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The Season's Greetings!

We have enjoyed a splendid business this past year and at this season of good cheer and good will we want to thank you sincerely for your kind patronage. We earnestly trust the year just closing has brought to you and yours many heart throbs of friendship and abundant prosperity and our wish for 1912 is unprecedented blessings.

THE WALKER DRUG CO.

"In Business For Your Health"
"The Rexall Store" "Swisses Chocolates"

A Pretty Wedding.

At the home T. A. Knight of South Ballinger on Tuesday evening of this week occurred a pretty wedding at which time Mr. Guss DeLoach of Nashville, Tenn lead to the marriage altar Miss Bettie Knight, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Knight.

Rev. G. W. Newman performed the ceremony and only relatives and friends were present to witness the ceremony.

Miss Knight is a charming girl with those qualities of mind and heart, suited to make an ideal wife. Mr. DeLoach is a prominent business man of Nashville Tenn., and is in every sense worthy of the hand and heart of the fair girl he has lead to the altar.

They left on the early morning train over the A. & S. enroute to Havana Cuba, to spend their honeymoon.

The Leader wishes for this worthy young couple all the happiness possible in their new relations.

Falls From Buggy.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holt. Smith was slightly injured Saturday evening by falling out of the buggy, and the wheel running over her. They were going home and near R. L. Maddox's home on 7th street the explosion of a fire cracker scared the horse and in suddenly turning the buggy the little girl was thrown out and hurt as above stated.

R. W. Montgomery Pardoned.

Among those that were pardoned out of the State Penitentiary during the week was one R. W. Montgomery, who was sentenced out of Fort Worth over a year ago. Montgomery was implicated in one of the biggest frauds ever perpetrated in Texas, by forging some large vendor lien notes and getting money on them at the Banks in Fort Worth. He is a Runnels County boy and was raised at Content and is well known here.

DAVE WILLIAMS ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Takes Strychnine With Intent to End Life's Fickle Dream.

Quite a little excitement prevailed here Tuesday when the news spread that a suicide had occurred at the Pollard Boarding House at the corner of Park Avenue and 6th street and investigation it proved to be Dave Williams, a well known citizen of this place had taken strychnine with intent to end his life.

He called at the City Drug Store about 10:30 o'clock Walter Oliver waited on him selling him some strychnine and Walter remarked to him as he sold the poison that there was enough to kill ten men.

After buying the poison he called for an envelope and some paper and went in the back room of the Drug Store and as he came out he dropped the letter on the floor. Walter Oliver picked it up but did not open it immediately, pretty soon the party to whom the envelope was addressed (his sister-in-law) happened in and saw it on the counter and read it then the alarm was given by phoning to the Pollard Boarding house where he boarded and Mrs. Pollard stated that he was in his room very sick.

Drs. Hale and Walker were soon there and gave him attention but his death is expected any time as a result of his dose of poison.

It is said that domestic troubles was the cause for his rash act.

In the note written in the City Drug store he bade his friends goodby and said that by the time they read this he would be cold in death the note was addressed to his sister-in-law.

JAMES WILLIAM POWELL.

A visit from the Death Angel at any time of the year is indeed sad enough, but a visit at Christmas time, seems, if possible, even more sad, but Death is no respecter of persons times or places and He steals in and takes our love ones when we least expect His presence. On last Friday evening the Death Angel claimed the spirit of little James William Powell, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Powell of this city.

Little James as another victim to that dread disease Scarlet Fever. All that skilled physicians, trained nurses and fond parents could do, was done but He claimed this sweet baby boy. Only those who have lost a child can sympathize with parents in this sad ordeal, and only those who have children can know how they entwine themselves around your heartstrings and what a vacancy is in the home when such a trying experience comes their way.

Little James was five years and six months old and was the constant companion of his father, because he was the only boy in the family, was bright, intelligent, the pride of the home, and his passing to the better land has and will cause an aching void in the hearts of those who love him as did his fond parents.

Funeral services were conducted at the cemetery Saturday at 11:00 o'clock directed by Rev. Bion Adkin. The Leader offers sympathy to grief stricken parents and relatives.

At a recent meeting of the City Council a contract was made with Carlos Dunn to act as City Engineer at the Pump House, the position was made vacant by the resignation of Quoy Drennan who has held this position for some time.

Ward-Beaumont.

One of the mid-week events in Ballinger's social affairs was the pretty home wedding of Miss Ella Ward daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ward of this city which occurred at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon at the beautiful home of the bride.

Dr. G. A. Beaumont, a promising young Dentist of San Saba was the young man who was so fortunate in securing the hand and heart of this charming Ballinger girl.

It was a quiet home wedding and only relatives and a few friends were present to witness the happy event. The decorations consisted of mistletoe and pot plants tastefully arranged in the reception hall, to which place the bride and groom marched down the broad stairway to the enchanting strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding march played by Miss Lucile Reeder. Father Frigon spoke the solemn words that united this happy young couple after which a delicate and appetizing luncheon was served.

The bride and groom left on the afternoon train for San Saba their future home, accompanied to the station by a large number of friends to wish them all the joys possible in their future married life.

CANDIDATE FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

It is reported that J. B. Reily of Bronite will be a candidate for the Legislature from this and Coke county. Mr. Reily is a cashier and principal stockholder in the Bronite State Bank, and is a business man of more than ordinary ability, and will represent this district in able manner if elected.

It seems to be the policy of the next Legislature to have it made up of practical business men and Mr. Reily meets the requirements.

The Ballinger High School Band very kindly furnished some nice music last Friday evening on the streets to enliven the approaching Christmas. They also met the afternoon train and played some selections for the benefit of those leaving for the old home to spend Xmas, giving a lively air to everything.

Judge Kirk's Candidacy.

Judge W. W. Kirk of Sweetwater was in town this week shaking hands with old friends. While here he announced that he was a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the 32nd Judicial District of Texas. His many friends in Fisher county will be pleased to learn of his announcement for this office.

For eight years Judge Kirk was one of the leading attorneys of Fisher county. For several years he was with the firm of McOrea & Kirk. They had the largest law practice of any firm in this part of the State. During the time he was engaged in the practice of law here he was employed to prosecute in some of the largest criminal cases ever placed on the docket in this county. In every case he successfully prosecuted the accused. We must say that we believe he is one of the best prosecutors in this section of the State.

We are glad of the opportunity to commend Judge Kirk to the citizenship of the 32nd Judicial District. —Roby Banner.—Sweetwater Reporter

Mr. Kirk was once a citizen of Ballinger, and his old friends here will be glad to hear of his success.

CITY TEACHERS.

Quite a number of the city teachers left last Friday afternoon for various places to spend Xmas among those leaving are:

Miss Spann to Waco, Miss Barnett to Taylor, Miss McDaniel to Santa Anna, Miss Craig to Georgetown, Miss Halbert to Waco, Miss Alice Taylor to Brownwood, Miss Lewis to San Antonio, and Prof. Moody to Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Haj Turberville, came in last Friday from Celina to visit Mrs. Turberville's parents, Judge and Mrs. M. C. Smith during the holidays. Mr. Turberville said that if there had not been so much rain he would have made trip in his new Flanders Car but he was afraid of the roads.

Sheriff Flynt was in Terrell the latter part of last week, where he went to take Mrs. Cavanaugh, who was adjudged insane some days ago in the County Court.

FORMER BALLINGER MAN SUMMONED

Charles S. Pierce, Once Pastor of Baptist Church Here, Witness in Richeson Case.

Tyler, Texas, Dec. 23.—Charles S. Pierce, a Boston Divinity student has been summoned as a witness in the case of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, who is charged with the murder of a young girl found dead in her bath room from the effects of a dose of poison. Pierce is a native of Tyler and is about 33 years of age. Four years ago he won gold medals in oratorical contests at Baylor University at Waco, at Howard Payne in Brownwood and at Southwestern at Georgetown. He is a graduate of Howard Payne college at Brownwood and was formerly pastor of the First Baptist church in Ballinger.

NEW STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

Beaumont, Texas, Dec. 27.—Beaumont merchants are to have increased shipping facilities through the service of the Seaboard and Gulf Steamship line, which inaugurated semi-monthly sailings of the steamer, Jacob Luckenbach between Port Arthur and New York. On its arrival at Port Arthur last week, the steamer carried 1,006,106 pounds of merchandise for Beaumont Merchants alone, besides a vast cargo for other South Texas cities. More than 1200 tons of steamer which is scheduled to take place in two weeks.

The Beaumont Traffic Bureau is largely responsible for this concession being secured, and the Bureau is making efforts to work up a large interior business, thereby giving an increased traffic for railroad running out of Beaumont, as well as aiding the steamship company in making the semi-monthly sailings profitable.

PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The City School will not open till Jan. 8th, giving a two weeks vacation. This was deemed wise of the part of the Board on account of giving time for the Scarlet Fever scare to subside.

Will Hearrell and J. P. Huffaker of Maverick passed through Saturday enroute to Talpa where on Saturday there was a big school entertainment and these gentlemen furnished the music for the occasion.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

The Greetings of the Season to you:

May the bounties of the old year be blessed; that which was unprofitable and unpleasant during 1911, disappear with the old year; and may the New Year bring you good Health, Happiness and Prosperity, and the future be one of greater success in your chosen calling and avocation.

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Ballinger, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR.

Whereas, by virtue of authority vested in me as trustee, named and appointed in a certain Deed of Trust, recorded in Volume 11, on page 388, records of real estate mortgages of Runnels County, Texas, executed and delivered to me on the 17th day of November 1910, by J. G. & Hattie Bradshaw, for better securing the payment of eleven certain promissory notes of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, more fully described in said Deed of Trust, executed by J. G. Bradshaw & Co., a co-partnership composed of J. G. Bradshaw and A. F. Livingston, payable to the order of J. M. Radford Grocery Company, at Abilene, Texas, due as follows: Sept. 1, 1911; Sept. 19, 1911; Sept. 20, 1911; Oct. 1, 1911; Oct. 8, 1911; Oct. 15, 1911; Oct. 22, 1911; Nov. 1, 1911; Nov. 8, 1911; Nov. 15, 1911; Nov. 22, 1911, respectively, each respectively bearing ten per cent interest per annum from date until paid, interest due and payable annually as it accrues, providing failure to pay either of said notes, or any installment of interest thereon when due, shall at the option of the holder of said notes, or either of them mature, each thereof and in such event the holder thereof may proceed to collect the same in same manner as if the full time provided in said notes and expired, and also providing for payment of ten per cent additional on the amount of principal and interest then due as attorney's fees, if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

And, whereas, the said J. M. Radford Grocery Company is the holder and owner of said notes, and the said J. G. Bradshaw & Company has made default in payment of said Five Hundred Dollar note above described, due on the 1st day of September, A. D. 1911, and the same is now past due and unpaid, principal

interest and attorney's fees by reason thereof and as provided for in each of said notes and in said Deed of Trust, the said J. M. Radford Grocery Company has declared each of said notes and all of said indebtedness immediately due and mature and has heretofore so notified the said J. G. Bradshaw & Company in writing; and, whereas, each of said notes are now past and unpaid, now aggregating principal, interest and attorney's fees, Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-seven and twenty five hundredths (\$6727.25) Dollars; and whereas, I have been requested by the said J. M. Radford Grocery Company to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale, between the legal hours thereof, to-wit, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1912 (the same being the 2nd day of said month), at the court house door in the town of Ballinger, in Runnels County, Texas, the following described property to-wit:

Being One Hundred Twenty-six and two-tenths (126 2/10) acres of land out of the North East corner of Survey 441, originally granted to Lawrence Martin, by virtue of Certificate 3286, known as Abstract 381, and patented to the heirs of Lawrence Martin on February 11, 1882, per Letters Patent 247, Volume 16, and which said One Hundred Twenty-six and two-tenths acres of land are more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the original North East corner of said Martin Survey for the North East corner of this tract. Thence South with the East line of said Survey 607 varas to a stone, for the North East corner of a 126 2/10 acre tract of land heretofore conveyed by C. A. Dooe et al to J. R. Livingston, and for the

South East corner of this tract; Thence West with the North line of said J. R. Livingstons tract, 1174 varas to a stone, for the North West corner of said Livingston tract and for the South West corner of this tract; Thence North 607 varas to a stone in the North line of said survey, for the North West corner of this tract; Thence East 1174 varas to the place of beginning, with all the rights, members and appurtenances there to belonging.

Witness my hand this the 7th day of December, A. D. 1911.

C. W. Gill, Trustee.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR.

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Being all that certain tract or parcel of land situated about four miles S. E. from Wingate, in Runnels county Texas, being the S. W. one-quarter (S. W. 1-4) of Section 93, in Block 64, H. & T. C. R. Co. Survey, and the North half (N. 1-2) of the N. W. one-quarter (N. W. 1-4) of Section 81, Certificate No. 61, C. T. R. Co. Survey, said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the N. W. corner of this tract thence South 1425 varas to a point in East line of the C. D. Skidmore tract and the S. W. corner of this tract; Thence East 950 varas to the S. E. corner of this tract Thence North 1425 varas to the S. E. corner of the S. H. Puckett tract and the N. E. corner of this tract; Thence West 950 varas to the place of beginning, containin 240 acres of land with all the rights, members and appurtenances there to belonging.

Witness my hand this the 7th day of December, A. D. 1911.

C. W. Gill, Trustee.

LOST.

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U. P. Melton.

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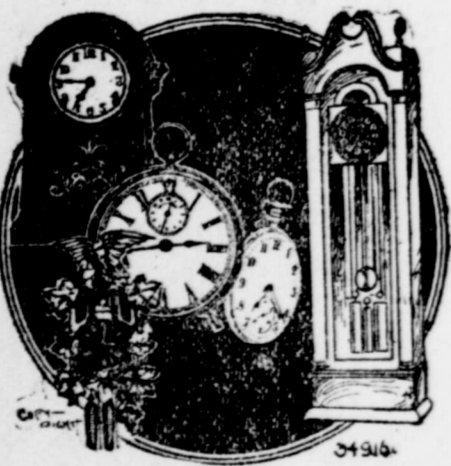
A Happy New Year.

On next Monday night the year 1911 will have passed into history, its joy, its sorrows, its heartaches, its pleasures will be a thing of the past. Will we let the happenings of the year that has passed and is passing teach us any valuable lesson, or will we drift thoughtlessly on to the end of life's journey? We should convert our mistakes into stepping stones to success, and thus get good out of that which was bad. There are those who do not believe in making new year resolutions but we take issue with them on this question, like Milton, we believe, "It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all," and that it is better to make good resolutions and brake them than never to try at all. Now is a good time to forgive our enemies, fight down those qualities in our nature that tend towards our undoing, and start the new year with a determination to make it the very best in our lives; Will we do it?

While trade has not been all that the merchants might expect yet we have a promising outlook for the new year and with the proper effort we may be able to recoup our losses, if we have any, and thus come out all right in the end.

Young man, success is not dangling from every overhanging bush ready for you to pluck for the asking. As you grow older you will learn that whatever is worth getting costs effort and labor, and you will find that some other fellow is after the very thing you are seeking, and if you beat him to it you will have to go some.

Never in the history of our county have we had greater promise of a bountiful year and never have there been more encouraging features than the new year holds forth. Plenty of feed winter grass is good, a fine season in the ground for sowing spring oats, and plenty of cold weather to kill the insects that are likely to infect the land, yes,



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we have something to feel thankful for.

It's easy enough to be pleasant, When life flows by like a song, But the man worth while, is the one who will smile, When everything goes dead wrong. Ella Wheeler Wilcox never uttered a truer saying than is embodied in the above lines, and one that will go ringing down through the ages and as we grow older we are more and more reminded of the splendid truths in this little poem.

Evry one seemed to enjoy their Xmas very much in and around Ballinger and all will start the New Year feeling good over the fine prospects.

The high cost of living may be reduced by establishing a closer relation between produce and consumer. Build good roads.

A bad road leads nowhere, and the sooner it ends the better. A good road may lead to anything.

After next Monday write it 1912, please.

