A Store Full of Good Things Await Your Coming.



We Urge You to Give Your Early Spring Shopping **Due Consideration**

A display of Dependable Early Spring Merchandise now ready, that for excellence of make, correctness of style and great variety and the lowness of price is unexcelled in the town of Ballinger or West Texas.

McCall Patterns are Better. 10c and 15c

New Laces

Embroidery

Colored Bands

Neckwear Wash Linens

New Collars

New Long Cloth Muslin Underwear New Ginghams

New Spring Clothing for Boys " Dress Goods

" White Goods

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Lingerie Waists

Today's express brought us a magnificent display of Lingerie Waists. They are snow white and elaborately trimmed in laces and embroidery. Some are the tailored style, all with long sleeves. You must see them to appreciate their real worth.

Ladies' plain white Lingerie Waists, tailored effect, sleeves cut long, neatly trimmed with tucks. Worth easily \$1.25. All sizes 32 to 42. 98c Price only, each.

Others at \$5.00 \$3.50 \$3.00 \$2.48 \$2.00 \$1.50

First showing of the New Neckwear for Women, in the new Jobo and Lace effects. Some are very fluffy, in the bow effect, with baby Irish trimming; also the long Four-in-Hand, and the Linen Band Collars, all in a full range of styles and color combinations. SEE WINDOW DISPAY. 75c 50c 35c 25c and 15c

Spring Silks

In Foulards, Ruff and Jap Silks, also full line of Messilenes, in pink, light blue, corn, lavender, black, brown and white.

36 inch Messilene all Silk, yard Foulards, 27 inches wide, yard only

Early Spring Cotton Fabrics

Our showing of Early Spring Wash Fabrics embraces a large variety of beautiful materials. Quite a range in color combinations and patterns. Here are airy Mulls, Mercerized Cottons for waists, Linens in all shades for coat suits, in pink, light blue, tan and striped effects, also the new Linene effect and Flaxon Linen. These are sure to meet with your

36 inch blue and pink Linens for coat suits-extra good values and worth the 35c, here only yard.

36 inch White Linen Lawn, suitable for waists, suits and infants' dresses, and worth 50c the yard, 39c here special only.....

50 pieces Bordered Fancies, worth 7½c and 8c, quite a range of colors, special, yard

Women's Shoes That Are Different



Perhaps you want to know where the difference lies. To begin with, these Shoes were made for us by Moore, Shaper & Co., makers of the famous Ultra. These people are noted for making Shoes that fit and are stylish. They are made in the finest factories in the world, and their workmen are among the most skilled. They guarantee this Shoe to us. We in turn guarantee them to you. This department is full with the season's

newest styles, in Oxblood, Tan, Vici, Kid and Patent Leather. Any width from A to E.

Lot A-Women's Ultra Pump, with strap; plain Patent Kid, welted soles, with pearl buckle; high heel—all widths and sizes. Also in Tans. Price \$3.48

Lot C-Women's Patent and Tan Oxfords; blucher style; Cuban heel, welted and turned soles-a mannish Shoe and a swell walking Oxford. All toes and sizes.

Lot I-Women's Tan and Black Court Ties; also Oxford effect, with high Cuban heel, welted and turn soles-for street or dress wear it's correct. Sizes \$2.98 11-2 to 7. Price

Lot K-Women's Patent Court Oxfords, welted and light weight soles, blucher style, Cuban heel. For the price it's a wonder. Sizes 2 to 7. Only \$2.48



Do you know, sir,

that the time has come when you must give your Shoe buying due consideration? And, further, you must buy your Shoes from a house that carries such makes that there is no question as to their make-up. In this day and time you, as well as ourselves, are looking out for the best makes, and want and even demand merchandise of merit. We can say with propriety and absolute certainty that we have collected together for the **B** spring season six of the greatest makes this country ever produced. For men we have Stacy Adams, Williams-Kneeland, Walkover, Howard & Foster; Moore Shaper for women; G. W. Lewis & Co. for children.



Long Wear Shoes Are Better

Craddock, Terry & Co. Makers

Long Wear Shoes are sold only by Higdon-Melton-Jackson Company. For the woman or child who wants service and at the same time a stylish Shoe at a price that is in reach of all, we unhesitatingly recommend Long Wear Shoes. They come in Black Kid, Patent Leather, Oxblood and Tan leather. They are solid leather throughout, and our personal guarantee goes with every pair you purchase. Price range in Women's Oxfords, \$2.00.

\$1.75 and \$1.48. Price range in Children's Oxfords, \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00.

Lot X-Women's Tan Oxfords, blucher style, medium half heel, with heavy and light soles; all leather and full vamp. Worth \$2.00. Our price only.

Lot Y-Women's Black Kid Princess, rubber side, light turn soles, C. S. heel. This Shoe is for comfort. \$1.75

Lot K-Women's Black Kid and Tan Oxfords, blucher style, common sense and Cuban heel, all leather, full vamp. none better at the price, Sizes 3 to 8. At.

Lot A-Women's Vici Kid Oxfords, blucher style, half school heel, all leather, full vamp, patent toes. \$1.48

Magnificent Display Men's Spring Shoes==Oxford 'oo



Lott 7488--Stacy Adams Oxfords, Patent Kid, Straight last, blucher style, cap toe; also in Tan. Sizes 51-2 to 10.

Lot E-Williams-Kneeland Company Oxfords of fine Russian calf, with medium evening toe, brass eyelets, blucher style, welted soles, medium Cuban heel—a snappy Shoe, indeed, in all widthsand sizes. Price

All widths. (Eight other siyles.) Price

Shoe, as well as for dress. All sizes and \$4.00 widths. Price

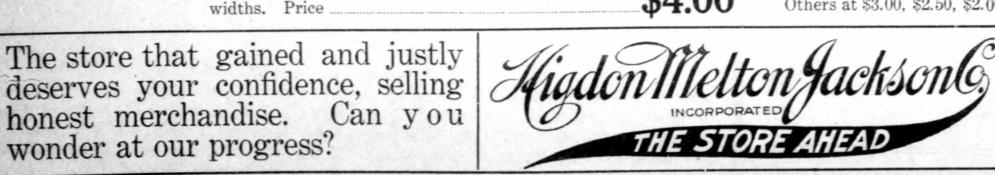
Others at \$3.00, \$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.50.

THE STORE AHEAD

The much talked of store-Attention, Energy, Fearlessness and Faith, and our publicity of square dealings has won out and made this store the recognized LEADER in all Ballinger. First to show the new things-First in Everything

FIRST TO SHOW THE NEW THINGS ---- FIRST IN EVERYTHING





Cobb's Great Cost Sale

Commencing on Monday, February 15th and continuing for 30 days, I will conduct one of the greatest cost sales in the Dry Goods line known in the history of Ballinger. Having purchased the Davis & Co. Stock of General Merchandise and disirous of closing out this stock of Dry Goods to make room for Spring purchases, I have decided to sell them at actual cost.

I invite you one and all to come and secure Bargains while this sale lasts. Yes come, whether you wish to buy or not. Lets get acquainted. The social

feature is worth more than money. I have Groceries which I propose to sell at a price that will make you a customer of mine during my business career in the city of Ballinger. Come, I invite, I Yours for honesty and fair dealingr, welcome you.

RANSOM AGAIN

Keeps Talking Railroad to Ballinger. A Successful Promoter

Col. J. H. Ransom, the man who promoted the San Angelo street railway system, and who has been successful in other werk of that kind is in Ballinger again for the second time within the last three weeks. Col. Ransom is figuring on a line of road from Ballinger south to San Antonio, and says Ballinger can get the Aransas Pass, San Antonio and Great Northern if the town wants it.

Col. Ransom is also interested in the promotion of some local enterprises, and his visits to our For That Terrible Itching. city may amount to something as he is in touch with some strong Northern capital parties.

call session this evening to pass cases have been cured by its use. on some important matters.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Leader-R. S. Griggs Opening exercises. Scripture Reading, I Cor. 10: -13.

Paper, Condition of Backslider -Miss Katie Belle Gregory.

Paper, subject "Causes of backsliding"-Miss Alphie Cap-

erton. Scripture Reading on "How to get out of backsliden condition,'

Hosea 14: 4; Jer. 6: 16; Leveticus

26: 40-42; Rev. 3: 19-21. How to prevent backsliding-E. D. Futch.

Special music. Business meeting.

Eczema, tetter nnd salt rheum keep their victims in perpetual torment. The application of Chamberlain's Salve will instant-The City Council will meet in ly allay this itching, and many For sale by Walker Drug Co.

SOCIAL CLUB FOR BALLINGER

an Early Date

The proper parties are behind the move, and Ballinger will have a social club, one that will equal any town of much larger size than Ballinger.

trouble in securing suitable quar- premises where sold. buildings being planned, doubt arrangments can be made such measure. for a club room.

See Kinzer for post cards.

NEW LIQUOR BILL

Sale of Liquor.

