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TAYLOR TAKES SHOT AT THIEVES

Thieves Have Begun to Steal Water Melons—Ewing Taylor Takes Six or Eight Shoth at Two Men—Wagon Load Stolen.

Ewing Taylor about eight or nine o'clock Sunday night heard a noise about their water melon patch and went out with his target gun and took six or eight shots at two men in his patch. On account of the dark or bad aim he did not hit the thieves, but put them on the run and after getting an auto tracked them near Ballinger. He took them to be a couple of Mexicans. It is also reported that some one stole a whole wagon load from R. P. Kirks patch in the same neighborhood and also parties in buggies were seen leaving the Taylor patch last night.

Base Ball

Ballinger and Coleman have arranged for a three days game of base ball, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of this week at Wooden's Park and as these teams are pretty evenly matched a good game is expected.

In a post card received from Judge C. O. Harris from New York City. He said he was still looking for the top of some of those tall buildings.

Mr. J. W. Meadows of Ada, Okla., came in Tuesday on a visit to his son, J. W. E. Meadows and family of our city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Dougherty, of Gatesville, who had been visiting their son, S. H. Dougherty and family, left Tuesday to visit a son at Roscoe before returning home.

Jack McGregor had business in San Angelo this week.

Given Vacation.

Rev. Holmes Nichols states to his church last Sunday that he would spend his vacation kindly granted him by preaching twice each day during the week and three times on Sunday. Rev. Nichols left on the early morning train Monday for a few days meeting near Winters, and then he and his daughter, as solist, go to Eastland for a two week meeting. Already Rev. Nichols has held successful meetings this summer at Sherwood, Winters and Valley View. He authorizes the announcement that he will be absent from his pulpit until the second week in September.

Chas. Lawrence, son-in-law of Capt. and Mrs. N. F. Bonsall, and a brother of Mrs. C. O. Harris, is here visiting relatives and taking in scenes of other days. He was a former resident of this place and left here 20 years ago, and has not seen the town since. Many changes have been wrought in the two decades of his absence and he does not see many old land marks or many old familiar faces.

Miss Mayse Malone, of Brownwood, who had been visiting friends at San Angelo, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. C. C. Gilliam, between trains Tuesday en route home.

Miss Josie Glenn, of Marie, who had been attending the summer school at Baylor College at Waco returned to Ballinger at noon Wednesday.

Mrs. B. C. Howell of Coleman, who had been visiting her sister Mrs. H. A. Bradley of West End, left Tuesday for home.

Mrs. C. F. Dickinson, son, Kyle Reed and daughter, Miss Jessie are out at their Wingate farm, trying the benefits of country life. They will remain out there two or three months or until the crop is harvested.

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MAN IS KILLED IN RUNAWAY

Perry Townsend Falls Under and is Instantly Killed.

Copperas Cove, Tex. Aug. 12—Mr. Perry Townsend who lived at the mouth of School creek, was thrown from a reaper yesterday and killed.

He was cutting sorghum, when his team became frightened and ran away, throwing him out in front of the driving wheel, which passed over his body killing him instantly.

Deputy-Sheriff J. A. DeMerville returned home Tuesday from Abilene, where he had been to get Will King, who was arrested at Baird and wanted here by Sheriff Flynt. Mr. DeMerville was in Abilene during the fire and says at one time it looked as if the entire city would burn, but finally got the water pressure to work and got the fire under control before he left.

Miss Priscilla Jones returned Thursday night from Henrietta Okla., where she had been visiting relatives and enjoying a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Eicke left Tuesday afternoon for Denver to spend sometime for the benefit of Mrs. Eicke's health.

Sheriff Flynt left Wednesday afternoon for Terrell with Joel Lipp of the Winters country who was adjudged insane here last Friday.

Bates Hoffer came in from Dallas Wednesday to visit friends a few days.

Mrs. Thorp of Round Rock, had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Ellis and family and her son, Dick left Tuesday to visit at Zephyr a few days before going on home.

B. B. Westbrook went to Miles Tuesday night to look at a bunch of horses and returned home at noon Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wigle are now at home from a six weeks vacation in California, Colorado, and other places in the West. And their many friends are glad to see them back at their desk again.

Harmon's Picture Offends Legislators.

Austin, Aug. 14.—Considerable stir was created in the senate this morning when McNealus of Dallas moved that the sergeant at arms be instructed to remove the picture of Governor Harmon of Ohio, which had been pasted on the blackboard in the legislative chamber. An inscription on the bottom stated that it was the likeness of the man who would probably be the next president of the United States. Lieutenant Governor Davidson who was presiding, asked that the motion be withdrawn, and stated that he would give instructions to have the picture removed. McNealus acquiesced and the resolution was withdrawn.

Accepting an amendment offered by Weinert, the senate concurred in the house amendment to fix the contingent expense appropriation at twenty thousand dollars instead of thirty thousand, as provided by the original motion. At 10:30 the senate recessed until four this afternoon.

Mrs. Tom Scott and children left Tuesday for San Marcos, where she will reside.

Judge T. T. Crosson was in Austin this week in behalf of his client H. C. Brunson, for whom he is seeking a pardon at the hands of Gov. Colquitt.

Mrs. Fannie Striner sister of Pele Loxson after a visit with later returned to her home near Hico Thursday.

Dan Isom and Audice Reese, left Wednesday on their vacation trip, the for men going to Dallas and the latter to Marlin.

The marriage of Miss Mable Fowler, the only daughter of Dr. W. W. Fowler to Francis Holiday of Winters is announced for Wednesday, August 30th.

The goods are arriving for the opening of a first class variety store in the Rape Building.

Mrs. Tom Watkins (nee Miss Willie Allen) is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen of West End.

Miss Foy Walker, left at noon Wednesday for Garden City to visit relatives and friends a few week.

The Rape Building will be B B B B-fore long.

Home Mission Society Program

Leader—Mrs. Ed J. O'Kelly.
The Negro.
Motto: "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"
1. Hymn.
Bible Lesson: Rom. 1-14—Mrs. A. L. Farris.
Service based on Obligations.
2. A Council Missionary to the Negro—Mrs. Will Chastain.
3. The Churches and the Negro—Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.
4. A Christian Solution of a Knotty Problem—Mrs. Jas. E. Brewer.
5. Our Church: What It Has Done; What It Ought To Do—Mrs. R. A. Williamson.
6. Leaflet: Our Brother in Black. Hostess—Mrs. J. W. E. Meadows.
Everybody invited to come—5 o'clock.

J. M. Parker is in the city selling a receipt for making blueing and has an ad in this issue of The Banner-Leader about same. He also has for sale a pamphlet entitled "The Poor Orphan Boy," which is a life sketch of himself told in a very interesting way, that sells for 25 cents.

Mrs. J. T. Dawson and little son and Miss Ione Cockrell spent this week down the river with relatives and old friends and enjoying a short vacation.

Misses Mae and Myra Penn of Ballinger are visiting this week with the Misses Noel.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Miss Annie Jeans, daughter of Ben Jeans came in Wednesday from Loving County to visit friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Robert Corum and children left at noon Wednesday for San Angelo, to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Kate Woodward, who is quite ill.

J. Sam Hood and wife returned Monday from an extended visit to Sweetwater and Roscoe.

Miss Voss of Miles is visiting her brother, Otto Voss this week.

R. J. Lowry and wife of Dallas who have been here since the reunion visiting the former's sister, Mrs. H. A. Massey returned home Wednesday.

THE LARGEST WATERMELON

R. P. Kirk Raises Watermelon That Weighs 72 1-2 Pounds—Sheriff Flynt Buys Melon Ships to Temple.

R. P. Kirk, ex-mayor, ex-sheriff and now old farmer, topped the market last Monday morning with the largest water melon grown in our section so far this season. Sheriff Flynt bought one of the melons and shipped to a friend at Temple that tipped the scales at 72 1-2 pounds. Mr. Kirk says he is now enjoying life to the fullest extent, looking after his truck farm and other interests and with no worry and trouble about public affairs futher than the civic pride of showing up Runnels county as the best one on every thing of any county in the state. He is making good all around and we are glad to see him enjoying a much needed rest from a long and useful service in public life.

W. E. SAYLE

Report comes from Dallas that W. E. Sayle is now editing "The Pitchfork," a socialist paper published in that city.

He severed his connection with the G. C. & S. F. R. Co. on June 30th, and moved to Dallas where he has since resided and is reported as editing The Pitchfork, a weekly in the interest of Socialism.

Miss Mary Rather came in last Saturday from Bocos El Toso, Panamo to visit friends. Miss Mary lived here many years and her many friends are glad to have her visit here again.

J. L. Tucker of Big Springs came this week to accept a position with Gressett & Oliver. He is a mechanic of more than ordinary ability and will be a valuable addition to his firm.

Mrs. R. F. Green and three children left Monday afternoon for Madisonville Texas, where they will visit Mr. Green's mother a few weeks.

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A CORRECTION.

Norton, Texas, Aug. 15, '11.
In justice to my dearly loved son whom you will remember, was shot and almost instantly killed by Clarence Brown at Norton, Tex., May 24th, 1910, I desire to make this correction. I knew the statement made in the Banner-Leader was not correct at the time, but in my awful grief and nervous prostration which followed his untimely taking off, I never realized the injustice done my son's good name until today; I was reading over the account of his death as printed in the Ballinger and Winters papers.

First: The papers stated they both had been in the habit of carrying their guns to the field and playing with them and that they had been snapping their guns at each other that day in the field, which was a mistake. My son never owned a pistol in his life or carried one until that fatal day. Brown owned two, and that morning said he was going to shoot snipe, so he put on one gun and let Owen have the other, and if they snapped them at each other that day I knew nothing of it. Only once the week before they had been shooting at a target when they had shot all the shells they had, knowing for a truth that the guns were empty, they began snapping at each other to see which could whirl the pistol over their finger and snap at each other first, which was the first and only time, save one, that I ever knew Owen to play with a pistol. When he was only about 13 he got hold of a pistol belong-

ing to a young man boarding at our house and thinking it was not loaded, playfully snapped it at his little brother of six, when it fired and shot his little brother through the arm. Ever after that he seemed to be careful in handling a gun.

