathers, vici kid, box calf, etc. Every pair is made to our order, in such a way that all the parts given hardest wear are double sewed and screwed. Shoes that look well, that won't rip, and cost less than some that won't wear half as long. Gaiters, lace, plain toe and cap toe, in any style you want.

Prices \$2.15 to 3.00

Zeigler Bros. Ladies Shoes

have for 75 years been recognized as the best high grade Shoe made. Their \$3.00 Shoe is the equal in looks, wear and style of any \$4.00 Shoe in town.

A complete stock has just been received. All the new toes in patent leathers, vici kid and gunmetals in button or lace.

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There is none as good. All the new lasts, all widths from A A to E E.

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We ask for your Shoe business because we can save you some money. You can't lose if you buy your Shoes from us. Any defective Shoe is our loss, not yours. Ask your neighbor. We do what we say and say what we do.

THE WHITE STORE

R. A. RISSER & COMPANY BALLINGER, TEXAS

LONG BROTHERS' OPENING SALE

DRY GOODS—————**FURNITURE**

**ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th, WE WILL
OPEN OUR FIRST SALE OF THIS SEASON**

New Dry Goods

This stock consists of a general line of Staples, Dress Goods, Shoes, Clothing, Hats, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings, Notions and Novelties.

New Store

In order to get before the people with our big line of dependable goods, we have decided, beginning on October 10th, to put on sale every item in stock at unheard-of prices. The stock is too large to begin to quote prices in this announcement. Remember that we purchased the Bourland & Thomas large stock of standard brand Shoes, and to give you an idea of how the prices will be cut, our salesmen are instructed to sell all \$3.50 Shoes at \$2.75 and all other Shoes in proportion.

Remember, too; that our stock consists of everything to wear, and the prices will be cut in every department just as much as the quality and cost of the goods will permit. To convince you that we are cutting the prices in this Opening Sale, we invite you to inspect the goods, compare the prices and quality and then be your own judge.

Furniture

We now own the Ballinger Installment Company's large stock of Furniture. We bought this stock to sell. We got it at a bargain and we are going to give you a bargain. We are new in the furniture business in Ballinger, and we realize that to get the business before the people we must offer some special inducements. The stock consists of Bed Room Suits, Iron Beds, Springs, Chairs, Tables, Side Boards, Chiffoniers, etc., all new, clean, up-to-date goods. We are in a position to sell you Furniture cheaper than you can get it elsewhere, BECAUSE THE PRICE IS CUT. INVESTIGATE! This stock is located under the Opera House, an easy place to find and an easy place to save money on your furniture purchases.

Our Dry Goods headquarters is in the Harris building, corner of Eighth and Railroad Streets, also an easy place to find and the best place in town to do your fall trading.

We give you 150 votes with each dollar cash purchase with us, until next Friday, in the voting contest, the winner of which will receive absolutely free a handsome \$50 bed room suit, and there are second and third prizes to be announced later.

LONG BROS.

THE PRICE CUTTERS

An Ordinance

To Amend Sections 8 and 10 of "An Ordinance to Establish a Uniform Code of Sanitary Ordinances and Rules and Providing Penalties for Violation," Approved January 21 1908.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Ballinger that sections 8 and 10 of "an

ordinance to establish a uniform code of sanitary ordinances and rules, and providing penalties, approved January 21, 1908, be and the same are hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 8 Any person firm or corporation desiring to pursue any one or more of the avocations set out in this ordinance shall file with the board of health an application to pursue such avocation, and shall state in his application the name and location of his dairy or source of supply, shall state the location of his slaughter pens or the location of his market, shall state the number of wagons used in the conduct of such business, and if a hotel, boarding house, restaurant, bakery, cold drink stand, hamburger stand, tomale and chili vendor, bottling works, wagon yard, livery and feed stable, shall state the location of same and shall state the proprietor or owner and the names thereof and if a company, shall state the officers of such company and the manager thereof. Upon the issuance of certificate of inspection by the Board of Health the person or persons to whom the same shall be issued shall present same to the Mayor of the City of Ballinger who shall issue to such person or persons or corporation a permit to pursue the avocation named in said certificate for one year upon payment to said

Mayor of the following fees for issuing said permit, to wit:

Meat Market and Meat Peddlers	\$5.00
Dairies	5.00
Bakeries	5.00
Boarding houses and hotels	5.00
Wagon yards, livery and feed stables each	5.00
Restaurants	3.00
Cold drink stands	3.00
Hamburger stands	3.00
Tomale and chili vendors	3.00
Bottling works	3.00

Sec. 10. Each and every person, firm or corporation pursuing one or more of the avocations included in this ordinance shall within ten days after passage of this ordinance and annually thereafter, obtain a new permit to pursue his respective avocation and any person, firm or corporation pursuing such avocation, as provided for in this ordinance, without first obtaining the permit as required by this ordinance, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in the Corporation Court of the City of Ballinger shall be fined ten dollars and each and every day that such person, firm or corporation pursue such avocation without a certificate from the Board of Health and a permit from the Mayor shall be a separate and distinct offense.

Approved Oct. 7, 1908
JOHN HOFFER, Mayor.
Attest J. R. Lusk City Secretary.

Do You

Do you have a Bank Account? Do you pay your bills by check? Have you stopped to consider the advantages of transacting your business by this method? Every check you issue in payment of bills is eventually returned to you to be retained as a receipt for the money paid.

If you have no bank account come to this bank and make your first deposit, and let us help you to systematize your business.

We furnish you with a bank book and checks.

First National Bank

Ballinger, - Texas.

WATCH, CLOCK and JEWELRY

Repaired on short notice. Prices right.

B. F. Wiley at the Owl Drug Store

A home on 20 years time

The A. Shawe ranch, consisting of 2165 1-2 acres, located three miles North and East of Ballinger, will be subdivided by us in to tracts ranging from 80 acres and upward, and sold to farmers at reasonable prices and on the above named terms, all notes to be made on or before at 8 per cent per annum interest.

Don't be a tenant always. This is your opportunity to become your own landlord. This is positively the only individual land that has ever been offered in Runnels county on twenty years time.

Don't delay. Do it now. Call at our office for plot showing subdivision and further particulars.

C. A. DOOSE & CO.

Ballinger, - - - - Texas.

Why Colds are Dangerous

Because you have contracted ordinary colds and recovered from them without treatment of any kind, do not for a moment imagine that colds are not dangerous. Every one knows that pneumonia and chronic catarrh have their origin in a common cold. Consumption is not caused by a cold but the cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs that would not otherwise have found lodgement. It is the same with all infectious diseases. Diphtheria scarlet fever, measles and whooping cough are much more likely to be contracted when the child has a cold. You will see from this that more real danger lurks in a cold than in any other of the common ailments. The easiest and quickest way to cure a cold is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The many remarkable cures effected by this preparation have made it a staple article of trade over the world. For Sale by Walker Drug Co.

Pearce Makes Bond

H. H. Pearce who was recently indicted by the Coke county grand jury for misappropriating bank funds while cashier of a bank at Robert Lee, an account of which appeared in last week's Leader, was arrested at Ada Oklahoma, and carried to Robert Lee, where he made bond immediately. Mr. Pearce passed through Ballinger Tuesday en route back to Ada, Oklahoma, where he is running a drug store for a Dallas wholesale drug firm. He stated to a Leader reporter that he was not guilty of the charge and would have no trouble establishing his innocence when the case came to trial. He said he had been away from Robert Lee for eight months, and that the case was worked up against him after he left, and his enemies are responsible for the trouble. He was as jovial as ever and did not seem to be uneasy in the least of being convicted on the grand jury counts. His bond was fixed at \$300 for each case.

