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"I want two of your MR. BILL PLANTERS, one for myself and one for my son; I have used them before and they cannot be beat." That is what a man told us this week—We sell 'em.

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack

PRISONER MOVED TO BALLINGER

G. H. Brown Transferred to Ballinger Jail From Brownwood. Murder Case Set for April First.

George H. Brown, who is charged with the most brutal murder ever committed in Brown county was moved Monday morning to Ballinger where he was placed in jail to await trial on charge of venue from Brown County. On the 9th day of last September Mrs. Sallie Brown, wife of the defendant, was assaulted with an iron cudgel and beaten into insensibility. Brown, who was at home with his wife on that night gave the alarm and when the neighbors arrived told them that he and Mrs. Brown had been attacked by a town burglar and that his wife was dangerously hurt and he only by the closest margin escaped. The officers arrived on the scene and took in the situation it was decided to arrest the husband, and Brown was placed under arrest to await developments. For just twenty-four hours the woman battled with death, fighting a losing fight. Just before her death Sheriff Denman brought Brown to town and placed him in jail to await the action of the grand jury. In due time the grand jury was convened and an indictment was returned against Brown. Attorneys for the defense made motion for a change of venue and the case was moved to Ballinger, where it is set for trial the 1st day of April.

It is believed that a jury can be secured there with little difficulty and that both sides will announce ready for trial on that date.

Brown comes of a prominent family in San Saba County and for a long time lived at Richland Springs. Brownwood Bulletin.

Services at Christian Church.

Rev. C. T. Radford of Eureka, Ill. will fill the pulpit at the Christian Church Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. He is a preacher of considerable reputation and his two sermons promise to be very interesting.

INCREASED INTEREST IN POULTRY RAISING

Local Merchants Shipping Eggs in Large Quantities. Demand for Eggs on Increase.

It is no longer considered pin money, but the real stuff with which to buy the necessities of life and with which to settle your bills. The egg money is what I am talking about. No doubt you will be surprised to learn that during the last few weeks, or to be more exact as to date, since the hen started on the spring job, that right close to one thousand cases of eggs have been shipped out of Ballinger. Add to this the large quantity of eggs used by home people and you have some eggs. The thousand cases figure thirty dozen to the case, and in round numbers figure out three hundred and sixty thousand eggs.

When figured at the lowest price that has been paid for some time, the amount in dollars and cents is just \$4,500. Divide this out among the farmers around through the Ballinger territory who brought the eggs to market and you have a sum that will go along ways towards keeping money in the treasury.

Plant more chickens and better chickens. Raise the feed to keep them at work for you, and your crop will not be a failure.

NEIGHBOR COUNTIES BUILDING GOOD ROADS.

The San Angelo Standard reports that the Commissioners of Tom Green county have bought another good road outfit. Note, if you please, it says another good roads outfit, which means that they have one or more, and that they are at work building good roads. The citizens of Coke county are preparing to issue \$600,000 in road bonds for the purpose of coming to the front on good roads. Runnels county is standing with her hands folded waiting for the band wagon of progress to run over and mash her into the mud.

Patronize our Advertisers.

LET US FORGET
JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

Let us forget. What matters it that we
Once reigned o'er happy
realms of long ago
And talked of love, and let our
voices low,
And ruled for some brief sessions
royally?
What if we sung, or laughed, or
wept maybe?
It has availed not anything, and so
Let it go by that we may better know
How poor a thing is lost to you and me.
But yesterday I kissed your lips,
and yet
Did thrill you not enough to shake
the dew
From your drenched lids— and
missed, with no regret
Your kiss shot back, with sharp
breaths failing you:
And so, today, while our worn eyes are wet
With all this waste of tears, let us
forget!

Commissioner Precinct No. 2.

The Banner-Leader is pleased to acknowledge the following communication from Commissioner J. E. McAdams. Mr. McAdams has had this county one of the best Commissioners we have ever had, and it is due to the splendid service and satisfaction of his term in office that he has been prevailed upon to enter the race for re-election. Following is his announcement:

To the voters of Commissioner Precinct no 2: I feel Deeply grateful to you for your support in the past and consider it quite a compliment to make the race again as I consider that an indorsement of my past record as Commissioner.

I have always made it a point when ever a reasonable request come before the Court from my District to see that same was granted.

During my term as commissioner there has been 154 miles of road opened in this Dist. and by reason of this the hands have been divided and sub divided until there is not hands nor money enough to take care of the roads as they should be. If I am elected again I will try to have every hand that is subject to road duty to work their full time and to handle the road and bridge funds in a way to try to get the best results.

I am before you again as a candidate for Commissioner, asking your support.

Yours truly,
J. E. McAdams.

Thief Gets Mail Pouch.

Just before the arrival of the passenger train at Swedewater last Monday night, and while the truck of mail was standing by the track, a thief swiped a pouch of first class mail. The pouch contained fifteen registered letters as well as other valuable mail. The officers were put on the case, but failed to find any trace of the pouch or mail, or the man who got away with it.

The Moler Barber College of Dallas, Texas, wants men to learn Barber Trade. They offer splendid inducements and a short term completes. They mail free a beautiful catalogue and ask all our readers to send for it.

SHIPPING CATTLE TO FAT STOCK SHOW

J. S. Blocker to Compete for Best Bunch Two Year Old Steers. The Best Ever Seen Here.

S. J. Blocker, who is ranching on the Wyle ranch up the Colorado River, shipped six two year old steers to Fort Worth this week, and will enter them in the Fat Stock Show that meets in the Panther City next week.

The half dozen steers are said to be the finest ever grown in this country. They are Durhams and every one a beauty. It is estimated that the six will tip the scales close to the 9000 pound notch. The man that takes the blue ribbon will have to beat this bunch of Runnels county stuff.

The fat stock show opens next Monday, and quite a crowd will attend from Ballinger. A special train will pass through Ballinger about eight o'clock Saturday night, and the fair for the round trip will be \$7.50.

Closing Signal.

Arrangements have been made for the large bell at the fire station to be tapped every evening at six-thirty as a signal for the stores to close. Most all the merchants have agreed to close at that hour, and those who are holding back will no doubt join in the move. If you make this a custom and let the public know it you will not lose anything by closing. It is too short for a man to work day and night. Close up and get a little day light in your soul. Listen for the bell and close your doors.

Accident at Oil Mill.

Luna Duncan got his hand caught in the assembler at the Ballinger Cotton Oil mill last Friday night, and received a mash that was at first thought would necessitate the removing of the hand and part of the arm. At last report the wounded man was getting along as well as could be expected and he will save the wounded hand. Duncan was on the night shift at the mill.

R. W. Bruce was in town Saturday attending business affairs, and reports that Mrs. Bruce and Robert are enjoying country life.

HOUSTON BOOSTERS TO SPEND NIGHT HERE

Houston Trades Excursion to Arrive Here Late in Afternoon on April 9th.

Houston, Texas, March, 15—The twelfth annual trades excursion of Houston business men will be held this year April 8 to 12th inclusive, the route entering the San Angelo country, one of the longest itineraries of any similar trip in Texas. The Houston boosters will reach Ballinger April 9th in a special train of several Pullmans and cafe car 75 strong with Herb and Lewis famous Texas band and during their stay in Ballinger will claim possession of the city.

The greatest business interests of Houston will be represented on the excursion and a majority of the boosters on the trip will be the heads of Houston business interests who have evinced a desire to meet their trade direct and so are laying aside business cares for the five days junket.

In selecting the itinerary this year the Trades Excursion committee of the Chamber of Commerce unanimously voted on entering the progressive and rich territory to the northwest of Houston.

District Court Finding.

The wheels of justice began to turn at the temple of justice in Ballinger Monday at noon when Judge Jno. W. Goodwin arrived from Brownwood. The week is being devoted to the civil docket and the non-jury cases disposed of.

The grand jury will be put to work next week, and the criminal docket cleaned up. The Brown murder case has been set for the fourth week, and will be called for trial on the first day of April.

Norton News.

Mrs. Famar Pollock and baby of Bradshaw are visiting D. G. Arrant, and family this week.

Miss Myrtle Setser one of Ballinger Art Students visited Norton Sunday.

E. G. Bowden made a business trip to Ballinger Monday.

Baptist preachers convention is in session this week.

Myrtle Willis is on the sick list this week.

Queen of the Prairie.




One Boll of Cotton is of small account

But a Whole Cotton Field has Great Value

A WHOLE field contains countless bolls. But before that field grew, it had to be planted—and then to be looked after. It is the same with money. A single dollar is of little use. But if you plant money in the bank dollar by dollar, it will grow in time of great value.

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because subject, too strongly ca... importance of keeping the bowels open. It is always important to do that, regardless of the sex, but it is especially important in women.

From the time the girl begins to menstruate until mensturation ceases she has always vastly better prospects of coming through healthy if she watches her bowel movements. If you find yourself constipated, with bad breath, pimply complexion, headaches, belching gas and other symptoms of indigestion and constipation, take a small dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup

favorite laxative you can do by using... cathartics, etc., which are entirely unsuited to woman's requirements.

Mrs. Katherine Haberstroh of McKees Rocks, Pa., and Mrs. A. E. Herrick of Wheeler, Mich., who was almost paralyzed in her stomach and bowels, are now cured by the use of this remedy. A free sample bottle can be obtained by addressing Dr. Caldwell, and after you are convinced of its merits buy it of your druggist at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle. For the free sample address Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 402 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

COUSIN JOHN WRITES LETTER

Cut the Acreage and Increase the Yield. Take Advantage of Better Farming Methods.

