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LARGE CROWDS COM- ING TO BALLINGER

**Railroads Grant One and One-
Third Fare for Three Days.**

The Santa Fe has granted a one and one-third fare rate for round trip from San Angelo, Coleman and Talpa to Ballinger; tickets on sale today, tomorrow and Saturday, and limited to Sunday. The rate is being advertised and it is expected that a large crowd will be in Ballinger for the next three days to attend the carnival, attend the Big Tag Day and buy goods. Saturday will be Tag Day, and especially it is expected that a large crowd will be here Saturday, which is also the last day of the carnival.

FIRE DEPARTMENT GETS NEW HOSE.

Charley Dean, driver for the Ballinger fire department informed a Banner reporter yesterday that they had just received 1000 feet of new hose to be used on the wagon. The old hose has been placed on the hose cart and can be conveniently used when needed.

Mr. Dean says with the new supply of hose the fire department will now be able to reach anything within the city limits. This is indeed a good investment for the city.

GO TO PECOS COUNTY TO INSPECT LANDS.

Judge R. S. Griggs, R. T. Williams and R. A. Nicholson left this afternoon in an automobile for Pecos county where they go to inspect a league of land (4420 acres) of Runnels county, school land.

The Commissioners Court contemplate selling this land and have ordered Judge Griggs to make the trip, inspect the land and report back to them as to the quality and value of this school land, and as to the advisability of selling it. They will return the first part of next week from this trip.

T. M. Osteen and wife and baby returned to Bronte at noon today via San Angelo. They came down a few days ago to visit relatives and friends and attend the Gressett-Campbell wedding.

OWLS NEST IS ORGANIZED

**Organization is Affected With a
Large Membership. Hoo Hoo
Crowd Enthusiastic.**

Last night the charter members of the Order of Owls met at the W. O. W. hall, and after an address from C. W. Holcomb, the organizer who has been here several days in the interests of the order, the Owls went into permanent organization.

A large crowd was present and great enthusiasm was manifested which assures a large healthy Owl Nest for Ballinger.

Messrs. G. W. Boyce, W. D. Woodruff, Joe Provine and H. F. Gronne from the Merkel Owls were present and assisted in the organization. These gentlemen are enthusiastic Owls and came from Merkel in an auto. Judge Potter who was to deliver the chief lecture on "Owlism," was unfortunately kept at home on account of sickness in his family.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. B. Martin, president.
W. C. Reeves, vice-president.
Howell G. Knight, secretary.
Ralph G. Erwin, treasurer.
P. E. Truly, invocator.
Walter Parker, sentinel.
J. D. Isom, warden.
S. W. Cobb, pickett.
J. O. Mixon, past president.

The above officers were installed and the next meeting is to be held Tuesday evening, March 29 to install a large number of new members that have sent in applications to join the new order today.

The Owls' Nest in Ballinger will contain about 100 members in the beginning and is a healthy progressive organization.

ROOSEVELT AND FAMILY ARRIVES AT CARIO.

Special to The Banner:

Cario, Egypt, March 24.—Former President Roosevelt, Mrs. Roosevelt, Kermitt and Ethel, arrived here today. Thousands of people met them at the station, and the entire city is decorated with American flags.

MORE PRIZES FOR PIANO CONTEST

**Ballinger Merchants Come to the
Front With Special Offerings.**

Today there is additional interest in our great piano contest.

In addition to the Clarence Grand Piano, which is to go to the lady or organization receiving the greatest number of votes, FIVE other prizes, ranging in value from one hundred and twenty-five dollars to twenty-five dollars are announced today and as a consequence the interest in the contest is greatly enhanced.

Think of it! Six valuable prizes to be given away to the contestants who will get busy in this contest.

Higginbotham Currie Williams Company are offering a hundred and twenty-five dollar buggy to the contestant who is second in the race. These people will give ten votes free for every dollar cash you spend in their store. When you trade there, be sure to call for the votes.

The Banner has raised its own proposition, and will give a lifetime scholarship in a business college valued at fifty dollars to the one who comes out third in the race.

The Walker Drug Co., will give to the fourth candidate in the race a beautiful twenty-five dollar violin. This instrument can be seen at their drug store. They will also give ten free votes with every dollar you spend with them. Do not fail to call for the free tickets when you trade at the Walker Drug Company.

The Ballinger Music Co., is never behind when it comes to enterprise, and comes to the front with the offer of a twenty-five dollar Washburn guitar as a fifth prize. They will also give you ten votes in the contest for every dollar you spend with them.

Asa Cordill is in with the sixth prize, but will not decide for a day or two just what he will offer, but it can be depended upon it will be something worth while. The nature of this prize will be announced in a day or two. In the meantime you will be given ten free votes with every dollar you spend at Asa Cordill's jewelry store.

This is a list of prizes well worth the time of anyone. There are so many of them, that any young lady who will devote a little of her time to the contest can feel reasonably sure of winning at least one of them.

Tell all your friends about what you are trying to do, and ask them to trade with the merchants giving away free coupons, requesting them to save them for you. This is the way to win.

Clip the free coupon from the paper, and ask all your friends to save their's for you. This is the way to secure their interest.

Get sample copies of the paper and canvass for subscriptions. They will be glad to help you.

Get busy. Hustle. Let your friends know that you want to win, that you are determined to win, and the battle is already practically yours.

FT. WORTH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Special to The Banner.

Ft. Worth, Tex., March 24.—Cattle received today 3000; hogs, 3000; steers higher, tops 6.75; cows higher, tops 5.50; calves steady, tops, 5.50; hogs higher, tops 10.85.

NEGRESS ATTACKS DEPUTY SHERIFF

**Officer at Alpine Struck Over the
Head With a Pickle Jar Filled
With Rice.**

Struck over the head with a pickle jar filled with rice and knocked to the ground, with a deep gash over his right eye, is the exciting experience of Deputy Sheriff Sura Phelps met with last Sunday, while arresting Asa Butler, a "colored lady, in high society of Coöndom."

From reports, it seems that the woman had been disturbing the neighborhood by brandishing a six shooter and using abusive language. When Deputy Sheriff Phelps informed her that she was under arrest, without provocation she struck him a terrific blow over the head. Quickly recovering himself he had her behind the jail bars. Yesterday she plead guilty to two charges in Judge Ragin's court, and at the next term of county court will have to answer to two more serious charges.—Alpine Avalanche.

LOOKING TO BALLINGER. FOR CIVIC PATTERNS.

Mayor Kirk is in receipt of a letter from Mayor Maloney of Bryan, in which the Bryan mayor wants some information about our city. He wants to know how we operate our water works system, what kind of contract we have with the light people, etc., and also something about the street building system. All of which Mayor Kirk gladly furnished the Mayor of Bryan.

Ballinger's reputation as a city beautiful continues to grow all the time.

MERGER TELEGRAPH, TELEPHONE COS.

Special to The Banner.
New Orleans, La., March 24.—For the purpose of strengthening the merger of the Western Union with the American Telegraph and Telephone Co., Edward J. Hall, vice-president of the phone company and B. Brooks, general manager of the Western Union left late last night for Houston. The officials will visit a number of Texas cities to investigate and plan improvements.

BIG BOOST FOR DALLAS FIRE CHIEF.

Special to The Banner.
Ft. Worth, Tex., March 24.—It is announced here today that H. F. Magee, chief of the Dallas fire department, will be boosted for the presidency of the International Association of Fire Chiefs when the organizations meet in annual convention at Syracuse, New York, on August 23rd.

AGED CONFEDERATE BURNED TO DEATH.

Special to The Banner.
Palestine, Tex., March 24.—King Mitchell, an aged Confederate Veteran, was burned to death here today in a fire that destroyed Dublin's restaurant, Hail's saloon, Williams' fruit store. Mitchell's home was at Troupe, but he had charge of the apartments over the restaurant. Loss about \$20,000.

Jack Nagel and wife have a new boy that come to live in their home the first of the week.

ADVERTISING BALL- GER ROAD BOOSTERS

**Road Overseers Banquet. Spreads
the Good Work to Other
Counties.**

Judge A. M. Brumfield, who returned last night from Ballinger where he attended a good roads meeting, reports a most enthusiastic session and says he believes it will bear immediate fruit. The object of the gathering was to induce farmers and road overseers in good roads, and this was done through the talks by A. J. Arnold of Ft. Worth and Judge Brumfield of this city. Mr. Arnold is an able advocate of better roads and Judge Brumfield's knowledge of road building enables him to talk interestingly on the subject. After these gentlemen had talked and the Commercial Club had served the guests with a delightful luncheon the road overseers of the county organized into an association, which has for its purpose the betterment of county roads.

Judge Brumfield gave his experience in road building and his talk proved both interesting and helpful. He went to Ballinger on invitation and at the solicitation of Mr. Arnold, who is secretary of the Commercial Secretaries association. He says he found the people there pretty well interested in good roads and would not be a bit surprised to hear of an election at an early date for the purpose of issuing bonds for the improvement of the roads in the county.

Speaking of the town Judge Brumfield said that Ballinger was surely a hustling, wide-awake place and that she would do any and everything that would serve to advance the town's interest. He was pleased with the working of the Commercial Club on the part of the membership.—Brownwood Bulletin.

SLAYDEN'S NEPHEW DIED TODAY.

Special to The Banner.
Washington, March 24.—Representative Slayden of Texas, today received a dispatch announcing the death of his nephew, Thomas Slayden Fakes, at Ashville, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. Slayden will go to Ashville tonight to attend the funeral. (

SLAYDEN MAY SUCCEED FITZGERALD

**Texas Representative May be Giv-
en Place on House Committee.**

Special to The Banner.
Washington, March 24.—A fight will be precipitated in the Democratic caucus tonight to put Representative Slayden of Texas in the place of Representative Fitzgerald of New York, or house rules committee. Representative Smith of Texas is leading the movement to appoint Slayden and opposes Fitzgerald because he was appointed by Cannon over protests of the Democrats.

QUIET TIMES IN JUSTICE WEEK'S COURT.

Justice Weeks reports that business is a little dull with him now, and that with the exception of an occasional fine imposed for imbibing too freely of barley, corn juice every thing is quiet in his department of justice.

YOUNG MAN COMMITS SUICIDE AT DALLAS.

Special to The Banner.
Dallas, Tex., March 24.—Berry G. Harding, aged 25 years, fired a bullet into his head at his home late last night, and is in a dying condition today. His health is attributed to the cause of the act.

TEXAS REPRESENTATIVE ACCEPTS INVITATION.

Special to The Banner.
Washington, March 24.—Representative Jack Beal today accepted an invitation from the New York Democratic Club to go and speak at Jefferson Daquet there on April 13th.

TEXAS REPUBLICANS VISITS PE

Special to The Banner.
Washington, March 23.—The den, of San Antonio, tomorrow and will confer with President Taft on the ment of the successor of Judge Bryant for District of Texas. It is expected that Taft will probably announce the appointment of this week.

K. V. Northington returned from Winters today at noon.

A GREAT MANY PEOPLE

of Ballinger and surrounding country are responding to our efforts to get them to start bank accounts. People who have never carried bank accounts before are coming in and starting.

Some with only a few dollars and others with large amounts that they have been keeping about home or in secret places.

They are learning the advantage of keeping their money in a "Guaranty" Bank, thereby doing away with all anxiety as to theft or loss from any other source.

This is very gratifying to us for two reasons. One is that we want the business, and the other is that we know that it is infinitely better for the people to carry bank accounts. Open with us now.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

Deposits Guaranteed by the
"Depositors Guaranty Fund."

JUST AS A MATTER OF SAFETY

if for no other reason, you should keep your money in Bank. From Maine to California and from the Dakotas to the Gulf, the newspapers record, almost daily, the loss of money left at home or carried in the pocket.

It isn't wise to take such a risk when this strong bank will not only guard your money carefully, but serve you in many other ways, absolutely without expense to you.

A savings account will help you to save money. We pay liberal interest. \$1.00 opens an account. A checking account is a great convenience in paying bills, helps you to keep track of your expenditures, gives you iron-clad receipts.

We cordially invite you to open either a Checking or a Savings Account, or both.

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"The Bank That Does Things For You"

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The only Bank in Ballinger under United States Government Supervision.