As far as I know Owen and Luther (Clarence) Brown had no trouble that day, they came in from their work, fed their teams ate their supper, spent the time after supper reading, Luther was reading a book. My son had been telling him about the scene was laid out west on a ranch where they had gotten a "tender foot" on a pitching horse. They had read until half past ten o'clock; Owen was sitting in a rocking chair in front of a table, Luther to one side a little behind him; I was sitting on the other side just in front of Owen; I told them it was bed time, that I was sleepy. Luther got up, walked round, said something, I didn't understand what but pulled his pistol (they had never pulled them off since coming to the house,) threw it down beyond Owen's shoulders; Owen pulled his gun, and said laughingly, "I've got one of them things this time." I thought them playing, but realizing the danger I said "My God boys, don't do that, aint they loaded?" They both said yes, and Owen unbritched his gun and one shell fell out and he turned it to me (I was sitting against his knees) and said "Mama I guess you see there is nothing in it now." I saw that it was indeed empty and told him so. Luther had stepped out a step or two in the floor and when I looked up at

him he unbritched his gun and I saw two shells fall out; he held it up between himself and the light and said, "I guess you see this is empty." I told him it looked like it was, so he began staggering around pointing his gun up and around in the house mocking a fellow in a shooting scrape at Norton a year or two before. Owen and I sat there laughing at him. He then put his pistol back in the scabbard and walked out to go to the barn to turn his horse out. Owen sat still in his chair talking to me about the coming W. O. W. picnic at Norton and telling me about a concert they were going to have that he had seen acted at Maverick a short while before still having his empty pistol in his hand lying in his lap. When Brown stepped in at the door Owen laughingly threw his pistol on him and said "I've got you now Brown." Brown replied as he raised his (I think he had it in his hand) pistol, "No I think I've got you this time." It fired striking Owen above the right temple; with his eyes still fixed on Owen he said "I got you too." My darling boy never spoke again after saying "I've got you now Brown." It was Luther Brown that I had begged so often to be careful with his guns, as he was fooling with them almost every day. I had told him a hundred times that he would kill some of us sometime, but it did no good. Just the week before, Owen said to me while Luther was fooling with his pistol, "Mama you had better make Brown stop fooling with those guns, the first thing you know he will kill some of us."

Now I have myself to blame for not taking his advice. The papers stated they were both boys, but Brown was 23 years old and Owen was 18 years and 19 days old.

In the sight of God this is a correct statement of the awful tragedy which has broken my heart, ruined my life and broken up my home. Please print this in your paper that justice may be done my noble boy, for he was noble, honest and honorable, the only support and comfort of his widowed mother.

Hattie E. Lloyd.

MAZELAND MUSINGS

Oats are going out, money is coming in. The roads leading into Winters are worn into chuck holes. A road is as good as the worst place in it. The importance of good roads is being emphasized right now. One pair of horses can pull 100 bushels of oats over a good road, worth \$50.00.

With oats making as high as 60 bushels per acre and bringing 50 cents, and cotton making a bumper crop and zig-zagging around a bit or fifteen cents it would look like the part of wisdom to put away the little hammer and stop knocking. The drouth is a thing of the past, having driven the niggers out of this county. Runnels is wet and Runnels is dry. Crack your face and crack your heels. Don't go about arrayed in black crepe with a grouch and big stick hunting for the man that said it never rained in Runnels county, or the one who said we would have more whiskey and worse whiskey when we voted for prohibition in the county. I have not seen a drunk man since the election in this county and I have not heard an oath, but the thing to do is to let by-gones be by-gones and push and plug away for yet still more progress. Let's encourage those citizens who walked over like men and accepted the decision of the majority. Let's help them with our patronage and make them to know that we appreciate their good citizenship. It works an individual hardship sometimes, financially, to inaugurate a general move for the good of the greatest number and when a man of big heart and brain who submits to the inevitable gracefully and walks over and begins to push, the majority should take him by the hand and help him up and on. I say that within six months from the time prohibition is in good working order, with our efficient officers, Runnels county will be in better shape than for years.

Our officers have an opportunity to make themselves famous and they are making good. They are delivering the goods just as we said they would.

We submit to the majority in the state, but it is only a matter of time when the good and noble citizenship will see the good accruing to dry counties and vote the state dry also.

Excuse these rambling thoughts. I have dashed them off before "preaching time." We are in the midst of a big revival at Mazeland and listening to some of the most masterly sermons we have ever heard come out of the mouth. Pastor Thompson is in charge and Rev. Wade of Talpa is doing much of the preaching. So with a deep season in the ground and a season of revival and rejoicing in the hearts of the people, this is still a very good place, thank you, in which to live and raise boys and girls. "Uncle Johnnie."

P. S. The pessimistic germs in the universal system of human nature should be eradicated as by carbon and the optimistic microbes of joy and mirth should take hold of the human heart in their stead. John Ballaw.

Hatchel's First Bale

On Friday, the 11th, Hatchel got her first bale of cotton, and it was bought by Jim Holiday representing the Miller Mercantile Co. of this place, at \$11.40 per hundred.

A premium of \$14.56 was given by the business men of Hatchel which shows the pluck of this little town and they mean to do business out their way.

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Change

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Time

Aug. 12



Train 70

Will, commencing Saturday, August 12, observe the following schedule:

Leave San Angelo.....	11:15 a. m.
Arrive Miles.....	11:59 a. m.
Arrive Rowena.....	12:18 p. m.
Arrive Ballinger.....	12:38 p. m.
Leave Ballinger.....	1:05 p. m.
Arrive Talpa.....	1:40 p. m.
Arrive Valera.....	2:00 p. m.
Arrive Coleman.....	2:40 p. m.
Arrive Santa Anna.....	3:08 p. m.
Arrive Bangs.....	3:30 p. m.
Arrive Brownwood.....	3:55 p. m.

You will note from the above that connection is made at Coleman with P. & N. T. train 1 leaving at 3:00 p. m. for Sweetwater. No other changes on the San Angelo Branch.

W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A., G. C. & S. F. Ry., GALVESTON

Returns Home

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Day returned home Sunday from an extended visit to relatives and friends at Fort Worth and Mr. Day says he will soon have his gin in shape for the large cotton crop that is sure to be made in this section. He says our crops are much better than any place he has seen while gone from home.

For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers.

Mrs. Scott H. Mack visited friends at Miles last Saturday.

C. A. Doose had business in Brownwood last Saturday.

Hon. A. E. Wood left last Saturday for Clinton La., on legal business.

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Dr. I. Z. Brown is out in New Mexico looking for a location in which to practice Medicine.

A. S. Pape, Tom Winkler and John Hay are now at home from an extensive trip over the Panhandle country with a view to buying some land.

Mrs. G. R. Lay and baby returned Saturday evening from Ovalo where she had been visiting her mother and friends the past few days.

Kenzie Routh, who ranches in Glasscock country is here on a visit to his parents and Ballinger friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Ferguson are the proud parents of a sweet little girl baby, born to them at the home of Mrs. John Dunn, Sunday, at West End.

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TAFT VETOES NEW MEXICO-ARIZONA STATEHOOD BILL

President Taft Believes "Legalized Terrorism" Would Result If Bill Passes; Effort to Muster Two Thirds Vote May Be.

Washington, Aug. 15.—President Taft, in a special message to the House today, vetoed the joint resolution providing for the admission of New Mexico and Arizona to statehood. The President's act was not unexpected, he having given an intimation of his probable course in the matter to some of his closest friends some days ago. His reasons for exercising the executive power of the veto was based on a thorough and sweeping disapproval of the recall clause in the Arizona constitution.

To the New Mexico constitution the President is understood to have no particular objection, but the Flood resolution admitting the two territories to statehood so couples them that a veto to one affects the other. The fact that New Mexico was bound up with that of Arizona netted out to New Mexico the same fate, and neither territory can come into the Union at this time unless friends of the joint resolution in Congress can muster up the two thirds vote necessary to pass it over the President's veto. This may be attempted.

Taft Did Not Mince Words.

Mr. Taft did not mince words in condemning the recall feature of the Arizona constitution which he said would compel judges to make decisions "under legalized terrorism." The message was received with great interest by the House.

A storm of applause broke from the Republican side. The Democrats remained quiet. The message was referred to the territories committee.

AUTOMATIC TAX LAW IS SUSTAINED

Senate Turns Down Hudspeth's Bill to Depeal Tax Board Law. Terrell of McLennan Demands Anti Counsel.

Austin, Aug. 15.—By a vote of 35 to 10, with three pairs, the senate this morning turned down senator Hudspeth's bill looking to the repeal of the automatic tax board law.

There was but little discussion of the measure. Governor Colquitt, in his message, recommended the repeal of the law and gave it as his opinion that the measure was unconstitutional. Senator Townsend, speaking against the repeal of the measure today, declared that if the law is unconstitutional that the courts should be given an opportunity to say so.

Two bills for the relief of the supreme court were introduced by Vaughn and Johnson. The bills were in line with the suggestion of Governor Colquitt in yesterday's special message.

The general deficiencies was passed by a unanimous vote.

A bill for the revision of the criminal and civil codes was introduced by Warren and referred.

The governor's fourth special message recommending legislation for the relief of the supreme court, the enactment of a new textbook bill and the revision of the codes was read in the house this morning. The house spent most of the remainder of the morning in considering the redistricting bills offered yesterday.

The free conference committee on the general appropriations

bill was named this morning. It is composed of Senators Weinert, Peeler, Johnson, Malfield and Warren, and Cox of Rockwall, Wortham, Hubbard, Aston and Hill from the house. The committee met at 2:30 this afternoon to begin the work of "bringing the two branches of the legislature together" on the various amendments adopted to the original bill.

Anti Counsel Demanded.

H. B. Terrell of McLennan, the anti member of the senate committee, demanded at the committee have in addition to Cullen F. Thomas, prohibition counsel, an anti prohibition counsel, suggesting Lud Williams, city attorney of Waco.

"The committee or a part thereof have selected a prohibition counsel and it appears to me there is an effort on the part of a majority of the committee to investigate alleged frauds and irregularities on the part of both pros and antis and so far no effort has been made to look into the alleged pro irregularities. I ask the privilege of selecting counsel for the committee to develop the prohibition fraud."

Senator Vaughn was the first to speak against the idea.

"I understand that all investigations are more or less partisan," he said. "But I, for one, am willing to investigate both sides. I don't see any reason why there should be any such desire for counsel."

Terrell replied: "It seems to me there is no effort to find out anything on the pro side. If the committee will not allow it, I will take it to the floor of the senate."

Prosecutor Thomas declared there was no disposition on the part of the counsel to investigate only the anti side. In his statement he declared Sergeant-at-Arms McDonald had endeavored to serve Rawlin's Colquitt, as chairman of the anti's speakers' bureau, and that he had hung up the phone in McDonald's face.

