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LOAD MOON BROS. BUGGIES, PHEATONS AND RIES just placed on exhibition at our store

1915-16 (Best. 15)

Van Pelt, Kirk and Mack

Automobiles, Have You One?

READ THIS AND SAVE A PIECE OF MONEY

We are going to make prices next year that will meet 6c Cotton Prices. You think it don't make a difference where you have your work done, but it does. I have six years experience and know what to do and where to look for trouble. Here is the difference between a man that don't know and one who does. We put in a e pinion in a well known make of car a few days ago and charged him \$4.15 for work and pinion. He had the same work done less than three weeks before this at her place and paid \$9.50 for it, more than twice as much. You had better see us and save at least one-half on your repair bill. And on supplies we will save you Read a few of our prices. TIRES---We carry the largest stock in West Texas, Three standard brands. Will give you a discount of 10 and 5 per cent. Spark gs as low as 15 cents; any plug at 50 cents. Ford Master Vibrators guaranteed \$5.95. Presto Tank put on complete for \$12.00. Don't pay any more. We exnge same for \$1.50. Dry Batteries—any kind guaranteed to register 30 amperes 20c each, and everything we carry just as cheap. See us for anything in the Auto and you will save money. Leave your car with us. We don't charge customers any storage.

BALLINGER AUTO CO.

OPPOSITE COURT

APPE GETS

business realized by his uring the Christmas rush. pe is among the number ger merchants who cashgus checks. He says he

where else in town. He did we have ever made. out when he presented it in payment of merchandise that he bought at this store. The figures News one year for \$1.50. You called the stranger's attention to only. this and turned the check down. It makes no difference what check, and have the mistake cor- lished.

rected. In a short time he return-

the coming year.

store readily handed the man his bundle containing \$2.00 worth of underwear and the difference of \$5.70 in cash

J. 8 for \$7.70 is being WILL OFFER SPECIAL

We are going to offer rates on think it worth while to any paper or magazine in connechowl," and he just kept tion with the Banner-Ledger, through the month of January, attack but efforts are now being booty and their identity is unthe northwest part of the county, amount of mail matter as this stranger who passed the and give to our readers and those a fierce hombardment after known. After signaling the train necks was perhaps bolder in who wish to become readers of work at the Zappe store than our paper, the best clubbing offer

To begin with we can now ofcheck had been left off. Mr. Zappe tion. This holds good for January

The stranger remarked that he you want to read during 1915, we would go out and locate Mr. can save you money, as we club 'Perkings' who gave him the with any paper or magazine pub-

BALLINGER PRINTING CO.

ed with the check properly filled FRENCH RE-TAKE MANY TWO MASKED MEN PLACES WITH BAYONET

LONDON, Dec. 30. — The desperate bayonet charges.

ment this afternoon admitted that County, 150 miles west of here the Germans were forced to eva- early this morning. cuate Saint George by a surprise a fierce bombardment.

Austrians in numerous places session of their valuables. have been routed and that in North Poland where the Germans have been operating partly successful for the past few weeks, in the right hand corner of the save fifty cents on this combinathe Russians have the advantage and it is expected that the Ger. mans will be driven out of this section by New Year's day.

Interest in American Note. The people of England are today manifesting great interest in

friendly spirit, as it was intended causing untold comment here. By sage as having been inspired by a time, it is pointed out that it German influence in Washington. was an easy matter for the rob-It is declared here among some of those who do not thoroughly un- before the general alarm was derstand the protest lodged by turned in. the United States, that it will be a long day before England replies to the United States' mes- master and merchant, was looking

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The United States intends after the war to hold Great Britain to a strict account for any violation of the rules of American shipping in which loss is sustained by the shippers. Financial restitution

will be demanded. President Wilson made this emphatic assertion today while discussing the blanket protest lodgd with the English government.

The Preisdent said that the United States by insisting on fin- from J. M. London. ancial restitution at the close of rules England has heretofore insisted on in times when other natrade affected. He could, theregovernment to strict account for ternoon. Tuesday morning Mr. the violation of all trading rules.

2 AMERICANS SHOT

iers near the border.

shooting occurred.

the American hunters.

were in Canadian waters when the found in his pocket.

To Wish You a Happy New Year is But

a Wish Expressed By All.

great state. The value of the different harvests gathered from the soil of this great state during the year just

closing run about as follows: Cotton 4,500,000 bales, Live

Stock 13,500,000 head, Corn 125,000,000 bushel, Wheat

14,000,000 bushels, Rice 8,000,000 bushels, Oats 22,500,000 bushels, Sweet Potatoes 5,250,000 bushels, Irish Potatoes

2,750,000 bushels, Rye 30,000 bushels, Hay 800,000 tons, Poultry and Products \$16,200,000, Fruit \$2,500,000, Truck

\$900,000. It is our New Year wish that you participated

in the profits as listed above and that you and yours will

be better prepared to reap more bountiful harvests during

THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS

STATE BANK

FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK'

The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things.

It is our wish that the coming year will give you an opportunity to participate in the bountiful harvest of this

It makes no difference from what source you received your checks in business transactions, where drawn or payable bring them to this bank to be cashed. We will cash your checks on banks in other cities and other states just the same as those which may be drawn upon any local bank.

Always glad to receive deposits by mail.

The Winters State Bank

Winters, Texas.

Capital \$50,000.00

Guaranty Fund Bank

French have re-occupied every im robbers, heavily and effectively one to pay his fine. portant position on the Pashen- masked robbed the passengers of dale road, after a series of most two sleepers of the Southern Pa- WILL MOVE TO BALLINGER. the holidays beats all previous rec cific railroad on Train No. 9 at The Berlin official announce- the small station of Cline, Uvalde

The robbers escaped with their to stop, the two robbers boarded A message from Petrograd just the two Pullmans, awoke the pasreceived in London says that the sengers and began taking pos-

> Rangers are today leading poose which is scouring the rough ing some clew which will lead to the whereabouts of the two bold robbers. The citizens of the little town of Cline turned out almost en masse for the occasion of hunting down the culprits.

After boarding the first sleeper, the protest sent by the United the robbers roused the negro States over the interference by porter and forced him at the the British warships with neutral point of a pistol to awake the the British warships with neutral shipping.

It is declared that the British officials regard the protest in a officials regard the protest in a causing untold comment here. By

with you.

Responsibility \$300,000.00

D. M. Hillyard, Cashier. but the populace regard the mes- awakening only one passenger at bers to get away with their booty

> Mr. Baron, the Wingate postafter business affairs in Ballinger

CAUGHT WITH GOODS PLACED IN LOCKER

A young man was arrested at Ballinger Tuesday afternoon by Sheriff Perkins and placed in jail charged with stealing a watch

Mr. London lives in the norththe war would be simply applying west part of the county, and the young man had been working for Mr. London for a couple of weeks, tions were at war and her own or at least had been staying at Mr. London's home, the weather fore, see no reason why she could being so bad that he had only put have the opportunity of present- in one-half day at work. The ing protests to the American gov. young man decided to leave, and ernment for holding the English he came to Ballinger Monday af-London started to Winters, and he missed his watch from its accustom place when not in use. He suspicioned the young man and he came on to Ballinger and noti-BY CANADIAN GUARDS fied the sheriff. The young man spent Tuesday here, and made an effort to sell the watch to a local BUFFALO, Dec. 28.—One Am. second hand store. Sheriff Pererican was killed and another was kins had called on the jewelery wounded today by Canadian sold- dealers and second hand dealers to keep a look out for the stolen The Canadians were patrolling property, and he was notified the frontier when they fired upon when the watch was offered for a crowd of duck hunters who sale, and just before the arrival of were in the vicinity of the border the eastbound train the man was Both the men shot by the soldiers placed under arrest and the watch

The young man claimed that he Recently orders were issued pro traded for the watch and denied hibiting the transportation of fire stealing it. He could not give the arms into Canada. As a result of name of the party he traded with, this ruling, the Canadian soldiers and claimed that the stranger who were on guard, fired upon went to Abilene. The young man is without money, having "soak-

store for \$2.00 and had spent \$1.85 of this amount for a ticket to Brownwood. He is being held, and will probably remain in jail third county court meets, unless he makes bond, or pleads guitly to SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 30.—Two the charge arranges with some

BIGGEST BUSINESS IN CITY'S HISTORY

According to Ballinger postoffice officials, the business just ords. Never before in the history J. M. London who is at present, of the Ballinger postoffice has and has been for several years liv there passed through the local ing in the Poe neighborhood, in postoffice such an immense was here Tuesday and Wednesday year. The clerks and their suand while here rented a house and periors are proud of the fact, too. will move his family to Ballinger that there was not the slightest next week, or a ssoon as the congestion during the entire perroads dry up a little. Mr. Lon- iod of the busiest hours. Pack-don says he will not farm next ages were dispatched as quickly year, and he is bringing his chil- as received, often an entire wacountry with the hopes of find- dren to Ballinger to place them in gonload of mail leaving the office for one train.

IT'S PART OF OUR BUSINESS

to help you in the business problems of life. lt's our business and a pleasure to help you if we can, and every facility of our bank is always at your disposal. Come in and let us talk it over with you.

[Unincorporated]

Thoughts are precious things Deposited in memory's safety vault, The devine designer of the universe, Hath so wisely fashioned this grand treasury That in time our misfortunes and sufferings Fade away into oblivion.

But memory's bejewelled flowers Of our joyous and happy days, fold, In gentle slumber, during the days of Our adversities, until re-awakened, By the magic touch of returning prosperity, They again unfold themselves in all their Original brilliancy and splendor.

FRIENDS, PATRONS AND ALL MANKIND.

Let us not get discouraged and disheartened Altho a supreme catastrophe has shaken, The peace and commerce of the entire globe, There seems to be an inevitable law of nature That in a cycle of years one extreme is Sooner or later supplanted by the opposite, Hence the justification of the logical sequence, That a great universal calamity will, In due time be followed by such universal Prosperity, Peace and happiness as is possible In the human flesh and thought.

In the light of these gems of thought, the directors of our institution extend to Every Living Soul our sincere wish that The New Year will produce such greater conception of righteousness and universal love and brotherhood of mankind, that they will become the foundation stones of permanent

PEACE AND PROSPERITY.

Most cordially,

Ballinger State Bank and Trust Company.



Prof. Frankland demonstrates that COD LIVER OIL generates more body-heat than anything else.

In SCOTT'S EMULSION the pure oil is so prepared that the blood profits from every drop, while it fortifies throat and lungs. If you are subject to cold hands or feet; if you shiver and catch cold easily: take SCO IT'S EMULSION month and watch its good NO ALCOHOL. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

BALLINGER'S PROSPERITY

A news item from Ballinger Runnels county is one of the most productive in that part of West created new confidence in business operations. Of the cotton future of Ballinger is the certain journey lasting all day and all gas and oil flows right at her night we were dropped at the doors. Wherever these have been Dutch border (Goch) on the way. discovered and worked in Texas to Flushing. But what a day!



THOMAS-PATTON

Rev. G. W. Newman performed the ceremony Wednesday afternoon at the Higdon-Melton-Jackger in congratuations and best land. We saw swarms of Ger-

general repairing our specialty. E. J. CATHEY, Mgr.

12-1mon d&w.

PRESIDENT WILSON IS 58

Was! ington, D. C., Dec. 28.-

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure.

man, had business in Ballinger a the tunnels carefully guarded to few hours Saturday afternoon. spies or some enemy blowing up John Dale and Will Meeks of the track or wrecking a train. Winters, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Monday.

passed through Ballinger Monday into Holland or England. At afternoon en route home from a Mayence he was discovered by visit to relatives at Abilene and some German soldiers who im-Winters.

"TO HELL WITH GERMANY; TO HELL WITH FRANCE," CRY OF DRUNKEN NATIVES.

gium.

Christmas has always been made much of in Germany. It is the great family day. Every states that the splendid crops of house has its Christmas tree, and the past season have revived around it, with its toys and canbuilding operations. That is only dles, the family gathers. But a half statement. The splendid there is hardly a family in Gercrops were there all right, for many today that is not in mourning, hardly a home where father or one of the sons has not been Texas, but they also caried good slain. The same is true of Ausprices in their wake, and these tria; and of England, France and Russia in lesser degree.

year that have given confidence I refer to it here We were unto the business element; but per- der the special protection of the haps the chief reason for return- Kaiser, and had two special cars prosperity and business have followed.—Ft. Worth Record.

How it wrung one's heart! How it made our American delegates forever! We saw all the young ritated fifty years after the peace men and boys being driven like of exhaustion shall have come. with whom they had no quarrel. of Europe will be lowered. We saw mothers and wives weep ing at the departure of the men, and little children crying, although they knew nothing of what it was all about. We saw men go crazy at this parting and have to be put in cords and held. We saw great crowds drunk with son Co.'s store that united in with Campany' or "To Hell news of many thousands slain, it son Co.'s store that united in with Germany' or "To Hell with is almost impossible to believe it Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas."

J. D. PERKINS, is almost impossible to believe it Sheriff, Runnels County, Texas. Miss Annie Patton. The young France." We saw French soldis is not all a dream. couple are two of the popular iers try to pull a German out of young people of the river coun- a train window, while he clung try below Ballinger, and have a to his two little babies that he THE STATE OF TEXAS, host of friends who join the Led- was trying to get into Switzer-

to the frontier. tance. The railroad was every-Mr. Sims, the Pony Creek gin where patrolled by soldiers and

There happened to be a Russian on the train with us who was endeavoring to get his wife and lit-Miss Kate Riley, of Brownwood the baby safely through Germany mediately suspected a "spy."