Harlingen, Texas, Dec. 27—L. S. Ross of this county has harvested eight bales of cotton from 23-4 acres of land on his farm near this city. The cotton was planted in February, in rows 3 1/2 feet apart and thinned to one stalk of cotton in the drill from 8 to 16 inches apart, and was given special cultivation. Seven of the bales weighed 500 pounds each and the eighth weighed 440 pounds.

On the adjoining forty-two acre tract, cotton planted at the same time and in practically the same manner, but with less cultivation, yielded seventy-six bales.

Nacogdoches, Texas, Dec.—A commercial club, with sixty charter members, has been organized in this city for the purpose of advertising to the outside world the advantages and resources of this section of the state. T. Baker was elected president and an executive committee was chosen, consisting of Robert Lindsey, E. Rice, Luther Swift and S. M. King. A secretary will be selected at the next meeting of the Club and special attention will be given during the coming year to advertising the city and surrounding country.

J. W. POWELL.

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Let All Voters Pay Their Poll Tax.

No man in Texas can vote in any election next year unless he pays his poll tax by midnight of the last day in January; or if he is under or over age unless he gets his exemption receipt in person from the Tax Collector. Read the above statement again and go at once and attend to this matter without fail. The Attorney General's office has ruled that the poll tax receipt must be obtained from the office by the party entitled to it. No agent can go there and attend to it for him. He must do it in person. Heretofore it was otherwise, but this has changed. Neither is the tax receiver allowed to appoint deputies to perambulate the town and country with books authorized to receive payment of poll taxes and receipt for the same. This business must be attended to at the office in your county court house.

Next year will be one of the most important years in Texas politics. We will have to elect a Governor, a Lieutenant Governor a United States Senator, a Judge of the Supreme Court, a Comptroller, a Land Commissioner, and in fact all officers from Governor down to Constable. And more than this, we will vote for a President of the United States to succeed Mr. Taft. Can any man afford to be without authority to cast his vote in view of this responsibility? No, sir! At least no man who believes in the moral weal of his country can afford to come up wanting on the day of the election.

Personals

Miss Louise Schawe is at home from Dallas to spend vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stevens sent Xmas at Hutto with relatives.

J. (Buck) Shields was in El Paso this week visiting friends.

Mrs. W. J. Clement and daughter are visiting in Gainesville.

Alfred Luckett of Miles was here Monday visiting relatives.

E. H. Colburne and wife visited friends at Walnut Springs this week.

Mrs. J. A. L. Farris is visiting relatives in McGregor.

E. Buchwald, spent Xmas in Chert go with his parents.

Miss Edith Winkler is at home from Austin for the Holidays.

Mrs. W. B. Halley is visiting her parents in Temple this week.

Chas Madded had business in Eden last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Castor, on last Sunday a fine girl.

Isham Wade is in Austin this week visiting friends.

Dr. J. G. Douglass made a professional trip to Ocala this week.

Capt. A. D. Talley of Crews spent Xmas with his son Walter.

J. J. Erwin is visiting his daughter in Somerville this week.

Dr. A. S. Love is visiting his parents at Florence this week.

Geo Vaughn visited in San Angelo this week.

E. C. Moore and wife are visiting friends in Brownwood this week.

The value of that which comes from the farm surpasses all else is produced by human labor.

K. O. and H. Kay Berry of the Norton country were here Tuesday shopping.

Miss Hattie Hutton is at home from an extended visit at Texarkana.

CHILDREN

Who have worms, who are sickly, restless or irritable; those who eat too much sweet stuff, who suffer from colic or irregular bowel movements, will grow strong, rosy and cheerful under the cleansing and invigorating influence of

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

As a corrective for disorders in the stomach or bowels, for clearing the complexion and promoting appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits, it is unequalled. Good for either sex and all ages from five years upwards.

Get the Genuine with the Figure "3" in Red on Front Label.

Sold by Druggists. Price \$1.00 per bottle.

Will Gressett of Wichita Falls is visiting his parents here this week.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Gustavus are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy at their home.

Chas Ferguson of Comanche spent last week here visiting relatives and looking after business matters.

Misses McDanile and Boston of Milford, Texas, are visiting the Misses Vanpeit this week.

G. B. Vanlandingham moved last week from 9th street to the Methodist Parsonage.

Albert Woods, Manager of the We Texas Telephone Co., at this place is spending the Holidays in Jeffers

Rev Holms Nichols is at home from Clarksville where he has been some days on business.

Mrs. J. T. Stoks is in Fort Worth at the bedside of her daughter who is quite ill.

Victor Miller one of Runnels Co's representatives at the State University is at home for the Holidays.

Mrs. R. P. Conn is in San Antonio spending the week with her parents.

Miss Sammie Padgett after spending amonth in Houston with friends is at home.

Mrs. Carl Guin of Brownwood is here this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford.

Thad Thompson of Plainview is here visiting relatives during the Holidays.

Jess Mc Donald left Saturday for Decatur to visit relatives during the week.

Attorney Marcellus Kjeberg left last Friday for Galveston to spend the Xmas with his parents.

Supt. W. S. Fleming was in Waco this week attending the State Teacher's Association.

Mrs. W. E. Barbee and daughter went to Caldwell last Friday to spend the Holidays.

Miss Billie Gustavus is at home from Santa Ana to spend the week with her parents.

Miss Idie Volke is at home from the University to spend the week with her parents.

Miss Lizzie Alexander came in from Abilene the latter part of last week and is spending the week with her parents.

Mrs. W. S. Fleming and daughter Mary visited in Bronte this week at the home of her sisters Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

MORE CREAM WANTED.

Why sell your butter for 15 to 20 cents when you can get 27 to 29 cents net f. o. b. Ballinger for butter fat?

Send us a trial shipment.
DONNELL CREAMERY CO.
BELTON, TEXAS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. E. Wood left Friday to visit Brenham and Cleveland and while away, Lige will take a hunt in the Piney Woods.

Among the out of town attendant of the Beaumont-Ward nuptials were Mrs. R. A. Hall and Miss Frar Baker.

Mrs. Walter Robertson and daughter of San Angelo were here Xmas with Mrs. Robertson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Chastain.

Wm. Ballew, one of the valued employers at R. A. Risser and Co's store spent Xmas with his parents at Novice.

Frank LaMotte, Sr of Galveston is here this week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Lill Chastain and his grandchildren.

Juge Charles Rogan of Austin was here the latter part of last week to interview C. A. Doose in regard to their interest in this county.

J. K. Hutton is spending the week at home with his family. He is now located at Rising Star in the Lumber business.

H. Clemens who owns considerable property in our county left last week for his home at New Braunfels, to spend the Holidays.

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BELTON, TEXAS.

New Year Greetings!

To one and all we thank you for your patronage during the past year, and we wish for you a prosperous New Year.

Ostertag Furniture Co.

"Ballinger's Leading Furniture House"
Ballinger, Texas

Coal and Wood

We have Good Coal at \$6.50 per Ton Also Better Coal--get our Prices. Best Oak Wood--always on hand. Phone 120. **C. J. Lynn & Br**

Be Happy!

Happy the girl, or woman, who has never suffered from any of the diseases of womanhood! Or, if she has been a sufferer, happy is she if she has learned of the wonderful benefits of Cardui, the woman's tonic!

Cardui is a gentle, tonic remedy, for women's ailments. It is a natural medicine—safe, harmless, purely vegetable. It has been in successful use for more than 50 years. It has cured thousands. It should do the same for you.

TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

Mrs. Mary Neely, of Denver, Tenn., says, "I think there is no tonic on earth, as good as Cardui. I used it with the very best results. I had backache and nearly everything a woman could suffer with, until I took Cardui. Now, I feel better than I have for two years. I shall always recommend Cardui to other suffering women. I can't praise it too highly. As a medicine for weak, tired, worn-out women, Cardui is safe and reliable. Try it, today.

Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. 156

IF IT IS LUMBER YOU WANT

The Ballinger Lumber Co is ready to fill your wants, at the same old stand, with prices that are right. We carry a complete line of building supplies and mill-stuff. Call on us.

J. R. McVAY, Manager.

HAULING!

Give me a part of your hauling. Promptness is my motto.

W. R. BUSHONG

Phone No. 401 Ballinger, Texas

Lee Maddox

Real Estate, Loans, Fire, Life and Accident Insurance.

Promptness, Safety and Reliability are my mottos.

Office over Reeves Ptg. Comp'y Ballinger Texas

Cotton Seed

In Exchange for Cotton Seed we will give Three Tons of Cotton Seed Hulls for One Ton of Cotton Seed, and let you have Cotton Seed Meal at the Market Price less 10 per cent when paid in Cotton Seed.

THE Ballinger Cotton Oil Co.

Ballinger, Texas

Dr. W. A. Gustavus, Dentist. Over F. & M. State Bank. 11-t.

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

COTTON SEED FOR SALE.

Big Bowl Rowdon, at my place near Fort Chadbourn at 75 cents per bushel—

Henry Jacobs. Fort Chadbourn. 5t pd.

Cotton Insurance.

We would be glad to show you at what a small expense you could carry insurance on your cotton.

A. F. Voss & Co. tf.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is that not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? Sold by all dealers.



Saddles and Harness

Bits, Blankets and Horse Goods of all kinds to be had for very moderate prices at our establishment. STYLE and QUALITY in all our Saddles and Harness. Fine selected leather, guaranteed to outwear any other Saddle or Harness purchased at the same price. Yours for business,

H. L. WENDORF. Ballinger, Texas.

HER WEIGHT INCREASED FROM 100 TO 140 POUNDS.

Wonderful Praise Accorded Peruna the Household Remedy

Mrs. Maria Goertz, Orienta, Oklahoma, writes: "My husband, children and myself have used your medicines, and we always keep them in the house in case of necessity. I was restored to health by this medicine, and Dr. Hartman's invaluable advice and books. People ask about me from different places, and are surprised that I can do all of my household work alone, and that I was cured by the doctor of chronic catarrh. My husband was cured of asthma, my daughter of earache and catarrh of the stomach, and my son of catarrh of the throat. When I was sick I weighed 100 pounds; now I weigh 140. "I have regained my health again, and I cannot thank you enough for your advice. May God give you a long life and bless your work."

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

George Murray son of Will Murray of this city came in from Little Rock, Ark., last Friday to spend the holidays.

Children take BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP willingly because it tastes nice. There isn't a better remedy anywhere for children's coughs, hoarseness and bronchitis. It's a good medicine and easy to take. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Mrs. R. C. Watkins, after a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. B. B. Stone, left Friday for Dallas, where she will visit awhile before returning to her home, Houston.

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a druggist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years," says Enos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market." Sold by all dealers.

J. D. Justice, who lived here a number of years, but who has been living in Brady quite awhile has moved back to Ballinger to make his home.

Here is a woman who speaks from personal knowledge and long experience, viz., Mrs. P. H. Brogan, of Wilson, Pa., who says, "I know from experience that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is far superior to any other. For a cough there is nothing that excels it." For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Day returned home from Abilene Thursday night where they had been to attend the funeral of J. D. McCanant, father of Mrs. Day.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Miss Mary Louise Parramore, a student of Simmons College, Abilene is spending the holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Parramore.

WHY TAKE CALOMEL?

When Simmons' Liver Purifier is so easy and pleasant, yet acts just as thoroughly as those harsh purgatives. In yellow tin boxes only. Price 25c. Tried once, used always.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Jackson of Waco visited the Family of R. W. Bruce a few hours Tuesday. Mrs. Jackson was formerly Miss Mamie Kidd, of Taipa.

Deep-seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP you get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a HER-RICK'S RED PEPPER POROUS PLASTER for the chest, free with each bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

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

WEALTH OF FARMER GROWS THE FASTEST

RURAL INCREASE 117 PER CENT AGAINST CITY'S 59

121 NEW TOWNS IN TEXAS

During the past decade the value of our property assessed as town and city lots, which includes the lands and buildings within our city limits, has advanced in value from \$189,760,828 in 1900 to \$506,255,238 in 1910, making an increase of \$317,495,410 or 167 per cent, but city property not being rendered at its true value it is likely that its actual increase in value will exceed \$600,000,000. No attempt is made to separate the value of the buildings from the value of the land within our city limits by either the State Comptroller or the Federal Census Bureau and the information is therefore not available.

The Federal Census shows that we have built 121 new cities during the past decade, and our city population has increased from 559,872 in 1900 to 938,104 in 1910, making an increase of 378,232 or 67 per cent. We now have twenty cities with ten thousand population and over, and three cities that approximate 100,000 in population.

The per capita increase in wealth of city population, taking the assessed value of city lots and buildings as a basis, has advanced from \$339 in 1900 to \$540 in 1910, making an increase of \$210 per capita or 59 per cent.

Compare these figures with those of the per capita increase in farm wealth and we find the farmer has made an increase of 117 per cent against an increase of 59 per cent within our cities. These figures prove that we have greater opportunities on the farm for money making than in the city and if our citizenship could fully appreciate the force of this comparison it would turn the tide of our population back to the soil.

Texas has probably suffered less from the rush of its citizenship from the farm to the city than any other State in the Union. While our cities have shown a rapid increase in population our farms have considerably more than held their own. Our cities have been built up by immigration, inter-state and foreign, and have drawn very little from the farms.

The Development Dollar.

There is no part of our circulating medium so important to our progress as the development dollar. It is the empire builder. It is the most active, generous and peaceful of our legal tender and it is constantly seeking to develop our latent resources. It opens our mines, builds our factories, our railroads and our large industrial enterprises, and it is always a busy dollar.

Its inordinate desire for activity and its forgiving spirit makes it a target for legislation and rather than lie idle, it will submit to most any legislative handicap and plead guilty to most any charge, provided it is permitted to return to its appointed task without delay. Its generosity makes it the most popular dollar in circulation for wherever invested, it makes a free and equitable distribution of values to adjoining property. It wields a powerful influence in civilization. It has forced governments to sign treaties of peace and at its bidding nations have sprung into life or sunk into oblivion.

Its presence in a country is a sure sign of prosperity and its absence a most withering blight. Trace our development dollar to its source and we have located the money centers of Europe and America and we are drawing from them a million dollars per day and putting it into the industrial life of the State.

The domestic dollar can never develop Texas. It is already at work; at least as much of it as cares to labor. A dollar that withdraws from one investment and embarks in another has added nothing to the volume of our circulation medium or increased the amount of our property. It is the foreign dollar that adds volume and brings new property into the State. Property is the basis of prosperity and a dollar that moves into the community brings with it as much community prosperity as the dollar taken from the soil. We must look to the foreign dollar to build Texas. There is no



New Year

Is about here don't you want a suit or over coat made to your measure. If not probably you want your old suit cleaned and pressed—made to look new. We do all kinds of tailoring, cleaning, pressing, altering and repairing of ladies' and men's clothes. Phone 292. 8th Street

C. C. Gilliam Merchant Tailor

AGE NO BAR.

Everybody in Ballinger is Eligible.

Old people stooped with suffering. Middle age, courageously fighting.

Youth protesting impatiently; Children, unable to explain; All in misery from their kidneys.

Only a little backache first. Comes when you catch a cold. Or when you strain the back. Many complications follow. Urinary disorders. Bright's disease.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for sick kidneys.

Are endorsed by thousands. J. H. Taylor, farmer, Oxien Texas, says: "About five years ago we had occasion to use Doans Kidney Pills in our family and they proved of great benefit. My son complained of weakness, and pains in his back and hips and his kidneys were disordered, the kidney secretions being discolored. When Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to our attention we procured a box and through their use, the boy was completely cured. I am only too glad to recommend this remedy to other kidney sufferers."

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.

Rev. and Mrs. Carter of Rosebud, Texas, after a weeks visit with Edwin Day and family left Monday for their home. Mrs. Carter is a sister of Mrs. Day.

WANTED—A good girl or woman to do general housework for family of four; good wages. Address Mrs. W. M. Garrison, Voss, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Wade of Trenton Tennessee are the guests of Mr. Wade's mother and two brothers J. B. and Isam, arriving here last Friday.