Senator McNealus declared he was surprised at Terrell's statement but he would likely vote with him. The committee proceed to investigate witnesses and consider the matter in executive session. His motion prevailed. Terrell left the committee room.

Claude Kavanaugh, Star-Telegram reporter, occupied his usual position in the senate investigation committee today. He was expelled from the room Monday for refusal to testify. He stated today he had received no official word that he might return, coming mostly on his own rights as a citizen to an open hearing. No action was taken on the matter by the committee.

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DISCUSS REDUCTION ON EXPRESS

American Association of Railway Commissioners I inaugurate Movement to Abolish Express Companies.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—A movement that is expected to spread over the entire nation, having as its object the reduction of express rates and the eventual abolition of express companies, will probably be instituted by the American Association of Railway Commissioners, the sub-committee of which is in session here today to complete the report of its inquiry into the express business. The association consists of the railroad commissioners of all the states and is a powerful and influential body. It is expected that the report of the committee will practically finished during the meeting commenced today, and will be in readiness to present to the meeting of the general association to be held in Washington in October.

A majority of the members of the committee favor the entire abolition of the express companies as useless middlemen, and as "barnacles and parasites on the commerce of the nation." Congress will probably be asked at its next session to enact immediate legislation to govern the express business. Three plans will be suggested for adoption: Regulation of express rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission; acquisition and operation of express companies by the government; or, the establishment of a government parcels post which will, if made broad enough, put the express companies out of business. Government ownership, most of the members agree, is the least satisfactory of the three plans proposed.

It is pointed out by the investigators that one express company is capitalized at \$1,000,000 and represents an original investment of \$71,280. Last year its gross receipts were \$2,164,435 and net profits nearly \$700,000.

It has developed that any attempt to bring about a general slash of express rates will be fought by the railroads. The attitude of the railroads in the matter has long been problematical, but now that the question is nearing an issue, the men behind the railroads are showing their hands. Representatives of a number of important lines have announced that they will protest vigorously against the express rate cut. It is believed that they reflect the sentiment of the railroad officials the country over.

SINKING WATER MAINS DEEPER

Editor Looks Over Work of Sinking Pipes Deeper in Several Portions of the City—Pushing Work on Tenth Street.

The editor accompanied Mayor Weeks this morning over the work that is progressing on the streets and sinking the water mains deeper that in a number of places had been washed up. This will be a big saving to bursting pipes that would be certain to occur this winter if allowed to remain on top of the ground. The work is being pushed on 10th street and the same will be kept up on all streets until all pipes are put deeper in the ground, where needed. Also the work on the streets will be pushed, as far as the limited of means will allow, until the streets are all put in a presentable shape. We would ask everybody to be patient and bear with the Mayor and Council and rest assured you will be reached and everything done toward improving our streets that the means and

BEATS WAY TO BECOME COWBOY

Wou-be Cowboy of 16 Beats His Way From Pennsylvania—Brownwood Boy Found in Same Side-door Pullman.

Fort Worth, Aug. 15.—"I had a revolver that wouldn't shoot, but thought it could be fixed, and that all I would then need would be a pair of spurs, and some of them woolly legs, just like you see in pictures, and that I'd be a cowboy."

Walter Mayer, 16 years old, from McKeesport, Pa., was explaining to Chief of Police Renfro, in his office this morning, how it was that he was found sleeping in a box car in the railroad yards at Front and Cypress streets, Sunday night about 9 o'clock.

"You see," the boy explained "I'd seen wild west shows and I'd read about Texas cowboys, I just decided to come out here and be a cowboy."

Mike Kotch, Russian, 14, of Brownwood, Texas, who was found in the same box car by Chief Renfro and Captain Blanton, broke into the conversation. "He said he wanted to make a fight on the Indians," Mike explained.

The Kotch boy added that he met Walter Mayer Sunday morning. From McKeesport, Pa., to Fort Worth is considerably over 1,000 miles and the Mayer boy said he had rode the entire way in box cars.

BE A BOOSTER

Do you know there's lots of people, Sittin' roun' in every town, Growlin' like a broody chicken, Knockin' every good thing down? Don't you be that kind of cattle, 'Cause they aint no use on earth You just be a buster rooster, Crow and boost for all you're worth.

If your town needs boostin', boost'er; Don't hold back and wait to see If some other feller's willin' Sail right in, this country's free; No one's got a mortgage on it, It's just yours as much as his, If your town is shy on booters, You get in the boostin' biz.

If things don't just seem to suit you, And the world seems kinder wrong, What's the matter with a boost-in' Just to help the thing along? 'Cause if things should stop agoin', We'd be in a sorry plight. You just keep that horn a blow-in', Boost'er with all your might.

If you know some feller's failin's Just forget 'em, cause you know The same feller's got some good points, Them's the ones you want to show, 'Cast your loaves out on the waters, They'll come back,' 's a sayin' true, Maybe they'll come back "battered." When some feller boosts for you. —Selected.

Messrs. Tom and Clyde Fowler of Ballinger visited relatives and friends in Pain t Rock this week.—Concho Herald.

conservative business principles will allow. The mayor is determined to keep the city out of debt and meet all past due obligations and in time will be able to do something for the city that all will satisfied with.

\$135,000 FIRE AT ABILENE TOTAL INSURANCE \$75,000

Origin Not Exactly Known But Supposed to have Been Caused by Ignition of Fire Works Placed on Outside of Grocery.

Shortly after one o'clock this afternoon flames supposed to have originated from an explosion of combustible matter caused a property loss conservatively estimated at \$135,000, which is partially covered by insurance. Losses as follows:

H. O. Wooten Grocery Company building and all contents, including contents of cold storage, property loss estimated at \$68,000; insurance \$40,000.

Burton-Lumber Company three sheds and two offices, including all contents; loss estimated at \$50,000; amount of insurance not stated, but fully covered.

W. T. Wilson Transfer Company, building and contents destroyed; property loss between \$1,500 and \$2,000; amount of insurance not known.

Total property loss is estimated at about \$135,000; total amount of insurance about \$75,000.

The origin is not authoritatively known, the story of combustible matter which was reported as exploding being only hearsay statements. Neither Mr. Wooten nor A. H. Herring, Burton-Lingo's manager, can give any information as to the origin.

Flames Finally Controlled.

The fire broke out shortly after one o'clock, and for an hour it appeared that the entire business section of Abilene west of Walnut street, was in danger of destruction. The firemen laid seven miles of hose and fought the blaze from every angle, at two-thirty subduing the flames and confining them to the buildings heretofore mentioned.

The fire reached its height when huge tongues of flames swept over Walnut street and set the L. D. Kennedy grain store afire. This blaze was quickly extinguished. The fence to the entrance of the J. F. Morrison coal yard also caught fire, but firemen succeeded in stopping this blaze.

The scene was terribly magnificent. Huge billows of coal black smoke, rolling over and over, went up on high to a distance of several hundred yards. Smoke hung over the Pine street business district for a time rendering objects fifty yards away unintelligible. So hot was the blaze that on-lookers—and there were thousands of them—could not approach nearer than one hundred yards from any direction. Notwithstanding this complication of hazard nery firemen masked behind dripping shirts and handkerchiefs, and tugging at twisting and squirming horses, boldly pushed their way into the very face of the flames and sullenly fought every inch of the fire's progress, by their efforts the Logan garage, the Kennedy and Morrison stands, the Ellis grain store, Lockett furniture store and perhaps many other buildings were saved.

Just when it seemed that many other buildings must go and the property loss soar into the hundreds of thousands of dollars, the west wall of the Wooten building fell with a resounding crash to be followed by a ortion of the east and south walls. Then came such a fusillade of explosions as has been rarely heard in any place in any time. Half a car of cartridges and shotgun shells stored

against the south east wall of the Wooten basement, began to explode. For thirty minutes a continuous rattle resembling the staccato explosions of a Gatling gun warned spectators from approaching too near the scene and blackened and empty cartridge hull picked up at a distance of several hundred yards from the Wooten building.

The wind played many queer tricks. When the fire started it was blowing from the northeast, then, suddenly, changed to the east. This caused the danger to the buildings on the west side of Walnut street. Finally it shifted almost to the south and for thirty minutes or more ceased altogether. Had the wind continued to blow strongly toward the west no contrivance of human agency, it is predicted, could have saved the north side of Abilene's business district.

The four freight cars destroyed were on the Texas & Pacific siding between the Wooten building and south sheds of the Burton Lingo Company. All were loaded with canned goods and salt off Wooten and the other two with lime and cement for Burton-Lingo.

GINNERS MUST STAMP COTTON

Gin Men Required to Stamp Cotton Bales—Passed by Thirty-second Legislature—Any Violation of This Law is Subject to a Fine.

A law passed by the Thirty-second Legislature is of particular interest to gin men in that it provides that all owners, lessees, operators or receivers of all cotton gins, shall stamp or write upon each bale of cotton ginned by them, in plain figures the weight of the bagging and ties said figures to be four inches in height and three inches in width and preceded by the word "tare." This stamp must be done in indelible ink.

Any owner violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 or more than \$100, and each separate bale is a separate offense.

The law further provides that no greater reduction for tare shall be made from each bale than is stamped thereon, and any cotton buyer or any firm which makes a greater deduction shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$100.

ANOTHER FIRE AT ABILENE

Buggy store Belonging to a Mr. Lockett Burned Early This Morning—Near Yesterday's Burned District.

A message received here Wednesday states that another fire occurred in Abilene this morning at five o'clock. The building that burned belonged to a Mr. Lockett and handled, buggies, harness, etc.

The origin of the fire is supposed to have been cinders from Tuesday's big fire. Mr. Lockett's buggy store was just opposite from the burned district.

We are unable to state whether the building and its contents were insured or not.

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Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. J 55

Large Number of Failures.

In the recent Normal which closed in Ballinger there were 72 applicants for State Certificates, who sent in their papers to the State Board and 46 percent of this number failed, or 32, and 40 received certificates of various grades.

On inquiry it develops that this was far above the average as many counties had as high as 50 percent of failures of their applicants.

This will create a shortage in teachers for the country schools.

Miss Louise Orgain left Friday for Marlin Wells where she will spend while resting and recuperating. She received a First Grade State Certificate good for six years from the recent Normal examination.

Miss Maggie Key visited Hatcher friends the latter part of last week.

Prof. and Mrs. Thomas came in from San Angelo last Friday, where they had been visit Mr. Thomas' mother. They will return shortly to Carbon where Prof. Thomas is Supt. of the Schools.

