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## RUNNELS COUNTY AND VICINITY

In 1890, 10,000 People Resided in Eight Counties; Now Population is Estimated Conservatively at 433,000.

In 1890, the counties of Taylor, Callahan, Shackelford, Jones, Fisher, Nolan, Runnels and Coleman produced 10,128 bales of cotton. In 1900 the same counties produced 66,826 bales. In 1908 these counties produced 245,277 bales.

The population of these counties was as follows: In 1890, 10,000; in 1900, 50,556; in 1908, 239,000.

This shows an increase in assessed values of over 600 per cent during this period and while the other counties named above will hardly show as relatively large increase, yet it can be consistently claimed that the entire eight counties will show an increase in actual value of between 400 and 500 per cent.

The fact that these large increases in production and assessed values in this part of the state have taken place in face of the serious handicap by lack of adequate transportation facilities and then take into consideration what is likely to happen in this section since the railroads seem to have woken up and decided to do some building, an approximation of what the next ten years will bring forth based on what has happened during the past with the country provided with adequate transportation facilities, it presents a picture that makes investments in Abilene country property look very attractive.

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## COMMISSION-SELECTED FRIDAY

Three Jurors for Third Week Court.—Also for March Term.

W. Bruce, B. C. Kirk and F. Maddox were to-day named as Jury Commissioners, will meet Saturday at 1:30 p. m. to select a petit jury for third week of the present term District court. These gentlemen will also select jurors for the March 1910 term of court. The criminal docket has been finished and the next two weeks of court will take up civil, jury cases.

C. C. Cockrell, manager of the Ledger, is a grandfather, although he looks young for such an honor. A telegram from his son Clyde, at Amarillo, apprised him of the happy fact of a grandson in the Panhandle City.

It will be noted in the proceedings of the Commissioners court, the Water Works Company has obtained permission to put in electric lights in Paint Rock, and we hope this important enterprise will soon be put in operation.—Paint Rock Herald.

C. R. Stephens left this evening for Abilene on business.

## SURVEYORS LEAVE ABILINE

Special to The Banner: Abilene, Texas, Oct. 8.—Chief Engineer Bradshaw and his corps of surveyors left Monday morning on a trip over the proposed route of the Abilene-Rising Star-Comanche-Eddy Railroad. Some difficulties have been found with reference to a mountain near Cottonwood, and the parties will make another survey to ascertain the best way to get around it.

Everything looks favorable to the rapid construction of this road as soon as a definite route can be decided upon. It will traverse one of the richest sections of Texas, going through counties whose railroad mileage is at present very small and which had not increased materially during the last ten or twenty years, although production and population both have increased during the same period 400 and 500 per cent.

## COMING TO BALLINGER NEXT WEEK

Parker Amusement Co. Pleases Large Crowds at Angelo.

Ballinger people who attended the San Angelo fair and saw the Parker shows, pronounce them good. The shows will set up tents here Monday and make fun for the Ballinger show goes all next week. The San Angelo Standard in speaking of the Parker carnival says:

"The various attractions of the Parker Amusement Company, holding forth here this week, are up to the highest notch. They are clean, entertaining and some of them instructive. The Parker Company has a variety of shows from which a person may choose. To get the full benefit however, one must go to them all and enjoy life for this week. It's carnival time! Forget your business, and 'take a night off' at Parker's amusements. In such a large company there are usually attractions that are no good, but Parker's is an exception."

## PASSENGER HURT ON A. & S. TRAIN

Young Man Gets Foot Mashed Between Cars Just Before Train Pulls Out.

H. G. Guffy, of Winters, happened to a painful accident to-day just before the A. & S. train pulled out. Young Guffy was on the train and was passing from one car to another, just as the engine pushed a string of box cars against the passenger coaches, catching Guffy's foot between the cars badly mashing it. It seems that Guffy made a misstep and stepped between the cars, just as the cars butted together. The train was about ready to pull out and the young man was carried on to his home at Winters.

F. Armbrrecht, N. F. Norris, W. P. Phillips, Wm. Doose, Geo. Spidel, John Pechaecke, and several others, left this evening for San Antonio to be present at the Simmons land drawing that takes place on October 14.

## LESE MAJESTE

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Railroad Commissioners of Kansas Have Taken Steps to Curb the Baggage Smasher.

## CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS INSTITUTES

To be Held October 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13, Nov. 20 and Nov. 27, 1909. Interesting Programs, as Given Below.

I. Superintendent's Note Book. Questions and directions relating to the actual work and discipline of the Ballinger schools, Defectives, Incurables, Truants, very dull and very bright pupils, tardies, whispering, punishments, examinations and promotions, discipline, recesses and plays, manners, morals and ideals of pupils, daily and weekly exercises, patrons, programmes, methods and management, use and care of libraries, grading, adjustment of work from grade to grade with the new texts, reports, announcements, criticisms, personality and preparation of teachers, duties and responsibilities, practical psychology, and training of pupils to think, general aims and policies of the Ballinger schools and local conditions affecting same. Conducted by Supt. Byrd.

II. Current Events. Each teacher will answer roll call with a brief statement of some current event of interest. For the meeting of October 30, these will be preferably, upon questions of political interest. In the following meetings questions will be upon one subject each for the meeting, in the order named: Scientific, Southern Literature, Educational, Miscellaneous.

III. A study of Bagley's Classroom Management, conducted throughout the session, by the Superintendent.

IV. Character sketches and review of the services, rendered by the great educators: Pestalozzi.....Miss Harwood Rousseau.....Miss Edmonds Horace Mann.....Miss Stout Thomas Arnold.....Miss Truly Jas. W. Baldwin.....Mrs. Bridwell.

V. Addresses, one each meeting, by members of the local Medical and Dental Associations, or by some leading business man along the line of "What the Business Man Expects of the School."

VI. The first meeting will be devoted to the History or Civics work in the Ballinger Schools, as applied to each of the three departments: Primary History.....Miss Rice U. S. History.....Miss Baker Civics (and Texas School Laws).....Mr. Head. The second meeting will be devoted to the English work as follows: Primary English....Miss Lewis Intermediate Eng. Miss Gregory High School English. Miss Drake. The third meeting will be devoted to Mathematics in the schools, and discussion of the subject in the different departments: Primary Mathematics.....Miss Young Intermediate Mathematics.....Miss Bennett High School Mathematics.....Miss Morris. The fourth meeting will be devoted to Science; Mainly Geography and Physiology: Primary Science.....Miss Butler Intermediate Science.....Miss Goodwin High School Science.....Miss Baker. The fifth meeting will be devoted to Drawing, Penmanship and Spelling: Drawing and Penmanship.....Miss Caperton. In these discussions the subject will be treated from a pedagogic viewpoint, as to the best methods of teaching it in the classroom, and the peculiar needs of the various grades of the Ballinger schools.

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J. N. Adams went to Winters on business for Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Company, this evening.

J. C. Epps, a grocery drummer, who formerly made this town every week, was here from Stamford to-day.

## BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN.

Special to The Banner: Austin, Texas, Oct. 8.—The current bulletin of the State Board of Health issued today shows that more or less complete reports of twenty-one cases of pellagra have been received by the department. The cases are distributed as follows: Dublin 2, Cleburne and vicinity 2, Temple 1, Howell 1, Warren 1, Ennis 1, Austin 1, Central Texas 10.

Concerning some of the cases the reports enter extensively into discussion of the prominent symptoms, treatment and progress of the disease and other important topics pertinent to the current study of the malady.

The bulletin shows births reported to the Registrar of Vital Statistics during the months of August to the number of 4,666. Of these, 2,414 were reports of the birth of males, 2,252 of females 4,285 white, 381 blacks; 4,557 alive, 109 stillborn. The total number of deaths reported was 1,602.

## GOOD RAINS FALL OVER THIS SECTION

Jupiter Pluvius Plays Surprise Engagement Last Night.

Although some clouds were discernible last evening, and quite a play of lightnings illumined the heavens, the good rain came rather as a surprise. All had about agreed that they could stand the dust awhile longer, if the dry weather would aid farmers in gathering their cotton. But Jupiter Pluvius hadn't figured it out that way, and while Albert Taylor was playing an engagement in the Opera House, J. Pluvius was playing to the country at large. As it happened, the former engagement was over first and quite a lot of people tried sidewalk life awhile, until the cabs could distribute them at their own homes.

Reports from Miles, San Angelo, Talpa, Winters and Paint Rock tell of rains varying from a light fall to a heavy down-pour. Cotton gathering will be slightly retarded, but perhaps the abatement of dust will tend to even up this score.

## SAY CROPS HERE ARE BEST, BY FAR

Bell and McLennan County Men Enthusiastic in Praise of Runnels County Crops.

Wednesday of this week, C. A. Doose, accompanied by a few citizens of Bell and McLennan counties, took a spin in his benzine buggy over the Wingate section, incidentally seeing a good part of Runnels county. The visiting gentlemen enjoyed seeing the splendid farming country traversed, and became very enthusiastic over the excellent crops everywhere seen.

"Crops here are great," said one of these gentlemen, "we have been over the Panhandle and Central Texas, and your crops here are far the best, we have yet seen. Unquestionably, Runnels county has a great future as an agricultural country."

Mrs. J. Y. Pearce returned this evening from a visit to San Angelo.

## "OLD INNOGENCE" PLAY THAT PLEASURES

Albert Taylor and Own Company Present Old Favorite. Excellent Character Sketching.

It is a peculiarly fortuitous circumstance for our Opera House managers that the current season should be opened here by a company of such marked ability as the Albert Taylor troupe. Each member of the cast is an artist of recognized ability, and any play they may choose as the vehicle for their varied powers is well worth the seeing.

Thursday night, "Old Innocence" was presented, and those who saw this human play, so true in its portrayal of humanity as it really is, can never forget the tender touch thus given the chords of their heart. Albert Taylor, in the title role, was at his best. As his own self, the gentle, indulgent Benjamin Goldfinch, or when viewing the world through the smoked glasses of his brother Gregory, he is the same lovable, though eccentric, character. Son Percy, as played by Henry Roquemore, is full of life and zest, as well as Mrs. Goldfinch, presented by Miss Nell Paul. Uncle Gregory, as put over by Wm. McCall, has a fearful bark, but his bite is not nearly so bad. Each member of the cast did excellent work, and deserves a share of the encomiums so heartily expressed by the appreciative audience.

The story told by this play is a beautiful one about a good man who, led to see the fraud and hypocrisy about him, closes his heart to good impulses and becomes miserly and mean. But fate shows him his friends and relatives are both honest and true, and he finds one can trust one's wife, son, nephew, and even one's own brother. His philosophy of life is thus summed up: "If there are some imposters in the world, I'd rather trust and be deceived, than suspect and be mistaken." And he is far happier for his heartfelt optimism. A tender love story runs throughout the play, and adds to the inspiration of the scenes.

## MISSING MAN LOCATED AT AUSTIN

Will Sprinkle Located at Austin. Wanted Here for Selling Mortgaged Property.

Will Sprinkle, a former citizen of this county, was indicted by the Runnels county grand jury last spring, on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property. Sprinkle was missing when the indictment was turned in by the grand jury, and has been out of pocket every since, until yesterday a 'phone message came from the sheriff at Austin to Sheriff Flynt, stating that Sprinkle had been located at that place.

Mr. Flynt left this evening for Austin and will return with his man Sunday.

Albert Spill and wife, passed through to-day enroute to their home at Winters, after a visit to San Angelo.

Mrs. Jim Flynt and family went to Winters on Sunday evening.

## The Gateway to Success

Is across the pathway of every man. It is just ahead of many, ready to be opened.

Some carry keys, other who do not, turn away regretfully and realize that the chance of a life time has slipped away from them. Listen!

### No Man ever won Riches without making use of a Bank

No man ever won riches without making use of a Bank. No man ever opened the gateway to success without that master key of opportunity—A Bank Account. Whether you deposit your money and check it out, or leave it to grow to large proportions, start a bank account, and do it right away.

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## Ballinger Lumber Company

Is it not better to be ready for a fire and never have it, than to have a fire and not be ready for it—See Ernest Plummer.

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## CITY MEAT MARKET

R. A. NABOURS, Proprietor.

GOOD MEAT is the kind you appreciate when eating.

OUR MARKET then is the place you should patronize when buying as we handle only the BEST.

Anything you want in Fresh or Cured Meats, Sausage etc. Prompt delivery if you phone your orders to No. 185.

## CITY MEAT MARKET

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

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

You are hereby commanded to summon W. L. Latham, 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 published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 35th Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 35th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Runnels County, to be holden at the Court House thereof in Ballinger, on the First Monday in October A. D. 1909, the same being the 4th day of October A. D. 1909, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 3rd day of September A. D. 1909, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1047, wherein C. S. Miller, is Plaintiff, and W. L. Latham, is Defendant, and said petition alleging

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS:

In District Court, October Term, 1909.

To the Honorable District Court of Runnels County, Texas.

C. S. Miller, who resides in the County and State aforesaid, hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of W. L. Latham, whose residence is unknown to plaintiff, hereinafter styled defendant, represents:

That heretofore, to wit, on or about the 6th day of May, 1907, I. O. Wooden, of said County and State, by his certain deed in writing conveyed to defendant the following described tract of land, to wit: Seven and one-half acres of land out of the H. E. & W. T. R. R. Co. Survey No. 2, also known as the A. J. Haynes Survey, located about two miles west of the town of Ballinger, said County and State, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of a 245 acre tract heretofore sold by Wilmett and Norman to H. R. Bradford, same being in North line of Thomas Pratt Survey No. 365 1-2, at a point 394 varas North 60 degrees West of its North-East corner; Thence North 63 degrees 45 minutes East 594 varas to North-West corner of the tract sold to N. S. Edens; Thence about South 26 degrees East 157 varas to a point 614 varas North 78 degrees 24 minutes East from said beginning place, same being South-West corner of said Edens tract; Thence South 78 degrees 24 minutes West 614 varas to place of beginning.

That on said date, last aforesaid, defendant executed and delivered to the said I. O. Wooden his six certain promissory notes, five of which were and are for the principal sum of \$100.00 each, and the other one for the principal sum of \$60.00, said notes pay-

able in monthly installments from date thereof of \$8.33 1-3 per month, payments to begin on the first day of June 1907, and payable monthly thereafter, as aforesaid: That said notes were given for the purchase money of said tract of land, and that both said deed of conveyance and said notes expressly retained Vendor's Lien on said tract of land to secure payment of said notes.

Plaintiff alleges that by the execution and delivery of said notes by defendant to the said I. O. Wooden, the payee in said notes, or payable to his order, the said defendant then and there became liable and promised to pay said notes according to their legal tenor and effect.

Plaintiff alleges that said sale was only executory in its nature and the superior title to said tract of land still remained in the said I. O. Wooden, and that thereafter, to wit, on or about the 2nd day of September 1909 the said I. O. Wooden by his certain deed and transfer in writing conveyed and transferred, for a valuable consideration, to plaintiff the aforesaid notes with the superior title in and to the above described tract of land, including said vendor's lien, together with all the rights, equities, title and interest of the said I. O. Wooden in said tract of land.

Plaintiff alleges that he is now the legal holder and owner of said notes, and of Vendor's Lien, and is lawfully seized and possessed of the fee simple title in and to said tract of land as hereinbefore and hereinafter shown.

Plaintiff alleges that defendant has hitherto failed and refused and still doth fail and refuse to pay plaintiff said notes, or any part thereof, notwithstanding the same are long past due and unpaid.

Plaintiff alleges that by reason of the premises, and of defendant's said failure and refusal to pay plaintiff said notes, or any installment thereof, and having wholly failed to comply with said executory contract of sale, as above shown, plaintiff has elected and do hereby elect, by reason of the premises, to rescind said contract of sale, which he hereby declares to be rescinded.