Judge Jno. I. Guion received a phone message yesterday from Sterling P: Strong, Chairman of Campbell has been running on the Submission Committee, ask-The club will organize with ing Judge Guion to urge our sensomething like fifty or seventy- ator and representative to supfive members, and the very best port a bill that has just been infor entertainment of its members troduced affecting the sale of will be provided. It will be no whiskey. Mr. Strong said the trouble to secure the required bill was bill No. 27, and number of members to insure prohibited the sale of whiskey in the success of the club, but the quantities less than a quart, and organizers will meet with some prohibited the drinking on the

ters. However, this matter is Judge Guion expresses himself being looked after now, and as as being strongly in favor of Company are sending out pure and before March 1st. there are quite a number of new this kind of a bill, and has alno ways advocated the passage of

> It only requires a majority vote to pass the bill, and if it comes before the senate for a vote it will no doubt be made a

Jail Changes Hands

J. A. Demoville has resigned his position as landlord of the on Broadway south of the court house. Mr Demoville has been jail keeper for a long time and has made a good one. It was keep the jail without a place to keep his horse and cow, hence his resignation.

Sheriff Flynt has appointed Adolph Wilke to succeed Mr. Demoville.

We call the attention of our readers to the card of Judge M. Kleberg Jr. who recently moved to our town from Galveston. Judge Kleberg has opened offices in the Ballinger State Bank building and will practice his profession in this and adjoining counties. He is a nephew of Chas. S. and W. J. Miller, and is numbered among the best young attorneys of the state. We are glad to have him with us, and bespeak for him a share of your

Pots for your flowers at Kin-

Austin Wednesday in the inter- some sidewalk work. est of the Ballinger Independent School District. He will go before the legislature and have the law amended.

A Shaking Up

may all be very well so far as Mildred, came in from Gonzales "The Whole Damm Fa the trusts are concerned, but not last night to make their home in and Thursday night "The s when it comes to chills and fever Ballinger. Other members of gle of Life". All of thes and malaria. Quit the quinine the family will arrive as soon as interesting stories and were and take a real cure—Ballard's suitable residence can be secured. presented. Herbine. Contains no harmful Mr. Cobb is the man who purdrugs and is as certain as taxes. chased the Davis & Co. stock of matization of Count Tols If it doesn't cure, you get your goods. He has opened the busmoney back. Sold by J. Y. iness and will put on a cash night a western drame

Conductor Campbell Not Dead.

It was reported here first of the week that Conductor Frank Campbell was dead. This was a false report, and we learn Such Organization Will be Perfected at Bill Introduced Yesterday Pertaining to through Santa Fe Agent Dolan Yard Receipts Will Surpass All Exthat Mr. Campbell was still alive this morning. He is very low and has been for several days with pneumonia. Conductor the Lampasas branch of the Santa Fe for a long time, and has many friends in this county who are sorry to hear of his serious illness.

Drink Pure Water

The majority of the sickness water. Drinking the pure kind is days running over one hundred the only sure way to avoid being bales, and the total wagon redistilled 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.

Cattle Shipments.

G. G. Odom shipped two cars of Ballinger fed cows to the Fort Worth market Wednesday Jim Henderson shipped four cars of cows and steers which, 'county hotel," and will move in he had been feeding here, to the about a week to his own home Fort Worth market, Wednesday,

"It Knocks the Itch"

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures necessary for the feed pens and any form of itch ever known-no matbarn and other out houses to be ter what its called, where the sensation moved off the court house square is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, ringin beautifing the grounds, and worms, are cured by one box. Its Mr Demoville did not care to guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's

See the Jumbo ten cent table

J. T. Jackson, of Groesbeck, came in yesterday to attend the funeral of Mrs. E. F. Jackson. Jumbo ten cent table at Kinzers-see it for bargains.

Rev. J. D. Leslie, who went to Weatherford to bury his wife, writes J. McGregor that he will be at home in about a week.

Pitts Alvis, of Golthwaite, but formerly of Ballinger, is here visiting his brother, J. B. Alvis.

Flower pots all sizes at Kinzers. W. R. Crabb and Lum McCay were her from Mazeland, Wed-

B. R. Wagley, of the firm of Sherwood & Wagley, concrete contractors, of Fort Worth, is Judge M. C. Smith went to here prospecting and figuring on

nesday.

John Rhumann is hardly able to attend to his duties at the express office today, and it is all caused by the arrival of a fine boy at his home last night.

S. S. Cobb and daughter, Miss bond's wife," Wednesday night

48,234 BALES

pectations.

It was estimated by many that Ballinger would get fifty thousand bales of cotton for the season just closing. That estimate will be below the total receipts as shown by the receipts up to noon today. The receipts for the two yards:

Stuart Yard Farmers Union

33,716 14,518 48,234

Total There is considerable cotton in is attributed to drinking impure the country, the receipts some sick. The Arctic Ice and Fuel ceipts will go above fifty thous-

For Rent.

I have for rent a 100 acre farm 5 miles north of Ballinger, 65 acres in cultivation, two room house, stable feed house, 20 a pasture fenced off, to itself horse pasture and milk cow. good one team proposition some man wanting to rent farm. Will rent on the thin and fourth basis. If you wa to rent apply early.

> C. P. Shepherd, Ballinger, Texas.

Post cards for everybody at

AMUSEMENTS

Dora Thorne

Bertha M. Clay wrote an interesting book under the title of 'Dora Thorne, which has been widely read, and doubtless E. Laurance Lee's dramatic work is a worthy one; but the company that presented this play at the operahouse last Saturday night failed utterly to interest the audience. Their acting was so poor that many left the operahouse before the second act was finished.

There were only six people in the company, and some were compelled to represent three different characters to keep the thing going.

The Morey Company .

Each night this week The Morey Company has given theatre goers the worth of their money at the operahouse. This company is well balanced with a list of actors and actresses who class well in their work.

Monday night's "In Spite of All" was well received by a fairly large audience. Tuesday night they presented "The Vaga-

Tonight they present a "Ana Karinina" and tomo "Ranch 66".

We Buy Furniture



and pay Cash for all kinds of second hand household goods. We will make it to your interest to see us before you sell your old furniture.

We Sell Furniture



and sell all kinds of household goods--new and second hand. If you need anything in your home, visit our



We've got the goods; our stock is complete in every line. We also stovee, harness buggies, etc.

T. S. LANKFORD



Killing Time

in, Feb. 11-The sensathe week and of the for that matter, was prung in the senate Monday when Senator Thomas, of Hopcins County declared that under the strict construction of the anti-lobby law he had been improperly approached. He declared that he had been embarrassed by members of the strong lobby, which he asserted is being maintained in Austin.

The announcement was startling and was followed by a series of rapid fire questions and a considerable expenditure or oratorical pyrotechnics. Senator Thomas intimated that it was his conviction that other senators had undergone his experiences. This resulted in a roll call of the Senate to ascertain how many members had been troubled in the same manner as the senator from Hopkins. The roll call was on the following question: "Have you been intimidated, molested or embarrassed by lobbyists during your sojourn here?" The call disclosed that twenty-four members had not and that one had. Six were was passed calling for the appointment of a committee to ipvestigate the case of the member -the senator from Hopkins-Thomas intimated that a certain state official had been perniciously active in the line of attemptto influence legislation, speculation is rife as to whom the senator referred.

The House has gone on record as unfavorable to the submission Street Presbyterian church and mendment. On the first vote Rev. J. A. Biggs of the Methoaken on the final passage of the on, two votes less than quired two thirds majority ere lacking, which puts on record the House as against the and 44 against with three mem- buried in the Ballinger cemetery be absent. The required two this evening at four o'clock. thirds majority is 89 votes. Bedeclaring that they will call up and respected by all. the question at a later time.

declaration, the proceedings of ly, being due to heart failure, both Houses have been considerable routine.

Before the meeting of the next Legislature, however, it seems much better shape.

Indications are still favorable the middle of March-and the calling of a special session.

newspaper men to know that the senate committee by a vote of newspapers unfavorably. How- Talley, ever, this does not mean that the anti-pass law will not be amended. The House committee is working on a bill along the same lines and Senator Perkins has by no means given up the fight to secure the newspsper men of south of town, is planting one Texas their rights.

HERE TO STAY

Able to do your work atisfaction guaranteed olicit your sign paintr. Leave orders at cpress office.

6. PRINCE Jr.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Alma Leslie.

Mrs. Alma LeGrand Leslie. wife of the prominent pastor of the First Presbyterian church in their home. The little miss arour city, Rev. J. D. Leslie, died at the manse on Friday at 3 a. m. Feb. 5th. Mrs. Leslie was the daughter of Mr. LeGrand, of Weatherford, Texas, and had been married ten years. From mained three children. eight, six, and three years of age respectfully. For nearly five years Mr. Leslie has been the pastor beloved of the First Presbyterian church here, and A girl baby arrived at the portunity presents itself. - San marked piety of her life has been Maverick mail man. a worthy help-meet for her husband in his great work.

Mrs. Leslie was thirty five years of age, and in this short life had developed the many graces of character that endeared her to all that knew her, and crowded that life with the many deeds of kindness that cannot be measured in words.

Her sister Mrs. Wm. Chew. of Weatherford, Texas, arrived at the home just two hours before her death. This sister will take the place of the mother so far as possible to the bereaved children. The remains were taken to Weatherford for burial, and Mr. absent. Immediately a motion J. J. Erwin, and Mr. Jack Mc-Gregor accompanied the family on this sad journey.

Mrs. Leslie had made a large place for herself in our communwho declared himself in the ity, and her departure will be a affirmative. Since Senator sad loss to us all, and the profound sympathy of the whole community goes out to the man of God in this sad hour.

> The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Jesse W. Siler, of San Angelo assisted by Rev. G. W. Fender of the Eighth dist church of this place.