Editor Banner Leader.

As Uncle Josh and Uncle Johnnie have been discussing crop methods and soil culture I will ask for valuable space to discuss some of its methods in my way.

Increased Acre Yield Versus Increased Acres.

Man's greatest achievement in life is the building of a stepping stone that will serve to lead others up to higher spheres of duty. If one does that and is able to realize it he is ready to die; for when a man bets prepared to live it is time for him to die.

Men who study now learn and yet the knowledge that comes to them is so simple until they wonder why the simpletons of yesterday did not know more than the sages of today.

For the secrets of nature have been spread out in one glorious panorama but all these years and the achievements that have been made in the past grow insignificant when compared with the gigantic undertakings of present. There is nothing in all the history of the ages that compares with the stupendous projects that are now being completed with the passing of each week. The farmers of

yesterday is nothing compared to the tiller of the soil today. The terraced gardens of Babylon, the fields and pastures fair of olden days yielded up no such treasures as they do nowadays.

But a year or two ago the man who made a bale of cotton per acre was regarded as a prodigy and few believed the accomplishment. Last season Nature aided human effort and were thousands who made two bales per acre and tens of thousands who grew the proverbial and wonderful bale. Back yonder Dean Swift one of the greatest philosophers of the age declared that whoever could and would grow two blades of grass or two grains of corn where only one had grown before would be a benefactor to mankind. Get in the possession of knowledge and with the power to apply it thousands of school boys throughout the whole country not only accomplish the feat but doubled and trebled it. Instead of growing two grains of corn where one had grown before, they have grown four to six times as much.

And it is not a fad. A fad is a thing that is started without any real returns coming in. But this movement of corn is lasting, and instead of one acre being grown that way now there are scores of them in the different communities.

That shows there is something in the method. It will stand the publicity and produce the goods. It is like a borafide advertisement. It has something of quality about it that is sure to be of great value. The people are realizing this

to embark in the farming. Despite all however along these lines is always something new showing up to show a man that he has yet much to learn. Then there is the new experience with dynamite in farming which is in progress in other states and the demonstration conclusively shows that the great factor of modern progress was all powerful when applied. The force is used to blow up stumps to dig holes for the peach and pecan trees. It does the work of many men and more effectively than could be expected of human hands. It shows how to apply the brain to aid the brawn and there will be a veritable revolutions wrought along these lines in a few short years and we shall look back and wonder why it was not done before.

I have before me a special communication from the United States Department of Agriculture in reference to farm demonstration work in Georgia. There are now eighty three counties in Georgia covered by demonstration work and in these counties there are some 20,000 farms being worked under modern methods. The work has been in progress for four years. There are a great many people who do not know what wonderful possibilities lie in the soil and the beauty of it all is that the more that is

out your section in this respect you should get into a community somewhere where others can do the work for you. The time for good roads is here and they are the greatest savers in all the category of good things.

If you can bring your section up to the point where it will double the average yield in cotton and feed, established better roads and improved conditions generally then something worth while will be achieved and all the world thereabout will remember you as a benefactor.

This is monument enough for any body and whether you will build it remains entirely with you. This is just one example of a preface not a lesson for you to study but that might be given to a part of the book of nature that lies open before you with local application to your own section. Study nature, read the lessons presented to you by those of the progressive type around you; Join hands with them in a co-operative manner and some thing worth while will be attained.

Cousin John, Hatchel, Texas.

Weather Forecast

matic pains, Hunt's Lightning Oil stops all aches and pains whether from Rheumatism, Pneumonia, Cuts, Burns or Bruises. Quickest Liniment known. 25c and 50c bottles. All Druggists.

Service at Old Runnels.

Rev. W. P. Crow will preach at Old Runnels Baptist Church the 5th Sunday in March. Let every one come and make the meeting a great success.

A Bargain—For Trade or Sale.
160 acres land in New Mexico, 103 in cultivation, modern improvement in irrigation district, well and pump close to good county seat town. A seven room home and four lots in Ballinger. Will trade for good farm any where except west of Ballinger.

W. T. Bundick, Ballinger, Texas. 4t.

A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for arubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relaxes the contracted muscles and permits ordinary bodily motion without suffering or inconvenience. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

The Banner-Leader begs to acknowledge the receipt of a communication from J. B. Alvis, who now resides at Weatherford, ordering the Leader to keep posted on Ballinger and Runnels County happenings.

Take HERBINE for indigestion. It relieves the pain in a few minutes and forces the fermented matter which causes the misery into the bowels where it is expelled. Price 50c. Sold by J. Y. Pearce.

REV. SWEET PREACHED AT METHODIST CHURCH.

On Last Sunday the Methodist Pulpit was filled by Rev. Sweet who is now a Presiding Elder at Vinita, Oklahoma. Rev Sweet is an old friend and school mate of Rev Cox and Supt. W. S. Fleming they having been in Southwestern University together. Bro. Sweet had been to San Angelo where he placed his daughter who is in feeble health. He preached a masterly sermon both morning and evening. His morning sermon was especially strong, dealing the problem of why man was created with the power to do good or evil as he chose, and why he was thus created. Those in attendance pronounced it one of the greatest sermons ever delivered in Ballinger.

Why take Calomel
When Simmons' Liver Purifier is so easy and pleasant, yet acts just as thoroughly as those harsh purgatives. (In yellow ten box only.) Price 25c, Tried once, used always.

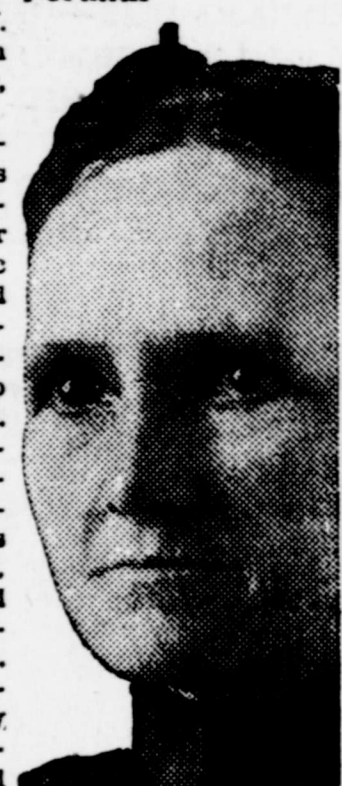
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We are better than ever prepared to do shoe repairing. We have added some new machinery of the latest model and can do you better work than in the past. Give us a trial.
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SUFFERED 23 YEARS

Constant Sufferer From Chronic Catarrh Relieved by Peruna.

Mrs. J. H. Bourland, San Saba, Texas, writes: "For twenty-three years I was a constant sufferer from chronic catarrh. I had a severe misery and burning in the top of my head. There was almost a continual dropping of mucus into my throat, which caused frequent expectoration. My entire system gradually became involved, and my condition grew worse. I had an incessant cough and frequent attacks of bilious colic, from which it seemed I could not recover. My bowels also became affected, causing alarming attacks of hemorrhages. I tried many remedies, which gave only temporary relief or no relief at all. I at last tried Peruna, and in three days I was relieved of the bowel derangement. After using five bottles I was entirely cured. I most cheerfully recommend the use of Peruna to any one similarly afflicted."



Mrs. J. H. Bourland.

made per acre the cheaper the cost of production. These man who makes ten bushels per acre can not grow it as cheaply as the man who grows fifty bushels per acre and the increase yield decreases the cost of production indefinitely. The time far studying the situation is here. Farmers who are contemplating a big acreage in cotton should pause on the threshold and plant some of the land to crops that will not require too much work and care. The hay crop of the state could be greatly increased without material cost and with but little labor. If you will put your energy into a few acres of land you can get greater and more satisfactory results than you can by planting five times as much, and half way doing the thing. The thing to do is to apply methods that will bring from the soil the resources that are there and as you develop in the land and still bigger crops will be possible.

What is true of feed crops is also true of cotton and almost all other crops that are being grown in the South.

Wonderful Opportunities.
The opportunities that exist every section are almost beyond the comprehension of the man who studies the conditions of the different localities and knows the advantage of location. There is one great feature of country life that has to be experienced to be appreciated and this is particular true at this time of the year when so much hauling has to be done.

The farmers who have good road have a blessing of which they little dream and those who have to travel the rough roads have a drawback the magnitude of which they little dream.

This is the time to acquaint your self with conditions as they exist in different localities and if you can not do your part in bringing

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DR. PRICE'S CREAM Baking Powder

A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Baking Powder Made from Grapes

No Alum No Lime Phosphate



J. M. Edwards Assists Winters.

It is always worth while for communities or individuals to have a friend who is in a position to do them a kindly turn whenever needed and Winters has all along been fortunate in having such friends when they could do so much good.

This was made apparent this week when Winters citizens wanted to borrow, at a low rate of interest, money with which to extend the water system and put it on a paying basis at once. Promptly the Winters State Bank took the matter up with J. M. Edwards, state treasurer, and the result was that this morning Jno. Q. McAdams showed the Enterprise man a draft for the paltry sum of \$2500 which was the amount of the loan wanted. Mr. Edwards happened to be in a position where he could lay his hands on the man to take up the note and this morning the city secretary was given the deposit slip for the sum and was enabled to begin paying for the work of extending the main.