Plaintiff alleges that the original deed so made, executed and delivered by the said I. O. Wooden to defendant to the above tract of land is recorded in Vol. 55, on Page 33, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, which plaintiff alleges is a cloud upon his said title to his great damage \$1,000.00; that said original deed is now in the actual custody and possession of defendant and he is hereby notified to produce the same on the trial of this cause as evidence in behalf of plaintiff, otherwise plaintiff will introduce secondary evidence to prove contents of same.

Plaintiff alleges that he has reentered said premises and is now in the actual possession of same but that his said title thereto is clouded and injured by defendant's said pretended claim thereto and by reason of the aforesaid deed from said Wooden to defendant thereto and of its registration as aforesaid, to plaintiff's great damage as aforesaid.

Wherefore, premises considered, plaintiff prays that defendant be cited by publication to answer herein, and that on final hearing hereof he have judgment against defendant for the cancellation of his deed and of said notes, which are here tendered for cancellation, and for the removal of said cloud from his said title, and for the recovery thereof, and that he be quieted in his title and possession thereto, and for his said damages, all costs

of suit and general relief.

M. C. SMITH,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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

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

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Ballinger, this the 3rd day of Sept. A. D. 1909.

R. A. TERRY, Clerk, District Court, Runnels County.  
By J. SHIELDS, Deputy.

### LAMENTS THE DECAY OF POLITICS.

San Francisco Call: Marse Henry Watterson, writing from London to the Louisville Courier-Journal, laments the decay of politics on both sides of the Atlantic. No longer are there any booming issues that might inflame the imagination or set the world on fire. Marse Henry has made the discovery that Edmund Burke made more than a hundred years ago, and for him the age of chivalry is gone, and that of bookkeepers, if not economists, has arrived. It is thus:

"Truth to say, there is no politics now, either in England or in the United States, which rises much above the dignity of book-keeping. The trail of the trademark is over it all. With us the tariff, over here the budget, engage the popular attention. While the cost of government is a most important matter, it can hardly be said to be an exhilarating topic of discussion, or to excite enthusiasm, except among the pot-walkers who are out after office. That is why party warfare has grown so coarse and party discipline hangs so loose in both countries. As for conviction laid in principle and consistency laid in conviction, we see them nowhere. It matters very little who wins or loses, the taxpayers in the end will be put in for the freight. Over here it is mainly at present an affair of Dukes and their landed estates. With you it seems only an affair of boodle and bosses. Well, the voters 'pay their money and can take their choice,' the devil rubbing his hands, licking his chops with the thought of being tolerably sure to get the hindmost."

### MALARIAL DISEASES.

#### How to Avoid Them and the Serious Consequences of Neglect.

"Fix me up something to knock the malaria, doctor," remarked a sorrowful, sickly looking man, entering a prominent physician's office the other day.

The doctor stepped to his medicine case, took down a couple of bottles, mixed a preparation which he handed to the patient with the customary advice to "shake well and follow directions," and resumed his seat.

"Such cases are frequent," replied the doctor in answer to a question. "The warm days and damp, chilly nights are certain malaria breeders and are most serious in those who have neglected to keep their stomach, liver and bowels in good condition. Such persons are full of the impurities on which the malarial germ thrives, and it is from this class that typhoid fever, pneumonia, Bright's Disease, small pox and yellow fever claim most of their victims whenever these diseases are prevalent.

The proper way to guard against the malarial germ and the serious diseases which follow it is to get into good condition by taking a reliable remedy that will keep the bowels clear and the liver healthy, and to continue with it at frequent intervals during the sickly season.

A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters three or four times a week will do all of this, besides stimulating the digestion, improving the appetite and keeping the bodily energy at the highest pitch.

Prickly Ash Bitters is known everywhere as a system tonic and bowel regulator. It not only removes all traces of malarial poison from the system, but tones up the vital organs, gives new strength and vigor, makes the body strong and the brain active.

"Prickly Ash Bitters is the best all-around medicine for the family I ever used. During the past ten years I have always kept it in my house. Whenever any of my family show signs of malaria, kidney trouble, indigestion or constipation a few doses is all that is needed to make them well and hearty again.—W. H. McWILLIAMS, Pickering, La.

Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

## OKLAHOMAN KILLS WOMAN THEN CUTS OWN THROAT

### Tulsa Man Slashes Throat of Woman, Cuts Own Throat, Drinks Carbolic Acid.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 4.—W. S. Duval, a prominent business man of this place, to-day cut the throat of Mrs. Cordelia Fanning, then instantly slashed his own throat and drank a large quantity of carbolic acid, causing his

death in fearful agony a few minutes later.

Duval was madly in love with the woman, and two months ago was arrested for attempting to kill her when she refused to marry him. Both parties will be buried here tomorrow.

### UNCLE JOHNNIE COMES BACK

#### Is Home to Confess the Error of His Way.—He's Back to Stay.

Less than a year ago, John Ballew, better known as Uncle Johnnie, sold a nice farm in the Maezland community and went West to make a fortune. He came to Runnels county a poor man and grew independent here in two or three years, but the West Texas land fever nabbed him, and West he went, and he comes back no doubt, a sadder but wiser man. The following from Mr. Ballew tells the tale:

Wingate, Texas, Oct. 29, 1909. Gentlemen:—Please oblige uncle Johnnie by changing the Leader from Jno. Ballew, Stanton, to Jno. Ballew, Wingate, Texas. Jno. Ballew.

We'll save you money on a buggy or carriage.—Higginbotham Currie Williams Co.

Coffees and Teas, fresh. Can grind coffee if wanted.—Miller Mercantile Company.

Judge Chas. H. Jenkins, of Brownwood, was in the city awhile Monday.

Get a Monitor Windmill from Higginbotham Currie Williams Co.

### NEW DRY GOODS STORE FOR BALLINGER

#### Fort Worth Man Buys Spams & Co. Stock and Will Add New Goods.

M. Rubenstein, of the Bell Dr. Goods House, of Fort Worth, has purchased the A. L. Spann & Co. stock of dry goods which is being moved into the old Davis & Co. store, and will take charge of same as soon as the invoice can be made and the deal closed up. Mr. Rubenstein says he has a new stock of goods bought and will ship them here and combine the two stocks and throw them on the market at a great sacrifice in order to get them out of the way for an entire new stock. He expects to put on a big sale about the middle of October.

Miss Bertha Cody, of Breckenridge, who has been visiting the family of Joe Hardin, left to-day for San Angelo, where she will visit friends.

W. M. Smiley, of Winters, was in the city Monday, on business affairs.

H. Z. Parrott, and daughter of Valera, were in the city Monday, for awhile. Mr. Parrott is one of the old settlers of West Texas.

## NEW MEAT MARKET

Every new and modern. We do everything possible to our place of business clean and sanitary. We butcher only class beef and you may be sure that anything you get of us first class in every respect. Let us show you that we are right.

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## Cash Cash Cash

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### Bread Makes the Meal

A meal without bread is a short meal. It takes bread, and you want the best. That's the kind we bake. We are pleased to announce that we have moved our bakery to more convenient quarters, are now located in the building formerly occupied by Com. & Wylie confectionery store.

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**WILL ONE DAY BE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS**

**His Native State, is Fixed Ambition Sketch of Eventful Life.**

(Adv.)

Born in Runnels County, Texas, February 3rd, 1886, and having lived in Ballinger as a youth until seven years of age, when his father moved to Moro, it is but fitting that Abel Ross Burks should choose this county, and this city, as his field of business operations and fight his battles of life and carve out his career among people who knew him years ago as a barefoot boy. And that Mr. Burks has the qualities of a true soldier, with the genius of a commanding general. I am sure you will admit when you come to know more of his remarkable methods. Starting in business for himself just one year ago, on October 3rd, 1908, at Abilene, Mr. Burks had less than \$100 in actual cash. At Abilene until May of this year, and since that time at Ballinger exclusively, this hustling business getter has, in

Dennis Home School, at Abilene, later attending the business college for a season. He was very much minded to study law at this time, and would doubtless have done so, but for a restless inclination to travel and see some of the world.

In 1906 Mr. Burks settled down in Memphis, working awhile for a chemical house, later becoming identified with Mr. Bowers, where he obtained some valuable knowledge of his present business. He began with Mr. Bowers as clerk, and later became manager of a branch house.

In May of 1908, Mr. Burks was married to Miss Myrtle Akers, of Iuka, Mississippi, and the couple moved to Abilene. Here Mr. Burks opened his store No. 1, and began his business career alone. His first day's business amounted to \$17.15. His first month's trade was about \$1,600. Considering the opening in Ballinger more favorable, he came here and has had ample cause to be proud of his choice.

Mr. Burks intends to become Governor of Texas, and is ready to spend 20 years of his life to accomplish this ambition, an ambition that has lingered in the recesses of his brain for many years. Whether or not he will realize his ambition, I am not prepared to express an opinion, but I for one shall not smile. When a fair maid of East Texas smiled at Jim Hogg, and refused to become his partner for a dance, she but kindled the flame of ambition in his master mind, and started him on his way upward. Mr. Burks already has the ambition, and expects to make a large business success, and then achieve other things, in other lines, just as much worth while.

Of a deeply religious turn of mind, Mr. Burks is unassuming, and is just a plain, matter-of-fact Irishman, full of energy, bubbling over with happiness and full of the milk of human kindness. His life is an interesting study, and myself, I shall watch his onward career with pleasant anticipation, and joy in his success as one who believes in initiative, and finds supreme satisfaction in the triumph of mind over the contemporaneous obstacles of every-day living. —By Jas. B. Harris.

### COME TO BALLINGER.

Ballinger is to have a big carnival next week. The San Angelo fair is on now. Brady will have her fair the week following and Brownwood people will go to these places or further away towns for their fall amusements. —Brownwood Bulletin.

Mrs. Clare Cunnings went to Hallettsville, this evening, after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. O. Mixon.

F. Blumentritt, of Miles, returned home to-day after a short trip to the county seat.

## GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT

Four Day's Work and Only One Indictment.—How's That for Runnels County.

To the Honorable John W. Goodwin, Judge of the 35th Judicial District of Texas.

We your grand jury empaneled for this, the October Term of your Court, beg to submit the following as our report.

We have been in session four days and have investigated all violations that have been called to our notice with the exception of a few minor offenses which we consider hardly worthy of our attention and which can be attended to by the different Justices of the Peace throughout the county. We find that the Justices of the Peace are too much inclined to turn over to the District Court or grand jury for investigation matters that could be attended to in their courts.

We have returned into your court one indictment, which is for a felony.

We have made a careful examination of the Court House jail, and grounds and find the same in excellent condition with the exception of some needed repairs at the jail. We would recommend that the arrangement of the jail be such that the jailor will not be forced when entering the jail to be thrown with the prisoners, as this is very inconvenient and dangerous for the jailor. We also recommend that new bedding be furnished for the jail as the bedding now used is in very bad condition. We also recommend that a bath be placed in the jail for the prisoners, which will materially aid in the betterment of the sanitary condition. We find in the jail five prisoners, one of which has received a sentence to the penitentiary at this term of court, one of which was bound over to this term to await the action of the grand jury on a felony charge and against whom no bill has been returned, one boy charged with misdemeanor laying out his fine, and two insanes, one of which is a woman. We recommend that special efforts be made to transfer these insanes to the asylum at the earliest date possible.

We recommend that your honor appoint a finance committee to report on the financial condition of the county.

We wish to congratulate our County Judge, and Commissioners Court for the improvements around the court house and the splendid condition of the grounds.

We are glad to report that our officers have been vigilant in the discharge of their duties and that there are such few violations in our country.

We thank your honor, the county and the district attorneys and their officers for the courtesies extended us, and the assistance given us while we have been in session.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. W. DUNLAP,  
Foreman of the Grand Jury,

### HUGH LEWIS KILLS SELF.

Words was received here yesterday, to the effect that Hugh Lewis killed himself at Roswell, N. M., domestic troubles being assigned as the cause. Lewis was 30 years old, and leaves a wife and three children. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him, being a Knight Templar and an Elk, and prominent in business circles. Lewis' father is a wealthy banker at Gonzales, Texas.

Lewis has a number of friends and acquaintances here, his brother, Jim Lewis, having formerly lived here.

V. N. Ziveley, of Talpa, was here Saturday on business.

# Easy to Buy Hard to Beat

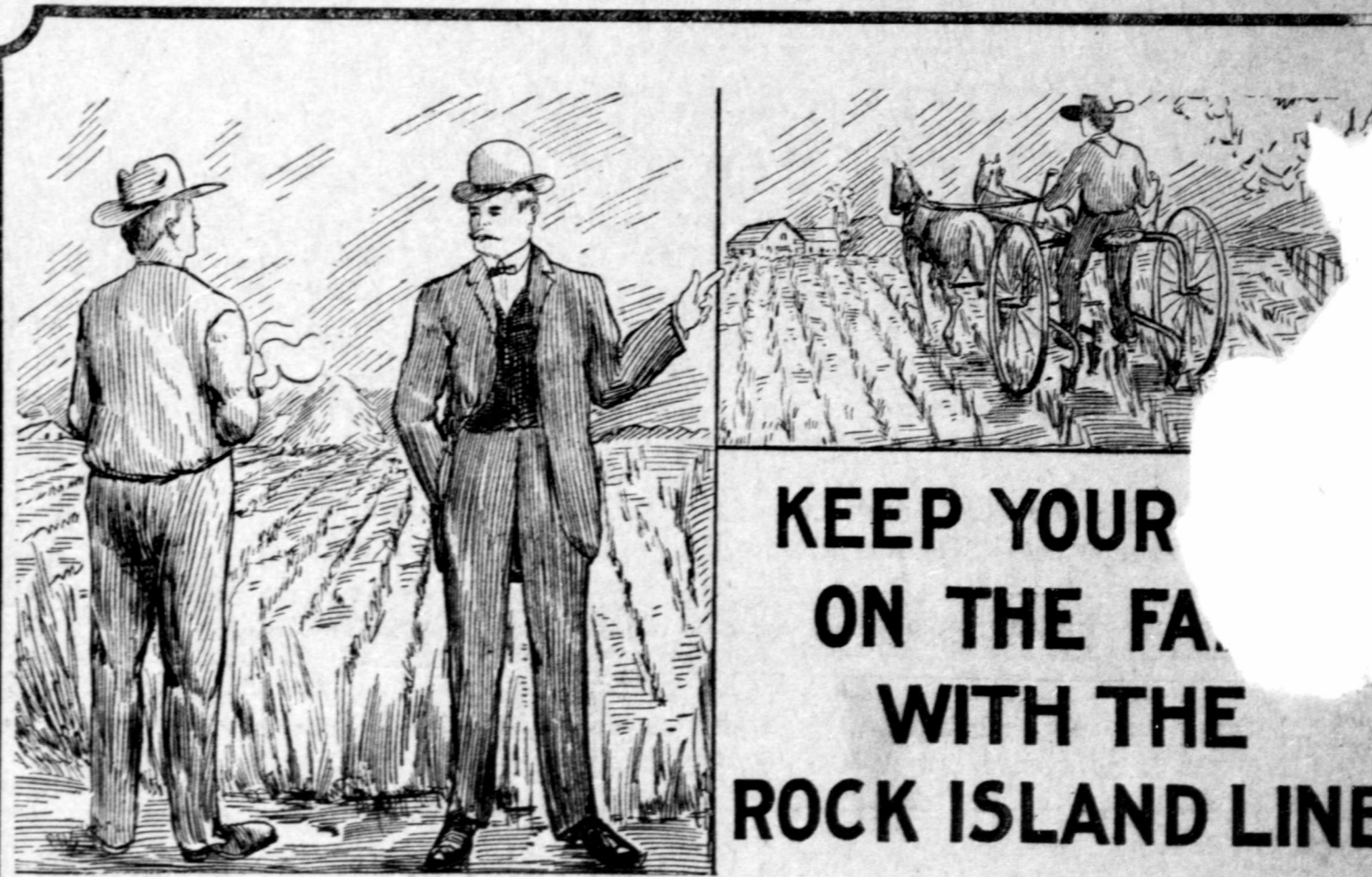
It isn't often that you can secure such big bargains in Real Estate but we have three or four splendid offers in farms which it will pay any man with a little ready capital to investigate.