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 And Closes when
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CLOSING OUT SALE

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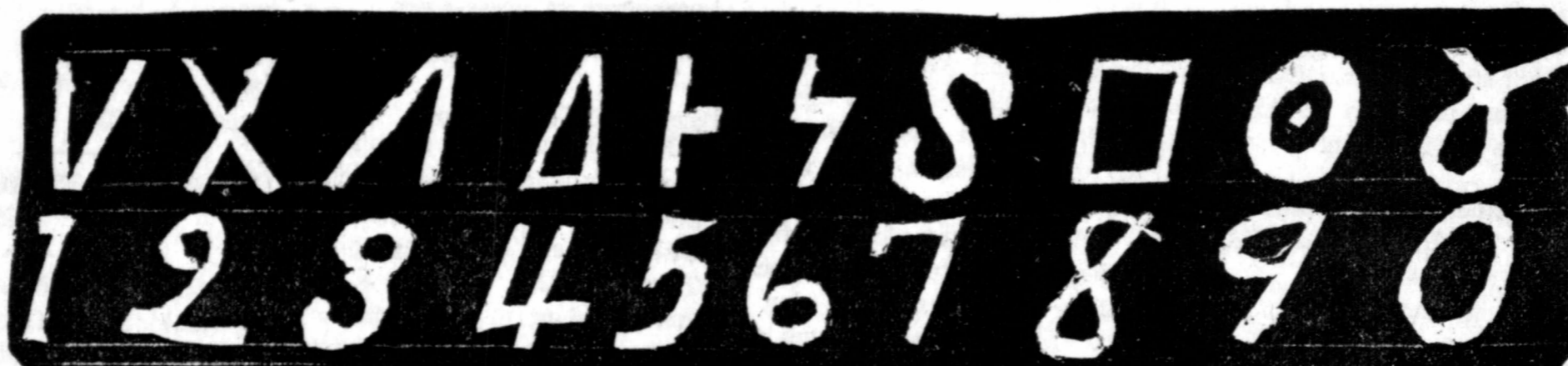
Not a mere statement, not a supposition, but **AN ABSOLUTE FACT.** We have placed our \$23,465.85 Stock of High Grade Merchandise and Store Fixtures in the hands of Mr. Guy Adkins, a Special Salesman of Indianapolis, Indiana, with the positive injunction **TO PUT US OUT OF BUSINESS.** It will be to your advantage to help in this great undertaking, as we will offer you any article in our Stock **AT A PRICE BELOW ANYTHING HERETOFORE PLACED BEFORE THE PEOPLE.**—Stick a pin here—We are going out of business.—Come and take part in A **GENUINE CLOSING OUT SALE.** LISTEN **BALLINGER IS TO HAVE ONE STORE LESS.**—Our Stock is replete with **DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, GLOVES, CLOTHING, STATIONERY, NOTIONS, DRESS GOODS, SILKS, RIBBONS, EMBROIDERIES, TRUNKS, SUIT CASES, RUGS, ART SQUARES, TOILET ARTICLES,** and **MILLINERY,** all of which bear the stamp of the latest modes and unexcelled Quality. As a Forerunner of what is to happen in this **SALE,** we name a few **SPECIALS** which will interest you:

CLOSING OUT SALE

BEGINS SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH

Men's 25c Suspenders, Closing out price 11c	Men's No Name Overalls 50c. Closing Out price 29c	9 X 10 1-2 Art Squares, \$6.00 value. Closing out price \$2.85	Men's \$4 Ralston shoes Closing out sale per p'r. \$3.29
Men's \$10.00 Suits Closing out price \$3.89	Ladies \$2.50 strap Sandals. Closing out price, per pair \$1.28	18 inch Embroidery, 45c value. Closing out price, per yd. 24c	Men's 75c Dress shirts Closing out price 35c
Ladies \$5.00 Hats Closing out Price \$3.44	Men's \$5 Stetson Hats, Closing out price \$2.89	Garners Dress Prints Closing out price per yd. 4c	10 4 Sheeting 30c value, closing out price 25c
Ladies 15c Hose Closing out price per pair 4c	Men's and Boys \$2 Hats Closing out price 39c	Panama Dress Goods 45c value, closing out price, per yd 27c	Cartridges 22 short closing out price per bx. 10c

AS A KEY TO THE PRICE, we print our **COST MARK** FOR REFERENCE:



MERCHANTS will find it to their advantage to attend this **SALE** as **ODD NUMBERS** and **JOBS** can be had at **LESS THAN WHOLESALE PRICES,** as well as **THE NEW** and **UP-TO-DATE FIXTURES.**

The Best of All

We desire to make **SPECIAL MENTION** of the fact that **OUR ENTIRE SPRING PURCHASES** were made prior to our determination to quit business. Consequently these Goods will be a great feature in this **SALE.** **REGARDLESS** of their **BEAUTY** and **STYLE** they must **GO AT THE NO PROFIT BEARING PRICE.**

SPECIAL ATTENTION
 Will be Given
 to Out of
 Town Visitors

Sincerely,

BAIR & CONN
BALLINGER TEXAS

CLOSING OUT SALE
CLOSES WHEN EVERYTHING IN THE HOUSE IS SOLD

POSITIVELY
 Not a Sale of Odds and Ends but a **Genuine Closing Out Sale** where you can have your choice out of a **\$23,465.85 Stock.** We are **Going Out of Business.**

A LARGE CROWD HEARS ABLE ADDRESS

Judge Poindexter Carries the Day in Ballinger--Speaks Openly on Every Issue.

Judge William Poindexter arrived on the 12:25 train. He was met at the depot by a committee to be escorted to the Central hotel, where he spent a time meeting friends, and shaking hands with new acquaintances.

The following members of the local Poindexter Club took dinner with Judge Poindexter at the Central hotel: E. V. Bateman, A. H. Van Felt, A. W. Sledge, R. S. Griggs, Dr. J. H. Grant, M. A. Traylor, M. C. Smith, N. J. Wardlow, Chas. Furgerson, B. B. Stone, T. S. Bankford, R. T. Williams, Jo Wilmeth and R. P. Kirk.

The band furnished music for the occasion and played a number of pieces on the streets before going to the court house where Judge Poindexter addressed a crowded house for nearly two hours, and was heartily applauded throughout his speech.

Hon. M. A. Traylor called the meeting to order, and called on Judge B. B. Stone to introduce Judge Poindexter.

Judge Stone in introducing Judge Poindexter stated that there was music and magic in the name, Poindexter, and that the name Poindexter was synonymous of strength.

Judge Poindexter spoke for nearly two hours. He said it was impossible for him to discuss in detail every issue before the people in the campaign. He advocated reform in court procedure, and the administration of the laws. He dwelt at considerable length on this and pointed out the difficulty in dealing out justice to the violators and on account of the technicalities preventing the guilty from being punished.

Judge Poindexter paid his respect to A. V. Davidson and his "Coon skin" game to get the governor's office. And said that Davidson got the "Coon skins" and put them on the outside of the cabin and on the inside the seals of the common people, who paid the bills, were hanging.

The speaker struck the real live issue when he referred to the prohibition question. He defined himself so clearly on that question that no one could doubt his position. He spoke at considerable length on the prohibition issue, and space and time prohibited a full account of his speech.

Judge Poindexter, said above all things, the meanest and most detrimental of all was prejudice, and he landed Mr. Colquitt a blow in showing how that gentleman was trying to prejudice the people on the old threadbare, worn out Bailey question.

Referring to Colquitt's speech at Gainesville, Judge Poindexter said:

"I note that Mr. Colquitt said in his Gainesville speech: 'When I differed with Senator Bailey I had the courage to say so; I did not my fellow citizens, betray him with a kiss, like Cone Johnson did. I did not follow his footsteps and ask for his favors like Davidson did, and I did not accept \$1,000 to prosecute him before the legislature like Poindexter did.' When Colquitt made this charge, if he did not know what he was talking about he ought not to have made the charge. I did not accept \$1,000 to prosecute Bailey. I did not prosecute Bailey nor defend Bailey. I was employed by the senate committee to advise that committee during the trial and to aid as far as possible in securing a fair, impartial

and full investigation, irrespective of political prejudices or consequences. I performed my duty to the best of my ability, spent 5 weeks at the job, lost more money from neglect of business than I made, and no living man knew what my opinion was when the investigation closed. This trafficker in politics would create the impression that I accepted a fee to prosecute Bailey, when he knows there is no truth in the charge. He further says: 'I want to say that Senator Bailey helped defeat me for governor and helped at the convention to nominate Campbell, for which I know he is sorry.' If it is true that Bailey helped defeat Colquitt for governor, he performed the best service of his life to the state, for I regard Colquitt as the most dangerous man in public life in Texas.

"He says 'Bailey helped to nominate Campbell.' Bailey has always declared that he did not help nominate Campbell. There seems to be some question as to who is telling the truth. As between Bailey and Colquitt, I have no trouble in deciding upon which side the truth lies. Colquitt is the man who helped nominate Campbell in the convention. He is the man who withdrew from the convention and advised all of his following to vote for Campbell. If Johnson betrayed Bailey with a kiss, Colquitt betrayed Campbell with a dozen.

"He further says: 'Bailey knows that I never asked him to support me for any office. If Senator Bailey thinks I am the best man in the State for the office, he will support me without asking. And I want to say that before this campaign is over that Senator Bailey and all his friends will be in my band wagon.' I have been reliably informed that Colquitt has been in possession of letter from Senator Bailey for several weeks or months, informing him that he (Bailey) would not support Colquitt for governor. If my information is not correct Colquitt knows it and he can correct me. If Senator Bailey and his friends ever get into Colquitt's band wagon it will be a dark day for Bailey and his friends as well as for the State of Texas.

"I abominate personal politics. Throughout all of my speeches I have studiously avoided any reference to the Bailey question. I am running on live issues and not dead ones and I believe in discussing issues and not men. Colquitt deals in nothing else but personal politics. He professes a desire to ignore the Bailey question and yet he has tried to revive that question for the last six months. He either desires to ride into office on Bailey's coat-tail or else to divide the opposition on the Bailey question. When Bailey needed friends Colquitt was his admitted enemy, suggesting plan for Bailey's defeat and political death, and when Colquitt needs friends, he falls upon Bailey's neck and plants the ancient kiss. He will find that Bailey is too wise to be fooled and his followers would prefer to wend their way on foot along clear paths rather than accept passage in Colquitt's band wagon.

Colquitt pretends that he wants political rest in Texas and yet he is advocating the very thing that will insure political agitation and endless disturbance. He is op-

posed to submission and favors one-third of the legislature ruling Texas, knowing full well that as long as the legislature refuses to submit the amendment question of prohibition will be paramount in Texas. The only way to remove this question as a disturbing factor in Texas politics is to submit it to the people for settlement at the ballot box. Colquitt knows this, but for a year he has been running for office on this question. He is willing to destroy the business interests of Texas and to involve us in an endless struggle over this question in order to be governor over Texas."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OFFICERS

State Sunday School Convention Elects Officers for Next Year.

Special to The Banner. Dallas, Tex., March 21.—The State Sunday School Convention today selected the following officers:

President, R. H. Coleman, Dallas.
Vice-Presidents:
H. E. Rector, Galveston.
W. A. Wilson, Houston.
W. M. G. Van, Dallas.
Robert Winslow, Austin.
E. E. Ingram, Waco.
Treasurer, Paul Dans, Dallas.
Recording Secretary, Rowland Stokely, Dallas.
Complimentary President, Miss Alex Weldests, Tuler.
Complimentary Secretary, Mrs. R. H. Ruck, Ft. Worth.
The meeting place of the next convention will be selected later this afternoon.

TO BROOM CORN GROWERS.

Secretary Kirk of the Ballinger Business League asks us to state that all who wish to raise broom corn this season can get seed at the Wilke grain store. There will also be a market here for broom corn this fall and Mr. Kirk says that the Business League will see that a good price is paid for the crop. It is thought that the farmers of this county can raise broom corn very profitably and many will give it a trial this season.

INTERURBAN WORK IS BEING PUSHED.

Special to The Banner. Galveston, Tex., March 23.—Work on the Galveston, Houston Interurban Railway was commenced today between the section between the city limits and the causeway, by the North American Dredging Co. Dykes are being thrown up and by next Tuesday, draining the new road bed will begin.

MR. ARNOLD'S OPINION OF BALLINGER.

"But I declare, you people should be proud of Ballinger," said J. A. Arnold the gentleman who spoke here yesterday afternoon. "It is certainly a splendid town, just judging from the general appearance of things, and I would like to invest some money in Ballinger property."

The above came without any solicitation on the part of the Banner man, and Mr. Arnold's opinion of a town is worth a great deal.

Program of Sunday School Institute and dedication service to be held at Hatchel Baptist church beginning Friday night before the fourth Sunday in April.

Friday night, sermon by A. B. Carlisle.

Saturday 9 p. m.—Devotional—L. M. Turner.

9:30. Qualifications of a superintendent—M. E. Hudson.

10. Qualifications of a teacher—R. S. Bright.

10:30. How to prepare the lesson—Lee Maddox.

11. Preaching—A. J. Davis.

2:45. Devotional—Bro. Blackwood.

3. The Sunday School as a soul winning force.—W. P. Crow, J. H. Tyre.

8. Devotional.—W. P. Crow.

8:30. Address—Pres. J. D. Standefer of Simmons College.

Sunday, 9:30. Sunday School mass meeting.

Addresses by R. S. Bright and J. D. Standefer.

11. Dedication of Hatchel church by L. S. Smith.

12. Dinner served at the church 2:30 Young People's and Laymen's Rally. Address by Ed S. McCarver and Judge R. S. Griggs.

8. Preaching.

The church extend a most cordial invitation to everybody, and especially to those who have in any way assisted in the building of the new house of worship.

Jno. P. Hardesty.

A. F. Kemp.

J. A. Patterson,

J. R. Holliday,

W. D. Wiley.

Committee.

LOST OR STRAYED.

Bay mare 15 hands high, branded "P" on left shoulder, scar on right fore-foot. With fold. It

A. B. Le Gate.

ANOTHER PRIZE ADDED TO BANNER CONTEST.

To the one who nominates the winner in the Banner Contest, we will give a five dollar gold piece. Send in the nomination for your candidate and if the candidate you nominate wins the capital prize, the piano, we will present you with a five dollar gold piece. All nominations sent in will be filed, and only one nomination for a candidate will be counted.

OSCAR'S WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN.

