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### BUSINESS MEN'S

#### BANQUET MARCH 13

Plans Outlined and Time for Holding Annual Banquet Fixed. Committees Appointed. Ticket Limit to 200.

Fifteen or twenty representative business men met at the City Hall at ten o'clock Tuesday morning and discussed plans for holding the annual get-together meeting and business men's banquet. It was decided to hold the banquet on the night of March 13th, and E. D. Walker was appointed to act as chairman of the various committees, and was authorized to name the various committees, and get them together at an early date and push the plans. Mr. Walker will name the various committees within the next day or two, and call them together.

It was decided to follow out the plans of the last banquet held by the business men, and fix the price of plates at \$1, and limit the tickets to 150. The committee to sell tickets will only have 150 tickets to sell and when these are sold the curtain will drop and it will not be possible for you to get your feet under the table unless you can buy the other fellow's ticket, and this will hardly be possible for every business man in Ballinger will want to be present at this banquet, and we predict now that the tickets will go in a hurry.

The program committee will arrange a program that will within itself be a big drawing card. Besser's band was used before, but it is hardly probably that this band can be had this time, but splendid music will be provided and also able speakers for the occasion. Nothing will be left undone to make this the most successful banquet in the history of the Ballinger Business League.

Get your ticket early and avoid being left out.

Attorney J. P. Cogdill, of Winters, was receiving the congratulations of his many Ballinger friends Thursday over his recent marriage this being his first visit here since the happy event.

### MADERO'S BROTHER

#### SHOT TO DEATH

Emilio Madero Met Death Near Monterey Yesterday. He Was Leading a Force to Join the Rebels at New Laredo.

Mexico City, Feb. 25.—Emilio Madero, a brother of the late president, has been shot and killed near Monterey according to reliable information received here.

With an escort of 35 men Madero, it is stated, was attempting to join the rebels holding Nuevo Laredo when he was overtaken by troops sent by Gen. Trevino. The reports do not indicate whether Madero was killed in action or was executed.

The shooting took place between Villadama and Baustamente.

As the rebel leader in the Laredo district, Geronimo Villarreal is a partisan of General Trevino, the government expects that the trouble in that vicinity will be adjusted soon.

Emilio Madero, in conjunction with his brother, Raoul Madero, a few days ago began a counter revolution at San Pedro, in the state of Coahuila, in the expectation of reuniting the rebels about Saltillo with those in the Laredo district.

#### Twenty-five Trains of Soldiers in Texas.

Glveston, Tex., Feb. 26.—Notwithstanding that the latest reports from Mexico show considerable improvement, the United States is rushing many troops to Texas. Four trains of twelve cars each have arrived here, and twenty-one trains are now en route to this point and to other points along the border. In addition to this a number of companies of Texas militia have been ordered in to service and are being rushed to Brownsville. A vast army of soldiers are being rushed to a common center, and in case Mr. Wilson desires to call Mexico to time when he goes into office he will have things ready.

#### Administration Very Hopeful.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The re-

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### COLQUITT ORDERS

#### TROOPS TO FRONT

Militiamen Will Go to Brownsville at Once to Protect Texans—United States Troops Also On Way.

It seems that it will be impossible to avoid a clash between Texas and Mexico, as is shown by the following from this morning's Temple Telegram:

#### Call for Immediate Help.

Austin, Feb. 24.—The governor received the following telegram from county judge and sheriff of Cameron county:

"Have just talked with American consul at Matamoras. Commanding officers there have demanded money of American citizens living in Matamoras. Threatens to withdraw his regular troops and turn the town over to the looters if the money is not forthcoming. We call upon you for immediate protection. Answer immediately." (Signed) "C. T. RYAN, Sheriff. E. H. GOODRICH, Co. Judge."

#### Colquitt's Answer.

Captain Head, Brownsville: "Have directed General Hutchings to order infantry and cavalry from Houston, infantry company from Corpus Christi, and cavalry company from Austin to Brownsville, at once on special train."

"Notify Mexico commander at Matamoras, who is demanding money, that if he harms a single Texan his life will be demanded as a forfeit." (Signed) Oscar Branch Colquitt, Governor of Texas.

#### Clash May Result.

Washington, Feb. 24.—A serious clash may result between Federal troops and the Texas National guard at Brownsville, Texas, should the latter attempt to cross the Rio Grande to the relief of Americans alleged to be imperiled in Matamoras, Mexico.

When the war department at midnight learned that Governor Colquitt has issued order for four companies of Texas Militiamen to proceed to Brownsville, orders were telegraphed at once to Brigade General Steever, in charge of the federal troops on the border, to send to Brownsville immediately such a force as he "deemed necessary" and "under no circumstances to permit the crossing of the river except upon the specific orders of the Secretary of War."

Washington, Feb. 24.—When word of Governor Colquitt's action was received, Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, recognized the danger of the situation and immediately took personal charge over the military telegraph line from Fort Myer, he sent imperative orders to General Steever to utilize his forces to prevent invasion of Mexican territory. These he supplemented by further orders through the regular channels of the war department.

### COMMITTEES NAMED

#### FOR B. M. BANQUET

Arrangements Being Perfected for One of the Most Successful Events of the Unlucky Year.

E. D. Walker, chairman of the committee on arrangements, and who was elected by the Business League as chairman of all the committees, has been busy since Tuesday's meeting getting things in readiness for the coming banquet. The following committees have been appointed:

Committee to nominate new board of directors—Oscar Pearson, A. J. Zappe, D. Reeder and Jno. A. Weeks.

Program Committee—U. P. Melton, C. O. Harris, W. C. Reeves and A. Levy.

Entertainment Committee—Jo Wilmeth, E. P. Kirk, A. L. Spann, and Robt. McGregor.

Advertising Committee—A. W. Sledge, J. Y. Pearce, E. Shepherd, and J. A. Ostertag.

Mr. Walker, chairman of all the committees, has called a meeting of all the committees to meet at the Business League room Thursday morning at ten o'clock, where further plans will be discussed and the work pushed.

The tickets are going fast, Mr. Walker stating that it begins to look now like the committee made a mistake in placing the limit number too low. Only 150 tickets will be sold, and if you have not bought your ticket, you had better get busy.

#### BALLINGER SHIP-PING VIOLETS

We have been told that a Ballinger lady is selling violets in Fort Worth for \$3 per hundred. This beautiful little flower was never more plentiful in Ballinger, and they are of an unusual large size this year, and the violet beds present a solid mat of violet blue. This is certainly a new industry for Ballinger, and is only another instance to prove that this is a great country.

Mr. Turbeville, of Fort Worth, at one time in business in our city came in Thursday afternoon to visit his brother F. H. Turbeville and family and Ballinger friends and to look after business affairs here a few days.

At a late hour the state department declared it had received no information of Governor Colquitt's activity and in the absence of advices declined to comment on it.

cent dispatches from Ambassador Wilson has caused a much more hopeful view of the Mexico situation, and outside of the killing of another one of the Madero yesterday, nothing new has been received by the war department.

It is the opinion that Pres. Taft and Gov. Wilson are working in harmony in handling the situation and that Taft is only complying with the wishes of Wilson in rushing the vast army of soldiers to a common center and having the matter in shape for the incoming administration. In less than one week Mr. Taft will turn the matter over to Gov. Wilson, but every detail of the trouble will be clearly laid before the new administration and no trouble will be occasioned by the change.

#### WOOL GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

R. G. Erwin, of the First National Bank informed us Wednesday that the Wool Growers' Association of this section would hold their first spring meeting in Ballinger next Saturday, March 1st, at which time arrangements will be made to store the wool and have eastern buyers here at a date which will be made known later to buy the wool of this section. Members form all points in Runnels, Concho, Coleman and other counties are expected to be present at this meeting.

#### TAX COLLECTIONS FOR FOUR MONTHS.

Deputy Tax Collector R. P. Kirk telephoned the Daily Ledger this morning that the final report of tax collections had just been made to the commissioners court, now in session and that the amount of money collected for the last four months—Oct., Nov., Dec., and Jan. amounted to \$77,000.72.

#### TAKE CARE OF YOUR CAT HIS HIDE IS WORTH MONEY

Uncle George Eskridge came in Saturday to get supplies and ship out a lot of furs. While here he received returns from a shipment of hides he made to a fur house about two weeks ago. He stated that skunk hides brought him an average of about \$2.50 each and three common house cats brought him 40 cents a piece. At this rate there are several hundred dollars worth of cats in Ballinger. The season closes Saturday, however, and it is too late for some boys to get your old "Tabby" cat and realize on his hide.

Mrs. M. M. Smith, of Temple, returned to Ballinger Tuesday at noon and will take charge of the Mays Hotel on March first.

### BALLINGER FIRM SPREADING OUT

Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack Enlarge Their Store Room and Put on New Front. Meet Demand For More Room.

The big general merchandise house of Van Pelt, Kirk & Mack is undergoing a change that will make that store look like a new one, and will give the firm a third as much more room as they have been using. They have rented the building adjoining the dry goods department and will use it for vehicles and a store room for other lines. They are receiving a new shipment of buggies and will display same in the new quarters, making it easy for the buyer to see what he is buying and select what he wants in the buggy line. In addition to the new floor space added the entire front of the three buildings will be painted in an attractive color and a large sign will extend across the front of the 3 buildings. The increase in this firm's business makes the demand for the new improvements and the improvements will add greatly to the beauty of the West side of Hutchings Ave.

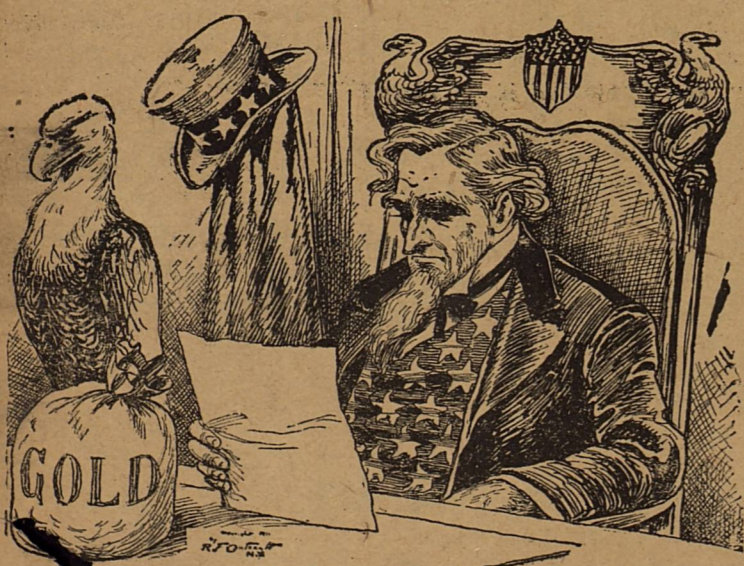
#### LITTLEFIELD WAIVES EXAMINATION; RELEASED.

The Brownwood Bulletin says: "Waiving preliminary examination, R. E. Littlefield, who Friday night shot and killed his brother-in-law, J. H. Murphy, at the Hood dairy was released under \$2500 bond Saturday night, to wait the action of the grand jury. His bondsmen are as follows, all from the Paint Rock country: Tom Benger, J. H. Benger, W. G. Currie and J. C. Howze. These gentlemen have property amounting to considerably more than \$100,000, and it is said that had it been necessary a bond for a half million dollars could easily have been given, practically everybody in Littlefield's home county being willing and some of them anxious to sign his bond.

Littlefield's father came over from Concho county Saturday and he and his son returned to their home that night.

J. H. Murphy was buried yesterday afternoon at Greenleaf cemetery by the Woodmen of the World. His wife and her sister are still at the Hood dairy, Mrs. Murphy being very ill.

W. C. Jackson, a prominent real estate man of Fort Stockton, came in Wednesday morning to look after business affairs in Ballinger a day or so.



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"I take great pleasure in recommending your Dr. King's New Discovery for the benefit of suffering humanity. It's a thoroughly reliable remedy for all coughs, croup and lung troubles. We have used it in our family for fourteen years with the best results. It saved my mother when two doctors gave her up. She had a very severe case of pneumonia and was in bed seven weeks and part of the time 'out of her mind' so that she did not know me. I told father to get me two 50c bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, which he did, and on taking it she soon began to improve, and four bottles cured her entirely. You may publish this if you wish and I will answer all inquiries, with postage enclosed for reply.

"Yours respectfully,  
"Wm. Cogger."

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J. Y. Pearce

**SIXTH DISTRICT BANKERS MEET**

**Convention Called to Order in Library Thursday Morning—District Well Represented—Many Bankers Here.**

The convention of the Sixth District Bankers Association convened in Ballinger Thursday morning at nine-thirty o'clock. The convention was called to order by the President A. B. Sherwood, of San Angelo, and Rev. W. Bion Adkins, pastor of the Ninth Street Baptist church offered the invocation, and was called on to deliver the welcome address.