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These farms can be bought for a few hundred dollars down and the balance in payments to suit purchaser. Now is the time to secure a farm of your own. Interested parties should see us at once.

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### MONTHLY MEET CITY COUNCIL

fore Board.—Depot Ordinance Passed and Bills Allowed.

The City Dads met in regular session this morning with all members present.

Matters of lawing water main on Sixth Street was passed to water committee.

The usual batch of bills were O. K'd and ordered paid.

Street work was discussed and it was ordered that work on Broadway be completed, and street committee so instructed. An ordinance was passed granting Santa Fe right to block Seventh Street with depot.

Work on the A. & S. depot is progressing nicely, and it will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

Mrs. A. H. Wigle returned Thursday from a visit with relatives in Missouri and Colorado.

City Marshal McKay went to San Angelo on the noon train.

Harry Simmons went to see the San Angelo fair to-day.

### ALF. CODGELL IN TROUBLE.

Alf. Codgell, a confectioner of this city, who on Saturday night was arrested in connection with an alleged offense perpetrated no the person of S. T. Schoopman, an employee of the Abilene Ice company, will tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock face Keeble and be given preliminary hearing. The charge will be assault with intent to murder. The affair grows out of an affair Saturday night in which Justiet of 'the Peace H. Rob Codgell and Schoopman were the principals, and in which the latter was pretty badly bruised with a pair of ice hooks. Schoopman is at his home on South Ninth and Palm streets, where according to reports, he is doing nicely, with every prospect of a speedy recovery.—Abilene Reporter.

Judge C. O. Harris, a prominent attorney of Ballinger, was in the city Sunday and this morning visiting at the home of his son-in-law, Herbert O'Bannon, on West Harris avenue.—San Angelo Standard.

S. A. B. Hamilton went to San Angelo to-day.

Mrs. J. Y. Pearce went to San Angelo to-day to visit friends.

### SHOE STOCK SOLD AT AUCTION

W. G. McCampbell Retires From Business and Sells Stock at Auction.

The Higdon Melton Jackson Company were successful bidders at the auction sale of the McCampbell shoe stock this morning.

Mr. Byrens, a state auctioneer, sold the stock of shoes and fixtures to the highest bidders. The shoes were sold in bulk and the fixtures were sold separately. The stock of shoes invoiced about \$3,900 and were sold to Higdon Melton Jackson Co., for 55 cents on the dollar.

Bair and Conn bought a show case for \$25.50; and the linoleum on the floor for \$10.00.

W. S. Morehead bought the roller top desk for \$11.50.

C. R. Willis bought four chairs for 90 cents each.

Jack McKay, four rugs at \$1.00 for the four.

F. C. Oliver, 1 stove and pipe for \$2.25.

M. R. McDavid four shoe stools for \$1.25, and one fire proof safe for \$30.00.

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Love went to Williamson county this morning on a visit to relatives.

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We want to show you the values that we are offering, not one or two specials priced for a leader, but every suit will show for itself, and stand on its own merits. Never before have we been in a position to offer such attractive values in mens clothing as this season, and the season is just starting, but others are not slow to realize these values—why not you—we have a suit that is just what you want, and at a price you want to pay.

COME—TAKE A LOOK AT THESE LINES, YOU WON'T BE WORRIED TO BUY—COME

### STROUSS BROS. "HIGH ART" CLOTHING FOR MEN

If you have never enjoyed the real value, the sure satisfaction of a "High Art Suit, will bring to you, one that has styles of tailoring and faultless fit, don't you think at the beginning of a new season, when you are looking for a Fall Suit, is a good time to get acquainted?

We are exclusive agents in Ballinger for this line of "High Art" Clothing, which includes all the new weaves and nobby Patterns. Clothing that looks right when you buy it, and stays right after it is worn.

Men's Suits, made of fine wool worsted, one of our very swell styles in Men's Suits. Material shows a dark stripe about 1 1-2 inch. in width. Style 3 but. sack, extra quality serge lining. Pants are medium full and Belt straps, side buckels, it is carefully made, and worth the price of..... **\$25.00**

2829. Mens Suits, made in Hopkins' style, which is a poplar 3 button sack suits. Made of the best quality "all wool" worsted. Material shows a subdued stripe in grey and olive, sleeves have button trimmings, lining of wool serge. A model of beauty at the price of..... **\$25.00**

2645. If you want a neat nobby suit, made in Calvert style, here is an excellent garment, made of wool worsted and is a new weave of dark olive with a stripe to slate olive pants are medium peg and strictly tailored; at the price of **\$20.00**

2639. This is a young man's fancy sack suit, made of hard finish worsted of exceptional value. The patterns shown in this, is dark brown and olive green, coat has wool serge lining and trimmed sleeves, pocket to pants, have snaps, cut in medium tops; worth the price of..... **\$18.50**

This is a nobby suit, cut in the "Carroll" style. Material is quality of velour or dark brown with stripe of olive and leather popular shades for this season. Coat is lined with good serge lining, sleeves have fancy tabs button trimmed, a garment with the price of..... **\$15.00**

You should examine our line of Men's Furnishings, new collars, fancy sox, tubular belts, silk ties, Guyot suspenders, in fact anything found in an up-to-date line of men's furnishings.



### MENS SUITS CHEAP IN PRICE, NOT IN QUALITY

It is not often that you have an opportunity to buy a suit that is a suit at such low prices as you see listed below. This is good merchandise and we stand behind every assertion about it, to be absolutely correct. If you are in the market for a suit for medlum or every day wear, don't let this opportunity pass without examining this line of clothing. Serges, Worsteds, Cheviots, Tricots and fancy weaves in colors and black.

Mens suits in Cheviots and Worsteds, dark colors, good heavy winter weights, coats are full-lined, style three button sacks, pants are well made, vest has six buttons, sizes are 34 to 38, an exceptional value at..... **\$4.95**

Mens suits that are well made and are worth more than the price, made of Worsted and fancy weaves in colors of Grey and Brown, lined with good quality of satin, sizes are 34 to 40 built for service and will wear well, priced at..... **\$5.95**

Hard finished Worsted, the kind that wears, colors of Grey and Navy, in plaids and stripes, three piece suit of coat, vest and pants, style three-button sack, a suit you won't regret buying, priced at..... **\$7.95**

We are showing some values at this price you can't afford to miss, if you want a good suit cheap, colors are dark Grey, Brown and Navy Blue, made of wool Worsteds and Cheviots, lined with good quality wool serge, worth—its up to you to say—priced at..... **\$8.95**

Mens Worsted suits made in three button sacks in colors of woven Grey, Brown and Navy, in stripes and plaid, full lined, sizes 32 to 42, a suit that you will be surprised at the quality, priced at..... **\$9.95**

Mens suits made of fancy Worsted and Velour, also Black unfinished Worsted and Tricot, garments that are well made and worth more than the price of..... **\$12.95**

### Medium Priced Shoes for Men

We are showing a very strong line of mens medium priced shoes and bid for your shoe business, on the merits of the shoes we sell, and stand behind what we sell.



A good cheap Shoe made of Vici Kid stock. Medium soles, cap toes, made for light wear. Sizes 6 to 10; priced at **\$1.25**

Men's Shoes, stock gunmetal, medium heavy soles, capped toes a neat Shoe at a low price worth the money..... **\$1.50**

Men's Dress Shoes in strictly new lasts and toes, Vici Kid, Box Calf and Patent Colt, with welted soles, without seams on inside; priced at..... **\$2.50**

### Boys Clothing

"Our boys must be clothed", and we have the stock. We have the style, we have the price, and we have the size. Bring your boy to the right store for that suit.

Boy's Suits, stright botton pants, made of worsted and Cheviot winter weight, full lined, ages 7 to 14, worth \$2.50 to \$3.50; at **\$1.50**

Boy's Suits made of worsted and novelty weaves, Knickerbocker pants, coats cut extra full, sleeves with cuffs. A big selection; priced at \$7.50 down to..... **\$2.00**

Boy's Blouse Pants, made of worsted, velour and corduroy. A big selection of patterns; priced at **\$1.50** down to..... **.75c**

### Mens Dress Shoes With Quality

"Eclipse" shoes for men, every pair have to give satisfaction, for we see that they do. We have just the shoe for your foot, for style, comfort and service.

Men's Shoes, made of Patent Colt, Vici Kid and velour calf, have welted soles, new capped toes, also plain toes; worth the price **\$3.50**

Gunmetal, Oxblood, Tan, Patent Colt, Men's Shoes, that have style, new toes, new lasts, have welted soles that wont cry; priced at..... **\$4.00**

Men's Shoes, made of selected Patent Kid, real Vici Kid and glazed Kangaroo, new lasts and toes, new styles and we can fit your foot; priced at..... **\$5.00**



### GOOD ROADS IN TEXAS.

There is a wonderful awakening on the subject of good roads in Texas, and in every section of the State good roads movements are in progress, and many miles of good roads are under actual construction.

Heretofore the better class of macadamized roads have radiated from the larger cities of the State almost entirely, because the urban population has voted so strongly for and contributed so largely to the issue of bonds necessary for the building of the roads, but now the farmers are becoming interested as never before, and are showing a disposition to have good roads even though they may be called upon to pay a special tax to provide them.

The last Legislature passed an

act authorizing any county or political subdivision or other defined district of any county upon the vote of a two-thirds majority of the qualified resident property taxpayers voting thereon, to issue bonds for public road improvement in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property in such county or district. In other words the property owners are permitted to organize road improvement districts and to vote bonds or to pledge their credit to raise money for good roads, and the people are taking advantage of the privilege. Road districts have been and are being organized from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande, and road bonds are being sent to the Attorney General's office for approval in such numbers as to indicate the general interest.

County taxpayers will vote on a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of \$500,000 for the construction of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and notwithstanding the heavy expense of the protecting seawall recently completed and the causeway now under construction, which has been shared by the whole county, it is believed the proposition will carry by a substantial majority. The Tribune says the increase in the tax rate due to this bond issue will be so slight that it will not be felt, while the building of good roads will enhance land values enormously. It is realized that by far the greater part of the tax created by the bond issue will fall upon the city taxpayers, but the Tribune urges this as another reason for the city's warm support of the bond proposition as a recognition of the debt the city owes to the mainland people for their loyal and hearty co-operation in voting for the issuance of seawall and causeway bonds.

In the past there has been a woeful lack of appreciation on the part of the farming communities in some parts of the country of the advantages of good roads, and in the past the urban property taxpayers have been willing to share in providing them. When bond propositions have been submitted the opposition has come from those who would pay but a fraction of the tax rather than from the city property holders, who would pay the bulk of it. It is assumed that the reason of this was that the city people were more appreciative of the value of good roads, not only to the farmer, but to the merchants and

business men with whom the farmer deals. Now the farmer is beginning to recognize his own interest in the matter, and the result may be greater cooperation in the efforts for good public highways.—San Antonio Express.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised for the week ending October 2, 1909:  
Alexander, Mr. Sam;  
Baker, Mrs. Anna;  
Benge, Lillie;  
Barnes, Dr. L. A.;  
Beauchamp, D. M.;  
Bright, Mrs. Katie;  
Collins, Mr. Fred;  
Cabrera, Francisca;  
Eigenam, Mrs. Hattie;  
Hemphill, Mr. Grady;  
King, Mr. Charlie;  
Miller, W. H.;  
Veltran, Srta. Erlinda.

### FRANK STUART DOWN TOWN

Frank Stuart made his first trip to town this morning since getting up from a two months' spell of sickness. It will be remembered that Mr. Stuart had a relapse from typhoid fever and was seriously sick. His friends will be glad to learn that he is on the road to recovery.

### MRS. BIGGS AND DAUGHTER DOING NICELY.

We are glad to report that Mrs. J. A. Biggs and daughter, both of whom underwent an operation at Temple, last Sunday, are getting along nicely. Mrs. Biggs was operated on for a crippled hip, and her daughter was operated on for appendicitis.

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

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

You are hereby commanded to  
summon G. W. Crossland, and O.  
C. Bright, by making publication  
of this Citation once in each week  
for Eight successive weeks pre-  
vious to the return day hereof,  
in some newspaper published in  
your County, if there be a news-  
paper published therein, but if  
not, then in any newspaper pub-  
lished in the 35th, Judicial Dis-  
trict; but if there be no news-  
paper published in said Judicial Dis-  
trict, then in a newspaper pub-  
lished in the nearest District to  
said 35th, Judicial District, to ap-  
pear at the next regular term of  
the District Court of Runnels  
County, to be holden at the Court  
thereof, in Ballinger on the First  
Monday in October, A. D. 1909,  
the same being the Fourth day  
of October A. D., 1909, then and  
there to answer a petition filed  
in said Court on the 26th day of  
July, 1909, and the cross action  
filed therein on the 16th, day of  
September A. D. 1909, in a suit,  
numbered on the docket of said  
Court No. 1031, wherein G. S.  
Walker, Jr., is Plaintiff, and G.  
W. Crossland, O. C. Bright, J.  
H. Patterson, J. A. Wither, and  
J. S. Patterson, are defendants,  
in which suit defendants J. H. Pat-  
terson and J. S. Patterson filed  
their said answer and cross action  
on the date above stated against  
the said G. S. Walker, Jr., G. W.  
Crossland, O. C. Bright, and J. A.  
Wither defendants in said cross  
action. Plaintiff's said cause of  
action, and the cross action of  
said defendants, J. H. Patterson  
and J. S. Patterson, are alleged as  
follows:

## STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Runnels.

In the District Court of Runnels  
County, Texas, October Term  
1909.

To the Honorable J. W. Goodwin,  
Judge of Said Court—

Now comes G. S. Walker, Jr.,  
who resides in Runnels County  
Texas, hereinafter styled plain-  
tiff, complaining of G. W. Cross-  
land, and O. C. Bright whose resi-  
dences are unknown, and have  
not been ascertained after the  
use of reasonable diligence J. H.  
Patterson, J. A. Wither and J. S.  
Patterson, who reside in Run-  
nels County Texas, hereinafter  
styled defendants, and for cause  
of action herein the plaintiff  
would allege as follows to-wit—

1. That on the first day of  
December 1907, the defendant G.  
W. Crossland made, executed, and  
delivered to the defendant O. C.  
Bright three notes for the sum  
of four hundred dollars each, dated  
on the year aforesaid, due on or  
before December first 1909.

first 1910, December  
respectively, bearing  
the rate of 10 per  
annum, and providing  
in default was made in  
payment of said notes and  
proceeding are used in  
the same, the parties  
agree to pay 10 per cent  
amount thereof as attor-  
neys said notes each further-  
g. The failure to pay this  
any instalment of inter-  
est, when due, shall, at  
the option of the holder of them,  
mature all notes  
given by G. W. Crossland  
O. C. Bright, in part payment  
of said property. Interest pay-  
annually.

said notes having been given  
in part payment of the purchase  
money of four hundred and eigh-  
ty (480) acres of land situated  
in Presidio County Texas, more  
fully described as the south half  
and the north west 1-4 of section  
271 in block No. 213 by virtue of  
certificate No. 735.

2. Plaintiff would further al-  
lege that he is now the legal own-  
er and holder of the above de-  
scribed notes, in due course of  
trade, and that the defendants,  
O. C. Bright, J. A. Wither, J. S.  
Patterson and J. H. Patterson,  
by virtue of their indorsements  
on the back of said notes are  
legally bound and obligated to  
him to pay said notes.

3. Plaintiff would further al-  
lege that the first annual inter-  
est due on said notes on Decem-  
ber 1, 1908, has not been paid,  
and under the terms of said notes,  
as stated above, he has declared  
the whole of said notes matured,  
including principal and interest.