They Should

"My honest conviction, based upon my own experience and that of my friends, is that 'Hunt's Cure' will cure a large percent of skin troubles, especially of any itching variety, than any other remedy. Certainly those afflicted with any form of itch should try it."

J. O. Monroe
Atchison, Kan.

Gins are Crowded

A Press-News man yesterday noticed nine wagon loads of seed cotton waiting their turn to be ginned at the San Angelo gin Company's gin. We understand this gin is being run each night until midnight.—San Angelo Press.

That's no ginning. Ballinger has three gins that have not stopped since they started on the new week last Sunday night at twelve o'clock, and will not stop until twelve o'clock Saturday night. They run from twelve o'clock Sunday night to twelve o'clock Saturday night, stopping for Sunday only, and when one stops to consider that one of these gins turn out a bale of cotton every ten minutes, and that the other two are of a pretty good capacity, you can realize what a bumper crop is being raised around Ballinger. Angelo may ship a few more cars of cattle than Ballinger, and get her graft in on a few more suckers who are attracted there by windies, but when it comes to figuring in cotton matters, they have to get up and acknowledge that Ballinger is the Banner Cotton town of the state, of the south, and of the United States. We can produce the goods.

Murder Mystery Solved

Corrigan, Texas., Oct. 7.—Sheriff Kirchwood, of Trinity, today announced that he had solved the murder of Will Gaynes who was foully killed a month ago at Groveton. He announced that he would issue a warrant against Ed Chandler, who is now in jail at Woodville. Chandler with four others, among them Gaynes, were arrested sometime ago charged for cattle thefts. While in jail Gaynes announced that he would turn state's evidence. A month ago the Groveton jail was broken open and all the prisoners escaped. A few days later Gaynes' body was found hacked and burned in a brush pile about a mile from Groveton.

For Sale

A 10 room residence well located in a convenient part of Ballinger, 2 Lots, one corner, one inside each 60 x 150 feet. House new, and modern in appearance. Price \$1800 \$600 cash balance in three equal notes \$400 each due in 1—2 and 3 years at 10 per cent.

A Bargain if taken at once.
C. P. Shepherd
Ballinger Texas.

For Chapped Skin

Chapped skin whether on the hands or face may be cured in one night by applying Chamberlain's Salve. It is also unequalled for sore nipples, burns and scalds. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Not "Just as Good" It's the Best

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly unqualifiedly and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of skin disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known.

Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one application; cured by one box.

MADAME DEAN'S FRENCH FEMALE PILLS.
A SAFE, CERTAIN RELIEF FOR SUPPRESSED MENSTRUATION. NEVER KNOWN TO FAIL. Safe! Sure! Speedy! Satisfactory. Guaranteed or Money Refunded. Sent prepaid for \$1.00 per box. Will send them on trial, to be paid for when relieved. Samples Free. If your druggist does not have them send your orders to the UNITED MEDICAL CO., BOX 74, LANCASTER, PA.

Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co.

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Slightly higher from some points TO
California ONE WAY Colonist Tickets
will be on sale daily
SEPTEMBER 1, to OCTOBER 31, '08
Stopovers allowed at the Grand Canyon of Arizona—the scenic wonder of the earth.
The Tourist Sleepers every Tuesday on our Train No. 6. Write for our California literature. It's free.
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For detail information see Santa Fe Agent or address
W. S. KEENAN
G. P. A., G. C. & S. F. Ry.
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Repeating Shotgun
This new 6-shot model is the simplest, surest, and fastest 12-gauge repeater made. It has the solid top, side ejection and double extractors—special Marlin features of comfort and convenience. The closed-in breech keeps the action clean and the shells dry—keeps out rain, snow, dirt, leaves twigs, and sand.
The new take-down construction allows you to take them apart in ten seconds for cleaning or packing, yet the joint is always as firm and rigid as in a solid frame, non-take-down gun. The fit is firm, fits your hand, and helps quick operation.
The full closed guns are guaranteed close-shooting, hard-hitting guns, and are unequalled for ducks, geese, foxes and all long-range work.
A circular giving large description of this handsome new gun, sent free on request or with complete 1909 catalogue for 3 stamps.
The Marlin Firearms Co.,
42 Willow Street, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Fortune Telling

Does not take into consideration the one essential to woman's happiness—womanly health.

The woman who neglects her health is neglecting the very foundation of all good fortune. For without health love loses its lustre and gold is but dross.

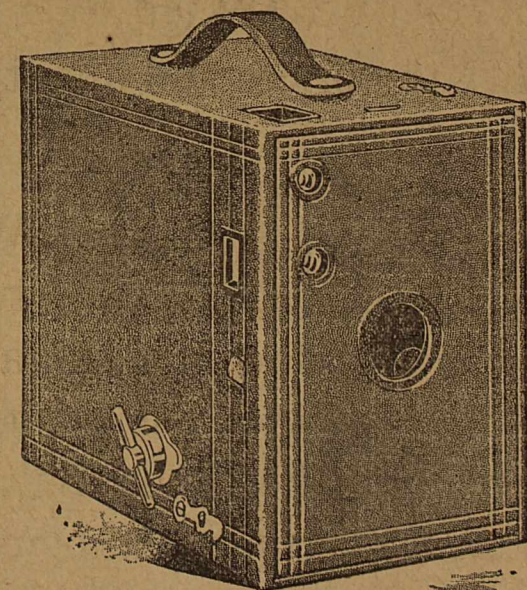
Womanly health when lost or impaired may generally be regained by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This Prescription has, for over 40 years, been curing delicate, weak, pain-wracked women, by the hundreds of thousands and this too in the privacy of their homes without their having to submit to indelicate questionings and offensively repugnant examinations.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free. All correspondence held as sacredly confidential. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, R. V. Pierce, M. D., President, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. PIERCE'S GREAT FAMILY DOCTOR BOOK, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, newly revised up-to-date edition—1000 pages, answers in Plain English hosts of delicate questions which every woman, single or married, ought to know about. Sent free, in plain wrapper to any address on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover mailing only, or in cloth binding for 31 stamps.



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Of a loose cash system against a bank account and you will find everything in favor of the latter.

You can accomplish anything through the bank that you can with the cash and you have these advantages:

Your money is in absolute safety all the time and you cannot lose it by thieves or fire. A little check book, which you carry in your pocket, makes all of your money available at any time.

No one can make you pay a bill twice, because your cancelled check is the best receipt known in law.

You gain the respect of your fellow citizens and have the influence of the bank behind you. Give up that dangerous cash system and start a bank account today.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.,

District Court

The October term of the District Court met Monday and has been grinding steadily away since then. Nothing has been disclosed as to what the Grand Jury has done, as that work will have to be kept a secret till after the arrests are made.

The following business has been transacted since court began.

JURY DOCKET (Civil Cases)

J. T. Billups vs O. L. Cockran boundary line suit. Continued by agreement.

F. L. Harper vs C. A. Doose et al boundary suit, set by agreement.

Josh Brewer vs C. A. Doose et al boundary suit. Continued by plaintiff.