All parties are hereby notified that my place on Valley Creek is posted and anyone found trespassing, fishing, or hunting without my permission will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. J. W. Raby, Ballinger Texas.

J. W. POWELL.

Has homes for sale or rent in all parts of City. \$50 cash and monthly payments like rent will buy a home. Nov-Dec-Jan

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson, went Lometa last Sunday and spent Xmas with Mr. Jackson's parents. Mr. Jackson returned Tuesday, but Mrs. Jackson and Emily Alby will spend a week there.

Kenzie Routh is at home from Glascock county to spend a few days; he is well pleased with the West, and says a man can stay there with his friends, when he has nothing to do.

J. W. POWELL.

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Mrs. C. B. Mallory of Terrell was here to attend the Knight De Loach nuptials this week. Mrs. Mallory is a sister of the groom.

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. F. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists. 52 t

MORE CREAM WANTED.

Why sell your butter for 15 to 20 cents when you can get 27 to 29 cents net f. o. b. Ballinger for butter fat. Send us a trial shipment. DONNELL CREAMERY CO. BELTON, TEXAS.

After spending Xmas with hon. folks J. W. Godwin and R. A. Nelson left Tuesday for Andmore where they are buying cotton.

CALUMET BAKING POWDER

SEE how much better makes the baking

SEE how much more uniform in quality

SEE how pure—how good

SEE how economical—and

SEE that you get Calumet

At your Grocer's

NOT MADE BY THE TRUST

CALUMET BAKING POWDER

CALUMET BAKING POWDER CO. CHICAGO

AMPLE CURED OLD PERSON'S BOWEL TROUBLE

The most remarkable proofs of unusual laxative merit consist in Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin being effective not only in people of all ages, but at the prime of life, but at the advanced age. As many letters received from mothers regarding their children, as from men and women of sixty, seventy and eighty years of age. It must be truly a wonderful laxative.

In the cure of constipation and bowel trouble in old people it has no equal. It corrects the constipation, dispels the headache, biliousness, drowsiness after eating, etc. People advancing in years should see to it that their bowels move freely, and if they do not to take Dr. Caldwell's

Syrup Pepsin. You can prolong your life by healthy bowel action. Clogged bowels invite disease. Women about to pass the menstrual period cannot do better than use Syrup Pepsin several times a week until the system has settled to its future condition.

Among the strongest supporters of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin are Mr. W. G. Zorn of New Decatur, Ala., and Mr. George S. Spaulding of the National Soldiers' Home, Kansas, both elderly men. The regular size bottles can be bought at any drugstore at fifty cents and one dollar, but a free sample bottle can be had by sending your address to the doctor.

Address him Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 402 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

Women are Illogical.

Maiter Henri Robert, who is delivering course of lectures on femininity, in speaking of women criminals this week said that there was no difference between them and other women. This shocked his audience, which was made up mostly of women, and so he explained says the Public Ledger:

When driven to defend themselves he said, female culprits showed far more vivacity and spirit than male prisoners. Men had invented logic, which, as we all know, turns out to be sheer nonsense in practical life. Women do not care for logic. They defend themselves better without it. Man is hampered by a terrible quality, that of sequence. He can not get the sequence of ideas and thing out of his head. Women can do very well without it, and succeed much better. Their ideas takes to flight when necessary, and that is a more radical solution.

Nowhere have we a better opportunity than in the Assize Courts he says, of the wonderful power and practical utility of the female mind. It is capricious, mutable, subtle, paradoxical, and most disconcerting. Just when man who want it to be the contrary. The woman succeeds. She is independent of reality, and can even afford to ignore the truth. She is an adept in the art of reply aside from the question. She can triumphantly dodge any attempt at logic. As an example, we have that of a lady who wore a big hat at a theatre. A gentleman, with his wife and little daughter, was sitting in a stall behind and could not see. He very politely suggested the removal of the hat. The lady turned around, and looking with daggers in her eyes at the daughter, she replied: "You ought to know that this play is not for little girls." The whole feminine soul is in what "you ought to know."

Sims Pays \$4.25 Per Hundred for Steers.

What is considered the fanciest price ever paid for cattle in San Angelo has just been recorded in the deal for 326 steers, which D. E. Sims, of Paint Rock, Wednesday, purchased from Tol Cawley at \$4.25 per hundred weight.

The steers have an estimated average weight of 925 pounds. At \$4.25, the price per head would be \$39.31.

The lot is said to be the best produced on strictly grass in a long time. The bunch includes three, four and five year-olds that are now on pasture just north of the city. They are to be weighed this afternoon.

Delivery is to be made at once and Mr. Sims will have them driven to his ranch in Concho county.—San Angelo Standard.

Card of Thanks.

We wish through the columns of your paper to express our grateful thanks to each and all our friends who have shown their friendship to us during the illness and death of our darling boy James. The acts may have seemed small to you but they were larger to us, and while we loved all the people in Ballinger before, we love them even more now. May God bless you.

J. W. Powell & Family.

E. C. Saunders and son Harold are spending the week here visiting relatives.

County Clerk O. L. Parrish spent Xmas with Mr. Larishes parents at Norton.

Mrs. D. J. Caruthers of Wichita Falls is here visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. R. B. Truly.

A good second hand surry for sale.

J. W. Powell. 2t

A. Cambridge, who has resided on Valley Creek for some years left this week for Knowles, New Mexico to make his home.

FOUND—on street of Ballinger, a key, marked EX24. Owner can get same by paying for this notice at this office.

TEXAS APPLES BRING SPLENDID DIVIDENDS

NO PRODUCT PAYS ANY BETTER TEXAS FIGURES SHOW.

5,000,000 TREES BEARING

The apple has always played an important part in the history of the human race. It was an apple rosy and red that attracted the attention of Eve and she gave to Adam, who according to Holy Writ, "did eat" and ever since that eventful day the apple has been a favorite diet of mankind. It was an apple falling to the ground that stirred the brain of Newton and he gave us the laws of gravitation. It was an apple tree upon which grafters first plied their vocation and so successful were their operations that the profession has since flourished so rapidly as to menace civilization. It was a Texas apple that was awarded the first premium at the World's Fair in St. Louis in 1904 and no State has ever been able to wrest from us this undisputed evidence of our superiority as an apple producing State.

It is the most obedient plant in the vegetable kingdom and yields implicitly to the genius of man; it will change color, size, flavor, maturity and durability at the touch of a master hand. It is undoubtedly the most universal, resourceful and profitable of commercial fruits.

The northern tier of counties has long been known as the banner section in apple production, but is now dividing honors with the Pecos country and the Panhandle.

Some idea of the increase in the apple industry in Texas may be gained when we consider that the number of trees in the State today is more than five millions, while in 1870 there were less than 300,000 trees. The following table, taken from the reports of the Department of Agriculture, shows the progress of the apple industry by decades:

1870.....	290,000
1880.....	550,000
1890.....	662,000
1900.....	1,485,000
1910.....	5,000,000

Texas offers to the orchardist a soil and climate that will give vigor and productive power to the trees, color and flavor to the fruit and an established reputation to the product.

The Texas Dollar.

The Texas born dollar, taken from the soil and from the bowels of the earth, is the most honest dollar in circulation and has more prosperity in it than any other form of legal tender. It spends the week days at the markets and goes to church on Sunday and has few bad habits. It builds our homes, churches and school houses and when these tasks are completed its love for the fireside leads it to prefer doing chores for the family rather than embark in the gigantic enterprises of the 20th century civilization.

It takes special delight in buying the baby a new dress; providing ease and comfort for the home and taking the family on a summer vacation. It is timid and clannish. It will shy at a railroad or a factory like a young colt at a locomotive. As a rule it avoids foreign company and seeks select companions; it travels only in well trodden paths and when it wanders in new fields it soon becomes frightened at the strange sights and goes scampering to the land of its birth.

Along with the noble traits of character, it has inherited some of the frailties of human nature, and one of the most pronounced is idleness. We have \$279,000,000 on deposit in our banks, some of our specie hides in tin cans buried in the back yards and occasionally a roll of bills is snugly tucked away in the history of the family; the idle dollar seldom moves except to run from the tax assessor. Then we have dollars which are inclined to wander; probably \$100,000 per day leaves the State seeking foreign investments, but like the prodigal son, they usually return after having sown their wild oats and they come home to us broken in spirit, subdued in courage and other evidences of a mis-spent life and in some instances bring with them a severe case of hook worm. In any event they are too cautious to step outside the bank vault. Many a dollar is now chained to foreign investments that is sadly singing home, sweet home.

The Texas dollar can never develop Texas. The volume is, entirely too small and it lacks courage. But with all its faults we love it still and the Texas dollar is a welcomed guest wherever and whenever.

COTTON SEED!

We want your Cotton Seed. See us before you sell.

SPECIAL PRICES

On Groceries this Month.

Respectfully,

A. L. SPANN & CO.

JUDGE GOODWIN READS DECISION.

Judge Goodwin renders decision in favor of Win Smiley in the recently contested Injunction case which was tried here last week, in which it was sought by the Trustees of the Methodist Church to prevent Mr Smiley from erecting a Livery Stable on a lot adjoining the Methodist Church property and the decision being in favor of Mr Smiley he will be permitted to go ahead with his propose improvements, unless an appeal is taken.

Mr. J. H. King and family, of Corsicana, spent Xmas with the family of Bob Corum, returning home Tuesday.

C. C. Gannaway was in from his Wingo home Wednesday doing some trading and was a pleasant call. He said he wanted to take advantage of our liberal offer and get two papers for the price of one.

CHRISTMAS TIME IN BALLINGER.

Christmas was a very quiet time in Ballinger and was marked by no particular excitement of any kind. Many citizens were out of the city visiting relatives and many strangers and old timers were here to visit friends.

H. L. Chapman and W. H. Rogers passed through Wednesday enroute from their home, Winters, to Bell county to visit.

Earl and Tom Collins after a pleasant visit with their parents, J. S. Collins and wife, left Wednesday for Waco, where they are engaged in the Carpenter's trade.

G. P. Stall Worth of Lot, Texas visited his father, Nick Stallworth down the River this week.

Miss Blanche Baker of Dallas is visiting relatives here.

MANY, MANY THANKS!

To One and All for Favors of 1911. May we ALL have a More Prosperous 1912.

WILBOURN, The Photographer.

A Prosperous New Year

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Tom Cunningham of Morrisville Mo., an old friend and schoolmate of J. F. Lusk was here Wednesday a short while and called on Mr. Lusk. Mr. Cunningham and family live at Morrisville, Mo., and are visiting the family of D. E. Sims, near Paint Rock.

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The following resolutions, touching on the death of the late Wm. T. Stromeyer, who, at the time of his death, was Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager of the West Texas Telephone Company, were unanimously adopted at a Directors' meeting of the above company held Wednesday, December 20, 1911:

WHEREAS, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst one whose influence and example have, for over four years, been an inspiration to us, and the memory of whose fair mind, sound judgment and absolute integrity and honor will always be a lesson for all with whom he came in contact;

We, the Board of Directors of the West Texas Telephone Company, desire to put on record our sense of irreparable loss in the death of Wm. T. Stromeyer, November 15, 1911. And do order to be set aside one page of our minute book, upon which shall be inscribed his name, his age, his time of faithful service as General Manager of this Company, and the date of his death.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to his sorrowing family in their overwhelming grief, and do order that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife.

G. N. Harrison,
1st Vice President
R. G. Hollingsworth,
2nd Vice President,
J. H. McKee,
Sect.-Treas. Pro Tem.

Personals

W. G. Knight, of Corpus came in at noon Monday the marriage of his visit home folks a few

ner, Supt. of the School, was a visitor Saturday and Sunday the guest of C. P. Shepherd.

COTTON.

The Ginning Season is now on and we are prepared to do your ginning, and solicit your patronage. Thanking you for past favors, I am,

Yours very truly
C. W. Towler & Co.
Phone No. 469 Ballinger Texas.

J. D. Smith, of Killeen, came in Tuesday to unload his household goods and about the first of the year will take them out near Winters where he and his family will make their future home.

UND—on street of Ballinger, marked EX24. Owner can come by paying for this notice's office.

G. Campbell left Wednesday evening for Santa Anna to his wife and baby, who left lay for that point. They spend several days with Mr. Campbell's mother, Mrs. N. G. bell.

COTTON.

Ginning is now on

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1912

BUSINESS!

We Wish All A Happy and Prosperous New Year

GINBOTHAM-CURRIE WILLIAMS CO. TEXAS

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Misses A of Brownwo friends this

Mr. Kenn chant was friends Chris

Mr. and Mrs. Childress, came visit during the no.

A. T. Campbell Tuesday for Santa Anna friends a day or two.

V. Rosenwasser, er, came in Sunday to holidays with relatives; linger friends.

Loon Ward, the San ware merchant, is the holidays and Ballinger

J. J. I come in with his friends.

Miss Ila day evenin, Xmas day w and Mrs. Arch.

Ed. S. McCarver, a former valued city, came in Sunday his wife and visit re friends a few days.

Guion Grigg, of San A came in at noon Tuesday to Xmas with Ball and friends.

Mrs. Will nlap friends in Miles friends week.

Miss Edna McShan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McShann came in Friday night from Bangs where she has been teaching, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. C. F. Dickinson and son Kyle Reed came in from their Wingate farm this week and spent a few days looking after business matters.

Miss Ruby Embry, a student in the State University, is a home spending vacation with her parents of this city, Walter Embry and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watkins are here from Sweetwater visiting Mrs. Watkin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wright of Sweetwater, came in Sunday to spend Xmas with her father, Wm. Dorse and family, of city.

Ben F. Allen, was hurt Saturday night, and in the fall from his buggy had his hip badly fractured. He was starting home when a wagon and team ran into his buggy, causing a general smash up. We are glad to report he is doing nicely at present.

Mrs. R. A. Dickinson and children, after an absence of some weeks visiting friends at Sonora, came in Saturday, and Bob is now in a happier mood, than when he was batching it alone.

Rev. George F. Kornegay Talpa passed through Tuesday en route from Miles to his home. He ate dinner with his mother and four brothers Monday was the first time in years that all the family been together.

M. Rosenwasser and daughter, Miss Fannie, of Seguin, Texas are here on a visit to relatives and friends during the holidays. He is a brother-in-law of our city.

VALUES
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as Increases
Million.

tax assessors' 946,934 acres of approximately 11,000, and not on the tax owned by the State, taxation, or assessed as city lots. The assessed land has increased from 1900 to \$6.51 per acre, making a total increase of 5,000 in assessed land when we consider that used at probably less than its true value, we find an increase in farm land of 100,000,000. The Federals verify this estimate with a net increase of 163 per cent.

of our have built during the past decade that \$64,000 property. alone has a billion. The favorable have been in the products to earlier and in betterly increasing the action. The improvement highways has in increasing values migration agents are enlarge share of credit for

population in 1900 was 338 and in 1910 the census give us 2,958,838, making an increase of 469,592 people on our 46th per capita of our buildings of our valuation 1900 was \$160 and in 1910 it is \$347 per capita, an increase of \$187 per cent, which means a way of prosperity of the Texas farmer. We have opened up during the past decade 64,187 farms and now have a total of 416,477 farms in operation and the average size of our farms shows a decrease of from 357 acres in 1900 to 262 acres in 1910, or an average of 95 acres per farm, all of which has undoubtedly had a strong influence in increasing the wealth per capita of the Texas farmer.

Texas Farm Mortgages.

According to the Federal Census for 1910, we have 416,377 farms in Texas, and only 131,161 of these farms are owned by the farmers who operate them; we have 219,106 tenant farmers, 2,278 farms operated by managers and 63,832 farmers who partly own their farms.

There are only 32 per cent of the farmers of Texas who now own their farms, and in 1900 there were 38 per cent of our farmers who owned their farms, free from debt, showing a decrease of six per cent in the number of farmers who own their farms. In the absence of detailed reports, we can only speculate as to the causes that have led to this undesirable result.