J. J. Munday who some few months ago purchased the Jim Kelley Livery Stable and who lives at Sweetwater, was here Saturday and while here ordered the Banner-Leader sent him.

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Happiest Girl in Lincoln.
A Lincoln, Neb., girl writes, "I had been ailing for some time with chronic constipation and stomach trouble. I began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and in three days I was able to be up and got better right along. I am the proudest girl in Lincoln to find such a good medicine." For sale by all dealers.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

Whereas, by virtue of a Pluries Execution issued out of the District Court of Brown County, Texas, on the 25th day of July, 1911, upon a certain judgment therein rendered on the 21st day of December 1910, in cause number 2651, styled Lee Watson vs W. A. Martin et al, wherein Lee Watson was plaintiff and W. A. Martin, J. G. Hull, A. L. Mayhew, Henry Payne, Samuel J. Bates and R. A. Everts were defendants and to me delivered and directed, requiring me, of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of said defendants or either of them, to cause to be made, the sum of Six hundred sixty and 56-100 dollars (\$660.56) (with interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum from its date until paid, less a credit of \$250.00 paid March 9th, 1911 and requiring me to make the further sum of \$113.20 costs of suit I did on the 31st day of July, 1911, seize and levy upon the following described land situated in Runnels County, Texas, viz:

First Tract, 187 and 14-100 acres of land being all of survey No. 358, Abstract No. 407, originally granted to John R. Robins, by virtue of Certificate No. 129, and patented to him May 6th, 1856 by letters patent No. 1206, Vol. 12, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a stake set for the lower corner of Fairchild Survey No. 357 on the banks of the Colorado River, from which an Elm 6 inches in diameter brs., N 82 W 440 vrs., another 8 inches dia., bear S 60 W, 3 1-2 vrs., Thence N 30 E crossing Valley Creek 1685 vrs. to stake for N. W. corner. Thence S 60 E following fence 509 vrs. to corner. Thence S 30 West 2009 vrs. to stake on bank of River from which an Elm 10 inches in diameter bears S 26 E 14 vrs., another 12 inches dia bears S 53 E 14 vrs., thence up the River with its meanderings to place of beginning.

2nd. Tract, being 21 and 40-120 acres of land out of survey No. 432 Abstract No. 73, originally granted Rama Christa, by virtue of Certificate No. 28 and patented to him June 10th, 1857 by letters patent No. 594 Vol., 11, described by metes and bounds as follows, to wit:

Beginning at N. E. corner of above mentioned John R. Robins Survey No. 358, thence N 60 W follow-

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ing fence on North Line of said Rollins Survey 509 vrs. to its N. W. corner, thence N 30 E 178 vrs., to stone mound in South Boundary Line of a public road thence 77 1-2 E following fence on said South line of road 533 vrs., to a thence S 30 W 308 vrs. to place of beginning, levied upon as the property of Samuel J. Bates.

Now therefore notice is hereby given that for the purpose of satisfying said judgement, interests and costs, I will on Tuesday the 5th day of September 1911 between the hours prescribed by law at the Court House door in the City of Ballinger, Runnels County Texas, offer for sale and will sell the above described tracts of land to the highest bidder for cash. Witness my hand this 1st. day of August, 1911.

J. P. FLYNT, Sheriff, Runnels Co. Texas.

Still buying oats, see me before you sell. M. D. Chastain Grain Co. 44 tf

A Cotton Market.

Ballinger has always maintained a fine reputation as a cotton market and the coming season will be even better.

A large number of buyers will be here, many merchants will buy thus insuring plenty of competition.

Our merchants go to New York to do their buying of Merchandise thus insuring the latest in high class goods and at the lowest figure.

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NEW HOME.

R. T. Williams moved to his new home on Broadway this week which was recently completed.

This is one of the handsomest and most commodious homes in the city and is equipped with all modern conveniences thus affording its owner those home comforts which add so much to home life.

Mr. Williams is thoroughly identified with every interest in Ballinger and is a citizen who contributes his time and means to the upbuilding of Ballinger.

Teacher's Examination.

The regular examination for teacher's certificates will be held at the Court House the first Friday and Saturday in September, the same being the 1st. and 2nd. days of Sept. respectively.

E. L. Hagan Co. Supt. Runnels County, Tex.

Ray-Penn Company

The firm of Ray-Penn Cotton Co. have recently had their Cotton office over the Hub worked over, and it presents a swell appearance now.

These gentlemen are wide-awake cotton men and do a large business all over the country.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wyatt are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy born to them Tuesday.

COLEMAN CO. FAIR OCTOBER 5, 6, 7th

A number of the citizens of Coleman met in the office of Mayor Miller on the 3rd inst. and decided to hold a county fair in Coleman October 5, 6, and 7th.

About \$1,000 has been subscribed towards the expenses of same and there will be some valuable premiums offered for county exhibits, making it worth while for every one to make the effort in that direction.—Coleman News.

WINTERS ITEMS

(From Winters News)
Tom Lively of South Ballinger was in Tuesday with his third load of watermelons—the finest average load we have seen in Winters or anywhere else. Tom says he has some big ones growing—this load only ran up as high as 42 pounds. There are several loads daily on the streets now and they are getting so that even an editor can afford one now and then. Come to Texas.

Chas. Grant and family came in Tuesday and will make their home here, Mr. Grant having accepted a position with the Farmers Mercantile Co.

J. W. Murray and Dr. Grant, both of Ballinger and both well known to our people here, passed through Tuesday enroute to Colorado on a prospecting trip.

Miss Effie Williams came up Saturday from Ballinger for a few day's visit with relatives here.

MONEY! To loan on Farms and Ranches. Long time. 33-tf. Lee Maddox.

Ralph Risser left Saturday for New York to buy his Fall and Winter stock of goods.

LIFE INSURANCE AT COST.

We have a few vacancies in the RUNNELS COUNTY FRIEND-IN-NEED SOCIETY NO. 1.

This is your opportunity to become a member of this society.

A. F. VOSS, Sec'y., Ballinger, Texas 29-tf

R. P. Kirk is now the champion watermelon raiser of this section. He brought in on Monday morning a load of 50 weighing from 30 to 55 pounds.

Want all the good oats in Runnels county. M. D. Chastain Co 44-tf

D. Reeder is home from the Eastern Markets where he bought his Fall and Winter stock of goods.

YOUR MEATS.

For good, juicy, tender meats of all kinds call at the City Market. Prompt deliveries. Careful courteous attention is our motto. 34-tf. CITY MEAT MARKET, John G. Key, Manager.

W. T. Barbee, of Abilene, came in Sunday at noon and will be the guest of his friend Mike C. Boyd on a fishing trip up the river for a few days.

FARMERS, ATTENTION!

I will buy all your fat stuff, eat tle, hogs and sheep. 34-tf. JOHN G. KEY, Manager City Meat Market.

Rev. Bion Adkins came in Monday from Pumphrey where he closed a successful ten days meeting having some 30 conversions and 20 accessions to the Baptist church. He left for Norton Tuesday to begin another meeting.

J. Erwin who runs on the A. & S. Ry. is at home now taking a short vacation.

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Quarterly Meeting.

J. J. Erwin walks around with a broad smile on his face now since receiving a new photo of Mrs. Erwin taken in Los Angeles. He says she is better looking than ever.

Mrs. Eliza McAdams of Ennis Texas, who has been visiting relatives here the last few weeks left Tuesday for her home. She is a cousin of Mrs. Sidney Allison and Jess McAdams.

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Saturday night at 8:30 at the Methodist church there will be held the 3rd quarterly meeting. Presiding Elder Whitehead will be on hand and will preach Sunday morning and night. Rev. E. V. Cox will go to Winter Sunday to preach morning and night.

Prof. Head and A. F. Vos visited Miles Monday between trains.

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The man who says anything about the hot weather should be ruled out of order—the fact stated is too self-evident.

The Ballinger preachers are out shelling the woods now with protracted meetings, and they report good meetings, plenty of good country chicken and other good things too numerous to mention.

School opens Sept. 11th and it behooves parents to begin to think about getting son and daughter ready for school, let them do their visiting before the opening day so that they may be present on the very first day and be properly classified.

Still the grind goes on at Austin in the investigation of the alleged recent frauds committed in the recent election, and while the evidence is tame in some instances, yet occasionally something sensational is sprung to vary the monotony.

Those who farmed with intelligence and industry are the men who have a crop now, and it is more in evidence each and every day that the man who farms

with intelligence and industry is the man who moves along in the even tenor of his way, makes something every year, uses economy in the management of his affairs and in the course of ten years has a good amount of property laid by and is easy.

The campaign waxed warmer in old Tom Green County as the days go by, speakers of statewide reputation flock in to assist the pros, and large crowds are always present. Judge Townes, dean of the Law Department of the State University spoke there Sunday night to a large audience and he was very plain spoken in his accusation of fraud in the recent election, claiming that we had an invasion of Mexican voters.

Since our last issue three great men have crossed the river into that country from which no one has yet ever returned, John W. Gates, a great financier, General Gordon, a great southern general, and Alexander Hogg, a great educator. Each in his sphere had attained unto prominence, and each have left their imprint on the sands of time. Gates is another example of a man starting out worth nothing and in 30 years amassed a great fortune, Gordon is one of the South's beloved old veterans with a war record that does him great honor, and Hogg as an educator is widely known over the nation. They have each gained success as the world terms success and have been called to their reward.

August Cotton report of Texas and Oklahoma punctured the opinion that Texas will make a bumper cotton crop this year. It showed that the cotton crop of Texas was only 102 as compared

with last year will go down in history as the shortest cotton crop, average taken into consideration that Texas ever had. Runnels County last year ginned a little over ten thousand bales and the largest number was in 1908 which was 68000 bales. Various estimates have been given out this week and they run from 25000 to 50000 bales as the number that will be ginned this season. The past eight days of terrific heat will and has damaged cotton to a very large extent and makes it difficult to estimate

Nerve is a quality that all admire and none of us possess any more than we should. It is so often now that you meet a man who is "all shot to pieces" because of the damage that they claim has been done to growing crops by reason of the recent heat wave, and when in this state of mind allow their feelings to get the better of them and they say things that afterwards their better judgment would not approve. We have always admired the man who could face adversity with a smile and not scatter their troubles among their friends.