Dr. Frederick Lynch, secretary and they pulled him out of the of the Church Peace Union, who train and at the point of several went through Europe on the eve bayonets he was carefully searchof the great war, tells of his ex- ed for papers. Not satisfied with killed his father-in-law and then perience in that dountry, and this they then roughly jerked his himself near here yesterday. The pictures what Christmas means in wife out of the train and search-Europe. Following is an excerpt ed her. She was so frightened condition is precarious. that, although they were reluctant The latest report from Belgium ly permitted to go on, her milk is that the homeless and the star- ceased flowing, and the poor litving, those who have fled to Hol- the baby got nothing to eat for land and England, and those who twenty-four hours. The next day, have been left behind, number all on the boat from Flushing to Eng most seven millions. Christmas land, Lady Barlow found an Eng first. is so pre-eminently a home festi- lish mother with a nursing baby val, but no homes are left in Bel- who shared her mounteous breasts

with the little Russian baby. It was pathetic to hear the scream of delight with which the little thing leaped to his dinner. These are they who suffer in war and soon withdrew the suit and left only few wars are worth the suffering of a dozen of them. But home in Missouri. He returned men seem to care not at all how much they make these millions of babies and children suffer, how are well-to-do farmers, the former much they orphan their own chil owing a fine section of land and dren, if they can only gratify the latter being one of the pioneer their lust for killing somebody

of another land. It was all prophetic of the awfurther than that about one-third of the crop is left in the fields by of the crop is left in the fields by the departing army of pickers the departing army of pickers dication of what real war would soon be that I may be pardoned if the money-making crops of the details to be widowed, millions of little been unable to learn the details children are to be left fatherless. of the killing, until the above re-Natural affections are even now port reached Ballinger. blotted out and their places being ing confidence in the business put at our disposal. After a long taken blotted out and their places being Johnson, the man that did the taken of Ballinger is the certain journey lasting all day and all pressions. The property of Ballinger is the certain journey lasting all day and all pressions. passions. Drunkenness has aleral years ago, and it developed ready spread throughout these that Johnson was not deserving lands in a mad orgy. All indus-try will be ruined. Thousands of true woman, and a separation fol schools and churches will be lowed, and the killing as above it made our American delegates blown up. Hatred will be engen-stated is the culmination of the sick of the very thought of war dered which will keep Europe irsheep into rens to be sent off to The commerce of the world will Roy Moore, by virtue of said levy kill men they did not know and be upset. The general morality and said Order of Sale.

war, in the complete degraduation the English language, once a week of all the finer human, Christian for three consecutive weeks iminstincts on every hand, made our mediately preceding said day of hearts bleed. It was impossible to sale, in The Banner-Ledger, a news believe. Even now that we are paper pubished in Runnels County. back in America, with the newsboys shouting every hour the of December, 1914.

SHERIFF'S SALE

County of Runnels. ger in congratuations and best mans trying to get out of France wishes for a happy married life with their poor wives and babies, District Court of Milam County, says his heart was made glad by with no one to help, and with on the 3rd day of December 1914, the kind spirit exhibited by all he GO TO—Ballinger Saddlery French soldiers jeering at them by Sam Wilson Jr., Clerk of said Court against I. B. Williams, Henstransparent and says Ballinger can't be met and says Ballinger can't be supposed enveloped anywhere for the liberford for Saddles, Harness, etc.
Complete line of Saddlery goods, and accessories. Shoe work and and accessories. Shoe work and cars with horses, and bundled off Hundred Seventy-one and eightysix one hundredths (\$1,171.86) At every station there were Dollars with interest thereon, at trains being filled with soldiers, the rate of ten per cent. per anwith reserves, and with young num from October 21, 1914, and chill Tonic is equally valuable as a men from the fields and shops. costs of suit, in cause No. 6955 in General Tonic because it contains the Great crowds of women with said Court styled The Bugkholts well known tonic properties of QUININE Great crowds of women with said Court, styled The Buckholts well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives their babies and children were at State Bank versus I. B. Williams out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and President Woodrow Wilson reach the stations to see the soldiers et al and placed in my hands for Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents. ed his lifty-eighth birthday anni- off. They tried to cheer, but they service, I, J. D. Perkins as Sheriff v today, having been born mostly wept, while the innocent of Runnels County, Texas, did on Dec. 23, 1856. The President did children ignorantly cheered their the 8th day of December, 1914. not allow the anniversary to in- fathers off to death. At one levy on certain Real Estate situatterfere with his customary daily station, we saw a young man sud- ed in Runnels County, described the teachers here attending the inroutine. although he was obliged denly go erazy as he was torn as follows, to-wit "Eighty acres of stitute, and W. T. Wilson of the to spend a considerable part of the from his wife and little baby, so land, being the West one-half of Winters country, were married day in receiving the greetings of that he had to be pitched into a the Southeast one-fourth of W. C. shortly after the institute adjourn the cabinet officers, diplomats, freight car by half a dozen men Railway Company Survey, Num-ed Wednesday. The happy young senators, representatives, and oth ers who called at the executive offices to offer their congratula- occurrence, and that these men situated about four miles west of Street Church, and Rev. Rives would simply be taken out of the regiment and put to mental County, Texas, and described by two hearts beat as one. tasks. As the train rolled along metes and bounds as follows: Be- The bride had been elected to The worst cases, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00 ing like a great snake in the distance of the same time. vey, at a point 475 varas West of the original Southeast corner she will carry out her contract. thereof; Thence West 475 varas to the Southwest corner of the South east one-fourth of said Section retire from general practice, giv-Number 152; Thence North 950 ing my entire time to surgery, convaras to the place of beginning sultation, and office work. When and being the same land conveyed not busy at the Sanitarium, will be to said I. B. Williams by Sam W. found in the office from 10 to 12 Law, by deed dated March 22 a. m., and most all afternoons. 1913, of record in the deed records of Runnels County, Texas, in 21-2td 2tw Volume 82, page 638.'

Said levy being in accordance LEAD HER CLASS with said Order of Sale and Judge ment as the same provided for a foreclosure of a mortgage lien Ballinger, Texas, between the ful in her music study. nours of ten a. m. and four p. m.,

RECEIVES NEWS OF KILLING OF BROTHER

COMANCHE, Tex., Dec. 27.—O. . Johnson, 35, shot his wife twice woman is still alive, though her

Johnson appeared at the home of Sam Dunlap, the father-in-law, Saturday morning, armed. The Dunlap farm is about ten miles from here, near Proctor. · It is believed the father-in-law was shot

Johnson and his wife had not lived together for some time. Last spring he instituted suit in the district court here to recover pospession of their eldest child, but the county, going back to his old only Christmas Day.

Both Johnson and the Dunlaps families of this section.

a brother of W. B. Dunlap, of

Johnson, the man that did the unhappy marriage.

And in compliance with law, I But what we saw on the eve of give this notice by publication, in thess my hand, 8th day

w 3t pd.

Rev. Father Goldbach took two little orphan girls round the city

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

VISITING TEACHER WEDS.

Miss Arma Cunningham, one of

After January 1st, 1915, I will Respectfully,

A. S. LOVE.

WITH 99 1-2 GRADE

Miss Louise Doss returned home against said defendants on the above described land, and levied upon as the property of said I. B. Williams, Henrie Williams, and where she has been attending the Kidd-Key Conservatory of Music. Williams, Henrie Williams, and her class making a grade of 99 against said defendants on the Wednesday night from Sherman Roy Moore, defenants. And on her class, making a grade of 99 Tuesday, the 5th day of January. 1-2. Her many friends welcome 1915, at the Court House door of her home and will rejoice to Runnels County, in the City of know that she has been so success

will sell said property at public invigorating to the Pale and Sickly vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said I. B. Wiliams, Henrie Williams and the blood, and builds upthe system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c

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The old Rock Stable is now the Leach Auto Works---a place where your car can get supplies of all kinds.

Special Attention to Hurried Calls. LEACH AUTO

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H. L. WENDORF, THE SADDLE AND HARNESS MAN

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For Lowest Interest Rates on Realty Loans and L

Bargains See Chas. S. Miller.

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DELICATE APPETITES

need a variety to tempt them. This Store has, for many years, always lead in this respect.

Fresh vegetables, good butter, fruit and the very highest class of Groceries are always to be found in our

Many stores are short on the very thing you want, but we can always fill the bill.

A Trial Will Convince You

708 Hutchings Avenue

Ballinger Texas.

PHONE 66

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Standard Implements, Windmills Studebaker and Schuttler Wagons

Hall Hardware Co.

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SLIGHTLY DISFIGURED BUT STILL IN THE RING.

I am able to be at the gin again, and will appreciate the return of all those who have cotton to gin. I pay the highest price for seed cotton.

EDWIN DAY.

Ready for To-morrow?

Horses digest their feed less thoroughly than other farm animals. In order to insure thorough digestion of all the food eaten, and to make your horses readier for next day's work, add to their evening feed a teaspoonful of—

STOCK Bee Dee MEDICINE

It will lessen your feed bills.

It will increase your profits.

I am using BeeDee STOCK MEDICINE with my horses regularly and find it a saving proposition on feed. It also makes them healthy, thriving and clean. Ira Johnston,

R. F. D. No. 1, O'Neill, Nebr.

25c, 50c and \$1. per can. At your dealer's.

The Trey O'Hearts

 $B\nu$ Louis Joseph Vance.

CHAPTER XL.

The Man in the Shadow. Two hundred feet, if one, Hopi Jim fell from the lip of the cliff. Then suddenly the thing that had been Hopi Jim Slade was checked in its headlong descent by the outstanding trunk of a tree, over which it remained, doubled up, limp, horrible .

The miniature landslide that had been caused by his fall went on, settling gradually as the slope became less sheer. Only part of it, a double handful of pebbles, gained the bottom of the canyon.

Its muffled impact on the ground round his feet roused the man who had compassed the bandit's death from the pose he had unconsciously assumed on the instant of firing.

He stepped back, and snatched up a case containing binoculars.

Not before the glasses were adjusted to his vision did he find time to respond absently to the alarmed and insistent inquiries of his two companions, a man of his own age and a girl of some years less, who had been wakened from their sleep by the report of the rifle.

Now the latter plucked his sleeve, momentarily deflecting the glasses from the object which they were following so sedulously as it moved along the heights; a wildly running horse with a woman bound helpless upon its back, both sharply in silhouette against the burning blue.

"Alan!" the girl demanded, "what is it? Why did you fire? Why won't you answer me? What is it?"

'Judith," Alan replied tersely, again picking up with the glasses the runaway horse that fled so madly along the perilous and narrow track of the

The name was echoed from two throats as Alan swung sharply and thrust the glasses into the hands of

"Judith," he affirmed with a look of poignant solicitude. "She's roped to the back of that crazy broncho-helpless! See for yourself; one false step -suppose a stone turns beneath its hoof-she'll be killed!"

While the girl focused her glasses upon that speck that flew against the sky Alan turned to the two horses hobbled near by and seizing a saddle threw it over the back of one.

At this the other man turned to his side and dropping a detaining hand upon his arm asked:

'What are you going to do?" Alan shook the hand off and went

on with his self-appointed task. 'Go after her, Tom, of course," he

"What else? That animal is crazy, I tell you-'

and if you could, you'd be too late to catch up, much less prevent an ac cident-

"I know it. But suppose it doesn't fall . . . You know what's beyond these hills-deserts! And the girl is helpless. I tell you bound hand and foot. Think of her being carried that way-all day, perhaps-face up to this brutal sun! She'll go mad if something isn't done-'

You've gone mad yourself already," Mr. Barcus contended darkly. "What's it to you if she does? Suppose you do succeed in rescuing her: what then? As soon as she gets on her pins she'll try to stick a knife into you-like as not. What's she been chasing you for, all over this land of the brave and home of the free, but to take your fool life? And now you want to sacrifice

yourself to her, out of sheer, downright foolishness in the head! I suppose you'll like me to call it chivalry: I'll tell you what I call it-lunacy!

"Don't be an ass!" Alan responded temperately, gathering the reins together and instinctively lifting a fcot to the stirrup. "Who warned us yesterday in time to prevent our being crushed by that rock? Judith! Why was she separated from Marrophat and the others-alone up there when that beast sneaked up behind her-O, I saw him-I saw it all-and grabbed her and roped her to that bronco-if it wasn't because she had broken with them for good and all and started to fight on our side?"

You're raving," Barcus commented in a hopeless tone. He looked to the girl. "Rose-Miss Trine-reason with this madman-"

Dropping the glasses, the girl came swiftly and confidently to her lover's side, lifting her lips to his.

"Go. sweetheart!" she told him. "Save her if you can!"

With a look of triumph for the benefit of Mr. Barcus Alan Law gathered Rose Trine into his arms.

"Did you dream for an instant Rose would see her own sister carried to her death if anything could be done

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to avert it-no matter what we may have suffered at Judith's hands? With an indignant grunt, but considerate none the less, Mr. Barcus

caught up the glasses and turned his back. "Go on!" he grumbled, pretending to ignore the hand Alan offered him from the saddle. "I've got no patience with you But go!" he insisted, of a sudden seizing the hand and pressing it fervently. "And God go

with you, my friend!" Then hoofbeats drumming on the hard-packed earth of the canyon trail struck a hundred echoes from its rugged, rocky walls.

Mr. Barcus showed Rose Trine a face almost ludicrous with its anguished smile that was intended to seem reassuring.