U. Mullens Dead.

Uriah Mullens died at his home measure. The vote stood 86 for in West End last night, and was

Mr. Mullens was one of the fore the final announcement of pioneer settlers of Ballinger. the vote one of the submission- He was 76 years old, and did ists changed his vote in order to not have an enemy in Ballinger. be able to move a reconsideration He was for a long time janitor of the question, which he did at at the court house and worked once. This leaves the matter at odd jobs around town, and unsettled with the submissionists was true to his duties, honest

Mr. Mullens while old and Aside from the submission feeble, was in fairly good health question and Senator Thomas' and his death came very sudden-

Baby Pike.

The little year old baby boy of that the capitol grounds will be Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Pike died greatly improved and put into Wednesday night with pneu-

The funeral was held yesterfor an early adjournment-about day evening, Rev. G. W. Fender conducting the services and the little remains were laid to rest in It will be of interest to the the Ballinger cemetery.

The little ten day old baby of five to four has reported the anti- Mrs. Lula Gossett died last night pass bill by Senator Perkins, and will be burried this evening. restoring the right of contract to Mrs. Gossett is a sister to W. A.

100 Acre Alfalfa Field.

W. W. Farmer who purchased the Guest place, and other land fronting on the Colorado river hundred acres in alfalfa. Mr. Farmer does not pay any attention to cotton raising, but devotes his time to raising stock and feed. He has some fine land for growing Alfalfa, and will no doubt profit by the experience.

Judge Ed S. McCarver, and Rev. Z. J. Amerson made a trip to Winters yesterday, and report rail road grading between Ballinger and Winters progressing nicely.

New Arrivais.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norwood yesterday evening, a

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Allison are entertaining a young lady at rived last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norwood are at home to a girl baby that arrived yesterday.

his wife in the quiet lovliness home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Waland gentle helpfulness and die Monday. Mr. Waldie is the

The Ballinger people have circulated a petition and sent it to the legislature, urging that the bill for the establishment of the experimental farm in Tom Green county near San Angelo be passed. The people of that town look at the proposition in a purely unselfish light, and are striv-A bright little girl baby are ing for the accomplishment of rived at the home of Mr. and something that is for the com-Mrs. J. S. Clark last Thursday. mon interest of the entire west-Mr. Clark's familiar voice can't ern portion of the state, and this happy marriage there re- be heard on the streets this they are to be commended for the part they are playing. The active interest which Ballinger is taking in the matter is appreciated by San Angelo, and the latter will reciprocate when an op-

> Ben Jackson, of Hermleigh, who came here to attend the Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. funeral of Mrs. E. F. Jackson, King Wednesday of this week, a will make his home here if he can find employment.

Angelo Standard.

J. S. Moore, the new secretary pects to increase the membership of the Runnels County Benevo- to one thousand. ent Association, visited Coleman first of the week to get

D. E. Bartlett, one of our good some pointers as to the insur- friends from the Winters country ance business. Mr. Moore has was here yesterday and made taken hold of this order and ex- the Leader his usual annual visit.

Do you feel all tired out? Do you sometimes think you just can't work away at your profession or trade any longer? Do you have a poor ap tite, and lay awake at nights unable to sleep? Are your nerves all gone, and your stomach too? Has ambition to forge ahead in the world left you? If so, you might as well put a stop to your misery. You can do it if you will. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will make you a different individual. It will set your lazy liver to work. It will set things right in your stomach, and your appetite will come back. It will purify your ble If there is any tendency in your family toward consumption, it will keep that dread destroyer away. Even after consumption has almost gained a foothold in the form of a

lingering cough, bronchitis, or bleeding at the lungs, it will bring cure in 98 per cent. of all cases. It is a remedy prepared by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., whose advice is given free to all who wish to write him. His great success has come from his wide experience and varied practice.

Don't be wheedled by a penny-grabbing dealer into taking inferior substitutes for Dr. Pierce's medicines, recommended to be "just as good." Dr. Pierce's medicines are OF KNOWN COMPOSITION. Their every ingredient printed on their wrappers. Made from roots without alcohol. Contain no he forming drugs. World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

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LAUGIUILU

OUR buyers have just sent us a collection of the newest, most beautiful Novelties in Laces, Embroideries, Nets, Bandings, etc., and we can safely say that a more exquisite, dainty lot of merchandise cannot be found anywhere.

We extend to all the ladies a cordial invitation to call and look over the display. You'll see the very latest goods the market affords.

Nets for Waists, Yokes, etc.

White and ecru sets with beautiful Persian designs. The new tucked button dot Nets, white and ecru, buttons copenhagen, taupe, pink, light blue, green and navy.

Solid Color Fancy Nets

in white, ecru, the new wisteria, old rose, taupe, the new green, navy, pink and copenhagen. Silk Nets with light blue and pink dots, dainty as can be. Baby net allovers in new designs, white and ecru.

Edges and Bands to Match all Nets and Allovers

Cross Bar Allover Embroidery

Elaborately embroidered with light blue and pink silk thread. You are bound to appreciate all of these new designs and colors.

Tucked Embroidery Allovers

Made on very fine white Swiss, tucks of light blue and pink. Insertion and edge to match. Something entirely new and very pretty.

The New Mechlin Laces

Neatly embroidered with gold threads. Pretty designs. The latest on the market. Edges and insertions to match all of these.

New Persian Rushings

Eighteen styles will be on display the latter part of this week.

New Barrettes, **New Combs**

New Belts, new Belt Pins, new Veil Pins, new Beauty Pins.

New Waists. New Oxfords, New Hose.

New things in every department. Come and see.

SOMETHING NEW COMES IN EVERY DAY

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If you have visitors or if you know any item which would be of interest 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.

The bill introduced in the legislature to prohibit Sunday base ball playing went out on first base, and the base ball enthusiasts have a few innings coming.

Are you going to let the season go by without planting a tree? Plant it: it will stand as a monument to your enterprise, and be a pleasure to your children, your children's children and their children.

Nothing is more disgusting to a law abiding citizen than to see the city laws violated every day. They may be bad laws, useless laws, but to violate them is calculated to cause people to violate the good laws. Ballinger ordinances should either be enforced or repealed.

We could not expect the Senate to vote favorably on Submission after visiting Houston, Galveston and San Antouio. Every Senator except Thomas, says there is no lobbying at Austin to the extent of violating the anti-lobby law. If such is true the present session is an unusual one.

Gov. Campbell says if newspaper men are allowed to exchange advertising for railroad transportation it will only be a short time until every paper in the state will be edited by the railroad lawyers. Gov, Campbell used to be a railroad lawyer and at that time the newspaper men rode on passes. Wonder how many papers Gov. Campbell edited?

Young man, get next Sunday's Dallas News, read the Want Ads. and you will see such expressions as "Tobacco fiends and booze fighters need not apply." You may not think that it is injurious for you to smoke cigarettes and drink booze, but if your employer thinks so, you are just injured to the extent of being incompetent to fill the place.

We counted thirty-six bales of cotton on the streets at one the market every day, and it is bringing a very good price. time Wednesday, with wagons rolling in pretty regular all day. Reports indicate that there are several thousand bales in the from Ballinger up-to-date.

gardless of consequences.

ments of the three Ballinger banks which were issued this week. and try to make plain the exact status of the question. The banks show to be in fine condition, perhaps the best in several years, and the deposits of the three banks foot up over one million dollars with something like a half million dollars in cash general election, November 3, 1908, adopted an amendment to the on hand.

tising matter from the mail order houses. Great patches of cir- districts and in "towns and villages incorporated for free school culars, price lists and catalogues have been going into the mail purposes only." Since the adoption of the present Constitution boxes of the Southern farmers, and as a direct result many dollors in 1876, more than thirty amendments have been submitted to will go to the mail order houses never to return for circulation the people of Texas for ratification and of the amendments adoptamong the people who buy these mail order goods. Who is to ed, very few have received such emphatic approval by the voters blame? the local newspaper which pulls for its home town, and to public free schools. This is convincing evidence that educauses many lines of space fighting the mail order evil, or the dead tional sentiment in favor of better schools is rapidly growing. moss back merchant who never spends a cent for printers ink?

Liberal, broadminded Ballinger. A petition is being circulated here this week by R. P. Kirk, secretary of the Commercial Club asking the legislature to establish an experimental farm at San Angelo. Ballinger people are wise enough to know that a farm of this kind located any where in this part of the state will be a benefit to the western country, and we will profit as well as that particular locality where the farm in located. And, again, too, we are not envious of San Angelo, we rejoice with her in all the good things that the enterprizing citizens of that town get. A deserving people for enterprise, push and "git up and git."

The Baptist denomination of Texas is building sanitariums at different places in the state. A two hundred thousand dollar home for the sick has just been completed at Dallas, and the committee in charge is calling for bids from towns in this part of the state for a seventy-five thousand dollar sanitarium. It is to be known as the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium. The committee will receive proposals up to about the first of March. Abilene, Brownwood and San Angelo are applicants for the worthy institution and Ballinger should get in the game and capture the prize. More work for the Commercial Club.

The country press that so unanimously supported Governor Campbell in two campaigns and that was largely responsible for his election has apparently parted company with him since the report of his statement made to Byrne regarding the venality of country editors. While some of Campbell's friends say that he did not make the statements with which he was credited, the governor has not thought it worth while to either affirm or deny it. It is evidently a matter of little concern to him. - Brownwood Bulletin.