4. Plaintiff would further al-  
lege that he has employed the  
law firm of Stone & Wade of Bal-  
lenger, Texas, to institute judi-  
cial proceedings for the collection  
of said notes and have agreed  
to pay them the 10 per cent at-  
torney's fees provided for in said  
notes, and that he has paid 10 per cent  
for

said services.

Plaintiff further alleges that  
the defendants, W. G. Crossland  
and O. C. Bright are actually and  
notoriously insolvent.

5. Plaintiff would further al-  
lege that the defendants through  
often requested have failed to  
pay said notes or any part there-  
of to the plaintiff's damage in the  
sum of \$1600.00.

Wherefore, premises, consider-  
ed, plaintiff prays that the defen-  
dants be cited to appear and  
answer herein; that on final hear-  
ing thereof that he have judg-  
ment for his debt, including prin-  
cipal interest, and attorneys fees,  
and for such other and further  
relief in law and equity, general  
and special as he may be justly  
entitled to in the premises, for  
which he will ever pray etc.

Stone & Wade,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

No. 1031.

G. S. Walker, Jr. vs. G. W.  
Crossland et al.

In District Court, Runnels  
County Texas, October Term  
1909.

Now comes the defendants, J.  
H. Patterson and J. S. Patterson  
in the above entitled cause, and  
except to Plaintiff's original pe-  
tition filed herein and say that  
the same is insufficient in law  
and of this they pray judgment  
of the court.

And now come defendants, J.  
H. Patterson J. S. Patterson, in  
said cause, and deny all and sin-  
gular the allegation in plaintiff's  
said petition contained and of this  
they put themselves upon the  
country.

M. C. Smith attorney for said  
defendants.

Now comes the defendants, J.  
H. Patterson and J. S. Patterson,  
in the above entitled cause, and  
by plea and re-convention and  
cross action, represent as follows:

Now come said defendants, J.  
H. Patterson and J. S. Patterson,  
in the above entitled cause, who  
reside in the County of Runnels,  
State of Texas, complaining of  
the plaintiff, G. S. Walker, Jr.,  
and of the said G. W. Crossland,  
O. C. Bright, and J. A. Wither,  
co-defendants herein, represent:

That the said G. S. Walker, Jr.,  
and the said J. A. Wither, re-  
side in said County and state:

That the residence of the said  
G. W. Crossland and of the said  
O. C. Bright, are unknown to  
complainants herein—

That heretofore, to-wit, on or  
about the first day of December  
1907, the defendant, O. C. Bright,  
sold and conveyed, by his certain  
deed in writing, to the said G.  
W. Crossland, the following  
tracts or parcels of land, aggreg-  
ating 480 acres, situated in Pre-  
sidio County, Texas, described in  
said deed as the South half and  
the North-West one-fourth of  
Section 271, in Block No. 213,  
located by virtue of Certificate  
No. 735, the said South half of  
said survey containing 320 acres,  
and the said North-West one-  
fourth of said section or survey,  
containing 160 acres, for a more  
particular description of which  
reference is here made to said  
deed, which is now in the actual  
custody and possession of all the  
parties, and each of them, herein  
complained against, as aforesaid,  
and they, and each of them are  
hereby notified to produce the  
same in court upon trial of this  
cause, to be introduced and read  
as evidence therein by complain-  
ant herein, in their behalf, other-  
wise secondary evidence will be  
offered to prove the contents of  
same: Complainants, J. H. Pat-  
terson and J. S. Patterson would  
further represent, that at the time  
of the execution and delivery of  
said deed of conveyance, as a-  
foresaid, the said G. W. Cross-  
land made, executed and deliv-  
ered to the defendant, O. C. Bright,  
four certain promissory notes,  
each for the principal sum of  
\$400.00, due on or before Decem-  
ber 1st, 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911,  
respectively, after date, bearing  
interest at the rate of 10 per cent  
per annum, payable annually as  
it accrues, and providing for the  
usual 10 per cent attorney's fee  
in default of payment, accord-  
ing to their legal tenor and ef-  
fect, and further providing that  
default in such payment to have  
the effect to mature all of said  
notes, each of said notes being  
payable to the order of the said  
O. C. Bright, and were given as  
purchase money notes, for the  
above 480 acres of land, which  
notes and the aforesaid deed of  
conveyance expressly retained  
Vendor's Lien on said land to  
secure the payment of said notes.

Complainants herein further re-  
present that said first note, fall-  
ing due December 1st, 1908, has  
either been paid off and discharg-  
ed by the said Crossland, or it is  
still outstanding and in the pos-

session of the said O. C. Bright,  
and is still outstanding and a lien  
upon said land, the exact status  
of which complainants herein are  
not advised.

Complainants would further re-  
present, that if they are liable  
on the other three notes, of said  
series of said four notes, which  
is not admitted, but expressly  
denied, that their said liability,  
respectively, is only that of sur-  
ety, which suretyship they here-  
in plead and assert.

Complainants would further re-  
present, that if plaintiff, G. S.  
Walker, Jr., is the legal holder  
and owner of the said three notes,  
sued on in this cause, that the  
said G. W. Crossland is primarily  
liable thereon, as maker of said  
notes, and the said J. A. Wither,  
as Indorser thereon, and that said  
land, described as aforesaid, is  
bound, in virtue of said lien, as  
security for the payment and dis-  
charge of all of the aforesaid four  
notes.

Complainants would further re-  
present that the said J. A. Wither,  
is wholly insolvent, and that  
the whereabouts or residence of  
the said G. W. Crossland and  
O. C. Bright are unknown to  
complainants herein.

Complainants would further re-  
present that the plaintiff, G. S.  
Walker, Jr., in this cause, has  
purposely and designedly and  
fraudulently omitted to sue here-  
in for foreclosure of his said lien  
of the above described premises;  
That complainants believe and so  
charge, that said plaintiff has  
knowledge of the whereabouts  
of the said defendants, G. W.  
Crossland and O. C. Bright, and  
that plaintiff and the said defen-  
dants, Crossland and Bright, have  
conferred together, combined and  
conspired together for the unlaw-  
ful purpose of defrauding com-  
plainants herein, well knowing  
that the said Crossland and Bright  
and Wither are each wholly in-  
solvent, and that the whereabouts  
of the said Crossland and Bright  
are unknown to complainants,  
and well knowing that complainants  
are solvent, and that the said  
fraudulent purpose of the said  
plaintiff, Crossland and Bright  
is to compel complainants to pay  
said three notes, sued on herein,  
and thereby relieve said premises  
free of said lien, or force com-  
plainants at great expense, by  
suit, to foreclose said lien on said  
land, to thereby protect them-  
selves as such sureties, as afores-  
said, which complainants allege  
they have been forced to do in  
this cause, alleging that said land  
is of far greater value than the  
amount of plaintiff's alleged de-  
mand, and complainants believe  
and so charge that it is the frau-  
dulently purpose of plaintiff, and  
of the said Crossland and Bright,  
whose whereabouts have been con-  
cealed from complainants, by the  
plaintiff, to force plaintiff by  
judgment of this court, to pay off  
said notes, and then they, the  
said plaintiffs, Crossland and  
Bright, in furtherance of their  
said fraudulent intent, purpose  
and design, will sell and dispose  
of said premises before complain-  
ants can subject the same to their  
claim herein as such sureties, and  
said complainants aver and  
charge that their said fraudulent  
schemes will be carried out, and  
that they will be defrauded of  
their said legal rights herein, by  
reason of the premises, unless,  
however, complainants said  
suretyship be herein established  
and that said lien be foreclosed  
herein on said premises and said  
property sold and the proceeds  
thereof applied in satisfaction  
and discharge of said notes, sued  
on herein.

Wherefore, premises consider-  
ed complainants herein pray that  
said defendants, J. A. Wither, G.  
W. Crossland and O. C. Bright,  
be cited to answer herein, the  
said Crossland and Bright by  
publication, both of this cross-  
action and of plaintiff's original  
petition in said cause, in manner  
and form as required by law in  
such case made and provided, and  
that on final hearing thereof they  
have judgment establishing their  
said suretyship, herein, and  
that as such sureties they recover  
of and from the said J. A. Wither,  
and the said G. W. Crossland,  
whatever amount that may be  
recovered herein against  
them by plaintiff, and for fore-  
closure of said vendor's lien on  
said premises, for their use and  
benefit, and for order of sale of  
said premises, and that the pro-  
ceeds thereof be applied as pay-  
ment and discharge of the notes  
sued on herein, and that they have  
and recover of and from the  
plaintiff, J. A. Wither, G. W.  
Crossland and O. C. Bright, all  
costs in this behalf expended, and

for general relief.

M. C. Smith,  
Attorney for Complainants, J. H.  
& J. S. Patterson.

Herein fail not, but have be-  
fore said Court, at its aforesaid  
next regular term this writ with  
your return thereon, showing how  
you have executed the same.

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

Given under my hand and the  
Seal of said Court, at office in  
Ballinger, this the 16th day of  
September A. D. 1909.

R. A. Terry, Clerk.

District Court, Runnels County.

By J. Shields, Deputy.

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deceased, Gay R. Tierman, un-  
known heirs Gay R. Tierman,  
deceased, Chas B. Tierman, un-  
known heirs of Chas B. Tierman,  
deceased, by making publication  
of this Citation once in each week  
for Eight successive weeks pre-  
vious to the return day hereof,  
in some newspaper published in  
your County, if there be one pub-  
lished therein, but if not, then in  
any newspaper published in the 35th,  
Judicial District; but if there be  
no newspaper published in said  
Judicial District, then in a news-  
paper published in the nearest  
District to said 35th Judicial Dis-  
trict, to appear at the next regu-  
lar term of the District Court  
of Runnels County, to be holden  
at the Court House thereof, in  
Ballinger, on the first Monday  
in October, A. D. 1909, the same  
being the fourth day of October  
A. D. 1909, then and there to an-  
swer a petition filed in said Court  
on the 15th day of September A.  
D. 1909 in a suit, numbered on  
the docket of said Court No. 988,  
wherein M. E. McAdams is plain-  
tiff, and J. H. Stevenson, J. E.  
McCord, Geo. E. Harrison, un-  
known heirs of Geo. E. Harrison,  
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known heirs of Gay R. Tierman,  
deceased, Charles B. Tierman, un-  
known heirs of Chas. S. Tier-  
man, deceased, are defendants  
and said petition alleging:

NO. 988 M. E. MCADAMS VS.  
J. M. STEVENSON, ET AL.

In District Court, Runnels  
County, Texas, Oct. Term, 1909.

Now comes the plaintiff, in the  
above entitled cause, now in vaca-  
tion, and files this her first amend-  
ed original petition, in lieu of  
her original petition filed in said  
cause on the 30th day of January  
1909, as follows to-wit—

To the Honorable District Court  
of Runnels County, Texas:

M. E. McAdams, a feme sole,  
who resides in Taylor County,  
Texas, and hereinafter styled  
plaintiff complaining of J. H.  
Stevenson, who resides in Run-  
nels County, Texas, hereinafter  
styled defendant, and J. E. Mc-  
Cord, who resides in Coleman  
County, Texas, hereinafter styled  
defendant, and Geo. E. Harrison,  
who residence is unknown to plan-  
tiff, and the unknown heirs of  
Geo. E. Harrison, deceased, and  
John H. Bernard, whose residence  
is unknown to plaintiff, and the  
unknown heirs of John H. Bern-  
ard, deceased, and Gay R. Tier-  
man, whose residence is unknown  
to plaintiff, and the unknown  
heirs of Gay R. Tierman, deceased  
and Charles B. Tierman, whose  
residence is unknown to plaintiff,  
and the unknown heirs of Charles  
B. Tierman, deceased, said last  
named parties, and the unknown  
heirs of said parties, hereinafter  
styled defendants, represents:

That heretofore, to-wit, on or  
about the first day of January,  
1908, plaintiff was lawfully seized  
and possessed, holding the same  
by fee simple title, of the follow-  
ing described tract of land to-wit  
Survey No. 438, Certificate No.  
36, Abstract No. 260, Patent No.  
525, Vol. 2, in the name of Geo.  
E. Harrison, containing 640 ac-  
res, situated in Runnels county,  
Texas. That plaintiff has been  
in the actual, peaceable, and ad-  
verse possession of said tract of  
land, claiming same under writ-  
ten memoranda of title duly reg-  
istered, co-extensive with the  
boundaries specified in the patent  
thereto, and in said memoranda,  
cultivating, using and enjoying  
the same for the period of more  
than ten years next preceding  
the filing of this suit, and of this  
amendment, and that her said  
title to said land has long since  
been perfected by the ten years  
Statutes of limitation herein

pleaded and asserted. That on  
or about the date, last aforesaid  
while plaintiff was so lawfully  
seized and possessed of the above  
described tract of land, all of the  
above named defendants, except  
the defendants, J. E. McCord and  
J. H. Stevenson, unlawfully as-  
serted and are now still unlaw-  
fully asserting a claim of title to  
the whole and entire Survey, a-  
bove described, the exact nature  
of which is unknown to plaintiff,  
which claim of title to said sur-  
vey, so unlawfully asserted, and  
being asserted, as aforesaid, has  
cast a cloud upon plaintiff's said  
title, and the market value of said  
premises, to her great damage,  
to-wit, \$3000.00.

For cause of action as against  
the defendant, J. M. Stevenson,  
plaintiff alleges that on or about  
the said first day of January,  
1908 while plaintiff was so law-  
fully seized and possessed of the  
above described tract of land the  
defendant, J. M. Stevenson, un-  
lawfully and forcibly entered  
upon a portion of said survey,  
hereinafter described, and then  
there unlawfully and forcibly  
ejected plaintiff therefrom, and  
now unlawfully with holds pos-  
session thereof from plaintiff, to  
her great damage, \$1000.00.

Plaintiff alleges that said portion  
of said survey of which she was  
so unlawfully and forcibly ejected  
by defendant, J. H. Stevenson,  
as aforesaid is described by metes  
and bounds as follows:—Begin-  
ning at the S. E. corner of the  
said survey, No. 438, and N. E.  
corner of the J. J. Green survey,  
No. 471, stone mound from which  
a mes. 8 in. dia. brs. N. 31 E. 23  
3-5 vrs. to another mes. 8 in. dia.  
brs. N. 59 1-2 degrees East, 23  
2-5 vrs. thence N. 138 vrs. to a  
point where wire fence running  
West crosses said Harrison Sur-  
vey, No. 438, stone mound from  
which a mes. 10 in. dia. brs. N.  
60 1-2 degrees E. 14 2-5 vrs. an-  
other mes. 9 in. dia. brs. N. 80  
1-2 degrees E. 15 vrs. Thence  
North 89 1-2 degrees West with  
said fence 1900 vrs. to a point  
in West line of said Harrison Sur-  
vey, 438, a stone mound from  
which a double mes. brs. N. 16  
degrees W. 10 3-5 vrs. another  
mes. 2 in. dia., with old stump  
brs. N. 60 degrees E. 9 4-5 vrs.,  
thence South with West line of  
said Harrison Survey, 438, 147  
vrs. to stone mound, the S. W.  
corner of said survey, No. 438,  
and the N. W. corner of the said  
survey, No. 471, from which a  
double mes. brs. N. 1 degree E.,  
157 vrs. another forked mes. brs.  
N. 1-2 degree East, 219 vrs.  
Thence East 1900 vrs. to place  
of beginning, containing 45 8-10  
acres of land, to the possession of  
which plaintiff is lawfully enti-  
tled.

For cause of action against the  
defendant, J. E. McCord, plain-  
tiff alleges that heretofore, to-  
wit, on or about the 10th day of  
October, 1889, said defendant, J.  
E. McCord, and E. A. Lindsey,  
sold and conveyed to plaintiff,  
by their certain deed in writing,  
the South half of the above de-  
scribed survey, 438, said South  
half containing 320 acres, which  
is described by metes and bounds  
in said deed of conveyance which  
is recorded in book 58, page 453,  
of the Deeds Records of Runnels  
county, Texas, to which deed re-  
ference is here made for a more  
particular description of said  
South half of said survey.

