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## WINKLER DRY GOODS COMPANY'S GREAT Money Raising and Removal Sale

Will be continued for 10 days longer. It will be 15 days yet before we can move, in the mean time the SALE will go on for another 10 days. Come and get your share of the BARGAINS.

The Saving to you is great, and you should not fail to attend this GREAT SALE. Everything in the store at a GREAT SAVING to you. Remember the Sale will be continued for 10 days longer.

Premium Tickets with each Purchase.

## WINKLER DRY GOODS COMPANY

### ROAD OVERSEERS ARRANGE PROGRAM

The Third Meeting of the County Road Overseers Promises to be Big Affair—Will be Held in Ballinger.

The third session of The Runnels County Road Overseers will convene in Ballinger, Saturday, August 6, and a most complete program has been arranged. The first meeting of Road Overseers was held here in March and a complete organization was perfected, the first of its kind in the State. From the first considerable interest has been manifested and splendid results have grown from the organization.

The second meeting was held in June and some interesting road questions were discussed. An impetus has been given to the good roads movement by organization and co-operation of those in charge of the various county and precinct roads. The plan is proving of much worth to the general benefit of the entire county.

The third session promises even more than any previous meetings and the various questions assigned have been assiduously studied. The meeting will be held at the Court House.

A program of entertainment of the Road Overseers is being arranged by Secretary Kirk of the Business League, but as the details have not been worked out yet we will announce them fully in another issue. However, a good time is promised every person that attends this next meeting.

Program Road Overseers' Association, Saturday, Aug. 6th 1910 Ballinger, Texas

10:00 A. M.—Call to Order  
 Reading unapproved minutes.  
 Address of Welcome—Mayor R. P. Kirk.

Response—S. V. Brandon.  
 10:30—Good Roads as An Investment—J. A. Roberts.  
 Discussion—3 Minute Speeches.

11:15—Road Surfacing—Reading by Jesse Stovall.  
 Discussion—3 Minute Speeches.

12:00—Dinner.  
 1:30 P. M.—The Best Thing to do to Obtain Good Roads for Runnels county—F. Blummintritt, Andy Gannaway, I. Pinkerton.  
 Discussion—3 Minute Speeches.

2:30—The Road Drag. Its Use and Benefits—J. F. Koonce, A. J. Stephenson, Lynn Stokes, Joe Turner, T. S. Hunnicut.  
 Discussion—3 Minute Speeches.

3:00—Drainage of Roads—R. S. Peiper, Alvie Cambridge, W. A. Esmond, Preston Dunn, J. H. Neas.  
 Discussion—3 Minute Speeches.

4:00—Regular Order of Business.  
 Adjournment.

### WHITE MAN KILLED HERE SUNDAY MORNING

J. W. Bishop of Truitt, Was Instantly Killed Early Sunday Morning by John Elliott, a Negro—Mob Violence Narrowly Averted.

Receiving a full charge of shot fired at close range which frightfully tore into his face and head, the life of J. W. Bishop of Truitt was instantly snuffed out at the early hour of 3 o'clock Sunday morning. The shooting occurred at a servants house in the rear of R. P. Kirk's residence on Eighth Street and John Elliott, a negro, admitted that it was he that fired the shot.

Bishop was trespassing and it is claimed that he was entering the window of the negro's home when the shot was fired. The negro's wife screamed as Bishop was entering and Elliott reached for his shot gun which was near at hand and used it with deadly results. The negro then went and told Mayor Kirk who had been awakened by the shot, that he thought he had killed a man, and that the party shot was a Mexican.

Mr. Kirk immediately made an investigation and found that the person shot was J. W. Bishop and that he was dead. Sheriff Flynt was summoned and immediately arrested the negro who made no effort to escape. Elliott was placed in the county jail.

The body of the dead man was taken in charge by Higginbotham Currie-Williams Co. and prepared for burial. Sunday afternoon the corpse was removed to Truitt for burial. Bishop left a wife and four children, the eldest being 11 years of age. The family is highly respected and Bishop stood high in the esteem of his neighbors in the community in which he lived. It is reported that on the night of his death that

he and some other friends had been drinking.

On Monday morning a large crowd of Bishop's friends came to town from the Truitt section and numerous threats of lynching the negro were made. During the entire morning intense excitement prevailed and the spirit of the crowd seemed as if it would assert itself in mob violence. However a lack of organization delayed the intent of the threatening crowd in carrying out their purpose.

Fearing that the worst would happen Sheriff Flynt and City Marshall McKay, at one o'clock, took the negro from the jail and hurried him out of the city in an automobile. Crossing the Colorado river they drew up at the first crossing and by agreement with the engineer and conductor, the west bound Santa Fe stopped and the negro in charge of the officers was carried to San Angelo and placed in jail, where he remained only a short time and was moved to another place for safe keeping.