We have opened up during the past decade 64,187 new farms and a portion of the increase in indebtedness will undoubtedly be found in this item. A large number of immigrant farmers have come to us and, as a rule, they buy farms and make only partial payments. The young farmer starting out in life may be justified in buying a farm on credit, but certainly there is no good business reason why the Texas farmers who have been farming for years should be in debt or why a tenant farmer should not, in the course of time own his farm and if such results cannot be reasonably hoped for, then there is something wrong with our economic system.

Sam has given us facts and figures, but he leaves us to solve our own problems. When we consider that 352,545 farmers have been or have mortgaged farms, we have a conception of the tremendous importance of the problem. The question would seem to justify thoughtful consideration at the hands of our economists, if indeed it warrants the attention of the legislature.

Next to the importance of a bountiful Providence in getting the farmer out of debt, is cheap money. The farmer can pay 10 or 12 per cent interest and prosper and no industry can thrive unless Texas should have money market such

MAN ARRESTED FOR FORGERY

Quite a flurry of excitement occurred here Thursday afternoon about three o'clock when it was discovered that an attempt had been made to pass a forged check on the First National Bank.

About 1:30 in the afternoon a gentleman appeared at Teller Whit Patterson's window of the First National Bank of this city and presented for payment a check in the sum of \$12.50. The check was purported to have been drawn by W. A. Pace who resides at Wingate, and payable to the order of Will Spires, and was endorsed by Will Spires. Whit Patterson refused to cash the check because he doubted the genuineness of the signature, and referred the matter to Cashier R. G. Erwin, and Mr Erwin questioned him about the matter, and the man at the window, supposed to be the said Will Spires, said he did not want to go to the trouble and expense to phone Wingate and asked to have the check returned but this Mr. Erwin refused to do.

Later W. A. Pace was phoned to and he denied the execution of the check and then the officers got busy to find the mysterious man who attempted to pass the forged instrument and about three o'clock a gentleman was taken in charge who declared that his name was Simon James and denied any knowledge of the whole transaction, but he was carried into the bank for identification and Messrs Patterson, Erwin and Dick Thorpe all declare that he was the identical man who posed at the window as Will Spires and who attempted to pass the check, and upon this and other investigation Sheriff Flynt placed the suspected man in jail to await further investigation.

MAN BURNS TO DEATH

Fire Destroys Colorado Hotel Friday Morning—Loss \$8,000, Partly Covered by Insurance.

Fire destroyed the Colorado Hotel early Friday morning in this city and one man was lost in the flames. When the proprietor was awakened by flames he had barely time to rescue the family from death. A Mr. Irwin an old gentleman who resides four miles from Bradshaw was occupying one of the rooms in the upper story and was burned to death. Mr. Wood says that he rushed to his room and woke him up and told him to follow and he supposed that he had done so, but when he (Mr. Wood) escaped from the room he discovered that the old man had not done so, and by this time there was no escape.

The Hotel was insured for \$3000 and the contents for \$1500 which only covers a part of the loss.

Nothing more is known of the man who was burned to death than that he was in Ballinger Thursday and missed his train that afternoon and went to the Colorado Hotel to spend the night and lost his life.

Mr. Wood barely escaped with his life when he went to the old gentleman's room and woke him and he feels like he did all in his power to prevent the awful tragedy.

WANTED—A good girl or woman to do general housework for family of four; good wages. Address

Mrs. W. M. Garrison, Voss, Texas.

SAM JONES GOES TO LOUISIANA FOR BRIDE.

Sam Jones, who is connected with the Central Drug Store, leaves this afternoon over the Santa Fe for Monroe, Louisiana, where he will be married Wednesday to Miss Nellie M. Handy a popular Monroe girl. The couple will return to San Angelo Saturday morning, and will be at home for a few weeks with Mrs. Lucy Brewer, at 306 West Harris avenue.

Mr. Jones will be met at Ballinger by his sister, Miss Priella Jones who will accompany him to Monroe. Miss Handy terminated an extended visit in San Angelo in October when she left for her Monroe home. She is a member of one of the best Louisiana families and has many friends in San Angelo—Standard.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters advertised, December 23, 1911.

Aikman, Mr. T. S.
Hodge, Mr. Milton,
Littlefield, Miss, Minnie,
Moore, Mr. B. F.

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.

J. F. Lusk was among the number this week to take advantage of our most liberal offer and get two papers for the price of one. Mr. Sul scriber you had better take advantage of this as we have extended the tin to Feb. 1st 1912.

Edwin Crosson of Houston is here visiting his parents, Judge and Mrs. T. T. Crosson, during the holidays. Edwin traveled in Kansas part of this year, but was not satisfied with the Sun Flower State, and is now back at Houston, the best town on earth, so he expressed it.

Next Sunday At The Churches

Methodist Church,
Rev. E. V. Cox,
Pastor.

Service morning and evening at 11:00 and 7:15 respectively.
Subject for morning service "Over a New Road"
Subject for evening service: "The Future"

Eight Street Presbyterian Church
Rev. G. W. Fender,
Pastor.

Service morning and evening at 11:00 and 7:15 respectively.
Subject for morning service: "Look Backward and Forward"
Subject for evening service: "Influence"

Ninth Street Baptist Church
(at Library.)
Rev. W. Bion Adkins,
Pastor.
No Services.

First Baptist Church
Rev. Holmes Nichols,
Pastor.

Services morning and evening at 11:00 and 7:15 respectively.
Subject for morning service: "Pleasant Places"
Subject for evening service: "The Judgment"

LOST.

A two months old pig somewhere between Ballinger and old Runnels, a liberal reward will be paid to anyone who will deliver to John Patterson in Ballinger.

2t. B. F. Kemp.

The Banner-Leader begs to acknowledge the receipt of \$1.00 from Mrs. Virginia Phillips for a year's subscription to the Leader. Mrs. Phillips is the mother of Mrs. W. S. Morehead and resides at El Paso with Mrs. Morehead.

Miss Mattie Richardson of Moody, Texas visited Mrs. Jo B. Johnson this week.

To Our Friends and Customers:

As the Old Year is drawing to a close, we wish to thank One and All for your patronage. We have tried to maintain in Ballinger a Store that would reflect credit on the town and county, and we feel that in a measure we have succeeded, and because of this fact we feel a degree of pride.

We wish you, one and all, much prosperity.

Higdon-Melton-Jackson Co.

The Store Ahead

Ballinger, Texas

Judge Garland and wife of San Angelo spent Xmas with Jo Hardin and family.

JOHN HOFFMAN HURT.

Mr. and Mrs. Platt Straley are visiting in Comanche this week.

John Hoffman, who resides near Benoit was thrown from his wagon at

seriously hurt. His leg was broken in two places and his skull fractured, and his attending physician says that he is in a serious condition, though resting fairly well as we go to press.

LOANS

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

We can make loans on five year's straight time, or the loans to be repaid 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 5 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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E. D. WALKER, Cashier

H. GIESECKE, Vice-President C. O. HARRIS
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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.

New Year Greetings!

We wish to thank the Good People of Ballinger Trade Territory for the patronage accorded us during the past year.

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for a Happy New Year

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SHOE REPAIRING.

We are better than ever prepared to do shoe repairing. We have added some new machinery of the latest model and can do you better work than in the past. Give us a trial.

SHAFFER & MULLIN
Ballinger, Texas.

FOR RENT—A good farm. Any one desiring a place call and see me.

C. O. Harris.

No first class summer resort, as you may have observed, ever has any flies or mosquitoes for publication.

Another way to keep cool is to refuse to become hot under the collar when reading the weather report.

People who cannot go to the ball games can enjoy themselves watching the mercury make home runs.

Variety.

"What'll you have for yoh breakfast, boss?" asked the waiter in a very small town.

"What have you?"

"We's only got three breakfast dishes."

"What are they?"

"Eggs, bacon an' eggs, an' bacon."
—Washington Star.

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If you really mean that you want to drive every bit of catarrh from your nose and throat why not try a sensible remedy that is guaranteed to banish catarrh, or money back.

If you already own a little hard rubber HYOMEI inhaler you can buy a bottle of HYOMEI (pronounce it High-o-me) for only 50 cents. If you do not own an inhaler ask for the complete HYOMEI outfit which contains an inhaler, this will cost you \$1.00.

Then breathe HYOMEI and get rid of catarrh, relief comes in five minutes, a day's treatment will make you happy, a week's treatment and snuffles mucus and hawking go, another week and goodbye to catarrh. Try it today on money back plan. Sold by Walker Drug Co. and druggist

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While we were living in Montecriste, Texas, last winter and spring we had a severe breaking out on our hands and it was so severe at times it made us get up at night. We put on some of your "Hunt's Cure" and only had to rub it on a few times till we had it cured.—H. Mendenhall, Audubon Iowa. Positively guaranteed. No cure no pay. Price 50c. All dealers

DAIRY



"FLY TIME" AMONG THE COWS

Some Individual Animals Seem to Suffer More Than Others—Various Remedies Suggested.

(By WALTER B. LEUTZ)
Midsummer is known as "fly time" in the dairyman's calendar. The marked falling off in the milk flow of the dairy cows at this season of the year is looked upon as unavoidable, and is attributed by many to the worry of the stock by flies. The failure to provide an abundance of succulent forage to supplement the parched pastures seems a trifling contributory cause of the lessening milk secretion, compared with the activity of the pesky, ubiquitous fly, especially at milking time.

The flies that are most numerous about cattle are known by their common names of the stable fly and the horn fly.

The stable fly resembles the house fly very much in appearance, but differs in having the mouth parts fitted for piercing the skin and sucking the blood of animals. The eggs of the stable fly are usually laid in horse manure, the female laying from 125 to 150 in a season. The period of development from egg to adult fly is about 15 days.

The horn fly is a new pest and was first noticed in this country about 1886. The first appearance of this fly was the cause of considerable alarm among the cattle men, and the experiment stations of the various states were appealed to for information in regard to the origin and life history of this insect and for suggestions as to agencies for repelling it.

The horn fly is a small, gray fly, very much like the house fly, but smaller, measuring about three-sixteenths of an inch in length. They have the strange habit of settling in great numbers about the base of a horn, which they sometimes completely cover, a habit which gives them their common name. They confine their attention to cattle. They burrow in the hair about the shoulder, the roots of the tail and other portions of the body where they are not easily dislodged. The injury done by the horn fly is like the mosquito—a fine lancet pierces the skin, and suck the blood through the tube or sheath.

Some individual animals suffer more than others and dark colored animals more than light colored. These flies follow cattle to the barn at night and remain with them all the time.

Various remedies have been suggested by good authorities.

Destruction of larvae in the droppings by application of lime or the immediate spreading and drying of the same.

Application of tobacco powder to destroy the flies.

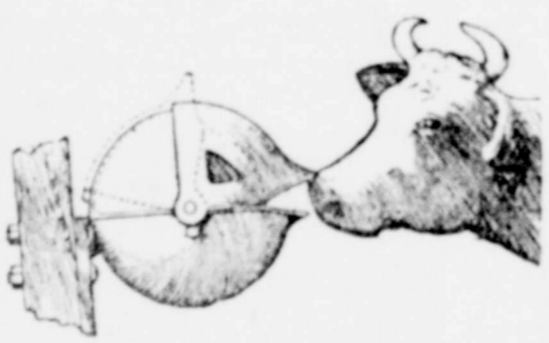
Application of one of the following repellents: Ten to fifteen per cent. kerosene in water.

Fish oil with small mixture of carbolic acid. Cottonseed oil, two parts and pine tar one part.

FEED SALT TO LIVE STOCK

Receptacle Shown in the Illustration is Designed for Use Either in Field or Corral.

The salt receptacle shown in the illustration is designed for use in a field or corral. It affords free access to the stock for obtaining the requisite amount of salt, and at the same time protects the salt from the elements and prevents waste. The opening is protected by a hood which the animal shoves open by putting his nose under it and lifting upward. When the nose is withdrawn from the



Salt-Feeding Receptacle.

opening thus made, the hood drops down again by its own weight. A sufficient opening is always left to expose the salt and attract the stock.

Handling Cows in Summer.

There is a tradition that cows will do better in warm weather than in cold weather, but experience has disproved this fact. It is often easier to reproduce summer conditions in the winter stable than it is to thoroughly protect the stock from the pests that make them go dry in summer.

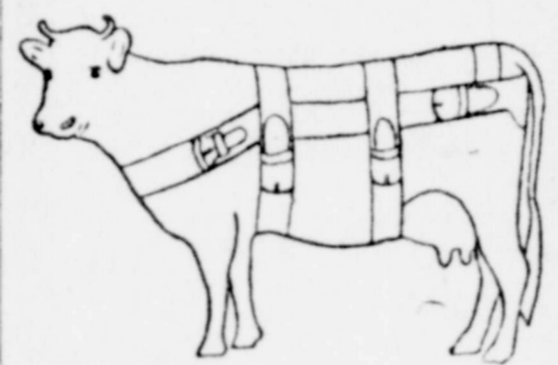
Equipment for Dairy Farm.

The cream separator, the silo and the manure spreader should find a place in the equipment of every dairy farm.

SAVES MANY VALUABLE COWS

Harness Arrangement Will Prove of Greatest Aid to Animals During Calving Time.

Many valuable cows have been lost by the womb or calf-bed following the calf. In large herds a harness, as shown, will almost always keep in the bed when there is any danger. This must be kept on for 24 hours after calving, after which time there is not much danger. The part under the tail should be extra wide and so arranged that a clean, sanitary cloth can be put next to the cow's skin. A dangerous subject very often, when lying down in the stall before calving,



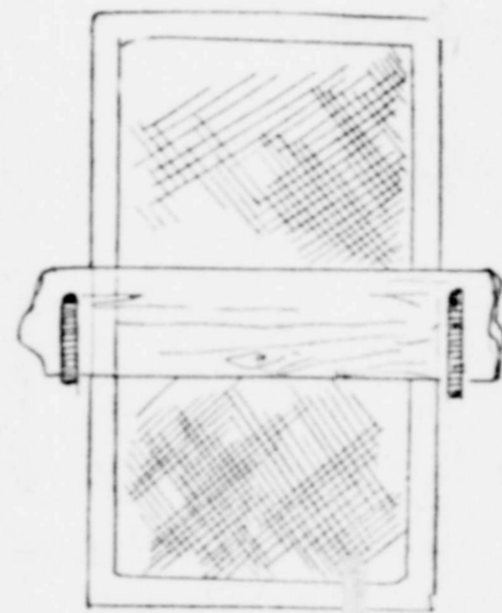
Saves the Cows.

will show an inch or so of the uterus, says a writer in the Country Gentleman. She should be carefully watched at calving, and as soon as she has calved put on the harness, which must be tightly strapped on, and then in an hour or so loosen it up to let away the after-birth or renew the sanitary cloth. It almost always happens that once a cow throws her bed she will do it again. In desperate cases two stitches can be made with a darning needle and fine white tape and left in for two days, giving sloppy drinks with a little opium in them. Raise the cow's hind end higher than her front end with inclined floor.

GOOD STABLE SCREEN DOOR

If Made of Strong Material It Can Be Secured by Wide Board to Drop Into Brackets.

If the screen door for the cow stable is made of strong material it can be secured by a wide board to drop into



A Stable Screen Door.

brackets on each side. This protects the door and is easily made at home. One end of the board should be bolted loosely to the barn, so that it may act as a pivot and the boards be raised up when the door is opened.

Food for the Growing Calf.

Growing calves should have such food as insures growth. Fat is not needed in the dairy calf. Keep the calves comfortable, summer and winter, and growth will follow as a natural result.

Best Milk Producer.

Dairy farmers should not raise or buy timothy hay for cows. Clover or alfalfa is much better as a milk producer.

DAIRY NOTES

A cross bred cow is a mistake.

Each cow's udder should be thoroughly cleansed before milking.

Bloody milk or that from a sick cow should never be mixed with wholesome milk.

The uncovered cans of milk should be kept in cold water until they are delivered to the creamery.

The use of muslin in dairy windows instead of glass is said to lessen the danger from disease germs.

The secret of success in the dairy business is, test the cows, keep records, figure, know and do not guess.

The milk from a new milch cow should not be brought to the creamery until at least a few weeks after the cow has calved.