Plaintiff further alleges that  
she paid to her said vendors as  
a consideration for said 320  
acres land the full sum of \$800.00  
that being the full purchase price  
of said 320 acres of land.

Plaintiff further alleges that  
said deed of conveyance contains  
general covenants of Warranty,  
whereby the said defendant, J.  
E. McCord, and the said E. A.  
Lindsey, became bound to plain-  
tiff, jointly and severally, as war-  
rants in said deed of conveyance  
and did thereby contract  
and agree and bound themselves,  
jointly and severally to warrant  
and forever defend, all and singu-  
lar, the said premises under the  
said Mrs. M. E. McAdams, her  
heirs and assigns, against every  
person whomsoever lawfully  
claiming or to claim the same, or  
any part thereof.

Plaintiff further avers that the  
said E. A. Lindsey is dead.

Plaintiff further alleges that by  
said general covenants of war-  
ranty in said deed contained, as  
aforesaid, the said defendant, J.  
E. McCord, then and there be-  
came bound, obligated and liable  
to plaintiff on his said covenants  
of warranty to the full extent and  
sum of \$800.00, the same being  
the amount of purchase money  
so paid by plaintiff for said 320  
acres, as aforesaid, which amount  
the said defendant, J. E. McCord,  
is bound and liable and promised

to pay plaintiff, the said sum of  
money, in the event of a breach  
of his said covenants of war-  
ranty, and in the event that the  
said title should prove to be imper-  
fect or not to be in the said J. E. Mc-  
Cord and E. A. Lindsey at the  
time of said conveyance of said  
land by them to plaintiff.

Plaintiff alleges that all of the  
defendants herein, except the  
defendant, J. E. McCord, are now  
asserting a claim of title to said  
320 acres of land, the exact na-  
ture of which is not known to  
plaintiff, but is adverse and hos-  
tile to the title conveyed and war-  
ranted to plaintiff, by the  
J. E. McCord and E. A. Lind-  
sey as aforesaid, which has cast  
a cloud upon her said title to  
said title's great damage \$1000.00.

Wherefore, premises consid-  
ered, plaintiff prays that all defen-  
dants, except the said J. M. Steven-  
son and J. E. McCord, be cited  
by publication, in manner and  
form as required by law in such  
case made and provided, and that  
the defendants J. M. Stevenson  
and J. E. McCord be cited as re-  
quired by law, and that the said  
defendant, J. E. McCord, be re-  
quired to appear herein and to  
defend and maintain the title to  
said 320 acres of land, in com-  
pliance with his said cov-  
enants of warranty, in  
said deed expressed, for the use  
and benefit of plaintiff, and that  
on final hearing hereof she have  
judgment as follows, first, against  
all of the defendants except the  
defendant, J. E. McCord, for the  
recovery of the title and posses-  
sion of said 320 acres of land, and  
that said cloud so cast thereon be  
removed and that she be quieted in  
her said title and possession, and  
for writ of restitution therefore,  
and for her said damages of  
\$1000.00 as against the defendant,  
J. M. Stevenson; and second, that  
by reason of the premises, and  
the breach of said covenants of  
general warranty by the said de-  
fendant, J. M. McCord, in man-  
ner as hereinbefore shown, she  
have judgment against  
defendant, J. E. McCord,  
ing him to appear he  
defend and maintain  
possession, so made a  
ranted by him, as afores-  
the use and benefit of  
and to make said title perfect  
warranted by him, as aforesaid,  
at his own expense and cost, and  
that upon his failure so to do and  
upon failure of title as warranted  
that she have judgment against  
him for the said sum of \$800.00,  
together with all costs and ex-  
pense incurred by her in the pro-  
secution of this cause which she  
alleges to be the sum of \$150.00  
which is necessary and reason-  
able.

Plaintiff further prays judg-  
ment against all the defendants  
for all costs in this behalf expen-  
ded and for general relief.

M. C. Smith,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Herein fail not, but have before  
said Court, at its aforesaid next  
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return thereon, showing how you  
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**SMALL BLAZE AT  
FARMERS UNION YARD.**

A bale of cotton caught fire at  
the Union Cotton Yard at 11 a.  
m., and was extinguished after  
some effort on the part of an im-  
promptu fire fighting crew. The  
bale was damaged only about 30  
per cent, and the fire was kept  
from spreading.

The fire team made a splendid  
run, only, they went to the  
wrong yard, and the fire was out  
before they arrived on the proper  
spot. This mistake was caused  
by a misunderstood report. The  
cause of the fire could not be es-  
tablished.

**DEPOT PLANS HERE.**

A portion of the plans and spe-  
cifications for the new depot are  
here and can be seen posted in  
the big window of the Farmers  
and Merchants State Bank. The  
contractors are expected here in  
a few days and work on the new  
building will be started  
Nov. 1st.

for general relief.

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tiff, and the unknown heirs of  
Geo. E. Harrison, deceased, and  
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is unknown to plaintiff, and the  
unknown heirs of John H. Bern-  
ard, deceased, and Gay R. Tier-  
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to plaintiff, and the unknown  
heirs of Gay R. Tierman, deceased  
and Charles B. Tierman, whose  
residence is unknown to plaintiff,  
and the unknown heirs of Charles  
B. Tierman, deceased, said last  
named parties, and the unknown  
heirs of said parties, hereinafter  
styled defendants, represents

## GEORGE CLARK ON POLITICS

**While Declining to Make the Race for Governor, He Gives Wholesome Advice to all Texans.**

Waco, September 2, 1909,  
Hon. Jonathan Lane, Houston,  
Texas:

Dear Sir—I am to-day in my 50th year, and I have intended to become a candidate for governor, before the election of next year, and beg to thank you for your kind expressions of support in the event I should so conclude. Your inquiry is entitled to a candid answer, coming as it does from one whom I have highly esteemed for many years past, and whose good opinion I so greatly regard. The office of governor of our state is worthy the ambition of any of her citizens, and I could not, with that candor which is due you, say that I am indifferent in the matter. I can say, however, with perfect sincerity, that I am not willing to undergo the expense and fatigue of an active campaign of the state, with little or no prospect of success, in view of the conditions, existing at this time, and am prepared to cheerfully relieve my friends from any seeming obligation of support.

The question of constitutional prohibition will, in all probability, constitute the controlling issue in the coming campaign. Already three gentlemen who have declared their candidacy, are opposed to the constitutional amendment, and I am, equally with the gentleman, equally of the opinion that it is understood, will be adopted and is also opposed to such amendment. A tyro in politics ought to know that those who favor such amendment will concentrate their strength upon one candidate and we need not await the result of the primary to ascertain the fact, or the result of such a contest. If those who are opposed to constitutional prohibition fail to concentrate their votes and influence, it is even now a foregone conclusion that such amendment will be adopted and the candidate of those who favor it will be successful. The contest at best will be fierce, and

the margin of victory for either side will be much narrower than at a former time.

My position on this issue, which will force itself as paramount, has undergone no change, and I am more than willing to take a humble place in the ranks in the fight before us. But it behooves those who believe as we do to concentrate their forces upon a proper leader and to organize thoroughly for the battle if they hope for success. The south seems disposed to take up and wear the east-off garments of New England and to adopt measures discredited by that fanatical region. New Hampshire and Vermont tried prohibition for more than fifty years, and in the recent past, by constitutional amendment, forsook their foolish attempt to reform the world, and betook themselves by votes of their people to local option. If the blue-noses and slow pulses of that region have become disgusted in their attempts, what can be expected of democratic Texas, with warm blood in their veins, and a devotion to liberty exemplified on every occasion and a self-reliance which enables her sons to do right and defy consequences, regardless of the preachers who have turned their churches into political mess halls, in defiance of the teaching of our blessed Redeemer. Democracy seems to stand appalled at the spectacle of her name pitched and applied to principles absolutely opposite to her teachings of more than a century, and utterly subversive of true republican institutions. I could not exchange the Christian teachings and influence of a good Texas mother upon her boy, leading him to temperance and to his duty to God and to himself, for all the political meetings of every political preacher in Texas. Temptation is incident to poor humanity, and he is a worthless citizen who can not walk erect through it, and defy Beelzebub as Christ did upon the mountain, after starving for forty days and nights. He never appealed to the state or to the law, but rendered unto Caesar the things that were Caesar's, but reserved to God the things that were God's. The making of real men is the work of God Almighty, and not that of statutes, and the test of real mankind is the resistance of temptation. Away with the idea that men must be made good by

the law, but let us turn in our appeals to the Christian mothers of Texas, who by the fireside, with God's help will always rear our boys and make real men of them. Texas don't want any other kind. Your friend,  
(Signed) "GEORGE CLARK."

## PECAN CULTURE GRET SUCCESS

**Another Successful Experiment Reported.—Chas. S. Miller Gets Two Crops.—Shade and Nuts From Same Tree.**

About twelve years ago, Mrs. Chas. S. Miller planted some pecans in her back yard, and to-day Mr. Miller is exhibiting some as fine pecans as ever grew in this country. This is the first crop from the trees, but the trees have been yielding other benefits in the way of shade and ornamental trees. The pecan makes a beautiful tree, and the native pecan thrives and does better here than perhaps any other tree.

Mr. Miller is very proud of the nice little pecan orchard that now ornaments his yard, and besides the beauty they add to his beautiful home, they will be a source of revenue from now on. The trees and nuts will be photographed, and Mr. Miller expects to compare them with the famous San Saba pecan, and while we are no judge of pecans, we believe they will compare favorably.

The Miller home is located on the hill—right on the top of the rock bluff, and this goes to show that the pecans will do well anywhere planted. Every farmer and every man who owns a home should plant pecans or put out trees. In a few years the yield could be doubled and be the means of bringing thousands of dollars to this country.

Plant pecans!

## BALLINGER MAN CAPTURES PREMIUM

**J. L. Breeding Gets Prize on Poultry Exhibit at Tom Green County Fair.**

J. L. Breeding, who carries mail on the Rural route No. 1, out of Ballinger, and raises Rhode Island Red chickens for past time sent a nice coop of chickens to San Angelo and entered the poultry exhibit.

Mr. Breeding received notice yesterday that he had won over very strong competition, which, of course, makes Mr. Breeding feel proud of his chickens.

Always say to your grocer: "Remember I want Ballinger Mill flour" and that you will have no other.

You may do worse; you can't do better than to buy a mattress made at home. Ballinger Mattress Factory.

## DELIVERY WAGON SMASH-UP.

The delivery horse of Guion & Doose made a run with the wagon this morning. Breaking away from the wagon, the horse ran up Hutchings Avenue, and stopped in front of their store. Fortunately no one was hurt, and no damage done, except to the delivery wagon.

## HAMLET.

had melancholy, probably caused by an inactive liver. A bad liver makes one cross and irritable, causes mental and physical depression and may result disastrously.

Ballard's Herbine is acknowledged to be the perfect liver regulator. If you're blue and out of sorts, get a bottle to-day. A positive cure for bilious headache, Constipation, Chills and Fever and all liver complaints Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

## FOR SALE.

A 100-acre farm, five miles from Ballinger, 65 acres in cultivation, 10 acres more tillable land on the place, 2 room house, stable, and feed house. 20-acre pasture fenced off to itself; fronts public road. Price \$20.00 per acre, \$500 down, balance on 7 years time at 8 per cent. For further information call on or address the Baner-Leader, Ballinger, Texas.

Howard Wilson, of Stephenville, had business with our drug men here to-day.

## COLD WEATHER ADVICE

To all is to beware of coughs and colds on the chest; as neglected they readily lead 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.

Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Standard 8 oz. Duck at 9 1-2 cents at Spann's Cash Store. w2t

The best place to get your barber work is at the City Shop. That's where Jim McWhirter hangs out.

Tom Lankford and Dr. W. A. Gustavous left this evening for the East on business.

## BROUGHT TO LIGHT.

Ballinger People Receiving the Full Benefit.

There have been many cases like the following in Ballinger. Everyone relates the experience of people we know. These plain, straightforward statements will do much toward relieving the suffering of thousands. Such testimony may be read with interest by many people.

John P. Ruhman, Eleventh St., Ballinger, Texas, says: "For several years I was subject to attacks of kidney trouble. During these spells my back became very weak and there was a dull ache through my kidneys. The kidney secretions were also scanty and I felt all out of sorts. Doan's Kidney Pills were so highly recommended by a friend, that I resolved to try them and procured a box from the Walker Drug Co. They benefitted me greatly. That was over two years ago and I have never failed to get relief from this remedy when I have taken it since."

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.  
E. P. REMINGTON.

Always say to your grocer: "Remember I want Ballinger Mill flour" and that you will have no other.

And the fleecy staple keeps coming in. Well, 20,000 bales is our guess, and it will not miss the mark by any great lot.

The first message to Mars should contain a reference to the glories of Beautiful Ballinger.

## The WINTERS STATE BANK

### Of Winters

Firmly established and long since past the stage of experimental venture

### Calls Attention

To its facilities unexcelled for the transaction of all legitimate business in all banking lines.

### Capital and Surplus

Exceeds that of any other bank in Winters. With effective, efficient and comprehensive management, make it beyond doubt the safest depository for your funds.

### Loans

Its funds exclusively as designated by law which embraces a less extensive, but more stable class.

### Collections

Made promptly and remittances mailed on day of payment.

### Exchanges

Bought and sold on all principal of the world.

### Your Business

Is respectfully solicited and you are invited to call and use our offices without charge.

## THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Winters, Texas.

## YOU CAN AFFORD IT

\$180 GIVEN AWAY!

By America's Largest School of Bookkeeping, Shorthand, and Telegraphy; Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas.

Give below the names and correct addresses of any young people who you believe would attend a commercial college, and we will send you a nice souvenir of our school, and credit your account with 100 votes for every dollar's worth of tuition paid us by anyone enrolling before Feb. 4, 1910, from the list of names you give below.

The one receiving the highest number of votes will receive one of our combined course, \$95 scholarship; the third \$20 cash; the fourth, a \$15 home study scholarship. You can think of one or more good prospects, so fill in, clip this ad and mail to us at once. Work hard and you are almost sure to get one of the prizes.

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Your name?.....

Age?.....

Would you be interested in a course of Bookkeeping?.....

Shorthand?.....

Telegraphy?.....

Would you want a personal course or a course by mail?.....

Would you like to have a copy of our free catalogue?.....

Fill in and mail promptly. Souvenir will be sent by return mail.

Tyler Commercial College,  
Tyler, Texas.

Secretary Kirk, of the Business League, is putting in some good licks for the good roads move. He made a trip to Leaday on road business Monday, and reports things moving Ballinger's way.

### Slightly Colder With Snow.

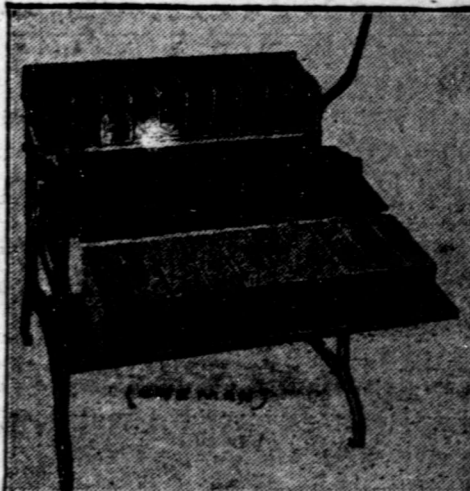
When you see that kind of a weather forecast you know that rheumatism weather is at hand.

Get ready for it now by getting a bottle of Ballard's Snow Lintment. Finest thing made for rheumatism, chilblains, frost bite, sore and stiff joints, and muscles, all aches and pains.

25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Anyhow, West Texas couldn't have spared Col. Lacy, even for four years at Austin.