Oscar Wells, president of the First National Bank of Houston, responded to the address of welcome. Mr. Wells is a member of a party of bankers that are touring the State in their private cars, attending the various district conventions over the State. Speaking for the visiting bankers Mr. Wells said that it was a great pleasure for them to be the guests of Ballinger. He said he had found no one since arriving in the little city that would deny that the climatic and crop conditions had not been unfavorable in recent years, but stated that they could not observe this from the general appearance of things. He also said that in all his travels he had not visited a town that presented such substantial appearance as Ballinger, the business district being built exclusively of stone and brick. He spoke at considerable length along monetary and banking reform lines.

The convention was conducted in a very informal way, only a few of the speakers being assigned to any special subject. "Stock Farming Movement" and "What Bankers of the Sixth District are Doing to Develop the Agricultural Resources of their Country" were subjects that took up most of the morning session. Mr. J. B. Tinsley, of the Santa Fe, who is in the demonstrative farming work of

that road, spoke for about an hour along stock farming, dairying, etc. He advanced some new ideas, and appealed to the bankers to work for an appropriation for this county to have an agricultural demonstrator under the supervision of the government. Mr. J. Hursch, chairman of the agricultural committee of the State Bankers' Association, followed Mr. Tinsley with a talk on the banker's interest in agricultural work. Mr. Hursch named over the counties in this district where the commissioner's court had made an appropriation for the maintaining of a demonstration farm, and where this had been supplemented by the government to a sufficient amount for those counties to employ a man for all his time to carry on the work, and we regret to say that Runnels county was not in the list. Coleman, Tom Green, Comanche, Brown, McCulloch and a number of others in the district have demonstration farms and last year's work shows that the farms that were cultivated under the direction of the government made an average of ten dollars per acre more than the farms that were cultivated in the old slip shod way.

C. B. Metcalf responded to the call for a talk from the farmers side of the question. Mr. Metcalf endorsed all that the speakers had said about the advantage and methods of better farming, and said that the banker was in a position to be of great help towards educating the farmers along scientific farming lines. Mr. Metcalf took advantage of the opportunity to "rap" the bankers for charging, as he expressed it such high rate of interest, making it impossible for the farmer to borrow money with which to develop their land and produce more and better crops. He stated that a man could not borrow money, pay the rate of interest charged and sell his produce at prevailing prices and make a living. Mr. Metcalf also discussed the selling methods and asked the bankers to help and work for the completion of a plan that would enable the farmer to

get a fair price for what he produced, as well as working for a plan that would enable the farmer to produce more.

Thirty minutes or more was devoted to an open discussion of the stock raising and farming interest. The convention adjourned at one o'clock.

**The Local Entertainment.**

The local bankers provided entertainment for the visitors in the way of auto drives over the city, and a luncheon at the Central Hotel at 2 o'clock. There were about 100 bankers present, and the day spent in Ballinger seemed to have been an enjoyable one, and, as many expressed it, one of the most pleasant and profitable ones of the series of conventions which have been held over the state this month.

As the guest arrived, coming in both by auto and on the train, they were escorted to the local banks, where they were supplied with a beautiful bunch of violets and a badge made of paper representing a water melon, and on the badge was typewritten the name of the guest, his bank and the place he occupied in the bank.

The next district convention meets tomorrow in Cleburne and the bankers from St. Louis, New York, Chicago, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth and other Texas cities, as well as a number of the bankers of this district, left at five o'clock for Cleburne. The east-bound train was held for thirty minutes in order that the visitors might finish their work here and get away.

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**ITEMS OF INTEREST TO MISSION WORKERS**

"It is a beautiful thing to take off one's hat to an ideal; it is an infinitely finer thing to take off one's coat and go to work for it."

The most important and far-reaching action of the executive committee of the Woman's Missionary Council at the mid year meeting last year was The Bugle Call for 1913, "Double Our Membership" "Double Our Offerings." How pray? Work. Give.

Seek to secure an average per capita of 15 cents a week, 60 cents a month, or \$7 a year from the membership of every Auxiliary. The amount mentioned (15 cents per week) is to include dues, conference pledge, incidental fund, everything, but local work. Direction can be given to payments as heretofore.—Missionary Voice.

The M. E. Church, South, raised during the past year the largest amount for missions in its history; it passed the million mark. Board of Missions \$655,022.00

Foreign Department . . \$290,104.86  
Home Department . . . 163,324.98

Total . . . \$1,108,451.84  
The Sue Bennett School at London, Ky., is enjoying the best year of its history. The attendance has been good and the class work of finest quality.

The new City Board of San Francisco has been fortunate in securing the appointment of our pioneer deaconess, Miss Mattie Wright.

Miss Wright reached her new field in February and is making a careful investigation of the great field to which she has been appointed. Miss Wright was the pioneer deaconess of St. Louis, Mo., and also of Houston, Tex., upon whose foundation work the kingdom house and the Young Woman's Cooperative Home have been

built. The Woman's Missionary council will convene at the First Methodist church, Birmingham, Ala., April 9-17. The Council Daily will be edited by Mrs. A. L. Marshall, and subscriptions for the Daily should be sent to her at 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Marshall will be assisted by Mrs. F. F. Stevens, of Columbus, Mo., and Miss Estell Haskins, of Nashville, Tenn.

It is not worth while being religious unless you are altogether religious. It won't do to be merely playing at religion or having religion on us as a bit of veneer. It must saturate us. Some seek first the kingdom of God. Others put it in a second place. Then pray-meetings are dull, and fellowship gatherings are uninteresting; but the moment a man begins to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, all things are right.—Henry Drummond.

Press Reporter W. M. Society.

**Fit His Case Exactly.**  
"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

M. A. Traylor, a former valued citizen of Ballinger now one of the bankers of East St. Louis, came in Wednesday at noon to be present at the Banker's meeting in our city Thursday and join Mrs. Traylor here on a visit to relatives and friends.

**BETTER THAN SPANKING.**

Spanking will not cure children of wetting the bed, because it is not a habit but a dangerous disease. The C. H. Rowan Drug Co., Dept. 1801 Chicago, Ill. have discovered a strictly harmless remedy for this distressing disease and to make known its merits they will send a 50c package securely wrapped and prepaid Absolutely Free to any reader of the Banner-Leger. This remedy also cures frequent desire to urinate and inability to control urine during the night or day in old or young. The C. H. Rowan Drug Co., is an Old Reliable House write to them today for the free medicine. Cure the afflicted members of your family, then tell your neighbors and friends about this remedy. 52 tw.

R. B. Creasy, the Ballinger Cotton Oil Mill man, left Wednesday at noon for San Angelo to look after their business at that place a few days. Mr. Creasy says they have five or six weeks run still at San Angelo, but might move the crew here for a week or so before they finish up at that place.

**DOING THEIR DUTY.**

Scores of Ballinger Readers are Learning the Duty of the Kidneys.

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**RETURNS HOME.**

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O. B. Corbett left Monday at noon for San Angelo to look after business interests a few days.

**A NEW CURE FOR DRUNK HABIT.**

Mr. Editor: Now that there is no election on hand and we are all peaceable and our minds calm and unruffled, we can think and talk with perhaps more reason. If I were to stick my knife into some vital part of a man, and the sheriff should arrest the knife and the court and district attorney and jurors were to take a hammer and proceed to hammer the knife to powder, we would think they had an abrasion of the brain, at least, if not draft.

Mr. Editor, they would at least be acting as wisely as some of our leading politicians and other leaders who are continually hounding whiskey, a thing as inanimate as the knife, and of itself as harmless but that something under the existing circumstances has to be done. I therefore, suggest, that the present Legislature pass a law to buy a farm or farms and call it a correction farm, allowing the drunk good wages and turn same over to his wife or children, or parents and if he has neither, then to the State, making his offence the first time one year the second offense, three years, the third offense six years, and double the term for each and every offense thereafter. I believe this would stop drunkenness and thereby stop the prohibition craze. Deal with the offending party to society, and the one who is robbing or would rob his wife and children or those dependent upon him for a living, but do not destroy inanimate things which are of them selves harmless.

Mr. Editor, I will go further and say that I do not believe it is right to have a money fine for any offense. Make hard labor a recompense for misdeeds of all sorts. The miscreants would themselves have to pay for their wickedness and not their parents or some one else who can not easily spare the money fine.

Having said this much, I will ring off. This is being tried elsewhere  
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### ReXall Orderlies

Our experience with them and the many reports we have received from those who have used them prove that they are really the most pleasing and satisfactory bowel remedy we know of.

ReXall Orderlies taste like candy. They are soothing and easy in action. They don't cause griping, nausea, purging or excessive looseness, as do the usual physic or laxative. ReXall Orderlies seem to act as a tonic-strengthening upon the nerves and muscles of the bowels. They promptly

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We want you to come to our store and get a package of ReXall Orderlies. Use a few or use up the entire box. Then, if you are not entirely satisfied, come back and tell us and we will promptly return the money you paid us for them.

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### A POOL HALL OPENED IN TEXAS EVERY DAY.

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For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's Liniment excellent. It allays the pain, removes the sores and soon restores the parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

### AN INTERESTING LETTER.

The following is an interesting letter to J. McGregor from one of the old Runnels county citizens and his many friends in the county will be glad to learn the following views from him.

Ridge, Mont., Feb. 7, 1913

Dear Sir:

Well we are up against another hard winter, last winter was the worst for 30 years, but we have colder weather this winter than last, though not so much snow, there is only 12 inches on the ground now, and most of it fell on January 2nd, since then we have had 30 days of fierce weather, only a few days of decent weather since Jan. 1st. The ther-

момeter registering from 5 to 45 degrees below zero, but still I believe that this is the coming country. Stock of all kinds do well here, and it is a fairly good farming country, it is the best corn and wheat country I ever saw, in fact most anything you plant does well here, and you can grow more vegetables here than any place on earth. We have some wild game left, such as elk, deer, antelope, Grouse, and Sage chickens, Gray and Lobe wolves, a few Panthers, we get \$15.00 bounty on them, and from \$40.00 to \$75.00 from the stockmen on panthers, and \$3.00 bounty for the hides of Coyotes, which are plentiful, so you see there is pretty good money trapping, before the snow gets too deep.

Personally, I am located 9 miles from postoffice, 85 miles from rail road, 100 miles from church, 50 miles to telephone and 6 miles to my nearest neighbor, but as soon as spring comes I am going to move to where I won't be so crowded. When I moved here I leased a band of 1700 sheep and had good luck with them in 1910 and in 1911 I had run my bunch to 3400, but last fall I sold out my sheep, and bought a bunch of cattle, and if they don't die this winter, I guess I have hit is pretty lucky again, as I have refused \$60 per head for them, I know how to handle cattle, but a sheep dies before you know they are sick.

Would be more than glad to hear from any of my old Runnels County friends, could ask you a thousand questions, but don't like to worry you,

Regards to all,  
Yours very truly,  
C. F. CASTLEBERRY.

## RUNNELS COUNTY

### DOCTORS MEET

Prominent Visitors Attend Convention of Runnels County Medical Association—Splendid Program.

The Runnels County Medical Association met in regular session Thursday afternoon at the Library at 3 o'clock and was presided over by Dr. W. B. Halley, president and Dr. E. R. Walker, secretary. The association was opened with prayer by Dr. Mangum after which the meeting was declared open and Dr. Parsons of San Angelo delivered a splendid address, and dwelt at length upon the physicians duty to humanity and in bettering the condition of humanity not only from a medical standpoint but by otherwise improving their conditions, the physician also bettered his own condition, and contended that it pays in many ways. The doctor's talk was along the line of human uplift and said that in showing the people you were really interested in their welfare, not only from a financial standpoint, but from pure motives of assisting humanity, you would draw them closer to you and thereby better the standing and intimacy of the medical profession. His talk was well received and at the close short talks were made by nearly every physician present endorsing the thoughts of doctor Parsons.

At this meeting a committee was appointed, composed of Drs. Mangum, of Ballinger, Franc of Paint Rock, and T. R. Sealey, of Santa Anna to draft resolutions against the optometry bill now before the State Legislature, and that the resolutions be sent to our Representative and Senator with a request that they oppose the bill.

Dr. T. R. Sealey, of Santa Anna, then read a splendid paper on "Our Public Menace," from a public standpoint, was very instructive and interesting and listened to with rapt attention.

A splendid paper written by Prof. M. B. Johnson, superintendent, of public schools of Sweetwater, entitled "My Ideas of the Medical Profession and its Duties to the State," and was read by Miss Kindall, the teacher of English in the Ballinger High School which was a most interesting and instructive and voted splendid by all present.

Dr. Buchanan, of San Angelo then read a very interesting paper and at its close he extended an invitation to the Runnels county association and the citizens of Ballinger, to attend a meeting in San Angelo some day in April, at which time Dr. Oscar Dawling, of Louisiana, and Drs. Turner, of Dallas, would lecture to the Tom Green Medical Association.