"Let's look sharp and follow him as quick as may be," he urged. "Lightning will never strike us so long as we stick to Mr. Law of the charmed life-but I don't mind telling you, once out of his company, I'm just naturally afraid of the dark!"

CHAPTER XLI.

The Trail of Flying Hoof-Prints. In the still air of that young day the chill of night lingered stubbornlyand would until the shadow of the eastern rampart had crept slowly down the canyon's western wall, telescoped upon itself and vanished, letting in the sun to make the place a pit of townent and of burning.

Refreshed from rest and exhilarated by this grateful coolness, his horse responded willingly to the first light touch of Alan's spur. In a twinkling the overnight camp dropped from view behind the rounded shoulder of a hillside, mesquite-cloaked.

Then from its first spirited flight the horse settled down to steady going, lengthened its stride, and ran for leagues with the long, apparently effortless and tireless lope of the plainsbred broncho, ventre-a-terre.

Alan's departure from camp had anticipated by a round quarter-hour the appearance on the upper trail of friends of the slain bandit, to the number of four or five, who had both discovered and recovered his body, called his death murder and pledged themselves to its avengement-laying responsibility for the putative crime at the door of the man and woman to be seen in the canyon, immediately below the scene of Hopi Jim's fall.

Between the moment when discovery of the men on the ridge trail interrupted their simple and hurried breakfast and that which found Rose and Barcus mounted on the back of their own horse and making the best of their way down the canyon in pursuit of Alan, but little time had elapsed.

And even with its double burden their horse made better time upon the broad lower level than those who followed the ridge trail. By mid-morning, when they approached the foothills that ran down to the desert, the pursuit was more than a mile in the rear and shut off to boot by a monolithic hill, while Alan was many a weary mile in advance.

He sat upon his horse, just then, at standstill upon the summit of a rounded knoll, the Painted hills lifting up behind him, the desert before unfold-"Even so," Tom Barcus argued, "you can't climb that hillside on horseback—

behind him, the desert before unfolding like a map—but like a map all blurged. blurred.

> anything definite to be distinguished in the aspect of that sunbitten wastebleached earth pasterned in almost ordérly arrangement by sagebrush and gnarled cacti. At the distance of half a mile all blended into one vast plain of glaring gray that stretched over the round of the world to a broken wall of purple hills that reeled drunk enly in the haze-veiled southwest.

> Was Judith out there, somewhere Lost, defenseless, forlorn, impotent to lift a hand to shield her face from the

> blast of that savage sun? Staring beneath a shading hand, he discerned nothing that moved upon the surface of the desert but its myriad heat-devils jigging monotonously their infernal danse macabre.

Or-as seemed more probable-was she back there among the Painted hills, lying still and lifeless, crushed raven as it issued from his bone-dry beneath the weight of that fallen throat—and in momentary possession horse?

No rest for Alan till he knew Descending the knoll he reined his lagging mount back into the trail, fol- mercy of the dust-storm. lowing its winding course through the foothills and round the base of that monolithic mountain toward the junction with the ridge trail, miles away.

It approached the hour of noon before he gained the point where the two trails joined and struck out across the desert. And here he discovered what he thought indisputable indication that the fright of Judith's horse had persisted.

Abandoning immediately all notion of returning through the hills by the ridge-trail, he turned and swung away at the best pace he could spur from his broncho, delivering himself into the pitiless embrace of that implacable wilderness of sun and sand.

At long intervals he would check the broncho and, reeling in his saddle, she was never far from his side. endeavor to sweep the desert with his

And toward the middle of the afternoon he fancied that something rewarded one such effort; something for an instant swam athwart the field of the glasses: something that seemed to move like a weary horse with a him and he would need her; till then human figure bound to its back.

But now the phenomena were discernible which, had he been more desert wise, would have made him pause and think before he ventured farther from those hills, already beyond reach as they were.

His first appreciated warning came when the surface of the desert seemed duststorm. Down this, evidently, was a yard the nearer.

heated particles that stung the flesh like a myriad needles. And then dark- had caused him the slightest pain. ness fell, the twilight of hades, a copper-colored pall. Nothing remained visible beyond arm's length.

broncho swung round, back to the the cut clean and bandaged it. blast, and refused to budge another

Himself more than half-dazed, but still hounded by his nightmare vision of Judith, Alan dismounted to escape being torn bodily from the saddle by that hellish sand-blast, and seizing farther bank. the bridle sought to draw the horse on with him.

He wasted his strength in that enits hoofs deep in the sand, stiffened of dust. its legs and resisted with the stubbornness of a rock; then, of a sudden, jerked his head smartly, snapped the scudding before the storm.

Pursuit was out of the question:

"Rose-Miss Trine-Reason With the Madman-"

of the broncho.

of the sandstorm.

be reckoned.

and the storm.

strong, free.

curred.

wind.

For a moment he stood rooted in

consternation as in a bog-with an

Then the thought of Judith re-

Head bended and shoulders rounded,

How long he fought on, pitting his

In the end he stumbled blindly down

a slight deeline and was abruntly

conscious that he had in some way

found shelter from the full force of the

He staggered on another yard or

o, breathing more freely, and blun-

some sporadic outcrop, he under-

stood, whose bulk stood between him

He thought to rest for a time, until

the storm had spent its greatest

strength: but as he laid his shoulder

gratefully against the rock and

scrubbed the dust from his smarting

eves he saw what he at first conceived

standing within a yard of him, alive,

recognize him, open her mouth to

utter a wondering cry that was inaudi-

"Alan! You came for me! You fol-

of hysteric madness, reeled away from

the woman and the shelter of the rock

and delivered himself anew to the

CHAPTER XLII.

Open Mutiny.

the very name of Law in loathing un-

speakable and to think of Alan as a

mortal enemy and as one whose death

alone could properly requite the cruel

injury that had been done her father;

and though the man himself had

laughed to scorn her first involuntary

confession of that love for him which

now consumed her being with its in-

satiable fires, she swallowed her

chagrin and followed him with the

solicitude of one whose love can recog-

nize no wrong in its object. Through

all the remainder of that day of terror

With the meekness of the strong,

she made herself his shadow. And

she was now the stronger, for she had

had more than an hour's rest beside

the waterhole, which he had missed

on the way of that rocky windbreak.

Sooner or later his strength must fail

ion; she was not a yard behind him

was trembling on the crumbling brink

of an arroyo of depth and width in-

determinable in the obscurity of the

But the next moment Judith herself

she was content to bide her hour.

when he vanished abruptly.

Though she had been schooled to hold

ble, and come quickly nearer.

lowed me through all this!'

to be a hallucination: Judith Trine little distance.

He stared incredulously, saw her wall of the arroyo. Through this he

He threw off her hand with a bitter the desert for signs of assistance: it

brush

It befell presently in startling fash- feet, passed an arm round her.

sound whatever.

of the canteen.

ery and wonder.

little shiver, she revived.

laugh—that was like the croaking of a offered none other than what they

strength against the elements, cannot

he began to forge a way into the teeth

arm upthrown across his face.

from his hand before Alan lost sight | ion through the driving sheets of dust

to lift and shake like the top of a Alan had fallen in his dizzy blindness. canvas tent in a gale. At the same | She found him insensible, lying with ime a mighty gust of wind swept an arm bent under him in a pose athwart the waste, hot as a furnace- frightfully suggestive of dislocation. blast. In a trice dust enveloped man Yet when she turned him on his back

There was a slight cut upon his brow, a bruise about his left temple. She tore linen from her bosom, be-Blinded, half suffocated, unspeak- neath her coarse flannel shirt, and with ably dismayed and bewildered, the sparing aid from the canteen, washed

> Then seeing that the storm held with fury unabated, she rose, reconnoitered and returned to exert all her strength and drag the unconscious man across the dry bed of that ancient water-course and under the lee of its

There, sitting, she pillowed his head upon her lap, and bending over him made her body an additional sheldeavor: the animal balked, planted ter to him from the swirling clouds

And for hours on end Judith nursed him there, scarce daring to move save to minister to his needs, bathing bridle from his grasp and flung away, his fevered brow and moistening his parched lips and throat.

In the course of the first hour she indeed, the bridle was barely torn' was once startled by the spectral vis-

of a horse that plodded up the arroyo,

Weary with the weight of its double

bearing two riders on its back.

its heat to chill, its light to violet.

with the gesture of exorcism.

Uncomplaining, hugging her new-

scrambled painfully, reaching the level

A brief pause there afforded both

time to regain their breath and survey

might accomplish through their own

exertions. For leagues in any quarter

it stretched without a break other than

the black cleft of the arroyo, gleaming

a bleached and deathly white in the

sign between them to prove that either

price to pay for her own trials, suf-

to tell sorely upon her. She reeled

slightly as she walked, weaving a

winding trail across and across the

straighter line of footprints that

marked Alan's course through the or-

dered pattern of the powdered sage-

head, pillowed it gently on his arm

and plied her in turn with the dregs

With a sigh, a stifled moan and a

He helped her gently to regain her

In this fashion they struggled on in

Thus an hour passed; and for all

strange, dumb companionship of mis-

their desperate struggles neither could

see that the light on the mountainside

And of a sudden she collapsed

But this was a state of affairs that

was aware of the other's company.

the unheeded woman at his heels.

eventually roused the sleeping man:

and Tom Barcus.

catch their attention.

two staring yellow eyes that peered up over the horizon, seemed to pause time in search of the two, then leaped out directly toward them. and horse, a stifling cloud of super- and released the arm, he made no ant; and when a deep, droning sound Of this they were altogether ignorsign to indicate that the movement disturbed the desert silence, like the purring of some gigantic cat, both ascribed it to the drumming of their laboring pulses.

Behind them other lights appeared,

The two lights were not a mile behind them when, silently, without a sign to warn the girl, Alan released her, took a step apart and dropped

as if shot. Instantly she was kneeling by his

side. But in the act of bending over him she drew back and remained for several moments motionless, staring at those twin glaring eyes, sweeping down upon them with all the speed attainable by a six-cylinder touring car negotiating a trackless desert. When Judith did move it was not to

comfort Alan. On the contrary, her first act was to draw from her pocket a heavy, blunt-nosed revolver, break it at the breech and blow its barrel clear of dust. Her hand went next to the holster on Alan's hip. From this she extracted his Colt's .45, treating it as she had the other. Then she crouched low above the man she loved, as if thinking perhaps to escape notice from the occupants of the motorcar.

If that were her thought, it was bred of an idle hope. Alan had chosen to fall in the middle of a wide space so arid that not even sagebrush had ventured to take root there. When the glare of the headlights fell upon them it was inevitable that discovery should follow. The motor car stopped within twenty feet. Three men jumped out and ran toward the pair, leaving two in the car-the chauffeur and one who occupied a corner of the rear seat: an aged man with the face of a damned soul, doomed for a little time to live upon this earth in the certain knowledge of his damnation.

As this happened, Judith Trine leaped to her feet and stood over the body of Alan, a revolver poised in either hand. "Halt!" she ordered imperatively.

"Hands up!" The three who had alighted obeyed without a moment's hesitation; her

father's creatures, they knew the daughter's temper far too well to dream of opposing her will. In the six hands that were silhouetted against the headlights' radi-

ance, three revolvers glimmered; but at her command all three dropped harmlessly to the earth.

Then, sharply, "Stand back two paces!" she required.

They humored her unanimously. Darting forward, she picked up and pocketed the three weapons, then with one of her own singled out the men she named.

"Now, Marrophat-and you, Hicksburden, it went slowly and passed so pick Mr. Law up and carry him into near to Judith that she was able to the car. And treat him gently, mind recognize the features of her sister If one of you lifts a finger to harm him, that one shall answer to me.

Be sure she made never a sign to Still none ventured to dispute her. The two men designated, without a Within the next succeeding hour sign of disinclination, stepped forward. the coppery light lost something of One lifted Alan Law by the shoulders: its hot brillance, took on a darker the other took the legs. Between them shade, and then one darker still. Twithey bore him with every care toward light stole athwart the desert, turning the motor car.

But now a second will manifested Growing more intense, the cold itself. The man in the rear seat lifted up a weirdly sonorous voice:

And hardly had his eyes unclosed "Stop!" he cried. "Stop this nonand looked up into the eyes of Judith sense! Drop that man! dered into a rough-ribbed wall of rock | bending over him than he started up command you-"

and out of her embrace, got unstead "Be silent!" the girl cut in sharply. ily upon his feet and after a moment "I command here-if it's necessary to of pause, watching her rise in turn, tell you. strode away-or, rather, staggered-

There was a pause of astonishment. Then the old man broke out in exasperation that threatened to wax into born humility to her with the ecstasy "Judith! What do you mean by fury: of the anchorite his horse-hair shirt. this? Has it indeed come to this that Judith followed him patiently, at a my own daughter defies me to my

Not far from where he had rested "Apparently!" she shot back, with there was a break in the overhanging short laugh. "Judge for yourself!" "Have you forgotten your vow to

of the desert only after cruel effort, "No. But I take it back and cancel it: that is my privilege, I believe. . . Silence!" she stormed as he strove to gainsay her. "Silence-do you hear?-or it will be the worse for you!"