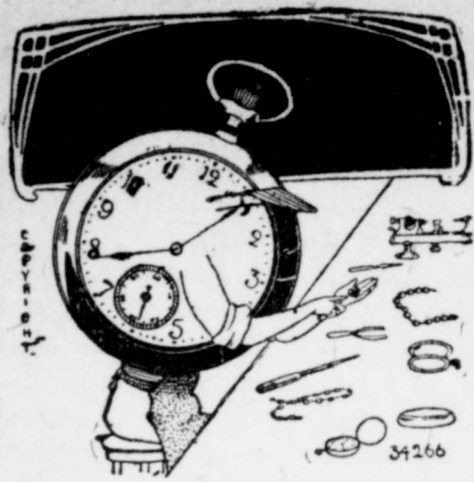
On last Saturday Coleman voted bonds to the amount of \$25,000.00 for street paving and the Daily Advertiser is having hard fits because of the success of the move. This paper advocated the voting of the bonds unceasingly as it does every other progressive move in Coleman and its effort usually bear fruit, too. We congratulate our sister city in the forward step taken and we feel sure that it will always feel proud of the step. Ballinger has had paved streets several years now, and it is the pride of the city when visitors come here, besides the great comfort derived therefrom.

Among the men of prominence who are in Tom Green County speeches in behalf of Local Option is Will H. Mayes, Editor in Chief of the Brownwood Daily and Weekly Bulletin. Mr. Mayes is a forcible speaker, a clear thinker and is well posted on the question and will be of great assistance to the advocates of Local Option. Also John C. Towns, Dean of the Law Department of the University of Texas is making some speeches. He is one of the big men of Texas, and will carry much weight.

The Spirit of Kindness.

Soothes like a night wind on a bank of flowers, or like a flute at evening, fanned by zephyrs over the hills and peaceful valleys, or like a mother crooning to her sleepy babe. So many hearts are hungry, so many are desolate, so many lives are weak and weary and heavy laden, that those who have sunshine and hope and love in their heart, many will speak the kind word or do the gentle act that will touch and bless such disconsolate ones. It may be a rose planted in a desert place which a spring of tears may moisten and a zephyr of prayer may caress into a full blown flower of love and hope and joy of life.—Houstonian.

In an opinion of approximately 6,000 words, Attorney General Lightfoot, Saturday, holds that the Senate election investigation committee has inherent and general powers to legislate; that its general powers are to conduct an investigation and secure data for use and information to present this session of the legislature that the general appropriation bill and the taxes necessary to be raised for the maintenance of the government, redistricting, and the question of the request of the governor for an appropriation of an additional \$27,500 for the enforcement of the laws for reward,



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each confer adequate and sufficient subjects for legislation pending before the special session. He also held that this opinion will empower either branch of the legislature to make a full, complete investigation of any irregularities or frauds in connection with the recent election on the constitutional amendment. The attorney general, in the opinion, argues that it is necessary for the legislature to know to what extent the law has been violated in order to determine how much money is necessary to be appropriated for the enforcement of the law and the payment of rewards. He says the governor evidently has reason to believe that there has been a widespread violation of the laws.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

The F. M. Hommond Company Lancaster, Texas, have a reputation almost unequalled as persistent advertisers. Twenty-two years ago they opened a stock of general merchandise in that town that would probably have invoiced \$4,500. Today they are capitalized at \$60,000, and Mr. Mack Hammond, head of the firm, has an elegant home that cost several thousand dollars, besides a summer cottage on the Wisconsin lakes. During these twenty-two years not an issue of the Lancaster Herald has appeared that did not carry this firm's advertisement. And yet we hear merchants say that it does not pay to advertise.—Blossom Bee.

Mothers To Blame.

There are some terrible phases of vice. One of the most horrible to contemplate is the unnatural mother who trades in the dishonor of her daughter and profits by her shame. There are such mothers, and they are condemned by all good people, loathed and despised as shameless creatures, unworthy consideration, comradeship or sympathy. There is another class of mothers who are responsible for the ruin of these daughters, who, in a measure, should be as severely condemned as the one who deliberately partakes of earnings of her daughter's shame. They are careless about the girl at the very age they need the most attention. Not that the girls are criminal, but because they are young, inexperienced and susceptible, an easy prey to their own desires, and the persuasive tongue of false admirers if left to the exercise of their own undeveloped discretion. Many young girls go astray because their mothers turn them loose too soon to wander where they will, when they please, with whomsoever they desire. These mothers are not bad. They do not want their daughters to be bad. They do not want their precious darlings to be just common Mamies and Sadies. But

they guard their children so carelessly that if they fail to do wrong God will have to intervene with His wondrous mercy.

All of us are familiar with the shocking sight of little, young, silly girls out on the streets at late hours alone; we see them ogling men and making pert, bold speeches to strangers; we see them picking up acquaintance with tough looking young men, and we shudder because we know that they are standing upon the brink of a terrible precipice, down which they may tumble any careless moment, into the dismal depths of the yawning abyss. In such cases the mother is to blame if their daughters yield to the voice of the tempter and make the mistake of stepping over the brink.—Ex.

FOR EXCHANGE.

5200 sacks Belle of Wichita Flour to exchange for cash to buy another car of Belle of Wichita Flour. R. P. Conn. "The Globe."

Joe Cotton an old timer in Ballinger was here Tuesday. He has disposed of his business at Sterling City and will probably locate in Ballinger again.

FOR SALE.

Wichita Best Pearl Meal a sack 69c. Wichita Best Corn Chops a sack \$1.69. Wichita Best Wheat Bran a sack \$1.49. Telephone 320. Free delivery. R. P. Conn. "The Globe."

Roy Sharp is now in charge of the clothing department of Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co. Roy is an experienced clothing man and will make good in his new place.

WANTED.

To trade for or buy a second hand rubber tired surry. Must be in good condition.

R. P. CONN,
Ballinger, Texas.

Mrs. A. B. Legate left Tuesday morning for Abilene to visit her mother and other relatives.

Dougal Cameron is now with Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co. and invites all of his friends to visit him when in need of anything in the Dry Goods or Clothing line.

Adjudged Insane.

Mrs. Georgia Ogle, who lives a short distance south of the city was adjudged insane before the County Judge Monday evening and will be taken to the asylum as soon as a place can be found for her.

R. White who farms the Van Pelt-Baker farm four miles Southwest of Winters was in town Wednesday with a load of milo maize and paid us an appreciated call. He has 60 acres of cotton which he thinks will make a half bale to the acre.

About 16 delegates left early Thursday for Winters to attend the County S. S. Convention which met there Thursday for a three days session.

Teachers Take Notice.

Elsewhere in this issue there appears a notice of teacher's examination of teachers for certificates to be held on Sept. 1st. and 2nd and since the same was written Supt. Hagan received notice that the said examinations would be held on Thursday, Aug. 31, Friday Sept. 1st., and Saturday, Sept. 2nd., and that examinations for all grades of certificates will be held, beginning at 8 o'clock each morning

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MAY BE CANDIDATE

S. E. O'Bryan, one of the young attorneys of this city may enter the race for representative next year from this county, as he has received many letters and words of encouragement from friends soliciting him to make the race.

This young man was admitted to the bar at Galveston last October, and has been practicing law in Waco since March last, his abode being in Third ward.

He says he doesn't wish to get into politics just now, but desires to develop into a great lawyer. If he should yield to the solicitations of friends to make the race announcement will be made in ample time.—Waco Times-Herald.

S. E. O'Bryan was with the Banner-Leader several months last summer, and is a young man of splendid ability and we predict for him a successful career.

Ballinger Farmer Grows Melons Weighing 72 1-2 Lbs.

R. P. Kirk, ex-mayor, ex-sheriff and now plain farmer, tops the market with the largest watermelons grown in this section so far this season. He brought one of the melons to Ballinger that tipped the scales at 72 1/2 pounds.—San Angelo Standard.

Scott H. Mack is now owner of an auto having purchased this week a little Hupmobile from Dr. Allread of Winters. He is now in E. V. Bateman's class.

Miss Ethel Price of Los Angeles Cal., is here on an extended visit with her father, J. H. Price. She was accompanied home by her sister Miss Willie, who has been on a two month's visit among friends and relatives in Central Texas.

NOTICE.

As I will have to be absent for quite a good deal of the time for a short while will state that you can call at the Banner-Leader office and rent any of the houses I represent, Mr. Shepherd will attend to the renting for me.

Respectfully,
Mrs. C. F. Dickinson

FOR TRADE.

2 of the finest lots on Broadway to trade for Belle of Wichita Flour sell at \$1.44 a sack. The Globe.

LOANS

Being the exclusive agents for the British & American Mortgage Company, Limited, which Loan Company is well known in this County, we wish to call your attention to the fact that we are in a position to make loans on real estate in Runnels County at 8 per cent. interest, without any cost to you except to show good title to your land.

We can make loans on five year's straight time, or the loans to be repayable as to principal, to-wit: 1-10th each year for the first four years, the remainder, 6-10ths, at the end of the fifth year; or 1-10th each year for the first six years, and the remainder, 4-10ths, at the end of the seventh year, or 1-5th each year for five years, or 1-7th each year for seven years.

Call at our office for further particulars.

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We take care of our customers. Our motto is: "Live and Let Live" Your business be it large or small, is cordially solicited.

We Are Conveniently Located

In the old Green Front Saloon Building. We are selling Staple and Fancy Groceries. We buy Country Produce, Chickens, Butter and eggs. We believe that the quality of our merchandise is as good as the best. Our prices are as low as we can make them. Phone 16 for what you want in groceries. We promise prompt deliveries. We may not always have in stock all your wants but if it is in town we will get it for you. We are offering fresh Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos.

Yours truly,

F. D. Futch & Co., Ballinger, Texas

Right in your busiest season when you have the least time to spare you are most likely to take diarrhoea and if lose several days' time, unless you have Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand and take a dose on the first appearance of the disease. For sale by all dealers.

Phone 27 and let us call for your Job Work. Good service, prompt delivery.
The Banner-Leader.

Fresh Turnip Seed for Fall planting at B. Dornbergers

For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers.

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INDIGESTION

A Disorder that Breeds Disease in the Body, and an Easy Way to Cure it.

Take care of the stomach and you will have little need for the doctor.

When the stomach begins to show signs of disorder; when the food digests slowly and with discomfort; when you have heartburn; feel bloated and uneasy, you are in a condition that needs attention.

Prickly Ash Bitters corrects the disordered stomach by strengthening and toning up the digestive organs, driving the badly digested food into the bowels and thence out of the system.