Mr. Edwards already has lots of friends in Winters who are boosting for him for the next state treasurer and naturally they will yell just a little louder for him in the future.—Winters Enterprise

For hoarseness, inflamed lungs or irritating coughs, Ballard's Horchound Syrup is a healing balm. It does its work quickly and thoroughly. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by J. Y. Pearce

Notice.

I would like to do your odd jobs about your premises. When you need a man leave order with the Banner Leader.

W. W. Lewis, Ballinger, Texas.

Little Irene Risser gave a party to a few friends on last Saturday, it being her 4th birthday.

A FAIR OFFER.

Your Money Back if You're Satisfied

We pay for all the medicine used during the trial, if our remedy fails to completely relieve you of constipation. We take all the risk. You are not obligated to us in any way whatever, if you accept our offer. That's a mighty broad statement, but we mean every word of it. Could anything be more fair for you.

A most scientific, common sense treatment is Rexall Orderlies, which are eaten like candy. Their active principle is a recent scientific discovery that is odorless, colorless and tasteless, very pronounced, yet gentle and pleasant in action and particularly agreeable in every way. They do not cause diarrhoea, nausea, flatulence, griping, or any inconvenience whatever. Rexall Orderlies are particularly good for children, aged and delicate persons.

If you suffer from chronic or habitual constipation, or the associate or dependent chronic ailments, we urge you to try Rexal Orderlies at our risk. Remember, you can get them in Ballinger only at our store. 12 tablets 10 cents; 36 tablets 25 cents; 80 tablets 50 c. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store. The Walker Drug Co. Ballinger, Texas.

Brown Deck.

The fine Hamiltonian and Stallion, owned by A. M. Estes, will make the 1912 my place on the C. S. Mill three miles East of Ballinger. A. M. Estes, Manager.

You will look a good while before a better medicine for coughs and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It gives relief—it cures. Try it when you have a cough or cold, and you are certain to be pleased with the prompt cure which it effects. For sale by all dealers.

Notice!

The G. C. & S. F. Ry. has on the press a very comprehensive pamphlet, entitled

"PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR THE FARMERS OF CENTRAL-WEST TEXAS"

Written by the Santa Fe's Practical Demonstrators.

This pamphlet treats of better methods of general farming, and is written in a simple, concise way, to cover that portion of Texas that you are interested in.

I will be glad to send you this pamphlet, FREE OF CHARGE, if you will drop me a line.

R. J. Kennedy
COLONIZATION AGENT, SANTA FE
Galveston, Texas

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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. Price & 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.

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A HAPPY HOME IN REACH OF ALL

Joy AND SICKNESS DON'T CHUM TO BE HAPPY KEEP WELL

USE ONLY **DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY** TO CURE COUGHS AND COLIC WHOOPING COUG AND ALL DISEASES OF THROAT AND LUNGS

IT HAS

J. Y.

My Doctor Said

"Try Cardui," writes Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I was in a very low state of health, and was not able to be up and tend to my duties. I did try Cardui, and soon began to feel better. I got able to be up and help do my housework. I continued to take the medicine, and now I am able to do my housework and to care for my children, and I feel as though I could never praise Cardui enough for the benefits I have received."

TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

Cardui is successful, because it is made especially for women, and acts specifically on the womanly constitution. Cardui does one thing, and does it well. That explains the great success which it has had, during the past 50 years, in helping thousands of weak and ailing women back to health and happiness.

If you are a woman, feel tired, dull, and are nervous, cross and irritable, it's because you need a tonic. Why not try Cardui? Cardui builds, strengthens, restores, and acts in every way as a special, tonic remedy for women. Test it for yourself. Your druggist sells Cardui. Ask him.

Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. For Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. 133

Why He Was Late.

"What made you so late?"
"I met Smithson."
"Well, that is no reason why you should be an hour late getting home to supper."
"I know, but I asked him how he was feeling, and he insisted on telling me about his stomach trouble."
"Did you tell him to take Chamberlain's Tablets?"
"Sure, that is what he needs." Sold by all dealers.

Dr. W. A. Gustavus, Dentist.
Over F. & M. State Bank. 11-4

MONEY! To loan on Farms and Ranches. Long time. 33-4f.
Lee Maddox.

Miss Emma Bennet returned Tuesday at noon from a visit to friends at Coleman.

Judge W. A. Wright, one of the leading attorneys of San Angelo, was attending District court here this week.

TWO COUNTIES VOTE DRY SATURDAY

Two Counties Last Saturday. Montague Goes 800 Dry. Concho Pros Win in 57 Dry.

The much talk of local option election in Concho county is a thing of the past, and the county is still in the dry column. During the local option campaign in this county, which closed one year ago to-day, it was numerously hinted that Concho county would vote for the saloons and if Ballinger went dry all the business of the county would follow the saloons to Paint Rock. The agitation for Concho election followed, and a result the ants were given a chance to secure the saloons for that county. The election was ordered, but very little interest manifested from either side. The votes polled amounted about two-thirds of the county's voting strength, and the final count gave the pros 57 best of it.

Paint Rock gave the antis a majority of 21, while Eden the other big box in the county gave the pros 62 majority. Concho county has been dry for fifteen years, and the pros say it will be dry for all time to come.

Montague, another county that has been dry for a long time, pulled off an election last Saturday, and the pros had a majority of about 800 votes to their credit when the poles closed.

Maverick Dots.

Banner-Leader: Most of the farmers are about up with their work but it has been so cold of late that oats don't grow much.

The people of Maverick and vicinity have begun their rabbit hunt. Last Wednesday they hunted on the West side of Oak Creek and J. E. McAulay, Ernest Marshall, J. W. Borders and J. M. Slaughter furnished barbecue, bread, coffee and eggs for dinner, and they killed 155 rabbits.

Last Saturday they hunted on the East side of the Creek and every body enjoyed a fine dinner at Mr. G. W. Faulk's prepared by Mrs. Faulk, Mrs. Cinger and Mrs. Fletcher, and there is one thing sure there isn't three better cooks to be found any where. There was dinner enough left to feed as many more.

The rabbits on that run amounted to 205.

There is just six more weeks of school, we hate to see it close as every body is well pleased with our teachers.

Mrs. Edna Caperton has been real sick but is better now and is in Ballinger this week.

Miss Quina Huffaker is at home now, she has been at Winters under treatment of Dr. Sanders for appendicitis.

Success to the Leader, "Dem."

H. K. and K. O. Berry, of the Norton country, had business in Ballinger Monday. They made the Banner-Leader a pleasant call while here. K. O. expects to attend the fat stock show in Fort Worth next week.

F. T. Ramsey, the Austin Nursery man who had been here for a couple of weeks looking after large shipment of trees he made here, returned home Saturday.

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.

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

SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION SUNDAY

District Sunday School Convention Creates Interest in Sunday School Work.

Despite the disagreeable weather that prevailed all throughout last week and especially last Sunday, the Sunday School convention at the Eight St. Presbyterian Church in Ballinger was well attended. All the Sunday Schools in the city were represented in the convention. It was regretted that the Sunday Schools in the surrounding country were not represented, and a special invitation is extended the country Sunday Schools to attend these conventions.

The Convention was called to order by R. T. Williams, who presided over the meeting. Among those assigned places on the program and who responded with splendid talk were Prof. E. L. Hagan, Rev. Hammock, E. H. Eike, followed by a general discussion. The program was interspersed with splendid music, and those who failed to attend missed a splendid service.

The next convention will be held the second Sunday in April. A program is being arranged for the next meeting, and every body regardless of whether you are interested in Sunday School work or not are invited to attend.

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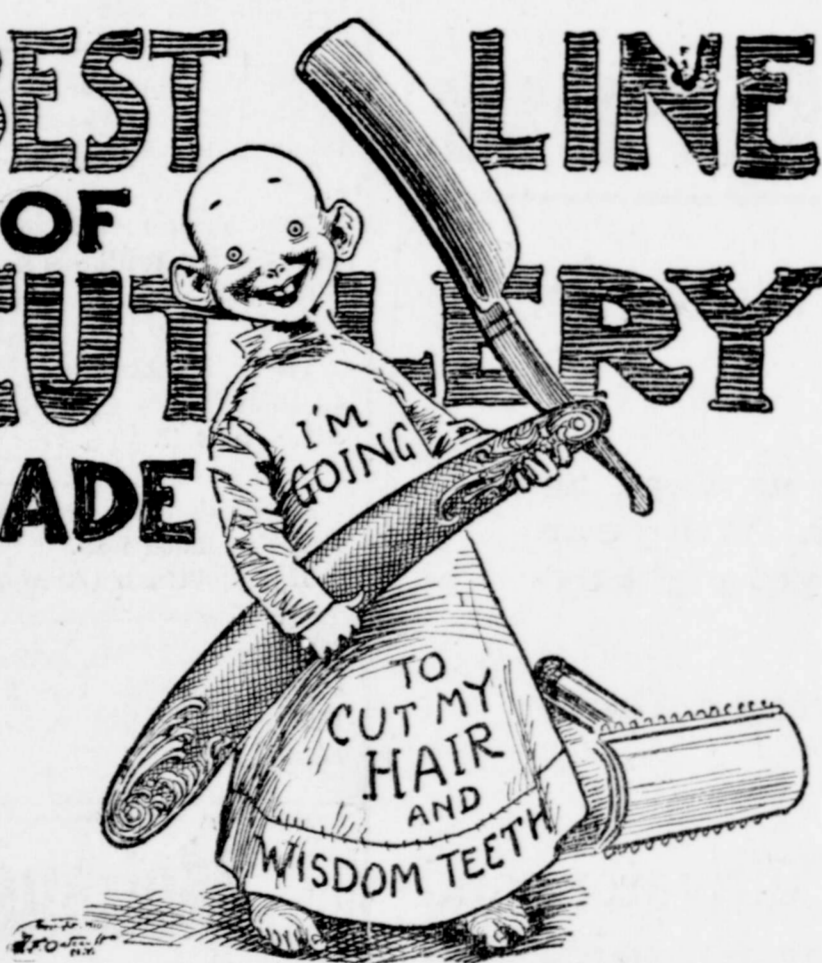
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SHALL WE ABIDE BY CUSTOM OR LAW.