## "The Peerless" One Man Sand, Cement BRICK MACHINE



Make your own brick. Build your own house. Be independent. Write for price and circulars describing how it can be done.  
303 Commerce St. Dallas, Texas

## Ballinger Bicycle

We sell Bicycles, new and second hand. We are agents Motor Cycles.

### Repair Work

We repair bicycles, guns, anemometers, motor cycles, do fitting. Give us a trial

## Ballinger Bicycle Shop

2 Cooks Restaurant old Stand

### 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.

We are in a position to advance more money per acre on land than any loan company doing business in this part of the state. We can take care of your land notes. We loan money at 8 per cent and charge you nothing for making the loan, except posting or making your abstract of title.  
GIESECKE-BENNETT CO.  
Ground Floor State Bank Building. w-1f

LOST—One bay mare mule, about 14 hands high, good flesh, 8 years old. \$5.00 reward for information leading to recovery. Has been lost about 2 weeks.  
wk2t J. H. Patterson.

FOR SALE—mules.

## Facts for Weak Women

Nine-tenths of all the sickness of women is due to some derangement or disease of the organs distinctly feminine. Such sickness can be cured—is cured every day by

## Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

**It Makes Weak Women Strong,  
Sick Women Well.**

It acts directly on the organs affected and is at the same time a general restorative tonic for the whole system. It cures female complaint right in the privacy of home. It makes unnecessary the disagreeable questioning, examinations and local treatment so universally insisted upon by doctors, and so abhorrent to every modest woman.

We shall not particularize here as to the symptoms of those peculiar afflictions incident to women, but those wanting full information as to their symptoms and means of positive cure are referred to the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser—1008 pages, newly revised and up-to-date Edition, sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only; or, in cloth binding for 31 stamps.

Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.



## Cost Sale at Truitt

In order to meet obligations I have decided to put my stock of

## Dry Goods, Groceries, Etc.

on the market at actual cost. An opportunity will be given the public to get good merchandise at sacrifice prices.

\$4050 WORTH OF GOODS OFFERED

at lowest prices, and you should travel miles to this sale.

SALE BEGINS OCTOBER 15.

J. W. BRICE, General Merchant, Truitt, Texas

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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 earn the news unless you tell us.

Cotton, according to the government report, is 58 per cent normal, for this date, 1909.

And the great Dallas Fair is almost ready to open. Be fair to the Fairs, and attend if you can.

Thousands are going to the Angelo Fair, and hundreds are stopping off at Beautiful Ballinger.

Hearst says he is willing to run for office again, but the public is far from feeling the same about it.

There are 245 teachers in the Fort Worth public schools. Wonder if Dallas will question this statement?

The headline of a newspaper says, "Port Arthur is Dark". But Jno. W. Gates is in New York—that is, perhaps, the reason.

Up in North Texas, the land of perennial rainfall, they are hauling water for miles and miles. But out in West Texas we are nice and moist.

McCaleb, of the San Angelo Press-News, wires from Washington that Cook is a four-flusher. And we remember to have heard similar unkind remarks about Mr. Peary.

The improvements made in the court house attract the attention of those here attending. Nice things are being done by the commissioners.

Writers, who visit San Angelo this week, should take time to spread the news of the Rannels county and Ballinger, and thereby benefit Texas.

Trains in the lime tight now that really counts. He can lecture platform and crowded houses at \$3. He will get the price just bites all right.

It is right when you don't see the Banner, phone us. We will perfect service, and we will have this unless you tell us the defects are, so we will correct them. We now have our boys, and they are not subject to mistakes, and they are all good boys, and the mistakes made will be gladly corrected.

It is time to begin to plan for planting. Make your home beautiful by planting trees and shrubs. It pays many times over the cost.

Ballinger has two school buildings that are a credit to the city, but shame on the sanitary conditions. Ballinger has a first class sewerage system and ordinance requiring connections to be made, and if there is a place where it is needed, it is our school board's duty to see that it is made. People living near the school should be right to

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 Meanwhile, sidewalk building goes merrily on, and Ballinger becomes more Beautiful than ever.

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 Coleman is hot on the trail of two additional railroads, and we hope she gets both. Needs 'em, you see.

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 Ideal weather continues, and so does the ingathering of the fleecy staple. All is well in the Valley of the Colorado.

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 The Banner has no apologies to offer for printing the truth. A paper without fear or favor—that's the Banner idea.

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 If there is knowledge our twenty school teachers are not cognizant of you could not convince the pupils of that fact.

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 Winters is so busy growing that no one ever has time to even think of "hard times" in her balliwaik. Which is growing, and going some.

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 President Taft preached Sunday on Religion and Morality—which is preaching. Some time ago he signed the Aldrich Bill, which was practising.

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 The San Angelo Fair is on, and from all reports it's a dandy—or words to that effect. Well, the Ballinger Carnival, next week will go some.

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 First Monday has come and gone, and the crowd likewise. But every day seems like First Monday in Ballinger, where the madding crowd is the usual thing.

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 The San Angelo City Council has authorized the building of a new jail for the safe keeping of city prisoners. That's growing some all right.

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 The Orient is now operating two passenger trains each day in and out of San Angelo, and running freight trains on schedule time. San Angelo papers are carrying half page and page ads for the new road. How many ads have you seen in the Ballinger papers for the A. & S?

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 What about the Telephone situation? Some of our citizens, lately, seem to want to reverse the time honored call, of "Hel—" whenever the subject of telephone is mentioned. The consensus of opinion, however, seems to be, that the trouble is all caused by old (and wornout) equipment, the operators we know, are all right, and are doing the very best that can be done, with such a lot of antiquated "talk-boxes"!

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 The Masonic fraternity, including the Blue Lodge Chapter, and Eastern Star, are now at home, in the third story of the new bank building and when the finishing touches are put on, will have one of the pleasantest meeting rooms to be found anywhere. This move does not mean that this order has abandoned the intention of erecting a Temple in the near future.

## BOOST WEST TEXAS.

There are thousands of people coming to West Texas these days, on account of the exceptionally low excursion rates granted by the roads traversing this section. While a great per cent of these people are coming from East and Central Texas points, many are coming from other states. But all come, not so much to see any certain town as to see the country at large, and get a correct, first hand idea of the great Colorado, Concho country, a section that has long been before the public notice, but only recently attracted the attention it really deserves.

So now we make our suggestion, which is the excuse for these hastily written remarks. Let every man, woman and child of Ballinger take advantage of the great influx of sight-seers and home-seekers to speak a good word for this country, and our own city. By all means, let us help boost West Texas—a country entirely worthy of the faith we have and hold in its transcendent merits. And do not forget that a narrow viewpoint is disastrous. Let us be broad and openhearted, and if we cannot advance the interests of our own town, let us be neighborly and help the other towns of this section. This is no time for partisan warfare, for bitter fault-finders. But this is a time for united efforts, for combined forces, and Ballinger people can not afford to be narrow in any sense.

Let us be up and doing, alive to the interests of Ballinger first, and then West Texas at large, remembering that a right class of immigration will help this section to reach its goal of fuller development.

The first excursion to the San Angelo fair carried in 2,000 people, so reports the San Angelo papers.

What do you know about an editor quoting from Kipling? Rather classy headword, eh? But he could have quoted from Alfred Austin, think of that!

Yes, Sibyl, Ballinger is both Beautiful and Best. Ask anybody who knows or look up the encyclopedia. But better still, come to Ballinger and talk on.

Many people are passing through en route to San Angelo to attend the fair. A good time to do some missionary work and no harm at all. Tell them about Beautiful Ballinger.

Take a trip in an air ship; sail around above Beautiful Ballinger on some bright Sunday morning and see hundreds of children going to the various churches. A scene great to imagine.

How about a Colorado Valley railroad, from Colorado City via Robert Lee to Ballinger, and then south a hundred miles or so? Figure it out, think it over, and see the benefits of such a road to all West Texas.

Now that our reader editors are quite finished, we wish to say thanks to each individual, who pushed the editorials quill for a period. We appreciate their courtesy, kindness and consideration very much, and will keep their productions in our scrap book. And it is all worthy of such treatment, every line of it. We would speak of the growth of our circulation, had we the time for so big subject. But if an average of 30 new subscribers per week is growing, then The Banner list is doing just that. Steadily climbing the rounds are we, bound for the top, and bound to get there.

## WHAT BRAINS HAVE ACHIEVED.

Brains plus effort and system always win in the struggle of life, over the obstacles that beset the successful conduct of personal or corporate business affairs. Which fact is forcibly exemplified very near at home.

A few nights ago C. H. Tupper, one of the owners of the San Angelo Standard, gave a banquet to the Standard staff. Over a score of men were on hand and in looking over the names of those present we recognize newspaper men who have had successful experience in Chicago, Kansas City and many other of our greatest cities, as well as those who have worked long and well in our own state of the solitary star. Such an array of talent as could not be surpassed anywhere, and every man boosting the big paper that all West Texas is justly proud of. In the editorial, repertorial, circulation, advertising and executive departments are men of proud ability, nerve and energy and to their combined efforts, strong mentalities and unceasing energy the Standard has grown, despite obvious difficulties, into a real metropolitan journal. To-day all who know the facts admit that the Standard has been the most potent factor in the remarkable growth of its home city, San Angelo.

For more than a quarter of a century the Standard has labored faithfully for San Angelo and West Texas at large.

## THE KNIGHTHOOD OF THE WEST.

The call of the West is for development. It is the call of the race to the vanguard of progress. The West knows no rest, no stopping place. The call of the West is for liberty, equality, manhood, fair play—for those inalienable rights which ever have been the inseparable conditions of its progress and victories.

The call of the West is the call for patriotism and progress, for emancipation from every form of Old-World and New-World caste and privilege, from the tyranny of wealth and birth, and alike from the dominion of the trust and political machine; and the call of the West, if I read aright the spirit of our land, is today, as in the days of Jefferson, Jackson and Lincoln, the call of the American people.—From the last published writing by Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, in the World's Work.

Dalhart has a \$5,000 creamery, and the milk of 700 cows pledged for its use. Ballinger will also have a creamery soon, exact plans now being under advisement.

It is said that Santa Fe trainmen are gunshy now, and when they passed through Harriett they do not stick their heads out the window.

And now the report comes that the cotton crop will be greater than at first estimated. Great is Rannels as a cotton producing country.

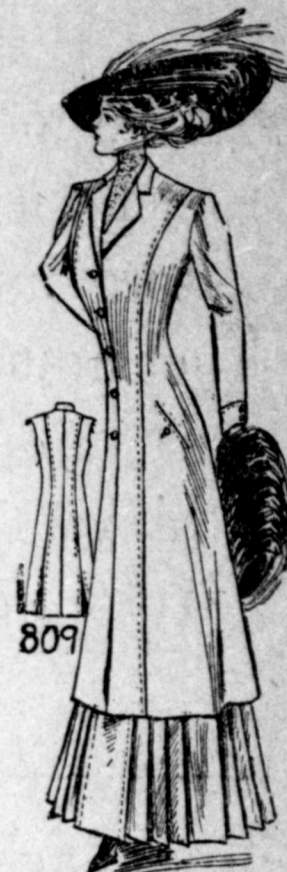
Chas. W. Morse is said to have made over \$7,000,000 since getting out of gaol. Still, that isn't sufficient excuse for letting such men run at large.

A Fort Worth man committed suicide recently from no apparent reason. But wasn't the fact that he lived in Fort Worth reason enough?

Dallas county leads in assessed property valuations, but of course Rannels county leads in most other respects.

# Ladies Can Find Here the Best

- Suits
- Coats
- Skirts
- Dresses
- Hats
- Gloves
- Novelties of All Kinds



# Gents Can Find Here the Best

- Suits
- Shoes
- Hats
- Shirts
- Men's Underwear
- Notions
- Etc.



Every department of our store is complete with New Goods. Do your trading with us and you'll find that it pays.

## THE Winkler Dry Goods Co

### MILLING COMPANY AT SWEETWATER

Destroyed by Fire Last Night.—Loss \$20,000.—No Insurance.

John Dunn received a telegram this morning from his son-in-law who is in the milling business at Sweetwater, stating that the Silver Clip Milling Company was destroyed by fire last night, together with two cars of corn that were standing on the track close to the mill. The mill was the property of Shipman and Lincumb, and Lincumb is a son-in-law of Mr. Dunn. The plant was a total loss with no insurance.

Miss Sallie Patterson returned to-day from a visit with relatives in Tennessee, her old home.

Approximately **1-2** of the **One Way Fare** to **Galveston** and return via



Tickets will be on sale for trains arriving in Galveston morning of Sunday **September 5th**

Tickets will be limited to return Monday, September 6, 1909. **ASK SANTA FE AGENT** W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A. Galveston

Your railroad bonus is due. Pay up!

# Miller Mercantile Company

Groceries, Ranch Supplies,  
Vegetables, Fruit

A large host of satisfied customers patronize this store daily. If you are not among this list you are missing some good things. Fair treatment, prompt delivery.

# Miller Mercantile Company

## GOOD THINGS TO EAT

If you are looking for the best things to eat in the grocery line come to us. Our stock is clean, up-to-date and well kept up at all times. We have what you want in the store. We give prompt attention to phone orders and make deliveries promptly. Give us a chance to prove it.

# CHASTAIN & SIMPSON

PHONE 40.

### NURSERY SECURED FOR BALLINGER

W. R. White Puts in Nursery  
for this City—First Season.

Mr. Editor:—

I am in a position to partly furnish nursery stock from my own place in South Ballinger, this season, at low prices. Such stock as I do not have, I will purchase from reliable dealers, as some of my stock will not be large enough to transplant until next year. I will also open up a heeling and packing yard in Ballinger, where you can examine my stock before you buy, as I have no agents, and have to depend upon mail orders, and visitors to my packing yard, for first season orders.

I have had my nursery inspected by the State Inspector, and have his certificate for same. I grow some very fine fruit on my place, and feel sure I can be of some service to you in selecting the best varieties for this climate. Satisfaction guaranteed. W. R. White.

Proprietor South Ballinger Fruit Farm. d5t-wk4t

C. L. Trotter, formerly of The Banner staff, passed through today for his home at San Angelo.

### STATE TREASURER VISITS BALLINGER

Sam Sparks Spends Sunday  
With Ballinger Friends.—  
Business Visit to  
Abilene.

State Treasurer Sam Sparks stopped off here and spent Sunday with Ballinger friends, while en route home from a business visit to Abilene. Mr. Sparks was in the best of spirits and in conversation with a Banner man said the State's affairs at the capitol city were in good shape, and the Ship of State was moving along smoothly.

He did not talk politics, but his friends are training him for the Governor race, and he is going to have a hard time keeping out when the proper time comes around.

Mr. Sparks was the guest of Jo Wilmeth, and other friends while here, and left on the thirty train Sunday evening for Austin.

Judge R. B. Truly had business in Abilene Saturday.

Constable Pilcher went to Abilene Saturday to see Ringling Brothers' Show. He reports the show the greatest he ever saw.

# SUICIDE STARTLES CITY OF BALLINGER SUNDAY

Mrs. Emma Dyer Ends Life by Taking  
Carbolic Acid Sunday Morn-  
ing--Died at 7 P. M.--Bur-  
ied Today.

Our city was startled Sunday by the news that Mrs. Emma Dyer, wife of Dr. U. E. G. Dyer, had taken carbolic acid, and was in a critical condition. The deed was done at 11 o'clock in the morning, and despite the best of medical attention, she died at 7 o'clock p. m.

Mrs. Dyer took perhaps an ounce of the drug, although a test of what remained in the bottle showed it to be slightly diluted. Had it been pure, she would not have survived many minutes. After taking the poison she showed the almost empty bottle to her husband, who at once secured physicians, and gave an antidote, but to no avail.