Dr. E. R. Walker has hopes of getting these noted physicians spend a few hours in our city while en route to San Angelo on the above occasion, as Dr. Garrick, of Dallas had promised his influence in getting these distinguished visitors to be with us.

The meeting adjourned at a late hour in the afternoon and reports one of the most interesting and harmonious meetings in the history of the association.

While the meeting was fairly well attended, the president says he was rather disappointed that more of our citizens were not present and especially the social clubs and the ladies clubs and school teachers, who had special invitations, and especially so as they represent the more advanced intellect of the city and the papers and addresses would have been very instructive and interesting to them.

S. L. Alexander, the big implement merchant of Winters, had business in Ballinger Saturday.

### KILLING IN BROWNWOOD FRIDAY

Concho County Man Shoots J. H. Murphy Five Times With 32-Automatic—Killing Occurred Late Friday.

(Special to The Ledger) Brownwood, Texas, Feb. 22.—J. H. (Pat) Murphy was shot an instantly killed by his brother-in-law, I. E. (Ed) Littlefield at the home of Murphy here at dusk last night.

Littlefield lives in Concho county. He arrived here from his home Thursday evening, coming in on the Santa Fe from the West which arrives here about seven o'clock. He remained around town all day yesterday and late in the afternoon he went to a garage and hired an auto to take him out to Murphy's home. Murphy lives out a short distance from town, being employed by W. C. Hood, of the Brownwood Dairy. Arriving at the home of Murphy and finding Murphy away from the house, Littlefield told the driver to take him down to the dairy, which is about three hundred yards below the house. When near the dairy the auto met Murphy and Littlefield remarked to the driver "there is the man I want," and when within about ten feet of Murphy, Littlefield stood up in the auto and shot five times. Three of the shots inflicted fatal wounds. One shot broke Murphy's neck, another plowed through his head, breaking his jaw, and another striking in the pit of the stomach. One shot struck in the arm. Murphy phy dropped dead at the crack of the gun without uttering a sound.

Murphy married Littlefield's sister. He moved with his family to Brownwood from Concho county about three months ago. About a month ago a baby was born to them, and the baby died. Littlefield's sister went to be with her sister, Mrs. Murphy while she was sick, and was at the Murphy home at the time of the killing. Murphy leaves besides his wife a little girl two and a half years old and a father and mother, who live in Brownwood.

Littlefield did not tell the garage man what his mission was when he employed him to take him to the Murphy home and after killing Murphy he took his seat in the car and told the driver to return to town, and arriving at town Littlefield surrendered to the officers and was locked up in jail. He refuses to make a statement, and the cause of the killing is not known, further than a rumor that it was over family matters.

Littlefield is known in Ballinger. This is his trading point, and it is presumed that he came here and took the train for Brownwood last Thursday. The family is one of the pioneer settlers of the Concho county.

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Take Dr. King's New Discovery. The best cough, cold, throat and lung medicine made. Money refunded if it fails to cure you. Do not hesitate—take it at our risk. First dose helps, J. R. Wells, Floydada, Texas, writes "Dr. King's New Discovery cured my terrible cough and cold. I gained 15 pounds." Buy it at Walker Drug Co.

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If you are bilious, languid, constipated, suffer from indigestion, sour belching, bloated feeling, bad breath, headache, wind in the bowels, dizziness, you need

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### THE PECAN NURSERY.

S. B. Howard, the irrigation farmer up the river a few miles, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Wednesday and while here placed an ad in the daily and weekly with reference to his pecan nursery and budding for this spring.

Mr. Howard has some very fine maize, ribbon cane and cotton seed for sale and the past year he made 85 bushels of maize to the acre and 1 1-2 bales of cotton to the acre on his farm.

Mr. Howard and H. A. Halbert, the noted pecan grower of Coleman county, have formed a partnership and will put in a pecan nursery on Mr. Howard's farm up the river. The Banner-Ledger was in error a week or so ago when it stated that Mr. Halbert and Mr. L. B. James would establish a pecan nursery, up the river it should have been Mr. S. B. Howard and Mr. H. A. Halbert. However, we are informed that Mr. James will plant improved pecans along his irrigation ditch on his place.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

Mrs. John Peechecke was called to Rowena Saturday to be at the bedside of her sister who is seriously ill.

A. S. Whitten, the insurance man left Saturday morning on a short business trip to Talpa.

### NEW DEPARTMENT IN THE BIG STORE

Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., Add New Feature—Dress Making Parlor Now Open

They have secured the services of Mrs. Wilkins, formerly with Sanger Bros. Dallas, who has charge of the dress making department. The fact that Mrs. Wilkins was with Sanger Bros. 8 or 9 years is sufficient recommendation to assure all that the Ballinger people are fortunate in having an opportunity to get her to make their dresses. This firm has some of her work on exhibition in their show window and will be glad to have you call and see it, as well as to call on Mrs. Wilkins to do their dress making. All work will be strictly guaranteed.

Little Miss Bertie Caldwell of San Angelo, came in Friday morning on a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Guest for a few days.

### These is no need of suffering from PILES WHEN YOU CAN GET EUREKA PILE OINTMENT

for 25c from your nearest drug store. No matter what you have used or tried, get EUREKA and cure yourself at home. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Take this ad to your druggist and insist on getting Eureka. You will be delighted with results. If your druggist has none and will not get it for you send 25c to Eureka Pile Ointment Co., 999 Windsor st., Cincinnati O. Receive post-paid in plain package Eureka Pile Ointment.

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Pain All Gone

Mr. J. R. SWINGER, of 517 So. 12th St., Louisville, Ky., writes:—"I suffered with quite a severe neuralgic headache for four months without any relief. I used your Liniment for two or three nights and I haven't suffered with my head since. I have found many quick reliefs from pain by the use of Sloan's Liniment and believe it to be the best Liniment on the market to-day. I can recommend it for what it did for me."

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What's all this fuss in Mexico about?

Little "draps" water and little grains of sand makes Runnels county a mighty prosperous land.

Say, had you forgot that the Balkans and Turks were fighting too?

Spring time is coming gentle Annie; watch the buds and the sprouts sprout. Tickle the earth and plant a few garden seed.

During the last week Texas has increased in population about ten thousand. That many soldiers have been brought to the state.

Wilson's got the trust moving. One \$25,000,000 corporation—the American Railway Co.—will surrender its New Jersey charter and take out one in Delaware.

Colquitt has his political enemies, but every one must admit that he will go the full limit in protecting Texas Americans who are in Mexico. He is right.

The announcement of services of churches in Ballinger appear in today's Ledger. Make your arrangement to attend some service tomorrow, instead of lounging around home or loafing on the streets.

The railroads and the government are offering financial inducement for the establishment of an experimental farm in Runnels county. The Business League and Commissioners court will get behind the move and the demonstration farm will be forth coming.

Abilene, Brownwood, San Angelo, Brady, Cleburne and many other towns we could mention, have held their annual business men's get-together-meeting and banquet during the last month. Ballinger has one coming.

The defense sprung a surprise in the Sneed case when they undertook to offer testimony of two Vernon physicians that Sneed, according to his own evidence, was insane when he killed Al Boyce, at Amarillo. To say the least of it the man had enough trouble to run him crazy.

The divorce question will come up for consideration when the house convenes after the meningitis scare, and if the measure proposed is made a law it will be hard for the couple that wishes to dislove marriage relations in order that they may marry some one else.

The moving picture manufacturers are having all the luck. One concern hired a one-armed lion tamer and a perfectly harmless lion to do a stunt and the perfectly harmless lion ate the balance of the tamer. Can you im-

agine what that film will be worth?—Ft Worth Record.

The boys will all pay their dime to see the film reeled off.

Some of the boys at Austin are still dodging the meningitis germ, and the legislature will probably take another "lay-off" until April first. We do not know what the law is governing such matters, but the man that endangers his life by returning to the House needs a guardian, or perhaps he is trying to make his constituency believe he is a hero. Five cases of meningitis have developed among the representative and three of them proved fatal. As there are no other cases in Austin it is a foregone conclusion that the trouble originated in the house.

The man that complains of hard times and says he can't find work in Ballinger, is perhaps doing his hardest work to keep out of work. We know of at least 3 men who have been trying for a week to get help, and the pay offered is good. A man that is idle here is idle strictly through a matter of choice and not because there is nothing for him to do.

It is not surprising that meningitis got a foothold in the legislature, when we read that the carpet in the room of the chief clerk has not been taken up or cleaned since it was put down in 1888. Other offices turn in similar reports. That the capitol of the largest state in the union should be so unclean is a reflection and a disgrace, that should no longer be permitted to exist now that the true situation is known.—Brownwood Bulletin.

If there is anything that causes cold chills to play hide and seek up and down our spine it is to receive a cold dish rag handshake, or to meet a neighbor on the streets and he gives us the grouchy grunt instead of opening his mouth and coming out with a hearty "how-dy-do", or a greeting that sounds like the expressions from a warm heart. Its all in the habit and our bad habits are our worst enemies.

We are criticised some times for overlooking a news item, when nine times out of ten the "critic" could have put us next and helped us to get the item. The average reader does not realize how hard it is some times to get a news item, and especially when we have to use our "centrifugal" pump to get the information. It is impossible to be everywhere and know everything at the same time, and you can be of great help to the newspaper man by giving him such information as will be of interest to the public and will do no one an injury. We want all the news

We all have a good word for the man who attends to his own business. The commendation is due to the fact that the fellow who is busy with his own affairs has not time or desire to meddle with other people's private affairs. But really, dear reader, the man to his own business is a very narrow, shriveled, selfish man, and the man who goes no further than his own private business falls far short of his duty. The business which makes better towns, better conditions in the country, better schools, better roads, better government is every man's business, and he who gives it none of his time or attention is not a useful, well-rounded citizen. We must say, however, that this character of service is its own reward and if those who perform it expect commendation they will be disappointed. In truth they will receive more knocks, more words that harrass and disgust, than praise. The timid shrink after receiving a few knocks, but the truly brave, those who are determined to be useful in spite of the high price they must pay go on giving attention to the larger duties of life and accepting with the best grace possible the knocks that are given in return.—Honey Grove Signal.

Concentration and co-operation seem to be the idea now among the newspapers of this section of the state particularly. Within the past year or so papers at Brady, Coleman, Comanche have consolidated, and now the Ballinger papers the Ledger and Banner-Leader have been consolidated, and henceforth will be operated as one paper under one management. Experience has taught nearly all of us that one good paper, is better for a town than two or three poor ones—better for the town and county, and better for the people operating the papers. The Ballinger people have done the right thing, and have successfully carried out the idea advanced by the writer, when managing one of the papers in that town four years ago. There is no general demand for more than one paper in the average small town, but occasionally some fellow butts in thinking to take advantage of a seeming demand, when the demand does not really exist, except in the minds perhaps of some one or two disgruntled parties with an imaginary grievance. To paraphrase the saying of a certain Texas politician, fewer papers, and better "papers" is the order of the day in Texas cities. Town people as well as newspaper people are beginning to see that it is less expensive to support one good paper, rather than two or three weaklings, and we are quite sure the Ballinger people will find this move to their mutual advantage, as has been proven in Comanche.—Comanche Chief.

RUNNELS SHOULD HAVE DEMONSTRATION FARM.

This county is behind our neighbor counties and is loosing each year a great deal more than it gains by not having a demonstration farm. The government has a standing offer to make an appropriation for every county where the commissioners court makes an appropriation for the establishment of an experimental farm, or for the employing of an experienced man to conduct experimental farms over the county. Under the plan as outlined by the government, if the commissioners court will appropriate an amount to go with the appropriation which the government proposes to give towards paying the salary of a man here to devote his full time towards teaching scientific farming. He will take under his care as many farms as he can give attention to, and where the farmer will agree to follow his direction in preparing his land, cultivating, etc. Last year where these farms were cultivated under the direction of the government experimental farmer the land produced from ten to twelve dollars more per acre than adjoining farms and those cultivated in the common old fashioned way. Certainly this is proof of the profit in scientific way.

The Santa Fe has established along its lines in a number of counties demonstration farms, and every one has been a great help in giving the farmer new ideas. They not only teach scientific agricultural farming, but they teach stock farming, poultry raising, etc, showing the great profit to be made in raising feed and converting that feed into poultry products, beef, pork, butter, etc., for which there is an unlimited demand and a good price.

There is no county in all of Central West Texas that is better adapted to stock farming than our own good Runnels county, and there is no county where an experimental farm would be of greater profit than this county, and the move now on foot will no doubt result in giving the county the best demonstration farm in all of Central West Texas.

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Frank Ramsey, of Brownwood, was here Tuesday on business. Rev. Father Gorman, of Rowena, had business in Ballinger between trains Tuesday.

Letters From the People.

(From San Angelo Standard)  
The annual meeting of the Sixth district Bankers' Association was held in Ballinger, February 20th, 1913, and those who were fortunate enough to attend will long remember the people of Ballinger, the banquet they gave and their whole-souled and genuine hospitality.