The crowd upon learning that their prey had been spirited away after much murmuring began to break up and go home. At a later date the leaders of the disturbance came to Sheriff Flynt and expressed regret at their intentions which were roused up to white heat for the short time following the death of Bishop. The actions of the officers has been heartily commended because of their timely precautions in the matter.

the increased population Judge Griggs will order a division of the District and County Clerks offices and of the Sheriff and Tax Collectors offices as required by law. The following correspondence tells the story: Judge R. S. Griggs, County Judge Runnels County, Ballinger, Texas.

Sir—Referring to previous correspondence, I beg to inclose herewith an official certificate giving

the population of Runnels county, Texas.

Very respectfully,  
 E. DANA DURAND,  
 Director of Census.

Department of Commerce and Labor, Bureau of the Census, Washington, July 8, 1910.

I Herely Certify, That according to the official count of the returns of the Thirteenth Census of the United States, on file in the Bureau of Census, the population of the county of Runnels, in the State of Texas, is twenty thousand, eight hundred, fifty-eight (20,858.)

E. DANA DURAND,  
 Director of the Census.

### W. S. FLEMING AND WIFE GIVEN RECEPTION AT CUERO

The Knights of Pythias lodge at Cuero tendered a delightful farewell reception to Prof. and Mrs. W. S. Fleming last week, and in the speeches made on that occasion many compliments were paid Prof. Fleming on his effectual work as principal of the Cuero schools, and regret was expressed that these good people were leaving for Ballinger, which place will be their future home.

Brownwood people remember with pleasure Mr. and Mrs. Fleming and are pleased to know that they will make their home so close to this city—Brownwood Bulletin.

### COL. BENNETT TO BE PRESIDENT

Ballinger Man Will Be Chosen to Head Texas Abstractors Association.

San Antonio, Texas, July 13.—President J. C. Crisp of the Texas Abstractors Association today warned the delegates attending the meeting if they did not regulate their fees the legislature would likely enact a drastic law which would injure the business. The Bennett Abstract Co., of Ballinger, won first prize for the best coupled abstract.

Col. R. L. Bennett, of Ballinger, will likely be elected president this afternoon.—Daily Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. DeLashmatt, Misses Harrison and Warner and Mr. Biggs of Austin, who are enroute for Denver, Colo., on a pleasure trip, passed through Ballinger Wednesday in Mr. DeLashmatt's handsome car. While in our city they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Erwin.

Mrs. C. O. Harris spent a few days of this week in San Angelo visiting her daughter Mrs. Herbert O'Bannon.

Sheriff Flynt made a flying trip to San Angelo Tuesday.

### DID YOU EVER CASH A "CHECK"

on a bank? If so, you found it an easy matter to get the money. You simply endorsed it, presented it at the window and it was paid immediately.

Did you ever receive a P. O. Money order, go to the Post Office and have the Post Master tell you that they had no funds, come back another day? Or perhaps he said that he hadn't received his letter of advice yet.

Did you ever send money by Registered Mail and pay eight cents for a lot of trouble of your own?

Start a bank account and save all this trouble worry and expense. Pay bills by check, send money by check. Do all your business with checks and have a complete record.

### FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK

BALLINGER, TEXAS

Deposits guaranteed by the "Depositor's Guaranty Fund."

### RUNNELS CO. HAS 20,858 POPULATION

Runnels County Shows a Splendid Increase from 5,379 in 1900, to 20,858 in 1910.

County Judge Griggs received official confirmation of the population of Runnels County from Washington D. C. On account of

Your Accounts, whether large or small, will be appreciated by this Bank.

### THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

"The Bank That Does Things For You"

Established 1886 Ballinger, Texas

Capital, Surplus and Shareholders Liability \$410,000

The only Bank in Ballinger under United States Government Supervision





# Mid-Summer Clearance Sale

All Summer Suits, Furnishings, Hats and other merchandise remaining from the Season's selling reduced to a **RIDICULOUSLY LOW PRICE**. When quality is the basis of comparison, our prices are always the lowest. For this Clearance Sale effort, every article is priced to make it a great bargain regardless of its cost or former figure. Our Sale announcements, being matters of fact are recognized as such by our customers generally through our custom of offering our surplus stocks at great reductions as the approach of a new season make it necessary to thus dispose of goods that we do not wish to carry over. -:- :- \*

## Sale Begins Saturday July 16, 9 O'clock

### Ladies Jersey

#### Underwear

Ladies Jersey Union Suits Regular 50c, Now.....	<b>38c</b>
Ladies Jersey pants 35c grade for.....	<b>22c</b>
Regular 10c vests now.....	<b>5c</b>
Regular 15c vests now.....	<b>7c</b>
Regular 17 1-2c vests now.....	<b>8c</b>
Regular 20c vests now.....	<b>11c</b>
Regular 25c vests now.....	<b>18c</b>

### Ladies White

#### Dresses

\$7.50 and 8.50 dresses handsomely trimmed are now selling at.....	<b>4.50</b>
Just received a big line of Dutch collars in many beautiful designs,	
35c embroidered collars at.....	<b>22c</b>
25c collars at.....	<b>18c</b>