No cause has been assigned

for the rash act. Dr. Dyer and wife have lived here more than a year, this tragedy occurring at their home at 702 N. Ninth st. The funeral took place this morning at the city cemetery, at 10:30 o'clock.

Rev. C. S. Knapp, of Santa Anna, preached at Walthall Saturday night and Sunday, with good attendance and attention: Rev. Knapp is colporter for this section, for a bible house.

Rev. J. W. Patison of Santa Anna, was in the city to-day, visiting his son, G. Y. Patison, of The Banner staff. He left in the afternoon for Winters.

## COUNTY ROADS ARE BEING IMPROVED

Splendid Work Being Done on  
Roads by the Commissioners  
Court.

In company with Esquire Weeks, this reporter inspected a lengthy stretch of road Saturday and was greatly pleased at the excellent improvements being made. The San Angelo road, about two miles from this city, and an important piece of work 8 miles from town on the Paint Rock road, each deserve special mention.

The former bit of work consists of reducing the sheer bluff of a sudden elevation, making the road more level, and cutting ditches on each side for drainage. The purpose has been accomplished in each enterprise, and as a result farmers can haul a much greater load of products to market, or supplies homeward, on this bettered highway. The second project consists of a dump across a decided swag, with deep ditches on either side, and one strong bridge, with ample room for water passage beneath. Formerly there were four culverts in this valley, within a distance of 300 yards. Now the cost of every-other-year culverts is done away, and a road installed that will be young and full of service when this generation is old. A great deal of grading is being done at places on these and other roads, and at some future time a fuller discussion of this subject will be attempted.

## COMES TO BALLINGER AFTER BEDS.

W. I. Wayland, of San Angelo, was here yesterday after cots with which to bed visitors to the San Angelo Fair. Mr. Wayland said the hotels at San Angelo were filled to overflowing now, and that sleeping room was going to be at a premium during the fair. While here, Mr. Wayland rented fifty cots from T. S. Lankford and the cots are being shipped out to-day.

## VISITING ATTORNEYS.

Among the visiting attorneys upon District court business here, we note Judge C. H. Jenkins, of Brownwood, J. E. Randolph, of Coleman; L. J. Wardlaw, of Sonora; B. D. Shropshire and Judge Turner, of Fort Worth; and Judge Rice, of Winters.

A. L. Burk, a Paint Rock merchant, was here yesterday.

## WEATHER FAVORS EARLY GATHERING

Cotton Rapidly Being Picked and  
Maize Ready for Cutting.

A Banner reporter took a hurry up drive over a good portion of farming territory tributary to this city Saturday morning and took occasion to observe the conditions of crops with reference to gathering. Farmers are, of course, very busy picking cotton and, as if in co-partnership, the weather is, and has been for some time, absolutely perfect. Days are pleasant and the pickers cheerily toil through daylight hours, intent on finishing up the season early enough to prepare properly for a big crop next year. Then the handsome price on cotton is causing farmers to hasten picking, so they can take advantage of the living profit in sight.

There is quite a lot of excellent maize now ready to harvest, and really, if a bit of advice were in order, this writer would say it should be cut before a frost, which perchance, might come in October.

With cotton at the lucky 13 cents mark, a bigger yield than expected, and a pretty fair supply of feedstuff, Runnels county is doing right well, Mabel, and hopes better things yet, next year.

## THE EVENING NEWSPAPER.

Printer's Ink, which has come to be accepted as an authority by the newspaper craft, in the course of an article on the relative values of the morning and afternoon papers, says:

"The day is ended. Fortunes have been won and lost. Statesmen and soldiers, writers, adventurers have done the deeds of the day; and night has fallen. The news has been gathered by a marvelous system from all continents. It has been sifted, arranged, illustrated, commented upon printed and published, and is served hot from the press, still palpitating, as it were, with the action of the events recorded, interesting and startling with the freshness and excitement of the present. Readers over their soup learn what happened in the wide world while they have been busy, each in his little round of duties toiling in his shop, arguing his case in court, earning his daily bread. They sit at ease and read at leisure. The evening is ahead of them and a needed rest after the fatigues of the daylight hours will be made more interesting by an evening paper.

"Fourteen hours later, while he

bolts his breakfast with one eye on the clock and a brain already busy with the cares of the day, the morning paper is handed to the citizen. If he has time to read the headlines he is doing well. In the night he has leisure to think of the affairs of the human race; in the morning he must think only of his private affairs."

## The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, head ache, back ache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

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J. N. Harris, of Miles, came in Sunday for a short visit with relatives of this city.

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**ENGINEER WILL RECOVER.**  
Temple, Texas, October 5.—Engineer Davis, shot near Harriett Saturday night, is considered out of danger now, and Brakeman Meadows has recovered sufficient to be removed to his home.

W. J. Coulson and family spent the night last night here the guest of Col. S. L. Morgan and family and J. A. Weeks and family. Mr. Coulson and family were en route to San Angelo, making their trip in their auto.  
Banner for job printing.

J. L. Nelson came in yesterday from a prospecting trip which included the Panhandle, Western Texas and Old Mexico.  
W. C. Carroll, of Coldwell, is here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. W. E. Barbee.

**RAILROAD MEN REPORTED BETTER.**  
Conductor Garlick, who passed through last night going West, said he called at the hospital before leaving Temple to see the two trainmen, who were shot

near Miles last Saturday evening. Mr. Garlick says the men, or at least one of them is in bad shape, and it was thought that his arm would have to be taken off.  
Mr. Garlick said that it was the first trip the men had ever made out on this road, and they were

perfectly innocent. It is supposed that the farmer who did the shooting, went by the number of the engine and thought he was shooting at the men who made this run regular on that engine. The man that did the shooting is still in jail in San Angelo.

# AGED RANCHMAN RELIC OF UNFORGETTABLE PAST

## Patrick Coghlan Recounts Experience When New Mexico Was Typical "Bad Man's Land."

Tularosa, N. M., Oct. 7.—In an adobe building erected about 50 years ago, shaded by cottonwood trees planted many years ago by him, in the village of Tularosa, surrounded by relics of the past that recall the days when the southwest was the typical "bad man's land," one of the most typical characters who ever braved the conditions of the day in this section of country may be found—Patrick Coghlan—or "Pat," as his oldtime friends call him.

Born in old Ireland 90 years ago, living there until he attained the age of 26, over 6 feet tall and an athlete, he came to America to seek his fortune and settled on the Texas frontier. This was over 60 years ago, a time when Indians, cattle rustlers and "bad men" constituted the majority of the population of the southwest and when it was considered a breach of western etiquette to ask a stranger where he was from. Pat drifted from Texas to New Mexico and established a cattle ranch in the Tularosa valley, being the first American settler in the village of Tularosa, and has resided there ever since. His cattle interests prospered and he soon attained the title of the Cattle King of the Tularosa valley—a section of country over 100 miles long and about 40 wide.

"We had to stay in the valley in those days," said Pat while in a reminiscent mood. "The Indians controlled the mountain ranges on both sides of us and we controlled the valley. It was bad medicine for them to operate in our domain and we were mighty careful about going into the mountain country."

Many years ago Pat established "The Coghlan Ranch" at Three Rivers, 13 miles north of Tularosa, and probably has the finest ranch

property in the valley. (It is now owned by judge A. B. Fall.) He set out many thousand fruit and shade trees there and in the Tularosa country and has been a great factor in making Tularosa one of the prettiest and most productive communities on the line of the Southwestern railway.

Pat is the typical Irishman and proud of the fact. He has made eight trips back to the Emerald Isle since coming here and never tires of relating stories of "ould Ireland." "Donnebrook Fairs," "the Shamrocks and Orange-men," and others. "Before I first left Ireland," said Pat, "the champion runner of England came to our town and challenged me for a race. I took him up and after the arrangements had been made he stripped off his top clothes, under which he had a light running suit. He saw that I was making no changes in my clothing and asked me why I did not get ready for the race. I told him I was ready for the gun. He asked me if I was 'going to run in those boots,' and when I told him I was, he called a little three year old child to him and said he wanted to carry it over the course. I told him he wouldn't need to do that and if I didn't beat him I would eat the boots. Well, I won."

Pat declares he was never beaten in a running or jumping contest. He has been a wonderful man physically in his day, and even now, at the advanced age of 90, he shows considerable vitality.

While hale and hearty for a man of his advanced age, Pat's days of riding the range are over. He lost his second wife about 5 years ago, has no relations and lives a lonely life, except when some friends drop in to hear him recount incidents of the old days in the West.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Death respects none. He heeds no cry of anguish; he is not moved by tears or sighs. Since the world began he has moved among men bringing grief, desolation and unspeakable woe. All must die. All deaths are sad, but when one who is young and happy, with all of life before her, is called, and called suddenly, it is doubly sad.

Our class, her large circle of friends and her family are called upon to mourn the death of Corinne Prince. The beautiful young life of promise, which had drawn so many friends to it by its power of love and its attractiveness of goodness, is ended ere it scarce began. To know her was to love her. Bright, cheerful, faithful in all things, true to the Lord and His work, she won for herself the love of all who knew her on earth; and eternal life through Him who gave himself for her, and whom

she faithfully followed.

Her life was brief, as we count such things, but who shall say it was too brief? The flower that blooms and withers by the roadside does not bloom in vain. There never was a star that rose and set on time that did not have its influence somewhere. We do not understand it, but the Great Father said "It is enough", and call His tired child to rest in Him forevermore. We bow submissively to His will, knowing that she "is absent from the body, but present with the Lord."

We commend the stricken family to the Father of love. He doeth all things well. May they find His arms about them; may they hear His whisper, "Child, it is best." May they rest in the promise that they shall see her again; see her where no death can come, and God wipes the tears from all eyes.

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St. Louis, Mo., October 7.—The new 60,000 cubic foot balloon, South St. Louis, which sailed from St. Louis at the same time the centennial races got away, was literally riddled with shot and forced to descend yesterday afternoon in Northern Missouri. The pilot, Norris A. Hermann, and his aid, John Bennett, escaped being shot by the ballast bags, hung over the side of the basket.

Hermann is not a member of the Aero Club, and was disqualified from flying in the centennial races. He sailed in no dependently, starting at the same time the other balloons ascended. He was forced to land at Laredo, Mo., 205 miles from St. Louis. In the meantime twelve charges of shot from almost as many different guns had been fired into the balloon.

Previous to the flight of the big balloons, a dozen advertising balloons were sent up, each bearing a \$10 note. Missouri farmers found that landing bags was more profitable than plowing and they lay in wait for them. The South St. Louis was mistaken for an advertising balloon. Shortly after dusk, Monday, the aeronauts were startled by the report of a gun, and the sound of shot hitting the bag and basket. Peering over the side they saw a farmer preparing for another shot. Throwing out ballast they soon got out of range. All during the moonlight night they were fired at, and through the next morning.

When near Laredo the balloon had lost much gas and they had but little ballast left, a charge from a farmer "gun" that came near turning their pleasant trip into a tragedy, convinced them it would be well to land.

Miss Mamie Gregory went to San Angelo Thursday, for a visit with friends. She will also see the big fair.

### CONSTABLE FOR NINETEEN YEARS.

Breckenridge Weatherford Pilcher, the oldest constable in point of years of service in Texas, is a visitor in the city this week from Ballinger. For short, Mr. Pilcher uses the initials B. W. Over in Rannels county, Mr. Pilcher has been constable of one precinct for nineteen years. That's a long time to hold one office, but when a man meets the visiting constable and gets a chance to study him closely one can then see why this efficient official has so long been on the job.

Mr. Pilcher has been living in Ballinger for twenty-three years. He came to that place when it was called Hutchins City. He lived there before the town lot sale was held. The visitor bears the added distinction of being the oldest constable in Texas in the number of years he has served continuously in his present office.—San Angelo Standard.

### DIFFICULTY ATTRACTS CROWD AND ATTENTION.

An altercation between Jack McKay and Tom Ray this morning at 9 o'clock, attracted a large crowd and much attention. The trouble culminated in a fistfight, and both men fought with such determination, that it was some time before onlookers could separate them. Both combatants were rather the worse for the unfortunate occurrence.

T. R. Shelburne, of Stanton, is here on business. Mr. Shelburne reports things in very good shape in the Stanton country.

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### TRAVELERS ROBBED AT BROWNWOOD

Claim Were Touched While Train Was Standing in the Brownwood Yards—Officers Working on Case.

The Bulletin learns from out-of-town sources that three of the San Angelo excursionists claim to have been robbed in Brownwood while the train was waiting for breakfast. One party claims to have lost \$180, another \$50 and still another \$42. They have given a partial description of the man whom they suspect and the officers are making a special effort to locate him.

There were two trains at the station at the time and a large number of people were crowding around, therefore it is a hard proposition to pick out the man who did the "nimble finger" work. It is believed, however, that the pick-pocket belongs in Brownwood. If it should develop that a Brownwood party got the money the local officers would take a great delight in placing him behind the bars—Brownwood Bulletin.

### MANY GO TO SAN ANGELO.

The San Angelo fair excursion this morning drew on Ballinger for about 45, the Santa Fe selling that many tickets. The train will return to-night about ten o'clock. Another train will be operated Saturday, and will pass through Ballinger about 9:30 a. m.

### IMPORTING WEEDS THAT GROW WILD HERE.

Washington, Oct. 7.—This country is actually importing for medicinal purposes plants that are growing wild all around us, but which no one seems to think it worth while to gather. This fact is pointed out by the department of agriculture in a bulletin called "Weeds Used as Medicine" which it would be worth while for the boy who reads this to write for it if he wants to make a little money out of the vacant ground all around him.

The bulletin will explain how to prepare the weeds for the market and will give some idea of the price that the industrious boy can expect to obtain for marketable weeds. Belgium and other European countries ship to this part of the world every year about 50,000 of burdock root. The root sells from 3 to 8 cents a pound and the seeds for from 5 to 10 cents.

Mr. Cline, who was with E. D. Walker's drug store here eight or nine years ago, is here to-day. He is now on the road for a drug house.

James B. Harris, our City Editor, is in San Angelo to-day on business for The Banner, and taking in the fair.

Mrs. D. M. Hart, Sr., of Weatherford, came in yesterday at noon and is visiting at the home of Rev. J. D. Leslie.

Mrs. R. I. Nichols, of El Campo, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. R. P. Kirk.

### GLANDERED STOCK ORDERED KILLED

Judge Griggs Appointed to Condemn Stock—Committee Report.

County Judge R. S. pointed Dr. R. T. Bol Kelly and Ed O'Kelley and inspect some horses been reported to be afflicted with the glanders. The committee to the home of Jess Hill and condemned one horse. Mr. Greenhill and from the went to the home of J. where they put another under quarantine. They a Mr. Greenhill \$5 for his horse the County Judge ordered horse killed and the cremated under the direct Dr. Bolyn.

### DISTRICT COURT.

The wheels of justice are turning rather slowly to-day. Proposed of this morning three o'clock this morning had been done.

We are glad to Judge C. F. Dickinson is here to-day. He has been quite busy the past three weeks.

Mrs. Tow Shaw went to San Angelo to-day to visit friends, after visiting Mrs. Sam Baker, at this place.

Mr. Will Hale, of Crews, was here to-day on business.

## Liver Trouble Remedy Free

Any intelligent person can be his own doctor in the ordinary case of liver trouble, for the symptoms cannot be mistaken. If the white of the eye becomes yellowish, if the skin becomes sallow, if pimples and blotches appear, if the bowels do not move, if you have sick headache, if you are bilious, you may be sure that your liver is torpid or inactive.

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For example, John W. Lee, 619 S. Pennsylvania ave., Indianapolis, Ind., had a stubborn and very long-standing case of liver trouble, with pimples, blotches, jaundice, etc., and it cured him. Mrs. B. Finchum, Jackson, Ky., says the same of it. Thousands of families keep it in the house against just such an emergency, as you can never tell when some member of the family will need a good laxative.