As well command the sea to still its voice: her father raged like a madman that he was, for the time being divested of his habitual mask of frigid heartlessness. And seeing that there was no other

moonshine-like the face of a frozen way of quieting him, the girl turned With tacit consent both turned that to the third man. way, Alan leading, Judith his pertina-"Now Jimmy!" she said crisply. cious shadow, with never a word or

"Into that car-and be quick about it -and gag him!" "If you do," her father foamed, "I'll

have your life-" could not long endure. Judith had the A flourish of her weapons gained instant obedience. fering and privation: the strain began

She stepped up on the running board and shot a quick, searching glance at the face of the chauffeur. "Straight ahead, my man!" she said. 'Make for the nearest pass through

those hills yonder, and don't delay unless you are anxious for trouble. Off you go! The car began to move. She swept

Instinct alone made Alan glance the three men in the desert a mocking over-shoulder: for she had made no bow, jumped into the body of the car and slammed the door. He turned and came directly back They made no effort to plead their to her, knelt beside her, lifted her

cause and secure passage even as far as the edge of the desert: doubtless they knew too well the futility of that, she thought as she settled back in a seat, chuckling with the memory of those three masks of dismay unmitigated. It was not until five minutes later.

when she straightened up from making Alan comfortable that she realized what had made them so content to abide by her will. Then she heard their voices lifted

together in a long, shrill howl that was

quickly answered by fainter yells from a distant quarter of the desert, then by pistols popping and flashing some two miles away, then by a growing

rumble of galloping hoofs. The night glasses in the car afforded her flashes of a body of several horsemen-some six or seven, she judgedmaking at ton speed toward the spot where Marrophat, Hicks and Jimmy waited beside a beacon which they

had built and lighted. Half a dozen sentences exchanged with the chauffeur advised her that these were horsemen from the town of Mesa who had charged themselves with the duty of avenging the death

of Hopi Jim Slade. A sardonic chuckle from within Trine's gag goaded the girl into a sul-

Exacting his utmost speed from the chauffeur, under penalty of her displeasure, she set herself to revive

With the aid of such stores of food and drink as the car carried, this was quickly enough accomplished.

Strangling with an overdose of brandy too little diluted with water Alan sat up, grasped the conditions in a flash, and gained further information as he devoured sandwiches and emptied a canteen.

The mountain pass was now, he judged, a mile distant. The light on the hillside, according to the chauffeur, was that of a prospector who had camped there temporarily. There was nothing, then, to be feared from that quarter, but solely from the rear -where the horsemen, having picked up Marrophat and his companions, had instituted hot pursuit, and were now strung out in a long, straggling line, three horses carrying double the farthermost-perhaps a mile and a half away-one with a single rider the nearest, well within three-quarters of a mile.

Nobly mounted, this last came on like the wind, gaining on the motor car with every stride; for his horse was trained to such going, whereas the car at best could only labor heavily in dust and sand.

None the less, it had won to a point within a quarter of a mile from the pass before the horseman got within what he esteemed the proper range, and opened fire.

He fired thrice. His first shot winged wide, his second by ill-chance ripped through a rear tire of the car, thus placing upon it an additional handicap, while his third sought the zenith as his hands flew up and he dropped from the saddle, drilled through the body by Alan's only shot.

A long-range pistol duel was in progress before the car had covered half the remaining distance to the

By the time it entered this last, which proved to be a narrow ravine with towering side of crumbly earth and shale and broken rock, the pursuit was not a hundred yards behind, while the firing was well-nigh continuous.

Two hundred feet above the trail two men were working with desperate haste at some mysterious businessthough none noticed them.

Only the chauffeur was aware of a woman running down the hillside at an angle, to intercept the car several



"Straight Ahead, My Man!" She Said hundred yards from the mouth of the

As it drew near the spot where she paused, waving both hands frantically, the head of the pursuing party swept into the mouth of the ravine. At the same time the chauffeur no-

ticed that the two men on the hillside were following the woman pellmell, throwing themselves down the slope with gigantic leaps and bounds.

And then a great explosion rent the peaceful hush of night-that till then had been profaned by the pattering cracks of the revolver fusillade.

As the roar of dynamite subsided the entire side of the hill shifted and slid ponderously down, choking the ravine with debris to the depth of some thirty or forty feet, burying the leaders of the pursuit beyond hope of

Only a instant later the motor car jolted to a halt and Alan pulled himself together to find that Rose and Barcus were standing beside the door and jabbering joyful greetings, mixed with more or less incoherent explanations of the manner in which they had come to seek shelter for the night in the prospector's shack and, roused by the noise of firing and recognizing Alan in the car by the aid of spyglasses, had with the prospector's aid hit upon this scheme of shooting a landslide in between the pursuit and its devoted quarry.

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But now some of our citizens are getting out of spirit over the demoralizing price of cotton and it may be timely and advisable to will appear the last of this week ing a medical school, or a successthe question as to what we are go- ger, and the first installment of law school, or a successful minishow we are to finance the change Princess Theatre next Monday. cal school, as to try to be a sucfrom cotton to mixed farming.

look never was brighter. It is in- installment of the pictures will be out first getting a practical busideed a glad day in the history of shown each week. This story is ness training? If you wanted to Runnels county when we are fore- attracting a great deal of atten- make a first class doctor, lawyer ed to abandon the old system and tion wherever shown, and there or minister, you would attend a

When the old antiquated cotton that carry the story. method is once and forever dislodged and replaced with the meth Fleming Wilson's greatest of all school in which to secure your od of making the modern farm love and mystery stories, will aptraining? The Tyler Commerblossom with Poland Chinas, Plypear in The Ledger each week cial College of Tyler, Texas, is moth Rocks, Pure Jerseys and just a few weeks before the pic- the business university of the Bronze turkeys, you are going to ture is shown at the Queen South; it enrolls more students see the most prosperous times Thaetre. This story will make its annually for Bookkeeping, Busi-Runnels County has ever known; first appearance in The Ledger ness Training, Shorthand, Busiand the most vitality important about the first of Feburary, or ness Administration and Finance, efature is that this kind of president as soon as the Trey O'Hearts and Telegraphy than any other periy is permanent. Permanent is completed, and the pictures similar school in America. this new departure. It may be a little regugnant to be forced to do a thing, but it is a happy thought that we are now simply compelled to make this change, and another favorable feature is that the farm and ultimate success depends on will follow at the Queen.
this new departure. It may be a Those who enjoy serial favorable feature is that the farm want the whole story. The picer will now have the hearty a sympathetic co-operation of both ments and each installment is arthe banker and best business men. ranged to hold the intense in-We are very sanguine in believing terest of the picture show patrons that the progressive and loyal from the time the reel begins to bankers of Runnels county will figure until the last foot of film has you will have made the best innance the change from the old to flickered through the machine. the new method. When the whirl winds of drouth and disaster jigged across these dismal plains our bankers did look a little sour-faced miss a copy of the Ledger. If bankers did look a little sour-faced and I don't see hardly now haw could blame them for they did dole out a little of the 'old stingy green' to finance the lock scription now. These stories alone are worth the price of subest times we ever saw in the west alone are worth the price of suband a doubtful cotton crop of bum ble-bee cotton was the basis on get the cream of the local and continue holding a job, or go into which we got our little loans. Now world's happenings while its business for themselves, with asthe banker will be gladder to fi- news. nance a pig, a chicken, a goat, a sheet, a calf, a colt, a silo. True, SHETLAND PONIES FOR SALE always be what you are. we have made money, good sound I have two fine stallions, per than 100 new students will enroll money on cotton. At the ends of feet in form and select also so me before this month closes. the rows where a few seeds parred mares and geldings, all gentle, for not you be among the number? out of the lanter-hopper the plants sale. Write or call on CLAUDE You can enter any day and take But it will not be so very year, 1tdw. While Runnels county farmers have made money on cotton and paid for comfortable homes, it was not on five cent cotton. Just you set a peg right there; Ikey. Think of one-fourth bale and five cents the pound! "Shades! Shivers!" Bankruptcy! Hades!! There is absolutely no clear profit in dry weather bumble-bee cotton at anything under 10 cents. But there is profit, big fat profit in other

things. There are three big prof-

it son a Jersey cow, namely ferti-

ter. Now then, gentlemen, there's

bright silver dollars and smiles

deep for you. And that is only the

beginning. The further you go,

the faster you get, I jings. And

get. You land is getting richer,

your bank account is getting ful-

orings smiles that are going to stay put." While we may show t mostly in one spot, it is going THE BALLINGER PRINTING COMPANY to make us feel good "all over. Billy-bones, drumsticks, livers gizzards! ah! there I go again. Big Balls of yellow butter, pot-

pies, dumplings, noodles and & M. College, was called here first poys. Well may we thank our of hog cholera in this county. The lucky star and left rabbit foot for less of the hogs had been reportthe glad day when we are compell ed to the state department, and it ed by sheer force of circumstances was thought they died with cholto quit wearing our lands out, our era. selves out and our families out rais One man in the Crews country ing a commodity that we can neith lost three head and the cause of er eat, sell or give away!

an effective liver stimulant. It feeding cotton seed meal. also purifies the bowels, strength ens digestion and restores strength recently been called to investigate 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug was though that hog cholera was

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came up and made like cocklburs. B. HURLBUT, Brownwood, Tex. up the work. For large free cata-

LOST OR STOLEN.

A Farmer's Cotton Grader was lost or stolen from my buggy on Tuesday, December 22nd. The finder will please return to me or to Ledger offiec. W. W. WOOTEN

LOST— One blue horse, no the shoppers in Ballinger Monday brand or blemishes, weighs 1050 pounds, 16 hands high, also one black horse mule, no brand weighs lizer, increase, and milk and but- about 1100 pounds, 15 1-2 hands in a perfect sanitary condition high. Notify J. N. SEWELL, Coleman, Glen Cove Route. and laughter and prosperity a foot | 1twpd.

borhood, was among the visitors shape at all times. the faster you go the further you in Ballinger Monday.

Myrtle McMinn, of Sentinel, Okla best the market affords. We will ler and your herd is getting bigger in a hurry. And then, bless who had been visiting her uncle, appreciate your patronage your soul, Ikey, there's the pigs D. M. Baker and family during following the cows and the poultry following the pigs. It's a com afternoon.

bination the world can't beat. It NO HOG CHOLERA IN RUNNELS CO.

Dr. W. H. G. Lampe, of the A chittlings" banish your troubles of the week to investigate a report

their death was very much like cholera. Dr. Lampe made a thor-The liver loses its activity at ough investigation, and reported times and needs help. Herbine is the loss of the hogs was due to

Dr. Lampe stated that he had vigor and cheerful spirits. Price a number of other cases where it killing the hogs, and found that cotton seed meal was the cause. He advises the farmers not to feed meal unless they know how to feed it. Experiments have been made with cotton seed meal at College Station, and it is a valuable feed, but is certain death to hogs where it is not fed in porper quantity and under certain con-

> Dr. Lampe spent a day or two here with Geo. P. McLelland, coun ty demonstration agent, and assisted Mr. McLelland in matters pertaining to the livestock industry of this county.

HAD IT EVER OCCURED TO YOU?

Had it ever occured to you that you had as well try to be a successful physician without attend-Why not use the same good judge-The Master Key, one of John ment in selecting a business students have come from 39 dif-

tures come in two reel install- course of Shorthand and Typewriting or \$110 for Bookkeeping and Business Training or \$115 for Telegraphy and Station Work or vestment of your life. What young man or woman with grit of the two stories you should not and determination cannot raise this amount? Hundreds of stusurance of success. If you always remain where you are you will logue, verifying all the above claims, fill in and mail.

Address Course Interested in

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Dierschke. of the Olfin country were among

SANITARY MEAT MARKET.

We have our place of business and in compliance with the pure food laws of the State, have just built a perfectly sanitary slaughter house, complete in every res-J. S. Gamble of the Bethel neigh pect, and will keep it in splendid at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. this week en route to their home

> We will buy your stock and hides from you at top prices, and

CITY MEAT MARKET, Phone 185.

1914 STANDS THIRD IN 20 YEAR RAIN **RECORD**; 32.77

While the 1914 calendar holds two days that have not been spoiled by the mistakes of man, all indications point to dry weath er, and this country promises not to be "cursed" with any more rain for this year.

The rainfall record kept by the First National Bank at Ballinger, and which balances with the record kept by the U. S. government observer here, shows that the year now closing has been the third wettest year in the history of the weather record of this ANTIS HAVE MADE county, covering a period of twen ty years.

The heaviest rainfall on record was for the year 1906 when 37.82 inches of water fell in this county. For that year 27.39 inches of rain fell during the months of June, July, August and Septem-

The second heavy fall is recorded for the year of 1900, and that good year has t oits credit 33.23 inches of water. The west season for that year came in the spring, 15.45 inches of rain falling in March, April and May.

The rainfall for the year 1914 is the most evenly distributed of any of the wet years, every month in the year receiving moisture, except January, and only light show ers in February. Following is the rainfall for the year by months. February 21 again. They meant well and they

last twenty years was the showers that when an elimination was beof 1910 when only 11.54 inches gun, the people would not stand For sale by all dealers. of rain fell, and most of this fell for a few politicians turning the at a period when there was no tide one way or the other.' growing crop to benefit. The sec- Mr. Lane stated that he had with 13.41 inches.

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book	. It wi	ill m	ake	valuab	le re-	
ference in years to come:						
1895	27.11			1905	20.71	
1896	26.38			1906	37.82	
1897	18.61			1907	18.44	
1898	26.99			1908	29.32	
1899	24.14			1909	17.05	
1900	33.23			1910	11.54	
1901	12.74			1911	26.26	
1902	24.44			1912	15.75	
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How's This?

that cannot be cured by Hall's better, legislation results. Catarrh Cure.

MERCE, Toledo, Ohio. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken in- Ferguson comes in on the 19th all Druggists.

constipation.

are drawn are contracted should the election two years hence. be treated with Ballard's Snow Liniment. It penetrates to the and Governor Ferguson sits tight spot where it is needed and re- as he has said he would, and does lieves suffering. Price 25c, 50c, not amend the liquor laws, I'll be and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the hot on his trail when he stands be Walker Drug Co.