### Men's Pants

\$1.50 Pants for.....	<b>78c</b>
\$2.50 Pants for.....	<b>1.48</b>
\$5.00 Pants for.....	<b>3.97</b>

### LADIES HOSE

10c Hose for.....	<b>7c</b>
15c Hose for.....	<b>8c</b>
25c Hose for.....	<b>19c</b>
50c Gauze Hose for.....	<b>38c</b>
\$1.25 Pure Silk Hose for.....	<b>72c</b>

### RED SEAL GINGHAM

12 1-2 and 15c quality, sale.....	<b>9c</b>
7 1-2c Lawn during sale.....	<b>4c</b>
Safety Pins per doz.....	<b>2c</b>
Good Pins, a paper.....	<b>1c</b>
5c Buttons, per dozen.....	<b>2c</b>
10c Buttons at.....	<b>5c</b>
Napoleon Toilet Powder, regular price 25c, during sale.....	<b>16c</b>
Napoleon Cream at.....	<b>13c</b>
6-cord Thread, 7 spools for.....	<b>25c</b>

**IT IS THE BEST TIME FOR YOU TO BUY NOW.**

Low Prices is the foundation of this sale, when you come here we will not try to convince you—you will see it for yourself.

### Special Bargains in Men's Shoes That Are Solid Leather

\$2.00 Shoes for.....	<b>1.38</b>
\$2.50 Shoes for.....	<b>1.86</b>
\$4.00 Crawford Shoes for.....	<b>3.38</b>

These shoes are by no means old stock—they are up-to-date and guaranteed. We need room for the immense Fall stock that is now on the way, and you are reaping the benefit of this necessity.

### Mens Hose

10c Hose for.....	<b>7c</b>
15c Hose for.....	<b>9c</b>
25c Hose for.....	<b>18c</b>

### MEN'S HATS

To meet the limitations of every man's pocket book in these rather hard times we have undertaken this grand sale fraught with unusual saving to every buyer.

Read these prices and you will dispel every doubt in your mind as to the merit of this CLEARANCE SALE.

500 Stetson Hats at.....	<b>\$3.64</b>
600 Stetson Hats at.....	<b>4.87</b>
150 Hats, good value.....	<b>0.89</b>
250 Hats, good value.....	<b>1.68</b>
All Straw Hats less than 50c on the dollar.....	

### BIG REDUCTIONS ON NOTIONS

Ladies: It is possible that you need only few things to replenish the needs of your household.

Even small purchases will compensate you for the time you spend in our store at this Clearance Sale.

One dissatisfied customer more than offsets one who is pleased with his purchase. So one of our fundamental rules is gladly to rectify any mistakes, refund the purchase price or exchange the goods as may best to suit the customer.

During the sale you are also entitled to a \$1,000.00 Accident Policy at no cost to yourself. All paid up.

No matter what you are buying, just received or previously in stock; rest assured you will have quality and low prices. That is the great point we wish to emphasize in our Sale.

### Ladies Oxfords

#### And Pumps

Regular \$2.00 patent pumps at.....	<b>1.48</b>
\$2.50 Patent Pumps at.....	<b>1.98</b>
\$3.00 Patent Pumps at.....	<b>2.39</b>

### LACES AND EMBROIDERY GO AT 50C ON THE DOLLAR.

Laces and Embroideries go at 50c on the dollar.....	
10-4 Golden Brown sheeting at.....	<b>22c</b>
10-4 Peperell sheeting at.....	<b>25c</b>
Lone Lake bleached domestic at.....	<b>6c</b>
10c Foremost domestic at.....	<b>7c</b>

### Ladies Purses

60c Purses for.....	<b>48c</b>
75c Purses for.....	<b>58c</b>
\$1.00 Purses for.....	<b>67c</b>
\$1.25 Purses for.....	<b>82c</b>
\$1.50 Purses for.....	<b>98c</b>

### Men's Suits

The largest reduction on mens clothing ever heard of in Runnels county.

Ladies and Gentlemen's Umbrellas at 42 cents each.

# Rosenwasser & Levy

**OUR POLICY IS TO CLEAN OUT**

**FREE DELIVERY WITHIN CITY LIMITS.**





## SENATOR ADAMS SPOKE SATURDAY

State Senator From This District Delivered an Address at Court House Touching on Current Issues of the Day.

Senator Bill Adams from Brownwood spoke here last Saturday to a small crowd at the Court House. Just what the burden of the Senator's speech would be was not definitely known until he warmed up in his humble way and gave, in part, an account of his stewardship while at Austin. The expulsion of Bascom Thomas from the State Senate was touched on lightly and the speaker dealt mainly on the conditions which make him an anti prohibitionist.