That Oscar Colquitt is making a whirlwind campaign in North Texas, seems evident, and that he is attempting to make love to Bailey's friends is also evident, from the character of his remarks in Gainesville, Texas and other points.

At Muenster in Cooks county, he made a short stop and at the close of his speech a Father Zell, a Catholic priest of that place came forward and made a short speech of which the following is reported by the Dallas News' Correspondent:

Father Zell stood up in the gallery and asked the crowd to wait until he could come to the platform, as he had something to say. He appeared upon the stage a minute later and without waiting for the formality of an introduction, said:

"After the election four years ago I felt so chagrined and put out at the way the election terminated that I said 'Hereafter they can elect the devil if they want to, and I will have nothing to do with it.' I voted for Mr. Colquitt in that election, and when he was defeated I determined to vote no more. However, after hearing him today I have reconsidered my resolution, and again I will vote for Mr. Colquitt. I hope he will stick to his determination to fight prohibition. If Texas should go dry it would be just like Gen. Sheridan said when he declared after a visit to this state that if he owned hell and Texas, he would rent out Texas and live in hell. If the State goes prohibition I will feel like going out of it and taking all the Germans with me, leaving the pros to drink their booze. Now, I propose three cheers for Colquitt."

The audience joined in these cheers with a will.

TO BUY A CARPET FOR SCHOOL CAMPUS

Saturday Will Be Tag Day In Ballinger--The Banner assisted By The Girls Will Deliver The Goods.

A. J. HICKS SELLS BLACKSMITH SHOP

Sells Half Interest in Hicks & Moore Shop and Will Leave Ballinger.

A. J. Hicks has sold his one-half interest in the Hicks & Moore blacksmith business, together with the lot and building to Aug. Globler, Sr.

Mr. Globler will not be actively connected with the business, but will leave his interest in charge of Mr. Moore.

Mr. Hicks is preparing to move away from Ballinger. He will leave in a few days on a prospecting trip. He is undecided as to where he will locate. Mr. Hicks is a good citizen and has many friends who will regret to see him move away.

T. J. Henderson of Coleman, spent the day in town and has just returned from Upton county where he has been on land business.

The demand for Missouri Milling Co., flour grows larger every month. It is used by scores of the best cooks in Ballinger and vicinity. Made from selected Missouri Valley wheat in one of the most up-to-date mills in the state, it is uniformly good. You will never know the delights of wholesome pastry and bread until you try a sock of this flour. Guion & Dose sell it. 28-2

CAUSES 95 PER CENT OF DISEASES.

Advice Concerning Stomach Troubles and How to Remedy Them.

Do not neglect indigestion which leads to all sorts of ills and complications. An eminent doctor once said that ninety-five per cent of all the ills of the human body have their origin in a disordered stomach.

A physician who made a specialty of stomach troubles, particularly dyspepsia, after years of study perfected the formula from which Rexall's Dyspepsia Tablets are made.

Our experience with Rexall's Tablets leads us to believe them to be the greatest remedy known for the relief of acute indigestion and chronic dyspepsia. Their ingredients are soothing and healing to the inflamed membranes of the stomach. They are rich in pepsin, one of the greatest digestive aids known to medicine. The relief they afford is almost immediate. Their use with persistency and regularity for a short time brings about a cessation of the pains caused by stomach disorders.

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We recently suggested that substitute the word "work" "boost" might accomplish better results in making Ballinger beautiful, an doing a great deal towards "keep on keeping on," a just to test such an idea the Banner has arranged to pull off Tag Day, Saturday, March 26. The money to be obtained this undertaking, every cent it will go to beautifying the public school grounds, and will be turned over to the proper authorities for that purpose.

Members of the public school board have expressed a willingness to put up \$2 for every dollar raised on the outside, and an effort will be made to raise the fund sufficiently large to make the board stand up and take notice.

It is expected that Ballinger will be crowded with visitors Saturday.

Mayor Kirk is making an effort to get excursions from Mile Talpa and Winters, and the Carnival will draw a large crowd of country people to town.

The tagging business will start early Saturday morning. Saturday will be tag day and Saturday night at the Carnival grounds the work of tagging the unsuspected will be kept up until every man is tagged.

Here is Our Plan.

The Banner will furnish tags printed and ready for absolutely free. The tags put up in 10 cent, 25 cent and \$ denominations, a "Immune Badge," printed nice ribbon will be issued. This \$5.00 badge will have ed on it "Immune," which indicate that you have paid and will make you immune the tag girls. In addition to the tags, the Banner present to the girl turning in the largest amount of cash a five dollar gold piece. A complete list of the tag girls together with the amount they secured published in Monday's and the one having the largest amount their credit will be sent with the \$5.00 gold piece.

Any girl in Ballinger from ten years to seventy years old is eligible to enter the day sale. Call at the Banner office early Saturday morning and secure your tags and battle for the honor and the five dollar prize.

The Object for the Tag Day.

The one and only object for inaugurating this tag day is to raise money to start a move to beautify the Ballinger school campus. Sufficient has been said to impress the importance of this improvement. The ground surrounding the handsome school buildings are an eye-sore to Beautiful Ballinger, and we trust a united effort will be made to make a great step in this needed improvement.

DINNER AND BAZAAR.

The ladies of the Catholic church will serve dinner, commencing at eleven o'clock Saturday, April 2nd at the rooms of the Ballinger Business League. In the afternoon of the same day, a bazaar will be given, where us articles such as aprons, bonnets, kimonas, etc., will be on hand. The generous patronage of the ladies is solicited. Price of dinner 25 cents.



Easter Sale

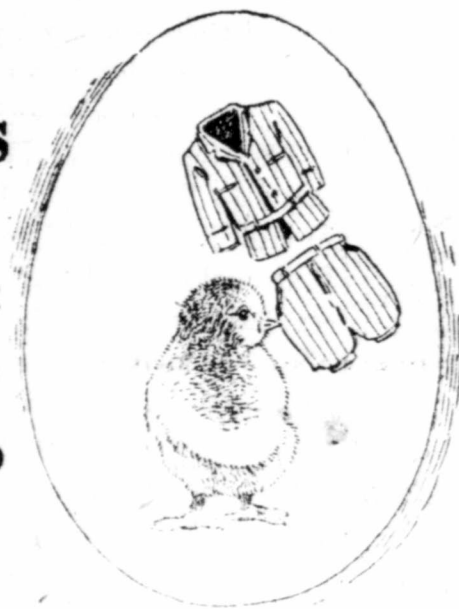
Of Easter Needs

Everything for men women and children for Easter wear at very attractive prices. With the usual store Easter time is the period of big profits. This store does things in a newer and better way. **BIG SALES** and **SMALL PROFITS** is our Easter policy, and all around the year policy. Coupled with the lowest prices are the choicest merchandise

The Best Styles large assortments and thoroughly good Goods. Everything the particular man or woman needs, at less than they would pay elsewhere. This is your kind of a store filled with your kind of goods at your kind of prices all the time but particularly now.

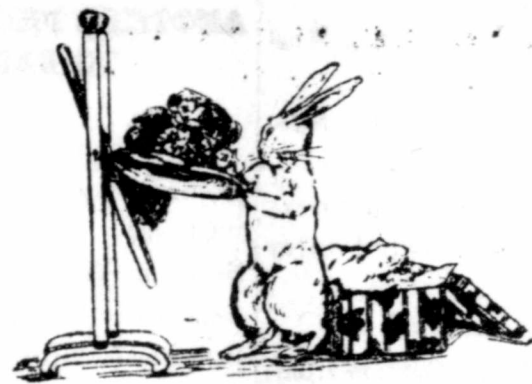
Big Saving on Children's Blouses and Wash Suits

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Always glad to show you.



Shoes for Easter

Ultra, Brockport, and American Beauty oxfords and pumps plenty of different kinds, Shiny patent leathers for those, who wish to be especially smart dull kid for those whose taste lies in that direction excellent values and remember we not only fit your pocket book but your feet as well. Get the habit of coming here for your shoes it means comfort and satisfaction.



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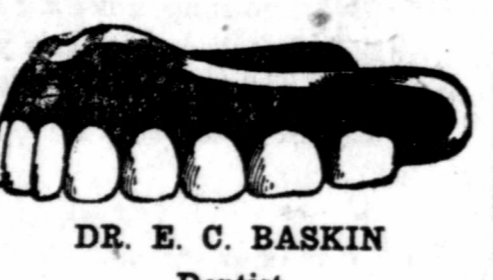
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SECRETARY ARNOLD COMING TO-NIGHT

Principal Speaker at the Road Overseers' Convention—Due From Ft. Worth.

Secretary J. A. Arnold of the Commercial Secretaries of Texas, will arrive tonight from Fort Worth, so states a telegram to Mayor Kirk. Mr. Arnold comes to Ballinger to be the principal speaker at the Road Overseers' Convention in our city tomorrow.

He is a splendid speaker and a man of wide knowledge upon the road question and every man that has an interest in road development for Runnels county should hear Mr. Arnold.

Everything is being placed in readiness by the several committees for a big event tomorrow and a large number of visitors is expected to be in attendance.

THEY WERE MARRIED SATURDAY EVENING

Mr. Walton Nobles of Brady and Miss Valentine Applewhite of Winters were married at the Freeman home on tenth Street Saturday evening by Rev. J. A. Biggs. They left Sunday for Brady where they will make their future home and where Mr. Nobles is engaged in the hardware business.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels:

By virtue of an alias execution issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Precinct No. 1, Tom Green County, on the 16th day of February A. D. 1910, by the Justice of the Peace thereof, in the case of L. H. Brightman vs. C. W. Seuddy, No. —, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in April A. D. 1910, it being the 5th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Runnels County, in the City of Ballinger, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Runnels County, Texas:—1st. Being 325 acres of land out of the N. E. corner of a 1280 Sur. known as Abst. 456, Sur. 541, originally granted to Jno. Jacob Taylor, Cert. 1446, patented to M. T. Johnson, July 27, 1855, by Pat. No. 80, Vol 7, more fully described as follows:

Beginning at the original N.E. corner of said Sur. 541: thence S. 75 West with the original N.B. line 1334 varas; thence S. 15 east with N.B. line of a public road 1376 varas to corner; thence N. 75 E. 1334 varas to stake in original E.B. line of this survey; thence N. 15 W. 1376 varas to beginning.

2nd. Being 148 acres of land out of a 374 acre tract, a part of the Wharton Co. School Land Sur. No. 509, conveyed to W. H. Rogers by R. L. Williams by his deed of date March 5, 1906, received in Vol. 47, page 267-8, Deed Records of Runnels Co. Texas; said 148 acres described as follows:

Beginning at the S.W. corner of the said 374 acre tract; thence E. 1104 varas; thence N. 845 varas; thence S. 81 1-4 W. varas to rock set in ground in W. line of said 374 acre tract; thence S. 7 1-2 E. 677 varas to place of beginning.

3rd. 46 acres of land, a part of Sur. No. 56 1-2 patented to C. H. Willingham on Sept. 11, 1901, by Pat. No. 272, Vol. 21, and described as follows:

Beginning at the S.E. corner of said Survey No. 56 1-2, as indicated by the decree of the District Court of Runnels County, Texas, Oct. term 1904, in cause No. 690, of R. L. Williams vs. J. T. Billups made and entered in Vol. 23, p. 553, of the Minutes of said court; thence N. 657 3-4 varas stone mound on top of mountain for N.E. corner of this tract; thence S. 81 1-4 varas; thence S.

HIGHEST PRICE HOGS IN HISTORY TEXAS

Car Hogs Brings \$11.50 on Fort Worth Market.

Special to The Banner. Ft. Worth, Tex., March 18.—Texas hogs carried off first and second prizes at the Fat Stock Show today, when Tom Robers of Iowa, Park sold load of fat hogs at \$11.50 per hundred weight. This is the highest price paid for hogs in Texas.

W. M. Roberts, of Frisco sold one ear for \$11.20.

PROF. S. M. BYRD NOT AN APPLICANT.

In a conversation with a Banner reporter today, Prof. S. M. Byrd stated that he would not be an applicant for the position of Superintendent of the city schools for another term. He has had some flattering offers elsewhere, but had not yet accepted any of them.

Chas. Tate of Taylor came in last night and will be here a few days on business.

GRAND JURY INVESTIGATES MURDER

Officials Probing into Details of the Willie Rigney Murder at Fort Worth.

Special to The Banner.

Ft. Worth, Tex., March 21.—The grand jury of the forty-eighth district court is today investigating the complaint against Tom Pinkston the negro who is charged with the murder of Will Rigney, a sixteen year old boy white boy, March 10th. Rigney was killed in a most horrible manner and if the negro proves guilty there may be trouble, as the citizens are very much wrought up about the affair. The witness says that he saw the murdered boy, Pinkston and a negro woman in a dispute at the place where the body was found shortly before the crime was committed. Chief of Police Polk still says that in his opinion the boy was killed by an automobile and the body dragged to the trash pile where it was found.

A. L. Livingston of Talpa transacted business in Ballinger today.

COMMISSIONER KONE ISSUES

Wants Good Attendance at Conservation Congress

Special to The Banner.

Austin, Tex., March 21.—cultural Commissioner Ed Kone, president of the Texas Conservation Association today is a request that two to ten delegates be appointed by each county judge, mayor, commercial club and farmers union to attend the congress at Ft. Worth, A. fifth.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ANNOUN

We are authorized J. W. Godwin, Leoa Ellis and E. M. Euban cept the office of trustee Ballinger Independent District if elected for the two years, and we hereby nounce their names as candidates for said office.