The Brownwood News says that Judge Ramsey's candidacy against Colquitt for Governor is against all Democratic precedent and for that reason is without justification and indefensible. What are elections held for, if not to give the people a chance to choose their officers. If we are going to abide by custom and not by law why not make it a law and elect officers for four years. Mr. Colquitt was elected for two years, and it is our candid opinion that he had a "soft snap" when compared with the present race.

We never saw Carter's oat crop. In fact we don't know whether Carter had any oats or not. But, judging from prospects that old story of Carter and his oats will apply to Runnels Co., this year. The Co., is almost ablanquet of oat fields, and the crop is going as well as the most exacting farmer could wish for.

It is over four months before the voters will have a chance to settle the political pot by expressing their preference for men to fill all offices from Constable up. Judging from the way things are beginning to simmer the old pot is going to reach the boiling point early, and local politics will overshadow all other events to be. The thing to do is to keep your shirt on let the other fellow do the fighting. Be a peace maker, votes your settlements and diversify.

The secretary of the Ballinger Business League is in receipt of a letter from Ad. Boldt, secretary of Houston Chamber of Commerce, stating that Houston Trade Excursion will leave on April 8th, and will arrive at Ballinger on the 9th. It will be a live bunch of Houston boosters, and they will no doubt inject the boosting spirit into the towns they visit. Mr. Boldt states that they will be accompanied by the best band in Texas.

No, we are not supporting Jake Walters in his race for the United States Senate. We say this for the benefit of those who have seen fit to criticize us for publishing Mr. Walters' Temple speech in our last issue. It has always been the policy of the Banner-Leader to give the news. We published excerpts from Judge Ramsey's platform and also matter for Gov. Colquitt, all of which we considered of interest to our readers. A man that is so narrow between the eyes and who is so prejudiced in his mind that he can't be fair enough to give the devil his dues is a dangerous citizen to entrust with a ballot.

If Wilson is beaten for the Democratic nomination it will be the work of the bosses, and when they perform that piece of work they will begin to pray for the mountains to fall on them when they are confronted with the wrath of the honest masses of the party.—Birmingham (Ala) News.

Woodrow Wilson is the only man in the Democratic party who can defeat any candidate the Republicans may name.—Olvalo Eagle. Its Wilson against the field for the nomination. The masses are for Wilson, and the masses should have a say in selecting the candidate to put up against the Republican man.

The old adage "every dog has his day" is true. Remember this when you stop to kick a man when he is down. There is no one whose station in life is so low, or whose position in the business world is so insignificant but that he may some day climb above you and be in a position to grant you favors. There is no one who is so high in the business world but what he may fall to the bottom and depend on his friends for support in learning to walk again. Looking at it strictly from a selfish standpoint it pays to be courteous to those beneath you and make friends of every one you meet. Turn a deaf ear to scandal and gossip; don't believe anything you hear about your neighbor or half you see. Help those deserving of help, return good for evil and the world will be a better world and your reward will be great.

"A man had two sons. He gave to each of them a dollar. One of the boys spent his dollar for cold drinks, candy and show tickets. The other boy bought a pig with his dollar. This boy was eighteen years old and by the time he was 21 he had \$2,000 in the bank to his credit, made directly from the \$1 invested in the pig. The other boy had nothing and he blamed the 'system' for it and cast his first vote for the socialist ticket." The illustration so far as the two boys go is good, and shows the result of economy on one hand and wastefulness on the other. But we are afraid the boy who bought the pig will become a trust magnate under the Republican tariff and the Democrat boy will get nothing more than a squeal.—Big Springs Herald.

Lost.

A ladies cloak some where between my house and the W. E. Allen gate. Finder please return to the Leader Office.
D. Oliver.

B. W. Pileher left Monday afternoon for Dallas to attend the Constable's convention.

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MENINGITIS NEAR KEEP YOUR WITS

Case Develops at Hatchel. None in Ballinger. No Cause for Alarm.

M. L. Parker, who lives on the Vancil place near Hatchel was taken sick last Friday and symptoms of meningitis developed Tuesday. The physicians pronounced it a case of Meningitis, and the serum treatment was administered Tuesday afternoon, and the patient is getting along as well as could be expected, and it is thought that he will recover.

False rumors have been flying thick and fast, and the number of deaths reported at other places cause considerable uneasiness. Up to the present writing there has not been a case of meningitis in Ballinger, and there is no cause for the people becoming alarmed and working themselves into a frenzied state of mind. The worry does not keep the disease away from your door, and if it should strike, you, you are less prepared to combat the trouble on account of the worry you have gone through. Forget it. Clean up and use reasonable precautions to keep healthy. Worry is a bad disease.

Shoe troubles are over if you come to us for your foot wear.
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Among the visiting attorneys who attended the District Court this week we note the following: W. D. Jennings and Mr. Bigler of Miles; A. K. Doss and Mr. Gresham of Winters; Mr. Wright of San Angelo; G. N. Harrison of Brownwood; Mr. Grisham of Big Springs and C. H. Earnest of Colorado City.

Buy Hgt Here.

A young lady visitor this week bought a spring hat while here, saying when she bought it that she could find nothing in San Angelo that suited her nearly so well. The hat was bought at The Higginbotham Currie Williams Co's store and is quite a compliment to that big store.

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The business world wants young people trained to think honestly, accurately and quickly about the affairs of an office. The office man that writes a neat plain business hand, handles figures rapidly and accurately, takes shorthand rapidly, makes an accurate transcript on the typewriter, keeps a neat, complete and accurate set of books, is thoroughly familiar with modern office appliances, such as the different filing systems, adding machines, duplicating machines, addressing machines etc.

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MORGAN JONES LEASED.

Property in Forth Worth for Ninety Nine years Time a few Days Ago.

Col. Morgan Jones, president of the Abilene & Southern Ry. has made an unusual lease in Fort Worth according to the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram as follows:

For the first time in the history of Fort Worth, so far as is known, ninety-nine year lease have been tiled. Two were tiled yesterday. Both made by Morgan Jones, head of the Abilene & Southern. One of the tracts leased is on Jennings avenue both south of the Texas & Pacific reservation. A two-story flat will be erected on each one. These flats were made with provision for an increase in rental after six years intervals, in accordance with possible increased value of the property.

Boys and girls as well as "grown ups" have fun with an air ship. Free at Higginbotham Currie Williams Co. with shoes or suit for boys and girls.
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BEVY DEMOVILLE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Ed Averett Use 45 Pistol in Fight. Demoville Will Recover. Averett in Jail.

A difficulty occurred near the Abilene Southern depot about ten o'clock Friday night in which Ed. Averett shot Bevy Demoville with a 45 pistol. The bullet entered just above the right nipple and ranged downward, coming out in the back leaving a very serious wound, but not necessarily fatal unless some complication sets up. Demoville was placed in the hands of the physicians and the latest report from his bedside is that he is doing as well as could be expected.

Averett took to the brush after the shooting and was out for several hours. He surrendered to the officers later and was placed in jail.

Both parties have declined to make a statement for the public. They were alone when the difficulty occurred. Averett will remain in jail to await the action of the grand jury which convenes Monday. Averett has a wife and several children. Demoville is a single man. Both parties were employees of the Hall Hardware Co. and had been working together for some time, and it is not known what caused the trouble between them.

SERVICE AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

There will be preaching service at the First Baptist Church next Sunday by Rev. J. D. Allen of St. Anna, Texas, at the usual hour morning and night.

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New Spring suits at Higginbotham Currie Williams Co. Glad to show you.

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Those Weeds Will Grow

even if the crop doesn't. Seems strange, but it is true, so the only thing to do is to get rid of the weeds.

The first and second cultivation should be fairly deep and as close as possible in order to kill all weeds and thoroughly aerate the soil. Will your old cultivator run evenly at a uniform depth and allow you to get right up to the crop without injury?

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"What made you so late?"
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"Well, that is no reason why you should be an hour late getting home to supper."
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Miss Emma Bennet returned Tuesday at noon from a visit to friends at Coleman.

Judge W. A. Wright, one of the leading attorneys of San Angelo, was attending District court here this week.

TWO COUNTIES VOTE DRY SATURDAY

Two Counties Last Saturday. Montague Goes 800 Dry. Concho Pros Win in 57 Dry.

The much talk of local option election in Concho county is a thing of the past, and the county is still in the dry column. During the local option campaign in this county, which closed one year ago to-day, it was numerously hinted that Concho county would vote for the saloons and if Ballinger went dry all the business of the county would follow the saloons to Paint Rock. The agitation for Concho election followed, and a result the ants were given a chance to secure the saloons for that county. The election was ordered, but very little interest manifested from either side. The votes polled amounted about two-thirds of the county's voting strength, and the final count gave the pros 57 best of it.