He stated clearly his position on the gubernatorial race and gave reasons for supporting Colquitt. He was introduced by Hon. John L. Guion who paid a splendid tribute to a "common man of the common people." The Senator replied that whether the words were merited or not he was indeed proud of his constituents in Runnels county.

In regard to his stewardship at Austin he said that he believed that if the Senators did nothing but retard legislation he believed that they had done a public good. He maintained that we have too many laws already. In a modest way he said that we have enough of these brand new things—and need a rest from legislation.

He directed a few remarks at Bascom Thomas and declared that he believed that Thomas has got about as high an office as he will ever have—that of running for Lieutenant Governor. In regard to the special session of the legislature Senator Adams said that he was willing to go to Austin and help amend the fire insurance law, if it could be made better for the good of the most people, and then after that he was ready to come back home.

The Senator paid his respects to Governor Campbell and said that in his estimation that the present gubernatorial incumbent was a

very small man—not the kind that should be the chief executive of Texas. In speaking of the present aspirants for Governor he said that the race was between Colquitt and Johnson—that Colquitt represented the Constitution and one side of a great and important question and that Johnson was on the other side. "The other candidates are compromisers," he declared.

He spoke for an hour and a half to a small crowd and closed his remarks in time to catch the late afternoon train for his home in Brownwood.

### AUTOMOBILE PARTY PASSED THROUGH.

Thursday an automobile party from Coleman passed through here en route to San Angelo, Big Springs, Lubbock, Plainview, and Roswell, N. M. They will return via Hereford and Amarillo, the trip covering about ten days or two weeks time. They are prepared for camping in case some unforeseen accident prevents them from reaching a suitable place to spend the night.

The party was composed of G. P. Roquemore and family, R. I. Bowen and family, C. E. Gough and wife, Miss Cherry Bowen, Miss Pattie Polk, John Rogers and family, and T. L. Stephens and wife. Four autos carried the party but one of them will stop at San Angelo.

J. T. Billups of Truitt had business in Ballinger Wednesday.

J. A. Weathersbee and son Jim. of Bronte, were in the city Saturday.

Burt M. Nabors, Superintendent of agents for the Texas Fidelity & Bonding Co., of Waco, spent Sunday and Monday in the city on business for his firm.

Miss Bertha Rasbury and her friend Miss Lucile Crites of Dallas, went up to San Angelo Tuesday. They returned on Wednesday accompanied by Miss Bernice Taylor, of Lampasas, who will visit Miss Rasbury for several days,

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BAPTIST MEETING.

At Bethel M. E. church there will be held a Baptist meeting which will begin Friday, July 15. Rev. W. W. Birchfield of Bangs and D. E. Heaton will conduct the services. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

On account of Rev. Bandy being away there will be no preaching at the Christian Church Sunday. There will be Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. and Communion Service immediately following in order that the members can attend services at other churches.

### FREE WILL BAPTIST MEETING.

Everybody is invited to attend the Free Will Baptist Meeting which began Thursday night. An arbor has been constructed on 10th Street and both day and night services will be held for ten days. The meeting will be conducted by Rev. M. M. Graham and brother and others.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45; preaching at 11 a. m., subject "Womanhood."

Senior League at 4 p. m. Junior League at 5 p. m.

Preaching at 8:30 p. m., subject "Manhood." At both the morning and evening services we have very important subjects, upon which rests the future of both State and Church. The stranger and visitors are cordially invited. J. A. Biggs, Pastor.

J. C. Taylor of Norton had business in the city the latter part of last week.

A special train carried the friends of R. K. Wylie, deceased, from Mineral Wells to Ft. Worth Wednesday to attend the funeral.

Wm. Glass of Rowena had business in the city Wednesday.

## NOTICE TO REPUBLICANS

By authority in me vested and by direction of the Republican Executive Committee, of Runnels county, Texas, I hereby call a County Convention of Republicans to meet at my office in Ballinger on the 30th day of July, 1910, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of verifying returns from the primary election, for the election of County Chairman, the election of a County Executive committee, to be composed of one member from each Justice Precinct of Runnels county, and to elect delegates and alternates to the State Convention and to all District Conventions.

C. O. HARRIS,  
Ch'm. Rep. Com. Runnels Co.

### PEACHES FOR SALE.

\$1.00 per bushel at orchard or \$1.25 per bushel at Globe store. Phone Bair & Conn.

The following friends of R. K. Wylie, deceased, left for Fort Worth Tuesday to attend the funeral which was held at that place. Rev. J. D. Leslie, G. M. Vaugn, D. M. Baker, E. D. Walker, C. H. Willingham, and H. Vandervanter.

Postmaster Charley Brooks of McCauley, Texas, spent several days in Ballinger this week visiting friends and relatives.

Wm. Doose Sr. came in the first of the week from Mineral Wells where he has been for some time recuperating. We are glad to report that Mr. Doose is much improved in health.