A. B. Carlisle of Miles spent a few hours here today with friends.

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593 varas; thence E. 426 varas to the place of beginning.
4th. Being 340 acres of land of the S.W. corner of Sur. No. 233 of 4605 acres in the name of R. M. Williamson, located by virtue of Cert. 3, Abst. 494, as follows:
Beginning at the same being the N.W. 160 acre tract now on the w. M. Williamson dist-
North of the original S.W. corner of said R. M. Williamson Sur. No. 233 on the north bank of the Colorado river; thence north following a fence 1946 varas to a mound for N.W. corner of 0 acre tract; thence east as to stone mound for N.E. thence south 3917 varas mound on the north the Colorado river for orner of this tract: thence to
er; thence north 953 varas w boundary line of said B. M. Sm 760 acre tract to a stone mound thence west with the north line said 60 acre tract 931 varas to place of beginning levied on property of C. W. Seuddy, isfy a judgment amount \$96.93 in favor of L. H. man, and costs of suit. Given under my hand of February A. D. 1910

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News is appreciated. Phone

Tag Day—Saturday, March 26, 1910.

At the least it must all be going to Czar Cannon.

March 26—Banner Tag Day and March 29—Clean-up Day should be historic making events in this city's chapter of civic progress.

Banner Tag Day and Ballinger Clean-up Day are two important dates in this year's civic improvements in Ballinger.

Now is the time to get on the vegetable and fruit wagon. The high price of meat may be a blessing in disguise after all.

Better roads makes a better town and county.

There are two kinds of boosting—hot air boosting and real constructive boosting. Which will benefit Ballinger the most?

Get into every movement that means progress and prosperity, and has for its aim a bigger, better Ballinger and a well developed Rannels county.

The little town of Roseoe in neighbor county, Nolan, has organized a Fair Association. Certainly if a little town like Roseoe can pull off a fair, Ballinger can have one.

"Keep on keepin' on" is a slogan in city building. It is eternal persistence that is necessary for individuals, and aggregates of individuals. It is united push that moves things along.

Banner has had nothing but words of commendation because of the Tag Day movement, which we initiated. We stand first and last for civic improvement and progress—you will always find us ready to boost any worthy move that will make a better, bigger and more beautiful Ballinger.

SAN ANGELO SUN A SPLENDID PAPER.

We have just received Vol. 1, No. 1 of the San Angelo Sun, edited by James B. Harris. It is a neat and newsy eight page paper, and characterized by a splendid policy that deserves a hearty commendation. The Sun is well adapted in advertising and in live reading matter.

Mr. Harris is a thorough newspaper man and we predict that his new journalistic venture will be a splendid success. The Banner extends heartiest and best wishes for Mr. Harris and the San Angelo Sun.

IMMUNE TAGS.
You want to be immune on Tag Day and still be very loyal

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Banner-Leader will publish in this column the names of candidates for the various offices until the primaries, and of the successful candidates in the primaries, until the election.

Cash in advance must invariably be required, before any announcement will be made.

For District Clerk:
MISS MARY PHILLIPS.

For Tax Assessor:
MIKE BOYD.
W. T. CALDWELL.
W. O. MOORE.
FRANK STUART.

For County Superintendent:
E. L. HAGAN (re-election).

For Sheriff:
J. P. FLYNT (re-election)

For County Attorney:
Edward S. McCarver (Re-election.)

For Tax Collector:
J. EDWIN DAY.

For Justice of the Peace:
W. H. WEEKS, (Precinct 1.)

For County Clerk:
J. (Buck) SHIELDS.
OVERTON L. PARRISH.

For County Judge:
R. S. GRIGGS.

For Constable:
B. W. PILCHER, (Re-election.)
BEN F. ALLEN (Precinct 1.)

For County Treasurer:
T. J. STOCKS (Re-election)

to the worthy move of carpeting the school campus? Call at the Banner office and let us tell you how you can wear a handsome silk badge on Tag Day and be in vogue.

The Road Overseers of Rannels county report a splendid time while guests of the Business League in our city. The convention was a great success and no doubt will result in great good toward the development of better roads and Rannels county. This is indeed a worthy precedent and should be made a semi-annual affair.

Make every event for the progress and development of Ballinger, a great event—We never know when some capitalist is sizing us up for some enterprise or investment.

Have you nominated your favorite to win the Banner's piano contest yet? Send in the nominations early and you may receive \$5.00 in gold. The person that nominates the winner in this contest will receive the coin. Nominate your favorite—do it now.

The public school campus needs a carpet of soft earth to save soul leather and to beautify the grounds. The Banner has been boosting the matter in its columns and as yet we have not gotten any tangible results. We want to carry the matter into a real constructive boosting proposition and with the assistance of a number of school children, several of our beautiful young ladies and the cooperation of our progressive citizens the school campus will be covered with a carpet of dirt as it should be—and that very soon too.

TWO TICKETS FOR S. TRUSTEES.

We were in hopes that of good men could be filled the vacancies on the board without any fight among the patrons.

school, but our hope vanquished when two tickets were handed in to this office. What the issue is we do not know, and must pass it up to some of the supporters of each ticket to state the issue and pass it up to the voters to pass on. There is certainly an issue, or the two tickets would not have been fringed up and handed in as they have.

The columns of The Banner are open to either side to define themselves.

The two tickets will be found in the announcement column of this paper.

The gubernatorial campaign is an uncertain quantity. In fact it is quite as uncertain at this date as the Texas weather. A man therefore should be careful how he prophesies the outcome for there is a saying that has considerable prestige in Texas that only new comers and fools prophesy on the weather. Yea—the outcome is yet uncertain as to who will occupy the Governor's chair for the coming term, for the worm will turn—sometimes.

Had you rather live in a town that every one that visits will talk about in the highest terms of praise, or had you rather live in a town that will bring unfavorable comment? After all civic beauty and cleanliness is pretty much a personal matter. If every individual will beautify his or her home, then the aggregate result will be a beautiful city. We should be encouraged by the many favorable comments that are being made upon our growing city. Let us make people say something good of us by always keeping our streets clean and by beautifying our residence portion of town with trees and well kept gardens and lawns.

The enormous sale of this book. Nothing in literature is to be compared with it. It is a record that stands unapproached in the history of the printed page. It is mainly impossible to name fifty books whose sales have constantly increased year after year for the better part of a century.—Ex.

That Ballinger editor who referred to W. H. Mayes as "that sorrel-top editor of the Brownwood Bulletin," has brought upon himself merited rebuke of the should always show kindness, courtesy, respect and fair play.—San Saba Star.

The Ballinger editor was only engaging in a little pleasantry, without any thought of derision or of giving offense, and the editor of the Bulletin did not get offended. The Bulletin man has long since learned to take good naturedly all jokes about the color of his hair. In fact he is proud of the color of his hair than of the contents of his head.—Brownwood Bulletin.

The Bulletin believes in exact

justice to every man and for this reason thinks it but due Judge Poindexter to state his connection with the Bailey investigation before the legislative committee. Colquitt in a recent speech charged that he was attorney for the prosecution, accepting \$1000 to prosecute Bailey, while pretending to be his friend. Judge Poindexter did not regard himself as employed by the senate committee either to prosecute or to defend Bailey, but rather as legal adviser to the senate committee to see that the evidence was presented fully and in legal form and that a fair investigation was had within the limits of the powers of the committee. He discharged his duties within the conditions of his employment fairly, faithfully and impartially to Senator Bailey and the state, and it is unfair to him to have him charged with duplicity in the matter. Colquitt's charge is therefore groundless and ungenerous.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Read the latest prices—A. L. Spann & Co., makes 'em dw2

TO TRY CO-OPERATIVE FARMING.

An association of New Orleans business men are preparing to engage in co-operative farming and for the purpose of providing themselves and their friends with butter, eggs and vegetables and fruit at as low a price as will be sufficient to leave a margin of profit to pay the operating expenses and provide an adequate reserve. A farm will be bought and placed under competent management and a store or supply house established in the city from which produce will be sold to stockholders. Later it is planned to furnish groceries and other household supplies—in short, to develop the concern into a complete cooperative store.

The idea is, of course, to reduce living expenses by escaping both the profits of the farmer and the middleman. The experiment will be watched with interest, for if it shall prove successful it will undoubtedly be repeated in many places. Farmers, however, will probably feel anxiety over the prospect of a serious interference with their calling.—Indianapolis Star.

If prices and quality count you will trade at A. L. Spann & Co. They sell it for less. dw 2t.

GRESSETT-CAMPBELL WEDDING.

The marriage of Miss Ila Mae Campbell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Yates of Lampasas and Mr. Luther Gressett of this city was consummated at an especially pretty and graceful wedding at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Jim McWhirter, Wednesday evening.

While uncarded it had all the

grace and style for which the beauty and charm of the bride and the hospitality of her aunt, Mrs. McWhirter are famed, and as the groom is one of our most esteemed and gifted young men, it took on an especial interest.

The decorative setting, while simple was distinctively effective, a profusion of handsome palms and ferns being used and masses of white carnations, that carried out the scheme of white and green. The altar room had its windows banked in with the palms, while in candelabrum burned nuptial candles, giving a cathedral effect to the scene, and great clusters of flowers filled bowls and vases.

The ceremony set for eight-thirty o'clock was announced by the glorious strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by Mrs. Kate Gressett.

The bride wearing an elegant gown of beige messaline and net hung over taffeta, the Empress train falling in graceful folds and carrying an arm bouquet of Bride's roses, entered on the arm of the groom, who was handsome in the conventional black.

At the improvised altar, stood waiting Rev. Biggs, who, to the low, sweet strains of Meditation, read the charge and sealed the vows that made them as one.

After congratulations an elegant cream and cake course was served.

The popularity of these young people was well proven by the number of gifts received.

Only the relatives and their most intimate friends were present to witness the union of this happy couple.

It is our sincere wish that their sorrows will be but shadows that fade in the sunlight of love.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from chronic constipation, headache, biliousness, dizziness, sallowness of the skin and dyspepsia.

Sam Reubenstein, of Chicago has joined his father, Mr. Reubenstein, and will be connected with the Great Eastern Bargain store.

INTEREST IN CONTEST.

Our great piano contest is creating a wonderful lot of interest, and thought it has been running but a few days, many contestants are already at work, and before many days there will be young ladies from every section of the county hustling for subscriptions and securing votes to be placed to their credit in the most generous prize contest ever offered to the people of Rannels county. In every issue of the paper you will find a free coupon calling for twenty-five votes, and it costs you absolutely nothing to clip these coupons and vote them for your favorite.

Every contestant should call on all their friends and ask them to save these free coupons for them. Watch the paper from day to day

and keep in close touch with the progress of the great contest. The weekly Banner-Leader is one dollar per year, and you will be given six hundred votes for every yearly subscription, you secure. For every monthly subscriber for the daily at 35 cents we will allow you one hundred votes. For three months for the daily at one dollar you get six hundred votes. Call at this office for sample copies, and see your friends without delay.

The Missouri Milling Co., will pay the highest market price for maize, kaffir corn and cane seed. 79-1 wtf

TEXAS REPUBLICAN VISITS PRESIDENT.

Special to The Banner: Washington, March 24.—C. W. Ogden of San Antonio, Texas, by appointment today, visited the President at the White House, regarding the naming of the successor of the late Judge Bryan. Ogden said he was pleased with the interview, but refused to say whom he thought would obtain the office. It is generally believed in Washington political circles that J. G. McGrady will receive the appointment.

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Your property may burn up or blow away, but you are all right if you have seen M. D. Chastain & Co. for insurance. Office over Farmers & Merchants State Bank.

G. R. Lay returned today from a visit to McGregor, Dallas and other points east.

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Silver cup will be given away this week at the shooting gallery, highest score in six shots, prize awarded Saturday.

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GOOD SEED is fully as important as good cultivation. "What you sow, you reap." Plant the best. We have carefully selected FIFTY THOUSAND pounds of SEED, of the VERY BEST, and MOST PRODUCTIVE COTTON ever offered at our gins the past season.

It is all clean, well selected seed, and we now offer it to the Farmers

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Don't plant "Any Old Seed," and expect a good turn-out.

Get the Best, Plant the Best. And raise a Bank Account.

SEND YOUR ORDERS EARLY TO

Jones, Nagle & Thompson

BALLINGER, TEXAS.

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Repeating Shotguns

USED IN THE U. S. ARMY.

The U. S. Army authorities know a gun; that is why, when they decided to equip some troops with repeating shotguns, they selected the Winchester in preference to all other makes. The experts of the U. S. Ordnance Board also know a gun; that's why, after submitting a Winchester Repeating Shotgun to all sorts of tests, they pronounced it *safe, sure, strong and simple*. If you want a shotgun—buy the one whose strength and reliability led the U. S. Army authorities to select it and the U. S. Ordnance Board to endorse it—that's the Winchester.

THE RELIABLE REPEATERS

Style and Finish

in style, in fabric, finish, fit and price, are made here to your order just as well as the Fifth Avenue tailors are supposed to turn out work. We are carrying a fine stock of new goods in light and dark shades, stripes, figures and mixtures and all the new effects. These we make up from your selection and guarantee you a perfect fit. We take the most infinite pains in the try-on, and you will be satisfied with the way we finish the suit.