The information exchanged at this meeting between the bankers, agricultural experts, business men and farmers, convinced one disinterested observer that the greatest handicap to the prosperity of this section was not the drought, inadequate capital, high interest rate insufficient rainfall stock shortage, but ignorance, ignorance, ignorance. Thorough knowledge of local conditions properly applied would enable us to create more wealth in a bad season than we have ever made in the best.

For example, there are fine cotton oil mills in both Ballinger and San Angelo, not one ounce of their products except the oil, should be shipped in any other form than wool, mohair or fat meat. Local consumption of the hulls and cake would double the value of our fodder crops, create a reliable market for them while giving our stock-raisers the advantage that tops have over poor stuff, to say nothing of the saving in freights.

The number of interesting speeches produced one curious result, viz., the most important facts regarding farming and stock-raising came from the bankers and those relating to banking, with one exception, from the farmers and stock-raisers, each furnishing the other a new view point. The one exception was Mr. Eldridge of the National City Bank of New York. There was no attempt at oratory, but his remarks, like a power drill, bored a clean hole in our currency system which if filled with the dynamite of public opinion and touched off by the press, the road leading to a sound and permanent prosperity. The value of Mr. Eldridge's speech was that of a man of superior ability giving clearly the facts regarding a subject he thoroughly understood; some of us did not agree with his conclusions, particularly regarding the Aldrich scheme but we were convinced beyond doubt of the paramount necessity for a change before we can even hope for permanent prosperity in this country.

PENROSE N. IONS.

News papers contained the following story from Los Angeles, Cal.  
A burglar who went to rob Mrs. Fred Morris remained to save her baby's life, according to a report she made to the police.

Mrs. Morris said her baby was stricken with croup. She started to run for a physician. Just as she went out her front door she met a masked man who ordered her to keep quite at the risk of her life. She screamed, "My baby is dying; I am going for a doctor."

"Let me help you," said the robber, dropping a revolver in his pocket.

Mrs. Morris, frightened, led him back into the house. He asked for vinegar, sugar and water and concocted a mixture which he

GIRLS ARE WARNED AGAINST CITIES.

The Fort Worth Record says: Warnings against the wiles of the white slave emissaries are being sent to girls throughout the country by the Young Women's Christian association. Posters asking young women not to flock into the cities alone have been placed in railway stations in small towns throughout the state. Similar work is being carried on in the larger cities.

Girls everywhere are being warned not to loiter or stand alone on the streets. They are also instructed to walk as quickly as possible to the nearest policeman, if accosted by strangers.

This work is being conducted in Texas by a committee of five, composed of the following women: Mrs. J. D. Sayers, state committee of the Young Women's Christian association, chairman; Mrs. O. B. Colquitt, United Daughters of the Confederacy; Mrs. Milton Morris, Daughters of the American Revolution; Mrs. L. L. Lacy, Congress of Mothers; Mrs. William Abadie, State Federation of Womens' clubs.

To combat the white slave evil travelers aid departments have been established in the depots of nearly all large Texas cities.

"The meaning of all this," declares a bulletin of the committee, "is that no woman is safe without an escort. The situation is nothing less than horrible."

Travelers' aid secretaries have been placed in stations at Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, San Antonio and El Paso, and young women everywhere are instructed to call upon them upon arriving in any of these places.

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Its active principle solely grape acid and baking soda. It makes the food more delicious and wholesome.

The low priced, low grade powders put alum or lime phosphates in the food.

Ask Your Doctor About That

HE WASN'T A GAS MAN.  
News papers contained the following story from Los Angeles, Cal.  
A burglar who went to rob Mrs. Fred Morris remained to save her baby's life, according to a report she made to the police.

Mrs. Morris said her baby was stricken with croup. She started to run for a physician. Just as she went out her front door she met a masked man who ordered her to keep quite at the risk of her life. She screamed, "My baby is dying; I am going for a doctor."

"Let me help you," said the robber, dropping a revolver in his pocket.

Mrs. Morris, frightened, led him back into the house. He asked for vinegar, sugar and water and concocted a mixture which he forced down the infant's throat. Then he rubbed olive oil on the child's chest and worked for an hour before he told the mother it was out of danger.

"You must have a baby yourself?" remarked Mrs. Morris.

"I have five," replied the man.

"That's why I came here to-night."

Then he left and Mrs. Morris refused to give the police a description of him.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.  
A prominent New York physician says: "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Chas. S. Miller, Pres. and Treas.  
H. M. Josey, Vice-Pres. and Sec'y.  
Jno. Hopkinson, Asst. Treas. and Sec'y.

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This Department of the business will be conducted in the name of the Giesecke-Bennett Co. as well as that of Chas. S. Miller, its manager.

The Giesecke-Bennett Co. is successor to the former business of Chas. S. Miller Abstract Co., which was under the personal management of Chas. S. Miller for twelve years prior to 1906, during which time he sold more land in Runnels County, than perhaps all other agencies combined.

It is the aim of the present management, in the near future, to do considerable advertising, in trying to bring prospectors to this county. While we already have a large number of lands, listed and for sale, if you have any that you wish to offer during this year, please call and list same with us. We verily expect to see something doing in the Realty business, before the year '13 expires.

**LAND NOTES**

If you have any choice first lien Vendor lien notes to offer for sale, or if you want to borrow any money on your land, never forget to give us a chance at them, as we are always in the market for Choice Loans on Real-Estate. I cordially invite all of our friends and customers, at any time to call at our office, make yourselves at home, and unobson your needs and wants to us, and if we can serve you, it will give us pleasure to do so. Respectfully,

**Giesecke-Bennett Company**  
per Chas. S. Miller, Manager.

**A Portrait**  
OF yourself  
is a dainty compliment to send to a dear friend at Easter

Don't Leave It Till Too Late.

**WILAOURN'S STUDIO**  
Maker of FINE PORTRAITS  
712 Hutchins Ave. Ballinger, Texas



## Growing Children Need Good Bowels

Weekly dose...  
Give a Mild Laxative Occasionally  
to Insure Regular Bowel  
Action.

As a child grows older it requires more and more personal attention from the mother, and as the functions of the bowels are of the utmost importance to health great attention should be paid to them.

Diet is of great importance, and the mother should watch the effect of certain foods. A food will constipate one and not another, and we have a healthy food like eggs causing biliousness to thousands, and a wholesome fruit like bananas constipating many. It is also to be considered that the child is growing, and great changes are taking place in the young man or young woman. The system has not yet settled itself to its latter routine.

A very valuable remedy at this stage, and one which every growing boy and girl should be given often or occasionally according to the individual circumstances, is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. This is a laxative and tonic combined, so mild that it is given to little babies, and yet equally effective in the most robust constitution. At the first sign of a tendency to constipation give a small dose of Syrup Pepsin at night on retiring and prompt action will follow in the morning. It not only acts on the stomach and bowels but its tonic properties build up and strengthen the system generally.

Mrs. Henry Babler, Van Dyne,



Melvin Babler.

Wis., writes that her little son, Melvin Babler, was constipated most of the time until she gave him Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Since using this remedy he has never been constipated.

The use of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will teach you to avoid cathartics, salts and pills as they are too harsh for the majority and their effect is only temporary. Syrup Pepsin brings permanent results, and it can be conveniently obtained of any nearby druggist at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle. Results are always guaranteed or money will be refunded.

If no member of your family has ever used Syrup Pepsin and you would like to make a personal trial of it before buying it in the regular way of a druggist, send your address—a postal will do—to W. B. Caldwell, 417 Washington St. Monticello, Ill., and a free sample bottle will be mailed you.

please his taste. The five cents will just about pay for the ammunition and would be an inducement for the boys to join in the rabbit drives that are pulled off from time to time.

If you would like to see this order passed, phone the commissioners court now in session, and urge them to pass the order. At least assure them of your endorsement in the matter.

The writer took the time this morning to get an expression from a number of citizens on the matter, and with perhaps one or two exceptions every one expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of the move.

Aug. Voglesang says the rabbits have destroyed his oats this winter, eating around the edge of the patch, and that he thinks they should be exterminated.

"I am in favor of anything that will exterminate the rabbits, but think perhaps 2 1-2 cents would be a sufficient bounty," said Tom Ward.

"I think the commissioners court ought to pass the order,"—Jo Wilmeth.

"I want the law—an anxious for it," said Dr. Fowler. "The man that pays the tax would be the one benefited."

"Think it the proper thing,"—E. Allison.

"Believe it a good thing, think we ought to get shed of the rabbit,"—Scott Mack.

"I am in favor of killing the rabbits,"—Jack McGregor.

### ABOUT THAT

#### PECAN NURSERY

Ballinger, Tex., Feb. 19 1913. The Editor of The Banner-Ledger. Ballinger, Texas.

Dear Sir:

In last week's issue of the Banner-Ledger, I noticed that it was stated that Mr. Halbert was putting in a pecan nursery on my farm. This was a mistake; but I am planting a number of pecan trees with the view of having Mr. Halbert to bud them. He is, however, in partnership with Mr. S. B. Howard, whose farm adjoins mine.

Very truly yours,  
L. B. JAMES.

Horace McFarland, of Brownwood, is here this week on a business and pleasure trip.

## COUNTY COURT AND OTHER NEWS

### Many Cases Disposed of in County Court. Real Estate Transferred and Married License Issued.

The following cases were disposed of in the county court at this term:

T. Schmoldt vs. J. R. Pearce, continued for service.

First National Bank of Paint Rock vs. Homer W. Alexander, continued for service.

First National Bank of Ballinger vs. E. F. Haynes, continued for service.

Citizens National Bank of Ballinger, vs. M. C. Odell et al, continued for service.

Mrs. Mollie Martin vs. F. & M. State Bank of Ballinger, judgement for plaintiff.

Winters Mill & Elevator Co. vs. L. P. Hinde, continued, by agreement.

Winters & Ballinger Rural Telephone Co. vs. Well Fargo & Co., express, continued by operation of law.

J. H. Patterson vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., continued by operation of law.

J. H. Key vs. J. C. Bradshaw, et al continued by operation of law.

G. P. Craig vs. S. S. Davis, dismissed at defendant's cost.

Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co., vs. T. J. Gorce et al Judgement for plaintiff.

F. & M. State Bank of Winters, vs. J. G. Bradshaw, continued by operation of law.

J. H. Patterson vs. A. & S. Ry. Co., et al, continued by operation of law.

J. H. Patterson vs. A. & S. Ry., et al continued by operation of law.

R. Rutherford vs. A. S. Garrett, continued for service.

Fred Tinkle vs. Mrs. M. P. Latlam, et al continued by agreement.

Aug. Halfmann vs. A. A. Hoelscher, judgement for plaintiff.

J. E. Perkins vs. Fidelity Phoenix Fire Ins. Co., continued by agreement.

W. J. McLane Estate vs. First National Bank of Paint Rock, continued by operation of law.

Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., vs. J. M. Thompson, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co., vs. G. M. Whittington, judgement for plaintiff.

J. R. Thomas vs. C. C. Witt, et al, continued by operation of law.

J. S. Patterson vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., et al, continued by agreement.

J. S. Patterson vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., et al, continued by agreement.

E. J. O'Kelley vs. G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., et al continued by operation of law.

C. B. Corder vs. A. & S. Ry. Co., et al, dismissed at defendant cost.

Runnels County National Bank vs. R. J. Willis, judgement for plaintiff.

Cogdell & Rankin, vs. H. Emil Schumm et al, continued by agreement.

W. H. Hallmark vs. Guin & Franks, continued by operation of law.

Runnels County National Bank vs. L. A. Jackson, continued by agreement.

S. L. Alexander vs. Winters Mill & Elevator Co., continued by operation of law.

Wm. Glass vs. P. C. Davis, continued by operation of law.

First National Bank of Paint Rock vs. B. R. Mason, continued by operation of law.

First National Bank of Paint Rock vs. W. H. Weeks, continued by agreement.

Robert J. Greham vs. Jno. Barbican et al, continued by operation of law.

Transfers of real estate have been filed the past week as follows:

W. A. Gustavus et ux to Thos. A. Rape, lots 11 and 12 in block 9, College Height Addition to Ballinger, consideration \$1.00 and other consideration.

R. B. Weatherall et ux to E. Ray Spencer, East 1-2 of lot 2 in block 22, original town of Miles, consideration \$250.00.

Wm. Doose Jr., to C. A. Doose, 92 acres out of Beaty, Seale & Forward survey No. 21, consideration \$750 and other consideration.

Herman Wolf et ux to Christoph Mueller, 160 acres out of T. & N. O. Ry., Co. survey No. 71, consideration \$5400.

J. K. Hutton et ux to T. C. Jensen parts of lots 3 and 4 in block A, Murray East Addition to Winters, consideration \$1000

J. M. Blessing et ux to E. S.

Collingworth, 160 acres out of H. & T. C. Ry Co., survey No. 82, consideration \$5200.