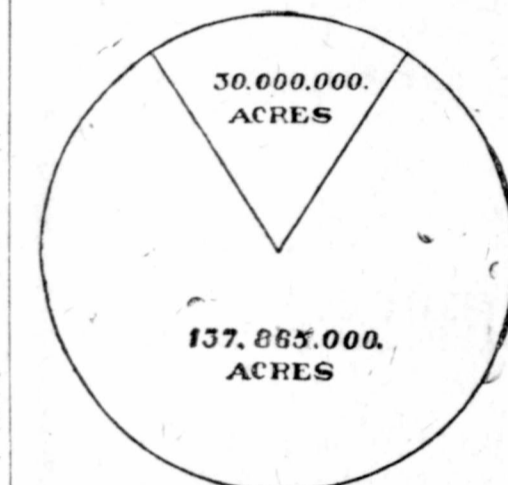
Willard Moser of Ozona, came in the first of the week to join his wife and visit his parents here for a few days.

Mrs. W. C. O'Bryan, of McGregor, came in Wednesday and will visit her sons, Sidney and Tom O'Bryan and wife for a few days. Mrs. O'Bryan will join her husband in Austin shortly where Col. O'Bryan will be in attendance at the special session of the legislature.

## Idle Lands.

The prosperity of a community depends upon the activity of its property and the people. Improved public highways afford facilities for marketing production, stimulate commercial activity and otherwise encourages agricultural development. To increase agricultural production we must bring under cultivation idle land and increase the yield per acre.

We have in Texas 167,865,000 acres of land. Of this area there are 2,118,000 acres of water surface. All our land is susceptible to a high degree of cultivation except the city area and a small portion of our land which is mountainous. We now have less than 30,000,000 acres of land under cultivation, leaving 137,865,000 acres of land that has never been plowed. Idle land is of course no value to a community, and to increase our prosperity we must put activity into our vacant lands. The following cut illustrates the relative proportions of our cultivated and uncultivated areas:



Texas Land Comparison.

There are 109 counties that have less than 10 per cent of their land under cultivation. There are 43 counties that have a larger uncultivated area than the total area of the State of Rhode Island. The uncultivated area of Texas, says the Commercial Secretaries' Association, exceeds the total area of the thirteen original colonies, excepting Georgia and North Carolina. We need 3,000,000 farmers to develop our agricultural resources, and no country on the globe affords the opportunities to the homeseeker that Texas now offers. The land agent is an important factor in the development of agriculture. There are 190 people moving to Texas daily, and remain here permanently and of this number probably half of them go on the farm.



People Coming to Texas.

At the present rate of agricultural immigration it will take 400 years to secure a sufficient number of farmers to bring under cultivation our idle lands. We must get farmers from other States and countries more rapidly, and the improvement of our public highways will influence the homeseeker by making farm life attractive.

J. P. Wilbanks and daughter, Miss Allee, of Paint Rock were visitors in Ballinger Tuesday.

I. N. Lewis and wife and Miss Lola Lewis of Tahoka, and Mrs. J. R. Pennington of Del Rio, are visiting Mrs. Albert Davis and Miss Lewis of Hatchell this week.

### FREE DELIVERY ROUTES RESUMED.

Washington, July 8.—Postmaster General Hitchcock said to the Texas News Service correspondent this morning, that following the interview which he had with Congressman John N. Garner of the fifteenth Texas district regarding the rural free delivery, the Postmaster General's department is now busy investigating the resumption of service in a number of instances and the installation of other routes in Texas as well as in other portions of the country now existing and the requirements of the department are to be applied and service to be given accordingly. Congressman Garner has been complaining that the Postmaster General has refused to use the money appropriated for the extension of free delivery service. The Postmaster at La Porte has written, asking that he be designated as reserve to the postal savings bank deposits. Said patrons are asking that the post-office be designated to receive postal savings bank deposits and that patrons are anxious to open account with Uncle Sam.

Banner-Leader, \$100 per year!

## R. K. WYLIE MEETS SUDDEN DEATH

Pioneer Citizen and Ranchman of Runnels County Falls From Car And is Found Lying Near Track Dead.

News reached here Monday of the death of R. K. Wylie, while en route to Denver, Colorado. Details of the accident have been very meager here where the mere announcement of the former ranchman's death came as a severe shock to his relatives and many friends. He was found dead at Ludlow, Colo., early Monday morning. He had walked off the platform of a Fort Worth & Denver train during the night.

Mr. Wylie, accompanied by his wife and other relatives, was on his way to Colorado Springs for a vacation trip. His wife and Mrs. Henderson occupied one berth and he another and it is presumed that some time during the night he went onto the rear platform of the train and fell off.

The accident was not discovered at the time it occurred and Mrs. Wylie continued her journey to Colorado Springs unmindful of her bereavement. At the Antlers Hotel she met friends that aided her in every way in her misfortune. The body was carried to Colorado Springs where it was prepared for burial.