Men's Furnishings Merchant Tailors,
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BALLINGER, TEXAS.

Cameron Hights Addition

Lots \$75.00 to \$125.00 each.
\$10.00 down, \$7.50 per month.

NO Interest ! Taxes. Graded Streets and City Water.

Buy a Lot today and watch your money double in a few months.

M. J. Stacy, Owner,
PHONE 461 712 1-2. HUTCHINGS AVE.

ATTRACTIVE SHOW WINDOW AT RISSERS.

One can hardly pass the store of R. A. Risser & Co., today without stopping to admire the beautiful grouped displays. One window has a trellis with wild roses and Easter lilies in attractive arrangement with a large display of toilet goods and what naturally makes one gravitate toward this window is an abundance of coin and green back scattered in profusion. It looks like prosperity, a correct guess of the amount of money in this window wins a prize.

The central show window carries out the effect of "Coming of Spring" with artistically arranged decorations and the latest spring models in hats and ladies ready-to-wear goods.

Another window is fitted with men's furnishings very cleverly arranged—we cast a wistful gaze at this display, and passed—inside.

Mr. Roy Sharp had charge of these beautiful decorations and he has produced a pleasing and ar-

tistic effect showing that "home talent" even in this difficult art is as good as can be produced elsewhere.

DAVIDSON TO OPEN CAMPAIGN APRIL 21.

Special to The Banner.
Waco, Tex., March 24.—It is announced here today that Hon. R. V. Davidson candidate for governor, will deliver his opening campaign address here on April 21st. Davidson followers here are planning to make the event a success.

WILL GIVE AWAY FIFTY CENTS.

R. A. Risser & Co., are publishing in this paper today a coupon good for 50 cents in payment of a pair of shoes at their store. The coupon must be clipped from the paper and presented at the store on Saturday, March 26. Look up this ad and get the coupon and save fifty cents.

LACHMAN CARNIVAL IS HERE TODAY

Tents Have Been Placed on Right of Way Near Santa Fe Depot.

The big Carnival Company arrived yesterday and today, bringing their tents and attractions in several special cars and have been getting everything in readiness for a gala week. They have just finished a splendid week at Lampasas where their attractions drew large crowds.

The tents have been placed on the right of way opposite the Santa Fe depot, and have their attractions grouped in convenient order. They will spend the entire week here.

They have a splendid assortment of attractions. The Carnival band will liven the occasion with real live music. They were on the streets today pendering several excellent selections.

EASTER EGG HUNT.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist church will give an Easter Egg Hunt at the park Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. The admission will be ten cents. 85.2

MILLER DEATH SENTENCE APPROVED

Court of Criminal Appeals Affirms Case Sent up from Clarendon.

Special to The Banner.
Clarendon, Tex., March 22.—Advice received here today from Austin, say that that the court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the death sentence against J. Miller, who was convicted here last fall on a charge of having murdered Floyd Autrey. The crime was committed in a box car between Memphis and Clarendon. After Autrey had been most brutally murdered, the body was hurled from the window.

SPRINGTIME WEDDING.

The following announcement has been sent out.
Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Yates announce the marriage of their daughter
Ira Mae Campbell
to
Mr. Martin Luther Gressett
March twenty-third nineteen ten
Lampasas, Texas.
At home April 1, 1910, 808 Tenth Street, Ballinger, Texas.

Luther Gressett is well and favorably known here, and has a host of friends that wish him and the girl of his choice all happiness and rose-hue paths as they make their important journey along life's busy thoroughfares.

WANT NATIONAL GUARD COMPANIES

Athens, Arlington, Bastrop and Temple Want to Organize and Make Application.

Special to The Banner.
Austin, Tex., March 22.—Adjutant General Newton today received applications from Athens, Arlington, Bastrop and Temple to form National Guard companies. There are only two vacancies at present, but some companies may disband soon and all of the other towns may get companies.

We will make liberal loans on your land, take up and extend vendor's lien notes, or will buy vendor's lien notes. Can get quick action. BROWN BROS. Austin, Texas. Write or call on Jo Wilmeth, Ballinger, Tex. wtf

IS GAMBLING PERMITTED IN TEMPLE

This Question is Causing a Sensation in That City. State Detective There.

Special to The Banner.

Temple, Tex., March 21.—Following the sensation here caused by a number of prominent citizens asking Governor Campbell to send some State Rangers here to this city to close up the gambling joints, City Marshal Hunt this morning emphatically denied that there was any gambling, open or otherwise in Temple. Hunt says that the report was originated to injure him politically.

It is reported that the governor has sent a detective here to find out who made the first statement that gambling houses are being run wide open and to make a thorough investigation. It is said that this investigation is now ended and that the grand jury is now considering the evidence secured.

EASTER EGG HUNT.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist church will give an Easter Egg hunt at the Park Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

BREAKEMAN KILLED AT WAXAHACHIE

Special to The Banner.

Waxahachie, Tex., March 23.—Ed Bernazzi, a brakeman on the Trinity & Brazos Valley road was fatally injured here last night when he fell from a freight train and was dragged a considerable distance. He was found in an unconscious condition about an hour after the train had passed.

KILLED IN AUTO STREET CAR WRECK

Special to The Banner:

Washington, March 23.—Mrs. Herbert Slocum was killed and Major General Bell seriously injured today when an auto in which they were riding struck a trolley car. Mrs. Slocum is the wife of Major Slocum.

FIDELITY AND CREDIT CO. IN NEW HOME.

The Fidelity and Credit Co., have moved their headquarters from the old First National Bank building to the rooms in the second story of the Ballinger Music Co., building on Seventh street. They have two nice offices and are now comfortable and conveniently situated for handling their business.

BEAUTIFYING COURT HOUSE PARK

Workmen Broke Dirt This Morning for New Walk.

The workmen are now busy putting down the walk for the court house fronting on Hutchings Ave., and also on Seventh St. The county is having the work done on the Hutchings Ave. side and the city is having that done on Seventh street.

This is going to add a great deal to the appearance of our beautiful central park, and when the old iron fence is moved away another city appearance will be added.

Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Does your cough annoy you at night, and do you rise many times in the morning? Do you want relief? If so, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and you will be pleased.

WANTS REUNION ON THE RIVER

Plenty of Good Water and Shade Wanted—Nasworthy Will Make Strong Pull for Reunion.

A site on the banks of the North Concho river, where there is plenty of good water and an abundance of shade is the kind of a place wanted by the local Confederate Veterans in charge of the movement to secure the summer reunion of all the old Vets of the Colorado-Concho Association.

The fair grounds have been offered them, but they declare that they want a shady place, where their comrades may have more comfort during the hot hours of the day.

"The fair grounds will not be nearly so suitable to the old Veterans as a nice cool spot on the river," said Col. John R. Nasworthy, "and I dare say that a spot on the river would bring about vivid memories in the minds of the campers about the real camping out days during the war."

Col. Nasworthy will represent San Angelo at the meeting of the executive committee at Ballinger on March 29th, and he will make a strong effort to land the reunion for San Angelo.—San Angelo Standard.

Anyone who has ever spent as much as a half hour on the San Angelo fair grounds will readily agree that it is no place to hold a summer reunion. By all means have it on the river where there is shade and water.

And right here, we want to say that we have already picked out the spot where the reunion will be held. It is on the banks of the Colorado, not the Concho, and is situated near the city of Ballinger—not San Angelo. Of course the San Angelo people can send a delegation down to try to get the reunion, but they should prepare themselves to lose. This reunion is a Ballinger institution and while we are glad to have San Angelo people come over and spend a few days on the banks of our Sylvan stream, get a few square meals and sample our delicious Colorado valley water-melons, still we don't intend to let them run off with our reunion.

Medicines that aid nature are always most successful. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition.

VERDICT RENDERED IN DAMAGE SUIT

Jury Allows Plaintiff \$5975 Damages in the Land Suit.

Since Tuesday the case of Tolar vs. Golden has been before Judge Goodwin in District Court and at 11:45 today the judge charge was given to the jury. After being out thirty minutes the jury returned a verdict of damages for \$5,975, the full amount asked for by the plaintiff.

This case has created considerable interest, both parties being known here. Two of our young attorneys made their maiden speeches before the Ballinger bar and each acquitted himself with credit.

The nature of the suit was damages asked growing out of a land trade between W. M. Tolar and J. L. and N. C. Golden in which the Golden's traded two tracts of land in Wise county for 445 acres two miles from Ballinger. Suit was brought by W. M. Tolar because of alleged misrepresentations by the Golden's as to the character of the land in Wise county.

Judgment was rendered for the difference between the actual worth of the land in Wise county and what was represented to be worth by the Golden's.

ATTEMPTS TO END THE REVOLUTION

President Madriz Evidently Believes it is Time to Put Down Revolution.

Special to The Banner.

New Orleans, La., March 23.—A cablegram received here today from Bluefields, says that the entire army of President Madriz, numbering nine thousand men is marching onto Bluefields where Estrado's forces are located. It is said that the royal army under General Valasque has been enroute several days but its movements have been kept secret. Madriz thinks his forces can annihilate the revolutionists and thus put an end to the war now going on.

\$27.00 GIVEN AWAY.

Have paid \$102.00 on new piano in Ft. Worth at \$8 per month and will take \$75.00. Will be shipped when desired prepaid. May pay on better one if you desire. If interested address Mrs. C. S. Bowden, Box 302, Ballinger, Tex.

The Oil Mill Will Close For the Season About April 1st.

Buy your Meal, Hulls and Lint Cotton Now!

For the present we will sell Hulls at \$10.00 per Ton, Jersey Cream Cow Feed 90c per sack, Meal \$1.65 per Sack.

"CHEAPEST AND BEST COW FEED ON EARTH"

THE BALLINGER COTTON OIL CO.

R. G. ERWIN BUYS OVERLAND CAR

Auto Fever is Very Contagious and Continues to Spread in Ballinger.

R. G. Erwin, cashier of the First National bank left on this afternoon's train, and will return tomorrow in a new four passenger Overland auto he has just purchased.

Mr. Erwin recently sold his handsome buggy horse, and will

try the benzine wagon again.

He owned an auto several years ago and got enough experience to last awhile but the fever has caught him again.

Geo. E. Sanders who formerly lived here but now at Lampasas, returned home Sunday afternoon, after a few days visit. He says Ballinger still looks good to him.

Tom D. Watkins of Walker-Smith Co., spent Sunday in Brownwood on one of his occasional visits.

SAY SANTA FE WILL EXTEND TO PECOS

Templeites Claim to Have Inside Information and Buy Townsite on Proposed Extension.

Claiming to have inside information to the effect that the Santa Fe will extend to the Sterling City branch to Pecos City, a party of prominent Temple citizens, including A. Lee Brown, L. W. Johnson and D. P. Gresham, arrived in the city Saturday morning and left on the same day in an auto for Upton county, where they have purchased eight sections of land, and will locate a townsite in the tract about seven miles west of Stiles.

The land to be laid off is on the right of way of the proposed Santa Fe extension, which the three men declare will be made. It constitutes a part of the Rankin ranch, and the eight sections have been purchased outright by the individuals interested in the proposition.

Mr. Gresham declared that Upton county would prove a revelation in a few years, and that there was no doubt but that the Santa Fe extension would be built that way. The party will be joined by surveyors, and the platting of the proposed town will begin immediately. Following its completion, sales of the property will be made and the town exploited extensively.—San Angelo Standard.

KANSAS OFFICER IN TEXAS AFTER MAN.

Special to The Banner. Austin, Tex., March 21.—Sheriff Becker, of Kansas City, Kan., is here today after requisition papers for M. F. Reicheing, who is held at Corpus Christi. He is wanted for forgery in Kansas City.

J. W. Hooper, secretary of the Texas Bankers Association has asked the governor to hold up the requisition papers as he thinks Reicheing may be wanted in Texas, on another forgery charge.

PRISONERS ESCAPE FROM JAIL.

Special to The Banner. Dallas, Tex., March 21.—Four prisoners in the city jail made their escape last night by sawing through the bars. The officers are hunting for the escaped men today, but the prisoners have a long head start.

Free Remedy For Weak Bowels

There are two forms of bodily cleanliness, the external and the internal. The one is for your pride in yourself, the other for your life and health. Both are important, but the latter is more important in the long run is the internal cleanliness.

This is one point that all should watch about their body—the cleanliness of the bowels. Keep them clean and free from obstructions. To do this you must have one or two movements of the bowels each twenty-four hours. If your system does not do this naturally, in the process of eating and drinking, then you must obtain aid of some kind. After finding out that cathartics, salts and such things relieve you for a day, but find you up worse than ever the next day, then try a simpler and more natural remedy like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin.

For the skeptical the best way to begin is to send your name and address to Dr. Caldwell for a free sample bottle. Use it as directed and if it convinces you that a brief continuance of its use will relieve you permanently—that it will train the stomach and bowel muscles to again work naturally at certain hours—then buy it of your druggist at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle, just as so many others are doing. They began with a sample bottle, then bought a fifty cent bottle, and now, fully convinced of its merits, they buy the one dollar family size. All the members of the family can use it down to the very youngest.