The stable should not be cleaned or brushed nor should silage or roughage be fed until after all the cows of the herd are milked.

All milk cans should be washed first in cold water then thoroughly cleansed with warm water and finally rinsed in scalding hot water.

It really requires little care and attention to maintain milk and cream in a clean, sweet condition even during hot, sultry weather.

The cow is not working for you, but instead she is your master. The better work you do for her the larger salary she will pay you.

Whole oats, corn and wheat bran in equal parts with one-half part linseed meal added makes a good grain ration for the young calves.

When calves have a habit of sucking each other's ears it is best to separate or tie them. After they get to eating grain foods there will be no more trouble from this source.

HARDWARE! and TOOLS.



An old proverb says "The best is none too good." This is so of Hardware and tools.

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Ancient Fountain Pen.

An illustration of an "everlasting" pen found with description in a manuscript dated 1725, and signed by Sieur Bion, "purveyor to the king and maker of mathematical instruments," Paris, appears in "Popular Mechanics." Like the modern fountain pen, it was made with three principal pieces. The central section contained the ink, which flowed to the pen through a perforation. The lower cap had a threaded rod in its center, which closed the perforation in the ink container when screwed into place. The upper end of the ink container was closed by a threaded cap provided with a lead point covered by still another

REAL ESTATE LOANS

With the advent of the new year, we have several new loan companies that we have recently induced to enter Runnels county territory and are therefore in a position to take up and extend the time of your past due Vendors Lien Notes, as well as to make you first Mortgage Loans.

As our inspector will be out shortly, and it takes some time to get these matter through, you had best put in your application in advance of his coming.

For further particulars call on or write

JOSE & CO., Ballinger, Texas.

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.

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If you already own a little hard rubber HYOMEI inhaler you can buy a bottle of HYOMEI (pronounce it High-o-me) for only 50 cents. If you do not own an inhaler ask for the complete HYOMEI outfit which contains an inhaler, this will cost you \$1.00.

Then breathe HYOMEI and get rid of catarrh, relief comes in five minutes, a day's treatment will make you happy, a week's treatment and snuffles mucus and hawking go, another week and goodbye to catarrh. Try it today on money back plan. Sold by Walker Drug Co. and druggist

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While we were living in Montecriste, Texas, last winter and spring we had a severe breaking out on our hands and it was so severe at times it made us get up at night. We put on some of your "Hunt's Cure" and only had to rub it on a few times till we had it cured.—H. Mendenhall, Audubon Iowa. Positively guaranteed. No cure no pay. Price 50c. All dealer

DAIRY



"FLY TIME" AMONG THE COWS

Some Individual Animals Seem to Suffer More Than Others—Various Remedies Suggested.

(By WALTER B. LEUTZ.)

Midsummer is known as "fly time" in the dairyman's calendar. The marked falling off in the milk flow of the dairy cows at this season of the year is looked upon as unavoidable, and is attributed by many to the worry of the stock by flies. The failure to provide an abundance of succulent forage to supplement the parched pastures seems a trifling contributory cause of the lessening milk secretion, compared with the activity of the pesky, ubiquitous fly, especially at milking time.

The flies that are most numerous about cattle are known by their common names of the stable fly and the horn fly.

The stable fly resembles the house fly very much in appearance, but differs in having the mouth parts fitted for piercing the skin and sucking the blood of animals. The eggs of the stable fly are usually laid in horse manure, the female laying from 125 to 150 in a season. The period of development from egg to adult fly is about 15 days.

The horn fly is a new pest and was first noticed in this country about 1888. The first appearance of this fly was the cause of considerable alarm among the cattle men, and the experiment stations of the various states were appealed to for information in regard to the origin and life history of this insect and for suggestions as to agencies for repelling it.

The horn fly is a small, gray fly, very much like the house fly, but smaller, measuring about three-sixteenths of an inch in length. They have the strange habit of settling in great numbers about the base of a horn, which they sometimes completely cover, a habit which gives them their common name. They confine their attention to cattle. They burrow in the hair about the shoulder, the roots of the tail and other portions of the body where they are not easily dislodged. The injury done by the horn fly is by sucking, much like the mosquito. By means of a fine lancet they pierce the skin and suck the blood through the tube or sheath.

Some individual animals suffer more than others and dark colored animals more than light colored. These flies follow cattle to the barn at night and remain with them all the time.

Various remedies have been suggested by good authorities.

Destruction of larvae in the droppings by application of lime or the immediate spreading and drying of the same.

Application of tobacco powder to destroy the flies.

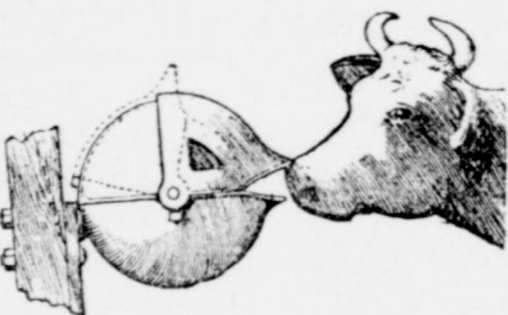
Application of one of the following repellants: Ten to fifteen per cent. kerosene in water.

Fish oil with small mixture of carbolic acid. Cottonseed oil, two parts and pine tar one part.

FEED SALT TO LIVE STOCK

Receptacle Shown in the Illustration is Designed for Use Either in Field or Corral.

The salt receptacle shown in the illustration is designed for use in a field or corral. It affords free access to the stock for obtaining the requisite amount of salt, and at the same time protects the salt from the elements and prevents waste. The opening is protected by a hood which the animal shoves open by putting his nose under it and lifting upward. When the nose is withdrawn from the



Salt-Feeding Receptacle.

opening thus made, the hood drops down again by its own weight. A sufficient opening is always left to expose the salt and attract the stock.

Handling Cows in Summer.

There is a tradition that cows will do better in warm weather than in cold weather, but experience has disproved this fact. It is often easier to reproduce summer conditions in the winter stable than it is to thoroughly protect the stock from the pests that make them go dry in summer.

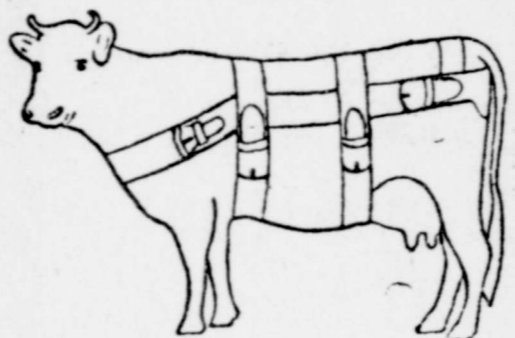
Equipment for Dairy Farm.

The cream separator, the silo and the manure spreader should find a place in the equipment of every dairy farm.

SAVES MANY VALUABLE COWS

Harness Arrangement Will Prove of Greatest Aid to Animals During Calving Time.

Many valuable cows have been lost by the womb or calf-bed following the calf. In large herds a harness, as shown, will almost always keep in the bed when there is any danger. This must be kept on for 24 hours after calving, after which time there is not much danger. The part under the tail should be extra wide and so arranged that a clean, sanitary cloth can be put next to the cow's skin. A dangerous subject very often, when lying down in the stall before calving,



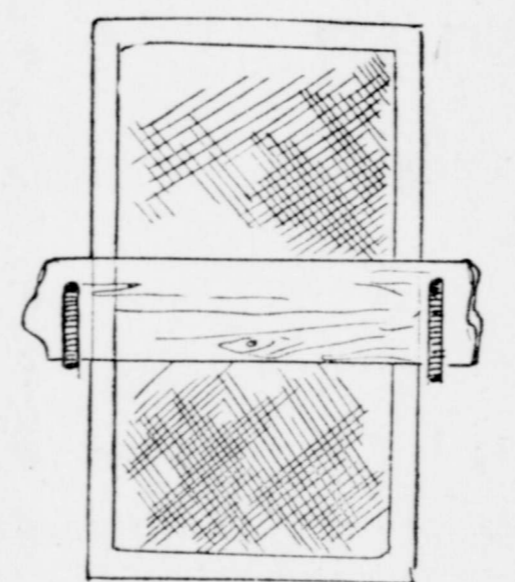
Saves the Cows.

will show an inch or so of the uterus, says a writer in the Country Gentleman. She should be carefully watched at calving, and as soon as she has calved put on the harness, which must be tightly strapped on, and then in an hour or so loosen it up to let away the after-birth or renew the sanitary cloth. It almost always happens that once a cow throws her bed she will do it again. In desperate cases two stitches can be made with a darning needle and fine white tape and left in for two days, giving sloppy drinks with a little opium in them. Raise the cow's hind end higher than her front end with inclined floor.

GOOD STABLE SCREEN DOOR

If Made of Strong Material It Can Be Secured by Wide Board to Drop Into Brackets.

If the screen door for the cow stable is made of strong material it can be secured by a wide board to drop into



A Stable Screen Door.

brackets on each side. This protects the door and is easily made at home. One end of the board should be bolted loosely to the barn, so that it may act as a pivot and the boards be raised up when the door is opened.

Food for the Growing Calf.

Growing calves should have such food as insures growth. Fat is not needed in the dairy calf. Keep the calves comfortable, summer and winter, and growth will follow as a natural result.

Best Milk Producer.

Dairy farmers should not raise or buy timothy hay for cows. Clover or alfalfa is much better as a milk producer.

DAIRY NOTES

A cross bred cow is a mistake. Each cow's udder should be thoroughly cleansed before milking.

Bloody milk or that from a sick cow should never be mixed with wholesome milk.

The uncovered cans of milk should be kept in cold water until they are delivered to the creamery.

The use of muslin in dairy windows instead of glass is said to lessen the danger from disease germs.

The secret of success in the dairy business is, test the cows, keep records, figure, know and do not guess.

The milk from a new milch cow should not be brought to the creamery until at least a full week after the cow has calved.

The stable should not be cleaned or brushed nor should silage or roughage be fed until after all the cows of the herd are milked.

All milk cans should be washed first in cold water then thoroughly cleansed with warm water and finally rinsed in scalding hot water.

It really requires little care and attention to maintain milk and cream in a clean, sweet condition even during hot, sultry weather.

The cow is not working for you, but instead she is your master. The better work you do for her the larger salary she will pay you.

Whole oats, corn and wheat bran in equal parts with one-half part linseed meal added makes a good grain ration for the young calves.

When calves have a habit of sucking each other's ears it is best to separate or tie them. After they get to eating grain foods there will be no more trouble from this source.

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Ancient Fountain Pen.

An illustration of an "everlasting" pen found with description in a manuscript dated 1725, and signed by Sieur Bion, "purveyor to the king and maker of mathematical instruments," Paris, appears in "Popular Mechanics." Like the modern fountain pen, it was made with three principal pieces. The central section contained the ink, which flowed to the pen through a perforation. The lower cap had a threaded rod in its center, which closed the perforation in the ink container when screwed into place. The upper end of the ink container was closed by a threaded cap provided with a lead point covered by still another

With the advent of the new year, we have several new loan companies that we have recently induced to enter Runnels county territory and are therefore in a position to take up and extend the time of your past due Vendors Lien Notes, as well as to make you first Mortgage Loans. As our inspector will be out shortly, and it takes some time to get these matter through, you had best put in your application in advance of his coming.

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Ballinger, Texas

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A NEW GROCERY STORE!

(At old Mixon Stand.)

To my friends and neighbors:-

We have opened up a stock of Groceries at the old stand formerly occupied by J. O. Mixon, and we ask for a **Share** of your trade. We are going to carry the best stock and will sell just as cheap as possible. Our deliveries will be prompt and your orders will be carefully filled.

Yours for business,

W. B. WOOD & SON,
Ballinger, Texas.

Letter From An Old Timer.

Carmel, California,
Jan. 19th, 1912.

Editor Banner Leader,

Dear Sir:-

Thanks to Mrs. J. Y. Pearce, we occasionally get the Banner Leader which keeps us in touch with Runnels County. It is a great pleasure to see an account of an entertainment with old familiar name mentioned therein such as the Guions, Vaughns, Giechecks, Peares, Van Pells, Francis etc. We almost feel like we are there with Mrs. Erwin, and she is handing us her biggest cups of tea. Often on a Sunday morning we look back longingly on the times, when after giving the cattle their morning's feed, there would be a general rush getting ready for church. We would arrive ten minutes late to find the congregation a ssemble and the minister standing on the church steps, watch in hand giving his country Bass and Tenor a little lea way. We would tie up the horses hurry up the hill, enter the church and on up the aisle to our accustomed choir seats. Mrs Pearce giving us a little shake of the head as we passed the organ. Then after the collection had been taken up and the Anthem sung, Judge Guion would see the minister fairly launced in his sermon, would close his eyes and slumber.

Two years ago we experienced a little bright connecting with Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Pearce and Judge Guion and daughters paid us a nice visit. We are looking forwards to that seeing a great many Ballinger people out here in 1915 at the Exposition. In the meantime we will drop you a line to let you know what's going here abouts.

Yours very truly,

Philip Wilson,
Carmel, California.

A dry, hacking cough is hard on the lungs, often causing them to bleed.

BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP is a healing balm that quickly repair damage in the lungs and airpassages. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

HORSES FOR SALE.

I will be at the Ballinger wagon yard on next first Monday with about 40 head of horses and mules, broken and unbroken, all good stuff. Also one good Jack and Standard bred Stallion. This is your chance to buy a good horse or mule. Can give time on good papers for part of this stuff.

J. S. Patterson.

P. F. Elder of Cheapsides, after a pleasant visit with his brother E. F. of this city returned home Thursday.

Joe Vancil of Winters was a Ballinger visitor Thursday.

Miss Clara Bell Harmon very kind ly helped out the Leader force this week in getting out a big fifty page aw brief.

Baking in Cold Weather.

Is a problem to the housewife. Why not let us do your baking and save all that trouble? Our bread is the best and is always fresh. A satisfied customer is the best advertisement and we have many. If you have not paid us a visit let us form your acquaintance and be friends. Good service, courteous treatment and prompt delivery is our motto.

The Ballinger Steam Bakery,
Joe Haddin, Manager.

Ed Schawe left Thursday after noon for the East and it is currently rumored that he will not return alone, though he positively refused to disclose to our reporter what his mission was when he left.

MULES FOR SALE.

I will be at the Ballinger Wagon yard on next first Monday with about 40 head of horses and mules, broke and unbroke, all good stuff. Also one good Jack and Standard bred Stallion. This is your chance to buy a good horse or mule. Can give time on good papers for part of this stuff.

J. S. Patterson.

Wm. Pumphrey, was here Thursday and paid us a call which was appreciated.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

Garlang Cook Stove. Wood or Coal fuel. In use but short time. Inquire 409-7 street.

Best for Asthma, Catarrh, Bronchitis.

Why need any one suffer from any throat or nose troubles when soothing healing HYOMEI is guaranteed to banish all misery or money back.

"The undersigned herewith recommends HYOMEI to all who are afflicted with asthma, catarrh or bronchitis. HYOMEI was used by my wife for bronchitis and asthma, and I used it for bronchitis and sore throat.

It has given relief and permanent results and I write these few lines for the benefit of all who are affected with the ailments named above." Theodore Boehlan, Traffic Manager of the Concordia Publishing House, Co. Jefferson Ave and Miami St. Coucordia Las., Jan. 2nd, 1911. Walker Drug Co. and druggist everywhere sell HYOMEI. A complete outfit including inhale costs \$1.00. Extra bottle if need be 50 cent. Just breathe it.

Poll Tax Receipts Shy.

An investigation of the Poll tax receipts issued to date shows that they are coming up shy a little. Only 1875 issued to Thursday night for the county and 250 city polls. This is much smaller than for a corresponding date last year. Some body will be denied a voter and thus be a non-entity so far as the making of our laws, electing our officers. Better get busy and get that receipt.

MULES AND HORSES FOR SALE ON CREDIT.