E. C. Collinsworth et ux to R. I. Collinsworth, 200 acres out of W. M. Baggs survey No. 92 consideration \$1500 and other consideration.

S. D. Childress et ux to S. R. Young, part of a 53 1-3 acre tract out of T. & N. O. Ry Co., survey No. 86, consideration \$700.

W. B. McCaughan et ux to T. J. McCaughan, two lots in the town of Norton, consideration \$1000.

W. A. Pace to J. W. Dale, 79 acres out of T. H. Edwards survey No. 450 1-2, consideration \$1500.

Yancey Lewis to Edward Lewis one third interest in 297 2-10 acres of land out of H. & T. C. Ry Co., survey No. 331, consideration \$3000.

H. L. Milstead et ux to W. T. Nichols, 106 2-3 acres out of J. Kechler survey no. 164, consideration \$2069.

Jno. I. Guion et ux to T. W. Vandevanter, lots 7, 8, 9 and 10 in block 32, town of Ballinger, consideration \$1000

H. L. Voss et ux to D. H. Palmer, 50 acres out of T. & N. O. survey No. 69, consideration \$2155.

C. E. Branham to J. J. Bedford, 66 by 137 1-2 feet in the town of Winters, consideration \$100

J. T. Cummings et ux to Maud Bishop, lots 9 and 10 in block 26, in Pruitt, consideration \$400.

C. M. Hood, et ux to S. J. Bates 10 acres in South Ballinger Addition, consideration \$1000.

Marriage license have been issued as follows:

Fritz Volger to Miss Gertrude Ganss, Winters.

Willie Henry Pillion to Miss Mary Francis Brown, Wingate.

C. C. Witt to Miss Rosa Lee Weir, Ballinger.

Arthur G. Elley to Miss Lula Harnung, Winters.

J. W. Borders to Miss Jocie Smith, Crews.

C. C. Toney to Miss Otha Garrett, Ballinger.

Less Thompson to Miss Lizzie Caudie, Winters.

C. E. Branham to Miss Annie Hill, Winters.

### \$5 REWARD FOR LOST DOG.

Black and tan hound, with gray around mouth, wire cut on tail. Lost in the Raby neighborhood on Valley creek. \$5 reward for return of dog to me, or information leading to his recovery. Jesse Thurman, Glen Cove, Texas. w2t pd

### MUD CREEK.

Dear Banner Ledger: The farmers most of them are preparing their land for their 1913 crop while some have been planting maize. Some have their gardens planted.

The health of the community is very good at present. Miss Martha Kerby is on the puny list.

We were visited Thursday night by a nice shower of rain. It fell slowly and soaked in, not putting out much stock water which is needed by most of the people.

Some have plenty of water yet.

Some of the young people of Mud creek attended the literary at Eagle branch Friday. They report a pleasant time.

The literary at Mud creek Saturday night was enjoyed by all who attended.

The singing at Mr. Barmons Sunday night was well attended and enjoyed, notwithstanding the cold norther which was blowing.

Mr. Alfred Kerby received a sad message from Texas City Saturday stating that his brother, Rev. S. M. of that place was dead. We have not heard what caused his death. Mr. Kerby left Saturday for that place to be at the funeral. We join our hand of sympathy to Mr. Kerby and the other bereaved relatives.

Miss Essye Sims is spending a few days at Mr. Kerby's this week.

Mr. Nolan Barmore and wife were visiting at Mr. Marmone's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Hinson made a flying trip to Talpa Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Talley is visiting at Mr. Millers this week.

Miss Ruby Fuller is wearing a sad face this week. Cheer up! Ruby he'll come back bye and bye. Cheer up! Clifford and Calvin, maybe it won't be cold next Sunday night and then you can go to Mr. Hales.

We hear that Mr. Henry Berry has ordered himself a new buggy look out Vera.

No more news at present, will skidoo.

### PARROTT.

Mrs. Simmons and little son left Monday afternoon for Brenham, on a visit to relatives and friends.

**A Royal  
Baking Powder  
Hot Biscuit  
is the luxury  
of eating**

—MADE AT HOME—

### RESOLUTION.

Whereas, it has been made known to Ballinger Camp No. 157 W. O. W., that the wife of Sovereign S. A. Huskey, has departed this life, and

Whereas, Sovereign Huskey, being a member of this fraternity, and of this Camp, it behooves us, as such Sovereigns, to extend to our bereaved Sovereign, our heartfelt sympathy and condolence; Therefore,

Be It Resolved by Ballinger Camp No. 157, W. O. W., that we offer to Sovereign Huskey, our mutual sympathy, and trust and pray that it may be pleasing to the Almighty to draw very near unto him, in this sad hour, and speak in his ear, the tender, sweet words of comfort and peace, and that just beyond the river, there lives one who awaits his coming, whose loving, smiling face will be there with welcome greetings, when, he, too, must enter the Unknown World.

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be given our bereaved Sovereign and brother, a copy be spread upon the Minutes of our Camp, and that a copy be given the papers for publication.

Signed:  
J. F. LUSK,  
J. A. OSTERTAG,  
W. C. McCARTHER,  
Committee.

### DOCTOR AFFRAID TO GIVE CALOMEL.

After-Effects Uncertain and Often Dangerous. Dodson's Liver-Tone, a Mild Medicine, Takes Its Place.

The use of calomel has been stopped in thousands of homes. Dodson's Liver-Tone, a pleasant vegetable liver tonic that is a perfect substitute for calomel in curing constipation and biliousness, is taken instead. Dodson's Liver-Tone is absolutely harmless and its use is not followed by nausea and another attack of constipation as often happens after taking calomel.

The Walker Drug Co., has sold so much Dodson's Liver-Tone and it has been so satisfactory wherever taken, that they guarantee to give any person his money back if he does not find it a perfect substitute for calomel. No restriction of habits or diet is necessary.

### SPRING HILL NEWS.

Health in our community is good, with the exception of Mr. Graham's and Mr. Roger's babies and we are glad to report are improving. Our near neighbor Mr. Powell is very feeble, we hope soon for his recovery.

Farmers as a rule, are busy at fixing up around their farms, where they are busy with their work and tools can do the work.

We had another very seasonable rain last Thursday night that continued to put the ground in fine condition for planting time.

The fruit buds on many trees, swelled very perceptible the week, we hope they won't be any more cold weather that will injure the crop.

Dry Ridge school visited Spring Hill school last Friday evening, it being the anniversary of George Washington's birthday, and our teacher Miss Jessie Seerest had a most appropriate program arranged for the occasion, which was enjoyed by all who attended.

Mr. Charles Reasoner and family of Talpa, was the guest of Mr. Aug Voglesang and family the past week. Mr. Reasoner is one of Talpa's progressive sheepsman.

Mr. Wheelis has erected a new windmill on one of his tenants farms.

The Box supper that was to be given at Spring Hill is postponed indefinitely, on account sickness in our midst.

Don't forget about that rabbit hunt.

KNOX.

### THE COMMISSIONERS COURT SHOULD ACT.

A move is on foot and considerable pressure is being brought to bare on the commissioners court to get that body to pass an order fixing a bounty of five cents per head on rabbits. The court has no law to govern them in this matter, but we feel sure that a great majority of the farmers and the citizens of the county would endorse such an order. A number of other

counties in fact all the counties adjoining Runnels except one has passed such an order, and now is the opportune time to join the work of exterminating a pest that destroys thousands of dollars worth of growing crops annually. The bounty of five cents is a small item when compared with the damage done by the rabbit. One big Jack rabbit would destroy five cents worth of cotton in one night, and the same amount of any other growing crop that happens to

# Big Special Sale!

## Beginning March 1; Ending March 9.

IN order to make room for the rest of our Spring Goods we put on this sale.

All Winter shoes at 15c off on the dollar.  
Big line of Ladies Muslin underwear at a Big Reduction.

- 1 Lot, Regular Price \$2.50, Going at Only **\$1.24**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 2.00, Going at Only **98**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 1.50, Going at Only **79**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 1.25, Going at Only **69**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 85, Going at Only **59**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 75, Going at Only **49**
- 1 Lot, Regular Price 35, Going at Only **23**

1 Lot of Remnants are going at less than cost.  
Ladies and Childrens Coats going at Less than Cost  
Ladies Skirts going at Cost. All Winter Piece Goods going at Big Reductions. All Sweaters at less than cost

All men's and Boy's overcoats and heavy suits at Cost.  
1 line of men's and boy's hats and caps going at Cost  
7 spools Chadwick's thread for 25 cents.

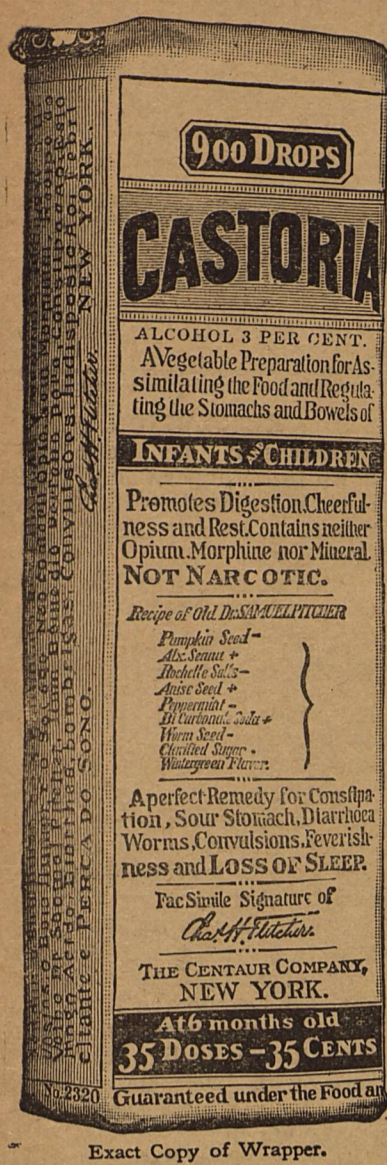
DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY.

These Prices Are Cash Only

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Ballinger, Texas





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For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

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In Use For Over Thirty Years

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### LEFT FOR PHILADELPHIA.

Prof. W. S. Fleming, supt. of the Ballinger High Schools, left Friday afternoon for Philadelphia where he goes to attend the National Association of Superintendents and will be gone a week or ten days.

### LEFT FOR NEW HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Thompson of the Valley creek country, came in Wednesday afternoon and left for Grand Saline, Texas, where they will make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were married last Sunday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Candle in the presence of the family and a few intimate friends. The happy young couple are two of Runnels county's favorite young people and a host of friends join this paper in congratulations and best wishes for them a happy and prosperous married life.

Mrs. E. L. McAlpine left Friday afternoon for Dallas to hear the noted pianist, Prof Godowsky perform in that city this week.

### READY TO IRRIGATE.

W. T. Routh has just completed the installation of an irrigation plant on Elm creek above his home place, and was in town Friday to get oil and be in shape to begin putting the water on the land as soon as it needed the moisture. He will irrigate a field of oats and other feed stuff, and expects to plant alfalfa next fall.

### PLEASE DON'T GET YOUR WIRES CROSSED

You might have made the mistake once, but don't do it again. Remember that the Ballinger Printing Co., is the new company that was organized to take over the two Ballinger papers and do a general printing business. Don't get the name and place confused in your mind. We are located in the old Banner-Leader stand next door to the express office. Don't get your wires crossed and remember the name when you see the Ballinger Printing Co., sign. Our trade mark is on our work and our work is our advertisement. Get us down right and remember what the Ballinger Printing Co., is.

## SMALL GRAIN CROP GETS GOOD SEASON

Runnels County Covered With Small Grain Making Season—Plenty Stock Water.

A splendid rain fell last Thursday night and came just as the farmers were beginning to get uneasy. The government gauge showed a fraction over 1-2 inch at that place and the gauge showed 40-100 of an inch at the First National bank. The reports from other points are as follows:

Abilene, good; Brownwood, good rain and little hail; Blackwell 3-4 inch; Bronte 1-2 inch; Bradshaw, good rain; Benoit good rain; Crews, light shower; Coleman, good rain; Concho, none; Eden, none; Ft. Chadbourne 1-2 inch; Hylton, one inch; Hatchell, good; Millersview, light; Maverick, good shower; Mazeland, good shower; Miles, good; Norton 1-4 inch; Pony, very good; Pumphrey, good rain; Paint Rock, light; Rowena, good shower; Stacy, light shower; San Angelo, light shower; Santa Anna, light shower; Truit, light shower; Talpa, good rain; Valera, good rain; Winters, 8-10 inch; Wingate, good rain; Wilmeth, light shower.

### Sprained Back.

Sprained back and sore muscles through off their soreness when Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For relieving pain of any kind there is nothing better, and those people who have tried it for Neuralgia and Rheumatism are loud in its praise. For wire cuts Hunt's Lightning Oil is especially fine a sit takes away the inflammation and causes rapid healing. 25c and 50c bottles. 4tw

### MANS BODY FOUND IN ROAD NEAR MERKEL.

An auto party returning to Merkel from the West Monday found the body of an unknown man lying face down in the middle of the Merkel and Trent road four miles west of Merkel. The cause of death is unknown, but is supposed to have occurred from heart failure. The man was apparently sixty-five years of age, inclined to be of a sandy complexion, and was rather bent from curvature of the spine.