Constipation is nearly always present when the stomach becomes sour or disordered. Prickly Ash Bitters contains the medicinal qualities which act as a restorative and regulator for the stomach and bowels. It strengthens the digestive organs, cures constipation and prevents the return of bilious conditions.

Thousands of people who have received lasting benefit from this great remedy willingly testify to its power in curing indigestion, constipation and kidney trouble.

"I suffered from constipation for years, and tried many remedies, but Prickly Ash Bitters is the only medicine that has ever done me any good. Through its use I am now in good health and entirely free from all traces of my former trouble."—B. P. STIGALL, Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Get the genuine with the figure "3" in red on front label.
Sold by druggists. Price \$1.00.

Fine Bluing

At 5c per pint or will sell you receipt for 25 cents. You can make your own bluing at 1 cent per gallon. See me at Bad Smith's residence. 49-2t-pd
J. M. Parker, Ballinger, Texas.

Leon Ward of San Saba is here visiting his parents,



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Insure your houses, Merchantile Stocks, Furniture, Gins, Livestock and Automobiles with us.

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BALLINGER, TEXAS

Local Option Election.

On the 16th of this month a Local Option election was ordered for all of Potter County, except one or two precincts, and a lively time is expected.

THE STORY OF A UNIVERSITY BOY.

"I entered the University of Texas in September, 1897, without a dollar of my own, so far as I can remember. My father's ill health had made it impossible for me to expect help from him beyond my High School course, and although I had for some time had hopes of some day entering college, they were of the vaguest sort, when one day in the spring of 1897 President Winston, in a talk before our school told of the opportunity to pay expenses while at college by various kinds of work. He closed his remarks by saying very emphatically that no one need stay away from the University of Texas because of lack of funds.

Taking him at his word, on the advice of my parents, I wrote to the President to inquire what he could do for me. He finally wrote me of a place where I could pay for my room and board by taking charge of some horses and cows and doing odd chores for an elderly woman living on the outskirts of town. I had never milked a cow, but in the two or three days before I had to start for Austin I learned how.

To provide for my matriculation fee and library deposit and to buy the necessary books and other equipment, I borrowed forty dollars from an uncle. That is all the money I can remember having that year.

The following summer I remained in Austin in order to retain my position though I did not earn any cash.

Upon returning after Christmas vacation in my sophomore year, I learned to my dismay that my place had been given to a nephew of my employer, but I found similar employment at a better place. There I remained until the end of my Senior year. During my Sophomore year I received from home about thirty dollars, enough for necessary expenses.

During my Junior year, besides my regular employment, I did some tutoring which brought in a little cash to meet my actual needs. That summer I earned some money cutting weeds on the campus and later got a job in a planing mill.

My Senior year brought me more tutoring. I also acted as clerk in the Co-operative Book-store. At the end of the year I was offered a fellowship, so that I was able to live up the work that I had been doing for my room and board. This fellowship paid all my expenses during my year of postgraduate work.

During all this time of course I had to practice the strictest economy, but I had managed to be very comfortable without getting over a hundred dollars from outside sources. Besides, my outside duties, though they kept me from taking part in athletics, did not interfere with my studies, for when a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was installed three years after I had left the University, I was elected a member. As an under graduate I sometimes regretted that lack of funds prevented my having much share in the social life of the students. Yet I did have my friends, and I do not think that I became a grind.

Since leaving the University of Texas, I have had three years of study at Harvard, obtaining the degree of Ph. D., and I now am Assistant Professor at one of the foremost universities in the East."

FOR SALE.

26000 lb Belle of Wichita Flour to sell for \$1.44 a sack. To buy more Belle of Wichita. The Globe.

The Banner-Leader maintains a fully equipped Job department with the latest and best type faces, carries a full line of job stock and we can turn out the work satisfactorily. We solicit your work.

Mrs. R. S. Griggs and baby returned Tuesday night from Houston and was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. Virgie Lowestiene of that city, whom she had been visiting the past ten days.

The best work at reasonable prices is our motto in our Job department. Give us your orders.

The Banner-Leader.

THE TEST OF TIME

We have been in the Retail Grocery business in Ballinger many years, and have built our reputation by the quality of the goods sold. The best groceries that we can buy is what we offer to sell you and at prices as reasonable as the character of the goods offered will permit.

Give us part of your Grocery trade.

THE MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

PHONE 66

708 HUTCHINS AVE. BALLINGER, TEXAS

A Real Success

We have had great success during the Sale. Saturday being the last day, we call attention to those that have not visited our store during this great sale, you still have a chance to spend \$1 and get \$2 value. We do not make sales every day. Therefore it may be some time before you will have another such opportunity. Don't miss it.

Saturday is the last day. Just received a big lot of Dress Gingham and other goods.

The Surprise Sale.
At Rosenwasser & Levy's.

Notice To Music Pupils.

Miss Olga H. Schawe's fall term of Piano will begin August 14, prospective pupils are urged to begin on this date so they can be classified, their work arranged and well started before school commences.

Besides their regular lessons Miss Schawe has class meetings which are very beneficial to the pupils, as they help to overcome nervousness in playing in public and for others. A study is made of the lives of Musicians and Composers, current events are discussed etc. and a stimulus added to the pupil's work that is very advantageous. For further particulars call at 205 Ninth Street or phone 267. 48-2t

Mrs. B. C. Kirk enteted Tuesday night in honor of her two Nieces Misses Katy Belle Geogory and Lee Plummer of Del Rio.

Jim McWhirter is at home from a two weeks vacation with relatives at Haskell, Fort Worth and other points.

Hugo Shuhart and wife of Menar are here visiting the formers parents of this city.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularity of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists. 52 t

FARMERS, ATTENTION!

I will buy all your fat stuff, cat tie, hogs and cheap.
34-1f. JOHN G. KEY,
Manager City Meat Market.

Norton Notes.

The farmers are busy gathering their cotton crop, several bales having been ginned here.

Rev. Ed Thompson, pastor of the Baptist church, began a meeting here Sunday. Rev. Adkins of Ballinger came in Tuesday and will do the preaching the remainder of the week.

Mrs. Tubbs and sister, Miss Margaret Jones of Lubbock, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Sandlin.

Miss Edna Sadler returned home Sunday after visiting here for some time.

Miss Alma Dorsett left Monday for Minloe Ga., where she will attend school this year.

Mrs. Hancock and Kate Bass went to Winters Sunday to visit relatives for a few days.

Mrs. Bannie Wilson and children came in Monday from Eastland where they had been visiting Mrs. Wilson's sister, Mrs. Burks.

Rev. David Crockett of Blanket, spent Monday night with Rev. Broxton of this place.

Mrs. Howell Rayburn and baby of Ballinger are visiting Mrs. M. I. Rayburn and family this week.

Mrs. Ella Long and sister, Mrs. Emma Forbes, left Sunday for Sweetwater to visit their father, Mr. Gardner.

Lee Sadler came in Friday from May after spending two weeks with relatives and friends.

"Queen of the Prairie."

Rev. Tyler came in from Penneil Thursday and went out to J. W. Raby's place on Valley Creek, where he will assist in the big Holiness Meeting which began on the 17th.

Hayden Routh and wife are here from Andrews visiting relatives.

Mrs. Harry Sharp and Miss Minta Starkey visited Mrs. W. S. Boswell of Paint Rock this week.

Mrs. Allen of Colorado City is here visiting her brother, W. A. Jackson.

Mrs. James Leavens was among the members to the cou S. S. Convention at Winters.

Drs. Halley & Love were called late Wednesday to attend Joe Knoff who was thrown from an on and severely hurt while feed. Both the upper and lower bones were broken and other injuries.

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LAST. THEY ARE
THE GOODS**



Our Wire Fencing is Bull-strong, Horse-high and Pig-tight

Come in and price our Fencing Wire, and we'll do business with you. You'll find our Wire and our Prices right.

Whatever be your needs in Hardware, you'll find our store the place to supply those needs.

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Commissioner's Court.

The regular session of the Commissioners Court met this week with Judge R. S. Griggs as presiding officer and J. E. McAdams, J. M. Adams, C. N. Craft and Feb McWilliams as members from the various precincts.

The regular routine of business occupied their time during the week.

W. H. Bruce.

W. H. Bruce, President of the Denton State Normal, and one of the most prominent educators in Texas visited his brother, R. W. Bruce this week.

M. L. Helm of Kaufman Texas, who had been visiting John and T. A. Knight of South Ballinger the past several weeks left Friday evening for his home much improved in health.

Mrs. J. S. Collins and her sister, Mrs. Pollock of Temple, left last Saturday to visit relatives and friends at Winters a few days.

K. A. Meyers architect, is here from Fort Worth to superintend the construction of J. Y. Pearce's new home, which will be built this fall and winter.

Ennis Shepherd and B. L. Malone spent Sunday in Zephyr.

THE MISSOURI MILLING CO.

Wants To Buy

All Your Wheat and Oats

Bring your Wheat to us and take advantage of our exchange arrangement. It will be to your interest.

We are a home industry and deserve and solicit your patronage.

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**C. L. Green Sells
Hardware Store.**

A deal has just been closed whereby C. L. Green & Co. sell their hardware business to Messrs Bair & Spangler. Invoicing the stock will begin Monday and in ten or fifteen days the new firm will be ready for business.

Mr. Bair comes from Ballinger and is well known to many of our people. Mr. Spangler is from Anson and is in every way a worthy partner of Mr. Bair. The new firm will carry dry goods in connection with the hardware. They are wide-awake business men in every respect.—Winters Enterprise.

Mrs. Ira L. Sims of Pony, left Saturday to visit relatives and friends at Houston a few weeks.

Chiggers and Mosquitos Are now in their glory—their business is good and they are happy. There is no earthly use of your letting them chew on you, however, if you don't like their ways. A little Hunt's Light-nidg Oil applied to exposed parts will keep them off, and immediately relieve the irritation caused by their bites. Rub a little on and see for yourself.

Miss Flossie Davis, of Portland Texas, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hutton and daughters, left Saturday evening for Brownwood, where she will visit a while before going on home.

Vance Lawrence of Houston, who had been visiting his grand parents, Capt. and Mrs. N. F. Bonsall and other relatives in our city the past several weeks, left for his home Houston Saturday afternoon.

Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed and cannot be obtained when on board the cars or steamships. For sale by all dealers.

We call attention to an ad of the Giesecke-Bennett Co. in this issue relative to farm loans which should be of interest to those needing money.

Look up the Santa Fe Ry. Co. ad and see the change in the time of the East bound noon train.