W. W. Thompson vs G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. suit for damages for personal injury, continued by plaintiff.

Joe Wilkon vs G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. same order.

Alvin Wilson vs G. C. & S. F.

Ry. Co. same order.

M. J. Ford vs Dr. C. A. McBeth suit for \$20,000 for alienating wife's affections. Verdict for plaintiff in the sum of \$25

We Want Your Oats

We will pay the top market price for all the oats brought to us. See us before you sell.

In connection with our store we have public scales for public weighing. Regular fees.

Ballinger Grain Co.
JONES & WILKE, Prop.

and costs of suit.

H. P. Hudgins vs A. J. Hall suit to foreclose landlords lien. Settled.

L. A. Harper vs Thos. Davis, boundary suit on trial as we go to press.

Among the visiting attorneys are J. B. Waide and B. A. Bigler of Miles, C. H. Jenkins, C. L. McCartney and Walter Early of Brownwood and John C. Randolph of Coleman.

The court called the appearance docket Tuesday and a number of default judgements were taken.

There are quite a number of divorce suits on the docket to be tried next week.

Card of Thanks

Ballinger' Tex., Sept. 31, 1908 Mr. Sledge:

We wish to thank our friends of Norton through your paper for their kindness in laying away our dear wife and mother in the Runnels cemetery. We have not the words to express our appreciation, for their kindness and sympathy, but we hope they will accept this, and when sorrow comes to their home our sympathy will be with them, and we will do all we can to repay.

T. T. Duncan and children.

Church Announcements

The Leader will be glad to have an announcement of the services from each Church each week if copy is furnished by Thursday afternoon.

Methodist Church

Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

The subject for the morning hour will be "Christian Citizenship." This is a subject if treated intelligently should interest every thinking man.

The League meets at 4:00 p. m. you cannot afford to miss these meetings.

The Parables constitute the most interesting and profitable part of the New Testament.

The Parable of the Tares will be presented at the evening hour. Special music morning and evening.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Ninth Street Baptist

Rev. Z. J. Amerson of Lufkin, Texas, the new pastor of the Ninth Street Baptist church arrived in Ballinger with his family Thursday night. He will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and would be glad to see all the members out. A hearty invitation is extended to all outsiders and visitors to worship with us.

Eighth Street Presbyterian

The usual services will be held at this church next Sunday. The pastor has returned and will preach both morning and evening. Every member is urged to be present and every one made welcome. An invitation is extended to the members of those churches whose pastors are absent to worship here.

Feb McWilliams and his family returned from a three weeks visit to Mr. McWilliam's old home in Arkansas, last Saturday. Mr. McWilliams came back feeling proud that he was a citizen of Texas, and of this particular part of Texas, and not of Arkansas. He said he did not know how to appreciate his father's judgment in leaving that old country with him when he was a baby until he went back on a visit and realized the difference between this prosperous country and the country in which he visited. Mr. McWilliams says crops are short in the section of the country he visited and that the fruit crop was almost a complete failure, and this is what the people depend on to a great extent. When a man comes out here and stays a while, he can't be satisfied in the brush of the old states. The difference is all in our favor.

BALLINGER OPERA HOUSE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15th

The Great Play of the Plains

A TEXAS RANGER

A story of frontier life, special scenery and electrical effects and the

COWBOY BAND

PRICES 25, 50 and 75 cents

Seats on sale at WALKER DRUG CO. Watch for the Parade.

Good Horse for Sale

Good horse for any purpose, especially for family horse. 16 3-4 hands high, dark bay, eight year old.

J. B. Waide
Paint Rock, Tex.

Pants made in 6 hours at Morehead's big Tailor Shop.

New furniture by the car load at Lankford & Hathaway's.

Don't forget that Santa Clause will stop at Kinzer's Store this year.

The Leader printed the largest circular this week ever issued in Ballinger. The circular measured 30x44 inches, or just four times as large as a page of the paper. Higginbotham-Currie Co. had the circular printed, and it is full of bargain offerings in "everything and lumber," and will no doubt bring some nice business to that enterprising firm.

Full line of Chase & Sarnbourn coffees and teas fresh. Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

Our fall stock of dry goods is most complete. W. A. Gustavus & Son.

Rev. J. W. Raby was in from Valley Creek Monday and reported the marriage at his home Sunday of R. E. Lee and Miss Julia Fuller. Rev. Raby tied the knot for the happy young couple at five o'clock Sunday evening, and sent them on their way rejoicing.

Kinzer runs the five and ten cents store where you can buy more for 5 and 10 cents than any other place in town.

Live Oak Flour the best. Try a sack from Miller Mercantile Co.

W. E. Allen one of the Leader's best friends, plunks down three big plunks to keep the Leader going to his mother at Oakville, his father-in-law, Maj. Formwalt, at Granbury, and to himself. We wish we had a few more such men as Mr. Allen on our list.

See our big line of furniture, and the many new things in house furnishings Lankford & Hathaway.

Kinzer says Santa Clause has sent him a message stating that he would leave a big lot of goods at his store, and that he was coming early this year.

New line of fresh chocolate candy just received at R. P. Conn's.

Let us make you a pair of trousers while you are in town.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to the Walker Drug Co.

Made With all Care

Time to change. The new styles in winter patterns now ready for your inspection. If you want a stylish, comfortable suit, the kind that makes the man, step in and see "what's what" in the world of fashion. We sell the well known Alfred Benjimen and Hart, Schaffner & Marx Tailor-Made Clothes, and can fit you in both suit and price.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits

We have a full and complete line of up-to-date ready to wear ladies suits, made in the latest styles and colors. These Suits are made from the best material and are guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, prices \$10 to **\$40.00**

Ladies Skirts

Don't overlook this department in our ready-to-wear goods. See our splendid line of skirts before you buy.

Our Shoe Department

Well dressed people wear the best shoes, the kind that look well, wear well, and the kind that are made in the latest styles. We are offering some splendid bargains in this line for men, women and children.

Ladies Shoes

We sell the famous and tested Queen Quality Shoes for ladies, made on the latest last from the best material. You get the best when you buy Queen Quality. See our new line in patent kid, vici kid, price 3.00 3.50 and **\$4.00**

Gentlemen's Shoes

We sell the Stetson and Barry Shoes for men. Every pair a good one, made to wear well and look well and we guarantee them to give good service and comfortable wear. We have them, in box calf, vici, patent colt and gun metal. Call and let us fit your feet, price per pair 3.50 to **\$6.00**

Children's Shoes

It takes more shoes for children than it does for grown people, hence the necessity of buying the best that can be had. The best is the cheapest. We can save you money on the children shoe bill. See our splendid line of school shoes.

Winkler Dry Goods Co.

WE ARE DIVIDING PROFITS NOW

We are not selling at cost and no other house can do so and stay in business. We are dividing profits with our customers. This is the time you need new furniture. House cleaning time calls for new matting, new carpets, new rugs. Don't buy until you visit our store.

GREWS FURNITURE CO.

It's a Fact

A simple suit to foreclose a Vendors Lien developed the facts that two men in Winters were claiming the same property, both had deeds to it too.

Result was

Case continued one day, and this firm made an abstract for Plaintiff's Lawyers. By means of that Abstract, the lawyers know exactly what to do. Because it shows the title complete.