Gov. Campbell says the newspapers of the state can be bought with a railroad pass, or words to that effect. This is an insult to the press. The press of the state claims credit to a great extent for the passage of the anti-pass law, and the law was made to apply to newspapers for spite. The newspapers are very indifferent about the law as it now stands, and very little effort is being made to have it amended, and Tom Campbell's statement is a ! reflection on the craft and adds no laurels to his drastic record.

Brownwood can ill afford to part with any of its husling citizens, but there are a few famous mossbacks in the town whose departure would tend to give relief to the people.—Brownwood Bul-

Why so much worry about the mossbacks? Just as cloudy days enable us to fully appreciate the sunshine, so a few mossbacks in a community make the live, progressive citizen stand out in bold relief. Quit knocking the knockers and go to boosting the boosters.—Fort Worth Record.

Mossbacks are an indespensable "thing." It is said that it takes all kinds of people to make a city. We can hardly imagine what a town would be without mossbacks and knockers.

It is only a question of time, and it may be a short time, until we will be called upon to chronicle an accident, and perhaps a fatal one, that will occur on the Eighth Street railroad crossing. This has become a very dangerous place, and something should be done to protect human life before the delay will be costly. There is almost a continuous passage up and down this street and the Santa Fe's business requires a great deal of switching. People are careless and venturesome, and this will cost some one their life sooner or later. The proper authorities should take hold of the matter and see that our people are provided with a "life preserver," regardless of cost.

The Galveston-Dallas News quotes Brady as being the leading Following is the list of grand and town of the State on cotton receipts for the present season. Oh, well, The News is just mistaken. Ballinger is several thousand bales ahead of Brady. - Banner-Leader.

Perhaps it was some correspondent or some person interviewed by The News who gave the premiership to Brady, and not The News on its own authority. All who are well informed upon the subject know that Ballinger, in point of wagon receipts, has broken the record, capped the climax, astonished the natives and brought down the house this season. This, however, is no intimation that Brady has been off the job; there has been quite some scattering cotton hauled into the McCulloch County capital recently. - Dallas

The small-grain crop of Runnels county is perhaps greater in M. L. Mitchell acreage than ever before in the history of the county. The freeze C. R. Hightower several weeks ago damaged the crop to some extent, and espec- John T. Brown E. J. O'Kelley ially the late planting. Reports come in from over the county R. McGregor that the crop needs rain to bring it out and take on the growth Gus Glass the freeze set back. The loss of the small-grain crop would be a J. P. Hufaker hard blow to the country this spring. However, the feed question J. B. Nunn is not troubling the minds of many Runnels county farmers this F. L. Harper spring. Last spring a continuous string of wagons could be seen Ben Nitsch leaving town with feed purchased at a high price. Many farmers F. M. Murphy have feed to sell and are getting back some of the cash expended E. J. Cathey for feed last year. Loads of feed, oats, maize, etc. can be seen on

The president of the school board informs us that the board will L. C. Alexander country yet, and that the receipts will grow for some weeks to very probably meet next week for the purpose of ordering an I. S. Baldwin come. There has been about seventy thousand bales shipped election for the issuance of \$20,000 worth of school bonds. Judge W. R. Harter M. C. Smith is in Austin to appear before the legislature and get I. N. Hinson the defects in the present law relative to the Ballinger district Petit Jurors Second Week. Hurrah for the thirty-first legislature! They have been in knocked out, and to interview the attorney general further in J. B. Parks session one month and have not burdened the statute books with reference to the school law pertaining to our district and the J. W. Godwin a single (bad) law. Last session they carried out every demand issuance of bonds. It is a foregone conclusion that the bond elec- W. L. Bell of the Democratic platform regardless of consequences. This tion will be called, and it is the only way to supply the school H. Giesecke session they have refused to carry out any of the demands re- room so badly needed. It is also a foregone conclusion that some E. L. Rasbury will oppose the issuance of more bonds. You should not be too W. L. Sowel quick to make up your mind on this important question. The whole matter will be thrashed out and fully explained, and you P. K. Laxton Runnels county people as a whole are by no ways paupers, should not oppose the move until you have ample grounds for so Tom Lively but are in a prosperous condition, as is evidenced by the state- doing. When the election is ordered we will go into full details R. D. Fullerton

By a majority of 78,325, the qualified voters of Texas, in the State Constitution which substitutes majority rule for the twothirds rule in school tax elections and authorizes the levy of a For the last month the mails have been flooded with adver- fifty cent tax for the maintenance of schools in common school of the State as was given the Constitutional amendment relating feeling, strengthening the appe-The enactment of a law in harmony with the amendment will enable districts that desire to do so to make liberal investment of Ash Bitters is a golden remedy. suit in the show window at Lanktheir own money for the improvement of their schools.



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Jury List.

District court will convene in petitit jurors for the term:

GRAND JURY.

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L. E. Bair

John Brock

A. F. Adams

T. J. Parrish

I. I. Beard

H. G. Windland

B. H. Jeans

H. K. Reid

F. G. Hoelsche

Wm. Havenhill

R. A. Yeates W. S. Davis C. S. Bowden J. W. Ganaway F. E. Clayton G. Schuchman W. L. Neely J. W. Seals

PETIT JURORS FIRST WEEK M. I. Rayburn J. W. Murray R. W. Gilliam Sam Petty

W. Pink King G. W. Reeder

W. D. Meadows Lon Mapes E. M. Eubanks A. J. Tyree

Ed Glenn

F. Roper

Feb McWilliams

B. F. Warren

J. W. Dancer For driving out dull bilious a great meeting. tite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, Prickly City Drug Store special agents. ford's furniture Store?

Cause of Dead Cotton.

The cause of dead cotton on Ballinger, Monday, March 1st. the rich lands of Texas has been found and the discovery is not credited to any government expert but to a local farmer, Mr. A. C. Roberts, who lives a few miles east of Lockhart. He says that dead and dying cotton is not J. W. Clampitt due to alkali, weather influences nor to lightning, but to a worm not bigger than a common horse J. M. Slaughter hair and about an inch or a little over in length. He says the worm burrows its way into the stalk at the surface of the ground, enters the pith and destroys it. As proof of his discovery he says that any farmer C. A. Doose who has a good eye and cares to J. M. Greenhill investigate can pull all the dead S. M. Seay cotton he cares to and he will A. L. Farris find this obnoxious little parasite A. J. Hicks in the pith of every stalk.

If this true, and we take Mr. D. H. Bowen Roberts' word gladly, it is the E. Ballou most important discovery of the John McNeill age and its experts for many W. E. Allen years past. Every paper in Tex-L. S. Duett as should copy this article and H. Vandevanter every farmer who has suffered from the dying cotton evil should Geo. Allen at once begin an investigation and find some remedy for the J. T. Russell evil. - Luckhart Courier.

The Rev. S. S. Sexon of . B. H. Neal ton Texas, will be here about th R. L. Shaffer last of March to hold a ten J. E. Gentry twelve days meeting. He is or Sam Baker of the finest preachers ... the W. E. Palmer state. He has had wide experi-J. A. Huddleston E. H. Levier, ence, and is a broad liberal N. J. Allen man. He could not come at any R. T. Jones other time, and we could not af-B. F. Miers ford to miss his coming. All the W. A. Talley pastors and the people have a F. D. Bedford very cordial invitation to come Frank Flint and take part in the meeting. F. Voelker Then when Brother Adair comes we will be ready to join him in

J. A. Biggs.

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on the front seat of the automobile gave a decided tug to her veil. "No," she said.

'you can't care you'd remember a little thing like "Well."

gested the young anxiously frowning over the steering wheel, what's the use

"It may be small in one way-but not in another!" corrected the young woman with dignity. "I can't understand it! You say you didn't remember in the least how you felt when you first saw me-or where or when it was!"

"You see, it's as if I'd always known you," exclaimed the young man, brightly. "I don't remember anything before that!"

"In that case you'd remember the beginning!" insisted the young woman, in sad triumph. "It just shows that our first meeting meant nothing

"Why, I remember all about it!" burst forth the young man. "Of course I do! You had on a dress with pink roses on it and it was at Molly Frost's at a card party exactly three winters

The young woman drew as far away as the width of the seat would allow and gazed at the scenery in absorbed interest. Though she said nothing the young man felt the frost in the atmosphere, even through his leather

"Wasn't it?" he demanded, with a falling inflection heroically positive.

The young woman coughed. 'I wonder if we'll get out to the house on she murmured as if to her-

"Wasn't it?" demanded the young man sternly, almost running over a dog in his absorption.

"I suppose you've forgotten," said Hundreds of ladies have been the young woman with elaborate inwas in Europe and also that I never laid eyes on Molly Frost in my life till last December.'

The young man increased the speed of the machine. "Well, anyhow," he said firmly, "it was a dress with pink roses and somebody wore it!"

"I've no doubt of it," said the young woman sweetly. "She certainly made a strong impression on you, since you recall her after all these years. I Whiskey, morphine and drug don't blame you, in view of that, for addictions cured to stay cured in forgetting such a trivial occurrence as being introduced to me-

"As if I could mix you up with any one else!" protested the young man, plunging desperately. "I-I just did that to tease you, Annette!"