LITTLE BABY FOR

Long on Christmas Eve.

Heartburn, indigestion or dis-Mrs. Jewell Kimblin, need Miss will always supply you with the tress of the stomach is instantly Stanley Cameron, Prop. | Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Roadster \$173.00 Tourin & Ga 3 \$529 00 F. O. B. Ballinger

When the Ford needs repairing, Bring it to the Ford home, and talk to our expert Ford mechanics

Harwell Motor Go. Ballinger Texas

A BLUNDER, --- LANE

in that city, and in an interview with a newspaper reporter he told stilts. what he thought about his political enemies and predicted that law.

Asked about his race for governor, the interviewer meaning the one in 1916, Mr. Lane's thoughts turned abok to the race of last year and said:

"The eliminators |cheated me out of the governor's office, but such a thing will never occur 8.80 zeal ran away with them and it 1.20 such a matter. Those who under-

ond dry year was 1902 with only not the remedy and that in refer-12.74 inches of water, and the ring to the elimination procedure third year of dry weather 1904 he did not mean that those in charge should have chosen him, for the last twenty years. Clip employed, should have been resorted to.

"I guess you've noticed in the it. They will not permit the li-been caught. quor interests to fool the state with their goods after we have voted them out of one hundred and seventy-eight counties.' The fight is on. Already preliminary arrangements for a conference to be held in North Texas in Febru-We offer One Hundred Dollars ary have been made and we ex-Reward for any case of Catarrh Pect to keep things moving until

"A movement is also now on to F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. pass a bill before Colquitt retires We the undersigned, have so that he can sign it, for you nown F. J. Cheney for the last know Ferguson has said that he years, and believe him perfect- will put his foot down on any and honorable in all business trans- all forms of liquor legislation actions and financially able to and my successor, H. B. Terrell, carry out any obligations made has asked me to remain in office a week longer in order that he NATIONAL BANK OF COM- may introduce it. I should leave office on January 15, but Mr. ternally, acting directly upon the and I have consented to stay unblood and mucuos surfaces of the til that date. The House and system. Testimonials sent free. Senate convene in the regular ses Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by sion of the Thirty-fourth Legislature on January 12 and they Toke Hall's Family Pills for hope to get the bill through immediately following that date.'

The bill referred to, Mr. Lane A. Rosalee of the Concho coun-said, would be to meet the views try, passed through Ballinger of the court and re-enact the Alli Saturday afternoon en route home son law. He branded it as a slick from a business trip to East Texas. move on the part of the opposition, but stated that its effects up Joints that ache, muscles that on the people would be seen in

"And if the bill does not pass fore the people again in his candi dacy for a second term.'

Mr. Lane was accompanied by CHRISTMAS PRESENT his wife on his visit to the Tom Green county town, and they pass A sweet little girl baby arrived ed through Ballinger the first of at Austin.

Piano For Sale.

I have a five hundred dollar relieved by Herbine. It forces the piano for sale. Piano is in first badly digested food out of the class shape, never has geen abusbody and restores tone in the ed. Owner wants to realize at stomach and bowels. Price 50c. once, will sell at half price. H. A. CADY.

HUNTERS RETURN WITH HARD LUCK STORIES

Rev. W. B. Adkins and R. P. Conn returned from a hunting trip to the Davis Mountains, Tuesday morning. They of course had W. P. Lane, who visited his lots of fun out where it rained mother at San Angelo during the every day and night, and where holidays, did some talking while the roads were so bad the natives would not venture out on

It only required seven days to make the trip home, and it is due the antis had made a blunder in to the swiming qualities of the knocking out the Allison shipping Ford that they made the trip in such quick time.

Despite the bad weather, they had an experience that is worth the cost, and will no doubt be ready to use that part of the hunt ing season appropriated to them next year.

Dangers of a Cold.

Do you know that of .all .the minor ailments colds are by far March the most dangerous? It is not the April and colds themselves that you need to fear, but the serious diseases that June 3.76 was directed in the wrong directively so often lead to. For that July 2.15 tion. They now see their error, reason every cold should be got-September 15 be—defeat. I don't mean to cridelay. To accomplish this you October 3.85 ticize but more diplomacy should will find Chamberlain's Cough loosens a cold, relieves the lungs, The lightest rainfall during the took the job shold have known aids expectoration and enables the system to throw off the cold.

SAN ANGELO MAN MYSTERIOUSLY STABBED

SAN ANGELO, Dec. 29.—While out on the streets with a bunch of merry makers on Christmas We publish below the rainfall but that methods, other than were night, Fred Clay a young man of this city, was stabbed in the stom ach by an unknown party.

The streets were crowded, but papers that the Court of Civil there was no disturbances of any Appeals has allowed the shipment kind, and it is not known why the of liquor from one county to an- man stabbed Clay. A deep wound other. Every express depot will was cut in the stomach and Clay's become a saloon again, and our condition is serious and he may people do not intend to tolerate die. The guilty party has not

Biliousness and Constipation Cured.

If you are ever troubled with biliousness or constipation you will be interested in the statement of R. F. Erwin, Peru, Ind., 'Ayear ago last winter I had an attack of indigestion followed by biliousness and constipation. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets so highly recommended, I bought a bottle of them and they helped me right away." For sale by all dealers.

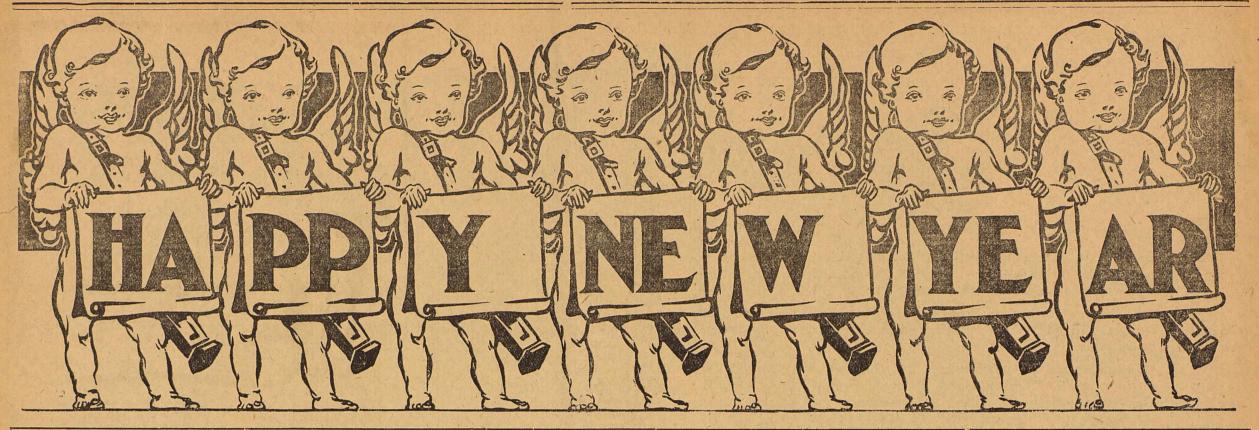
For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always bears the Signature of hat Hitcher

3**63636363** JEWELL CUNINGHAM Dealer In Second Hand Goods Repairing A Specialty. On Corner Opposite The Princess Theatre.

GET YOUR BATHS VAPOR FROM CHIROPODIST AT

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W. M. CARTER City Barber Shop Ballinger,



Ballinger Merchants and Business Men Shows Appreciation for 1914 Business and Extend 1915 Greetings

BALLINGER STATE BANK & TRUST CO.

most creditably on our books, and we are equipped for taking care of your leather troubles. If you operation to this end. You should do for his customers. This will

LEACH AUTO WORKS.

Bring your auto troubles to us during the year 1915, and your year will be a happy one and your have been made smoothe in our 1915 crop of whiskers. It is our prosperity will be greatly aided. shop during the year just closed, purpose to push forward and give We make this as our wish for you in extending the season's greetings. To those who have patronized our shop and contributed to garage, we extend our thanks. We we are ready to give you the best the year just closed and has been have added many customers to service possible. Come in and very satisfactory to us. We thank our growing business, and by fair meet the new member of our firm those who have been patrons of kind that gives satisfaction, we have to be of great service to you RHODES & LANE Props. hope to be of great service to you in your auto troubles during the coming year.

H. M. LEACH, Prop.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PA-

of my remodled hats your New meat from us. Year will be a happy one. I wish to thank those who have patronized me during the year 1914. I have saved many dollars for others by making their old hats as good as new ones. I can help make 1915 prosperous by saving on your hat bill. Don't throw your old hat away, bring it to the Bank Barber Shop and call for

buck shoes. I can make them I wish you one and all a year ed many modern improvements,

my advertisement.



H. L. WENDORF.

During the year just closing CHAS. S. MILLER, President to the Busy Shop.
H. L. WENDORF, Prop.

CITY BARBER SHOP

To the thousands of faces that

CITY MEAT MARKET.

We have enjoyed a splendid business during the year 1914. It is the little things in life that count. We have supplied that count. We have supplied TO OUR FRIENDS AND PAPossible we extend hearty thanks. hundreds of people in Runnels
We have served you in a sanitary
County with many little things in
LIAMS CO. NOT, WE WISH YOU ONE AND way with the best market pro- the racket store line since we en-SOL DE VAULL, The Hat Man. Year and we will help you to we make a wish that 1915 will be If you are walking under one make it so if you will buy your a great year for you. We thank

A. J. ZAPPE.

Before we turn over a new leaf and start another year, it is with pleasure that I look back to the opportunity of extending to my That is something to be thankful many friends and customers for, and to all those who helped throughout the Ballinger trade to increase our business we wish me. I will do the rest, and guar- territory my sincere gratitude for to express our thanks and appreantee to please you. My work is their patronage. I appreciate ciations. We are better prepared Let me dye your tan and white that spends their money with me. we were one year ago, having add black.

filled with nothing but the best.

SOL DE VAULL, a Bank Barber I am going to strive harder to of confections and we will keep please you with first-class merchandise during 1915 at prices as our trade with the best to be had low as they can be sold, and I in- We wish every one a Happy New you come to Ballinger. A. J. ZAPPE.

VAN PELT, KIRK & MACK each one of our hundreds of cus- try to be your friend in all sea- age given me. tomers face to face and extend sons, and solicit you to be our our appreciation by word of customer. We thank you for the mouth, but this is impossible, and business you have given us, and we do the next best thing and assure you that every customer ing 1915 and will extend every wish. courtesy possible. Make your store your trading place.

VAN PELT, KIRK & MACK

ELMER SHEPPARD & CO.

JEANES PRODUCE CO.

be glad to keep you posted.

JEANES PRODUCE CO.

BANK BARBER SHOP.

We want to speak now for your we wish to express our thanks better barber service than ever be and best wishes for a Happy New fore. Nothing but men who know Year. It makes no difference how their business will be kept in our long your face gets, or how rank shop. Our business has been all

J. L. McWHIRTER, Prop.

THE FAIR.

We wish one and all a Happy New best place to buy little things, CITY MEAT MARKET. you for your liberal patronage Sidney Smith, let us say to you, and solicit your business for the entire year.

THE FAIR.

ELDER & SON

Our business during 1914 more year just ending and take this than thribbled the previous year. the patronage of every customer to keep our business growing than abreast of the times in supplying wards making it a happy year.

ARCTIC ICE AND FUEL CO.

ARCTIC ICE AND FUEL CO.

THE BALLINGER PRINTING

ELMER SHEPPARD & CO. | customers a happy New Year.

L. B. STUBBS Our produce business for 1914 It would indeed be a hard heart and pies, and deliver them any where in the city. L. B. STUBBS, Grocer and Baker

T. S. LANKFORD.

We start the new year with our entire time devoted to furniture and house furnishing goods. While the low price of cotton has brought disappointment to most our growing business, and by fair and start the new year with one dealings and better work—the more acquaintance on your list. This shop during the year, and we more acquaintance on your list. Want you to start the New Year be my pleasure to aid in making to buy furniture.

T. S. LANKFORD.

the memory of it.

place of usefulness in the business world. Those who have made it you right. so in the years that have past have our most sincere thanks. To those who have not seen fit to make the big store their basis of

LIAMS CO.

C. C. GILLIAM.

vite you to visit my store when Year, and will do our part to- in helping you look your best throughout the year to come, to To all those who we kept cool day during 1915, and that you of selling and buying helps us to Every department of our store in the summer and to all those will make good use of my new keep the price down, and we can has shared in the improvement of who we are now keeping warm pressing machine. My 1915 tailor save cash buyers dollars on their conditions throughout this sec- with our high grade coal, we want ing will be in keeping with mod- groceries in the course of the tion of the state. This alone is to thank for their business. To ern progress. Your clothes will year. We are after the man who sufficient cause for extending to all those who have not used either last longer if you give them the pays the cash and will like to you hearty well wishes for a hap- our ice or coal we want to give Proper attention. My services for show you the saving. py and prosperous New Year. We you a tip, and say that you are that purpose are at your disposal. wish it was possible for us to see losing as well as ourselves. We Accept thanks for liberal patron-

C. C. GILLIAM.

take this opportunity of thanking on our books is an appreciated forts to help make your pathway tions under which the people have our customers for their 1914 bus-one. May the New Year for you be brighter, and we trust that our lived and labored. We feel grateiness. We will make it profitable such as to make the entire year brighter, and we trust that our ful to those who have bought furfor those who trade with us dur- the best one in your life, is our lights will continue to shine for niture from us. We know that you during the year, 1915. We every home where our goods have chorus of New Year's greetings grade furniture. If you want fur-This space for our own use is your happiness is sincere. We the cheapest. We sell the best as The Seasons Greetings and Best worth more to us than we could thank you for your patronage up cheap as it can be sold, and we wishes to our friends and you get in cash for it. Because we to this good hour and if we can solicit your furniture business whose business helps make ours want to join with the merchants serve you in the coming year it during 1915. Wishing for you a of Ballinger in wishing for our will afford us pleasure to do so. Happy New Year. BALLINGER COTTON OIL CO. OSTERTAG FURNITURE CO.