Paint Rock gave the antis a majority of 21, while Eden the other big box in the county gave the pros 62 majority. Concho county has been dry for fifteen years, and the pros say it will be dry for all time to come.

Montague, another county that has been dry for a long time, pulled off an election last Saturday, and the pros had a majority of about 800 votes to their credit when the poles closed.

Maverick Dots.

Banner-Leader:

Most of the farmers are about up with their work but it has been so cold of late that oats don't grow much.

The people of Maverick and vicinity have begun their rabbit hunt. Last Wednesday they hunted on the West side of Oak Creek and J. E. McAulay, Ernest Marshall, J. W. Borders and J. M. Slaughter furnished barbeque, bread, coffee and eggs for dinner, and they killed 155 rabbits.

Last Saturday they hunted on the East side of the Creek and every body enjoyed a fine dinner at Mr. G. W. Faulks' prepared by Mrs. Faulks, Mrs. Chunger and Mrs. Fletcher, and there is one thing sure there is not three better cooks to be found any where. There was dinner enough left to feed as many more.

The rabbits on that run amounted to 205.

There is just six more weeks of school, we hate to see it close as every body is well pleased with our teachers.

Mrs. Edna Caperton has been real sick but is better now and is in Ballinger this week.

Miss Quinta Huffaker is at home now, she has been at Winters under treatment of Dr. Sanders for appendicitis.

Success to the Leader.
"Dem."

H. K. and K. O. Berry, of the Norton country, had business in Ballinger Monday. They made the Banner-Leader a pleasant call while here. K. O. expects to attend the fat stock show in Fort Worth next week.

F. T. Ramsey, the Austin Nursery man who had been here for a couple of weeks looking after large shipment of trees he made here, returned home Saturday.

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SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION SUNDAY

Distric Sunday School Convention Creates Interest in Sunday School Work.

Despite the disagreeable weather that prevailed all throughout last week and especially last Sunday, the Sunday School convention at the Eight St. Presbyterian Church in Ballinger was well attended. All the Sunday Schools in the city were represented in the convention. It was regretted that the Sunday Schools in the surrounding country were not represented, and a special invitation is extended the country Sunday Schools to attend these conventions.

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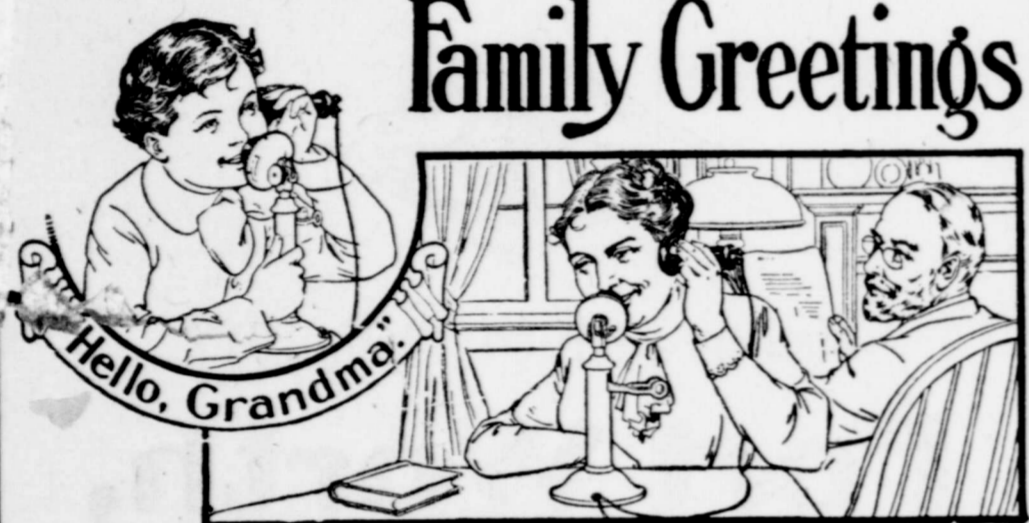
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Judge James N. Browning, of Arlito was here looking after his race for Congress at large. Judge Browning was formerly Leut. Gov. of Texas. He is pretty well known over the state and will no doubt make a good race, and if elected will make a good Congressman.

Chas. Giesecke is here from San Antonio visiting his brother Hermar and looking after his interest in Runnels county.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

State of Texas, County of Runnels.

By Virtue of an Alias Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Taylor County, on 24 day of January, 1912, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of The Citizens National Bank of Abilene, versus C. P. Bennett, No 3184, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed bylaw for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in April, A. D. 1912, it being the 2nd day of said month, before the Court House door of said Runnels County, in the town of Ballinger the following described property, to-wit:

Being the south one half of the following Lot, Tract or Parcel of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, same being 405 acres more or less of land off of the south side of Samuel Crawford Sur. No. 501, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in the E. B. line of said Sur, being the S. E. corner of a 300 acre tract of land this day conveyed by J. A. Walden and wife to Wylie Walden and being the N. E. corner of the land herein conveyed, Thence W. 2014 vrs with S. B. line of Wylie Walden's 300 acre tract to a stake in the W. B. line of said Survey, Thence S. with W. B. line of said Sur., 1146 vrs. to the S. W. corner of said Crawford Sur. and to the N. W. corner of a tract of land owned by Jim Johnson, said Sur being No. 5001, Thence E. 2053 vrs along S. B. line of said Crawford Survey to the S. E. Corner and being the N. E. corner of said Johnsons tract, Thence N. With E. B. line of said Crawford Sur. 1088 vrs. and 3 links to the place of beginning, less one acre used and occupied as a public road on the west side of this tract.

Levied on as the property of C. P. Bennett, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$528.45 less a credit of \$300.00 in favor of The Citizens Nat. Bank, of Abilene, and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 13 day of March 1912.

J. P. Flynt, Sheriff.

By J. A. Demoville, Deputy.

PRETTY LADIES AND PRETTY MILLINERY.

The big dry goods house of Higdon Melton Jackson Co. was a veritable beehive of pretty women Tuesday afternoon. The day, the first and only pretty day for some time, was just what his live firm had wished for, and Ballinger's fair sex took advantage of the opportunity to attend the grand millinery opening and take a peep at the display of the latest creation in millinery and white goods. The writers dropped in to see the pretty hats, but we could not look at the hats for the pretty women. Ballinger hit more pretty women to the square inch than any other town on the map and it seemed that they all tried to visit the Higdon Melton Jackson store last Tuesday.

Buggy Topples with Dr. Halley.

Dr. W. B. Halley, while making a hurry-up call out to see M. L. Parker, who is sick with meningitis at his home near Hatchel, happened to a little accident Tuesday. Dr. Halley was driving at a pretty rapid gate when the buggy came uncoupled, the front wheels running out and letting the body of the buggy drop down with a heavy thud that landed Dr. Halley in the road on his face. He received a bruised nose and cheek and looks a little the worse from the accident.

FOR TEN DOLLARS.

We have a swell line of men's Blue Serge suits at \$10.00, no better value in the city. Better call and inspect them.

W. A. Gustavus and Co.

Boys buy your suits and shoes from us and get an Air Ship free. Higginbotham Currie Williams Co.

W. A. Talley Undergoes Operation.

We are glad to report that W. A. Talley is getting along nicely after undergoing an operation on Wednesday of this week at the Sanitorium. He had a growth removed from his nose which had been troubling him some time.

New Spring goods at Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co.

Go to Higginbotham Currie Williams Co. for Your Shoes.

DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE AT DEPENDABLE PRICES

Our sale is now in full blast. Hundreds of people have visited our store and we have supplied their wants. We carry the largest and most comprehensive line of Clothing, Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, ladies' Ready-to-Wear Goods and Notions. We are not advertising old goods nor goods left over from the winter season, but thousands of dollars worth of summer goods which we are receiving every day. All of this we have marked down to prices never known before. If you have not visited our store yet, don't fail to do so as the days of this sale are numbered. Our specials for six days beginning and following Saturday, March 16th, are as follows:

Saturday, March 16, 3 yards Soisitte, all leading shades, for	43c
Monday, March 18, pair Silk Hose, 75c grade one	38c
Tuesday, March 19, One-half Dozen Fringed Napkins	22c
Wednesday, March 20, Seven Spools of Thread	25c
Thursday, March 21, Ten Yards Sea Island Domestic	62c
Friday, March 22, 10c Grade Utility Gingham, Ten Yards	46c

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Will pay your subscription for a year for two good weekly papers and give you the local and general news. The regular subscription price of the Banner-Leader is one dollar per year, and you can't get it for a cent less, but we have made a deal whereby we can send to every subscriber who pays one dollar for one year in advance The Banner-Leader and the Kansas City Star---the 2 papers for the price of one. A combination that can't be beat. We don't know how long this offer will stand, get busy now and send us your

\$1

Lankford in The Grocery Business--

I Wish to announce to the people who buy Groceries, that I have added to my business, a complete line of groceries. Paul Simpson, an experienced grocery man, will have charge of this department and we will give you good service, prompt service and good groceries and lots of them for your money. We want your trade, will do our very best to merit same.

T. S. LANKFORD.

PHONE NO. 82.

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.

Telephone Number 65

HAULING!