Rev. Ethelmore V. Cox is at home from Coperas Cove where he conducted a week's meeting, having 40 conversions and many accessions to the Methodist church.

Jacob McGee is back again in old Runnels after visiting relatives and friends in Hopkins Co. for a month.

Mr. J. S. McKenzie and children and her nephew, Rufus passed through the city Saturday evening enroute to Maryneal where they will visit relatives for a week.

Gus Cockrell has resigned his position with The Review and has accepted a position with the Miles Messenger. We hope he will be as good in Miles as he was in Rowena.—Rowena Review.

Wm. Gill of Durant Okla. came in Friday on a visit to his sister, Mrs. John McFarlane and family of West End.

Miss Julia Louise Shepherd, of Brownwood, who had been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Miller and family left Saturday evening for her home. Her friend Miss Edith Miller accompanied her and will visit in Brownwood a few weeks.

Miss Mollie Murray returned to her home at Ballinger Thursday, after a pleasant visit at the home of her uncle, T. W. Murray and family.—Winters Enterprise.

Moved Into Handsome New Quarters.

H. Winkler has moved his dry good store into the new Aycock building and is fitting up one of the nicest stores to be found anywhere. There he has plenty of room and the building is ideally arranged for a neat, classy store. Mr. Winkler carries a choice line of merchandise, which, with this beautiful place of business, makes a mighty attractive store.—Sweetwater Reporter.

Mr. Winkler is a live merchant and knows the Mercantile business and will give sweetwater a good store.

MOVED.

After August 9th 1911 I will have my headquarters at the Palace Barber Shop, Phone 97 instead of the Ostertag Furniture Co. I will handle the Fort Worth Record and ask all my patrons to leave laundry at my new location. I represent Crow's Laundry, Waco.

J. D. Coujter

Mrs. Earl Clinger of near Maverick was brought into the Halley-Love Sanitarium Friday and operated on for appendicitis and other troubles. She was accompanied by her father, J. C. Thaxton and sister Mrs. Boington, who remained over with Mrs. Clinger.

There Is A Pleasure

in getting a good easy shave and that is just what you get at the Bank Barber Shop. Our accommodations are best, our treatment most courteous.

The Bank Barber Shop.
H. O. Rhodes, manager.

Thos. Shepherd left Saturday for Coleman to visit a few days.

MOSQUITOES BAD THIS YEAR

But dont scratch the poisoned skin.

Use a mild, cooling, healing compound that stops the itch instantly, draws out the poison in the skin and protects it against further trouble.

Just a mild cleansing wash of oil of wintergreen, thymol and a few other ingredients known as the D. D. D. Prescription (so famous in cases of Eczema) and you have mosquito protection for the season. Yes, instant relief—now only 25c.

The City Drug Store.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised 8 12 11. Carpenter, Mrs. Mollis. Eckols, O. F. Morgan, Mrs. Nora Smith, W. D.

When calling for the above letters please say "advertised." After two weeks these letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office.

H. A. CADY, 'P. M.]

Dr. D. S. Switzer, president of Switzer College of Itasca was here Saturday in the interest of his school, and was the guest of his old friends, Dr. and Mas. J. G. Douglass, who formerly lived at Itasca.

Prof. J. N. Key and wife have been employed to teach the Truitt school the coming term. They taught at Mazeland last year and gave satisfaction, and will give the Truitt community a good school.

Postmaster Henry A. Cady returned home last Friday from an extended trip up North, his two daughters, Miss Evadne and Mrs. Geo. Pearce, who accompanied him remained in Chicago to visit friends.

W. B. Davis who lives out on rural route No. 2 out of Winters, was here Saturday, trading and mixing with old friends.

A Short Crop

Calls for prices to correspond, and we deliver the goods (Groceries.)

Our stock of staple groceries and canned goods are always complete and we make prices that attract the buyer.

Grain, Hay and Feed of all kinds always in stock.

CHASTAIN & SIMPSON

Phone 40 712 Hutchings Ave. Ballinger, Texas

It Makes A Difference

Who does your Barber work? We do good work, have clean towels, keen razors, and treat you courteously. Give us your patronage.

The Bank Barber Shop.
H. O. Rhodes, Manager.

Judge Jno. I. Guion left Sunday for Austin to meet with the Board of Directors of A. & M. College to elect three new members of the faculty. Judge Guion remarked when he left, "I am going down to see that capable men are elected and that no politics enters into the choice of the teachers to be selected."

Mrs. Jno. I. Guion and two sons, David and Wade came in Saturday night from Corpus Christi after a month's stay at the seaside.

C. L. O'Bryan, brother of T. B. O'Bryan, representing the Smith Milling Co. of Sherman was here several days this week visiting his brother and transacting business for his firm.

Irving Cumbie of Bronte was visitor here last Sunday, visiting friends.

Mrs. W. C. Pern is visiting relatives in Coleman.

GOOD NEWS

Many Ballinger Readers Have Heard It and Profited Thereby.

"Good news travels fast," and the thousands of bad back sufferers in Ballinger are glad to learn that prompt relief is within their reach. Many a lame, weak and aching back is no more, thanks to Doan's Kidney Pills. Our Citizens are telling the good news of their experience with the Old Quaker Remedy. Here is an example worth reading:

Mrs. R. F. Smith, of Ballinger, Texas, says: "Last year I had two attacks of fever which left my kidneys very weak. I had such intense backaches that I could hardly get about and at times the kidney secretions were scanty, then again profuse. When Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention a few months ago I procured a box at the Walker Drug Co., and used them. I soon found that they were especially adapted to my case. In a few days the backache disappeared and I was able to rest much better. I have no hesitation in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Wood and Coal

Always On Hand

Prompt delivery is our Motto. Give me a share of your business.

JOE HARDIN

112 9th St., Ballinger, Texas

Big Meeting.

Prof. J. N. Key dropped in to see us Monday and reported a fine meeting held by himself and Rev. L. A. Smith of Hatchel near the Millar School House in Mrs Spreen's pasture.

He reports for the ten days meeting 23 conversions and 23 additions to the Baptist Church.

The Candidates were baptized Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. The meeting closed Sunday night after continuing ten days.

Miss Zadie Royalty is here from Flat River Mission, St. Louis Mo., on a visit to her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Royalty.

Mrs. T. B. O'Bryan, wife of our foreman arrived home Saturday morning from a three week visit with relatives at Slaughter La.

Scott Mangum received a telegram Sunday from his uncle, J. F. Currie, at Forest Mississippi stating that Mr. Currie's father died on Sunday morning the 13th. Mr. and Mrs. Currie left Ballinger some ten days ago for Forest in response to a telegram telling of his father's illness.

Sprains require careful treatment. Be quiet and apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely. It will remove the soreness and quickly restore the parts to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.



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CHARACT

Our portrait you will like you; not only t but will be at your b a picture you will al like.

Wilbourn's

Sample Helps Frail Women

So many women are dragging out weary lives just because their digestive organs are weak. The result is poor circulation, nervousness and the verge of invalidism. It is often very unnecessary and the woman's own fault.

The first thing to do is to look to the welfare of your bowels. There the trouble usually lies. All physicians know that a large percentage of women are habitually constipated, and from this result indigestion, piles, weariness, etc., that women constantly complain of. But there is no use taking "female remedies" and things of that kind until you have started your bowels to moving. You will find that when the bowels move regularly once or twice a day all your petty ills will disappear. Take a good, mild laxative tonic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for awhile and you will find yourself rapidly getting better and stronger, your bowels will regulate themselves and work at stated times, and then your headaches and dizziness will disappear. Don't take strong cathartic pills or salts, but just such a mild and pleasant-tasting remedy as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin.

You can obtain a bottle of your druggist for fifty cents or one dollar, and either also may be enough to permanently cure you. Thousands of women keep it regularly in the house and will no longer be without it, as it cured them and can be used with safety by every member of the family, down to the youngest child, but if you have never used it take the advice of Mrs. Earl S. Cox, 409 Twenty-fifth street, Moline, Ill., and Mrs. Ellen Dungan, Muncie, Ind., and send to Dr. Caldwell for a free trial bottle, as they did, and learn for yourself what it will do in your own case. That it will cure you, as it did them, there is no doubt.

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 otherwise. For either request the doctor's address is Dr. W. B. Caldwell, R. 500 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.



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The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder trouble, removes gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularity of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists. 52 t

Mr. H. F. Groene, of Merkel, President of the West Texas Photographers Association, was in the city last Saturday the guest of J. H. Wilbourn the local photographer, who is treasurer of the association.

Nez Gustavus left Monday for San Angelo where he has a position with a prominent business firm.

You Will Always Be Satisfied

If you build your house out of lumber bought of the Ballinger Lumber Co. If you need anything in lumber and builder's material let us figure with you. We carry lumber, paint, cement, lime, common and fire brick, cedar posts, etc.

Ballinger Lumber Company

B. S. Taylor came in Saturday from Dallas and went out to the Oxien country on a visit to his brother Jim Taylor, and will likely locate permanently in our county.

Report from Constantinople, Turkey
I have been using your Hunt's Lightning Oil for some time and think it the best remedy I have ever used for catarrh, bruises and burns. I have used it with great advantage for rheumatism and neuralgia. I especially recommend it for all suffering from rheumatism, neuralgia and troubles of that sort.

Puzant R. Yuzuk, No. 20 Tarakjilar, Constantinople T'ky.

Scott Mack the hardware man, returned home Saturday evening from Winters where he had been looking after his firm's interests at that place.

DOES NOT IRRITATE
"I have found Simmons Liver Purifier the mildest and most pleasant in action, yet the surest remedy for constipation, torpid liver and all kindred troubles, I have ever used. It does not irritate or gripe." Very truly, S. P. Cleary, Jackson, Tenn.
Put up in tin boxes only. Price 25c.

Sam Waring came in from his ranch in Concho county Saturday to look after business affairs and visit his family a few days.

E. M. Barbee of Buffalo Gap, spent Sunday here with relatives en route from Eldorado.

Mr. George Reeder, of Miles, brother of D. Reeder of this city, passed through here Sunday afternoon for the Eastern markets to purchase his fall and winter stock of goods for his firm.