MILLER MERCANTILE CO. | THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

As the closing days of 1914 are many good horses and mules have shows a big increase over the that would not express apprecia- Year may bring to you every- we are ushered into a New Year. now at hand, and the time for been able to do more efficient work previous year. That's something tion for the splendid business that thing necessary to make life plea- It is with the sincere spirit of glad tidings has again arrived, it by the aid of our harness. To to be thankful for. Our wish for we have enjoyed during 1914. sant and profitable. To the thou gratitude that we express to our is our pleasure to join in the sea-son's greetings, and wish for all sible, we extend our thanks. The grow where only one grew in 1914, crease from month to month, until a year filled with happiness and man that looks after the comfort and that every other line of pro- today our groceries go into hun- 1914 we wish to say we appre- the good, and as little of the bad prosperity. To our many friends of the dumb brute under his conduce will increase in proportion. dreds of homes throughout the ciate your business. We have as possible. We look forward and customers we extend grati- trol is worthy the best that the We will do our part towards mak- Ballinger trade territory. We tried to give you value received with greater faith for the prostude for loyalty and co-operation New Year can bring, and that is ing Ballinger the best poultry and keep the best; we make our ser- from a stock of groceries that is Perity of Central West Texas, and in making 1914 a year that shows our wish for you. Remember that produce market on the map dur- vice prompt and efficient, and try excelled by none for quality. We we are proud to have the opporthrough the years to come will be want good harness, good saddles, not sell your crop of poultry un- be our policy throughout the year will be our purpose to add many ent with sound banking. Make and first class repair work, come til you get our price, and we will 1915. Remember that we make new customers during 1915 and our bank your 1915 financial head healthy, wholesome bread, cakes we hope to retain all of those who quarters. have traded with us during the THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK past years. We will show our gratitude by giving you good service, good groceries and fair

MILLER MERCANTILE CO.

O'KELLY & WALTON.

We join with others in extendour business since we opened our your whiskers grow, remember that we could expect it to be for thankful for, and can look for and we take this opportunity to of us, we still have much to be ing the season's greetings to all, hope to be found grinding away at ward to better times in 1915. To thank those who have contributthose who have purchased goods ed to our buisiness with their from my store I wish to extend trade. We wish for you a busy, thanks, and best wishes. It will prosperous and happy year. Our for planting, and will have fresh be my pleasure to aid in making line during the year 1915 will be flour and meal to exchange for 1915 a good year in every way hardware, harness, vehicles, gas your grain. that I can. I feel that I can be engines, horses, mules, cattle and of service to you when you want hogs. We have fifty head of Registered Durock Jersey hogs for sale now. Come and see them.

O'KELLY & WALTON.

W. B. WOOD & SON.

cipated of usefulness, happiness and prosperity than shall the New Year Latter of prosperity than shall the new Year Latter of prosperity can make it. I will be New Year. In the language of Sidney Smith, let us say to you, "Mankind are always happy for appreciated, and we hope we have in my line. having been happy; so that if you given you satisfection. We have make them happy now, you make them happy twenty years hence by the memory fitty years hence by to servie you during 1915 with We want our store to occupy a stand for, and will always treat most out of life or not. We can

W. B. WOOD & SON.

THE SCHAWE GROCERY

Wishes its many friends a supply, we extend an invitation to Happy and Prosperous New Year. again, and in this way we will do so during the year 1915. We feel good at the close of 1914 both be happy and prosperous HIGGINBOTHAM-CURRIE-WIL- with the splendid business given during 1915. That's my wish. I us since opening our store in thank you. Ballinger. We thank all those who have made our store their If my shop has been of service trading place, and will strive during 1914, I am thankful. My serve every one who comes to our wish for you is that you may be store for their groceries with the able to wear good clothes, every best in our line. Our cash system

SCHAWE GROCERY CO.

OSTERTAG FURNITURE CO.

Our first year in business in BALLINGER COTTON OIL CO. Ballinger has been very satisfac-We have put forth our best ef- tory, despite the adverse condijoin with the other progressive gone will not be ashamed of their business men of Ballinger in their purchases, for we handle high and assure you that our wish for niture, remember that the best is

It is our wish that the New Once again in the flight of time have the oldest established groc- tunity of contributing to its deery business in Ballinger, and it velopment in every way consist-

MISSOURI MILLING CO.

The Missouri Milling Co., joins with the business men of Ballinger in extending to its patrons and friends the best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. During the year 1915 we the mill, striving to give to our customers the very best mill products possible. We will be prepared to supply pure grain seed for planting, and will have fresh

MISSOURI MILLING CO.

JOHN PECHECKE, BLACK-SMITH.

It has been my pleasure to meet many farmers of this county during the year now passing out, ALL A HAPPY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

C. A. DOOSE & CO.

Way with the best market products that can be had anywhere. Greater the business the same faithful those who have patronized us, and to all who will patronize us when to all who will patronize us when they realize that The Fair is the so long as we are in the business. We wish one and all a Happy New but they realize that The Fair is the perity that will be the best for the present, all that you anti
ONE AND A PROS
Way with the best market products that can be had anywhere. In extending you this New Year than will be this. May have a part their blacksmith to all who will patronize us when to all who will patronize us when to all those who have patronized us, and to all those who have patronized us, and to all who will bring and yours that the year will bring to you just that degree of pros
We wish one and all a Happy New best part of the present, all that you anti
The racket store line since we can be had anywhere.

Way memory recall no happier New Year than will be this. May no past, when it was the future, and yours that the year will bring to you just that degree of pros
The racket store line since we can be had anywhere.

We promise the same faithful those who have patronized us, and to all who will patronize us when the present that the best market production.

Year's Greeting we wish for you and to all those who have patronized us, and to all who will be the best for the present that the best market production.

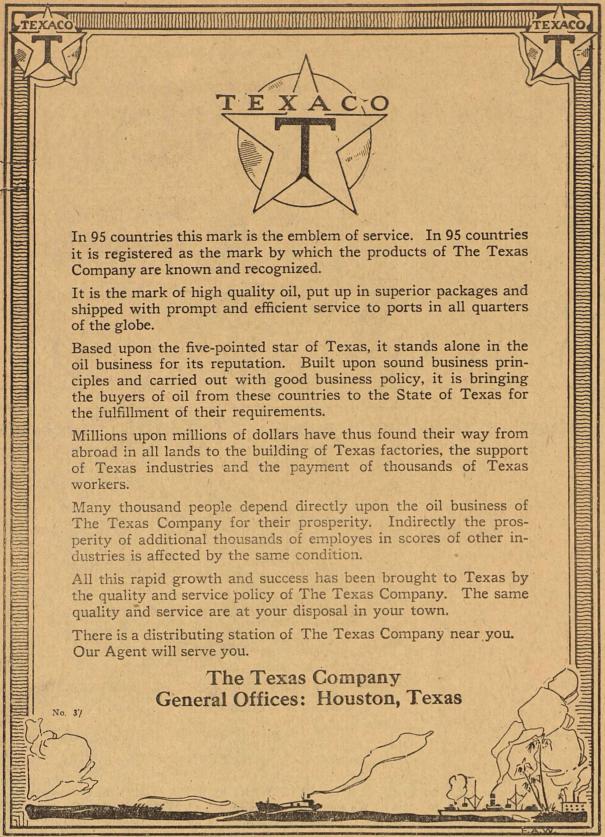
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JOHN PECHECKE.

LAXON'S RESTAURANT It depends a good deal on what the very best that our line will a man eats whether he gets the help you make 1915 enjoyable just to the extent of what good eating will do for you when you are hungry. Our business is to feed the hungry people. If you eat with us once you'll come

PETE LAXON, Prop.





COTTON POOL READY TO ADVANCE \$25 PER BALE

and those who comply with the requirements can now obtain \$25 per

ler will handle the loans.

supply an additional capital of \$3 train is bringing more. for each \$1 contributed by Texas

Any holder of cotton desiring. application to the committee in his county or to the committee in the county nearest the cotton. The amount loaned is \$25 per bale at 6 cents a pound. Loans will not Tablets afforded me great relief his efforts and the efforts of his scanty, then again profuse. After will be permitted to club with others. The cotton on which a loan is asked must be in a .fire- all dealers. proof warehouse and properly insured.

is Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It heals the lungs and quiets irrition. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 wanted at Central Hotel. Top per bottle. Sold by the Walker prices paid. Drug Co.

bel, of the Hatchel country, were agan, of the Valley Creek counamong the business visitors in try, were transacting business in Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 28.—All C A S roads lead to San Diego, and from reports received by the offi-cials of the Panama-California Exposition, the dedication on Fri day will be honored by an array All plans have been perfected of notable men such as seldom quirements can now obtain \$25 per bale on cotton from the \$135,000,

Treasurer McAdoo, now speeding the votes in the pony contest, O00 cotton pool fund.

Committeemen to assist in hand ling the loans have been appointed containing the loans have been in 122 counties and the loans to Governors, with their gayly cap-Texas farmers will be made thru arisoned staffs, are coming from these committeemen. For Run- Oreogon, Utah, Nevada and other there were 9,183,255 votes count-

to borrow on it will have to make application to the committee in his Mrs. G. C. Dunn, Arnold, Pa. "I 305 over his nearest opponent." was bothered with this complaint Mr. Reese, the father of the such intense backaches that I for some time and frequently had winning child, is an employee of could hardly get about and at tim bilious attacks. Chamberlain's the postoffice, and it was through es the kidney secretions were be made on less than twenty bales, from the first, and since taking friends that run the child's vote using Doan's Kidney Pills a few one bottle of them I feel like a up so high. different person. ' For sale by

country, had business in Ballin- contestants all conducted their same that Mrs. Smith had. Fos-A good remedy for a bad cough ger Monday between trains.

Ralph McShann of the Pony Paul Michaelis and C. G. Sei- Creek country, and J. S. Flan-Ballinger Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Fred Tinkle's Antiseptic Healing Oil for Man and Beast.

It is an external remedy for wire cuts, wounds of any nature, eczema and all skin troubles. You can get it at the undeasigned drug stores, use it and if not satisfied, bring the empty bottle back and get your money. If it pleases you, tell your friends.

Walker Drug Co., Ballinger Tex.; Owens Drug Store, Winters, Tex.; City Drug Store, Miles, Tex.; Palace Drug Store. Rowena, Tex.; Middleton Drug Store, Bradshaw.

R. L. Sides, Hatchel, Texax; J. D. Miller, Norton, Texas; Rainwater Bros., Crews,

VISITORS ARRIVING AT SAN DIEGO NINE MILLION VOTES

gathers in any one city. First, of busy a good part of Christmas day

Over nine million votes were cast in the contest. To be exact nels county R. T. Williams, R. G. of the Western States. Every-ed for those who remained in the Erwin, E. D. Walker and C. S. Mil thing will be in readiness when the lights of the exposition are of the contestants dropped out may be the cause of it all. H. D. Lindsley of Dallas, chair- turned on for the first time Thurs after the contest had been under man of the Texas cotton loan com day night. Hundreds of visitors good headway for several weeks, ful help. mittee, says the fund will also are already in the city and every and these votes were cast aside and not counted.

Burton Reese, the little son of Excellent for Stomach Trouble. Mr. and Mrs. Audice Reese, was ney Pills. Chamberlain's Tablets are just the lucky child, winning the pony

Those giving away the prize able to rest much better." conducted the contest in a fair Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't and impartial way, and as far as simply ask for a kidney remedy L. M. Bales, of the Hatchel we have been able to learn the -get Doan's Kidney Pills-the campaign fair.

Following are the names of all N. Y. candidates receiving over twenty thousand votes. The name of quite a number of children were found in the box with votes ranging from twenty thousand down

to few in number:	
Burton Reese	1,816,3
Elrey McWilliams	1,625,0
Nellie Osteen	1,210,7
Morris Nicholson	
Billie Nash	
Eleanor Kirk	
Linton Clark	
Leslie Burrell	
Winnie Mobley	
Emma D. Armstrong	
G. B. Oetkin	
Audie Collins	
Buster Tally	
Henry Hughes	
Hazel Robinson	
Alma Koenig	70,1
Colis Doose	68,4
Frank Richards	15,3
	919

CHECKS

Some of the series of bad checks that were passed in Ballinger Tuesday were also left with the merchants at San Angelo as Christ mas souvenirs. This was the state ment made by Sheriff Perkins when he returned from San Angelo Thursday morning, where he had been with the hopes of getting a clue to work on in trailing the check swindler who worked his game so smoothly in Ballin-

The checks passed in San An-The checks passed in San Angelo were exactly like the ones MAN ARRESTED passed in Ballinger, except the San Angelo checks were drawn on the Angelo banks and the Tom Green county attorney's name forged to them. Every check was for \$7.70 and made pay cashed at San Angelo.

Tuesday evening.