The only marks of identification were on his pocket, which was labeled Chas. Pisek, Merchant Tailor, Corsicana, Texas. The coat was ordered for J. A. Halbert, May 21, 1910. The man had \$3.50 cash in his pocket, and had gotten his breakfast Monday morning in Trent. He had been seen at Merkel a number of times, but no one knew him.

The body was turned over to the Behrens & McMillen Undertaking Company of Merkel and will be held pending a full investigation and for identification. The Corsicana parties have been notified.—Abilene Reporter.

### Itching Piles.

I want you to know how much good your Hunt's Cure has done me. I had suffered with itching piles fifteen years, and when I was traveling through Texas a man told me of your Hunt's Cure. I got a 50c box and it cured me. John Bradley, Caney, Kan. 4tw.

### SCHOOL BASE BALL BENEFIT.

The show given last night at the Princess for the benefit of the High School ball team was well attended and netted the boys a neat sum.

Mrs. L. B. Harris went to San Angelo Saturday to spend Sunday with relatives.

J. D. Norwood returned home Saturday from an extended trip in East Texas.

## BETTER FARMING METHODS INCREASE CORN YIELD RESULTS FROM PRIZE CONTEST OF TEXAS INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS.

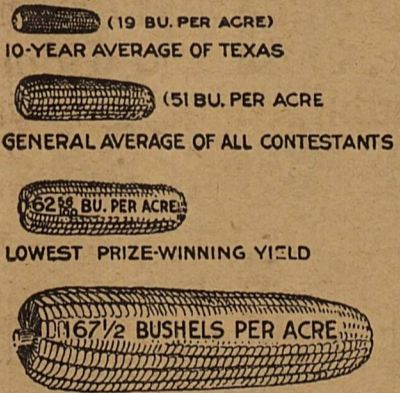


ALFORD BRANCH "Champion Corn Grower of Texas." 167 1/2 Bushels on One Acre.

Alford Branch is a wide-awake farmer boy living at Overton, Rusk County, Texas, who, by careful preparation of his land in the fall of 1911, so that it was in condition for the winter rains to sink in and to be stored for the use of the plant during the following season; who carefully selected the best seed-corn that was grown in his section and by shallow and constant cultivation from the time the corn was a few inches high until it was actual maturity, not only kept it free from weeds, but kept the surface for an inch and a half or two inches so finely pulverized that it acted as a mulch and prevented the loss of moisture by capillary attraction, has raised on one acre of second bottom land 167 1/2 bushels of corn at a cost of 13 cents per bushel. Raising the corn at the low price of 70 cents per bushel, there was a net profit of \$95.35 from this acre. Adding to this the \$250 prize money awarded him by the Texas Industrial Congress, makes a total of \$345.35, which is the interest at 6 per cent upon \$5,755.83, and represents the value of an intelligent combination of brains and work.

This young man broke his land in the early winter with a two-horse plow, cutting about six inches deep; followed in the same furrow with a team pulling what is known as a "bull-tongue" that cut ten inches further into the earth, but turned up no new soil, and formed a reservoir to hold the moisture as well as to aerate the land and make more plant-food available. He used five hundred pounds of commercial fertilizer that had been recommended by a reliable source as best adapted to the successful growth of corn upon his black, sandy land, which had been in grass for a number of years and had an ample supply of humus. He used seed-corn that was popular in his neighborhood, known as the "Bloody Butcher." He states that he made as much corn on the one acre by the better methods above-mentioned as his father made on ten acres prepared and cultivated in the old-fashioned way.

The picture below is a graphic illustration of the value of using improved methods.



**LARGEST PRIZE-WINNING YIELD**  
The general average of all contestants was fifty-one bushels to the acre, while the general average for the State in 1912 was but twenty-one bushels. If all of the corn growers in Texas had averaged just what these contestants averaged, at the prevailing price, the crop would have brought one hundred and sixty-odd million dollars more than it did.

In 1911 the average corn crop of Texas was 9.6 bushels to the acre. Seventeen hundred and forty-six contestants for the prizes offered by the Texas Industrial Congress, coming from one hundred and sixty-one counties, averaged 31 1/4 bushels of corn per acre. All of the prizes were won in seventeen counties. In 1912 there were 4,030 contestants from 205 counties. Fifty-five counties won prizes, and 16 of the 17 that won in 1911 won again in 1912. This clearly demonstrates that the work of the Congress is constructive, permanent and cumulative.

The Congress keeps in touch with all contestants, makes suggestions as to preparation of soil, conserving moisture and fertility to make plant food available, as to seed selection and the best methods of cultivation, but all of these are subject to any changes that the contestant thinks best to make; the only object being to offer suggestions that cause the farmer to investigate and with all the information at hand to determine the best methods to adopt.

### TRESSPASS NOTICE

You are hereby warned not to trasspass on my ranch on the Concho in wise contrary to law, in the way of fishing, hunting, cutting wood, or gathering pecans, etc. You will take due notice or will be prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSEY, wtf Concho county, Tex

## FIRM SHIPS \$4,500 WORTH OF CHICKENS

W. B. Wood & Son Pay Express on 50,000 Pounds Chickens—Unlimited Market for Poultry Products.

Since August of last year the firm of W. B. Wood & Son have shipped out of Ballinger by express over 50,000 pounds of poultry, which brought some where in the neighborhood of \$4,500. The express on the shipments amounted to over \$700. The above firm does not claim to be the exclusive poultry shippers of the town, and there has perhaps been as much more shipped, which is just a sample of what might be accomplished if the farmers would raise more poultry. If the poultry could be had it would be cheaper to ship them in car lots, or better still it would be better to pack them here at home, and then ship them direct to the Northern market. We have been preaching poultry production for the past several years and while the industry is being developed gradually it should be developed rapidly.

A press report says that the city of New York consumed last year over twenty eight million dollars worth of eggs. Yet some of our farmer friends say there is no money in eggs. This should be a banner year in the production of poultry in this county, and now is the time to plant the crop.

### California Woman Seriously Alarmed

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

### MAYES COTTAGE OPEN.

It begin to look now like Ballinger will not be short on hotels and boarding houses. The old Reed house will open next week and we understand that a lady from Coleman has rented the Mayes Cottage on Ninth Street and will open same within the next few days, or as soon as she can move here from Coleman.

### NEW BOARDING HOUSE TO OPEN.

J. L. Halth, who for a number of years has been in the mercantile business at Winters, and also owner and proprietor of the Rock Hotel at that place, has rented the boarding house on Hutchins Ave., known as the Reed house, and is moving in today. Mr. and Mrs. Heath, are both experienced hotel people, and say they will fit their new place up in first-class shape and run a good boarding house. We welcome them as citizens of Ballinger.

For Sale by All Dealers

## BASE BALL BOYS TRAINING FOR GAME

High School to Open Season Next Week With Two Games With Winters—Splendid Line Up.

The show at the Princess last night given for the benefit of the Ballinger High School base ball team, was well attended and netted the boys a neat sum. The new team will start the season this year under very favorable conditions. The boys have solicited funds and have employed Troy Simpson as coach and they have been in training for several days and will play the first games of the season next Friday and Saturday, having matched two games for the above date with the Winters team. The boys expect to give the local fans some real base ball this season.

### COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE

R. W. Bruce, C. R. Stephens and T. J. Gardner, finance committee appointed by the court to audit the county finance books, completed their work yesterday and their report will be made later.

W. S. Davis, of the Winters country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

### TRY SOLACE AT OUR EXPENSE.

Money Back for any case of Rheumatism, Neuralgia or Headache that Solace Fails to Remove. Solace remedy is a recent medical discovery of three German Scientists that dissolves Uric Acid Crystals and Purifies the Blood. It is easy to take, and will not affect the weakest stomach. It is guaranteed under the Pure Food and Drugs Law to be absolutely free from opiates or harmful drugs of any description.

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"I want you to send a box of Solace to my father in Memphis, Tenn for which I enclose \$1. This remedy has been used by some friends of mine here and I must say its action was wonderful.

)Signed( R. L. Morris.

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### Local and Personal News Items Concerning Those Who Go and Come

R. L. Shaffer, the Winters saddle and harness man, had business in Ballinger Monday.

J. J. Bedford, of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

J. K. Battle, of Winters, was transacting business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

G. L. Bright, of the Maverick country, was looking after business affairs in Ballinger Monday.

W. S. Syler, of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

J. F. White of the Truitt, country was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

M. L. Boles, of the Winters country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Theo Krc, of the Pony Creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagoner, of Rowena, were among the shoppers in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

E. H. Voelkel, of Rowena, was among the visitors in Ballinger Saturday.

Henry Seipp, the one-horse farmer, of the Maverick country, was

supplying in Ballinger Monday.

Walter S. Mullin left Sunday morning on a short business trip to Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holliday, of Hatchell, spent Sunday with relatives and friends and returned home Monday.

S. D. Williams, the Hatchell mayor and lumber dealer, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Rev. E. W. Wells and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby boy, born to them at 8 o'clock Monday morning.

Harry Scott, of San Angelo, who had been here on a short business trip returned home Monday at noon.

Attorney J. P. Cogdill and A. K. Doss, Winters, had legal business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

E. M. Lynn, a former Ballinger boy, who is now with the bank at San Angelo, spent Sunday with relatives and Ballinger friends.

Fred Prusser, one of the prosperous citizens of the Hatchell country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Judge J. W. Powell left Monday at noon for San Angelo to look after legal business a day or so.

J. P. Englert, of the Olfin community, was transacting business in Ballinger Saturday.

Mrs. Hill, of Hatchell who had been the guests of Mrs. J. F. Currie and other Ballinger friends returned home Monday afternoon.

Francis Holliday, the Winters insurance man, was among the visitors in Ballinger Sunday and Monday.

Judge Kleberg has rented the home of Miss Jennie Bennett on Broadway and after March first he and Mrs. Kleberg will be at home at the above place.

Edgar Jaroe, new county commissioner of Crews, came in at noon Monday to be at his post of duty in the court which convened here Monday.

Judge W. B. Abney, of Lampasas, was the guest Monday of his friend E. L. Rasbury and left at noon for Miles on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Buchwald returned to Ballinger Monday at noon from Winters where they spent Sunday afternoon and part of Monday.

Judge and Mrs. B. B. Stone, returned home Sunday from Fort Worth and the judge informed us

that he bought a home while there as it was almost impossible to find a house that suited him.

W. J. Wilke came in Sunday from Abilene and will look after business interests in Ballinger several days before returning to Abilene.

T. E. Brown, of San Saba, who had been visiting relatives and friends at Winters, returned to Ballinger Monday at noon, and will visit here a few days before returning to his home.

We are glad to report Uncle Johnny Shaffer was able to drive down town this afternoon. Uncle Johnny has been in very feeble health all the winter and it was thought for a while that he would not be able to pull through the winter.

Miss Lottie Gaines, of San Angelo, who had been in our city on a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. N. Gustavus, left Sunday at noon for her home.

Judge Louis Wardlow, of Sonora, who had been West looking after business affairs the past several days, was in Ballinger Monday en route home.

W. J. Miller, of Austin, who had been in our section on business the past ten days left Monday afternoon for Tulia on business of inspecting lands for his company.

man, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday.

Hal Beckwith left Thursday afternoon on a short business trip east.

C. L. West of Miles, had business in Ballinger Friday between trains.

Attorney A. K. Doss, of Winters was among the visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Ben Spill, of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

Dr. Boon, of Wingate who had been to Austin the past few days passed through Ballinger Thursday at noon en route home.

Dr. A. B. Cheatam, of Millersview, was here Thursday attending the meeting of the county medical association.

A. H. Lewin, one of the Miles bankers, who was here to attend the District meeting returned home Thursday at noon.

E. E. Dillingham, who had been visiting relatives and friends in our city and county, left Wednesday afternoon for Houston.

Mrs. J. A. Cole and children left Wednesday afternoon for Denison, Texas, to join Mr. Cole and make their future home.

Dr. Parsons, of San Angelo, came in Thursday morning and attended the Runnels County Medical Association meeting.

Mrs. A. A. Hargrove, of Millersview, was looking after business affairs and visiting Ballinger friends, a few hours Thursday.

A. C. Homan, the Rowena banker, was among the visiting bankers in our city Thursday attending the District Bankers' Association.

A. H. Wigle, the popular station agent at the Santa Fe, left Thursday afternoon on a short trip to Temple in the interest of his company.

Herbert O'Bannon, of San Angelo, was among the visiting bankers in Ballinger Thursday attending the District Bankers' Association.

R. A. Hall, vice president of the First National Bank of San Angelo, was among the visiting bankers attending the Sixth District Bankers' Association.