Get wise

We make abstracts that lawyers can depend on, and we do it right now, too.

Giesecke-Bennett Co.
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Drink Pure Water

The majority of the sickness is attributed to drinking impure water. Drinking the pure kind is the only sure way to avoid being sick. The Arctic Ice and Fuel Company are sending out pure distilled water in five gallon bottles. They sell you a water book and you can order the water just as you need it. Phone the Ice Plant and ask about it.

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Sold in Ballinger by The Walker Drug Co. CALL FOR FREE SAMPLE

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Joe Hardin

The Wood and Coal Dealer handles the best grade of Coal and Wood. Will give all orders prompt attention.
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I am prepared with a new and up-to-date outfit to move your old house without damage. Work promptly done. Let me figure on the job.
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Yours looking for business,

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"LET THE PEOPLE RULE"

APPEAL TO THE DEMOCRATS FOR BRYAN AND KERN CAMPAIGN FUND FROM THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

A. W. Sledge, Editor of Banner Leader, Ballinger Texas.

Dear Sir:

There are no secrets in this Campaign. Strictly practicing what he preaches, Mr. Bryan would not win victory with tainted money paying the election expenses.

Not a dollar is to be accepted which requires any promise, either express or implied, other than for honest impartial government.

Mr. Bryan will enter the White House absolutely free from entangling alliance, free to serve all classes of honest citizens alike or he will not enter it at all.

Hence the course is plain. The campaign of Bryan and Kern must be conducted by the people.

The people must pay the necessary campaign expenses if they want public servants who will serve their interests.

Special interests and favored classes, having secured "swollen fortunes" by purchasing favors in the past with millions contributed to control election, stand ready to give millions more for continued favors. But that class never gives a dollar unless it buys a pledge.

Mr. Bryan says from March 4th 1909, "Let the people rule." This can come only if the people pays their own bills, and control their own election.

"Beware of the trust bearing gifts."

That policy of the favored few buying a mortgage on the Government meant that a candidate for President knew a few people only in an entire State.

Bryan says: "We will take the cause of people's rule home to people in every country."

You can serve the grand cause of popular Government through the columns of your paper. It reaches the fireside of the patriot who loves his country for his country's good; as distinguished from the greedy processor of swollen fortunes who loves his country only for his country's goods.

Please carry this letter in bold type at the masthead of your paper, asking every one who favors Government by the people to pay you, at once as many dollars as he can spare to aid the campaign for Bryan, Kern and

people's rule. You forward these gifts of honest hearts and homes every week to the treasure of the Democratic National Committee, with the name of each contributor and amount given. The Treasure will forward you a certificate like the one inclosed for each one, asking you to deliver the certificates.

Once more, you should be a part of the Great Organization the Lamp of Light to every corner of Free America

Sincerely,

NORMAN E. MACK, Chairman
Democratic National Committee.

M. C. WEMMORE, Chairman
National Finance Committee.

Send In Your Contributions

In accordance with the above the Banner Leader will receive subscriptions to the Democratic National Campaign Fund and urge all loyal Democrats to send in their contributions. The Banner Leader will transmit them weekly, to treasurer of the Democratic National Committee, who will issue to each contributor a beautifully executed acknowledgment printed in the colors as a souvenir of their devotion to the cause of Democracy and the principles of Government by the People.

REMITTANCE BLANK

Cut out this Coupon and send it together with your contribution to the Leader

Enclose please find _____ dollars (\$_____).

This is my contribution to the Democratic National Campaign Fund for 1908.

Name _____
Town _____
Address _____

Money should be sent by check draft, express or money order.

Fruit Trees

When you need nursery stock of any kind, fruit trees, shade and ornamental trees, roses and shrubbery, I would be pleased to figure with you. I represent the Austin Nursery, the best in Texas, and can give you satisfaction. Any trees sold by me last season that failed to live will be replaced at half catalogue price. Phone 251.
4t4 W. R. White.

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Oct. 3, 1908

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Lame Back

This ailment is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the small of the back, and is quickly cured by applying Chamberlain's Liniment two or three times a day and massaging the parts at each application. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

Lost

A gray horse, about 12 years old, fore topped, interference shoes on hind feet, dapple on hips and branded L on left shoulder, Finder please notify
E. O. Shawe
tf Ballinger Tex.

J. Y. Pearce is agent in Ballinger for the adopted School Books, and under contract with the State Agent, no books can be sold on credit. Strictly cash for all School Books. Mr. Pearce also has a complete line of school supplies, pencils, tablets, pens, bags, rules, crayons, etc.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate Under Execution

THE STATE OF TEXAS,)
COUNTY OF RANNELS.) In the District
Court of Rannels county, Texas.

City of Ballinger vs H. C. Wylie.

Whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Rannels County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 4th day of March A. D. 1908, in favor of the said City of Ballinger and against the said H. C. Wylie, No. 917 on the docket of the said court, I did, on the 21st day of September 1908 at 11 o'clock a. m. levy upon the following described tract of land situated in Rannels County, Texas, and belonging to the said H. C. Wylie, to-wit: Being Block No. 69 in the West End Addition to the City of Ballinger, in Rannels County Texas, as the same appears on a map of said Addition now on file in the office of the County Clerk of Rannels county Texas; and on the 3rd day of November A. D. 1908, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the courthouse door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said H. C. Wylie in and to the said property.

Dated at Ballinger Texas, this 21st day of September A. D. 1908.
R. P. KIRK,
Sheriff of Rannels county. By W. T. Padgett, Deputy.

For Chronic Diarrhoea

"While in the army in 1863 I was taken with chronic diarrhoea says George M. Felton of South Gibson, Pa. "I have since tried many remedies but without any permanent relief, until Mr. A. W. Miles, of this place, persuaded me to try Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarr Remedy, one bottle of which stopped it at once." For sale by Walker Drug Co.

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

It is like taking money of one pocket and putting it out in the other to sleep on a Ballinger made mattress. You patronize home industry and the money will return to you. Call for the Ballinger mattress at your local dealer.

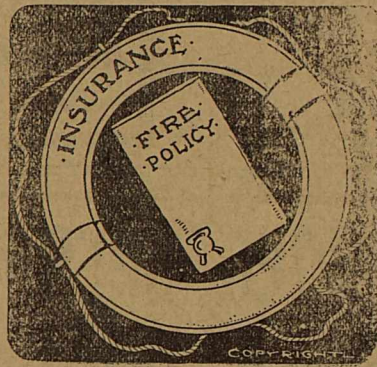
Undertaking and Embalming.

We are still prepared to look after our undertaking and embalming trade, having a complete supply of undertaking goods on hand. Will appreciate all business given us.
tf Ostertag Furniture Co.