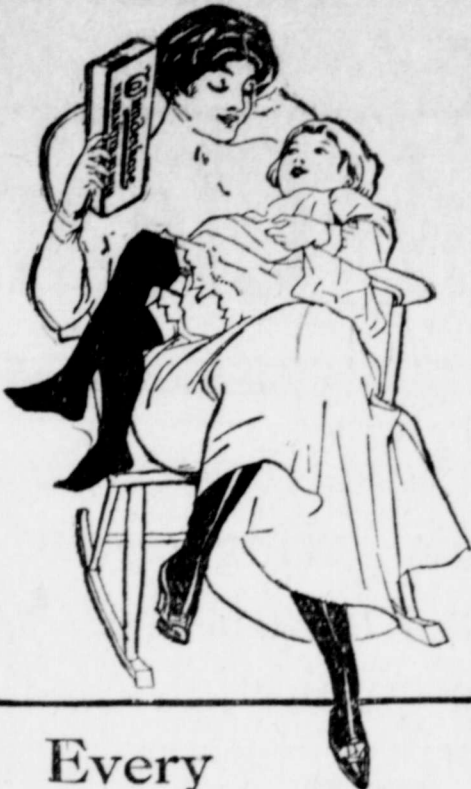
Mrs. V. Minshew and baby left last Saturday evening for Cameron, to visit relatives and friends and also spend a few weeks at Marlin before returning home.

Farmer R. W. Bruce drove in Saturday afternoon from his farm 8 miles South of town, and said his crop was laid by and he felt reasonably sure of making a fair crop.

A. J. Zappe and family visited friends at San Angelo Sunday in his auto and returned home at noon Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ward, of Winters were among the visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Guin, of Brownwood accompanied by Mrs. May Vice left Saturday evening for their home at Brownwood.



Every Mother Should Know Wunderhose

They mean complete freedom from mending, emancipation from the drudgery of the darning needle.

Wunderhose for mother, father and children will return from the wash each week as free from holes as the day they were purchased.

We know this—and as proof of our good faith—sell Wunderhose with the understanding of four months' wear—or new hose free—without question, quibble or argument.

Ask to see Wunderhose at our hosiery department. Examination of the various styles will verify the quality that makes our guarantee possible. Wear Wunderhose and the evidence is complete.

One Dollar per box of four pairs.

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A Curiosity.

Uncle Johnnie Shaffer has in his possession a curiosity in the shape of a walking stick that was picked up at Galveston just after the great flood several years ago. There is engraved on the side of the stick the head of some old king and just by the side of it, the word "Rolo Caprero." It is valuable old relic and no doubt highly prized by its owner if he could be found.

FALLING HAIR

Can Easily Be Stopped; Also Dandruff and Itching Scalp

If Parisian Sage doesn't stop falling hair, itching scalp, and eradicate dandruff in two weeks, The Walker Drug Co. stands ready to refund your money without argument or red tape of any kind.

Parisian Sage will put a fascinating radiance into any woman's hair in a few days.

Susanne Calahan, of Hotel Royal, Bucyrus, Ohio, on March 25, 1910, wrote: "Mother's hair began to come out very badly and her scalp was so sore it was very hard to do anything for it. Parisian Sage proved a GRAND SUCCESS every way. Her hair stopped coming out, dandruff all disappeared, soreness and left the scalp and her hair is coming in again very nicely." Large bottle 50 cents at The Walker Drug Co.

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Rev. E. V. Cox returned home at noon Monday from Copperas Cole, where he had been conducting a revival meeting the past week.

Miss Ora Lee Hester, of Merkle, is in the city on a visit to friends and is guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Husky.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonn Coulter, of San Angelo, who had been visiting his brother, J. D. Coulter and family, returned home at noon Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtsinger, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Cuntz and family, left at noon Monday to visit relatives at Paint Rock a few days.

Judge B. B. Stone left Saturday for St. Louis Chicago and Boston on a business and pleasure trip combined. He is a delegate from Texas to the National Bar Association, which convenes in Boston on the 26th of this month.

Miss Mary Holliday, of Hatcher, came in Saturday evening on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Henry Bradford and other relatives and friends in our city.

Mrs. H. N. Beckwith and daughter, Mrs. Holt, returned home Saturday evening from a pleasant visit of several weeks to Los Angeles, Cal. and other points in that section.

Mrs. R. M. Lowery, returned home Saturday from a short visit to the family of Dr. Blasdell of Hatcher.

Sheriff J. P. Flynt returned home Saturday from Terrell, where he had been to take young Johnson to the insane asylum.

Little Miss Lorena McWhirter, returned home at noon Monday from a visit to relatives at Lampasas.

Rev. Father Frigon, left Saturday afternoon to fill his regular appointment with his church at Coleman.

Mrs. B. Dornberger and two daughters, left Saturday evening for Brenham and other points in that section, where they will visit relatives and friends a few weeks.

Miss Ivy Eickie, of Houston, who had been visiting her brother, Mr. Eickie and family, left Saturday evening for her home.

J. W. Dungan, of the Norton country, left from this point Saturday evening to visit relatives at Burnett a few weeks.

Mrs. P. C. Cobb and daughter, of Zephyr, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Reese and other relatives and friends, returned home Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lynn Harris and her sisters, Mrs. Ed S. McCarver and Miss Bessie Corbert left Saturday afternoon for Houston, where they will join Mr. McCarver and spend several weeks in that city.

C. A. Doose returned home from a short business trip to Brownwood Saturday and says our friend Sam Parks is now a full fledged agriculturist, and says he has just finished the third cutting of Alfalfa made 25 bushels of wheat and 110 bushels of oats to the acre on his farm on the Bayou near Brownwood.

F. C. Watson, of the Lipan Flat country, a former citizen of our country, passed through the city Saturday evening enroute to Shreveport, La., to attend the funeral of his brother W. M. Watson, who died at that place Saturday morning at 4:45.

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The deal was closed Friday evening in which A. L. Spann buys the Dr. Brown residence and out lots on Eight Street. This is a nice piece of property and we are glad that Mr. Spann shows his faith in our city by investing and makes this their permanent home.



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Mr. and Mrs. John Harris and children, of Dallas, who had been visiting J. H. Booth and family down the river, left last Friday afternoon for their home.

Mrs. W. A. Davis returned home at noon Friday from a visit to the cotton carnival at Galveston and a visit to relatives and friends in that section.

Mrs. F. B. Perry and daughter, Miss Mable, left via the A. & S. Ry., Saturday afternoon for Sweetwater, where there they will join Mr. Perry and make their future home.

Mrs. R. A. Hall and children, after a pleasant visit in our city with relatives and friends, returned to their home at San Angelo Friday at noon.

H. M. Josey, of the Giesecke-Bennett Co., returned home last Friday from a visit the past week to Houston and Galveston.

Elder J. W. Kelley of Abilene, who preached at the church of Christ Friday night left Saturday for Ovalo, where he will preach Sunday.

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NEW FALL GOODS NOW ARRIVING AND WE MUST CLEAR THIS SEASON'S LINES

The Finale of The Final Clean Up Shoe Sale

No carrying over of Summer Stocks. No place to store them, if we cared to. But the price reductions must solve the problem of economical importance. Now are the saving opportunities offered in Men's, Women's and Children's Spring Low Cuts. This Final Clean Up Sale means that we will put such low prices on every pair of Summer Shoes that every pair will be snapped up quickly.

The Final Shoe Sale

Starts Saturday

Every Pair of Summer Shoes for Men, Women and Children included. None reserved. Every counter has its share of Bargains. Procrastination is the thief of time. So we urge you to be here on time. :-:

TABLE 1

Consists of 150 pair Ladies Spring Slippers in Tan, Gun Metal and Patent Kid, sizes run 2 1-2 to 5 1-2, not a pair in the lot worth less than \$2.00 and up to \$3.50, Clean Up Sale Price pair

\$1.50

TABLE 2

This is a table of Slippers for Children consisting of Tans and Blacks, sizes 8 1-2 to 13 principally, though a few 1 and 1 1-2 are in the lot, not a pair worth less than \$1.50, true values at this price but you buy them during this Final Clean Up Sale pr

75c

OTHER LINES AT GREAT REDUCTIONS---READ ON

Was \$4.00 clean up price	\$2.98	Was \$2.50 clean up price	\$1.95
Was \$3.50 clean up price	\$2.69	Was \$2.00 clean up price	\$1.45
Was \$3.00 clean up price	\$2.29	Was \$1.75 clean up price	\$1.34
		All \$1.50 Ladies' Oxfords will go at clean up price	\$1.19

Children's Slippers At Clean Up Prices--All Whites Included

Was \$2.50 clean up price	\$1.95	Was \$1.25 clean up price	95c
Was \$2.00 clean up price	\$1.45	Was \$1.00 clean up price	79c
Was \$1.75 clean up price	\$1.35	Was 85c clean up price	65c
Was \$1.50 clean up price	\$1.19	Was 75c clean up price	59c
Was \$1.35 clean up price	\$1.00	Was 50c clean up price	39c

Hundreds of Pairs of Men's and Boys' Oxfords

Will go in this Clean Up Sale. You will profit if you buy your Shoes here during this sale. Stacy Adams, and Howard & Foster included. Note the regular price, then the Clean Up price. The saving is great.

Was \$6.00 clean up price	\$4.98	Was \$4.00 clean up price	\$2.98
Was \$5.50 clean up price	\$4.10	Was \$3.50 clean up price	\$2.60
Was \$5.00 clean up price	\$3.75	Was \$3.00 clean up price	\$2.29

Boys' Low Shoes At Clean Up Prices

Was \$3.00 clean up price	\$2.29	Was \$2.00 clean up price	\$1.45
Was \$2.50 clean up price	\$1.95	Was \$1.50 clean up price	\$1.19

Many Odds and Ends in High Top Shoes included in this Clean Up Sale. If your size and style is here you will save from 25 per cent to 50 per cent

During this Final Clean up Shoe Sale we will sell you any \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.50 or \$8.00 Lingerie Dress at : : : : : **\$2.45**
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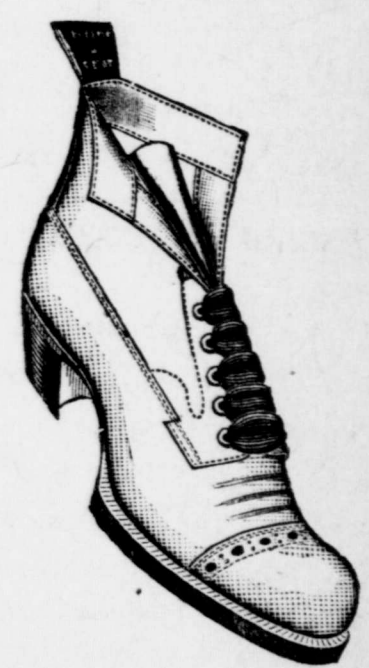
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