In order to have you or any other sufferer from the liver make a test of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin without personal expense, Dr. Caldwell will send you a free test bottle if you will send your name and address. The sample will show you how pleasant it is to take, how gently it works. It will start you on the cure of your trouble and convince you that you have found a cure. That is the object of the sample, and the doctor urges you to send for it today.



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.

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### A TRIBUTE TO BABYHOOD.

J. R. Ransome, of the Cleburne Enterprise, has the following beautiful editorial in his paper on the birthday of his baby:

"Billiken is one year old to-day. For three hundred and sixty-five days he has dwelt upon the earth, an angel sent direct from heaven, to delight his parents with the prattle of his baby tongue, to charm them with the beautiful blue of his laughing eyes, and to bewitch them with the kisses of his rose-red lips. Our home has been blessed with three other children, beautiful babies all, but Billiken seems to possess a charm of manner, a glorious, winning smile, an irresistible personality that makes babyhood more exquisitely attractive than those children who preceded him. He must be a messenger from heaven, bearing in his lovely face the purity of angels and the innocence of God. He is an inspiration to greater and nobler things. There is no sensation more exalting than the thrill produced by his chubby arms and the touch of his darling face. Is immortality more mysterious than birth? To me it is not. If God can, by the magic of His mysterious power, bring into this world such a marvelous manifestation of love, glory, innocence and purity, it certainly would be just as easy for Him to resurrect from the dust and the ashes mortality, face, form and figure in the heaven that is not made with hands. To those who have no babies to toddle and prattle about the homes, this tribute to Billiken may seem foolish and inane, but wherever God has sent His little messengers of hope and love and immortality this touch of sentiment will be fully appreciated."

### KENTUCKY LETTER.

Dear Editor of Banner Leader:— I want to give my friends in old Russell county an idea about our work in the mountains of Kentucky. I have been on this field about three months as an evangelist and have greatly fallen in love with the work and these big hearted mountaineers. A more noble people do not live anywhere than is found among these high mountains. The physical conditions of this country are rough in the extreme. In coal, oil and gas. The development of these resources is

## TWO TRAINMEN SHOT BY HARRIETT RANCHMAN

### Engineer and Brakeman on Santa Fe Freight Victims of Buck-shot—May Not Prove Fatal.

Engineer L. C. Davis and Brakeman J. H. Meadows, both of Temple, who left San Angelo on a 5 o'clock freight Saturday afternoon, were shot with buck-shot as their train passed Harriett, a small place, six miles beyond Miles. Both were seriously injured, Meadows being hit on the hand, the shot tearing away a portion of it, and Davis being shot in the left arm and shoulder. His arm has been amputated, and he may recover, although his condition is very critical. Both men were taken to Temple, passing through this city Saturday evening.

After the shooting the engineer managed to run his train into Miles, where both men were given

temporary medical aid. Officers from Miles at once left for the scene of the shooting, and arrested L. W. Huffman, a ranchman, residing at Harriett, who admitted to the shooting. He was brought to Miles, and after supper was turned over to San Angelo officials who came for him in an auto, and carried him to the Concho City for safe keeping. At first Huffman would make no statement, but later he stated that the engineer had annoyed his wife by throwing off notes and waving, in passing.

Both of the injured parties have been on this run some time, and stand well among their fellow workmen.

large cities where it is used for fuel and lights. The timber of this country is fine and large mills are being built to cut it into lumber.

New towns are springing up all over the country. Two towns from 1,500 to 2,500 are going up within ten miles of this place, one a lumber town and one a mining town. The former has timber enough to run fifteen years and the latter has an inexhaustible supply of coal.

Our evangelistic work is prospering. I closed a revival meeting at Inez, a country town, last Sunday night. It was a glorious meeting all the way through. Sunday morning the services reached the climax. I never witnessed a more spiritual service in all my life. Strong men wept for joy, while many of the good sisters shouted as they saw their children converted to God. 23 in all were converted and took up the Christian life. The fellowship of the brethren of all denominations was simply grand. The Presbyterians have a college here and are doing a fine work. Six years ago they came into Inez without a member. They established a school and went to work. Now they have the best church in town.

At Prestonburg, a county town, twenty miles south of this place, the Baptists have a church with 244 members and a college with 315 students. One year ago the first of this month, we did not have but nine Baptists in the town and they were not organized into a church.

At Salyersville the Baptists established a school four years ago and have been doing fine work, but they have no meeting house. They have a lot and will commence to build at once.

Our evangelistic work is flourishing. Brother Harden, an evangelist who came to us one year ago and was baptized by our beloved Dr. W. D. Powell, has held some fine meetings this summer and has organized two large churches in rich communities.

I go to West Liberty, a country town, thirty miles west of here, in a few days to hold a meeting. We have no Baptist church there but I hope to leave one when this meeting closes. I will be in meetings all the fall and winter. It seems that the winter suits the best for revival meetings in the mountains.

Will all who read this article pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into this field? How we need pastors and meeting houses!

Please send me your valuable paper. I love the West and want to hear from that section. I

have many fond recollections of the brethren in Ballinger, at Pearce School House and Spring Hill, also all the places where I preached in that country.

Z. J. Amerson.

### BRYAN GOES WEST TO TALK.

Will not Meet Senator Bailey at Atlanta.—Speaks at Seattle.

Lincoln, Nebraska, October 4. William J. Bryan will leave here Wednesday for Seattle Exposition and will speak at Seattle on October 12th. He will also visit Canada and be gone from home for three weeks. He will defend his tariff views in the speeches he makes while on the trip.

Always say to your grocer: "Remember I want Ballinger Mill flour" and that you will have no other.

### STANLEY CAMERON CRIPPLED.

Stanley Cameron is going with one arm in a sling. He refused to give the cause, but we understand that he got mixed up with a sheep, and the sheep got the best of him.

Rev. H. M. Bandy, left for Coleman Monday, for a short visit with old friends.

### POSTED KEEP OUT.

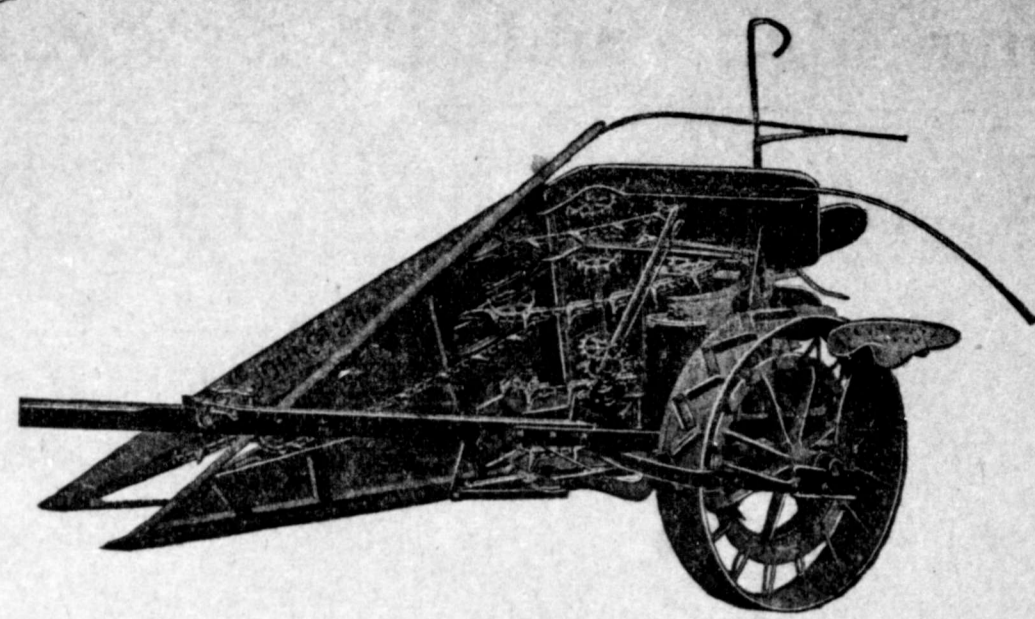
My place on Valley creek is posted and I give fair warning to all trespassers to stay out. Positively no fishing, hunting, cutting timber, gathering pecans, or trespassing in any way will be tolerated. This means everybody and I will prosecute those who violate this warning.

J. W. RABY.

### MISS GENEVIENE TRULY PAINFULLY INJURED.

Miss Genevieve Truly was seriously injured Saturday evening by being thrown from a horse, while out riding near Millersview, where she has been teaching. The accident occurred about sundown. Miss Truly was given the best of attention, and brought to her home at Ballinger in an auto Sunday afternoon, but she has been suffering greatly to-day. She was injured internally, and a thigh bone was fractured. Her many friends here are very much distressed over her misfortune, and all join The Banner in hoping Miss Truly a speedy recovery.

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### DIFFICULTY OCCURS NEAR WINTERS

Frank Brandt Receives Bad Wounds at Hands of Two Men.—No Arrest Yet.

News was received here yesterday to the effect that two men visited the home of Frank Brandt, and in a difficulty with Brandts, badly beat Brandt up. Particulars are meager and all that we could learn of the affair is told in the above few words.

Brandt formerly lived in Ballinger and is well known here. He is a deaf man and was never known to be in trouble before. Sheriff Flynt said the parties who did the hurt to Brandt would be arrested as soon as located, and complaint filed against them. Brandt is a farmer and lives 5 miles from Winters.

All my pastures are posted and fair warning is given for all trespassers to keep out. No hunting, camping or trespassing of any kind will be allowed. Please keep out and avoid trouble.

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Very best grade Cooking Oil in barrel and gallon cans. Very best Bancon for the money. Very best Flour for the money. Very best quality for the very same money. Get it at

## MIXON'S

Judge L. J. Wardlaw and Dr. H. R. Wardlaw, late of the cousin, Dr. H. R. Wardlaw, went up to the Fair Tuesday, and will return in a couple of days. John Sealy Hospital, of Galveston, was here Monday. He is to locate soon at Sonora.

Men, Young Men and Boys Wear Clothes THAT ARE MADE RIGHT

Alfred Benjamin and B. Kuppenheimer Clothes Sold Here



**Benjamin and Kuppenheimer Clothes for Men and Young Men**

Made in New York and Chicago

If you value the prestige which wearing authentic style clothes assures and if you require exceptionally fine tailoring and rich serviceable fabrics, then you will appreciate Benjamin and Kuppenheimer all wool clothes. They are made in New York and Chicago by the most skilled tailors in the world, and are worn by keen tasteful dressers all over the U. S. If it were possible to have Benjamin or Kuppenheimer clothes more fascinatingly designed or tailored with more honest, capable effort, if it were possible to make them better than they are in any way, they would be made better. But it is not. They are the standard in style and quality in America, for men and young men. Every style and color combination is here. Prices range, \$25, 22.50, 20, 18.50 and 15. Can't we Serve you with a Try-On---Is all We Ask



**Sonneborn Clothing for Men** For the man who wants a medium price suit to knock about in or for every day wear we unhesitatingly recommend SONNEBORN Clothing. They are made by people who make honest clothing—sewed throughout with silk, with hand padded shoulders and hair lined fronts. In fact are made wonderfully well and you will be surprised at the small price asked at

**\$15.00                      \$12.50                      \$10.00                      down to                      \$4.98**

**Extra Special in Men's Suits. Broken Sizes. As long as they last, special - - \$4.98**  
One lot Men's wool and worsted suits, broken sizes, from 34 to 42 in sizes, sack suit and made in three button sack style actually worth \$8.50 to \$15 suit. Your choice of the lot, the suit **\$4.98**

The Kind That Fit and Wear

**Carrallton-System-Clothes for Young Men and Boys**

The Kind That Fit and Wear

**Boys Buy Your School Suit Here**

The boys department is full of new things and awaits your coming. Lot 8189. Boys Double Breasted Suits of green and gray stripe Velour material Knickerbocker pants, belt straps, buttons well put on, age 8 to 17 years. Price **\$5.00**

Lot 8066. Boys Double Breasted Suits, blue and green mixed worsted, Knickerbocker pants, belt straps, well made throughout, age 8 to 16 years. Price **\$4.50**

Lot 3432. Boys Double Breasted two piece suits of brown Velour material. Pants cut full and roomy. Knickerbocker style. Ages 8 to 16 years. Price **\$3.50**

Lot 3400. Boys Double Breasted Suits in black and navy worsted, well lined throughout. Pants cut full and roomy. Extra value here. Ages 8 to 16 years. Price **\$2.50**

We have the most complete line of Boys Suits in Knickerbocker and plain pants style, also Junior Suits, 2-12 to 8 years. We will consider it a pleasure to show you the boys line. The prices will please you. Let us fit your boys up.

Boys make this your shopping place.

**CLOTHES SATISFACTION AT A SATISFACTORY STORE.**

**Boys Caps a Big Showing Here**

Yes, Boys you'll need a nice cap, won't you? The straw hat must go. Our line of caps are complete. You must see them. All styles shapes and colors. Prices 25c, 35c, 50c and up.

**Boys Plain and Knickerbocker Pants**

Over three hundred Boys Plain and Knickerbocker pants to select from. The corduroy, worsted and serge goods are here. Every size too, from 3 to 17 years. Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and up.



**Young Man Your Suit is Here**

The kind you have been looking for.

Lot 8536. Young men's suits, grey and mixed velour effect. All wool materials. Coat Harvard style, hair lined fronts. Best lining possible. Pants peg top side buckle, belt straps. Sizes **\$16.50**

33 to 38. Lot 172. Young men's suits made of velour cloth and brown and black stripe effects. Coat cut with a dash that the young men like pants full peg top. Side buckles. Sizes 32 to **\$15.00**

36; price. Lot 8102. Young men's worsted suits, brown herring bone effect. Coat cut Harvard style. 3 buttons. Slightly indeed for the young man. Pants cut peg styles. Sizes 32 to **\$12.50**

38; price. Lot 8064. Young men's suits, cut Yale styles, 3 buttons. Sack lining the best. Colors blue and green stripes of worsted material. Pants peg top. Sizes 32 to 38. Price \$10.00; others at \$8.50 **\$5.00**

**\$7.50 and. CLOTHES SATISFACTION AT A SATISFACTORY STORE.**

**Mens Underwear**

The season has come when you must give your attention to winter wearables.

The time to buy is now, the place here. Men's all wool undershirts at \$2.00, \$1.50 and \$1.00.

Men's heavy ribbed, fleeced union suits at \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00.

Men's gauze wool shirts worth \$1.50; here at \$1.00.

The best line of ribbed and fleeced undershirts in the country. At a garment only 48 cents.

**Mens Trousers**

Splendid quality in new trousers.

We say to you without fear of contradiction that we carry the greatest line of men's trousers in Ballinger. Whether you want a fine pair for dress occasion or the plain kind for work use, we have them. Your size is here whether a 50 in the waist or 29. It matters not. We fit you. **DRESS PANTS \$6.00, \$5.00, \$3.50 down to \$2.50.**

**WORK PANTS \$1.00 up.**

**Mens Hats**

You need a hat—then buy here. The famous Jno. B. Stetson and Mawes-Yon Gal Hats sold here.

Get under a Stetson or Hawes' hat and you'll know your head is properly dressed. The new Fall Stetsons are now in. We show 15 different styles ranging in price from \$10.00, \$7.50 \$6.50 down to \$4.48. **HAWES'** all shapes, in soft and stiff hats. Price all styles \$3.00.

**Boys Hats**

Boys—the nobby little hat you have been looking for is here, for Sunday wear and school too. Little folks, we have made great preparations for you this fall. Every wanted style is here, and here for you. Hats that don't make a little fellow look too old. Prices are \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00 and down.

**O. C. Hansons Gloves**

The world's best working mens' Gloves.

They are made by the very best union labor obtainable in the country. Every pair is made to wear and fit perfectly, so different from the ordinary kind. We have the short driving glove, as well as the long kauntlet. Ask for the O. C. Hanson Glove and you can depend on it you'll get one that is right in price and workmanship. Sold only by us. Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and up.

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