The young woman surveyed him coldly. "Did you?" she asked with suspicious calmness. Then smiled. What a joke!" she murmured. Presently she demanded: "Well, then, joking aside, when was it we first

The young man stopped the machine with a jerk and getting out some tools, crawled part way underneath it briskly. When he got to the station

After ten minutes of this he emerged with an air of relief. "Guess we'll get along all right now," he said, jauntily. "Fine day for a ride, isn't it? Did you notice--

"When was it?" repeated the young

woman in even tones The young man bent low over the wheel and swallowed hard. "It was after you got home from abroad," he said with a positive air.

"Yes?" prompted the young woman, "At a dinner at the Smiths'-" The young man felt danger in the silence which followed this attempt. "No, no; I mean the theater party Howardson gave-eh? Remember the chinchilla

the young woman with indifference, 'And I wasn't at Mr. Howardson's party because I had the grip at the made in many cases given up as time. What's the use of pretending that you remember when you don't as all? Why don't you just say that the All diseases of women; special first time you met me I made no imdiseases of men; special diseases pression whatever upon you among the crowd of really interesting people and you didn't notice me especial-

> "Of course I noticed you!" protest ed the young man, still clinging des perately to the romance expected of

gauntlet and turned on her. "Well,"

away and gave her veil another twitch. Then she looked at him and from behind the enshrouding chiffon came a subdued and helpless chuckle. "I don't know," she confessed. "I haven't any more idea than you have. Tommy!"

"Well, if you haven't got a lot of nerve!" gasped the young man after he had comprehended. "And grilling me like that for forgetting!"-Chicago

The day that the good wife was billed to start home Bronson sat in a busy cafe across the table from a celibate friend. Ever and anon, or vice versa, which ever way one may prefer, Bronson would pull out his watch and say, "Well, by jingo, my wife and kid will just about be starting for home in a couple of hours now. I won't have many more hours to kill until I go to the station to meet them. Say, it's lonesome around a flat when

the leading lady's away, hey?" Then the bachelor friend grunted, 'Uh, huh," although, of course, he didn't know anything about it one way or another, and, what was more, didn't care a continental. But Bronson went right on. "Well," he observed, "I don't much blame a woman for wanting to get away once in a while from as ungrateful a brute as the average man is. You and I would get devilish tired of the job if we had to buy things for the family to eat and fix the fodder up in a new way each day. It's no cinch job, I'm here to state.

"Yes," Bronson went on, "and things are going to be different around our little wickieup if I've got anything to say about it. Once or twice a week, as soon as the little girl gets back to town, it's going to be us for a nice dinner down town of an evening-no cheap restaurant, either, understand. Then we'll skip over to some good

By this time the bachelor friend was trying to switch to another set of views and was coming in with such replies as this: "Um-m-m, but say! Our old friend Bill Taft surely does seem to have everything pretty much sewed up on this presidential game, hey? And don't poor old Joe Foraker take it hard? Sometimes I feel sorry for

The political talk lasted just about 44 seconds. Then Bronson put in, "Funny how ignorant a man is about the common everyday things. My wife wrote me the other day to be sure and she got back. And do you s'pose I had gumption to know what to order? I c'd have come just as near ordering the outfit for a polar expedition, had to telegraph her to send me a list of things to order. It all seemed simple enough after she told me. We talk about women being stupid, but I guess they've got us skinned about 14 ways from a given point, all right, and that's no wireless message from the Bad Lands, either!"

But Bronson had another disk in the phonograph and continued in about this wise: "A fellow wouldn't think a month would make such a difference in a youngster, would he? Nope. But my wife writes me that that kid of ours is just fairly growing out of his clothes. Still a kid does hump along some on the grow proposition just at that age-she isn't three yet, won't be until the twentieth of next month. Huh! She and I are great pals. She's a great Indian, that kid of mine. You

ought to hear-"By gum, I guess I'm going to b late for my appointment, old man, broke in Bronson's bachelor friend, snapping his watch. "Well, good luck, I'll have to be off. Hope the wife and

yougster pull in on time." From then on until train time Bronson just monkeyed with his watch and tried vainly to make the hours pass he found that the train was 30 miputes late. "Supposing the train should be wrecked or something," he thought, as a cold sweat broke out over him. When the train finally did pull in he nearly had heart failure because his wife and youngster were not among the first ones off the train. He saw the one man who always comes off a little ahead of everybody else, with an alligator grip in his hand, and looked vainly for his wife. At last the came. After they'd had the first burst of greetings and he had tossed the kid up in the air once and staked them individually and collectively to a DO YOU GET UP couple of hugs, wifey came at him with this, "And you're really glad to have us back again, are you?" she said. "Did you miss your little wife a

whole lot?' Here's what Bronson replied: "Why, sure, I missed you, but here you are home a week earlier than you expected to be. Why didn't you stay and have your visit out while you were about it?"-Chicago Journal.

Methods of the Silkworm.

On attaining full growth, the silkworm stops feeding and throws out silken threads. The silk is formed in a fluid condition and issues from the body of the worm in a glutinous state -apparently in a single thread. From this silk the worm constructs its cocoon, an interval of from three to five closed insects are dead. After this the silk may be wound off.

Hawaii's Rubber Industry.

The rubber industry in Hawaii is still in the experimental stage, but experts believe the opportunities for profit are going to be large. Pre- Dr. Kilmer & Co., Bingliminary experiments by the govern- hamton, N. Y. The ment indicate a high yield from even regular fifty cent and Home of Swamp-Root. young trees. Over 400,000 rubber trees have been planted in the islands, and still other plantations are being established.

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. It is important that every teacher and pupil be on hand on time. Let the members of the new classes be present. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, The work of Holy Ghost in conversion or regeneration. Text I Thess. 5: 19. The Leagues meet at 3 and 4 o'clock. Preaching at 7:30. Subject, The work of the young people and how we should treat them. All the young people have a special invitation to come. The stranger and visitor will have a hearty welcome. We will expect all that have church letters to be present if possible. J. A. Biggs.

Eighth Street Presbyterian Church

The Sunday School meets at 9:45 a.m. The pastor will preach at both the morning and evening hour. Morning subject, "The Rock of Ages." Evening subject "How Much is a Man Better Then a Sheep?" At the evening hour Miss Coral Clark will sing a solo "Golgotha" by C. J. Couchois. A special invitation is extended to all strangers and those church members whose pastors are absent to attend these services. All welcomed.

Ninth Street Baptist.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Preaching at 11 a.m. amd at 7:30 p.m. Morning subject, "Heaven is Perfect in Happiness." Evening, "The Way to Heaven."

Junior B. Y. P. U. at 3 p.m. Senior B. Y. P. U. at 4 p.m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services. Strangers will always find a hearty welcome at our services.

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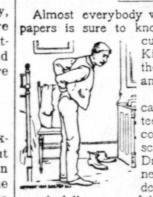
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For February

February is a dull month with most merchants, but not so with us. We offer bargains that attract the attention of every thrifty man and woman, and in that way we turn February into a fairly busy month. Of course we don't care about profits just now. We simply want to run up the sales to high figures. See what we offer for February.

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5000 yards new Embroidery, embracing many desirable patterns, all offered at the attractive prices per yard 25c to

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Gold-plated Stick Pins, 18 on card, for	121-20
Ladies' Hose Supporters, the 35c kind, for	290
New Ruching, white and colors, for collar	150
Calico, all shades in dark and light	
Children's Muslin Underwear, per garment	
71-2c Cotton Flannel, per yard	50
15c Cotton Flannel, the best, for	100
Good yard-wide Domestic, per yard	50
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Ladies' fast black Hose, per pair	90
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BALLINGER, TEXAS

colder every minute. I see by the pa- lars a month thereafter. pers that the wires are down every-

yesterday, I'm told."

on such subjects, how would you like town. to hear a true story about the 'wireless'-one that proves truth is stranger than fiction?" he asked.

The squire smiled skeptically. "Si," to a good story, but I've read so many for Bill to join her." and heard so many lies about the wireless' that I'm afidid even yours to, Si?" asked the captain, who was a might be a chestnut. You can tell it, member of the police force. but I warn you that if it's a stale one we'll all drink a toddy on you."

stretched himself out comfortably in

his arm chair. "Two years ago," he began, "when I was teaching school in Verdantville, a small village up the Allegheny valley, a dapper and diamond bedecked chap hit our town. He was a first-prize faker, a direct descendant of the Biblical celebrity whose name this club stamped him as a smooth-bore fool.

"At that he might have made money by it, seeing as there's one of his kind born every minute, but unfortunately for the faker he ran up against a friend of mine, a fellow named Bill Blandel, too early in the game.

"So that you can the better understand how it all came to pass I'll have to enlighten you about Bill. Bill was a jolly sort till he got married. But proved to be the most churlish woman in Verdantville, and just naturally enjoyed making Bill's life miserable. Whenever he'd express an opinion she'd cross it and start arguing, and before Bill could say more'n a word or two she's grow indignant and would bring skillets, saucepans and other cooking utensils into the argument, and they'd most always land somewhere on Bill.

"Of course, that soured his disposition, for such treatment showed him that he'd miscalculated about his affinity. But being of church-going stock Bill bowed to the burden put on him by wedlock, and one day when Mrs. Blandel got so angry that she took a fit and died in it. Bill actually cried. I kind of think, though, that he wept for joy, for when he and I were riding home from the burying ground on the day his wife was laid away, Bill said to me tearfully, 'Si, this is the happiest day of my life.'