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Suits made to fit you, \$12.00 up
Pants made to fit you, \$3.00 up
Hats Cleaned and Reblocked
We do all kinds of Cleaning,
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Occupy building with Kinzer near depot



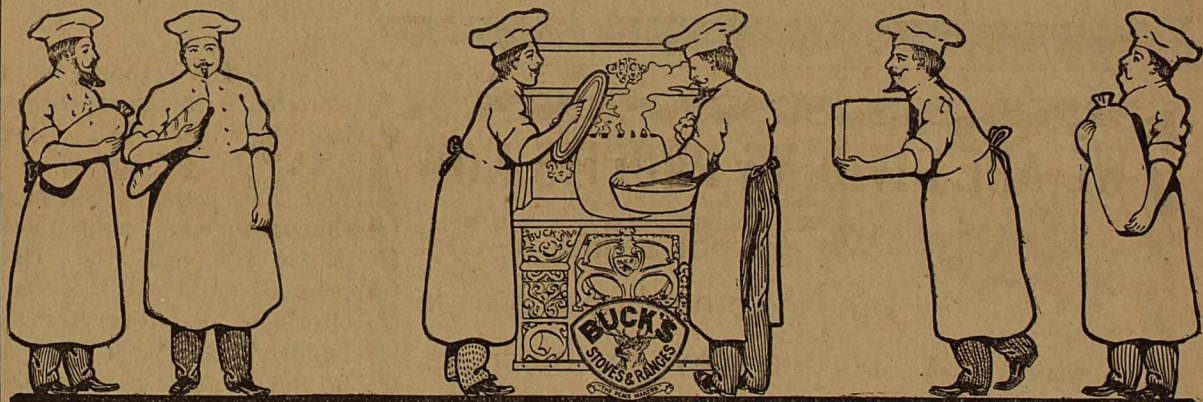
SELF-PRESERVATION

is the first law of nature. It's aptly applied to the insurance business. Those who insure want absolute security. Some get it, others don't.

AN INSURANCE POLICY

issued from our office makes you as secure as a government bond. A risky policy may cost a shade less, but it won't give as peaceful sleep. Before insuring, see us.

LEE MADDUX



NOW IS THE TIME TO FIGURE ON A STOVE PROPOSITION

Our line of stoves is right; our prices are right. We can give you good prompt service at lowest possible cost. All stoves polished and set up free of charge in city. Have your flues put in shape before your house burns. Call and inspect our line; we want your business

Hall Hardware Company

Try It Again

Was your bank account wiped out during the recent money stringency?

Don't be discouraged. Success consists not in falling down but in rising every time you fall. Open a new account again as soon as you can. Paying by check is always safer and more business like.

This bank will be glad to have your account, no matter how small.

We pay liberal interest on Saving Accounts and Time certificates.

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W. E. SAYLE
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Examines Land Titles, Fur-
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torney-at-law Solicits your
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Reeder & Hutton Lumder Co.
will save you money on Lumber,
paints and etc. D. Reeder's old
stand

LAME EVERY MORNING

A Bad Back is Always Worse
in the Morning. Ballin-
ger People are Find-
ing Relief

A back that aches all day and
causes discomfort at night is
usually worse in the morning.
Makes you feel as if you hadn't
slept at all.

Can't cure a bad back until
you cure the kidneys. Doan's
Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys
make you feel better, work bet-
ter, rest better and sleep better.

Permanent cures in Ballinger
proves the merit of Doan's.

H. R. Bradford, W. Sixth St.
near School, Ballinger, Tex.,
says: "I have been using Doan's
Kidney Pills off and on for three
years with the best of results.
For several years my back was
very weak and often when I
arose in the morning I would be
so stiff and lame that I could
hardly stoop to put on my shoes.
After walking around for an hour
or two this lameness would wear
off but the next day would re-
turn with renewed severity.
Doan's Kidney Pills, which I
procured from The Walker Drug
Co. relieved me at once but I
still keep them on hand in case
my trouble should return."

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

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

Letter to Asa Cordill

Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:—We can't get over
talking about those two houses
at Lufkin, Texas, owned by
Judge I. D. Fairchild.

Both houses are exactly alike
and both painted at same time
by J. M. Torrance.

One took 15½ gallons Devoe;
the other 25 gallons of another
paint sold at same price.

That 25 gallon paint is weak
and 15 per cent whiting; that's
why it took 9½ gallons more.

Yours truly

F. W. DEVOE

Ballinger Lumber Co. sells
our paint.

Hamlet

had melancholy, probably caused
by the inactive liver. A bad liver
makes one cross and irritable,
causes mental and physical de-
pression and may result disastrously.

Ballard's Herbine is acknowl-
edge to be the perfect liver regu-
lator. If you are blue and out
of sorts, get a bottle to day. A
positive cure for bilious head
ache, Constipation, Chills and
Fever and all liver complaints.
Sold by J. y. Pearce.

Notice to Cotton Raisers.

I will have charge of the Perry
gin near the river bridge again
this season. We are now busy
overhauling, cleaning up and
getting ready for business and
will be ready for business Sep-
tember 1st. I wish to thank my
patrons for past favors and solicit
your patronage for this season.
Will give you first class service
and appreciate your support.

4t EDWIN DAY.

Fair Warning to Hunters

My place near town is posted,
and I positively will not allow
any hunting or trespassing on
same. I warn all parties, friend
or foe, that I will strictly enforce
the law and prosecute to the
limit any one for hunting, or in
any way trespassing. Please
stay out and avoid trouble.
3-3mos. Joe B. Johnson.

Slightly Colder than Snow

When you see that kind of
a weather forecast you know that
rheumatism weather is at hand.
Get ready for it now by getting
a bottle of Ballard's Snow Lin-
iment. Finest thing made for
rheumatism, chilblains, frost
bite, sore and stiff joints and
muscles, all aches and pains.
25, 50 and \$1.00 a bottle.

**A SYMPATHIZING
FRIEND**

By Max Adeler.

As Peter Lamb was walking up the
street, a few days ago, he saw our
coroner, Barney Maginn, sitting upon
the steps of his porch, with his face
between his knees, his hands locked
over the knees, and his mind evident-
ly in a state of deep despondency.
Peter is sympathetic, as well as talka-
tive, and, taking a seat by the side of
Maginn, he said:

"What's the matter, Barney?"

"Oh, nothing."

"Because if you're grieving over
that horse of yours that died yester-
day, you're doing wrong. You ought
to be glad he's dead and safe. He had
the glanders awful. Now, if he'd lived
maybe you'd 'a' caught them from
him; then Mrs. Maginn and the children
might 'a' got them; then they'd 'a'
given them to other folks, and in about
a week the whole town'd 'a' been shuf-
fling around with the glanders, with
their jaws swelled out terrific; and
other towns'd 'a' caught them, and
they'd 'a' spread all over the world
and made the whole human race sick
as thunder before they'd 'a' been
stopped, for all you know."

"That isn't worrying me any," said
Mr. Maginn.

"Then it must be because the
Washy Hose company has elected
Prince von Bulow an honorary mem-
ber, and he's accepted, while the Fi-
delity Hook and Ladder, your com-
pany, haven't got any bigger honorary
member than Bishop Potts. Now, I
wouldn't distress myself about that,
Barney. What's the use? You know
well enough old Von Bulow's not going
to come over here and run with those
fellows. He's not going to grab a
trumpet and go pelting and hollering
to a fire, and shin up a ladder with
a section of hose, and yell through his
trumpet for them to turn on the water
and then climb down and mash a Fi-
delity man's nose with a spanner.
He's not that kind of a man. He's too
busy. Those Hohenzollerns ain't go-
ing to let him hustle around squirting
at fires while they can afford to pay
him a salary. They're too much at-
tached to him. So cheer up. It isn't
worth bothering about."

"It isn't bothering me," said Mr. Ma-
ginn, still keeping his head down and
spitting over his toes.