Monday night relatives and friends left Ft. Worth for Colorado Springs to accompany the remains back to Ft. Worth. The funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Wylie's sister at that place on Wednesday. Several Ballinger friends left here Tuesday evening for Ft. Worth to be present at the funeral. We have not learned at the time that this is written where the body will be interred. Mr. Wylie's home since he has disposed of his large ranch holdings and other interests in this county, has been in Mineral Wells.

R. K. Wylie was one of the pioneer ranchmen in this section and for many years conducted the largest ranch in the county. He was one of the best known cattlemen of West Texas, and grew very wealthy. He was at one time associated with John Christolm, the big cattleman and Indian Fighter of West Texas and New Mexico, and engaged in many encounters with the red men when Texas was young and wild. He was 71 years old at the time of his death.

### LADIES' REST ROOM NICELY FURNISHED.

Under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Kelley, representing the various Ladies' Aid Societies of the city, the Ladies' Rest Room in the Business League Building was treated to several handsome and convenient furnishings the first of the week. A large davenport, rocking chairs, tables, sofa cushions, a baby's crib and several other convenient fixtures for the comfort of the ladies were placed in this large room.

The Ladies' Rest Room has been fitted up for the special convenience of the ladies that live out of town and come here to do their shopping. It is also open to all the ladies of the city when they can use it to an advantage. It will furnish a quiet place to take small children and be of a great general benefit to all.

Secretary Kirk asks that the ladies of the city visit this Rest Room and offer any suggestions looking toward a further convenience and improvement. This splendid room is for use, and the ladies should all take advantage of it.

Miss Rena Walker, of Hatchell, went to Stamford the first of the week to attend the B. Y. P. U. which is holding a session there.

Mrs. Bargsley, of Austin, is visiting Mrs. J. S. Thompson of Hatchell this week.

Jack Bargsley of Marble Falls visited J. S. Thompson and family last week.

Mrs. J. F. Currie after a two weeks visit and vacation on the ranch of her father, Col. Odom of Fort Chadbourne, returned home Tuesday.

G. G. Odom of Fort Chadbourne spent the week in Ballinger visiting relatives and friends.

C. W. Odom and family of Maverick are spending the week in the city with relatives and friends.



# Cooling - and Economical!

## CUT PRICES ON

### HOT WEATHER WEARABLES

## AT THE BIG BUSY STORE

# All Summer goods must be sold.

For the Women--there are Wash skirts, Lingerie and Muslin Dresses  
Parasols, Fans, Pumps and Oxfords.

For the Men--there are light weight coats, trousers and suits, straw  
hass, shirts and neckwear.

The big reductions make buying a pleasure.  
Let us show you--we'll save you some money--thats all.

# Higginbotham - Currie - Williams Co.







## 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

### SOCIETY NEWS

Phone all Society News to Miss Hermia Smith. Phone No. 11.

#### MRS. U. P. MELTON ENTERTAINS.

The crowning event of the mid-summer season was the 'afternoon forty two' given by Mrs. U. P. Melton Tuesday. Nature spread her gifts in profusion through the reception rooms nasturtiums lent their glow and carnations and roses their fragrance to the players as they dashed through the spirited games of forty two. At the finish the tables were spread with immaculate lunch cloths and perfectly elegant peach cream and black and white cake was served.

Those who had the pleasure of partaking of Mrs. Melton's hospitality were Maddams W. A. Norman, H. Zdaril, Oscar Pearson, J. R. McVay, Sam Baker, E. L. Hagan, W. A. Jackson, D. Reeder, Dan Moser, John Weeks, Geo. Vaughn, Will Dunlan, Misses Vining of Austin and Nelle Alexander.

#### A PLEASANT BIRTH-DAY PARTY.

Mrs. I. Vancil celebrated the tenth anniversary of her little son Ralph with a delightful party Thursday afternoon. The little folks danced on the emerald turf and coqueted with the sunbeams played numerous childish games, the most interesting feature of the afternoon's diversion being a "fish pond," each little guest angling a pretty present.

Just as the sun became a glaring orb winged the day into eternity, a feast of elegant ice cream and cake was served. Master Ralph was the recipient of many useful and highly appreciative gifts. All reluctantly departed carrying with them a pleasant picture to hang on their memory wall.

Those who had the honor of being present were Chas. Miller, Juliet Miller, Collis Doose, Margaret Doose, Minor McVay, Sid Winkler, Anna Winkler, John Leslie, Bonnie Leslie, Francis Leslie, Clarence Smith, Helen Brewer, Maurine Weeks, Minnie Long, Billie Cordell, Raymon Dawson, Sarah Norwood, Marguret Phillips, Billie Sharp, Cordelia Francis, Wade Guion, Kathlene Penn, Dorothy Penn, Lucile Norman, John Norman, Mahota Chastain, Ralph O'Kelly, Hameron Bergoon, Mary Cleo Nevins, Dorothy Morehead, Virgini Morehead, Irene Risser, Addie Ward, Eugenia Baskin, Jennie Griggs, Albert Sledge, Hurbert Sledge, Geo. Kirk, Paul Kirk, Glenn Turbeville, Marguret Raby, Kathlene Voss, Thed Voss, Hurbert Baily, Calvin Kirk, Elenor Kirk, Marguret Terry, Bernice Terry, Robt. Bruce, Mary Fender, Brandon Stone, Cola Barbee, Lorena McWhirter, Billie Nash, Tom Lankford, Gerald Lankford, Grace Lankford, Wilbourn Lankford, Helen Williams, Robt. Williams, Olga Zappe, Mar-