"Now about the faker-he told Bill that this wireless telegraph invention is the eighth wonder of the world, and that he was working for a hundredmillion-dollar company that had a wireless station on one of the Egyptian pyramids where messages were received constantly from St. Peter about the people up above. He said his company was utilizing the messages in making books, directories, as it were, with all the angels' names in them, showing where each angel was they were passing the time. He such a directory for every city and For sale. Hylton Texas.

ville, and that Verdantville must be a mighty pious place because the proofsheets of the directory his company was preparing showed the names of nearly every one that was buried in

"He gave Bill a great jolly about Bill's being a leading citizen, and ex-"My, but it's a rough night," ob- plained that for that reason the comserved Squire Simmons, as he strolled pany particularly wanted to have Bill's room of the Ananias club. "It seems subscription list, and that if Bill to me the weather man isn't up to his would head it he could have a copy of job. His bulletin this morning pre-the directory for ten dollars, in addicted 'fair and warmer,' and to-night vance, although the regular price was it's blowing and snowing, and getting fifty-ten dollars down and five dol-

"Bill was naturally gullible-his where. Wonder how he'll know what marriage had shown that, and he was kind of weather we're to have to much taken with the proposition, until he asked for word from his departed "He won't have any trouble on that better-half. When the faker started score, I reckon," replied Captain Bran- telling Bill about her Bill got frantic dle, tapping the ashes from his pipe with rage. Catching the faker by the derstanding of the origin of the disease. and refilling it, "the wireless 'll help collar he yanked him around the cor- a prominent physician was recently inhim out—the new station was finished ner to the lockup. There he was held as a suspicious character for a while, Prof. Meggs drew his chair up a but as nobody appeared to prosecute little closer to the hearth. "Touching him, he was fined and ordered out of

"He might have secured some subscribers for his imaginary directory among the innocent folks of Verdantville, if he hadn't told Bill Blandel that' he said, "I'm always ready to listen Mrs. Blandel was in Heaven longing

"What did the faker's fine amount

The professor thought a moment. "I think it was \$50," he replied. "And The professor merely smiled, and what does my yarn cost you, Squire?"

he added. with a grin. "Let's see," said the squire, goodnaturedly joining in the general laugh, "there's nine of us. It's going to cost me \$1.35, but I feel, Si, that as a lie it's worth that."

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. perpetuates, and he had a scheme that | J. O. Tillery is quite sick with phneumonia.

> J. A. Walker, the Brownwood capitalist and head of the Walker-Smith Co., is here today.

Want Column

RATES: One cent a word for first insertion. One-half cent a word for each additional insertion.

ahead of regular schedule time if you A severe heart throbbing and nervous solve your little worries in the Want Ad way-an advertising column for the little wants.

The day you neglected to read the Want Ads you "dropped a stitch" - probably the stitch that would have

SAVE YOUR CARPETS. By placing old papers under them. 5000 old papers for sale at Leader office. You fix the

ROOMS FOR RENT-I have two or suffering kidneys must be strengthened, three nice furnished rooms to rent, for the liver and stomach toned up and the either ladies or gentlemen, near oil mill. | digestion improved."

Mrs, L. A. Graham DOG LOST. I will pay liberal reward for return of one white and black spotted setter dog about one year old. The dog has on plain leather collar. He left home last Tuesday. Phone or write me. Leon Ward, Ballinger,

HORSES FOUND, Anyone who lost two gray horses, can find same by calling at the Leader office and paying for this notice.

THOROUGHBREDS-W. T. Brown, Ash Bitters which has entirely cured me, and I from, how they were feeling and how Poland China Hogs, Boonze Turkeys, White Wine Dotts, White Leghorns vowed his company was preparing and Rhode Island Red, Stock and Eggs.

A PHYSICIAN'S DIAGNOSIS OF KIDNEY TROUBLE.

A Seemingly Common Disease which Becomes Fatal through Neglect and which May Be Readily Cured by Prompt Attention.

More than two-thirds of the annual death rate, physicians claim, is directly traceable to kidney disorders.

interested by this remarkable assertion and desiring to acquire a better unterviewed as to the symptoms of such (0)

"To what do you attribute the great destructiveness of kidney disease?" was

"The hold which the disease gains in the body before the victim becomes aware of his true condition, and the rapidity with which it eats its way into the vital organs."

"Would not the proverbial 'ounce of prevention' check the progress of the

"There is no doubt of it. The trouble V is that victims of this disease mistake the symptoms for some trifling ailment in the stomach or bowels; therefore they do nothing to arrest the course of the disease until it is well advanced.'

"What is the origin of kidney trouble?" "Almost invariably bad digestion, followed by torpid liver and a constipated

"What are the symptoms?"

"Headache, dizzy spells, sluggish brain, restless nights, pale or sallow skin, bad breath, lack of appetite, heart. burn, sour belching, backache or tenderness over the kidneys, nervous weakness, dark rings around the eyes, tired feeling, too much or too little urine, and sediment in urine."

ITS EFFECT ON THE HEART.

"In what way is the heart affected from

"In all cases the heart is disturbed, though in many instances the palpitation does not become alarming until the Gray hairs won't come ten years disease has advanced to a serious point. trembling is noticeable, especially after on a little bodily emercise; the victim frequently imagines he has heart disease."

"What is the proper course of treatment for kidney disease?"

"First, to get rid of uric acid and other poisons in the system. This can be done by stimu'ating the bladder and bowels so that they will act more freely. The

Prickly Ash Bitters is a remedy that answers these requirements completely. M It is not only a system tonic and regulator, but its healing and restorative influence will build up the weakened kidneys and urge them to a better perform- V ance of their duties. It gives strength and tone to the liver, stomach and heart and promotes harmony of action through-

M. W. Burr, village blacksmith and respected citizen of Starks, La., says: "I was troubled with kidney and liver disorder for 18 years. I was in continual misery until I began taking Prickly the hog and poultryman, thoroughbred am now a strong, healthy and hearty man. I in the best of health, too. I feel that Prickly Ash Bitters is the best remedy on earth and that everybody should keep a bottle at home.

> Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label.

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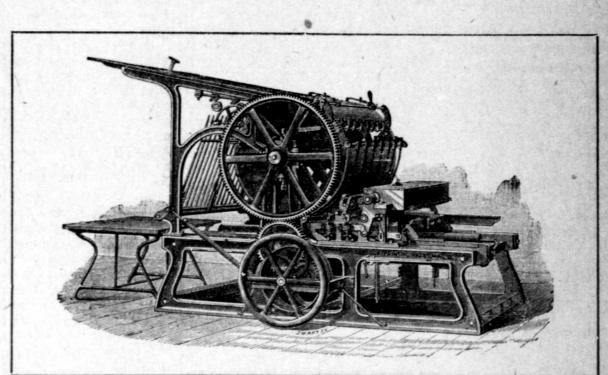
Abraham Lincoln Centennial Being Celebrated in Many Ways.

Today is the one hundredth anniversary of Abraham Lin-(n) coln, and the occasion is brought to the notice of the people in many ways. The government has issued a supply of stamps O(N) bearing the picture of Lincoln. These stamps were put on sale at the Ballinger postoffice this morning, and quite a lot of them | purchased by the Ballinger peo-

M. J. Rayburn very Low

News reached Ballinger this morning to the effect that M. J. (A) Rayburn was dangerously sick at his home near Norton. We failed to learn the trouble. Mr. Rayburn was in town Tuesday and was in as good health as

When you need Job Printing of any kind, from a Visiting Card to a Catalogue, the Leader's job department is well equipped in type and machinery to give you the best that can be had. The appearance of your stationery is worth much to your business: you can't afford to use other than the best.



Our Clubbing Offers:

The Banner-Leader gives the news of Ballinger and Runnels County, and we offer the following clubbing rates on State papers and magazines:

Leader and Dallas News, Leader and Fort Worth Record, Leader and Houston Post, 1.75 Leader and San Antonio Express, 1.75 Leader and Farm and Ranch, - 1.75 Leader and Bryan's Commoner - - - -Leader and Campbell's Dry Land Farmer In fact we can give you a club rate on any paper you want.

This to Advertisers:

We call your attention to the fact that since the first of January we have added sixty-eight new names to our list of subscribers. The merchant who fails to use these columns regularly and persistently to aid him in the sale of his wares is missing an opportunity that he can't afford to overlook.

The Banner-Leader

Make 1909 a Happy and Prosperous year. We wish all our customers a Happy New Year, and thank you for your patronage through 1908. Buy your 1909 Groceries from us and we will help you to be prosperous and happy.

M. D. Chastain

Corner 8th and Hutchings Ave.

MAYOR HOFFER'S REPORT CRITICISED

Chas. S. Miller Has Something to Say About Showing Made in Annual

all the time."

especially our voters, who are ment they deserved. also supposed to be "men of age Third and Fourth. Under-this machinery to our county if He says: cordingly to their judgments.

First: Whatever cleaning our considered by some.

DR. U. E. G. DYER

Practice limited to diseases and surgery of the Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat, and Glasses.

ice over BennetT Abstract Co., Ballinger

for stout people is sufficient for one dose, provided the pill is the one we put up and guarantee. Why swallow a handful of patent ills to get the results of ONE OF PEARCE'S PINK LIV-ER PILLS. Try them. Price 25c.