"Well, if it's those cramps in your
stomach coming on again—well, what's
the odds? They ain't going to kill
you. I wouldn't let them make me low-
spirited. I know a man who had
cramps down there for 35 years
straight ahead without any let-up; but
he wore a smile all that time, and was
always cheerful. You just tackle
them. You spread a mustard-plaster
over the outside, and put some pare-
goric on the inside, and wear flannel,
and lay over the back of a chair when
they hurt you bad, and get your wife
to knead your stomach once a day
with the potato-masher or something,
or else thump yourself with a rolling-
pin, and you'll be all right in a little
while. You're an American citizen.
Think of what the patriots suffered in
the revolution! Think of Valley Forge
and the heroes who bled there, and a
mere cramp in the stomach seems ri-
diculous. Now, don't be miserable
about it!"

"I haven't got any cramp," replied
Mr. Maginn.

"There's your mother-in-law! I
know she died on Saturday, but what's
the good of going on about her? She's
dead and there's an end of it. You
might blubber your head off and she
wouldn't come back. She knows when
she's well off. You ought to try to
bear up under it. These afflictions
come to all of us; they are meant for
our good. I dare say that old lady put
away ten dollars' worth of victuals in
a week. Now she never gets hungry,
and you bag the difference. You das-
sant chew tobacco in the house when
she was around. Now that she's an
angel she ain't so particular, and you
can spit all over the carpet if you've
a mind to. And there's one bed less to
make, and not so many clothes in the
wash, and the soap goes farther; so
any way you look at it her loss is your
gain; and unless she turns into a ghost
and haunts you, which I don't believe
she's capable of, you ought to rejoice
that you've shook her."

"I am glad. It doesn't trouble me at
all," said Maginn.

"I was going to say," continued
Peter, "that if you were low-spirited
because Pitman's dog licked your dog
in that fight on Wednesday, it was fool-
ish, because all you've got to do is to
feed your dog on raw beef for a while
and then iron-clad him with an elbow
of stovetope, and set him on Pitman's
dog some time when you get a chance.
Why, he'll eat that animal up. He'll
chew the vitality out of him. Any-
how, what does it amount to, a dog
getting licked? A hundred years from
now nobody'll even know it. I dare
say there were good dogs that fit and
were whipped in the time of Julius
Caesar and Martin Van Buren and
those old roosters, but who cares
about it now? Time heals all these
little sorrows. If your dog had won you
would have died just the same when
your time came. Don't be so down about
it. Keep your courage up like a man."

"Peter," said Maginn, "that isn't it."

"What is it, then?"

"Why, the thing that annoys me is
that there is a doctor in this town who
has saved 11 people who tried to
poison themselves, and, although he
knows he's taking money right out of
my pocket, he won't sell his stomach-
pump."

Then the meeting adjourned.

**HIS
WELCOME**

"Well, Uncle Lem is gone," Burbank
announced gravely as he drew his
chair to the evening
fire.

"Gone!" The
word came in five
different keys.

"Yes," Burbank
answered his wife
rather than the
children. "The lo-
cal paper with his
obituary came to
the office to-day.
I meant to bring
it home."

"Poor old Uncle
Lem!" Mrs. Bur-
bank murmured.
"I wish—"

Barbara looked
up from her alge-
bra and spoke in
awestruck tones.

"I never thought of his dying," she
said. "I stayed off upstairs with the
girls all the evening the last time he
was here because I couldn't bear to
have Margaret Prince see him use
that horrid bandana handkerchief
and know he was our relative."

"I'm glad, anyhow," piped Bobby
from a hassock near the fire.
Everybody sat up in horror.

"Bobby!"
"Well"—defensively—"mother's
often said he wasn't any real relation
—just married father's aunt. That
isn't much. And everybody was al-
ways cross about it when he came."

An embarrassing silence followed.
Burbank looked reproachfully at his
wife, who flushed crimson, but met his
eyes squarely. She was reproaching
him, too.

Barbara and Claribel and Dick
stared at Bobby in stern disapproval,
while inwardly each smothered a hysterical,
half-frightened giggle.

For there was no denying that Uncle
Lem—ungrammatical, unlaundered
Uncle Lem—who had been in the habit,
ever since the children could remem-
ber, of "making the rounds" among his
relatives once a year, had always in
life been frankly recognized as a trial
to be endured. Now, however, even
Bobby should have known better.

"I think I always made him feel wel-
come," said Mrs. Burbank, "but I can't
help wishing that I had really been
gladder at heart when he walked in
unexpectedly. You see, it so often
happened that he came at inconvenient
times. Poor old man! He had a
lonely life and he hardly ever stayed
more than one night. If I had real-
ized—"

"Wish now I'd listened more to his
tiresome old stories," said Dick.

"I wish I hadn't been so mean about
giving up my room to him, since it
was the last time," Claribel said. "I
thought he was going to keep on com-
ing forever."

"Wish I'd tasted his porridge when
he asked me to," Bobby put in, taking
his cue at last. "I didn't like to eat
out of his spoon, that's why."

Burbank shook his head. "He'll
never 'make the rounds' again," he
said, with honest regret. "I must ad-
mit that I wasn't always as glad as I
ought to have been when he came
ambling into my office. Poor old un-
cle!"

A few days later, as Burbank sat at
his office desk, his wife's voice came
to him through the telephone.

"Max Burbank!" it said. "What did
you mean by saying that was an
obituary notice of Uncle Lem? I just
picked up that paper you brought
home last night and it's an account of
a surprise party his neighbors gave
him on his eighty-fifth birthday. You
didn't read it through!"

"Wha-at! N-no, I guess I didn't,"
Burbank admitted, lamely. "I saw his
name and the two dates, '1823-1908,'
and I thought I knew the rest. Well,
well!"

This happened at two o'clock. Three
hours later Burbank called his wife
on the telephone.

"Mary," he said, his lips close to
the transmitter, "we're saved. What
do you think? Uncle Lem is here now
in my outer office."

"Max! You don't mean it?"

"Yes; he'll be out with me to spend
the night."

"But, Max, to-night's the children's
party."

"Mary!"

"I know." There was a pause. "It's
a chance given back to us and we
mustn't miss it. Tell him—tell him
we're delighted, Max."

Next morning,
as Uncle Lem
started away from
the house with
his nephew, the
Burbank children
stood around their
mother in the
doorway.

"Be sure you
come to our next
party, Uncle
Lem," they chor-
used sweetly.

The old man
grasped his big
cotton umbrella in
one hand and reached the other to
Mrs. Burbank.

"Mary," he said with a quiver of
his chin, "I want to tell you one thing.
There ain't a place in the whole rounds
where I git the real welcome you give
me here. God bless you!"—Chicago
Daily News.

A High Aim Indeed.

Uncle Rooster filled his corn-cob.
"Aim high, young feller," he said to
his city nephew. Chuckling, he struck
and held at arm's length a blue-head-
ed sulphur match. Then he grunted:
"F'rinstance, try to live up to yer
mother's estimate of ye."

Microbes in Ink.

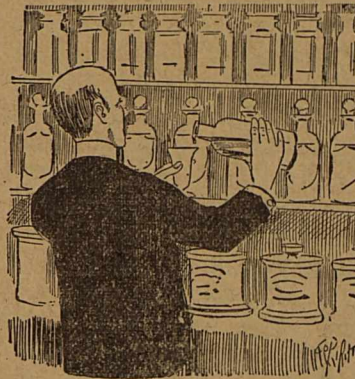
A scientist has found microbes of
various kinds in 77 samples of ink—
red, blue and black—supplied to
schools, and some of the microbes
were deadly enough to kill mice inoc-
ulated with them.