I will be at the Ballinger Wagon yard on next first Monday with about 40 head of horses and mules, broken and unbroken all good stuff. Also one good Jack and Standard bred Stallion. This is your chance to buy a good horse or mule. Can give time on good papers for part of this stuff.

J. S. Patterson.

U. P. Melton accompanied his wife as far as Milano Junction on her way to Cuero he stopped of a while at Milano to see an old frind Joe Burnet who owns a large tract of land near that place.

GOOD LIVER REMEDY FREE

When you suffer from any form of indigestion it is always well to take something for the liver, as usually the trouble lies there. If you are bilious, have a bloated feeling after eating, if you belch, if your skin is yellowish you may be sure it is liver trouble. What you need is something to stir up the liver, to arouse the gastric juices so that they will aid in the digestion of your food. A very good remedy for this, and one highly recommended by those who have used it, is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which you can obtain of any druggist at fifty cents or one dollar a bottle. But if you have any doubt about its merits, and would prefer to try it first, send your address to Dr. Caldwell and he will promptly send you a free sample bottle. Thousands of people first learned of this remarkable cure for stomach, liver and bowel troubles through a free sample. Mrs. Frank Lilly of Plainview, Ill., sent for one and it cured her and she is open in saying that she will never take pills or strong cathartics again, as Syrup Pepsin acts so mildly. Mr. W. L. Bryant, the Postmaster at Sardin, Tenn., says he will never be without it again. No sick person can afford to ignore a remedy so highly endorsed as this. It is good for all the family from infancy to old age, because it is mild, free from griping and yet promptly effective. Furthermore, results are absolutely guaranteed or money will be refunded. For the free sample address Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 402 Caldwell building Monticello, Ill.

Changed Hands

I have purchased the City Meat Market, and am conducting the business at the same old stand and ask for a share of your patronage. We handle Good Meats and make prompt deliveries.

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Miss Cordelia Guion is visiting her Aunt, Mrs. Gregg, of San Angelo.

Jim Sandlin of Hood County, was here Wednesday visiting his brother of this city.

F. T. Ramsey of the Austin Nursery, was here this week interviewing some of our citizens, with a view to planning some yards to be set in shade trees.

Mr. Elliott, who resides on the old Prusser place on Valley Creek received a severe blow on the head this week that causes him to have the appearance of having been to an "Irish Wake." He was driving a plow from a neighbors, when a lever flew up and struck him on the head.

J. B. Snead, granted bail in the sum of \$1000 for District Court this week.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

R. A. Terry located in Jourdington, a small town 35 miles south of San Antonio. In a letter to relatives here they say they are well pleased with their new home.

W. C. Penn was in Talpa this week inspecting some cotton for R. Penn Co.

Dr. Douglass showed the Editor a sample of German Millet raised on his farm on Valley Creek. It was in the bundle, and was five feet long had large heads on it. This millet was grown on land that first produced 65 bushels of oats per acre, then was planted in Millet afterwards, and shows what our soil is capable of producing.

Heartburn, indigestion or distress of the stomach is instantly relieved by HERBINE. It forces the badly digested food out of the body and restores tone in the stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

Robert Mass, wife of Oklahoma City are visiting Robert and wife.

Sunday School Convention.

As previously announced the Sunday School Convention for District No. 1 met Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. at the 8th street Presbyterian Church.

President Williams made a short talk explaining the nature and scope of the work, and he was followed by others.

Rev. G. W. Fender then made a talk on the duties of the Secretary. The subject of "Mission Sunday Schools" was handled by Rev. Bion Adkins, and messrs Lynn and Eiche.

Mrs. A. B. Legate was elected Secretary, after which a program committee was appointed consisting of Rev. Fender, Jo Wilmeth, and Miss Lucile Powell. This committee will prepare a program for the next meeting which will be held the second Sunday in March at 2:30 p. m. at the 8th street Presbyterian Church and will be published before that date.

Prof. E. L. Hagan returned Thursday from a three days trip out in the country, visiting the various schools, he finds things working well. He says in due time he will announce for re-election to his present office.

The liver loses its activity at times and needs help. HERBINE is an effective liver stimulant. It also purifies the bowels, strengthens digestion and restores strength, vigor and cheerful spirits. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

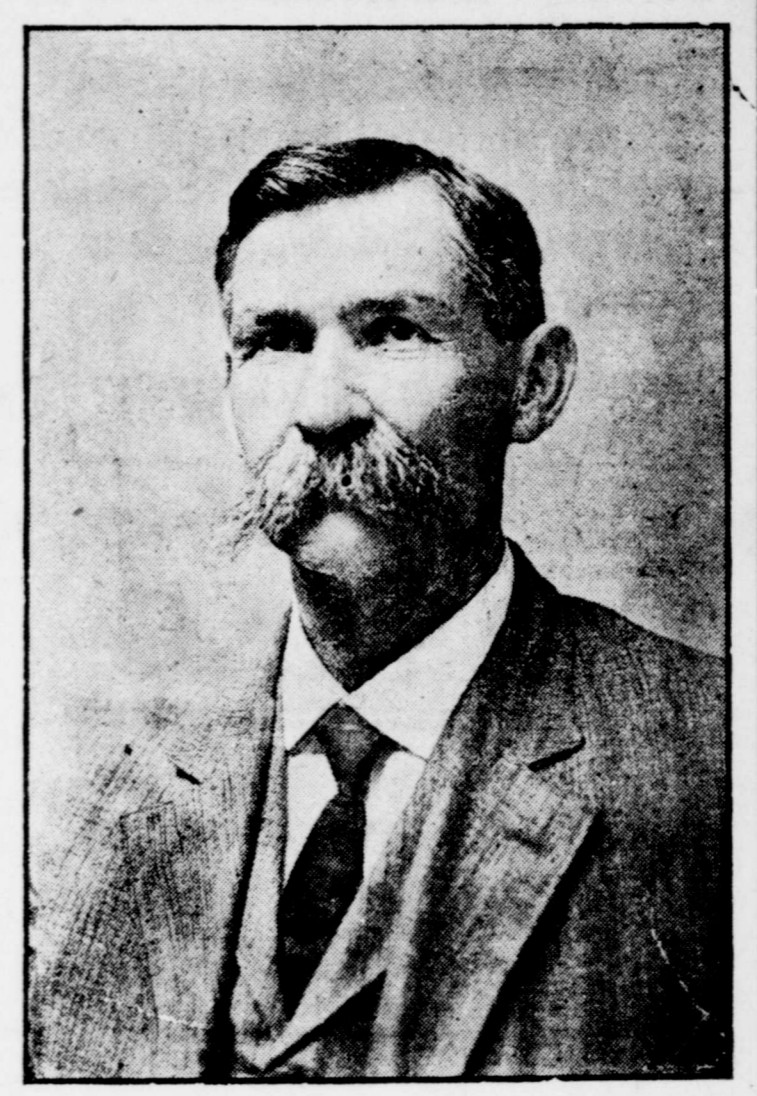
T. S. Lankford Reaching Out for Business



Ballinger's Big Supply House.

After having had about twenty years experience in the retail business in Ballinger my observations are: that almost all merchants, without an exception, do more or less credit business; that in so doing they are losers in many instances by a number of customers who do not pay their accounts; that in order for them to continue in business they have to have an enormous profit on merchandise to make up for this loss, thereby compelling the ones who do pay bear the loss on those who do not. This practices an injustice on the cash buyer. Every man should have all that a dollar will buy and should not be taxed for the fellow who does not pay. The day of big profits to the retailer who desire to do an honest legitimate business is past. The only remedy for this is a cash system based on small profits. The day has come which demands a plan of business such as I now conduct.

My business experience of twenty years is worth a great deal to my customers. I know how and where to buy in order to get the largest factory discounts. I pay cash and eliminate the big end of the wholesaler's profits. I own my store buildings and warehouses and do not have to figure rent profits as the majority do. I have on hand an enormous stock of furniture, saddlery goods, harness, household furnishings, rugs, hardware staples and manufacture saddles and all kinds of leather goods, mattresses and brooms and comforts. My plans for future business are: I will do from factory-to-cousnmer business and do a large volume of business on small profit rather than a small business on large profit. I will be represented over a large territory in the manner here presented with cuts and prices, which should be kept for reference, in order that hundreds and thousands may share in the saving which my new plan of buisness offers. I will ship either by freight or express or by mail f. o. b. Ballinger, any article of merchandise to any address on receipt of price, and guarantee every article to be as represented. I will sell only first class goods as heretofore, not desiring to be accused of competing with the Cheap John mail order houses. My references are: Any bank, business man or individual in Ballinger, or contiguous territory. My new plan of business as here outlined with its saving to the man who wants a square deal will be joyfully received by hundreds and thousands of people over West Texas, the field of my new endeavor. For those who are at a distance that prevents their calling on me and inspecting my large stock of merchandise. I here present cuts and state factory to-consumer prices, f. o. b. Ballinger, which will be shipped without delay and reach you at once, with comparatively no expense considering our low freight rates. Your distance away will not hinder in the least your tading with me, for your order, if sent by mail enclosing remittance, will have as careful, if not a more careful consideration than if you were present for it is my ambition to merit your patronage and be favored with your future orders. Figure, please, your saving by comparing my prices with others. Money returned for any article not in stock when order is received. Sundry articles not listed elsewhere on this folder are kept in stock.



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Saddle No. 6. Heavy swelled fork, heavy rigged, (sheep) lined, brass-bound stirrups, a \$60 saddle, price \$45

No. 5. Full rigged Texas Boy Tree, 12 in. seat, price \$12.50

No. 4. Full rigged Texas Boy Tree, Jockeys 14 in. seat, \$16.00

No. 3 Full rigged as shown above Texas Tree-16in. Solid Seat and Jockeys-2 1/2 in. Stirrup Leather \$25.00.

Twenty years experience in manufacturing saddles and all kinds of Leather goods justifies me in saying that no one can give better value for the same money in this line.

Our Harness department is in the hands of expert workmen and we use the very best material in manufacturing and repair work. Our reputation in this line is our best advertiser.

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This Machine is very simple, any child can run it and is Branded T. S. Lankford on the Head and is fully guaranteed in every respect. My price 18.95.

No. 105 Spring Double Cone	\$2.50	-	-	\$1.50
No. 118 Spring Single Cone	\$3.50	-	-	\$2.19
No. 122 Spring Single Cone	\$3.50	-	-	2.50

Durable Colapsible Go-Cart
A correct picture of the bug-gy you get for \$6.50

We can not begin to show in this space the goods we carry in stock. Remember we can furnish every room in your house and save you dollars in the transaction. It is to your interest to visit our store when in Ballinger.

T. S. Lankford.

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Cotton Insurance.

We would be glad to show you at what a small expense you could carry insurance on your cotton.

A. F. Voss & Co. tf.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is that not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? Sold by all dealers.



The Harness of To-day

is not the heavy, cumbersome kind that was used years ago. Harness of doubtful quality and poor finish, has been replaced by

Handsome, Light

but durable and strong Harness such as we sell. Come in and look at what we have. You'll be surprised to learn how low the Prices are.

H. L. WENDORF. Ballinger, Texas.

MC KAY CHASESES NEGRO GIRL.

City Marshall was notified early Saturday that a negro girl had eloped with a buck negro. He followed them as far as Brownwood where they gave him the dodge.

NOTICE CONSTABLE SALE.

Whereas, by virtue of an execution issued out of the Justice Court of Precinct No. 6, Runnels County, Texas, on the 4th day of January 1912, on a certain judgment therein rendered in cause No. 316 on the docket of said court, styled J. A. Lamy Mfg. Co. vs R. Wilson. Said judgment being dated December 4th 1911 and to me directed requiring me of the goods, lands and tenements of R. Wilson to make the sum of \$168.44 with interest and the further sum of \$4.00 costs of suit and the cost of executing this writ. I did, on the 8th day of January, 1912, seize and levied upon as the property of R. Wilson, the following described two tracts of land viz. In Runnels County, Texas: first tract being a part of lots No. 1 and 2 in block No. 1 in the city Miles beginning 43 feet 7 1/2 inches North of the S. W. Corner of lot 4 in Block 1 Thence E across said lots 1 and 2 40 vrs to a point in E. line of lot 2, Thence N. 19 feet for Cor. of this lot, thence W. across said lots 1 and 2 40 vrs to Cor. then S. with E. line of Robinson Street 19 feet to beginning.

Second tract being 40 acres out of the T. & N. O. R. R. Co., Sur. 85, Abst. No. 476, Cert. No. 1098, Patent No. 314, Vol. 13, Beginning at a point 900 vrs S. and 299 vrs E. of the N W corner said sur 85 being the J W Hesters S E Corner, for the beginning corner of this tract Thence E 250 yards, for the S E corner of this tract Thence N 200 3/5 yards for N E corner of this tract Thence W 250 yds to a point in J W Hesters E line for N W corner of this tract, Thence S 250 3/5 yards to beginning situated in Runnels County Texas.

Notice is hereby given, that I will on the first Tuesday in February 1912, same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door in Ballinger, Runnels County Texas, between the hours prescribed by law, sell said above described tracts of land to the highest bidder for cash.

J. L. Atwell, Constable Precinct No. 6 Runnels Co Tex.

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

The total value of Texas rice crop in the year 1911, was \$6,539,000.

The Texas & New Orleans Railroad will immediately begin the erection of a round-house at Beaumont.

T Texarkana Gas & Electric Company is building a large compressing plant on pipe line near Rodessa.

J. T. Billups was here Monday.

Oscar Golden of Memphis arrived Saturday to make his home he is a brother to John Golden.

I. S. Baldwin was here Monday with his son Judson.

Bryan Lusk left Tuesday afternoon for Fort Worth in response to a wire from the traffic Manager. He does not know just what run he will make out of Fort Worth, but thinks it will be over the Texas and Pacific.

J. H. Price was in Brownwood this week looking after business matters.

Roseoe DeMotive, is at home from Houston after an absence of some time.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR A GOOD STOMACH.

This Offer Should Be a Warning to Every Man and Woman.

The newspapers and medical journal recently have had much to say relative to a famous millionaire offer of a million dollars for a new stomach.

This great multi-millionaire was too busy to worry about the condition of his stomach. He allowed his dyspepsia to run from bad to worse until in the end it became incurable.

His misfortune serves as a warning to others.

Every one who suffers with dyspepsia for a few years will give everything he owns for a new stomach.

Dyspepsia is commonly caused by an abnormal state of the gastric juices or by lack of tone in the walls of the stomach. The result is that the stomach loses its power to digest its food.

We are now able to supply certain missing elements — to help restore to the gastric juices their digestive power and to aid in making the stomach strong and well.

We know that Rexal Dyspepsia Tablets are a most dependable remedy for disordered stomach in digestion and dyspepsia.

We want you to try them and will return your money if you are not more than satisfied with the result.

Three sizes: 25 cents, 50 cents, \$1. Remember you can obtain Rexal Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexal Store, The Walker Drug Co.

QUARANTINING.

Inasmuch as the doctors themselves do not claim to know the source of Meningitis and as horses, cattle and chickens are said to catch disease under conditions it looks like it is needless to establish quarantine anywhere although a number of the smaller towns even Shreveport La. is doing it.

The San Angelo Standard speaks humorously of the quarantine this way:

No meningitis microbe coccus bacillus or bacteria will be allowed to disturb the peace dignity and sobriety of Venus. Venus is away up in North Texas not far from Midlothian Ellis county and every town in all region threatens to follow suit. The health officers of Venus are advised that meningitis is a contract ailment and if one of her guards should come in contact with the malady on the public road at the depot or any other old place he would not be able to recognize it and might be the first to walk into town with some of the lively germs on his whiskers. The wisest thing to do by these towns that establish a quarantine is to pass an ordinance making its capital offense for any germ to be caught with out a red lantern or a cow-bell or both. Then they might be recognized. Best thing the doctors say is to clean up.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The First Quarterly Conference will be at the Methodist Church Jan. 27th, Rev. Stuart the presiding Elder will conduct the service.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar NO ALUM, NO LIME PHOSPHATE

About time to hear from the pestiferous friend up north who is "sleeping under blankets."