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

W. R. BUSHONG

Phone No. 401

Ballinger, Texas

This Space Belongs to Arctic Ice & Fuel Company

THE TEST OF TIME

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

Give us part of your Grocery trade.

THE MILLER MERCANTILE COMPANY

PHONE 66

708 HUTCHINS AVE. BALLINGER, TEXAS

POSTAL SAVINGS

BANK FOR BALLINGER

Ballinger Post Office Will Open Saving Bank On April First. Deposits Draw Interest.

Since the Postal Saving Bank law was passed Uncle Sam has been busy planting saving banks all over Texas. He has reached Ballinger, and beginning on the first day of April you can open an account with the local post office. As is generally the rule when dealing with Uncle Sam there is considerable red tape to be reeled off in the transaction; yet it is simple enough when you read the rules, and your money is safe when left in the Government's charge.

The service is free; you pay nothing for the privilege of depositing your money with the post office and it bears interest. Any person over ten years of age can become a depositor by complying with the rules. The post master will furnish all necessary instruction and information.

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 matters through, you had best put in your application in advance of his coming.

For further particulars call on or write

C. A. DOOSE & CO.,
Ballinger, Texas.

The State of Texas.

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

Rose Dillard, Administratrix of the Estate of M. L. Dillard, Deceased having filed in our County Court Her Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said M. L. Dillard, Deceased together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are hereby Comanded, that by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a Newspaper regularly published in the County of Runnels you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the May Term, 1912, of said County Court, commencing and to be held at the Court House of said County, in the City of Ballinger on the 6th day of May, A. D. 1912, when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court.

Witness, O. L. Parish Clerk of the County Court of Runnels Co. Given Under My Hand and seal of said Court, at my office, in the City of Ballinger, Texas, this 12 day of March A. D. 1912

O. L. Parish, Clerk C. C. Runnels County.
J. P. Flynt, Sheriff Runnels Co.

REAPING BENEFIT.

From the Experience of Ballinger People.

We are fortunate indeed to be able to profit by the experience of our neighbors. The public utterance of Ballinger residents on the following subject will interest and benefit thousands of our readers. Read this statement. No better proof can be had.

Mrs. J. C. Orange, 505 Thirteenth St., Ballinger, Texas, says:

"I was troubled by my back for some time. I was so stiff and lame that I could hardly work. This would go away after I moved about for awhile, but was sure to come back the next day. The kidney secretions were disordered and this was a source of annoyance. I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, as I had seen them highly advertised and after using half the contents, I found them a great help and my lameness began to leave me. I always keep Doan's Kidney Pills on hand, as I consider them an excellent remedy and I am glad to tell others how I was benefited."

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.



Storm Season is Here



You can't take your property to the storm house, but you can come to us and secure a policy, at a small cost, that will protect you from loss when the storm comes. Carry tornado insurance and be safe. Don't worry; let the company carry the risk.

FIRE! FIRE!! FIRE!!! If you have a policy in the M. D. Chastain & Co. Agency you need not worry when you hear the fire alarm. If your property is not insured you are in danger of great loss every minute. We fix it right. Get that insurance now.

Chastain & Company Ballinger, Texas

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

District Office.....\$10.00
County Office.....7.50
Precinct Office.....2.50
Payable in Advance.

County Treasurer:

MRS. MATTIE O. (C. F.)
DICKINSON.
W. L. (WILLIE) BROWN.
JOE. SPILL.

For Sheriff:

J. P. FLYNT.
B. W. (Chop) PILCHER

For County Judge.

W. D. JENNINGS.
MARCELLUS KLEBURG
A. E. WOOD

Representative, 11th. District.

R. S. GRIGGS

For Dist. Clerk:

MISS MARY PHILIPS

For County Attorney:

H. ZDARIL
C. P. SHEPHERD.

County Superintendent:

E. L. HAGAN

For Constable Precinct No. 1.

J. A. (Dad) DEMOVILLE

For County Clerk.

O. L. PARISCH.

Election Notice.

Whereas, the terms of office of three Aldermen expire in April 1912.

Therefore it is ordered by the City Council of the City of Ballinger, Texas, that an election be held on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1912, same being the first Tuesday in said month, at the City Hall in the City of Ballinger, for the election of three Aldermen.

A copy of this order signed by the Mayor shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the Mayor is directed to cause said notice to be published in a newspaper published in this city.

It is further ordered that C. L. Morgan be appointed presiding officer to hold said election,
W. H. Weeks, Mayor, Ballinger, Texas.

ATTEST—J. R. Lusk, City Sec.

Rev J. B. Frigon went to Coleman Saturday, preached for the Catholic church at that place Sunday and returned home Monday.

Mrs. Homer Alexander and children, of Santonio are here on a visit to Mrs. Alexander's parents, Mr and Mrs C. R. Crews, and also visiting Mr. Alexander's parents, Mr and Mrs. L. C. Alexander. After a visit here she will join her husband in Minneapolis, Min., where they will make their home.

Chas. Allen came up from Brownwood last Saturday to visit his parents, Mr and Mrs W. E. Allen, and stay until the meningitis scare is over. He has been attending college at Brownwood.



March 18th to 23rd, 1912

Fort Worth, Texas

at the

GOLISEUM

Fat Stock Show Night Horse Show
Land Show Poultry Show
Automobile Show Cattlemen's Conv'tn

All Bigger and Better than ever.

Special Tickets will be on sale for the Round Trip from all Stations on the

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Call on Our Agents for Detailed Information Concerning Selling Dates, Limits and Fare

George D. Hunter
General Passenger Agent
Dallas, Texas

YOUR GROCERY BUSINESS FOR FEBRUARY!

WE Want it. Nice, Clean Groceries, courteous treatment and prompt deliveries--- Is what we off

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Money For Farmers

We can save you from 25 cents to one dollar on each plow point, and we can save you money on the plow extras for almost any make of plow including the Avery, Canton, Casady, Case, Jno. Deer, Oliver and Rock Island.

COME TO US WITH YOUR PLOW TROUBLES.

Owensboro Wagons and Buggies

We can save you \$25 on a buggy or wagon and at the same time give you something that will give good service. We guarantee this. The Owensboro is guaranteed to stand the test in wear and tare.

BUY AN OWENSBORO AND SAVE DOLLARS.

Blacksmithing and Blacksmith Supplies

We carry in stock a complete line of blacksmith supplies, wood material, etc., and can furnish you such goods at a big saving. We are equipped to handle your blacksmith troubles by giving you prompt service. Call on us.

F. F. Moore & Co.

For Best Grades and Lowest Prices on Building Material, buy from—

Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

At Concho Lumber Co.'s Old Stand

B. P. S. PAINTS Are Best

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 cent when paid in Cotton Seed.

THE

Ballinger Cotton Oil Co.

Ballinger, Texas

GIESECKE-BENNETT COMPANY

- REAL ESTATE, LOANS, AND ABSTRACTS -

"GET YOUR LAND TITLES RIGHT."

This is So
We wish to state in as plain and vigorous way as we can express that

will positively cure any disease known to man. All

Editor, Will Perry came down from Sweetwater last Saturday and spent Sunday with his wife at Miles. Mr. Perry recently moved to Runnels county and started to farm this year, but returned to the news paper business before he made much progress. He has not moved his family to Sweetwater yet.

What's the use of buying the heap when you can get the best at as cheap. Try a sack of Blue Ribbon Flour. Spann & Co.

Patronize our Advertisers.

A BALD-HEADED WOMAN.

Shorn of Her Crown of Beauty, Loses in Love and Marriage.

Hair is certainly most necessary to woman. Who could love and marry a bald-headed woman. What charms could one array to offset such a disfigurement.

A woman's goal is usually love and marriage. Her crowning glory is her hair. The loss of her hair mars her beauty, happiness, and success. Yet, right here in Ballinger, there are thousands of women who are neglecting or injuring their hair to such an extent that it is only a matter of time when it will be utterly ruined.

Many women destroy the beauty of their hair through thoughtlessness or ignorance of certain facts. They use curling irons overheated, or to excess, which destroys the natural oil of the hair, causing it to split, break, and come out. Then do not shampoo their hair often enough, or too often. They use soaps or preparations which contain ingredients positively harmful to the scalp and hair.

As a result of such treatment dandruff is created, the hair loosens, loses color, falls out and baldness commences, unless proper and prompt precautions are taken in time. Then again, microbes and certain diseases bring about unhealthy scalp and hair conditions.

Almost any woman may rid herself of dandruff and diseased scalp and hair if she will but use the right remedy. We have that remedy, and we will positively guarantee that it will either cure dandruff and baldness or it will cost the user nothing.

That's a pretty broad statement, but we will back it and prove it with our own money. We will return your money if you do not find that Rexall "93" Hair Tonic is an entirely satisfactory remedy that will promote hair growth and overcome scalp and hair troubles—that it will grow hair even on bald heads, unless all life in the hair roots has been extinguished, the follicles closed, and the scalp is glazed and shiny. It gets its name from the fact that it grew hair in 93 out of 100 cases where it received a thoroughly hard impartial, and practical test.

We want you to try Rexall "93" Hair Tonic at our risk. You surely cannot lose anything by doing so while you have everything to gain. You had better think this over, and then come in and see us about this offer. You will be well repaid for your visit to our store. Remember, you can get Rexall Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store, The Walker Drug Co.

GET IN THE CONTEST WITH A J. I. CASE.