Comfort for the Afflicted.

"No baby under two years old can
digest starch," says Dr. Wiley. His
statement, more or less official, may
afford some gratification to those who
have resented the tendency of babies
to gnaw on collars, cuffs and shirt
bosoms.

Still Has Life.

A Chicago professor predicts that
English will have become a dead lan-
guage by the year 4000. Nevertheless,
the English language has demon-
strated that it can withstand an awful
lot of wear and hard usage.



A Disagreeable
Thing to Mention
A Necessity
in Every Home

We know you don't like to talk about medicine,
but the doctors say take it. You have con-
fidence in your doctor, or you would not have
him in your home when a member of the family
is sick. You ought to have more confidence in
your druggist. He is the man behind the gun.
He's the man that fills the prescription that
counts. You can depend on our store for pure
drugs and prescriptions filled with accuracy.

THE WALKER DRUG CO.

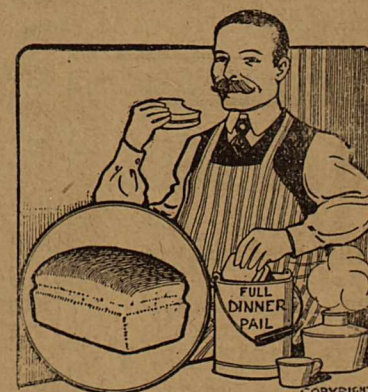
"IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH"

**A Railroad
For Winters**

The contract for the building of the
railroad from Abilene to Winters
has been signed, and the builders
guarantee to run trains into Winters
by Oct. 1, 1909. This will make
Winters one of the best towns in
Texas. It is surrounded by as fine
farming and stock raising country
as there is in Texas. It is a good
town now and is growing fast.
Property will double in value with-
in the next twelve months. Now
is the time to invest your money.
We have a large list in both farm
and city property. Come to Win-
ters or write us for particulars.

Rodgers & Hall
Winters, Texas.

**The
Working
Man's
Lunch**



tastes all the sweeter and is more
bracing if his sandwiches are made
from delicious home-made bread,
such as is made from Missouri Mill-
ing Co.'s flour. For the family and
the children, bread made from this
highly nutritive flour is really "the
staff of life". If the housewife
makes her bread once from this
flour she will never use any other.
Sold by all merchants.

Missouri Milling Company.

More floor space than any house in Runnels County filled from ground to roof with thousands of dollars of clean fresh merchandise.



Time and trouble saved by trading with a house that sells everything. Give us a chance at that Fall bill. It's money to you.



LADIES' TAILORED SUITS

Numbers of handsome tailored suits have just arrived. They have a character and exclusiveness about them only found in a high grade line, that will appeal to those who want to dress well. The tailoring is perfect, materials are inlaid Herringbone stripes, plain panamas, serges and fancy novelties trimmed with satins and velvets, military and regulation collars skirts are made good and full.

2306 Misses tailored suit, made of extra good wool serge semi-fitting backs, trimmed in buttons, velvet collar, colors brown and blue, ages 12 to 16 price - - - \$12.50

2318 Tailored suits made of extra quality Herringbone serge in woven stripes satin lined, pointed back and front colors black, navy and brown, price - - - \$15.00

2323 Ladies suit, all wool striped serge, colors blue and brown trimmed in satin of lighter shades, pointed jacket a suit worth \$30.00 our price - - - \$22.50

Suits made up in the newest styles in many colors, smoke sage greens, navies, cardinals, the newest weaves, form fitting coats in pointed effect, lined in real satin in stripes. We have too many to tell about all of them. Come take a look at them, price 12.50 to - - - \$25.00

IN THE SKIRT DEPARTMENT

There's a great difference in skirts, the way they hang and fit and the way they are made. Our skirts are "man tailored" which means that all the seams are pressed as only a man's strength can do it; so these skirts have the best possible hang to them, all seams are sewed with silk. We are showing the new Directoire and sheath designs in all the new fall materials and the latest shades of greys, navies and browns. It will be a pleasure to show them to you and explain the merits of this high class line.

Time and trouble saved by trading with a house that sell everything give us a chance at that fall bill.

Ladies skirts made of good quality panama, colors brown and navy trimmed in taffeta and braid a beauty at - \$5.00

Ladies skirts trimmed in taffeta 6 rows, a high grade tailored garment, made in the seasons latest shades worth 10.00 our price - - - \$7.50

Modified sheath skirt, made of an all wool panama, colors brown, navy and black trimmed in buttons, a new form fitting garment at - - - \$10.00



Choice Little Notions

There are hundreds of little things we carry that are not to be found in other stocks, small novelties, also all kinds of staple small wares. It's a good habit to get into to buy your goods here. We want our goods to become your goods and this store to become your store. When this want is realized we feel sure of seeing you and hearing from you very often, then there will be mutual benefit to both.

Pearl Dress Buttons, all sizes, made of extra clear pearl, a regular 10c button, at - - - 5c

Pen Tablets with 100 leaves of good paper, size 5 x 8 inches, a special at - - - 5c

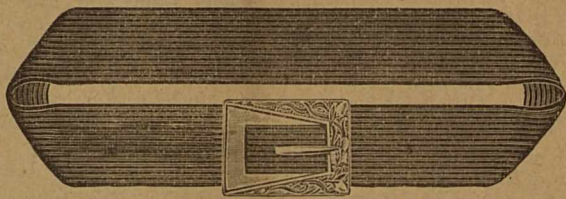
Feather Stitch Braids, 6 yards to the piece, in dust proof packages. Others ask 10c, our price - - - 5c

Black Elastic, 1 inch wide, made of the best lisle, black and white, the yard only - - - 10c

Mennen's Talcum Powder, borated and perfumed, the best 25c quality, our price - - - 20c

Ladies' Handkerchiefs in plain edges with embroidered 1/2 inch wide, a special at - - - 15c

Belts



Belts to suit your every fancy. Our stock is full to overflowing with the season's newest things. It will do you good to see this pretty line.

Ladies' Belts, made of 1 1/2 inch elastic in back, stitched leather front, trimmed in pearl buttons, colors brown, blue and black.

Pretty Elastic Belts in embossed designs with oxidized buckles, width 2 inches, colors brown and navy, price - - - 75c

New Belt Sashes, tassel ends, colors gold worked with blue, green, pink, in oriental designs, at - - - 75c

New Belt Buckles, new designs in pearl, bronze, cut steel and enamel, they are beauties, at 25c, 35c and - - - 50c

New Staple Goods

A saving on every article priced with the right kind of merchandise. The man who makes the loudest talk doesn't always have the largest crowd of hearers. The business house that makes the biggest claims is not always the leader in their line, we are making strong claims, but we back them up with the right kind of merchandise at the right kind of prices. See us, we can show you.