\$7.70 checks will come to light, checks. both here and at San Angelo.

these checks has proven himself checks, those who cashed the balance in merchandise. an artist at the game. In most checks could not identify him besection netted him five dollars in cash and the merchandise pur-

The officers are without a clue, and there is little hopes of the swindler being arrested.

FEEL LIKE GIVING UP.

Many Ballinger People On the Verge of Collapse.

A bad back makes you miserable all the time-

It hurts to stoop—it hurts to

straighten. What with headache, dizzy spells, urinary weakness.

No wonder people are discour-Who do not know the kidneys

Give the weakened kidneys need

Use a tested and proven kidney remedy. None endorsed like Doan's Kid

Mrs. R. F. Smith, Ballinger,

ter-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo,

days, the backache left and I was

OPEN BANK FOR NEEDY POOR

New York, Dec. 28.—To rescue unfortunate victims from loan sharks is the chief aim of a bank for the poor which began operations in this city today under the name of the Industrial Finance 305 Corporation. The concern is back 640 ed by a group of wealthy and in-335 fluential men who propose to es-340 tablish a number of similar institutions in other large cities. The plan is to lend small sums of money without security and at 145 low interest to any honest wage-225 earner who can prove the money 365 is for a worthy purpose.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy This remedy has no superior for 5 coughs and colds. It is pleasant 5 to take. It contains no opium or 00 other narcotic. It always cures. .21,210 For sale by all dealers.



ON SUSPICION

Sheriff Perkins had in charge able to "Elmer Allen" and endorsed by "E. Allen." It is not man suiting the description of the known how many checks were man wanted for passing bogus change for merchandise and cashed at the J. H. Wilke store. The ing him the stranger was engaged While San Angelo and Ballincheck was cashed about dark in conversation and later Mr. ger merchants were taking in bad Perkins carried him before the checks on Monday and Tuesday It is very probable that other parties who cashed the bad of last week merchants at Vernon

stranger when compared with that less he was traveling in airships. used in making out the bogus checks, was a strong evidence against the man, and while his strong evidence against him, and identification of the men with whom he did business on the bo-

Children's Coughs-Children's Colds Both are Serious.

When one of your little ones shows symptoms of an approaching Cold, give it Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey at once. It acts quick ly, and prevents the Cold growing worse. Very healing-soothes the Lungs, loosens the mucous, strengthens the system. It's guaranteed. Only 25c at your Druggist.

Buy a bottle today.

Miss Olphia Caperton was op- show. erated upon at the sanitarium last Friday morning and we are glad to learn she is doing very try, was transacting business in well at present.

BOGUS CHECK MAN WORKS OTHER TOWNS

That there is a band of check checks on Ballinger merchants. swindlers operating in Texas, and Check No. 7 turned up at Bal- Mr. Perkins noticed the man on that they are organized for the linger late yesterday, and was the streets and shortly after the purpose of passing bogus checks, for the \$7.70 and given in ex- arrival of the morning train is the opinion of the Ballinger of-

Henrietta and Wichita Falls, were While he suited the description also being fleeced to the tune of The young man who passed of the man who passed the bogus \$7.70 per check, part cash and

cases where he traded he was a hard customer to deal with, and the man was released. The stran towns, the checks were for the the clerk that waited on him had ger stated that his home was in same amount—\$7.70 and in each to push the sale, Allen generally Oklahoma, and he had been visit county where the checks were inding falut with the goods being shown him, was hard to please and "jewed" down on the price. His purchases in every deal was about two dollars, and every tranwere cashed in Ballinger, and Falls on the same day that the was substantiated in this by a bad checks turned up in Ballin-phone message to a relative a ger, and it would have been impossible for one man to be in-While the handwriting of the both towns on the same day, un-

> story was indefinite, and sus- the officers feel that the bold picion against the mon was strong work of the swindlers will make he could not be held without the it hard for them to escape.

Bagged wounds are painful and Lame every morning; sore all gus checks, and he was released. cause many annoyance. It not kept clean they fester and become running sores. Ballard's Snow Liniment is an antiseptic healing remedy for such cases Apply it at night before going to bed and cover with a cotton cloth bandage. It heals in a few days. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

> S. H. McPherson received notice Saturday that his fine Brown Leghorn chickens had been awarded Bucklen's Arnica Salve for a prize at the big Poultry Show at Amarillo last week. He had a coop of his thoroughbreds in the

> > Louie Strube of the Olfin coun-Ballinger Saturday.

COULD SCARCELY WALK ABOUT

cent Was Unable to Attend to Any of Her Housework.

Pleasant Hill, N. C .- "I suffered for three summers," writes Mrs. Walter other person altogether." Vincent, of this town, "and the third and last time, was my worst.

I had dreadful nervous headaches and prostration, and was scarcely able to walk about. Could not do any of my housework.

I also had dreadfu! pains in my back and sides and when one of those weak, sinking spells would come on me, l would have to give up and lie down, until it wore off.

I was certainly in a dreadful state of health, when I finally decided to try

And For Three Summers Mrs. Vin- believe I would have died if I had

After I began taking Cardui, I was greatly helped, and all three bottles relieved me entirely.

I fattened up, and grew so much stronger in three months, I felt like an-

Cardui is purely vegetable and gentleacting. Its ingredients have a mild, tonic effect, on the womanly constitution.

Cardui makes for increased strength, improves the appetite, tones up the nervous system, and helps to make pale. sallow cheeks, fresh and rosy.

Cardui has helped more than a million weak women, during the past 50 years. It will surely do for you, what it has done for them. Try Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Inhealth, when I finally decided to try visory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Species structions on your case and 64-page book. Treatment for Women, sant is plain wrapper.

PE-RU-NA The Traveler's Companion

Mr. Arthur L. Pierce, 2618 Sher-Idan Ave., St.
Louis, Mo. "The
curative value of
Peruna is truly
wonderful. I think It especially val-uable as a specific for catarrh of the system, and for a man who has traveled for years as I have and who is certainly exposed to irregular meals and uncomfortable sleeping accommodations, Peruna is one of his best and most needed traveling compan-ions. It throws



off disease and keeps him well. I therefore heartily re Those who object to liquid medicines can now procure Peruna Tab-

DOLL CONTEST CLOSES.

The: \$25 doll given away by apprehend the theif. the Higdon, Melton, Jackson Co. store, was awarded to the little laughter of D. W. Turner of the Norton country, the young lady reeciving about .30,000 votes. ney and bladder troubles, dis-There were quite a number of solves gravel, cures diabetes, weak other little girls in the contest, and lame backs, rheumatism, and Are You Just at Odds with Yourthousand votes of the winner.

ness Shop for any thing in leather receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle goods, also shoe work and general is two month's treatment, and selrepairing.

O. W. JOLLY, Mgr.

A. K. Doss

Ballinger,

Corporation

Charlie Nunn of Valentine, Texas, who was spending the hol- Brewer, received a message from New Life Pills. Only 25c at your idays with his father, W. R. Nunn Lovelady, Wednesday stating that Druggists. and family, dropped in and re- his mother died Wednesday night. newed with the Banner-Ledger Mr. Tigner left Thursday afterfor the ensuing year.

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HORSE AND SADDLE CHARGE UP TO THIEF

mas Eve. The missing property notify him at once. is that of Feb McWilliams.

ternoon no trace of him had been than will go in the car.

around town. A search was Bank and Trust Co. of Ballinger, further he abvocated the conthe following day.

every effort is being made by the purpose of electing the Board of with the present method. officers to locate the horse, and Directors for the ensuing year

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidout no one came within seevral bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your Go to Winters Saddle and Har. druggist, will be sent by mail on dom fails to perfect a cure. Texas testimonials with eich bottle. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo Sold by druggists.

> Louis Tigner, with Jas. E. noon to attend the funeral

G. P. Shepherd

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Ballinger,

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Prompt Service

Your Business Solicited. Miss Maggie Sharp upstairs in old Fidelity Credit Co's office. 'Phone 215;

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The Country Trade

Receives our very best attention and we ask you to visit us when in town, and we guarantee to give you a good shave, a neat hair cut and courtous

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Then why not eat the best at the same price.

A short lunch or long lunch, you pay for what you eat and eat what you want.

Laxson's Kestaurant

Do Your Building Now! It Will Never Cost You Less.

Are you going to build a store, a house, a barn, a fence, or anything at any time in the near future? Take our advice and do it now. Lumber and

other expenses will never be lower than they are now. See us about your lumber, lath. shingles, casings,

cement, lime and anything else you need. We Carry Them All In Stock.

BALLINGER LUMBER CO.

WILL SHIP HOGS

J. H. Taylor, secretary of the Runnels County Hog Growers Association, informs us that the association will ship the first car A valuable saddle horse and a of hogs on Jan. 10th. They can' good saddle mysteriously disap- put a few more hogs in this car, Mr. Whitley of the State Departpeared from Ballinger on Christ- and those desiring to ship should ment of Education spoke more

Mr. McWilliams rode his horse another car ready to go out on the people. Mr. Whitley vigorousdown town and left him standing, February 1st, and there is only ly attacked the present method of under a shed at the Cameron room for a few more hogs in the electing the county superinten-Lumber Co. lumber yard. When second car, and if you want to dent. He believes that the county he returned to get his horse just ship on February first, you superintendent should be elected before night the horse was miss- should notify Mr. Taylor, so there by a board as the city superintening, and up to late Saturday af- will not be more hogs brought in dent is at present. "Four years

come before it.

CHAS. S. MILLER, President. | cated.

MANY DISORDERS COME FROM THE LIVER

self? Do You Regulate Living?

Are you sometimes at odds with you wonder what ails you? True you may be eating regularly and the matter! Constipation, head- Schools in the county. Next came ache, nervousness and bilious the report on resolutions, Mr

Bucklin's Arnecia Salve for skin eruptions.

GOOD THINGS TO EAT FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT the history of Runnel sCounty.

The employees of the Higgin-botham, Currie, Williams Co., were made to feel that life was

The box was addressed to R. T. Williams, manager of the big store, and enclosed in the box was Tuesday, January 12th, 1915 at 2 will be brought to justice and the a card with the name of the kind p. m. and thoughtful friend, Mrs. Jno. W. Clampitt, presenting the box to Mr. Williams and his em- 1tdw plovees.

would be rushed on Christmas Eve, and that they would not have time to go to their lunch, Mrs. Clampitt planned the pleasant surprise, and the box of Christmas "goodies" was delivered at two o'clock.

It was a great feast for the score or more of faithful employees of this store when they gathered around the box of Christ mas dinner, and it would require a whole newspaper to report the expressions of kindness spoken for Mrs. Clampitt.

His Stomach Troubles Over

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach partner, troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Parker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says: I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over.' Sold by all dealers.

BUYS INTEREST IN CITY BARBER SHOP

Ballinger gains a new family with the coming of R. E. Lane with his family from McGregor. Mr. Lane arrived last week, and is now located in the First Presby terian Manse.

Mr. Lane has closed a deal with H. O. Rhodes for one-half interest in the City Barber Shop, and will become an active member of the shop. He also has with him his son who will hold down a chair in the shop. The young man has been here for some time and has been with the City Barber Shop through the rush.

We welcome Mr. Land and his family to Ballinger.

Joe Ostertag, who spent Christ mas at home, left Monday at noon

ON JANUARY 10th CLOSING SESSION OF THE INTSTITUTE

After the morning exercises, than an hour on various educa-The association will also have tional problems which are before from now," said the speaker. "a school man will not permit his Mr. McWilliams at first Notice of Stockholders Meeting. name to go before the people on thought his horse had walked off The annual meeting of the Stock account of the political machinery and had either gone home or was holders of the Ballinger State connected there with. Speaking made and continued throughout Texas, will meet at the Banking solidation of rural schools and the House of said Bank in Ballinger, establishment of rural high It looks very much like the Texas, on Tuesday, January 12th, schools. He showed the superiorwork of another horse thief, and 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the ity of this system as compared

Following the State Departand any other business that might ment's representative, came Dr. Musselman, who heartily indorsed all the former speaker had advo-

Then came the report of the committee on Educational Rallies of which John J. Bugg was chairman. The committee submitted a plan to cause a general education al awakening in the county. The report of the committee was unanimously adopted. Next came the report of the committee on Rural yourself and with the world? Do High Schools of which H. G. Se crest was chairman. The plan was submitted and adopted to begin sleeping well. Yet something is the establishment of Rural High spells indicate a sluggish liver. Chas. Plachy was chairman. The The tried remedy is Dr. King's resolutions as passed by the institute will be published in detail.

At 12:30 o'clock the teachers ad journed to depart for their respective places of abode, each feel ing that he had attended one of the most successful institutes in

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

Meeting of the shareholders of the Farmers & Merchants State worth while when a messenger Bank for the purpose of electing arrived at the store on Christmas Directors for the ensuing year Eve with a box laden with good and the transaction of such other found the horse wet with sweat the call for attendance at the sobusiness as may be brought before it, will be held at its banking fering the horse died about sun-

> Respectively, J. F. CURRIE, Vice-President.

Knowing that the busy clerks NEW TIN SHOP NOW

ment in the old Wooden building you want fine stock, none better. OEMAND FOR FEED H. A. CADY. 17-2td 2tw Eight and Ninth Streets. The concern is now doing business.

How To Give Quinine To Children. FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2 ounce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

RIDES HORSE TO DEATH.

Exact Copy of Wrapper.

900 Drops

ALCOHOL-3 PER CENT.

AVegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

INFANTS & CHILDREN

Promotes Digestion.Cheerful

ness and Rest.Contains neither

Opium Morphine nor Mineral

NOT NARCOTIC.