I. Y. Pearce The Leading Druggist

able, but do you discover any- if they did not give us a perfect thing marvelous in it.

Second. Our people fully ap so much gratuity. preciate our fire department and Ninth. Our health board but for the untiring energy of deserves all the support and our noble fire boys and the private praise we can give same and I subscriptions of our citizens, have no criticism to offer on this. what would our fire department Tenth. Water meters were a be. The only thing marvelous necessity to prevent the abuse think it was Barnum who I can see in this, is that by con- of the use of water and waste of est legal luminaries in Erath d "You can fool all the peo- stant hammering of our fire boys same. No objection to them. ple some times, you can fool aided by the citizens they did Eleventh. Whether the sale about divorces in the Farm and sider the advisability of issuing some of the people all the time, finally succeed in making an im- of one-half of street grading Ranch. He takes a sensible and more bonds for building school but you cannot fool all the people pression on that "full age and machinery to Brady was wise or conservative view of this evil. buildings. Several of the leadmature judgment" of our council not, I am not prepared to state. It is underminding our domestic ing citizens were before the I have not the time to go into to induce them to give our fire It occurs to me that perhaps it fabrics by dividing households board and expressed themselves details of our city finances but department at least some of the would have been a better paying on account of the incompatability on the question.

called attention to a few facts, equal to cash—the taxpayers pay most in wet weather. panic conditions during our term people getting value received for space in town it owned to tie riages.

> by all on a dark night especially, supply of water so unlimited and divorces. so I will accord the Mayor full our city funds are so vast that Then there are people who will pay interest and create credit of its being marvelous.

something all of us feel proud of and the donors of the lot and funds to build and maintain same, all deserve the credit due them. But I cannot see wherein the you no longer. Tie your teams do the other. order which enabled our citizens to reap the benefit of said dona-

Seventh. Sanitary Sewerage ous, marvelous indeed. is an absolute necessity for the that our City Council has done the best it could in trying to about damage suits filed and to provide for same. But I think our city should own same itself as soon as it can do so.

Eighth: The Telephone-This is a private enterprise to which our city has from time to time granted or suffered to appropriate to itself valuable franchises without pay and to my mind it would be very marvelous indeed,

telephone system after receiving MARRIAGE EVIL DIVORCE EVIL

Marriage Evil a Greater Curse than Di- Bond Issue Only Way to Settle Matter. vorce Evil, so Says a Young Lawyer

Lee Young, one of the bright- Crowded out last week in order to aid the public and additional aid and encourage- proposition for the business of of temperaments and educational Judge M. C. Smith, who is our city to have loaned or rented attainments failing to assimilate heartily in favor of the bond

and mature judgment in putting ground drainage and macadam- they would have agreed to There is the ever recurring considerable interest in the on their "thinking cap", I desire izing of streets was accomplished macadamize certain roads lead-subject of the divorce evil, in-schools, explained to the board through your valued paper to by issuance of \$20,000 in bonds ing into Ballinger that needed it termittenly becomes of intense how the bonds could be issued interest. In an editorial some without increasing the tax rate, and then let the voters act ac- this-what has been done is in Twelfth. The public parks months since we pointed out and read letters from the atsight-did we get value received? adjacent to the Court House-that the remedy was not in limit-torney general touching on the Our Hon, Mayor after referring If so we are entitled to that much. It was a marvelous thing indeed ing divorces or in compelling question. to fifteen different subjects states We pay for it we expect value for this council of "full age an unhappy mated people to live The present tax valuation of "Taking it all in all and consider- received for what we pay for. mature judgment" to rob our together, but in teaching people the Ballinger Independent school ing the crops, commercial and Is there anything marvelous in farmer friends of the only open to contract more rational mar- district is over two million dol-

it really seems marvelous what what they pay for? Perhaps in their teams and market their There are people who base valuation a seven and one half we have been able to accomplish." this age of graft it may be so products. In the eyes of this marriages on property holdings, cent tax rate will pay the interpublic spirited Council, our city and such marriages defeat all est and create sinking fund on city has received is quite credit- Fifth. Our electric arc light has grown so wealthy and its hopes for happiness, any seldom \$20,000 bonds. The present tax illumination is fully appreciated citizens are so prosperous, our find it. Such marriages lead to rate for the bond issue is fifteen

we can plant trees and flower "fall in love," as if reason and sinking fund on \$20,000 more Sixth. Carnegie Library is beds and bask in the sunshine of common sense had no place in bonds, or \$40,000 in all. ease and luxury, and say to our the matter of contracting marfarmer friends, the backbone riage. People who "fall in love" issue, and the errection of more and sinew of our business and may expect to "fall" out again. school buildings. He thought subsistance. Skidoo. We need To do one is as rational as to that by adding two rooms to the

City Council deserves any par- on the outskirts of town. We Then there are worthless and room could be supplied for some ticular credit for same. Unless don't care if you come here or diseased people who impose time to come, He said he did it be marvelous that they conde- not. And all this was done in themselves upon others by de- not want the board to think that scended to pass a necessary the face of a petition of adjoin- ception. For such marriages he was opposed to improving the ing property holders and many there can be no other end than schools, but that he was opposed other tax paying citizens of our divorce. The wrong is in the to burdening the people with town to the contrary. Marvel-marriage, and not in the di-taxes. vorce. God never joins two Chas. S. Miller, and Jack Mc-How about tearing up streets people when one of them is Gregor addressed the board and health of any city. So I assume in the center of our city to give guilty of deception in procuring were heartily in favor of the a favored few rock free. How the marriage.

be filed against the city growing that they are to become men and use the entire \$20,000 worth of out of the "management of "full women, and that they must bonds at present, but to issue care for their minds and bodies that many, and use what was change. Whem people who mar- supplying more room. ry contract the relation, because of true affection, and with just fewer divorces. People who resgave the final impetus to the real affection, seldom seek divorces. Such marriages grow in happiness every day and are

It is better to cut down a tree which bears evil fruit than forever to be plucking the fruit, Divorces are chiefly the result of bad marriages. In many cases innocent and ignorant young girls are entrapped into marriage with men wholly unworthy, and no one can reasonably expect the victim to be satisfied with the frauds perpetrated.

Then there is so much of the 'double standard' of morality wherein a man, wholly corrupt, must mate with a good and pure woman. I cannot believe such marriages are good for a day or for a life,

There has been so much said about surpressing the "divorce evil." If those who would do good for mankind would say and write half as much about the evils of unsuitable marriages many times the good would be done. But a lot of people immagine that when a marriage has been contracted God has joined the man and woman together. This may be true when there is real marriage, but when a scoundrel misleads a sweet young girl into marriage, surely there is no sanctity about such marriage. Or, when a villain caring only for some It may not cure all your ills, but it woman's money lures her into does cure one of the worst. It cures marriage with profession of afany form of itch ever known-no matter what its called, where the sensation sanctified. God does not join is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, ring- in swindles or frauds nor does

take up the "marriage evil."

SCHOOL BOARD **CONSIDERS BUILDING**

To Reduce Tax Rate.

The school board met Monday county, has the following to say morning at ten o'clock to con-

issue and who has been taking

lars, and with this assessed cents on the hundred, which

Judge Guion opposed the bond present buildings the needed

bond issue, and advanced the When people teach children idea that it was not necessary to and grow souls to habit their needed to supply the needed bodies they will be more worthy room and reserve the others of marriage. When honorable until they were needed. The womanhood meets honorabe ward school idea was discussed manhood, there will be fair ex- and will no doubt be used in

The board has the matter under consideration and will no sense of obligation, there will be doubt pass resolution reducing present tax rate to 71 cents and pect and have for each other order an election for the issuance of \$20,000 bonds.

See Morehead, the Tailor.

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ABSTRACTS

"State Bank Building"

REAL ESTATE

do not believe that the recent the support of society. bill in the Tenness lesislature, which was carried over Gov. Patterson's veto, giving the State total prohibition, would have

ever been passed by the legislature. There is great excitement in the State over that tradegy and it has recently been revived and intensified by the trial of the Coopers and former Sheriff Sharpe, now proceeding in Nash-

age and mature judgment."

Tennessee Pro Law Due to Carmack

"Senator Carmack's death,

said W. M. Cooke, of Memphis,

Tenn., to a Washington Post re-

porter, at the New Willard,

prohibition movement in Tennes-

"If he had not been killed, I

Respectfully,

CHAS. S. MILLER.

Marvelous silence.

"Mrs. Mary Armor, who, understand, has inaugurated prohibtion movements here, is a wonderful woman. To her more than to any other person. is due the fact that Georgia went dry. Mark my words; if she stays in this city long enough, you will have prohibition here. Mrs. Armor helped greatly to carry prohibition to victory in Tennessee She is regarded in the South the same way that the fiamous Gough the first apostle of temperance in this country, was regarded in the North.

"I think that Tennessee will prosper as much with prohibition as without it. Certainly, business will not be injured as much as some of our friends would have one believe."

"It Knocks the Itch"

worms, are cured by one box. Its he conspire to degrade humanity. guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Let the divorce evil rest and

The Bargain Flood Gates Are Open to the Public

Prosperity makes the low prices; square dealing brings the crowds.

That here is Ballinger's greatest attraction is shown by the immense crowds that have thronged our store since the opening hour. There is a reason for it, and a good one. people realize when WE say bargains it means bargains in the true sense of the word. And to see stacks of goods disappearing like a snow pile under the rays of a August sun, proves that the people know a good thing when they see it.