Calicoes, the best the market affords, all standard brands all colors not culls first quality at - - - 5c

A brown domestic full a yard wide. Extra quality round thread, a leader at 6 1/2. Our price - - - 5c

Red Seal Gingham in 10 to 20 yard lengths, its the best dress styles made to sell at 12 1/2, our price - - - 10c

Side band suits in novelty colors, made by the American people fast colors, others 6 1/2 to 7 1/2, our price - - - 6c

A Bleached domestic, free from starch soft finish, just the thing for underwear, a special at - - - 8 1/2

New outings, solid fancies and pin stripes and checks, extra weight full 8 inch wide, a hummer at - - - 10c

SKINNER'S GUARANTEE SATIN

The trend of fashion is toward satins we are the exclusive agents for the celebrated skimmers. Pure linen backs and silk fronts that don't get rough. Colors, Navy, Grey, mode, red, white, and black at

The yard 36 inch wide **\$1.50**

N. A. Perry, the Brownwood gin man, is here to-day,

See those beautiful novelties in the show window at Kinzers.

O. Pearson returned yesterday from a business trip to Dallas.

Currie Grocery Co. will pay you the highest market price for your chickens, eggs, turkeys, etc.

A double header pulled the excursions through Tuesday.

Morehead's Tailoring Co. has secured the services of Mr. Peterson of Corsicana who is an expert tailor and cutter.

Capt. G. B. Peers, of Bronte, is here attending District court.

Live Oak Flour the best at Miller Mercantile Company guaranteed.

Foster Ryan was here from Miles Sunday.

Light Crust Flower makes baking easy. Get a sack for trial from Currie Grocery Co.

M. M. Hamlin, of the Leader visited San Angelo Sunday.

Don't fail to try the chocolate candy at R. P. Conn's confectionery.

I have just added a nice, line of embroidery to my stock. Call and see how cheap it is being sold, Kinzer.

Mrs. W. S. Boswell, of Paint Rock, was here Tuesday.

Pants made—6 hours, Suits—2 to 10 days.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Chas. Miller, of Brownwood, was here the guests of relatives Sunday.

Light Crust Flower makes light crust bread. For sale by Currie Grocery Co.

Feb McWilliams sends the Leader to Ed Cummings at Springdale Arkansas.

Get your stove before the blizzard comes, Lankford & Hathaway are the stove men.

Judge J. B. Wade, of Miles, was practicing law in the District Court this week.

Fresh chocolate candy 50c lb. at R. P. Conn's confectionery.

Morris Winkler went to San Angelo Wednesday, to attend a special meeting of the Elks.

We are in position to handle any amount of good Vendor's Lien notes. The Citizen National Bank.

Judge W. E. Sayle had business at San Angelo and Sterling City, this week.

Style and fit distinguish it, a Superb suit. W. A. Gustavus & Son.

The man who knows the best in clothes, buys Superb clothing W. A. Gustavus & Son.

J. A. Ostertag returned from Dallas Monday where he went to buy furniture.

Do you want to trade milo maize or oats for a Tailor made suit—See Morehead, The Tailor.

Loui Afflebach set the first table in his new building Wednesday and is now running on full time.

The only man in Runnels county who makes clothes on the bench is A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Picture postals for everybody at Kinzer's

Mrs. A. J. Nichols and daughter, Mrs. Pickle, went to San Antonio last Saturday to visit relatives and attend the fair.

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

Ballinger is to have a new real estate firm composed of Judges T. T. Crosson, H. Zdaril and W. A. Tally.

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

J. T. Hollingsworth, of Stephenville, has accepted a position with R. A. Risser & Co., and has charge of the clothing department.

Mrs. Herbert O'Bannon of San Angelo, was here Sunday, the guest of her parents, Judge and Mrs. C. O. Harris.

Chocolate candy fresh and fine at R. P. Conn's.

Judge H. C. Jenkins, of Brownwood, is prominent among the visiting attorneys in Ballinger this week.

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

Mrs. J. P. Maddox went to Fort Worth yesterday, to join Mr. Maddox who is there on business.

We want to buy your cotton, and it will be to your interest to see our buyer, Wicks Currie, before you close out. Currie Grocery Co.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Odom, of Maverick were trading in Ballinger Wednesday and spent the night in town with relatives.

Post cards for your sweetheart your mother, your sister in fact post cards for everybody at Kinzers.

Elder W. D. Black returned from a trip up through Coke, Nolan and Taylor Counties. Mr. Black says times are prosperous everywhere but he saw nothing to come up with Runnels.

The new furniture at Lankford & Hathaway's is no shoddy cheap grade of stuff, but nice first class goods. Call and see it.

T. S. Lankford and wife returned from Dallas, Wednesday where Mr. Lankford had been to buy goods for his house. He stated that he bought another car of furniture and a big shipment of leather goods.

Thirteen years of experience in making clothes.—A. J. Stocklas. Next door to Walker Drug Co.

Rev. G. W. Fender returned yesterday from Rockwall, where he and his family had been visiting since the meeting of Synod at Amarillo. Mrs. Fender and little daughter, Mary, went to Texarkana on a visit.

Live Oak Flour guaranteed none better. Miller Mercantile Co.

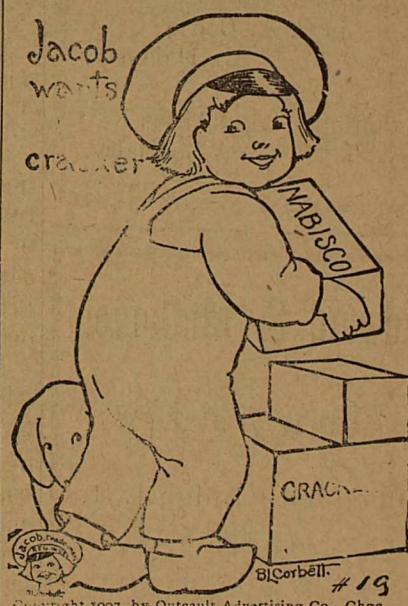
T. L. Hays, of Brownwood, was here on business yesterday. Mr. Hays was a citizen of Ballinger for some time, and has many friends here who will be glad to know that he is doing well in the hotel business at Brownwood.

Let us furnish your house. We can fix you up from the kitchen to the parlor. Lankford & Hathaway.

Jack McKay went to Austin, Monday after a negro who jumped his bond here several months ago. Mr. McKay brought the colored gentleman back, and he has a job at the compress until the cost in the case is paid.

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

H. E. Baukright, of San Angelo, came to Ballinger first of the week, and purchased the City Meat Market, and the R. A. Terry residence, and will move to our city. We welcome Mr. Baukright and family to our town.



Dear friend:
I like racky crackers very much. The trouble with many crackers is they wont crack. You can get nice crisp crackers in this town if you know where to go. Then your mama can buy lots of things for the table and save herself the trouble of baking. My mama does. Isn't it cheaper to buy these things than to bake them?

Crackers 5c and 10c per box.
Greatest assortment box cakes in Ballinger 5c 10c and 25c a box.

Try our fine chocolate candy.

P. S. You can get all these baked things at

Dornberger & Hopkinson

Eye Glasses

No matter the nature or the kind I can properly fit and adjust them. Expert advice and opinion offered.
B. F. WILEY
Owl Pharmacy

IF IT NEEDS FIXIN', Take it to Brewer

He has two of the best workmen in Texas. If you want jewelry, buy it from Brewer. He has the dependable kind. A clean new stock. Latest style novelties, and at prices you can pay and not miss the money.

JAS. E. BREWER BALLINGER, TEXAS