A brief use of this grand laxative tonic will cure constipation in its worst form, indigestion, liver trouble, sick headache, sour stomach and such ailments and keep you in continuous good health at a very small cost. Such is the experience of many families like that of Mrs. Oscar Fleener, Unionville, Ind. J. F. Daniel, Saron, Tex., and hundreds of others that could be named.

Dr. Caldwell personally will be pleased to give you any medical advice you may desire for yourself or family pertaining to the stomach, liver or bowels absolutely free of charge. Explain your case in a letter and he will reply to you in detail. For the free sample simply send your name and address on a postal card or for either request the doctor's name, W. B. Caldwell, R. 500 Caldwell, Monticello, Ill.

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.

More Bank Talk

A CHECKING ACCOUNT is a good thing, but is not the only thing to be considered in the selection of your Bank.

ABSOLUTE SAFETY, COURTEOUS TREATMENT, ABILITY AND INCLINATION TO ACCOMMODATE should be taken into consideration. With an unbroken record of four years' adherence to this policy, we solicit your business, large or small. The oldest and largest Bank in Winters -- one that has stood the test.

THE WINTERS STATE BANK

Winters, Texas.

C. S. Guin of Wingate was a pleasant caller at our office today.

LOVERS.

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

B. Harris of Talpa is spending a few hours in our city today.

We will make liberal loans on your land, take up and extend vendor's lien notes, or will buy vendor's lien notes. Can get quick action. BROWN BROS. Austin, Texas. Write or call on Jo Wilmeth, Ballinger, Tex. wtf

Mrs. Wm. Dooze has been seriously ill since yesterday, but we are pleased to report she is greatly improved, as we go to press.

"Mound City Paints may cost a trifle more, but—!" w12-52t

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are safe, sure and reliable, and have been praised by thousands of women who have been restored to health through their gentle aid and curative properties.

Messrs. Sam Shortes, E. J., and H. F. Hanley of the Maverick country were in town today and report their section very dry.

Fire and tornado insurance written in the best companies by M. D. Chastain & Co. Office over Farmers & Merchants State Bank.

August Herring and family of Talpa, were here today on business.

CURES BLOOD, SKIN DISEASES, ECZEMA.

If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scurf, eczema, itching, risings or bumps, swelling or separating sores, scabby, pinky skin, ulcers, bone pains, catarh, rheumatism, or any blood or skin disease, take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) Soon all sores heal, aches and pains stop and the blood is made pure and rich. Druggists \$1.00 per bottle. B. B. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of blood or skin diseases, as it cures after all else fails. Sold in Ballinger, Texas, by the City Drug Store. 52t

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
Will practice in all the Courts
Office over the Ballinger State Bank
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R. S. GRIGGS,

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Will practice in District and Higher Courts. Special attention given to deed writing, and examination of titles, etc.
Office at Court House.

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The House Moving
Man.
I am prepared with a new and up-to-date outfit to move your old house without damage. Work promptly done. Let me figure on the job.
Phone 227. B. F. ALLEN.

WILL DUN THRASHER.

All those having maize, millet or sorghum they want threshed, please take notice that my thrasher will run march 29th.
26-2 R. W. GILLIAM.

TO OUR PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC.

We are now permanently located with the Golden Rule Drug Store. (8th Street, Katy Building.) Where we will continue our practice as before. Special attention given Electric X-Ray and general office practice.

DR. I. N. THOMPSON.
Kodak finishing at Ballinger Photo Co. wtf

Prof. Stone of Winters, was in Ballinger Sunday a short time.

\$10 REWARD.

For the recovery of English setter bird dog, brown and white and had no collar on. Disappeared from Ballinger on February 29th 26-2
W. W. CARROLL.
Ballinger, Texas.

NOTICE FARMERS.

I have the Mebane cotton seed for sale. Apply to W. T. Knox, Coleman, Texas.

Fully nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism is simply rheumatism of the muscles due to cold or damp, or chronic rheumatism, neither of which require any internal treatment. All that is needed to afford relief is the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. Give it a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the quick relief which it affords.

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

CREAM! CREAM!
WANTED- 1,000 Gallons
See S. A. B. HAMILTON
For Particulars.
Ballinger, Tex

COTTON SEED MEAL AND HULLS

Is the Best and Cheapest Cow Feed on Earth. Bring a Load of Seed and Exchange for Meal and Hulls. We will give you 2,600 lbs. of Meal and Hulls, sacked in 100 pound sacks ready mixed for feeding, for one ton of Seed.

THE BALLINGER COTTON OIL CO.

Your Attention is Called
to TEXACO ROOFING the kind that
gives satisfaction on any kind of building.

Familylite Oil

will keep your home cheerful on the stormiest night—best oil for lamps.

The Texas Company

GENERAL OFFICES: HOUSTON, TEXAS
T. W. TURNER

\$600 GIVEN AWAY!

The Above Amount Will Be given in Prizes by The Daily Banner and The Weekly Banner-Leader.

This paper has inaugurated the most liberal popular voting contest ever offered to the people of this section. In this contest prizes aggregating more than six hundred dollars will be given absolutely free to the young ladies or institution receiving the largest number of votes. The grand prize is a **Three Hundred Dollar Clarendon Cabinet Grand Piano**. In addition to this beautiful piano, other prizes amounting in the aggregate to six hundred dollars will be donated to contestants in this wonderful contest. Read every word on this page and you will understand thoroughly why we make this unparalleled proposition.

Nomination Blank GOOD FOR 1,000 VOTES

Only one nomination ballot will be credited for each Contestant.

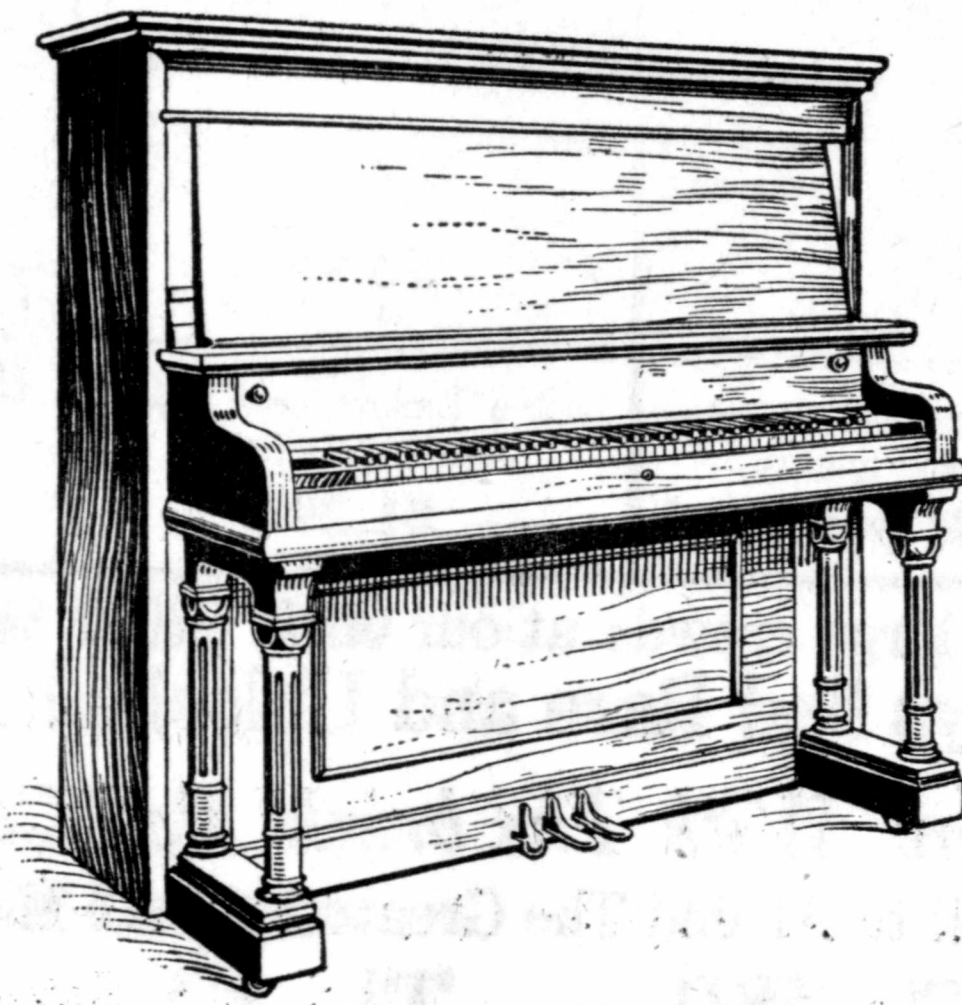
I hereby nominate, as a Contestant in the BANNER PIANO CONTEST, M _____

Address _____

Date _____

Signed _____

All nominations must be signed by the party making them but the nominator's name will positively not be made public or known to any one except the manager of the contest.



FREE VOTING COUPON

25 Votes _____ 25 Votes _____

This Free Coupon is Voted For _____

These votes cost you nothing, and you should clip them from the paper, write the name of your favorite, and see that they reach this office before the 15th of April.

The Clarendon Cabinet Grand Piano

Is no "Cheap John" piano made to give away, but is a piano built by the Haddorf Piano company for the trade and is sold in Ballinger by the Ballinger Music Company who back the instrument up to be first class in every respect with a guarantee. The Ballinger Music Company have sold several of these instruments since opening their house here, and we refer you to Mrs. Dr. Bolyn or to Mrs. August Vogelsang. The regular price of the piano is \$300 and that is what it cost us. Following is a description of the piano which will be on exhibition at the Ballinger Music Company's:

The design is along plain lines and, and is prepared to fill a demand for just such a piano. The scale is entirely new, being designed with the purpose of producing plenty of volume, and still retaining its purity of tone. It contains seven and one-third octaves with three unisons. Three pedals. Patent noiseless pedal action. Rock maple tuning pin block. Full iron plate. Overstrung bass. Imported music wire. Ivory keys and an action guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction. Case is hardwood double-veneered inside and out. Full swinging music desk with square panel. Grand fall board. Furnished in Mahogany. Height of piano, 4 feet and 9 inches. Width, 5 feet and 4 inches. Depth, 2 feet and 4 inches.

Contest Rules

- 1.—This is a popular voting contest in which the young ladies or any lodge, church or school of this county are eligible. The contest will be conducted upon strictly honorable methods, and the lady receiving the greatest number of votes during the contest will be declared the winner of the beautiful piano.
- 2.—Other prizes in addition to the piano will be offered during the contest, thus guaranteeing a valuable prize to the ladies who solicit subscriptions.
- 3.—A list of the contestants will be kept standing in the paper after the first official count, in which will appear the standing of each candidate in this contest.
- 4.—After votes are deposited in ballot box, same cannot be trans-

ferred to another candidate.

5.—Contestants must collect full subscription price for paper in order to be entitled to votes on same.

6.—The editor will not assist you in making a selection of your choice among the contestants. This is a matter you must decide for yourself.

7.—The ballot box will be kept in this office until one week before closing of contest, when it will be placed in one of the banks to be kept there until the final count is announced.

8.—Date of closing of contest will be announced at least two weeks prior to close of same.

9.—It does not cost anything to vote the 25-vote coupons appearing in the paper during the early part of the contest.

10.—The free paper coupons will be discontinued at the option

of the publisher.
11.—A committee of reputable citizens shall conduct each official count during contest.
12.—Additional classes of votes may be added to this contest if deemed advisable by the publishers, or to modify these rules if deemed necessary.

Votes will be given on subscription only to either the Daily Banner or Weekly Banner-Leader on the following scale:

For 35 cents paid on subscription	100 votes
For 50 cents paid on subscription	200
For \$1.00 paid on subscription	600
For 2.00 paid on subscription	2500
For 3.50 paid on subscription—Daily 1 year	5000
For \$5.00 paid on subscription—Weekly 5 years	7500

SPECIAL PRIZES

- Second prize in contest: \$125.00 buggy by Higginbotham-Currie-Williams.
Third prize: \$50.00 Scholarship in Business college.

Fourth prize: \$25.00 Violin by Walker Drug company.

Fifth prize: \$25.00 Washburn Guitar by Ballinger Music company.

Sixth prize: Prize given by Asa cordill, article and value to be announced later.

This Contest Is Now Open

The ballot box can be found at the Banner office, where you may deposit your votes for your favorite. Some one is going to get this beautiful piano, and the other valuable prizes to be announced within the next few days, and the way to win is to get into the contest without delay. Call on the Ballinger Music Company and see the beautiful instrument Now On Display. Fill out the nominating blank to be found on this page, and see that your favorite gets an early start. Call at this office and let us talk to you about the greatest voting contest ever pulled of in Runnels county. Watch for our announcement of the names of merchants who will give you free votes with every dollar you spend at their stores. For any further information, come to see us, write us, or call us over the phone. Address all inquiries to

CONTEST EDITOR, Care Banner-Leader Office

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<p>Our Clothing Department is Complete with all the New, Up-to-Date Styles in Men's, Youths' and Children's Suits At The Sale Prices</p>	<p>Ladies Embroidered Linen Waists Sale Price 98c</p> <hr/> <p>Bed Spreads, fringed in white and colors, extra size sale price 98c</p> <hr/> <p>Embroideries, 7 to 13 inches wide, good quality, 5c to 10c per yard</p>	<p>Dress Gingham, Sale Price 6c per yard</p> <hr/> <p>Men's Genuine Panama Hat Sale Price \$3.98</p> <hr/> <p>Ladies Embroidered Petticoats, Sale Price \$1.29</p>	<p>Ladies Embroidered Handkerchiefs Sale Price 6c</p> <hr/> <p>Men's Suits, the \$10 to \$12 kind, Sale price \$4.49</p> <hr/> <p>Children's up-to-date Straw Hats Sale Price 23c</p>	<p>Brown's 5 Star</p> <p>Shoes and Oxfords at The Great Money Saving Sale Prices.</p>
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Our Store Continues to draw the large crowds at our GREAT MONEY SAVING SALE, where THE PRICE IS THE THING, and and where you will always find Rare and Unlooked For Bargains in All Departments.