Remember there are a few days more of this money-saving opportunity for you. COME TODAY, COME EVERY DAY! We will make your shopping a pleasure in every department. Respectfully yours,

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INDIGESTION ENDS IN FIVE MINUTES

Misery From an Upset Stomach Goes Before You Realize it.

Every family here ought to keep some Diapepsin in the house as any one of you may have an attack of indigestion or stomach trouble at any time, day or night.

This harmless preparation will digest anything you eat and over come a sour stomach fiive minutes afterwards.

If your meals don't tempt you or what little you do eat seems to fill you, or lays like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heartburn, that is a sign of indigestion.

Ask your Pharmacist for a 50 cent ease of Pape's Diapepsin and take one triangule after supper tonight. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, nauseau, debilitating headache, dizziness or intestinal griping. This will all go, and, besides, there will be no sour food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapepsin is a certain cure for all stomach misery, because it will take hold of your food and digest it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there. Actual, prompt relief for all

your stomach misery is at your Pharmacist, waiting for you.

These large 50-cent cases contain more than sufficient to cure a case of dyspepsia or indigestion.

W. E. Bartlett, the photo man successor to Bartlett & Deekle. is now located over Conn & Wiley Contectionery and will be glad to lished therein, but if not, then in any serve you when you want a first class photograth.

Do You

count? 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

We Furnish you with a

Ballinger, - Texas.

office in Wingate, Texas, this the 8th THE STATE OF TEXAS day of February, 1909, JAMES BARRON

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you

before said Court, at its aforesaid next

regular term, this writ, with your re-

the Peace for Precinct No. Three,

Given under my official signature, at

general relief.

executed the same.

Runnels County.

Citation by Publication.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO

SUMMON J. B. Campbell, by making

publication of this Citation once in

each week for four successive weeks

previous to the return day hereof, in

some newspaper published in your

County, if there be a newspaper pub-

newspaper published in the 35th Judicial

published in said Judicial District, then

in a newspaper published in the near-

est District to said 35th Judicial Dis-

No. Three Runnels County, to be holden

RUNNELS COUNTY GREETING:

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ? COUNTY OF RUNNELS By virtue of certain Alias Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, on the Third day of February 1909, by R. A. Terry Clerk and Hardy Cabe for the sum of Six Fourth day of February 1909 levy on Hundred and Ninety Nine Dollars (\$699.00) Dollars and costs of suit, in cause No 953 in said Court styled D. J. towit cause No 953 in said Court styled D. J.

Jones and A. T. Ryder versus G. W.

Johnson and Hardy Cabe and placed in my hands for service, I. James P.

ger Runnels County Texas and levied to the town of Ballinger Runnels County Texas and levied to the service of t my hands for service, I, James P. ger Runnels County Texas and levied others can testify who give it to their children with extraordinary results. Flynt as Sheriff of Runnels County, upon as the property of said W. H. Texas, did on the Fourth day of Febru- Boren and G. W. Johnston, Hardy Cabe cording to the size you want, and even ary 1909 levy on certain Real Estate, and T. P. Weatherred or either of them one 50-cent bottle will do a wonderful amount of good in a family. It can be

Ballinger Texas, between the hours of of said levy and said Order of Sale property of said G. W. Johnston and consecutive weeks immediately preced-Hardy Cabe & either of them by virtue ing said day of sale, in the Bannerof said levy and said Order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give nels County. this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three February 1909, consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Banner-Leader a newspaper published in Runnels County. Witness my hand, this Fourth day of

February 1909 Sheriff Runnels County, Texas. By Jno. B. Parks Deputy.

Rest and Sleep

Few escape those miseries of winter bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but healing to the lungs and bronchial pas-

at Wingate, Texas in said Runnels County, on the 1st day of March 1909, Do you have a Bank Acdocket of said Court No. 31, wherein A. T. Schmoldt, is Plaintiff, and J. B. Campbell is Defendant, and said petition alleging, that defendant is indebtaccount, made at defendant's request, an itimized account, sworn to by plaintiff, being now on file in my office. Plaintiff alledges that the same is now 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.

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First National Bank

DOES NO HARM THE STATE OF TEXAS. TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF BUT MUCH GOOD

Recipe Easily Prepared at Small Gost and Many Swear By It.

Mix the following by shaking well in a bottle, and take in teaspoonful doses after meals District; but if there be no newspaper and at bedtime:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, onehalf ounce; Compound Kargon, trict, to appear at the next regular one ounce; Compound Syrup term of the Justice's Court of Precinct Sarsaparilla, three ounces. A local druggist is the authority that these simple, harmless inthen and there to answer a petition gredients can be obtained at filed in said Court on the 20th day of nominal cost from our home Jan. 1909, in a suit numbered on the druggist.

The mixture is said to cleanse and strengthen the clogged and inactive kidneys, overcoming ed to him in the sum of One Hundred backache, bladder weakness, and and Thirty Dollars, due upon open Urinary trouble of all kinds, if taken before the stage of Bright's

Those who have tried this say past due, owing and unpaid; that he it positively overcomes pain in has often requested defendant to pay, the back, clear's the urine of but that he refused and still refuses to sediment and regulates urination. pay the same or any part thereof to especially at night, curing even plaintiff's great damage of \$150.00, for which plaintiff prays judgment together the worst forms of bladder with all costs included in the prosecu- weakness. tion of this cause, and for special and

Every man or woman here who feels that the Kidneys are not strong or acting in a healthy turn thereon showing how you have tion at home and give it a trial, WITNESS, James Barron, Justice of many persons.

COUNTY OF RUNNELS & By virtue of certain Alias Order of sale issued out Justice of the Peace, of the Honorable District Court of Precinct No. Three, Runnels County, Runnels County, on the Third day of February 1909, by R. A. Terry Clerk of said Court against W. H. Boren and J. Jones versus W. H. Boren, G. W. Johnston, Hardy Cabe and T. P. certain Real Estate, situated in Run-nels County, described as follows, The best and safest way to cure any irregularity of the stomach and bowels

situated in Runnels County, described And on Tuesday, the second day of given to any member of the family March 1909, at the Court House door torpid liver, dyspepsia, heartburn, sick All of Block Number Four (4) in of Runnels County, in the Town of Reeder Addition to the town of Ballin-Ballinger Texas, between the hours of tablets, salts and powders, which should not be given to children, women or old ger, Runnels County, Texas and levied ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell folks. upon as the property of said, G. W. said Plock No. 4 at public vendue, for the family who needs, but has never used Johnston and Hardy Cabe of either of them. And on Tuesday the second day of March 1909, at the Court House door

Wentheymed or either bidder, as the bottle will be sent to your home. In this way you can find out what it will do without personal expense. of Runnels County, in the Town of Weatherred or either of them by virtue

ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell And in compliance with law, I give said Block of land at public vendue, for this notice by publication, in the Engto the highest bidder, as the lish language, once a week for three Leader a newspaper published in Run-

Witness my hand, this Fourth day of

J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff Runnels County, Texas. By Jno. B. Parks Deputy.

Many Sleepless Nights Owing to a Persistent Cough. Relief Found at Last.

"For several winters past my wife has been troubled with a most persistent and disagreeable Simmons Cough Syrup. Soothing and bealing to the lungs and bronchial nassages, it stops the cough at once and and caused her many sleepless gives you welcome rest and peaceful nights," writes Will J. Hayner, editor of the Burley, Colo., Bullotin. "Various remedies were tried each year, with no beneficial results. In November last the cough again put in an appearance and my wife, acting on the suggestion of a friend, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The result was indeed, marvelous. After three doses the cough entirely disappeared and has not manifested itself since." This remedy is for sale by Walker Drug Co.

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Respectfully,

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means a burn or cut or scald. they are consumed in great ex-Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment cess. This leads to stomach just as soon as the accident troubles, biliousness and constihappens, and the pain will be pation. Revise your diet, let relieved while the wound will reason and not a pampered appemanner should mix this prescrip- heal quickly and nicely. A sure tite control, then take a few cure for sprains, rheumatism and as it is said to do wonders for all pains. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by J. Y. and Liver Tablets and you will

Mild Laxative for Baby Free See That Spot

The child of today is the parent of the future, and whether it grows up G. W. Johnston for the sum of One depends upon the intelligence of its healthy and strong, or puny and weak, Thousand and Eight and 50-100 dollars parents, for most children are born (\$1008.50) Dollars and costs of suit, in into the world healthy, but thousands cause No. 952 in said Court, styled D. become future weaklings between birth and the age of ten, when the parents are still in greatest control. Weatherred and placed in my hands for service, I. James P. Flynt as Sheriff of ful; the little child whose stomach is good of said Court against G. W. Johnston Runnels County, Texas, did, on the growing child learns well at school and is

headache and similar digestive troubles. It never gripes or strangles like pills,

If there is anything about your ailment that you don't understand, or if you want any medical advice, write to the doctor, and he will answer you fully. There is no charge for this service. The address is Dr. W. B Caldwell, 500 Caldwell bldg., Monticello, Ill.

Reason Enthroned.

will get into mischief-often it Because meats are so tasty doses of Chamberlain's Stomach soon be well again. Try it. For sale at Walker Drug Co. Samples free.

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AMERICAN BRAT CORSETS



Any woman who chooses can improve her personal beauty with little effort or expense. Wear an

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