Still this is just the weather you were wishing for last February.

The Inspectors.

The work at Panama is an engineering convulsion. It is a jumble of heavy machinery, railroad yards, concrete mixing and distributing towers, dredges, tooting locomotives, squeaking, grinding dirt trains, dynamite explosions, black men, brown men, white men and men hiding their complexions under coatings of mud. Throughout the whole runs a purpose, a directing force and aim. But it is not for the stranger to see it.

Nevertheless, the canal job is in for another spell of inspection. A party of congressmen, habited in duck clothes and equipped with an air of wisdom, are about to start for the isthmus. They must see for themselves that every man there is doing his duty, that progress is made and that the waterway is sure enough going to be.

The Panama canal is the most thoroughly inspected piece of public work in the world. It was bound to be, seeing that the government owns the transportation lines and the hotels. Where it involves no personal expense it is folly not to look wise.

Real Tariff Board.

The only tariff board that amounts to anything is that which the tariff grafters get, plus lodging, champagne and so forth in the way of a guaranteed "reasonable profit."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

THE CHILDREN.

The point of view best taken is when parents begin to grow old. Not yet old, but with signs of age not far off. Then is the time the children are prized—if they be good children, says the New York Mail. There are few spots so dear as the house that is only a home to two, the man who built it and the woman who adorned it, they two and no more. The gray hairs tell them both that a more solitary day is coming on fast, and they think unspoken things of the happier home across the street filled with young sons and daughters. When the daughter is a companion to the mother, the son his father's chosen friend, then can be realized that there is nothing on this earth that pays such dividends of happiness as rearing a family of fine children. The touch of hands is electric, and vitality is the gift of youth and age. The voices of a beautiful woman your daughter, a manly man your son, are the sweetest music ever heard by mortal ears. They who cannot hear it will be the first to witness to this truth. It is well to tell these children what power they have. From middle life on till the end the greatest good of earth is good children.

Ocean travel has now all the comforts of home, combined with all the luxury and pleasure of travel, with danger and discomfort reduced to a minimum. Less than a week's time separates the old from the new world, and the wonderful inventions of wireless telegraphy keeps travelers in touch with the rest of the world in midocean. And it may not be very long before our present wonderful progress, which would seem miracles to Columbus and his codiscoverers, may lapse by succeeding inventions into the class of old-fashioned methods, for progress in this age is going ahead by leaps and bounds.

CAMERON LOVE.

At the Methodist Parsonage on last Thursday evening Rev. E. V. Cox united in marriage Mr. Stanley Cameron and Mrs. Lillian Love.

It was somewhat an unexpected marriage and came a surprise to their friends.

Stanley rented the Rape cottage on Eight street and immediately moved there to, where they are now making their home.

Stanley is a Ballinger boy with many friends who wish for him all the joys in his new relations. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Smith, and possesses those qualities that go to wards making a happy home. The Banner Leader joins with their many friends in the wish that flowers may bedeck their pathway as they travel down life's journey.

CANDIDATES CARDS.

The Banner Leader is especially prepared to print candidates cards. We have just ordered a large stock and can please you. Remember that job work is one of our specialties. We keep a man to attend to that department almost exclusively.

DIED.

Miles Noyes died at the Sanitarium Monday night, and his remains were prepared for burial by C. R. Crews, undertaker for Hgginsbotham Currie-Williams Co., and on Tuesday afternoon noon were shipped to Kansas City, Mo., for burial.

The deceased was a brother and brother to Guss Noyes, making his time with a chronic liver and his brother had done a possible for him, but he claimed its victim. The relatives of the deceased have the sympathy of their friends in their hours of sadness.

J. Whit Patterson attended a reception Tuesday night in San Angelo given by the Elks.

Asa Cordell and Howard G. spent several days out in the Angelo country this week.

Mrs. F. A. Ramsdell of Dallas visiting her brother Dr. W. B. H. of this city.

J. Q. McAdams of Winters was here Sunday in his car, visiting at the Northington home.

Warren Williams of Talpa is visiting his daughter Mrs. Tom Lively.

WILL GRESSETT MARRIED.

Will Gressett was married this week in Baird to a lady of that city, after the marriage they immediately returned to Wichita Falls where Will is making his home. He phoned his mother about the occurrence after they returned home.

WHO'S YOUR TAILOR?

LET C. C. GILLIAM BE YOUR TAILOR

for 1912—you will never regret it. Do you wear Clothes made to Measure? If not, why not? You can have them made to fit and hold their shape just as cheap as you can get stock goods and you can get styles that you can't get out of stocks. We have 1500 different patterns, every one all wool. I am Exclusive Representative for Ed. V. I rice & Co. and A. E. Anderson & Co., two tailoring houses that have absolutely have no equal. My Spring and Summer samples for 1912 are here. Come in and let me show you that you can get better clothes for your money. I absolutely guarantee a fit and satisfaction in every respect. I do all kinds of tailoring, Clearing, Altering, Repairing and Pressing of Ladies' and Men's Clothes.

C. C. GILLIAM

Merchant Tailor



More
Home Baking.
Better every way
than the ready
made foods

**DR. PRICE'S
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A pure Cream of Tartar
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DEAL CITIZEN

The editor of the Enterprise Judge Ramsey ever has been a lawyer. He in make his maiden and has watched the ward progress of his a Hom h much pleasure and to-night all these years there gram been one single thing who as done that has been worth a high-toned gentleman has ever questioned his ability. He has at all in the affairs of county in which and in the politics of at state of Texas. The as differed with Judge at times, but he has or one moment doubt in his earnest belief in his own utterances. While he has been aggressive in the pursuit of his opinions, it has always been without malice, anger, or venom toward those who held opposite views. Judge Ramsey has all the qualifications necessary to make Texas a great governor. He has made a success of his business affairs, he has no superior as a lawyer, and as a jurist he has a record unexcelled in Texas. He is a gentleman pre-eminently controlled by his intellect, being able to look beyond the narrow confines of prejudice or passion, and select the good from the bad, the grain from the chaff. He is a good neighbor, an exemplary citizen.



WHEN YOU COME FACE TO FACE
With one of our portraits you cannot help but express your appreciation of their excellent likeness. We do not exaggerate your good looks, but we do catch you in the position that best becomes you.
OUR PORTRAITS PLEASE
They are always perfect.
Do you believe you could use a dozen or so? They would cost have them taken here.
BALLINGER PHOTO Co.

A PICTURE OF BROTHERHOOD

Colonel Henry Watterson, the brilliant editor of the Louisville Courier—Journal lends the eloquence of his speech and the beauty of his diction to whatever subject has the fortune to enlist his mind. He spoke recently at a church dedication "Christianity Versus Theology," and his discourse was one calculated to give the soul flight.

The Journal is pleased to find the address of the Louisville editor transferred to the columns of Mr. Bryn's Commoner; and thus it sees these warriors of the democratic faith sitting together in sweet communion at the feet of the lowly and now exalted Nazarene. This is not saying that these leaders of thought, these mighty orators of the land, are in full agreement in word, but the picture is of strong men appearing together in the faith of Christ life and service. It is a picture worthy of contemplation and of admiration, illustrating how easily men may appear as brothers with bickering temptations of the devil placed behind them, when their thought is apart from passion and apart from the mischief of suspicion as to what one of the other is driven at in the way of partisan or other worldly advantage.

The note of discord is lost in the larger, sweeter note of harmony; and thus we find these brothers, with hands together chanting in unison the word of watterson, saying: "In my personal experience of many lands I have not found that the grandeur and beauty wrought by the hand of man have obscured from me the radiance of the Christ, or the glory of the heavens. I have not found that storied urn, or animated bust has ever diverted my attention from the wondrous tale of the fishermen, or that piles of marble and alabaster encircling the altar, instead of the earlier archway nature about it, have come between me and the worship of God."

And when we come to this, with the same voice leading the hand of Bryan is not withdrawn; "I would think twice before trusting the wisest and best of men with absolute power; but it would trust never any body of men—never any sanhedrim, consistory, church congress, or party convention—with absolute power. Honest men are often led to, or to assent, in association, to what they would disdain upon their conscience and responsibility as individuals.

En masse extremism always prevails and extremism is always wrong. It is the more wrong and the more dangerous because it is rarely wanting for genial and convincing argument to the mind of the unthinking for wherever it has to propose."

But, to be sure, Colonel Watterson was not talking, nor much thinking, of political faction or of the ambitions of men in the great world of sin and of strife. And thus to the end of the eloquent chapter we find the two brothers close together, hand in hand before the Throne of Grace—Sioux City (Iowa) Journal.

Roosevelt says that success consists, in doing the thing that you have before you to do and then the doing of that thing well.

A ride across the country now shows that the bosom of mother earth is being tickled, and that man bushels of oats are being sowed.

A few Old Colonels seem to be deserting Woodrow Wilson since his intimation to Colonel Harvey the Editor of Harper's Weekly, that he thought it best for the Colonel to desist a little in his support of Mr. Wilson.

Post Master General Hitchcock has stirred up a hornet's by issuing a statement that the Government should own and control the telegraph lines and operate them. He is being called all kinds of hard names by those who oppose the idea and is being lauded by those who favor it.

Our neighbor city on the North, Winters, undertook to carry on a fumigating system, by making all incoming passengers on the train go into a little booth prepared for that purpose, and be fumigated before they could enter the "gates of the city."

The pillan was tried for awhile, but was abandoned on account of so much opposition.

The Democratic convention will be held at Baltimore June 25 following the Republican convention at Chicago just one week. One sentiment which seems to be general is that, if the Republicans should nominate Col. Roosevelt the Democrats are apt to stampe to Mr. Bryan, as the story about some of "my policies" having been abstracted from Bryan's clothes lingers with many Democrats.

Difference Between stock and bond

As few of us fully understand the differer between the word "stock" and "bond," we are giving below a clear definition, one that is formulated by the United States Railroad Securities Commission.

"A railroad bond is essentially a note made by the company; a promise to pay a certain amount of money, say one thousand dollars, at a specific date of maturity, and to pay interest at specified rates in the meantime. The obligation is definite. The value is limited by the terms of the instrument.

"But a share of railroad stock is of a different, and more complex, character. It represents two things instead of one: That a certain sum has been paid in, and that the holder of the stock has a certain share in the ownership of the property, of whatever value that may prove to be. The second of these things is what ultimately gives the stock certificate its value. In the case of a railroad bond the fact that it calls for one hundred or one thousand dollars is far from being the determining factor. It is but one incident among many. Even in theory it purports merely to show that this was the amount originally paid by the subscriber when the road was built. It does not create an obligation to pay its face value, nor does that face represent money value as a share. The value varies with the development of the property as a whole.

"The principle of a bond is a fixed sum, its interest a fixed charge. The value of a share of is essentially variable, its profit essentially indeterminate."

Home merchants seem to be taking a rest in advertising now but the

Mail Order House never do so. We notice the mail is full of dope among every day from these houses.

Candidates are falling in pretty lively now and things will begin to grow interesting, in the extreme, soon.

President Taft seems to be seized with a sudden fit to practice economy in governmental affairs, but the pushing through of that new pension law, is a little inconsistent with his present mania.

MISS MARY PHILLIPS.

In this issue we have the announcement of Miss Mary Phillips for re-election for the office of District Clerk of Runnels Co. Miss Mary enjoyed the distinction of making this race two years ago with out an opponent, and she has met the expectations of her friends in the performance of the duties of this office, and they will be glad to again give to her their most hearty support.

It would superfluous to add that Miss Mary has been faithful to every trust, and has been fair and courteous to all alike, but such is the case.

We take pleasure in presenting Miss Mary's name to the voters of this county.

Ballinger, Texas
January 22, 1912.

Editor Banner Leader,
Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:—
Having been so busily engaged in my official capacity, preparing for the March Term of the District Court, I have failed to make the announcement earlier of my candidacy for the office of District Clerk of Runnels County.
In making same I want to add a word of thanks to the Runnels County bar and my other friends and fellow-citizens for their many courtesies and words of en-

couragement to me during my incumbency.

I have, to the best of my ability, discharged the duties of said office entrusted to my care and trust there has been no dissatisfaction on the part of anyone concerning same. My sincere desire has been to please, if possible in performing the work legally, without fear or favor.

If re-elected to the office of District Clerk, I promise to try to do the work according to my same old motto, "THE FIRST CONSIDERATION IN THE OFFICE IS THINGS DONE EXACTLY RIGHT."

With many thanks and a hope that every liberty loving citizen will not forget to give his vote and influence to the girl candidate in the coming election, I remain,

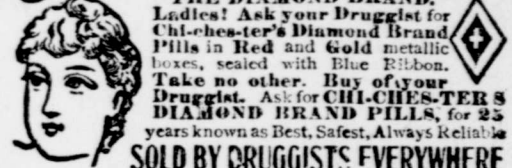
Yours most gratefully,
Mary Phillips.

In the issue of the Christian Advocate, Dr. J. B. Cranfil contributes a fine article of the value of good Literature in Character building, which should be read every boy. There is no more pitiable sight than to a boy drifting aimlessly out on life's sea with no desire for good reading.

FOR SALE.

A ton or more good sorghum hay in bundles. Call at 409-7 St.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS



THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills to keep and ward normal health, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy off your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Safest. Always Sold by DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

For Sale.

Pure Maben Cotton Seed at 75 cents per bushel at our farm four miles east of Ballinger. Will deliver at the farm or in Ballinger.

J. B. and A. M. Estis,
Ballinger, Texas.

BIG CUT PRICE!

BEGINNING Jan. 27th, we will offer all Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Skirts and Jackets in Winkler stock.

For 1-3 of former price.

\$ 3.00 Garments for	\$1.00
4.00 Garments for	1.33
5.00 Garments for	1.67
7.50 Garments for	2.50
10.00 Garments for	3.33
15.00 Garments for	5.00

Entire stock in other lines at actual Wholesale Cost.

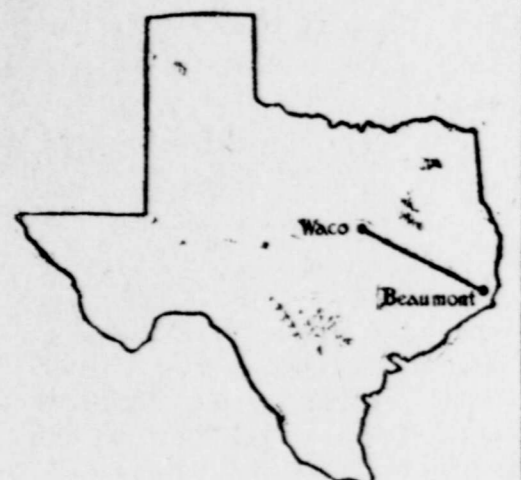
J. L. GOLDEN

THE FOREIGN BORROWED DOLLAR

Texas in Need of Outside Money. Idle Money Should be Put to Work.

Money has measured the prosperity, directed the progress and contributed towards the happiness of the human race since civilization blossomed in the valley of the Nile. The ebb and flow of the world's currency moves the center of population; its current has swept civilization across continents and it has built empires in waste places.

Whether a dollar is borrowed or owned in fee simple, its purchasing power is the same and there is as much prosperity in a borrowed dollar that emigrates from foreign lands as there is in one taken from the farm, the mine or the factory. The following cut illustrates the difference in the effect upon our prosperity of money borrowed in Texas and money borrowed outside the State to finance development enterprises.