John Simmons, one of the pioneer and successful farmers of the Pony creek country, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday afternoon.

Deputy Sheriff John Perkins, left Friday afternoon for Meridian, Texas, where he goes to take young Duke, who was recently tried in our county on a plea of insanity.

Ennis Shepherd, of Winters, came in and left from this point Friday morning for Brownwood and Zephyr, where he will visit home folks and friends a few days.

A. Horton, one of the bankers of San Saba, who attended the convention remained in our city over night with friends and left for his home Friday morning.

W. J. Smith, of Wingate, came in Friday and left on the afternoon train for Belton where he goes to be at the bedside of his father who is reported quite ill.

J. M. Adams, the Wingate commissioner, came in Monday at noon to attend the court which convened to wind-up unfinished business of the regular February term.

W. J. Miller, of Austin, who had been in our city on business and visiting relatives and friends, spent the time between trains in Rowena Saturday and returned to Ballinger in the afternoon.

C. N. Craft, of Miles, county commissioner of that precinct came in Monday morning to be at his post of duty in the court which convened today to windup some unfinished business. While here Mr. Craft had his figures on the Banner-Ledger set up a year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Haden, and children of Temple, who had been visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger and this county the past county the past few days, returned home Monday.

Prof. F. Carroll Ham and family are now comfortably domiciled in our city, having moved here last Saturday. Prof. Ham teaches the Millar school four miles east of the city and will make the trip

Arthur McKenzie, of Mart, Texas, who had been over at San Angelo, on a short visit returned to Ballinger Thursday and spent the day and left on the afternoon train for his home.

Mrs. John Q. McAdams and baby, of Winters, came in from San Angelo Wednesday afternoon where they had been on a visit to friends and will be the guests of her mother, Mrs. K. V. Northington and family while en route home.

H. H. Brooks, of Fulton, Ky., who is the guest of Uncle Jack Maxwell, returned to Ballinger Wednesday afternoon from a short visit to relatives at Miles.

R. G. Erwin, of the First National bank, left Thursday afternoon with the bankers for the east and will visit Waco, Houston and other points in that section while gone.

Attorney A. K. Doss, wife and baby, of Winters, who had been visiting relatives and friends in Ballinger the past few days returned home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Levens and little son of Grandview, Texas, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Collins and family for some time, left Thursday afternoon for their home.

Tom Trail and Walter Midgely of Paint Rock, were among the number in our city Thursday to attend the bankers convention and returned home in Mr. Midgely's auto in the afternoon.

### COTTON SEED.

I have for sale at 75 cents per bushel pure Rowden and Mebane cotton seed. H. SEIPP, the one horse farmer. Maverick, Texas. 3tw.

Mrs. H. O'Bannon and two children of San Angelo, came over Wednesday and will be the guests of her parents, Judge and Mrs. C. O. Harris this week.

Mrs. L. V. Cannon came in from Abilene Thursday at noon to join Mr. Cannon and make Ballinger their future home. Mr. Cannon is manager of the skating rink in our city.

W. J. Miller, of Austin, returned to Ballinger Wednesday afternoon from a short business trip to San Angelo and will spend a few days here before returning home.

Mrs. Lee Barnhill and children of Brownwood, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. John Dunn and family of West End, left Friday morning for their home. They will soon move from Brownwood to join Mr. Barnhill at Sterling City, where they will make their future home.

Miss Clemie Tyree, of the Valley creek country, came in and left Friday at noon for San Angelo to visit with friends for a few days.

Mrs. Wilson, of Dallas came in at noon Friday and has accepted a position in the dress making department of the Higginbotham, Currie, Williams Co.'s store and will begin upon her duties at once.

John F. Maddox, of Houston, who had been in our city on business the past few days, left Friday at noon to look after business affairs at San Angelo a few days before returning home.

John Q. McAdams, the Winters banker, was here Thursday attending the bankers meeting and returned in his auto in the afternoon Mrs. McAdams and baby who had been visiting in our city with her mother Mrs. Northington and family, accompanied him home.

Cities are built, not through the operations of nature, but by the cooperation of men.

### No Calomel Necessary

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## AT GALVESTON

Three Trains Troops Arrived at Galveston Today. Others Will Arrive Tonight. Transport Due Tuesday Morning.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24.—The first train carrying divisions of the Fifth Brigade which was ordered here reached Galveston this afternoon, and two other will arrive before midnight tonight.

Just what companies or regiment is occupying these three trains, the first of at least a dozen to be used in transporting the troops of the Fifth brigade here, is not known, as yet. It is not known just where the other trains conveying the troops here are, but it is understood that the entire brigade was to be entrained yesterday evening at 7 o'clock.

The regiments now en route for Galveston, and which will arrive within the next twenty-four hours are:

Fourth infantry at Fort Niobrara, Neb., Fort Crook, Neb., and Snelling, Minn., the Seventh, at Fort Leavenworth; the Nineteenth at Fort Leavenworth, Fort Meade, S. D., and Fort Sill, Ok., and the Twenty-eighth infantry at Fort Snelling, Minn.

In addition to the regiments ordered here, there will be a company of engineers attached to the expeditionary force, and this with artillery and field bakeries, will bring the entire force due to arrive in Galveston from different sections of Kansas, Nebraska and Minnesota up to about 4,000.

The Eleventh cavalry, stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Chattanooga, Tenn., entrained for Galveston last night at 6 o'clock and should arrive here tonight.

Other troops scattered about over Texas which will in all likelihood be ordered here during the week, number about 2,500 which will bring the entire number stationed here ready to embark for foreign fields at a moment's notice up to a little more than 6,000 men, and in case it becomes necessary to intervene in Mexico, this number could be easily increased to 10,000.

### THE ONLY WAY.

"The Only Way," the laughing musical comedy success, which comes to the opera house, Friday, February 28th has caught the public fancy with the brightness of its comedy, the easy rhythm of its music, the cleverness of its people. It has proved to be one of the biggest drawing cards of the season. It has been treble welcome in view of the late theatrical stagnation, it fairly "shoots up the town" with its exuberant vitality. It overflows with healthy humor, fun and laughter. It is youth and optimism running riot on the stage, it gives free rein to individual and collective efforts to banish dull care with sprightly lines, flying feet, joyous young voices and glad some comedy. Ben Bernard, Jack Houston, Arthur Harper are the laugh producers, Miss Frances Ellen, Holman, Marie Travel, Winnie Oliver, help to make the evening to pass as if by magic, as a laugh show. "The Only Way" is the greatest laughing hit of the season.

### VISITS ROWENA.

C. C. Cockrell, representing the Banner-Ledger, spent Saturday in Rowena with our German and Bohemian friends and had a very pleasant and profitable day all round. There is not a more honorable, whole-souled set of people in this country than these hospitable citizen of Rowena, and the reporters heart was made glad by the way they introduced him around and aided him in every way possible to get new business and to settle up old accounts.

There was not a single exception from the oldest to the youngest, in the courtesies extended us.

The Halfman brothers, who live out east of Rowena, were among the number who gave us material assistance, also W. L. Patterson, Joe Sommers, Wm. Lehr, Hy Moekotler, Aug Hoelscher, L. J. Strube, Elbert Palmer, Pete Lehner, and P. J. Baron, also we are indebted to Constable Kubn, Drs. Shelton, Leggett and Beckman for their kind hospitality, during our stay in that city, and we shall ever have a green spot in our memory for the kind and hospitable citizens of this thrifty little city and at some day in the near future will visit them again.

## WANT TO FIGHT

America Had Demanded a Fair Trial for Madero and Intervention May Result. Circumstances of Killing to Have Effect.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Whether the killing of Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pino Suarez will result in the intervention in Mexican affairs by the United States is still problematical. On more than one occasion the United States has made it plain that it would insist upon a fair trial of Madero and Suarez before any action was taken and it has been the general belief that nothing worse than exile awaited the prisoners.

The reported circumstances of the killing of the deposed Mexican officials indicate that an attempt at rescue had been made, whether this is really the facts in the case is capable of being doubted. It is pointed out in some quarters that the death of the men might have been deliberately planned by the provisional government and that while ostensibly carrying out the expressed wish of the United States the killing might have been the result of pre-conceived plots to get rid of the two men.

Of course any action by this government will depend largely upon the advice which are sent to Washington by Ambassador Wilson. It is known that President Taft will not favor intervention in Mexico unless upon the most urgent situation arising. On the other hand, the request that Madero and Suarez be given a fair trial was an insistent one. Just how insistent this request was, of course, remains to be seen.

### Shot at Chicken Thief.

Sunday night a young lady, who had been left at home with one or two younger members of the family, to take care of during the absence or her parents who had gone to church, caused quite a little excitement in her immediate neighborhood, by the firing of a pistol, about 8:30 at night, and upon inquiry, it was ascertained that the young lady hearing the chickens making a noise in the back yard went out on the porch to find out what was the matter. She saw a man standing in the shed of the barn, and whispering to one of the other children to bring the pistol, she fired, upon which the man dropped the chicken, which he had in his arms, and made a run, jumping over fences, leaving no trace of which way he went. The young lady deserves credit for her nerve, and it is our opinion that the woman should be learned to handle a pistol as efficiently as the men, for just such emergencies as this. When a thief knows that he is likely to get shot, he will be very careful, and not hang around the premises where there is a good marksman. On account of the desire of the lady not to get notoriety over the matter, we most graciously withhold her name.—Weatherford Herald.

### All Wool and Almost a Yard Wide

Johnnie Fitzhugh, that polite and accommodating commercial agent of the Santa Fe, is the proud possessor of a suit of clothes, all wool, made from a large shipment of wool that was shipped from San Angelo over the Santa Fe, to the mills. Mr. Fitzhugh is very proud of the present as it came from a friend who resides near San Angelo and is one of the largest growers in the west.—Temple Mirror.

## The Big Mexican War

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## THE FAIR

Place of Examination, Ballinger, Texas, Date of Examination March 8, 1913.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on the date and at the place named above an examination will be held for the positions of clerk and city carrier in the post office at that place.

Clerks in offices of the first and second classes and carriers in the city delivery service are divided into six grades, as follows: First grade, salary, \$600; second grade salary \$800; third grade, salary \$900; fourth grade, salary \$1,000; fifth grade, salary, \$1,100, sixth grade, salary \$1,200. Clerks and carriers at first-class offices will be promoted successively to the fifth grade, and clerks and carriers at second-class offices will be promoted successively to the fourth grade.

Any clerk is eligible for transfer to the service of a carrier, and any carrier is eligible for transfer to the service of a clerk.

Auxiliary employees are paid for actual service at the rate of 30 cents an hour. Such auxiliary employees, however, are required to work not less than two hours daily and may serve as substitutes. They are eligible for appointment as clerks and carriers of the first grade.

Applicants must have reached their eighteenth but not their forty-fifth birthday on the date of the examination. The age limits are waived, however, in the cases of persons honorably discharged from the United States military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty.

Male applicants for the post-office service must be at least 5 feet 4 inches in height in bare feet and 125 pounds in weight without overcoat and hat; otherwise their applications will be canceled.

Applicants of the post office service are required to be physically sound and in good health. The post office department has advised the commission that no person who is defective in any of the following named particulars will be appointed to the position of carrier in the post office service: Hunchbacks; persons having defective hearing, sight, or speech; persons blind in one eye; one-armed, one-handed, or one-legged, or those having crippled arms or legs, or those suffering from asthma or hernia. These defects will also bar a person from appointment to the position of clerk in the post office, except that deaf-mutes and persons with defective speech or hearing may be appointed to the position of mail clerk, distributor, and directory and forwarding clerk. Applicants from persons who are not entitled to examination on account of physical defects will be canceled. Other physical defects may debar persons from this examination when in the judgement of the commission such defects would render them unfit to perform the duties of the position for which the examination is held.

From the eligibles resulting from this examination it is expected that certificates will be made to existing and future vacancies.

For application Form 1371 and "Instructions to Applicants" address the secretary of the board of United States civil-service examiners at the post office at the place named above, or to the district secretary at the address below.

No application will be accepted unless properly executed and filed with the district secretary prior to the hours of closing business on March 3, 1913.

Secretary Tenth Civil-Service district, address Custom House, New Orleans, La. Edwin Schuchard, local sec.

### FORMER BALLINGER PASTOR HERE ON VISIT.

Rev. Callin W. Yates, at one time pastor of the Eighth Street Presbyterian church at Ballinger, spent Tuesday here in the interest of work connected with Trinity University, and greeting his old friends. Rev. Yates is now pastor at Cleburne.

### MRS. C. P. SHEPHERD UNDERGOES OPERATION.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd was operated on at the Halley & Love sanitarium at ten o'clock this morning. The operation was successful and the latest news from the sanitarium states that Mrs. Shepherd is resting as well as could be expected.

## ORDERED TO FRONT

Howel G. Knight Wires His Mother That He Has Been Ordered to Brownsville With Other Soldiers.