guret Trail, Jessie Trail, Asa Grant, Dougal Cameron Jr., Maddams Voss, Risser, Baskin, Mullins, Nevins, Aldredge, Cameron, Bergoon, Jones, Terry; Misses Mabel Fowler, and Bertha Raskberry.

#### A CAMP ON THE COOL COLORADO

One need not go to where towering peaks frown from above the clouds to find a "cool Colorado." It can be found in the empire of Texas, at an ideal spot called Pecan Mott only five miles from the beautiful little city of Ballinger.

It was here that on last Saturday morning a crowd of young people, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tom Lawrence, drove out and spent two days camping, adding to their store of energy, receiving blessed rest for their tired nerves and building up tissues that racking life in the hurly-rush has worn away.

The camp was pitched beneath the giant elms and pecans whose spreading branches reach out and roof the ground from the glaring sunlight, while not far away the clear Colorado crooned a song as it rippled over rounded stones that form the bottom of the river and its gurgling waters in their onward rush to the sea, lured peaceful thoughts and put to rout all strenuousness.

The whirr of the wild birds and their songs, furnished a music that charmed. The grasses gave up their brightest green and the wild flowers sent forth their most refreshing odors to welcome the campers. The crisp crackle of the camp fires whetted a natural appetite for the substantial meals which always included everything good to eat.

Some followed the teachings of Isaac Walton and angled the time away, while others enjoyed shooting and kodaking, and those who preferred a lazy time, always found plenty of good company at hand. It is true that they had no altitudinous mountains to beckon, but peaceful valleys to lure. There were no snowcapped peaks to charm, but the restful hills and glens to satisfy and inspire. The air was as pure as the everlasting snows, and a more pleasant outing could not have been had anywhere on God's green footstool.

Those in the party were Misses Verna Moser, Ada Allen, Willie Allen, Ethel Truly, Mildred Cobb, Mammie Gregory, Blanch Young, Morris Truly, Mabel Fowler, Messrs. Will Kirkpatrick, Carlus Dunn, Edwin Diebel, Lewis Rheuman, Walter Allen, John Thurman, Ray Winn, Francis Holiday, Alex Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence.

#### A FORTY-TWO PARTY.

Mrs. W. A. Bridwell was the hostess of a pleasant forty-two party Thursday evening, complimentary to her charming guests, the Misses Bridwell of Nacogdoches.

While without any frills or flourishes, the affair was a jolly one, with a number of spirited games and an appetizing luncheon

Those present were: Misses Cinthy Wood, Mae Bridwell, Myrtle Bridwell, Beulah Stuart, Johnie Mixon, Marrayatt Smith; Messrs. Lige Wood, J. B. Harris, S. E. O'Bryan, Fowler, Fred Mixon, J. H. Wilbourn.

#### FOWLER-THOMPSON WEDDING

A quiet but interesting wedding was that of Miss Mammie Thompson, the accomplished daughter of Mrs. Anna Thompson, and Dr. W. W. Fowler, which took place Thursday night at the home of the bride.

The impressive ceremony performed by Rev. J. D. Leslie of the First Presbyterian Church was witnessed only by the relatives and a few intimate friends. The bride who is loved and endeared by all who know her, for her many charms and graces, and who is identified with the oldest and most prominent family in Runnels Co. was elegantly attired in a going away tailored gown of mauve cloth with hat, gloves and shoes to match carrying an arm bouquet of long stemmed white roses. The groom is one of our most popular citizens and prominent physicians and is indeed worthy the fair bride he has won. They left on the midnight train for San Angelo where they took the Orient for Colorado, where they expect to remain a month or six weeks.

We join a host of friends in wishing for them a long life of true happiness.

#### JONES-STOCKS WEDDING.

The marriage of Miss Mildred Stocks and Mr. G. W. Jones was quietly celebrated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stocks, Sunday evening at eight o'clock. Rev. Biggs of the Methodist church officiating.

There is no bridal gateway more fitting than that of a girl's home, where her joys and sorrows have been enshrined by her parents love and it is here where the coronation of wifehood seems most blessed. Only the relatives and a few intimate friends were present to witness the union of this happy couple.

In the parlor where the ceremony was performed the floral treatment was chastely beautiful, being attuned to summer-time with roses, whose sweet fragrance floated with the melody of love.