Plumkin Seed Alx. Seana +
Hochelle Salls Ausse Seed +
Propermint Di Carbonule Soda +

Recipe of Old DeSAMUELPITCHER

Aperfect Remedy for Consfip

ion, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea

Worms, Convulsions, Feverish

ness and Loss of SLEEP.

Pac Simile, Signature of

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK.

t6 months old

5 Doses -35 Cents

Guaranteed under the Food

Sunday night some miserable and beaten up. After intense suf cial function. rise. We hope that the guilty ones most severe punishment meted out to them .- Winters Enter-

ers for Sale.

I have received my new stock Under the management of Cecil of roosters for this year, and will Glenn, an expert tinner, Carlos sell two fine yearling roosters, Dunn and Mr. Glenn have opened price \$2.50 each; six fine cockerels an up-to-date tinning establish- at \$1.00 to \$150. Come at once if

C. H. Whitaker, the Bronte Both the young men are Ballinger cotton buyer, was exhibiting in Men's Business League receives boys and are well known in this Miles last Thursday an open boll almost daily inquiries from differ vicinity. Mr. Glenn is an expert of cotton, well matured, that was event parts of the State in regard tinner, being thoroughly familiar marked when it bloomed on the to supply and prices of different with his business. Mr. Dunn for 27th day of September 1914. It farm products. If farmers having the time being will not work in may be an exception to the general! the house, the entire establishment rule but shows how late a cotton soudan grass seed or other farm being under the charge of his bloom may mature in our section with favorable conditions.

> wanted at Central Hotel. prices paid.

I. O. Wooden wants your hides.

BOX SUPPER SUCCESSFUL.

Thirty Years

The Kind You Have

Always Bought

Bears the

Signature

As a result of a box supper givbeast in human form, rode one of en at the South Ballinger ward T. W. Murray's best horses to school Wednesday afternoon, fifdeath. The horse was taken from teen dollars and ten cents was real the lot on the farm south of town ized from the sales. The money and Mr. Dorsett who lives on the will be expended by Mr. T. D. farm thinks that it was about one Mullins who has charge of the o'clock as he heard the horse school, in the purchase of material neigh about that time. Then for the small children attending again at five o'clock they were the classes. Mr. Mullins today exawakened by the neighing and pressed his sincere thanks for the groaning of the horse. Mr. Dormanner in which the public gensett went out to the lot and erally of the ward responded to

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 Barred Rock Cockerels and Roost wood, or gathering pecans, etc. prosecuted as the law directs.

GODFREY MASSEY, Concho county, Tex.

AND SEED

Secretary Boler of the Young milo maize, feterita, seed wheat, products will quote prices to Mr. Boler he will endeavor to find a profitable market-there is no Chickens, eggs, and produce fees, no commission charged for-Top this service.

> The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXA-TIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. 25c.

War or No War

We are still in a position to make you farm loans and take up and extend your vendors lien notes in the future just as we have heretofore done in the past.

No informal red tape proceedings. When you get your loans through us, we handle them right off the reel.

For further particulars call on, phone or write

Ballinger, Texas.

The First National Bank of Ballinger

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM CAPITAL \$200,000.00

1886

Ballinger, Texas,

1915

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

Another year is about to pass and, looking back at what we have accomplished, it behooves us to express our appreciation to those whose courtesies and patronage aided us in our progress.

We desire to give to each and everyone of you a slight token of our appreciation of the many favors rendered us and we know of nothing more acceptable than a neat serviceable 1915 CALENDAR for your home. And until our supply is exhausted they are yours for the asking, whether you do your banking with us or not.

The plan under which we distributed our Calendars last year was very satisfactory and so many of our friends and customers expressed their appreciation? that we have concluded to distribute our 1915 CALENDARS in the same manner. We will ask that each and everyone receiving a calendar sign their name in a register which will be arranged for this purpose. Children must have a written order from parent or guardian. Calendar cannot be mailed.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 1915 will be our CALENDAR DAY and we will continue to distribute them until the supply is exhausted.

We appreciate in the highest degree the generous and loyal friends and customers who, we are certain, have found the Strength, the Security and the Service of this Bank fully equal to every expectation and requirement. We feel a deep interest in this community and desire in all ways open to us to promote its welfare and we want you to feel that this interest is lasting the year round and making for pleasant business relations at all times.

It is the sincere desire of our Officers and Directors that your New Year be a Happy and Prosperous one.

Yours very truly,

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

\$30 CASH FOR LAND.

W. W. Poe was in from his farm in the northwest part of the eration of \$30 per acre cash. Mr. Poe is ne of the successful farmers of this county and he is not afraid to invest his surplus cash in Runnel County land.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days Your druggist will refund money if PAZO terms of the policy the children nature to do her healing work. Ointment fails to cure any case of Itching. Bind, Bleeding or Protruding Plles in 6to 14 days.

The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c. be entitled to share in it and the the today.

TWO SETS OF CHILDREN

Mrs. Cicero Smith, widow of the gram. county Monday. Mr. Poe was wealthy Fort Worth lumberman here to close up a land deal in who died here several months ago which he bought 136 acres of land filed suit in the district court Sat tual Life Insurance Company to which need immediate attention. collect upon a policy for \$5,000 on The after-effects are often most her husband's life.

matter has been taken into court JONES WEBB BUYS CLAIM INSURANCE MONEY to obtain an adjudication of that question.-Fort Worth Star-Tele-

They Often Result Seriously

Colds, Croup and Whooping serious. Don't take the risk-you Mrs. Smith claims that the pro- don't have to. Dr. King's New ceeds of the policy should be paid Discovery checks the Cold, soothto her and her children, while the es the Cough, allays the inflamcompany contends that under the mation, kills the germs and allows

1000 STEERS.

Jones Webb, one of the pioneer stockmen of the Maverick country, purchased 1000 steers from Jim Dougherty, of Culberson 15 miles northwest of Ballinger urday against the Security Mu-Cough are children's 'ailments steers were placed on grass near Fort Stockton. This deal was made several days ago, but did not reach the reporter until this

Cough Medicine for Children.

Never give a child a cough medicine that contains opium in other and more serious diseases may follow. Long experience has demonstrated that there is no bet ter or safer medicine for coughs, colds, and croup in children than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It contains no opium or other harmful drug. For sale by all dealers.

POSITION WANTED by exhad 20 years experience on ir-2, Ballinger, Texas.

Sudan Seed

and some of the seed houses as South Ballinger Addition to the among the very best in the state. Nearly 100 percent cream-hul

Free from Johnson Grass or

weed seed.

per pound. I have what you want, at home. at from 50c to 35c per pound.

Every farmer should plant Sudan for pasturage and hay. But—Be sure it is pure. W. W. FOWLER, M. D.

SAN ANGELO PIONEER MRS. J. W. NORMAN LIQUOR DEALER DEAD

nia, the day after Christmas. | morning.

to the Arc Light, and sticking prolonged. close to his business he built up one of the most prosperous whole moved from Ballinger to Fort close to his business he built up sale and retail liquor houses to Worth, is a daughter of Mrs. be found anywhere.

cold more than a year ago, and Norman of Dallas; Curtis Norman the trouble developed into tuber- of Paint Rock, and two or three culosis of the throat and he lost other children, together with the his good health, and was in Cal- father and husband survive to iofrnia at the time of his death suffer the loss of a good wife and with the hopes of finding some mother.

San Angelo on account of his lib will be interred in the Paint Rock erality in charity work and his cemetery Thursday afternoon at willingness in boosting everything three o'clock. for the commercial betterment of . The many friends of the famthe city in which he lived. While ily in Ballinger and throughout on his sick bed in California he this section of the country, will recently wrote to the charity be grieved to learn of the death board at San Angelo authorizing of one of Paint Rock's most prom them to buy a bale of cotton on inent and pioneer ladies. the buy-a-bale plan and appropriate the proceeds of same to the charity fund.

The remains are en route to that place sometime this week.

Citation.

each week for eight successive back if not satisfied, but it does weeks previous to the return day give almost instant relief. hereof, in some enwspaper publish ed in your county, if there be a lawfully entered upon said premin said Judicial District, then in dollars.
a newspaper published in the near (2nd.) Plaintiff further says est District to said 35th Judicial that he has a good and per Ophelia Linn, deceased; the un- period of five years. known heirs of Lottie Barron, defendants, and said petition as fol-

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Runnels... In District Court march term A.

D. 1914.

of said court: Now comes M. Barbee, who resides in Runnels County. Texas, this suit and for the period of ten residence is to plaintiff unknown. claim thereto by the defendants. the unknown heirs of M. A. Silknown heirs of Lottie Barron, de- by law to answer hereto at next and claiming the same in fee sim- titled to. ple. to-wit: Being all of block Proclaimed by A. & M. College Number Twenty-one (21) in the try title as for damages. Willingham avenue and Seventh you have executed the same. St.: thence north 30, east with Wil 60 W, with Sixth Street to its in- ber A. D. 1914. tersection with South Ballinger Ave.; thence S 30 W, with South

DIED WEDNESDAY

Tom McCloskey, proprietor of A telephone message from Paint the Arc Light Saloon at San An- Rock at moon Wednesday brought gelo, one of the best known sa- the sad news of the death of Mrs. loons in Western Texas, died in a J. W. Norman. Death occurred sanitarium at Monrovia, Califor- at Paint Rock 11:30 Wednesday

Mr. McCloskey has lived in San | Mrs. Norman had been in poor, Angelo for many years, and is health for some time. She under well known throughout Western went an operation at the Halley Texas and Central Texas. He & Love sanitarium several months moved to San Angelo from Dallago, and it was thought before las in the early days, and purthe operation was performed that chased what was known at that her life could not be saved, but time the Corner Saloon. He she recovered sufficiently to return changed the name of the saloon to her home, and her life was

Norman. Mrs. Voss, of Miles; Deceased contracted a severe Mrs. Waide, of Paint Rock, John

thing that would prolong his life. Arrangements have been made Mr. McCloskey was popular in for the funeral and the remains

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You are hereby commanded to You are hereby commanded to summon B. F. Silman, the unknown hears of M. A. Silman deceased, the unknown heirs of Ophelia Linn, deceased; the unknown heirs of Cophelia Linn, deceased; the unknown heirs of Lottic Payron deceased. known heirs of Lottie Barron, de any druggist and have it in the ceased and the unknown heirs of house—against colds, sore and B. F. Silman, deceased; by making publication of this citation once in and like ailments. Your money

newspaper published therein, but ses and ejected plaintiff thereif not, then in any newspaper in from, and unlawfully withholds the 35th Judicial District; but if the possession there there be no newspaper published of, to his damage two thousand

District, to appear at the regular title to said land and premises by term of the District Court of Run virtue of the five years statute of nels Couny, to be holden at the limitation, in this, that he and court house thereof, in Ballinger, those under whom he claims and on the 2nd Monday in March A. holds, has had peaceful and ad-D. 1915, the same being the 8th verse possession by actual enclosday of March A. D., 1915 then and ure of the lands hereinafter descrithere to answer a petition filed in bed, cultivating, using and enjoysaid Court on the 21st day of Dec- ing the same for the period of ten ember A. D., 1914, in a suit num- taxes due thereon for a period of bered on the docket of said court more than five years before the No. 1665, wherein M. Barbee is commencement of this suit and be plaintiff, and B. F. Silman, the fore the entry of defendants there unknown heirs of M. A. Silman, on, and claiming the same under deceased: the unknown heirs of deeds duly registered during said

(3rd.) Plaintiff further says ceased and the unknown heirs of that he has a good and perfect B. F. Silman, deceased are de- title to said land and premises by virtue of the ten years statute of limitation, in this, that he and those under he claims and holds, has had peaceful and adverse possession by an actual enclosure of the lands heerinafter described, any form. When opium is given To Hon. John W. Goodwin, judge cultivating, useing and enjoying the same for the period of ten years before the commencement of hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of B. F. Silman, whose ants thereon or assertion of any

Wherefore plaintiff prays that man, deceased; the unknown heirs defendants and each of them be of Ophelia Linn, deceased; the un- cited by publication as required ceased: and the unknown heirs of regular term of this court ,and perienced irrigation man. Have B. F. Silman, deceased here inaf- that on final hearing plaintiff ter styled defents: For cause of have judgment for the title and rigated farms. A. F. SCOTT. R. action plaintiff, represents to the possession of said above described court that on or about December land and premises and that writ 18th, 1914, he was lawfully seized of restitution issue, for his damand possessed of the following des ages and costs of suit, and for cribed tracts of land situated in such other and further relief as Runnels county. Texas. holding he may be in law and equity en-

This action is brought as well to

Herein fail not, but have betown of Ballinger, and described fore said court, at its aforesaid by metes and bounds-as follows: next regular term, this writ with Reginning at the intersection of your return thereon, showing how

Given under my hand and the Many planters and seed houses lingham avenue, to its intersec- seal of sale court, at office in Balare advertising this seed at \$1.00 tion with Sixth street: thence N. linger this the 21st day of Decera-

MARY PHILIPS, Clerk District Court, Runnels County Ballinger Avenue to its intersec- By Louise Orgain, Deputy. tion with seventh street; thence S. A true Copy of the original. 60 E, with 7th street to place of J. D. PERKINS, Sheriff of Runbeginning: That on the day and nels County, Texas year last aforesaid defendants un- Dec. 25-8tw.

We Wish You a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.



he Walker Drug Co.

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This extention is achieved, this growth toward higher things is attained by, our habitual attitude of mind.

It developes by truth and love and goodness; it is stunted by every envious thought, every unjust or unkind act.'

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