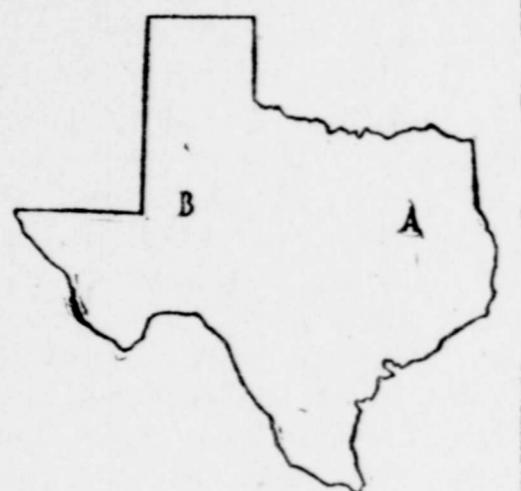
The dotted lines indicate a proposed railroad between Waco and Beaumont. If local capital builds the road, there will be no increase in the State's wealth, as we will then have simply transferred money from some other line of industry to railroading, but if the money for construction is secured from outside the State, then we have increased our wealth, as the investment is in fixed improvements and the property will always remain a part of the State regardless of the residence of the owner. We have increased our property just as much so as if we had moved the State border line so as to take in a part of Louisiana or Oklahoma. We have some idle money that if put to work, would contribute towards our prosperity but no law can be made forcing investment and if the present opportunities will not appeal to owners of idle money, nothing short of the resurrection will stir them to activity. Texas must have outside money to develop her resources.

THE CONSTRUCTIVE DOLLAR

Money for Development Must Come From Outside the State.

Money is by far the most necessary, the most powerful and the most useful agency in the affairs of human life. Its study is fascinating, its pursuits alluring and its possession the most agreeable of all earthly substances. It stands first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of the people.

There are two sources of development, to-wit: wealth and population. The two are inseparable; people without money become a howling mob and money without people becomes a worthless substance. There are also two kinds of dollars—trade and development. The following cut will illustrate the difference between a trade dollar and a development dollar.



MAP OF TEXAS.
If a farmer located at "A" sells his farm and buys another located at "B," he has changed his location but Texas has not developed as the transaction has increased neither our wealth or population, and if the farmer at "A" sells his farm and buys a factory, he has changed his occupation, but he has not developed Texas, as neither our wealth or population has increased, but if the farmer at "A" sells his farm to some one outside the State and invests the proceeds in another Texas farm or factory, then we have increased both our wealth and population by the transaction and Texas has developed.
If the farmer at "A" can, with his net earnings, buy the farm at "B," then we have also developed, as our wealth has increased, although our population has remained the same. The development dollar must, therefore, come from the soil or moving into the State from outside its borders.

The Welfare Commission which the Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association of Texas has organized will hold sessions in Dallas, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston and other cities in Texas and hear the views of men of affairs on the needs of Texas. The following are a few of the questions which the Commission will undertake to answer:

Sixty-eight per cent of the farmers of Texas do not own their farms WHY?

We need 50,000 miles more of rail roads in Texas and there is not a mile of road under construction in the State today. WHY?

We have 140,000 miles of unimproved public highways and during the past ten years we have permanently improved only 2,900. WHY?

We have 1200 miles of navigable rivers but no steamboat lines ply our waters. WHY?

We buy from other States \$75,000,000 worth of feed stuff annually. WHY?

According to estimates of the Farmers' Union it costs 12½ cents per pound to raise cotton and it sells for a less price. WHY?

We owe \$1,100,000,000 to parties outside the State and will have to borrow ten billion more to develop our resources and yet large insurance companies and other sources of cheap money are not doing business in Texas. WHY?

The Farmers' Union report that they are paying 8 and 10 per cent for money loaned on cotton in their warehouses, although cotton is the best security in the world. WHY?

Texas cattle are rated by the Federal Agricultural Department at \$14.79 per head and Illinois cattle at \$28.02 per head. WHY?

There is shipped into Texas 100 car loads of cured meats per week. WHY?

The Texas farmers haul \$1,200,000 of raw material per day to the foreign factory. WHY?

We raise between three and four million bales of cotton annually and manufacture only 40,000 bales. WHY?

The Railroad Commission of Texas values the railroad property at \$210,000,000, the Tax Commission at \$420,000,000 and the Tax Assessor at \$340,132,572. WHY?

One who will sit out on the bleachers when the temperature is playing around 100 must really want to see the ball game.

China is sending a warship to Mexico with a demand for \$4,000,000. China will be lucky if she does not lose the warship.

Nearly a Scandal

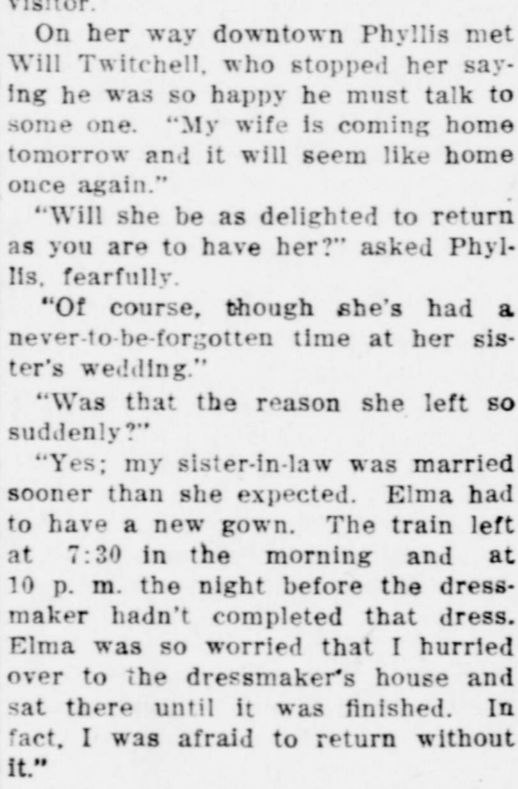
"Where's Mrs. Twitchell? I haven't seen her for an age," asked her neighbor, Phyllis West.
"Haven't you heard?" mysteriously answered Mrs. Nelson in a low tone. "Poor thing, she's gone home suddenly to her mother. The whole town is talking about it."
"About what? Why this sympathy? They're an ideally happy couple."
"Appearances are often deceiving. The night before Mrs. Twitchell left her husband was seen leaving that house on the corner of Elmwood street, the white one with the green roof, after midnight, while his wife most likely was sitting at home grief stricken at his actions. The woman," added Mrs. Keene, "was distinctly heard to say as she bid him goodby, 'Isn't your patience exhausted? No other husband would wait so long.'"
"Wait for what?" inquired Phyllis perplexedly.
"How do I know, unless she was insinuating about a divorce. My heart rings for that young wife."
"There's some mistake," said Phyllis. "The trouble with this town is, that the people are so busy minding other people's business that they don't have time to tend to their own. If they hear any gossip they immediately relate it to their five best friends, and it then becomes a scandal. Will Twitchell waited for his wife for seven years, because she was needed at home. It isn't likely that he would neglect her after a year."
"I hope you're right, my dear," said Mrs. Keene, as she said goodby to her visitor.
On her way downtown Phyllis met Will Twitchell, who stopped her saying he was so happy he must talk to some one. "My wife is coming home tomorrow and it will seem like home once again."
"Will she be as delighted to return as you are to have her?" asked Phyllis, fearfully.
"Of course, though she's had a never-to-be-forgotten time at her sister's wedding."
"Was that the reason she left so suddenly?"
"Yes, my sister-in-law was married sooner than she expected. Elma had to have a new gown. The train left at 7:30 in the morning and at 10 p. m. the night before the dressmaker hadn't completed that dress. Elma was so worried that I hurried over to the dressmaker's house and sat there until it was finished. In fact, I was afraid to return without it."
"Did you have to wait long?" asked Phyllis.
"Until nearly 12 o'clock. That woman must have sewed miles of hooks and eyes on that blamed frock while I sat in that hot, stuffy parlor."
"Does your wife's dressmaker live in the little white and green house on the corner?"
"Yes, but don't go there. I'm sure I never will again."
"Well, I'm glad I met you; but I must hurry along; have some calls to make."
Phyllis made about 14 calls that afternoon only to find the chief topic of conversation to be the abuse of the husband and the sympathy for his wife, but the scandal did not have much chance to grow, as Phyllis took great haste to repeat her conversation with Will.
"I've been so lonesome without you," said Twitchell, as he greeted his wife. "The neighbors were not nearly as sociable as when you're at home."
"I'm so happy to be back again, darling. I'm positive no other woman has a husband half as good and loving and faithful as you," said Mrs. Twitchell, happy in the ignorance of how her husband had been stammered, and how she had been sympathized with by her neighbors.

HORTICULTURE

SPRAYING THE FRUIT TREES

Fifty Years Ago the Operation Was Unknown and Unnecessary—Now It is Necessary.

Fifty years ago the spraying of fruit trees was unknown and unnecessary, but now no one who aims at success can overlook such work. This is brought to mind by bulletin (No. 230), recently issued by the New Jersey experiment station, which contains valuable instructions on the subject. It has to do mainly with peach scab, and brown rot, and gives full directions for the control of both, with ten or twelve good illustrations.



Home Spraying Outfit.

These diseases of the peach are more prevalent in the southern portions of the state; north of 41 degrees there is little or nothing to fear from them. But wherever there is danger this bulletin will be of great use. It can, no doubt, be obtained by addressing the Experiment Station, New Brunswick, N. J.
It is observed that there is no mention of leaf-eat, which is often troublesome to peach trees; no doubt because this is treated in another bulletin.
An excellent spraying outfit is shown in the illustration. The pump is mounted in the barrel and is hauled about the orchard on a stone boat. It will be noted that there is a long lead of hose and an extension rod. A nozzle of the large circular type will produce spray of large volume and of a misty character.



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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.

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Remedies in Ballinger only at our store. — The Rexall Store

At Livingston, Mont., the president said he was "a moderate protectionist." At Washington last summer when the Republicans and Democrats in congress presented three moderate protection bills he vetoed them.

Democratic Victory Assured. The nation can look on the whole business with the certainty that it will matter little how strong or how weak Mr. Taft's supporters or his opponents may be when they shall meet to decide their affairs in national convention. For the assurance grows stronger, day by day, that their party will be defeated in the national election.

On the Defensive. In a speech in which he said the course of the Progressives is the salvation of the country, Governor Woodrow Wilson incidentally observed that President Taft was now going about the country defending reactionary policies.

That points out precisely the weakness of Mr. Taft's position. Whoever speaks for the reactionary policies has to defend them. And when policies get in an apologetic attitude before the American people the taxi for the day is "Goodby."

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

It is with pleasure that we announce Hon. R. S. Griggs for representative for the 11th district, embracing Runnels and Coke Cos. It is difficult many times to get men of ability, who have the inclination to run for this important office and this district will indeed be fortunate in getting a man of Judge Grigg's ability to enter the race for this office.

Judge Griggs came to Runnels Co. some nine years ago, and has served as county Attorney four years, and is serving his second term as county Judge, and in serving the people of this county he has established a friendship that will push his candidacy for this important office.

He is especially well prepared for the duties of this office and will reflect credit on the district which he aspires to represent and we unhesitatingly say that he is the right man for this office.

HANDY DEVICE FOR ORCHARD

Canvas Net is So Arranged Under Tree That Fruit Rolls to Edge, Saving Bruising.

The fruit gatherer illustrated takes some time to set up around a tree.



Net for Gathering Fruit.

but it is said to make possible the obtaining of fruit from the most inaccessible branches. The canvas floor of the net slopes from the tree trunk to the outer edges, so that the fruit, dropping onto it, rolls to the edges, where it is out of danger of being struck and bruised.

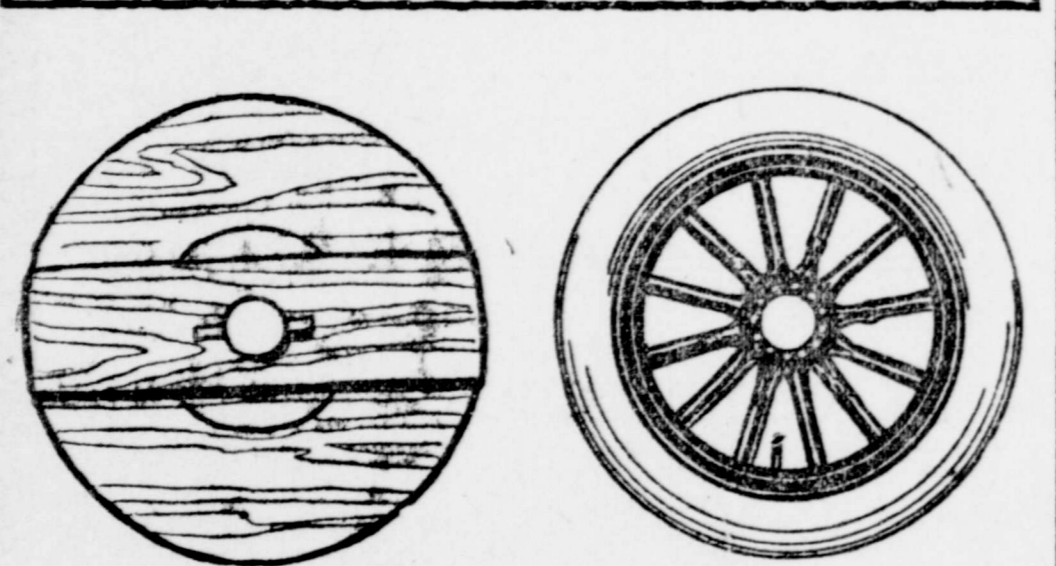
BLACKBERRY IS NEXT CROP

Affords Welcome Change After Appetite Has Been Satisfied With Other Small Fruits.

Toward the close of summer, when the appetite has been satisfied with strawberries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries, the blackberry affords a welcome change. It fits in perfectly between the other small fruits and the early fall fruits. Whether served with cream and powdered sugar, or stewed, it is equally delicious. No farm garden should be without its clump of bushes. Any out-of-the-way corner or along the fences will serve if space and cultivation cannot be given elsewhere. Of course, the plants do best when cultivated, but they will do much better than wild plants along the fence rows. The Ward variety, which originated in New Jersey, is jet black, firm, tender, melting and without the hard core common in wild fruit. The quality is considered excellent. As the canes are strong and stocky, they easily carry heavy crops of fruits, which ships well and is excellent for the table.

Driving Bees From Grapes. It is said that mignonette makes honey equal to the best white clover and some take advantage of this fact where bees are likely to injure the grapes. A row of mignonette is put in the ground near the grapes, and they will bloom at the same time as the grapes. The bees will neglect the grapes for the flower which they prefer.

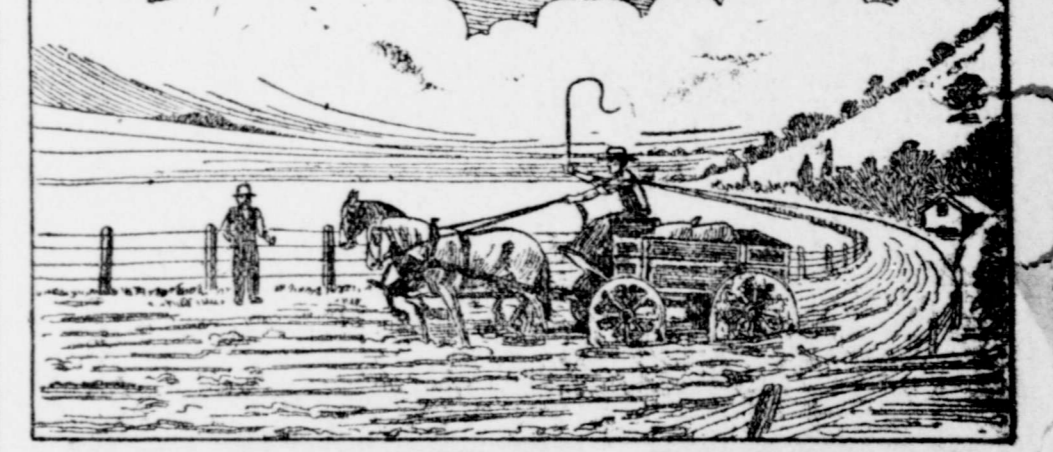
GOOD ROADS



PRIMITIVE AND MODERN TYPE OF WHEEL.

The wheel was the greatest invention the world has ever known; with it progress and prosperity sprang into life; upon it has rolled the burden of civilization; its revolutions have woven the fibre of refinement and culture into human life, and its evolution have been as wonderful and powerful as life itself. At each step of its progress, it has demanded better roads and it has brought our public highways from trails to macadam roads.

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A BAD ROAD.

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