"10,000 in hard cash is to be given in prizes this year by the Texas Industrial Congress, at Dallas. Competition is open to every farmer in the state for best results with crop rotation, forage crops, milo maize, kaffir corn, etc. Big prizes for boys and girls. Write them at once for full particulars.

"Now remember that J. I. Case implements are made to suit your soil. You'll need them to win. You may want advice too. The J. I. Case Plow Works has an expert farmer employed for that purpose.

Ask us for his name and address. Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Company.



Nothing to Kick At.

in the line of Harness and Horse Goods we sell. They have no weak points.

Material and Workmanship.

are the best. Nothing has been slighted. Each set is made of extra good stock, stitched on perfect machines, and the mountings are the best made. Here's prices on a few specialties which will interest you. Shoe Repairing a Specialty.

H. L. WENDORF,
Ballinger, Texas.

WHOLESALE HOUSE PREDICTS SHORT BEAN CROP.

J. L. Smith, of the Walker-Smith Co., the largest wholesale grocery house in Central West Texas, has given out a statement in which he suggests that the farmers plant a good acreage in beans and black eye peas. Following is Mr. Smith's statement:

"Through the medium of your good paper let us say to those farmers who are contemplating planting peas that beans for the market this season, that in California there is now a serious drouth in the bean producing districts, which seems certain to make a very short crop, in which event the price will be unusually high. California sets the price. We urge a big acreage of both navy and pink beans, as well as black eye peas."

Walker-Smith Co.,
"By J. L. Smith, Sec."

UNIQUE NAME.

Many People Cannot Pronounce Name of World's Most Famous Catarrh Remedy

High-o-me, that's the proper way to pronounce Hymomei the old reliable remedy that has rid tens of thousands of people from that vile and disgusting disease.

HYOMEI is made of purest Australian eucalyptus combined with thymol and other effective antiseptics and is guaranteed to be free from cocaine or any harmful drug.

HYOMEI is guaranteed to end the misery of catarrh, asthma, croup, or cold, or money back.

Breathe it that's all no dosing the stomach. Complete outfit including indestructible inhaler, \$1.00 Extra bottles of HYOMEI, if needed 50 cents at The Walker Drug Co., Ballinger, Texas, and druggists everywhere.

Judge G. N. Harrison, of Brownwood, was here first of the week. Judge Harrison is vice president of the West Texas Telephone Co. He was here looking after the interest of his Co., and attending District Court.

Cold in Chest and Throat

I use Hunt Lightning Oil for colds, rubbing it on my chest and throat as a counter irritant, and am so enthusiastic concerning its virtue. I always keep a bottle of it in my house.

Mrs. Ida B. Judd, W. 87th St., New York, N. Y.

All druggist sell and recommend Hunt's Lightning Oil. 25c and 50c bottle.

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PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

FOR

INDIGESTION, CONSTIPATION, KIDNEY TROUBLE.

IT CLEANSSES AND INVIGORATES.

Sold by Druggists.
Price \$1.00 per bottle.

Walker Drug Co. Special Agents

COURTS ARE RESPONSIBLE.

Under Present Conditions Criminal With Able Lawyers Stands Fine Sporting Chance to Win.

The annual report of the New York police commissioner shows that during 1911, 148 murders were committed in that city but only thirteen murderers were convicted and not one executed. For the three preceding years the annual average was 117 murders and twenty-five convictions. For the same three years the annual average in metropolitan police district of London, containing a population of about 7,000,000, was twenty murders, while fifteen murderers were convicted or committed suicide.

Why does New York in proportion to population, have nearly 8 times as many murders as London. Principally we believe, because murder involves less risk in New York than in London, where, three times out of four, the murderer, suffers death or long imprisonment, and the punishment very swiftly follows the crime.

Responsibility for this scandalous American condition rests, first of all, upon the courts. They, quite as much as the legislature, have made the administration of justice a protracted game in which any criminal with a capable lawyer stands a fine sporting chance to win.

When we can hand even one murderer out of three over to punishment within a year after the commission of the crime, murder rate will begin to fall.—Saturday Evening Post.

ORDERS WHISKEY, FAILS TO DEPOSIT MONEY; IS ARRESTED

City Marshal Carrol Bates left for Ballinger Saturday morning to bring back aprisoner who is wanted here on the charge of swindling. The affidavit filed with the justice of the peace charges that the man ordered twenty-three quarts of whiskey from a San Angelo liquor dealer stated in the letter accompanying the order that the money in payment for the liquor was on deposit in a bank in Ballinger. On these facts the whiskey was shipped, and when the draft for the amount of the bill was forwarded to the bank for collection it developed that there was no money on deposit.

The transaction took place about December 21.—San Angelo Standard.

"My little son had a very severe cold. I was recommended to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and before a small bottle was finished he was as well as ever," writes Mrs. H. Silks, 29 Dowling Street, Sydney, Australia. This remedy is sold by all dealers.

T. J. Bryan, who resides at R. P. Conn's place near town was in to see us this week and ordered the Leader.

Don't be surprised if you have an attack of rheumatism this spring. Just rub the affected parts freely with Chamberlain's Liniment and it will soon disappear. Sold by all dealers.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbons. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best. Sold Always Reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

Millinery Opening

SATURDAY, MARCH SIXTEENTH, 1912

Our goods are here and we will have our opening on next Saturday, March 16th, at

The Fair

We will show the latest creations in the millinery art, and we are sure you can get just the Hat you want and at a PRICE that will please your pocket-look. Every lady in Ballinger and Runnels county is invited to our Big Opening whether you buy or not.

WE WANT TO SHOW YOU

Misses Gilliam & Poor

AT THE FAIR

ACCIDENTAL KILLING AT MILES MONDAY

G. L. Jackson Shoots Self Through Head with 22 Target. He was Cleaning the Gun.

News reached here Monday night of the accidental killing of G. L. Jackson, which occurred eight miles south of Miles Monday afternoon.

Jackson was thirty-two years old, and a young man of splendid standing in his community, and was liked by all who knew him. He had been out to shoot some rabbits on his father's ranch, and returning home was supposed to be cleaning the gun when a bullet entered on one side of the head and plowing through stopping just on the inside of the scalp on the opposite side, and death followed in a few minutes.

It was at first reported that Jackson had committed suicide, on account of the manner in which the bullet struck him, but there was no reason why he should commit such an act, and the verdict of the inquest court was that he met death accidentally, as above reported. The parents, and especially the mother were prostrated with and the entire Miles country was shocked over the tragedy. The remains were laid to rest in the Miles cemetery Tuesday.

The largest produce buyers in Ballinger is Spann & Co.

TRIMMED HATS.

We have one of the largest lines of ladies and Misses trimmed hats in the city, for less money, latest novelties and artistic. Call and inspect our line.

W. A. Gustavus and Co.,

If you are from Missouri we can show you that White Crest is the best flour made. Spann & Co.

Miss Anna Shaw is at home from Port Arthur where she was called near time since on the account of the death of her father.

We don't have to guarantee White Crest Flour; there is never a kick. Spann & Co.

Go dwin Buys Business.

J. W. Go dwin is proprietor of the Dawson Bakery and confection store, having closed a deal for same first of this week. Mr. Goodwin will retain Joe Hadden, who will have charge of the bakery department, and a complete line of the confectioneries will be added to the business.

The two leaders in bread products—White Crest and Blue Ribbon. Spann & Co.

Mrs. Arch Holman, of San Angelo, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. M. Vaughn.

Successful baking is easy with White Crest Flour. A. L. Spann & Co.

Traveling Freight Agent Wynn, of the Frisco, was here yesterday soliciting business for his road.

J. M. Greenhill was among the number to renew their allegiance to the Leader this week and make the Editor feel glad.

W. C. Stark was in from the New Home country Monday, and was telling a good one on W. C. Penn. Mr. Penn was out inspecting his oat crop last week, and the high wind of a couple of weeks ago left the crop looking pretty sick, and Mr. Penn made the visit to his farm at a time when the crop was looking its worst. He drove to Mr. Stark's house and says, "Well, Bill we are not going to make anything this year," and Stark says he was wearing a mighty long face, and could not see anything but the ugly condition. The good rains since the wind storm has put a different hue to the oat crop and Mr. Stark was looking for Mr. Penn to see if the long face had disappeared.

Why He Was Late.

"What made you so late?"
"I met Smithson."
"Well, that is no reason why you should be an hour late getting home to supper."
"I know, but I asked him how he was feeling, and he insisted on telling me about his stomach trouble."
"Did you tell him to take Chamberlain's Tablets?"
"Sure, that is what he needs." Sold by all dealers.

Patronize our Advertisers.

A MAGNIFICENT RECORD AS AN OFFICIAL IS HARMON'S BIG ASSET

Columbus, O. — (Special) — The News, Port Huron, Mich., in declaring for Governor Harmon of Ohio for president, points to a long list of what it says are practical reforms the Buckeye executive has instituted and then issues a challenge to others to produce another Democrat of presidential timber who has as good a list to his credit.

The following reforms were enumerated by The News as showing "where Harmon stands on political issues."

First—He stands for the criminal prosecution of guilty trust magnates under the criminal provision of the Sherman anti-trust law.

He is the only official who dared to start proceedings to jail the officials of an offending corporation. He was stopped by President Roosevelt.

Second—Personally conducted and won the first government anti-trust case. The law had slept for six years. Harmon, as attorney general, prosecuted the Addyson pipe case and the Trans-Missouri Traffic association case; secured a sweeping decision in the United States supreme court.