The bride was gowned in a pale blue tissue over taffeta with lace tunic and long white gloves. The groom looking handsome in the conventional black. Miss Mildred has been reared from childhood in our midst and is one of our most charming young ladies being loved and admired for her noble Christian character. The groom is comparatively a stranger to us, having been in our city only a short while but is said to be a man of high social standing and business integrity.

May the love that made the hearts of these young people as one, grow stronger, richer and more beautiful as the years pass in to eternity.

#### MISS ETTA HUTTON ENTERTAINS BEAU NOT CLUB.

Miss Etta Hutton, who deservedly has the reputation of being one of the most clever young hostesses in our city, gave a bright memory garland for the Beau Not Club, by entertaining the members of this popular club and a few other friends Tuesday afternoon with a five hundred party.

The commodious Hutton home which always wafts the fragrance of a charming flower garden, was put into a special floral dress to greet the guests.

Tables for the exciting games of five hundred were placed in the reception hall, parlor, library and dining room which are en suite.

At the appointed hour the young ladies arrived in their prettiest matinee frocks and picture hats and were welcomed by the fair young hostess and her charming sister, Miss Mattie, both wearing handsome reception gowns.

The Club colors of pink and green were carried out in every detail, the scores being water color green bow knots, tied with pink bebe ribbon.

The delightfully cool breeze seemed to add spice to the go and gayety of each game, which came to a close over a dainty luncheon of chicken sandwiches, tied with pink and green ribbon, olives, potato chips and orange ice.

The guests were, Misses Alva Van Pelt, Mammie Gregory, Willie Allen, Florence Westbrook, Armour McGreggor, Mabel Fowler, Lee Plummer, Mae Penn, Mira Penn, Louise Orgain, Evadne Cady and Mrs. Elmer Sheppard.

## BOOSTER BOOK FOR BALLINGER

A New and Complete Booklet Issued by The Business League Will Tell the Truth About Ballinger.

Secretary Kirk of the Business League has been busy for some time collecting and compiling data, descriptive and convincing, which will be used in a new booklet which is to be issued soon by the Ballinger Business League.

Numerous views and photographs have been made of our most thriving institutions and of our splendid industries. The work of getting good views is not yet over, and Mr. Kirk will appreciate contributions that worthily represent some salient feature of our resources, natural and artificial.

The booklet will be a masterpiece of boosting literature when it shall have been completed. It will be properly classified, dealing with every important feature of our industrial and commercial growth and development. To be brief the new booklet will tell the truth about Ballinger, which is quite enough. Any data or assistance that you can give Mr. Kirk in this work will be gratefully received—it is a work in which all public spirited citizens should feel an interest in.

Mr. Kirk has already had requests for the new booklet. The immigration secretary at Galveston has sent in a request for a large number of the booster book to be placed on file for distribution among the vast number of immigrants that are constantly coming into that port and are seeking permanent homes in some section of the State. Let us help to tell the truth about Ballinger and render such assistance as will make this booster book a winner for a healthy and vigorous town and county citizenship.

#### FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

In this issue of the Banner-Leader will be found the announcement of W. T. Padgett for the office of Tax Collector, it now being determined that the two offices of Sheriff and Tax Collector will be divided. Mr. Padgett is an 'Old Timer' and has a reputation for honesty sobriety and faithfulness that few men have in this section of Texas, and it is with very great pleasure that we recommend his candidacy to the voters of Runnels county for their consideration.

Mr. Padgett is an accountant of considerable ability and has had a great deal of experience with the books of the Tax Collector's office and is familiar with the details of the work and will no doubt, make a very efficient official of this county.

Those who have known him the longest are his closest friends, and this bespeaks much more than any words of praise that we might be able to offer in his behalf.

#### MISS PHILLIPS WRITES TO RUNNELS CO. VOTERS

To My Friends and Other Voters of Runnels County:

From a late report from the Director of Census at Washington, the population of Runnels county is shown to be more than twenty thousand. This insures the separation of the offices of District and County Clerk.

I want you all to remember that I am still in the race, having never withdrawn, though a contrary report has by some means gained currency.

I want all of you to vote for me in the Primary who can conscientiously do so and also to speak a good word for me to your friends.

As to my competency, I refer you to those who know me. I am running for the office because I need it and I feel sure that I can give you satisfactory service.

Very respectfully,  
MARY PHILLIPS.

#### BALLINGER BUSINESS COLLEGE PROGRESSING

Pres. Roberts of the several Roberts Business Colleges at various places over the State is in Ballinger again looking after the interests of the Business College here. C. W. Holcomb, solicitor for the colleges is also here from Weatherford and will spend a few weeks in the city working in the interests of the local enrollment.

These gentlemen find the college here doing extremely well and the work and the increased attendance is gratifying. They have recently added several new

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typewriters to the working equipment and have put in skylights electric fans, and other conveniences for the pupils in attendance. The school is flourishing and is fast growing into a popular and useful institution that will add very materially in the instructive development for this section of the state.

J. H. Wilke returned Tuesday night from Temple where he has been on a business trip.

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