The Big Store With The bright Red Canvas Covered Front
 Don't Fail to Attend The Greatest of All Money Saving Sales

Go Where The Crowd Goes

THE GREAT EASTERN BARGAIN STORE

812 Hutchings Ave The Price Is The Thing BEN L. ART, MANAGER

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PIANO CONTEST

Why This Paper Has Inaugurated This Great Free Voting Proposition.

In the full page advertisement in this issue will be found the announcement of our great subscription-getting contest. Perhaps some of our readers will be at a loss to understand how we can afford to give away the beautiful Clarendon Cabinet Grand Piano, and to them we desire to say that we are doing it in order to push the circulation of the Daily Banner and the Weekly Banner-Leader. We do not expect to make any money out of the contest, but we do intend to add many hundred new subscribers to our publications.

In order to do this, we are willing to give all our profits in prizes to the young ladies, or the organizations, that will assist us in securing new subscribers or renewals to either publication. It is a straight business proposition, no more no less. We want our papers to go to every home in Runnels county, and have arranged for these valuable prizes in order that we may attain that result. In selecting an instrument we have patronized home people for two reasons: First, because it is right to patronize home institutions, and second, because of the guarantee of the home dealer can be depended on, and the contestants can know for themselves that they are not having a worthless instrument placed in the contest. Besides these reasons, the piano is NOW ON DISPLAY at the Ballinger Music Company's store, and you are invited to call and see for yourself the sort of instrument we are going to give away. This instrument will be kept on

display until the hour of closing the contest.

Now, girls, here is your opportunity to get this beautiful piano by putting in some of your spare time in soliciting subscriptions for our papers. For every new yearly subscriber, renewal, or for every dollar collected on back subscription, you will be given 600 votes. Call at this office for receipt books and get out among your friends and see how easy it will be to interest them in your behalf. Sample copies will be furnished you if you will call or write this office.

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is not nearly the menace to increase in population that deaths among infants are. Eight out of ten of these death are directly or indirectly caused by bowel troubles. McGee's Baby Elixir cures diarrhoea, dyspepsia, sour stomach and all infant ailments of this nature. Just the thing for teething babies.

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CAPTAIN FOWLER IS IMPROVING

Texan Who Was Wounded in Nicaragua Will be Able to Return Home Soon.

Special to The Banner. New Orleans, La., March 19.—A cablegram received here today from Bluefields, Nicaragua, says the Texan who was wounded a few weeks ago while he was leading some insurgents, is now at Chontales where he is being cared for by friends. The message says that Fowler is rapidly improving and that he will soon be able to return to Texas.

NEW STONE CHURCH FOR BALLINGER

The Catholics Will Build New Church Soon to Cost About \$8000.

The Catholics of Ballinger held an enthusiastic business meeting yesterday and it was unanimously decided to erect a handsome church building on their two acre lot on the hill near the stand pipe. The meeting was well attended and a building committee composed of J. A. Kelly, Joe Spill and A. J. Zappe was appointed.

The Oblate Fathers are represented here by Rev. A. P. Fletcher, who has charge of the Catholic church in Ballinger. This new church is to be of the Gothic style, and to be completed by fall. The work will begin just as soon as the plans can be accepted.

The building of this splendid church here will be of considerable advantage to our town for it will cause a desirable class of people to settle in our midst. Other buildings will be erected here also in the near future by the Catholics.

H. A. Constantineau of San Antonio, has been here in conference with members in regard to the building plans and returned to San Antonio today.

A SWOLLEN JAW.

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

W. C. Bowen, who has been connected with the Brownwood Bulletin for quite awhile, passed through today en route to Abilene, where he has accepted a position as operator on the News.

HOGS, PEANUTS, ALFALFA.

Ft. Worth Citizen-Star:

It has often been claimed, and is yet, that better results can be secured from feeding peanuts and alfalfa to hogs than from any other ration or combination of rations. This ration has been given a thorough test, and it is indorsed by every feeder who has given it a fair trial. George Bishop of Cordell, Okla., is a hog enthusiast, and he gives this ration his unqualified endorsement. He said:

"J. L. Parker, living near Rock, Okla., in 1910 had eleven acres in peanuts. He also had 90 acres of corn, and every row of that corn planted to cow-peas. His cow-peas failed for want of rain; the same sause cut his corn down to less than four-teen bushels per acre. But he had eighty-five head of hogs he had been carrying along on early wheat pasture, alfalfa and a little corn on the side. He gathered out his corn, fed 325 bushels and then turned them into the peanut patch.

"Up to date he has sold nearly \$1,000 worth and has fat hogs for his meat, besides thirteen broods sows and over thirty pigs; and there are plenty of peanuts in that patch yet, or were when I was last there, after he had sold \$1,000 worth of fat hogs at Ft. Worth. Of course, when the hogs were turned in there were some scattering peas and some corn which the hogs ate together with the peavines and peanuts.

"The interesting feature, in connection with the report is the part played in a dry year like 1909. These peanuts were between two corn patches, were planted on May 10 and received no better cultivation than the corn. Their yield was about forty bushels to the acre. Now, this is not a report from an experiment station or copied from a government bulletin, but taken from Washita county,

Oklahoma, farmer, whose name and address I give. Write to him or go see him, and he will tell you just what I have. He will plant fifteen acres in peanuts for hogs this year.

"Henry Wilson, seven miles from Cordell, has a farm fenced and cross fenced, hog proof. He has twenty acres in alfalfa and seventy-five acres in cultivation. In 1909 he had corn and kaffir corn, the latter averaging about thirty-five bushels per acre, the corn averaging about five to ten bushels. He had forty acres in wheat, estimated at ten bushels per acre. In two years he has sold 390 head of hogs for \$4,450. He has on hand eighty head and feed on hand worth \$500.

"The eighty head of hogs cost \$300 and their gain in value up to January 1st was \$200, leaving \$100 expenses taken from \$4,550, which leaves \$4,450. To sell this amount of hogs he was out \$500 for hogs and \$500 for corn and his labor, leaving him for his labor and the use of his farm \$3,450 in two years."

Everyone who has given their application to the Order of Owls, is requested to be at the W. O. W. hall at 8 o'clock tonight.

EXCURSION RATE TO BALLINGER SATURDAY

Mayor Kirk Arranging to Bring Crowds from Adjoining Towns.

Mayor Kirk this morning took up the matter of securing cheap rates, and if possible secure special trains from Miles, Talpa and Winters for the benefit of those who wish to visit Ballinger next Saturday to see the shows and do their shopping in Ballinger.

Up to the time of going to press Mr. Kirk had received no reply from the officials of the railroads, but he is confident they will grant the request.

Ballinger will be a live town Saturday. The carnival will bring many people to town. Ballinger merchants have on display large stocks of dry goods and spring clothing, and, perhaps the most important of all, it will be Tag day.

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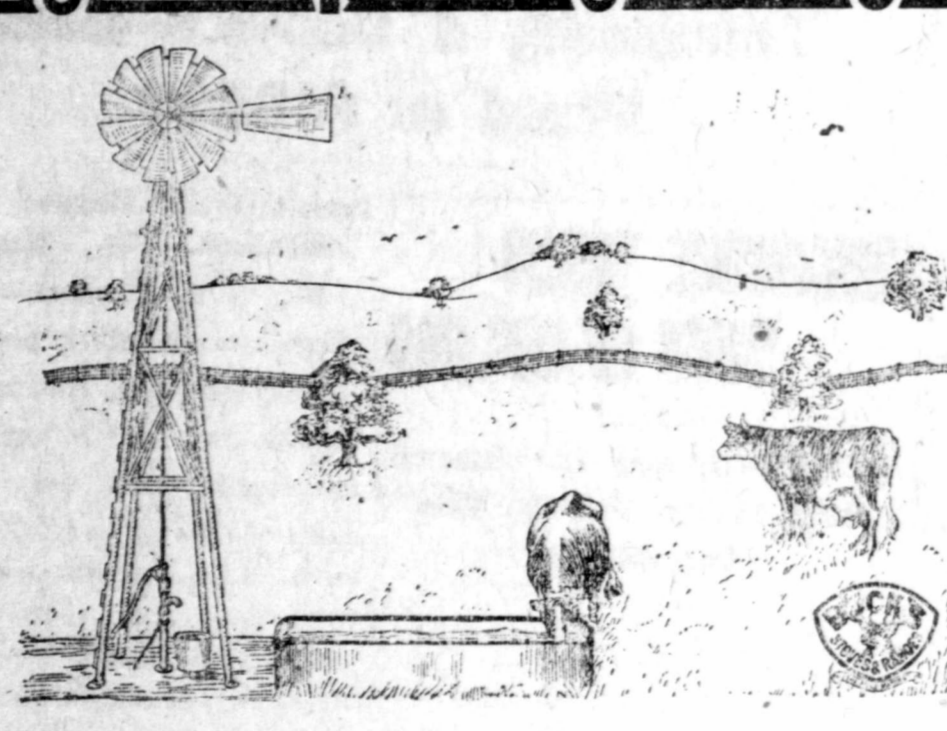
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 A similar sum was paid for CHICKENS and TURKEYS. You can make large sums of MONEY raising poultry, and eggs, they sell for CASH at all seasons, just as readily as Cotton, Corn, Wheat, Cattle or Hogs.

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We have published a BOOKLET in which you can get a great deal of valuable information relative to the successful raising and marketing of Chickens, Turkeys and Eggs.
 A copy of this BOOKLET in your home will enable you to materially increase your BANK ACCOUNT. It is free for the asking. Kindly cut out the coupon below, write your address plainly and mail today. Do it RIGHT NOW.

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 One of the best homes in Ballinger, consisting of eight rooms, bath and two fire-places, closets, one acre of ground, two underground cisterns, each one 200 barrel capacity, city water, good barn, 100 bearing fruit trees, nice shade in yard, good garden spot. Price \$2,500. Cash \$500. Balance either 5 or 8 years time to suit purchaser. For particulars call on C. P. Shepherd, Ballinger, Texas. d&w
 All work guaranteed at Ballinger Photo Co. wtf

SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Runnels:
 By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Parker County, on the 3rd day of March, A. D., 1910, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Baker Paston & Company (a corporation duly incorporated) versus A. A. Ash, I. M. Ash and S. A. Hughes and J. B. Hughes and W. F. Borders, jointly and severally, No. 4444, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff Sales, on the First Tuesday in April A. D. 1910, it being the 5th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger, the following described property to-wit:
 Being all that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Runnels County, Texas.

First tract, being 66 1-2 acres of land out of the North end of the C. H. Willingham Survey, No. 56 1-2 known as abstract No. 1360, and patented to said Willingham on Sept 11th 1901, per letter patent No. 272, Vol. 21.
 Second tract, being 239 acres of land out of Wharton County School land Survey No. 509, known as Abstract No. 499, and patented to Commissioners of Wharton County on Oct. 27, 1854, per letters Pat. No. 296, Vol. 11. Said two above described tracts of land composing 305 1-2 acres of land and being described by metes and bounds as follows:
 Beginning at a stone mound, set in the S. B. line of Survey No. 516 in name of Wharton County School lands. The same being the N. E. corner of said survey, No. 56 1-2. Thence West 410 varas, pass the N. W. corner of said survey No. 56 1-2 and crossing the E. B. line of survey No. 509 at 1756 varas a stone mound for the N.W. corner of this tract, south 7 1-2 degrees E. 1065 varas to a stone mound for the S. W. corner of this tract; thence North 81 1-4 E at 1571 varas, cross the E. B. line of survey No. 509 and W. B. line of said Survey No. 56 1-2 at 1991 varas a stone mound set in E line of said survey No. 56 1-2 for the S. E. corner, of this tract, thence north with the E. B. line survey No. 56 1-2 distance of 874 varas to the place of beginning, being the same 305 1-2 acres of land set out by metes and bounds in deed from R. L. Williams and wife, N. L. Williams to Mrs. I. D. Ash, dated May 27, 1907, recorded in Book 58, page 22, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, to which deed reference is here made for a full and better description of said two tracts of land.

said two tracts of land levied on as the property of A. A. Ash, I. M. Ash, S. A. Hughes and J. B. Hughes and W. F. Borders, jointly and severally to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2188 94-100 with interest thereon from the 10 of May 1909 at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, in favor of Baker Paston and Company, (a corporation duly incorporated) and costs of suit.
 Given under my hand this 5th day of March A. D. 1910.
 J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff
 By W. T. Padgett, Deputy

LOCKJAW KILLS CLARKSVILLE MAN

Farmer Killed by Lockjaw Caused by Sticking a Rusty Nail in His Foot.