Mrs. T. A. Knight received a telegram this morning from her son Howel stating that he had received orders to report for duty at Brownsville immediately, and that he would go.

Howel has been city editor on the Corpus Christi Caller for the past year. He is first lieutenant of a company of militia, and Gov. Colquitt has ordered the Texas militiamen to go to Brownsville in response to an appeal from Americans at Matamores, and be ready to protect the interest of Americans. In case of a clash, which now seems to be certain, it will call many boys from over the state to the front.

## SNEED ACQUITTED FOR KILLING BOYCE

Jury Brought in Verdict Nine O'clock This Morning. Curtain Drops in Most Sensational Murder Case.

Vernon, Tex., Feb. 25.—The jury in the Beal Sneed case, after deliberating a short time brought in a verdict at nine o'clock this morning acquitting Beal Sneed of the murder of Al Boyce at Amarillo last fall.

This closes one of the most sensational murder cases in the history of Texas. It will be remembered that Boyce brought about the death of his father as well as the death of himself by eloping with the wife of Sneed, going to Canada. Sneed shot Boyce's father to death in a Fort Worth Hotel. Of this charge he came clear. Last fall he shot young Boyce down on the streets of Amarillo, and the jury this morning says Sneed should not be punished for this killing. Epting, a tenant farmer on one of Sneed's farms, was implicated in the killing of young Boyce. At least he was charged with being an accomplice and tried last month, but was declared not guilty.

In the trial that closed this morning by Sneed being given his liberty the defendant used self defense, insanity and the unwritten law, but the insanity plea was overruled and the merits of the case rested on the unwritten law, and it was this that Sneed was given his freedom.

### GLASS FRONT.

The Ballinger Auto Co., are having glass front windows placed in their building on Hutchings Ave., opposite the courthouse which add very much to the appearance of their place of business.

Miss Ophelia Northcutt, of Washburn, Mo., who had been visiting her aunt Mrs. G. M. Vaughn and family several months past, left Thursday afternoon for her home.

Col. J. R. Taylor, of the Norton country, was transacting business in Ballinger Friday and we are glad he reports considerable more rain in his section than fell at Ballinger Thursday night.

### SYMPTOMS OF CONSUMPTION

#### Yield to Vinol.

The medical profession do not believe that consumption is inherited, but a person may inherit a weakness or tendency to that disease.

A prominent citizen of Evansville, Ind., writes: "I was ill for five months with pulmonary trouble, and had the best of doctors; I had hemorrhages and was in a very bad way. Through the advice of a friend I tried Vinol, and I feel that it saved my life. It is all you recommend it to be. I believe it is the greatest medicine on earth. I have advised others to try Vinol, and they have had the same results." (Name furnished on request.)

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Mr. and Mrs. Leon Shields, of Santa Anna, who had been the guests of her cousin, Mrs. C. A. Doose and family, left for home Thursday afternoon. Mr. Shields was here to represent his bank at Santa Anna at the District Bankers Association.

M. F. Watson, one of the successful farmers of the Marie county, was marketing eight bales of

cotton here Thursday and sold for 12 cents per pound. He remembered the Ledger with a dollar on subscription while here. Joe F. Nash is having his place The City Tailor Shop renovated and new furniture placed in the same and his place is now in tip-top shape and as swell quarters as can be found anywhere in the west.



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PHONE 66

L. A. Bedford, of Winters, who had been over to San Angelo on a short business trip, passed thru

Ballinger en route home Saturday. B. Dornberger left from this point Monday at noon on a short business trip to Rowena.

## NEW LAW FIRM ORGANIZED MONDAY

Judge A. K. Doss, of Winters Becomes Partner of J. B. Wade. New Firm Dates From March First.

Wade & Doss will be the style of the new firm heretofore known as Stone & Wade. Judge B. B. Stone is arranging to move to Fort Worth and will leave with his family the later part of this week and Judge Doss will succeed in the practice of law with Judge Wade.

Judge Doss was here Monday and a partnership was formed between he and Judge J. B. Wade, and Judge Doss returned to Winters to wind up his business and make his arrangements to move here the last of this week or the first of next week.

The new firm organized will make a strong one. Judge Wade is an able and painstaking lawyer and has been instrumental in building of a very creditable practice for the old firm of Stone & Wade. Judge Doss has been practicing law in Winters for some time. He is a splendid young man and able lawyer. He is well acquainted in the county and will bring more business into the new firm.

As stated above Judge Stone will retire from the firm on March first and Judge Doss will come, the new firm of Wade & Doss dating from that date.

In the change we lose a good citizen and his family and gain another, and it has often been said of this country during the last two years, that if we can hold our own the country comes again we will be alright. We wish for Judge Stone and his family much success in their new home and we welcome Judge Doss and his family to our town, and wish for the new firm of Wade & Doss a prosperous business.

### Mothers Can Safely Buy

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Mrs. S. L. Yates, of Lampasas, who had been visiting her brother James McWhirter and other relatives in our city, left Wednesday afternoon for her home.

Dr. W. A. Gustavus returned home Friday afternoon from Sterling City, where he had been on professional business the past several days.

### VAN PELT, KIRK & MACK SPREADING OUT.

Van Pelt, Kirk, & Mack have rented the building next to their place and the Globe Store and will at once have it renovated and repainted and will put in their implements, etc. and will occupy three fronts on Hutchings ave.



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Save your money and save your hair by using this perfect hair tonic, of which you can make a pint from pure ingredients for about fifty cents, the cost of a small package of other tonics.

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Paré the potatoes, shave in very thin slices, or cut in straws, 1/2 in. strips, dice or crescents. Soak in cold water, drain dry on a napkin, and cook few at a time in basket in deep hot Cottolene. Drain and season with salt.



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C. B. Bledsoe, of Abilene, district manager of the Guarantee Life Insurance Co., of Houston, was looking after business for his company in our city Thursday.

H. B. Simmons left from this point Tuesday evening for Galveston, where he will confer with Mr. Ratledge, of the Santa Fe Ry. Co., with reference to a position of civil engineer.

W. J. Davis, one of the Ledger's friends of the Rowena country, was transacting business in Ballinger Thursday and renewed his daily and says he just can't do without the paper and was quite complimentary in his remarks about our paper. He says he is up with his farm work and is ready to begin planting soon.

Mrs. L. H. Bacon, representing the Jesse French Piano Co., left Wednesday morning for Coleman in the interest of her firm.

J. Keidel renewed his allegiance with the Daily Tuesday and says he is willing to do his part toward maintaining a daily for Ballinger and says he just can't afford to do without the Daily Ledger and his best wishes goes for its continued success.

Mrs. R. E. McCamitt, of Abilene, who had been the guest of her uncle Edwin Day and wife, left at noon Wednesday to visit at San Angelo.

### NOTICE.

All persons are notified not to buy or trade for one certain note dated Feb. 18th, 1912, for one hundred, twenty five dollars, due one year after date, executed by Jo Hardin, payable to J. L. McWhirter, because the consideration has failed.

Dr. Sealey, of Santa Anna, came in Thursday at noon to attend the county medical association in session in our city today.

Prof. E. L. Hagan, county superintendent of public schools, left Thursday afternoon to visit the Winters schools between trains.

John W. Norman, one of the representative Paint Rock citizens, was among the crowd of visitors in Ballinger Thursday.

Mr Farmer—If you need feed call at the City Wagon Yard, we are receiving hay, etc, by the car load C. B. Corder. wtf

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Done by order of J. W. Powell, Chairman.

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### AT OPERA HOUSE FRIDAY NIGHT

On Fri. Feb. 28th, there will appear at the Opera House Jos. Howards latest musical comedy success, "The Only Way" this play is a decided novelty, not a dull line, a howl from start to finale, in three screaming acts, every where from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast where this company has appeared it has been the laughing hit of the season it is written for the purpose of laughter, and from the rise to the fall of the curtain the audience is kept in one continual round of laughter, first you smile, then you laugh then you roar. This play has the reputation one of the funniest comedies ever written, Jos. Howard known the world over as the author of some of the greatest comedies ever written, and in "The Only Way" he certainly has written. The cast includes some of the best comedians, singers and dancers now before the public, such well known comedians as Ben Bernard, Jack Houston, Arthur Harper, and the well known comedienne Miss Frances Ellen Holman, Marie Trevelyan and Winnie Oliver, character artists, these are the principals in this high-class musical farce company, this company will appear in our city for one night only and those that attend this performance will witness one of the greatest laugh shows of the season.  
Deputy Sheriff John Perkins and Mr. Sailors made an overland trip to the Crews country Wednesday on official business.  
R. B. Ingle, one of the Banner-Ledger's friends of the New Home community, was transacting business in Ballinger Wednesday.  
Col. Morgan Jones, came in from Abilene Wednesday at noon to look after business interests in Ballinger a day or two.  
W. P. Hawkins, one of the prominent business men of Winters, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.  
Virgil Silman, of Coke county, was greeting Ballinger friends and looking after business affairs in the city Wednesday.  
T. P. Brown, of South Ballinger returned home Wednesday at noon from a short business trip to Winters.

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STATE OF TEXAS,

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Whereas on the 1st day of November, 1911, B. F. Forman & Son, a partnership composed of W. A. Forman and Mrs. Mollie Forman, a widow, of Coleman County Texas, and who was then doing business in the town of Talpa, in said county and state, conveying to J. L. Reese of said county and state, all of the merchandise consisting of hardware, harness, leather goods groceries and furniture and also real estate through a deed of trust recorded in the Deed of Trust Records Records of Coleman County, Texas, in volume "N" pages 486, 487 and 488, naming said J. L. Reese as trustee, conveying the property above mentioned to the said J. L. Reese for benefit of all of the creditors of the said B. F. Forman and Son, and reference is here given to said

Deed of Trust for a better description of all matters and things therein contained and power vested in me, among other things in said deed of trust the trustee here, J. L. Reese was authorized to sell at either public or private sale the property conveyed in said deed of trust for the purpose of satisfying and paying off said creditors. Also in said deed of trust the said B. F. Forman and Son had the right, in the event of the refusal or failure of said J. L. Reese to perform such duties as trustee mentioned in said deed of trust, to appoint a substitute trustee and whereas, on the 9th day of April, 1912 the said J. L. Reese resigned and refused to further act as trustee in said deed of trust on behalf of the creditors, and on said date the said W. A. Forman and Mrs. Mollie Forman, appointed a substitute trustee in writing, to-wit: Arthur Doose as

substitute trustee for the said J. L. Reese, which said written authority is recorded in volume 89 page 244 of the Deed of Trust Records.

Now by authority vested in me as substitute trustee I will offer for sale in bulk all of the property that I have in my possession as substitute trustee, such as hardware, groceries, leather goods, harness, furniture and real estate, notes and open accounts at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in the town of Talpa in Coleman County, Texas, in front of store of B. F. Forman & Son such sale to take place on the 4th day of March, 1913, at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Invoice can be seen at place of sale. Witness my hand this 13th day of February, 1913.

ARTHUR DOOSE,

Substitute Trustee.

To make the world happier has been the cherished mission of George M. Cohan, whose most successful play "Forty-five Minutes from Broadway" is coming soon to The Opera House with Hazelle Burgess in the principal role. "Laugh and the world laughs with you" is his belief, and he has successful striven to make a vast number laugh. It is a piece of unusual merit as its longevity proves conclusively. Bert Leigh will be seen in the role of "Kid Burns."

### NEW HOME.

Mrs. Mand Daniels and baby of Lampasas are on an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. R. L. Norris. Mr. Archer Wiley of Hatchel visited Mr. Robert Wood Saturday night and Sunday. Rev. J. N. Key filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday. Misses Bertha and Bertie Horne were in Abilene Saturday and Sunday, where the latter went to have her eyes treated, they also visited Mr. Will Conner and family.

Last Sunday afternoon Mr. Patterson and Rev. J. N. Key organized a B. Y. P. U. at New Home. The following officers were elected: Clifford Parker, president; Floyd Wiley, vice-president; Miss Jessie King, secretary.

A great interest was shown and we are expecting great results from this union. We invite both old and young to come and take a part in this union.

Mr. Sam Brandon and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kennedy all of Eagle Branch attended church at New Home Sunday. Rev. Wiley of Hatchel visited at the Cooper home Sunday.

Rev. J. N. Key and wife and baby of Truitt visited Mr. Matthis and family Saturday night.

Miss Ida Wiley of Hatchel visited Miss Effie Parker Sunday. Miss Bertie Horne, the teacher, was taken very sick Sunday afternoon, but is better at this writing.

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### NOTICE.

Our Mr. C. C. Cockrell, circulation manager of the consolidated Ledger and Banner-Leader will be in Winters Saturday, March 1st, and we will greatly appreciate any favors shown him and if it is convenient arrange to meet him on the above date in Winters and arrange to square up your subscription account with either of the old papers, or at least meet him let's see if your dates correspond with the books in the office. Your prompt attention will be greatly appreciated.  
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