Third—Harmon stands for the direct election of United States senators by the people.

Fourth—Harmon stands for the income tax amendment to the federal constitution. Ohio passed his resolution to that effect.

Fifth—Harmon stands for equal taxation. His tax commission added \$487,000,000 to the assessed valuation of the Ohio railroads, and one billion dollars to the assessed valuation of all public utilities in Ohio. This conservative governor has increased railroad and corporation values nearly a billion dollars, an increase of 255 per cent, and has reduced the taxes of farmers and home owners more than \$1,000,000 a year, and he prevented trouble by treating all interests justly.

Sixth—Harmon stands for economy in governmental expenditures, and he has lopped off nearly \$3,000,000 of the annual tax burden of the people.

Seventh—Harmon has urged and secured the enactment of the following laws:

(a) A law providing for the non-partisan election of the judiciary in Ohio.

(b) The non-partisan election of delegates to the constitutional convention.

(c) A public utilities commission

with authority to regulate issues of stocks and bonds, rates and services.

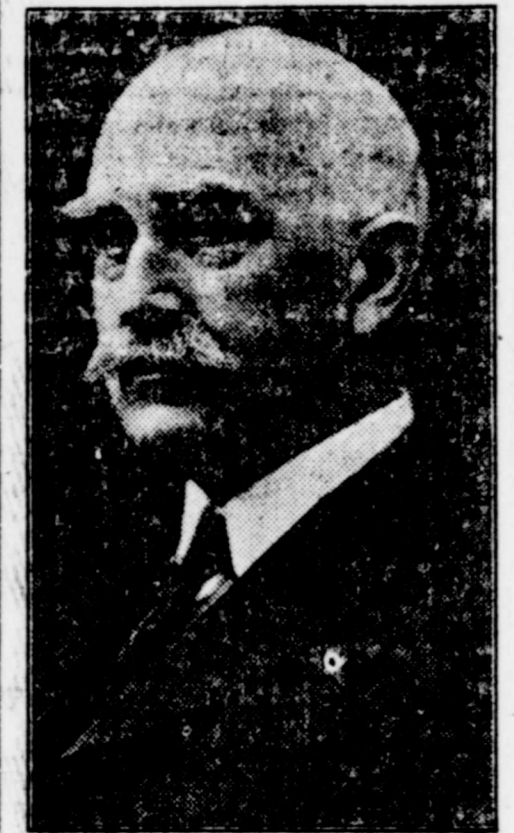
(d) A workingman's compensation act to be paid out of a fund, of which the employer provides 90 per cent and the employe 10 per cent.

(e) A law for central board of control of all state institutions. This law was advocated by Governor Osborn of Michigan, but failed of passage.

(f) A law providing civil service for employes of state institutions.

(g) A law granting initiative and referendum to municipalities.

(h) A "corrupt practices" act modeled on English statutes and fixing



GOVERNOR HARMON,
Who Carried Ohio by 101,000 Votes.

the maximum amount of money to be spent by a candidate.

(i) A law providing a nine-hour day for employed women.

(j) A reform of Ohio election laws to prevent corruption and fraud.

(k) Governor Harmon advocated but failed to have enacted:

(a) Direct primary for every office in the state, county and city.

(b) The removal of party emblems in municipal elections.

The above record is one that Governor Harmon need not be ashamed of, nor afraid to go before the people upon. He is a man that is progressively conservative and a safe man to be in charge of the peoples' interests.

HARMON SAVES PEOPLE'S MONEY

Application of Business Policies
Eliminates Extravagance.

Governor Harmon, by applying to the state government those principles of business which made him so successful as an administrator of property while practicing law, has systemized the Ohio government, and given the people the most economical administration in the history of the state.

The cardinal principle of the Harmon regime has been economy, and the executive has never overlooked an opportunity to eliminate extravagances that crept into the state government during nearly 20 years of continuous Republican control.

By vetoing two bills, one making a state-wide levy of one-half mill, and another increasing by one-half mill the county levy for road improvements, the governor saved the people of Ohio \$6,500,000.

By securing the passage of a maximum 1 per cent tax rate law, which also limits the amount of money that can be expended by public officers, there was an annual saving of \$4,000,000.

By impartially enforcing the laws levying a tax on the capital stock of domestic corporations, which before the Harmon administration had escaped paying, a stop was put to an annual loss of \$1,000,000.

Ohio farmers were cheated every year by sales of fraudulent fertilizer. A law was enacted to prevent this, with an annual saving of \$1,000,000.

Nineteen separate boards of trustees for 19 different state institutions were replaced by a single board, and by this transaction the annual saving was \$500,000.

An act was passed abolishing the boards of infirmity directors of three members each in every county of the state, and transferring their duties to the county commissioners, thus doing away with 264 officeholders, with a saving to the state annually of \$275,000.

By recommending and securing the passage of a bill abolishing annual legislative sessions and providing for biennial sessions the annual saving to the taxpayers amounted to \$300,000.

law which sought to compel them to pay office operating expenses from fees they earn and collect, but they were extravagant in clerk hire and drew upon county treasuries for deficits. To stop this a bill was enacted limiting clerk hire to a certain per cent of receipts and the annual saving was \$50,000.

A law was passed providing for annual reappraisal of all state property by three men, who were to receive aggregate salaries of \$18 per diem. They would have been busy the year round, but Governor Harmon vetoed this and saved the people annually \$6,000; the 1911 partial appropriation bill enacted by the general assembly showed a reduction in the salaries of state employes of \$26,698. Many Democratic state officers followed the example of their chief and saved money. State Inspector of Engineers Haswell, a Democrat, lowered the annual operating expenses of his department in 1910, \$16,062.34; State Oil Inspector Finley, a Democrat, although his expenses during the last half of 1910 were \$766.82 less than those of his predecessor, a Republican, collected and paid into the state treasury fees during that period that exceeded those of his predecessor \$5,527.98.

State Printer Crawford, a Democrat, reduced the 1910 operating expenses in his department \$3,738.60; by paring down requisitions of members during a five months' session in 1911, there was a saving by the stationery clerks of the Ohio house of representatives of \$1,023.99; State Labor Commissioner Wirmel increased the efficiency of his department in 1910 and paid into the state treasury an amount that exceeded that of his predecessor \$4,370.48; Senate Clerk Goshorn and House Clerk Kempel, Democrats, disregarded a precedent under which their predecessors were paid \$5 per day for Sunday work, although they never performed any services on those days, and the annual saving was \$500.

HUMANITY VS. RED TAPE.

Those who know Judson Harmon best, know him as a man whose heart is full of sympathy for the man who toils, and an incident during Mr. Harmon's receivership of the Pere Marquette railroad proves that. In 1907 an excursion train carrying employes of the Pere Marquette and their families on an outing was wrecked. A number were killed. Receiver Harmon did not permit red tape to hinder him from doing an humane act. He ordered that no attempt be made to take advantage of the fact that injured persons were invited guests, or on account of their relationship with fellow servants of the employes who were to blame for the collision or any other grounds but that fair settlements should be made.

The White Sale Continues Through The Coming Week

OWING to the bad weather we have decided to continue the White Sale one more week, beginning Monday, in order that all can avail themselves of this Bargain Event.

We shall be glad to have you, whether you care to buy a single garment or not. Make yourself familiar with the way in which some of these low-priced garments are made. If you will examine the cloth, laces and embroideries, buttons, etc., you will better understand why these garments are eagerly sought by the women of Ballinger.

Meet with us the coming week. Many new things of interest to you. We welcome your coming.

Splendid Values Offered in Women's and Children's Underwear

At 9 cts

Childrens Cambric Drawers good quality, well made; age 2 to 10, special.....9c

At 73 cts

72x90 Mohawk Sheets, easily worth \$1, only.....73c

At 19 cts

Cambric Drawers, umbrella styl, open and closed; value up to 35c; special.....19c

At 23 cts

10-4 Pepperril bleached Sheeting, per yd.....23c

At 49 cts

Ladies Gowns, made of extra good Cambric, trimmed in embroidery and lace; every size.....49c

At 10 cts

27 inch Persian Lawn, value 15c. Extra special.....10c

At 95 cts

Ladies Petticoats, well made with deep open work embroidery—the regular \$1.50 grade, special.....98c

At 5 cts

2000 yds Linen Lace two to five inches wide, value up to 15 cts, special.....5c

Beautiful Open work Embroidery and Insertion, 3 to 10 inches wide, value up to 25c, extra special pr yd.....11c

A more complete line of White Goods have never been shown in Ballinger before; such as Linen Sheeting, Air-line cloth, Linen Waisting, Dotted Swiss, Dimities, English Long cloth, Persian Lawns, Nainsook, Irish Linen etc. You will make no mistake whatever if you visit this White Sale. You and your friends are expected and urged to be here.

Spring Millinery Now Ready

Spring Millinery Opening and Display of Women's Apparat Now in progress. A display especially interesting to all women who appreciate good and beautiful things to wear. We renew our invitation to attend.

Street Hats at \$10, \$7.50, \$5, \$3, down to \$1.50. Beautiful Dress Hats \$20, \$15, \$12.50, \$10, \$7.50 and \$5.



The new Suits and Skirts are here. Lend us your presence, if only for a look at the biggest dry goods stock in Central West Texas. We devote our whole and undivided attention to the selling of Dry Goods, Clothing, Etc., hence better values and better prices and a saving to you.

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