Special to The Banner: Clarksville, Tex., March 21.—D. H. Proctor, a wealthy farmer residing five miles east of here was found dead in his bed this morning. A rusty nail pierced his foot about one week ago and caused lockjaw. He leaves a wife and two children.

EGGS FOR SETTING.

I have eggs for sale from my prize-winning White Plymouth-rock chickens. Call and see my chickens and get eggs. \$1 per setting.
 MRS. C. GALLISON.
 1001 11th st. Ballinger, Tex.

BEAUMONT MAN KILLED IN NEW ORLEANS.

Special to The Banner. New Orleans, La., March 21.—Martin Bernard, aged sixty, of Beaumont, was struck and killed by a train on the Bay, Saint Louis & Mississippi road here last night. He leaves two children in Beaumont.

Hugh Stinson of the Wingate country was in town today and reports the crop conditions fairly favorable in his section.

NEGRO AND WHITE BOY HAS SCRAP.

Today Constable Pilcher was called to the carnival grounds to take charge of a negro who was giving a few Jack Johnson stunts to a white boy. Both of the participants were employees of the Carnival Co.

J. W. Caldwell and little daughter were here from San Angelo Sunday, the guests of N. T. Guest.

TEXAN'S BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

United States Marshals Will Receive Equal Salaries of \$5000 per Year.

Special to The Banner. Washington, March 21.—Representative Garner's bill equalizing the salaries of United States Marshals and District Attorneys passed this morning by the house. The bill provides that each officer shall receive \$5000 per year.

A Neighbor of Yours

as well as yourself is liable at any time to have rheumatism. We're all liable to have cuts or burns, bruises or scalds, crick in the back, neck or side—some kind of an ache or pain. Then heed this advice and tell your neighbors—Ballards Snow Liniment relieves all aches and pains, and heals all wounds.

CRAZY MEXICAN BROUGHT HERE

Parties from Rowena brought down today a crazy Mexican from that place and turned him over to Sheriff Flynt. The Mexican was placed in jail to await a trial for insanity and to be held until a place can be secured for him in one of the state asylums.

Tax Assessor Day went up to Winters this afternoon to interview the citizens of our neighboring city.

GOLDEN IS GRANTED NEW TRIAL.

District Judge Goodwin this afternoon granted a new trial in the land suit of Tolar vs Golden.
 The new trial was granted on account of objections in pleadings and other errors.

Lawrence B. Harris went to Angelo Saturday night to visit friends a few days.

The great Baking Powder of the country—used in millions of homes—never failed

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Is across the pathway of every man. It is just ahead of many, ready to be opened.
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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.
 We offer you our bank and its facilities to help you.

The Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co.



Satisfaction

In Clothes that are Made Right, Feel Right and Wear Right.

When you buy a Keep Kool suit the satisfaction will be yours—made by people who make only clothes for summer wear. When a man puts his thoughts, labor and capital into making one article, the product is better, material better, style and workmanship better. All garments are half lined and seams are bound on the inside of coats with wool mohair, silk or satin. Pants are made in the very newest of cuts with or without roll bottoms. All materials are full shrunk before being made, making a garment that will hold its shape and give you the satisfaction for which you are looking.

Friday and Saturday, March 25th and 26th Only

For these two days, we will make it very interesting for you to buy. Each suit will bear its proportion of the introduction prices so you can get acquainted with this high class line of clothing. Every price is a bonified reduction and warranted to be just as represented.

A suit made of light weight material, color grey, with hair line stripe. Coat one-half lined with wool mohair. A suit that is worth ten dollars. Get acquainted price **\$8.95**

Suit made of extra quality worsted in stripe effects, lined with wool mohair. Pants are belted. Peg tops. Roll bottoms. Color dark grey. \$12.50 suit. Get acquainted price **\$11.29**

Mens' suits made of fancy striped gray worsted and blue serge, skeleton lined coats, peg top pants, a garment of real merit. Worth \$15.00. Get acquainted price **\$13.45**

It's a real pleasure to wear one of these mohair extra hard finish, one-half lined coats. Pants full and roomy. Colors of gray and navy. \$15.00 suit. Get acquainted price **\$13.45**

All wool suits, made of interwoven striped worsteds, color sage green with stripe of brown. Skeleton lined coats. Regular \$17.50 suits. Get acquainted price **\$13.45**

Extra quality serge and worsted in colors of green, grey and blue. silk and satin lined, elegant garments of true merit. Silk sewed throughout. Regular \$20. Get acquainted price **\$17.95**

Half silk lined garments, style three button sacks, seams silk sewed, edges silk bound, colors of solid grey, diagonal serge and hair line stripes, made to sell at \$25.00. Get acquainted price **22.39**

Straw Hats

We have ready for your inspection a well selected stock in the new straw hats for men and boys in all the new shades and blocks of sailors, alpine and novelties.

Boys' straw hats in soft shapes, sailors and fancies with good silk bands and leather sweat pads. Good hats at the small price of **50c**

Mens' sailor straw hats. In nice smooth straw with black band 1 3/4 inches wide. Brim width two inches crown 3 1/4 inches. Priced at **\$1.50**

Extra quality sailor hats, made in extra smooth weave, hand finished brim edges, two-inch brims and three-inch crowns priced at **\$2.50**

Panamas, smooth quality, genuine article, in Alpine pockets and large shapes fitted with extra good lining and bands. Priced at \$5.00, \$6.00 and **7.50**

Pant Satisfaction

Good comfortable odd pants that fit and hold their shape. Made by Cowen & Goldman, exclusive pant makers. Friday and Saturday we will give a special price—just to get acquainted.

Mens' pants made from light grey material, cut full and roomy. These pants were made to sell at \$1.75. Get acquainted price **\$1.59**

Mens' pant in summer weight, full hips, belt straps, side buckles, made to sell for \$2.50, get acquainted price **2.28**

Dress pants, real models of high-grade pant making in all-wool worsteds, in all the newest colorings. Also blue serges. Every pair worth \$5.00. Get acquainted price **\$4.45**

Dress pants in light and dark colors in woven stripes, extra full in hips, \$3.50 value, get acquainted price **3.19**

Blue serge, nice smooth well made, full and roomy, two hip pockets, belt straps, silk sewed, a \$3.50 pant. Get acquainted price **\$3.19**

Wool worsteds, hard finish pants, made in correct styles, extra good linings, full cut pants made to sell at \$4.00. Get acquainted price **\$3.59**

Furnishings

Mens' Furnishing that have the real stamp of merit, a department brim full of the choice things in neckwear, suspenders, hosiery, shirts, summer weight underwear and union suits.

Fresh from the factory, an assortment of new ties, in solids, fancies and crochets. Nothing better at **50c**

Iron clad socks, the kind that wears, in all the new shades of mode, grey, brown, lavender, blue and green. Priced **25c** at

Porous knit, fish net, baldriggan and fancy weave underwear in white and cream. Shirts and drawers priced at per **50c** garment

Soft shirts, Ferguson & McKinney make, the kind that fit and wear right, cut full and roomy with full sleeves; white, cream and colors at \$1.50, \$1.00 and **50c**

The Hub

WILL MAKE FIGHT FOR REUNION

Paint Rock Framing up Tempting Offer to Land Reunion.

Gerald Houston of Paint Rock, is here today, and informed The Banner that his town was going to make a strong pull to get the U. C. V. reunion this summer and said they would be represented at Ballinger on the 29th with a strong delegation.

"Why we have raised \$1000," said Mr. Houston, "and D. E. Sims has offered the free use of his entire river front for camping grounds, etc."

The committee to select the next place of meeting will meet in Ballinger on March 29th. San Angelo and Coleman are also after the reunion and there will perhaps be a lively contest over the question.

FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING FOOD LAW

Special to The Banner: Ft. Worth, Tex., March 24.—F. W. Blanton, and W. F. Jones were found guilty this afternoon by a jury in Judge Meek's Federal Court on a charge of violating the National Food Laws by the sale of Oleomargarine as butter. Each man was found guilty on eleven different counts.

Constable B. W. Pilcher went to Coleman at noon today to distribute circulars for the local firemen. The carnival company is here this week as a Firemen's benefit and rates will be given from nearby points to Ballinger on Saturday.

J. E. Edwards

WINTERS GETS NEW POSTMASTER

Thos. B. Dillingham Named to Succeed Murray—Other Appointments.

Special to The Banner.

Washington, March 24.—President Taft, today appointed the following postmasters:

George Sullivan, Comanche. Robt. F. Nelson, Gorman. Thos. Bloss, Honey Grove. Edwin Farr, Pottsburg. Andrew Hill, San Saba. August Dumont, Paducah. Geo. E. Whitney, Texas City. Wm. R. Dodson, Jewell. Thos. B. Dillingham, Winters.

Mr. Dillingham formerly lived at Ballinger. He will succeed T. W. Murray at Winters. Mr. Murray has been post master of Winters for the last twelve of fifteen years, but is a democrat, and the office has grown to be an important one, and the administration is following out the rule by naming Republicans for the place.

WIFE KILLS HER HUSBAND

Special to The Banner.

Oklahoma City, March 24.—Joseph Gillert was shot and instantly killed by his wife early this morning. Gillert and his wife had been separated for some time, but were living together again, when they quarreled and the killing resulted this morning. The woman has been arrested.

Miss Bertha Holland of F rado who has been visiting f

WINTERS HEARS JUDGE POINDEXTER

Crowded Opera House Listens for Two Hours to Able Candidate.

Special to The Banner.

Winters, Tex., March 24.—It was some what of a surprise when circulated on the streets here, late yesterday evening hand bills told that Judge Poindexter would speak here last night. The speaking had not previously been advertised, in fact Judge Poindexter did not know himself that he would visit Winters until he reached Ballinger at noon yesterday. Nevertheless, a crowded opera house greeted him last night when he spoke for two hours on the issues involved in the gubernatorial campaign.

His address was along the same lines as those delivered at other places. He was given a great ovation when he entered the house and was cheered throughout his speech, demonstrating that he has a strong following at this place.

CARNIVAL SHOWS DRAW GOOD CROWDS

Larger Attendance Than Ever Wednesday Night—Good Shows in the Bunch.

Wednesday night the crowd at the carnival grounds was larger than on either of the preceding nights, and every one was of a joyous happy fun-seeking spirit. They are just beginning to get the carnival spirit, but for the next three nights, the larger part of the population will probably be found taking in the shows. Some of these are exceptionally good, and Manager Lachman guarantees all as advertised.

MORE AUTOMOBILES FOR BALLINGER

The Auto Fever is Rapidly Spreading. Three New Cases Today.

A. H. Van Pelt and Dr. W. W. Fowler will perhaps receive their new cars today. Each bought a Maxwell yesterday and the cars are to be delivered at once.

Their cars are similar to the one owned by E. V. Bateman, except a higher priced car.

W. B. Ray has purchased a seven passenger Pope Toledo, a \$3000 car, and expects it to arrive some time within the next week.

Autos are becoming as numerous in Ballinger as buggies, and the fever is rapidly spreading.

C. O. Harris came in today from Houston where he has been on business.

J. W. Dale of Winters came in today to spend a few busy hours in the city.

Judge Wade returned today at noon from a business visit to Miles.

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT AT DALLAS.

Special to The Banner:

Dallas, Tex., March 14.—R. S. Fanning and nephew, A. Fanning were seriously and perhaps fatally injured last night when train or auto struck their carriage. They were both picked up near the tracks and have not regained consciousness since the accident. Elder Fanning is not expected to recover. He was taken to the home of his brother Chas. Fanning who is also dying with la grippe.

Rex. Walter Wade of Valera, Ballinger today.

PENITENTIARY OFFICIAL ARRESTED FOR MURDER

Maj. Durham Must Face Charge for Murdering a Convict—Bond Fixed at \$10,000.

FRANCHISE TAXES NOW \$7,500,000

Fifteen Years Ago the Amount Received from This Tax Was Only \$50,000.

Special to The Banner.

Austin, Tex., March 22.—Secretary of State, Townsend today announced that the franchise taxes now amounted to three quarters of a million dollars annually. In 1895, only fifty thousand dollars were raised by this tax and all this amount was used for the Confederate home. The tax is now one of the State's most important sources of revenue.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express to our friends and neighbors our heartfelt thanks for their kindness during the death of our mother and grandmother, and also during the illness of our son Arthur.

J. M. Thomas and Family.

W. A. Glenn of Marie, a former Ballinger citizen came in yesterday and reports his section very dry.

Special to The Banner.

Hillsboro, Tex., March 24.—Maj. S. E. Durham, one of the officials of the Rusk penitentiary, was brought here this morning by Sheriff Cox, and is charged with the murder of a convict by the name of Athens, in Hill county district. Maj. Durham was charged with this crime some time ago, and was arrested, but the state failed to prosecute, but Governor Campbell and the Pardon Board refused to restore citizenship rights to the chief witness, who was once a convict.

Judge Weer today fixed Durham's bond at ten thousand dollars, and letters recognizing that sum were taken with W. H. Shook J. E. Bagley and J. L. Summers as sureties.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Fleming, H. A. Magill, Bob Brown and August Herring, all of Talpa came in today at noon to hear Judge Poindexter speak this afternoon.

Misses Ethel Hazel Hollinger of Talpa were in Ballinger Tuesday.

C. C. McDaniels, former of the owners of the Col. Democrat-Voice, who has been to Buffalo Gap, installing a newspaper plant is spending a few hours in our city, en route to his home at Coleman.